

**Draft minutes of Oaks Estate Progress Association committee meeting held in the
Community Hall, 8.00pm, 9 November 2010.**

Present: Peter O'Dea (Chair), Michel Starling, Bernadette Fitzgerald, Ewan Maidment.

Draft minutes of the last meeting of the OEPA committee were amended and it was agreed that they be sent to committee members by email. Ewan agreed to take minutes while the Secretary is unavailable.

PO Box and email address. Peter said that he would sort out an OEPA PO Box. He would contact the Treasurer and Secretary re cost of the PO Box and reimbursement of costs for the sausage sizzle at the community consultation in August. Michel said that he would organize an email address for the OEPA.

Report-back on outcomes of the community meeting on 29 August.

- Bernadette and Michel suggested adding a note to the poster asking residents to write individually to the Chief Minister re community concerns. Peter will distribute a poster and/or leaflet once we have the PO Box and email address.
- Michel suggested that it would be useful to distribute a contact list to the community giving contact details for the Chief Minister, TAMS, ACT Roads, ACT Housing, ACTPLA, etc.
- Townhouses on old Mobil site. Ewan asked whether there was a development application for the townhouses – there is nothing on the ACTPLA website. Michel said that there may have been a DA some time ago. He said that the impediment to the development was a sewerage upgrade. Peter added that traffic management on Railway Street is another serious problem especially as the road would be difficult to widen. Michel confirmed that the developer is trying to buy three adjoining blocks which would allow more units to be built.
- Upgrade of Gillespie Park. Peter stated that at the community meeting the majority of people had wanted the \$100,000 mainly spent on upgrade of the Park. Michel noted that the \$100,000 should be spent on works, not consultancy fees.
- Ewan said that it was a great pity that the village green plan recommended by the Oaks Estate Planning Study (2001) had been buried. It would be good to refer to this in the letter to John Stanhope to find out the current status of the plan.
- 9 Hazel Street. There has been no progress on maintenance of Robertson's House despite \$165,000 having been allocated.
- Michel agreed to draft a letter to Stanhope by 14 November reporting on the outcomes of the OEPA community consultation.

Eastern Broadacres Discussion Paper. Ewan will draft an OEPA response by 14 November using points made by Karen Williams and giving OEPA endorsement to her response to the Discussion Paper.

Other business. Peter reported that the giant pine tree at the end of George Street is being cut down.

The meeting closed at 9.00pm.