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## MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday 01 February 2021 at Nimbin Law

Meeting commenced 1730hrs

Acknowledgment of Country

1. **MINUTE TAKER:** David Spain
2. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:** Diana Roberts [President], Teresa Biscoe [Vice President], Peter Hughes [Treasurer], David Spain [Secretary], Stephanie Seckold, Kylie Cain, Samantha Allen, Caroline Todd **Apologies:** --- **Absent:** ---

3. **CHAIRPERSON:** Diana Roberts

4. **NON-CONTENTIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS / CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:**

Biskit advised that May 2023 is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Aquarius festival and the founding of various communities.

5. **MINUTES OF LAST COMMITTEE MEETING :**

The chairperson traversed the draft minutes of last committee meeting. Some minor amendments required to items 12 & 14.

Diana / Kylie	That the draft minutes of 07-12-2020, as amended, be accepted	Carried
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6. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM LAST COMMITTEE MINUTES:**

**Rubbish Bin Collection:** After each market day, Stephanie is checking placement of bins and has emailed Darren advising him this is being done.

**Visitors Survey:** Results have been emailed out and are written up in Chamber Chat. We did not subscribe to Survey Monkey as it is a regular annual fee and too expensive.

**Insurance:** Three types are available -- public liability, professional liability [for advice, including misleading website] and volunteer accident. We probably don't need volunteer accident. Secretary to get quote for other two types.

**Water Bubbler:** Caroline tabled a quote (at \$12,000 each) for the device, but water connection is extra. Rainbow Road walking track funds will cover two bubblers, one at each end. Each needs a new filter (cost about \$200) every 6 months.

**Stencilling:** This is being done in Queensland but Caroline didn't proceed due to bad knee, rain and absence of Covid. Biskit volunteered to do it tomorrow and take photos so as to acquit the LCC grant.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE:** Correspondence

<b>From / To</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Response / Action</b>
Tina Irish, LCC	Request for photos of Covid stencilling	Biko to do
Kevin Hogan MP	Community Contact details	Sent
IP Australia	Chaseup on Proposed “Made in Nimbin” TM	Do not proceed
Sourdough	Business Mentoring	Nil
Go Local First	COSBOA Initiaive	Nil
ABC Religion & Ethics	Enquiry about TV	Diana to reply

**8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:** See minute items.

**9. TREASURER’S REPORT** (Tabled, Accepted).

Nimbin Hall has repaid us \$2000 for our contribution to their mural.

Peter / Kylie	That the Financial Statement be accepted	Carried
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Peter / Kylie	That the committee believes it can pay its debts as they fall due.	Carried
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Is an advertisement at \$60pm a productive payment to NGT? We already have Chamber Chat and the original purpose of the advert was to support NGT (which they don’t now need, and why should we support one business rather than another?). Resolved to cease placement of ads at NGT.

Diana / Biskit	That we cease placement of advertisements with NGT save as needed [Biskit to advise them]	Carried
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**10. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS:** Nil

**11. 11A ALTERNATIVE WAY**

NCCI has contracted to buy this strip of land, up the eastern creek starting at Bowlo, with settlement late February. Most of the money is coming from NCCI, but RPC is contributing \$135,000 on condition that it gets a boundary adjustment (as currently pegged). RPC has engaged a planner & surveyor . NCOC is contributing \$20k, Hemp Embassy \$30k and Jungle Patrol \$30k rest. Also, four businesses (or private citizens) have contributed towards this land acquisition.

11A potentially links into the LCC Right of Way (across Headers fields) going through to Cecil Street. Headers now have plans to sell the existing tennis courts (donated to them on windup of Tennis Club) and with the funds develop tennis courts between the ROW and the sporting field but impinging on the adjacent lot and ignoring set-back requirements; these plans need revision.

David / Biko	That given the history of the existing tennis courts, they should be considered to have status of community land and, whilst the use may be repurposed, the land itself should not be privatized.	Carried unanimously
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**12. RAINBOW ROAD:** The extensive & complex Grant Application has been lodged. Planning to construct elevated footpaths thru wetlands increased the cost from \$1.7m to \$2.4m. Thanks to Diana for all the years of detailed effort put into this project

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13. **STEPHANIE'S MAP** Is laid out to scale and reflects the existing building profiles as appearing on Google Street View, with help from software, so it is illustrative of a funky historical village. The map could be used as a brochure or printed on paper bags. The street numbering (a bit wrong on draft) but helps link specific buildings to the key. A north indicator is needed. and maybe symbols showing building usage.
14. **VIC** : VICs do not make money and are usually subsidized by local councils or business interests. To get VIC funding from LCC in this budget we must lobby in detail by March, certainly by April. Diana is working on ta new Nimbin VIC being at Bush Factory, this being the only feasible place (given parking, toilet & funding requirements). It is an attractive venue, with creek & gardens and business operators there will staff it, covering the major expense. The only alternative venue, 7 Sibley Street, cannot be upgraded without major funding, and even then there would be no parking. Arguably, there is a downside in that a Bush Theatre VIC draws commerce away from the historic village centre, but there are too many visitors in main street with nowhere to go and no knowledge of how to access real local experience.

Biko Sammi	That NCOC supports development of a self-managed VIC at Bush factory, as being the only viable location and as being best for the overall community	Carried unanimously
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15. **LCC ELECTIONS;** Meeting in Hall on Saturday 27 February to identify candidates and plan an election strategy. Good candidates should attend the meeting.
- 16 **ROOTS FESTIVAL:** Going ahead in September as if there is no corona complication.

**End:** 1910 hrs

**Next Meeting:** Monday 01-03-2021

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