

**MARYSVILLE AND TRIANGLE COMMUNITY RECOVERY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING – 23 JUNE 2010  
MARYTON PARK, MARYSVILLE**

**1. Attendance:**

**Community Recovery Committee**

Tony Thompson (Chair)	Steve Coker (Treasurer)	Keith Ray
Graeme Brown	Clive Clayton	Marianne Menz
Jenny Pullen	Rita Seethaler	

**Murrindindi Shire Council**

Sandra Slatter	Mike Wasley	Howard Paix
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**VBRRA**

Megan Lancaster

**DHS**

Robert Hall

**Admin.**

Robyn Hill

**Guests**

Bruce Bayley (VBRRA)	David Henderson (VBRRA)
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**2. Apologies:**

Richard Rogerson (Secretary)	Bruce Ackerman (CRC)	Cr. Kevin Bellingham
Dianne Lisle (CRC)	Glen McFadzean (CRC)	Ray Siegersma (DHS)
Peter Gill (CRC)		

**3. Declaration of pecuniary interest**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

**4. Minutes of the previous meeting**

The minutes of the meeting held on 9 June require amendments to the attendee section. Subject to those changes, the minutes were accepted by the Committee. The motion to accept the minutes was moved by Steve Coker; Marianne Menz seconded the motion, all in favour.

**5. Action item summary – 9 June 2010**

	<b>Action item</b>	<b>Action by:</b>
1	Robert Hall will collect testimonials of positive experiences people have had with the different services to assist in the personal recovery process.	Robert Hall reported that he is struggling to get responses, and will continue to try to collect

		stories.
2	Tony Thompson to talk to Alexandra Hospital representatives about the option of continued gym facilities to be located in Buxton	Tony Thompson will follow up.
3	Tony Thompson will follow up on Megan Lancaster's previous action point - Megan Lancaster will contact Markus Terjung at VBRRRA for an update on the Murchison Street lighting.	Megan Lancaster spoke to Markus Terjung. The lighting for Marysville Walk is included in the Murchison Street project. Bovis Lend Lease is currently scoping the project. Megan Lancaster will ask Markus Terjung to provide an update to Geoff Pope.
4	Mike Wasley will contact Lake Mountain Ski Patrol (Sue Parry) to obtain more information about the costs of the items requested by the ski patrol.	Mike Wasley has spoken to Sue Parry. Sue Parry will send through information about the costs.
5	Megan Lancaster will find out the final cost of the proposed upgrade to the Buxton Hall, and also the date of the VBAF meeting at which it will be presented for approval.	Megan Lancaster advised that VBAF did not meet in June as planned; the next meeting will be 15 July. Megan Lancaster to advise Clive Clayton.
6	Megan Lancaster will seek clarification about who would cover the cost of moving the VIC to the RAC at the appropriate time.	Megan Lancaster will arrange a meeting with representatives of MMT to discuss the relocation of the VIC to the RAC.
7	Graeme Brown will find out more information about the proposed website to be run by the Chamber of Commerce for small business and trades.	Refer to agenda item 7.
8	Megan Lancaster to investigate whether there would be solar panels on the RAC.	At this stage there is no funding for solar panels on the RAC. The focus is on getting the RAC open, solar panels can be pursued after the opening as a retrofit.
9	Tony Thompson will circulate the email sent by Julia Peddie about storage facilities for art equipment	Tony Thompson will check the email.
10	Tony Thompson to prepare letters of acceptance of resignation and also expressing gratitude to former committee members for their roles on the committee.	Completed.
11	Megan Lancaster will find out more information about maintenance on the Elm trees in Murchison Street.	Megan Lancaster and Mike Wasley advised that Mark Leitinger from the Council has followed up the matter with a consultant arborist.
12	The car park at Marysville Central is owned by DTF, it is not a Council	See discussion below.

	issue. Sandra Slatter will raise the issue at the next management advisory committee and the Committee requested that it be dealt with as a matter of urgency.	
13	Robyn Hill to find out if a form is available so that CRC members can submit applications for events and projects.	See discussion below.
14	Tony Thompson will follow up on opportunities for the ELG, the Chamber of Commerce and MMT to work together.	Tony Thompson advised that the ELG met today. MMT representatives were there and are happy to work with ELG. The ELG has invited the Chamber of Commerce to be a part of the ELG. The Committee considered that a workshop designed to bring the groups together could be effective.
15	Glen McFadzean to provide more information about Youth Committee proposed events and budget requirements.	Glen McFadzean was not at the meeting. The Committee discussed the requirement that projects need to show how kids will be involved in projects. <b>Action:</b> Mike Wasley will talk to Stuart Collier about connecting with kids programs.
16	Tony Thompson will confirm the location of the seven information plaques that have been funded by MLC.	See discussion below.
17	Tony Thompson to get more information or sample copies about the information plaques that have already been designed	See discussion below.
18	Keith Ray will obtain a quote for a new repeater at Mt Gordon from Peter Weeks.	Keith Ray advised that he has received a quote from Peter Weeks for \$7828.19. This now will need to be forwarded to Council with other projects.
19	Keith Ray will discuss the need for hard wired smoke detectors in the new school building with the School Council.	Keith Ray advised that the School will look after this issue.

#### **Action item 12 - Car park at Marysville Central**

The car park at Marysville Central is owned by DTF, it is not a Council issue. Larry Kelly's advice about taking chains down was rejected at the most recent Marysville Central meeting. Sandra Slatter recalled that Kerry O'Neill's plan showed a pedestrian walk, perhaps a fenced walkway across Reddrops land would assist. Bob Elkington has spoken to Reddrops and has offered the Shire Engineer's assistance if required. Two car parks may need to be sacrificed to resolve the issue. Keith Ray expressed his concern about the safety of pedestrians, again, and asked Megan Lancaster to discuss the matter with Paul Thorn

at VBARRA. There seems to be an issue between VBARRA and DTF that is holding up the resolution of the problem. The Committee re-iterated its concern and requested that it be resolved immediately.

**Action:** Megan Lancaster to talk to Paul Thorn about the issue of pedestrian safety at Marysville Central.

**Action:** Tony Thompson to raise the issue of pedestrian safety at Marysville Central at the next PCG meeting.

**Action:** CRC to write a letter to Department of Finance and Treasury, VBARRA and Jeffrey Mills expressing concern about the lack of resolution on the issue of pedestrian safety at Marysville Central.

### **Action item 13 – Funding for events and projects**

Tony Thompson raised the issue at the Section 86 Committee meeting and was told to send information through to Jane Archbold. Tony was advised that the money is held by DPCD not Council as originally understood. Megan Lancaster clarified that the events money is money provided by VBAF and is different to the DPCD funding.

**Action:** Robyn Hill to revise the Summer Events forms for the current events program.

### **Action item 16 – Historical information plaques**

The quotes from Sue Hodges productions have been circulated to the Committee. The price is not negotiable but the actual number of signs funded can vary. Without the sculpture as a starting point for the trail, the indigenous early history sign could be a replacement starting point. The Committee expressed their confidence in the process to date, particularly around the community consultation that has occurred and considered providing funding for 2 – 3 signs. The cost of \$700 for installation of each sign seemed high.

The Committee discussed which signs it would like to fund and concluded that it would like to fund (1) the timber sign, as it was an important part of the Triangle's history, it should not be located at one of the mill sites but where people can get to it easily and (2) indigenous early history as the starting point of the trail. It was recognised that this sign is more expensive than the other signs. Clive Clayton moved a motion to support the funding of the indigenous early history sign and the timber sign through the DPCD funding available, Keith Ray seconded the motion, all in favour.

## **6. Guest – Bruce Bayley, VBARRA**

Bruce Bayley passed on Bob Elkington's apologies for not being able to attend the meeting. Bruce Bayley's discussion focussed on two main areas – who are the Economic Leadership Group and what are their objectives.

See Appendix 1 "ELG Update to Marysville and Triangle CRC"

David Henderson advised that Tender Writing Workshops have been successfully held across the Shire.

The issue of staff shortages was also discussed, and there is a need to engage with people who haven't been in the workplace for a while, particularly women with children. Training solutions are also being considered.

The \$600,000 that was allocated for tourism funding across the Mitchell and Murrindindi Shires has been spent. Expenditure included the longest lunch, the granite grind, new photography and a PR campaign.

Promoting the Marysville and Triangle area needs to go beyond the winter/snow program. The ELG would like government to support funding for a marketing event person.

There is a focus on developing skills. Graeme Brown commented that it would be good to offer training modules as part of a nationally accredited program that people could build upon.

Sandra Slatter advised that a team of experts from the ANZ Bank is looking at developing a broader economic strategy for the Murrindindi Shire Council.

## 7. Review of Community Recovery Plan project priorities

The Committee discussed the "CRC Community projects for Funding as discussed at CRC meeting 9 June 2010" spreadsheet presented by Steve Coker.

1. Community Website - \$10,000 approved on 1 June
2. Information plaques – see discussion above, two signs approved
3. Ski patrol – waiting for more information
4. CB Repeater at Mt Gordon – approved by CRC on 9 June
5. Triangle Roadside Flowers project – hopefully to be reviewed by People and Parks Foundation
6. Saddle Tramps club room – Tony Thompson is meeting with North Balwyn Rotary and hopes that they might offer to fund this
7. Marketing and Promotion Mgr – refer to Bruce Bayley
8. Buxton Hall – will be presented to the next VBAF meeting on 15 July
9. Emergency Services weather station web site management (\$3000) – approved 1 June
10. Plant Aid (\$5000) – approved 1 June
11. Cenotaph – approved up to \$20,000 at 1 June meeting. Keith Ray is obtaining quotes for the works. Marianne Menz suggested that a grant may be available through Veterans Affairs.  
**Action:** Megan Lancaster will see further information about the possibility of funding repairs to the Cenotaph through the Department of Veterans Affairs.
12. Marysville Golf Club bushfire damage recovery – issues have been resolved and it has been separately funded.
13. Buxton gymnasium – Tony Thompson is following up with Alexandra Hospital
14. Community bus – resolved
15. Triangle Arts Group – storage
16. Marysville primary school smoke detectors – school will take care of it
17. Marysville tennis courts – Jenny Holliday (PPF) contacted Jenny Pullen and requested a list of equipment which may be required, which Jenny P. subsequently provided. Michelle Fleming from the Department of Sport and Recreation suggested that she may be able to help with a grant allocation. The CRC support this proposal.
18. Community Halls, smoke detectors – there is no legal requirement to fit smoke detectors in community halls as people do not sleep there on a regular basis. Clive Clayton suggested that the CRC offer a donation to each of the halls in the Triangle for fire safety, including a fire blanket, extinguisher and smoke detector.  
**Action:** Clive Clayton will price a fire safety package for each of the halls in the Triangle area, to include a fire blanket, extinguisher and smoke detector/s.
19. Chamber of Commerce web site – this is a work in progress. The Chamber of Commerce would like to have a website which is open for all local businesses. The Committee discussed the issue of proliferation of web sites. The Chamber of Commerce would like to form their own identity.  
**Action:** Tony Thompson will talk to representatives of the Chamber of Commerce about their web site requirements.
20. Solar panels at the RAC – see action item summary.
21. Marketing initiatives for groups to work together on – Tony Thompson advised that this relates to the promotion of the Triangle area. In winter Lake Mountain promote the snow season but the other seasons are not well promoted. Tony Thompson spoke to Paul Albone about a radio marketing program.  
**Action:** Graeme Brown to further investigate a marketing program on the radio stations for seasons other than winter.

Rita Seethaler noted that the Murrindindi Climate Network are looking for funding for a project about the green tick or green code of conduct, looking at ways of promoting sustainable development and businesses. Some funding has already been provided from an EPA infringement in Yea.

Pending items:

1. Buxton TV/Communications – Clive Clayton advised that analogue TV will be turned off and when that happens there will be no TV at all. Satellite coverage may be an option. Otherwise we will need about \$150,000 to convert existing equipment to digital.
2. Marysville Village Walk Lighting – see action item summary.

## **8. Business Arising**

There was no business arising.

## **9. Other Business**

### **9.1 Events program**

Marysville Marathon – Megan Lancaster advised that the Department of Sport and Recreation are talking to the organisers of the Marysville Marathon for funding possibilities. Rita Seethaler advised that the Marysville Marathon cost approximately \$80,000 to run last year. Around 3,000 participants ran in the event and many support/family members also attended. Rita Seethaler has reviewed information from last year's event and has determined that the sporting part of the marathon can be separated from the entertainment part. Rita has put together a proposal for the consideration of funding expenses such as the stage, child care options, marquee for children's activities, medical station etc. Tony Thompson queried whether it will be an ongoing event and acknowledged that it did bring a lot of people in to Marysville. Rita Seethaler agreed that it would need to aim to be self sustainable, but the Great Ocean Rd marathon took several years to reach that stage.

**Action:** Robyn Hill to circulate the proposal prepared by Rita Seethaler in support of the Marysville Marathon.

Lake Mountain: Christmas in July – An event is planned to be held at Crossways Inn on 28 July. It will include a 3 course meal and a swing jazz band. The organisers are seeking \$1,000 to cover the cost of the band. Graeme Brown moved a motion to support the proposal for \$1000 to cover the cost of the band in principle; Keith Ray seconded the motion, all in favour. A form will need to be completed.

Scrapbooking activities at Buxton Hall – Clive Clayton mentioned that a group of people do scrap book activities at the Buxton Hall. It was initiated by a Melbourne person who wanted to do something to help after the fires; the sessions are run at no charge to participants. They are now looking at running some classes and opening it up to more people and Clive suggested some sort of assistance (such as a contribution for their supplies) would acknowledge the efforts they have put in. **Action:** Clive Clayton will find out more about the scrap book group who use the Buxton Hall and their future activities with a view of being able to offer some assistance in some way.

Football trip to Melbourne – Clive Clayton mentioned the football trip that was originally planned for last winter is being organised for this winter, but not many people are responding to requests for assistance. Megan Lancaster will ask Paul Thorn to talk to Clive Clayton about people who may be able to help.

### **9.2 Marysville Central Committee of Management – Report**

Refer to action item 12 about the Marysville Central car park.

Marysville Central has now been open for six months. A social event for the tenants is being planned.

### **9.3 Economic Leadership Group update**

Refer to item 6 for an update.

### **9.4 Treasurer's Report**

Bendigo Bank account balance at 21 June 2010: \$18,078.50

Summer Events – final invoices approved by CRC were paid on 11 June.

No further expenses.

Steve Coker moved a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, Graeme Brown seconded the motion, all in favour.

### **11. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to report.

### **12. General business**

12.1 Buxton and Narbethong hubs – Robert Hall advised that the Buxton and Narbethong hubs would consolidate to the RAC on 9 July.

12.2 Salvation Army – Robert Hall advised that the Salvation Army have a youth worker working in the area.

12.3 Vic Forrest – Robert Hall advised that Vic Forrest have employed a Community Liaison Manager for the area.

12.4 Megan Lancaster on leave – Megan Lancaster advised that she will be on leave for the most of July. Sally Craig may attend meetings in her absence.

12.5 MOCA – Steve Coker advised that the MOCA meeting has been postponed to 15 July.

### **13. Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be on **Wednesday 14 July at 5.30pm at Maryton Park.**

Glen McFadzean and Jenny Pullen both recorded apologies for the next meeting. Rita Seethaler recorded an apology for meetings in July and August as she will be away in Switzerland.

**Action item summary (23 June 2010)**

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