

## Stockton Community Group Inc Meeting Minutes

**Date:** 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024

**Venue:** Stockton Surf Club. Pitt St, Stockton

**Chair:** Alison Rigby & Lindy Nisbett

**Minutes:** Carolyn Bailey

### 1. Meeting Opened: by Alison Rigby at 7.35pm with Acknowledgement of Country

**Present:** Alison Rigby, Garry Cullinane, Jeanette Dib, Lloyd Davies, Willow Forsyth, Mike Hocking Gill, Alan Newbery, Lindy Nisbett, Keith Craig, Vic Turrin, Jo Bastian, Bill Snow

**Apologies:** Barbara Whitcher, Scott Brooks, Melanie Taggart, Ian Taggart, Carolyn Bailey, Ron Boyd

**2. Declaration of conflict of interest:** nil declared

### 3. Confirmation of previous minutes:

November minutes accepted by AN Seconded by: LN

### 4. Guest Speaker: Keith Craig

Desalination Plants: Processes & Managing Effects on the Environment

- Keith provided an overview on the development & implementation of Desalination Plants in NSW
- Treatment processes
- What are the possible effects of desalination on the environment & monitoring
- How effects can be managed
- Keith also provided an update on the EPA & the new Hunter Environmental Community Group.
- EPA website provides access to data 24 x7
- EPA relies on community input to raise concerns & issues

Group asked questions on:

- Volume of water produced
- Energy use
- By-products, filtration e.g. microplastics

### 5. Outstanding Actions

5.1 **SCG Inc Executive 2024 - AR** introduced the Executive for 2024

President: (co-president) Alison Rigby and Lindy Nisbett

Treasurer: Vacant Secretary: Vacant

Public Officer: Ian Taggart

Executive Group: Returning members: Keith Craig, Alan Newbery, Carolyn Bailey

New members: Vic Turin and Jo Bastian

5.2 **Mitchell St Seawall - AR** The first stage of the construction of a permanent buried protection structure is almost complete. The work area is being remediated. CoN will advise of further works projects.

### 6. Standing items

6.1 **Treasurers Report:** Lindy Nisbett updated the group on finances, current bank balance \$4,074.

See Appendix 1 for details.

Notes on YTD expenditure:

- Newsletter/campaign design & printing \$2,365 (funded by NCIG grant \$3,000)

- Website \$984, planning to use Canva Software to manage in-house.

**Working party updates**

6.2 Stockton Beach Group: NIL

6.3 Air Quality & Environment: held over to next meeting (Keith Craig)

6.4 Community/Crown Land (Carolyn Bailey)

**Suburb Improvement Update**

- Waiting further information on funding and timeframes for work to begin on Activity Hub toilet upgrade (24/25 FY)
- Have submitted supporting Customer Requests to NC re improving pedestrian safety along Mitchel Street, and improved shaded seating for people with disabilities and their carers.
- Have provided resources to community members to assist them to raise concerns with NC e.g protection of the cenotaph.

6.5 Stockton Community Liaison Group (SCLG) update NIL

**7. Correspondence – available upon request**

**8. General business/Business without notice**

- Bill Snow outlined the long standing issues residents at the Northern End of Stockton have with telecommunications access.
- Bill is collecting information from other residents to send to Federal member.

5. **Meeting closed:** 8:55 pm.

**Next Meeting:** Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May Stockton Surf Club @ 7:30 pm

**Appendix 1: Treasurer’s Report**

**March 2024 - Stockton Community Group Inc. Treasurer’s Report**

<b>1/7/23 Opening Balance</b>		<b>\$4,479.40</b>
<b>Income YTD</b>		<b>\$3,164.00</b>
Membership fees	\$ 164.00	
NCIG Grant	\$3,000.00	
<b>Expenses YTD</b>		<b>-\$3,569.03</b>
Incorporation Fees	\$ 54.24	
Printing	\$1,955.79	
Design	\$ 410.00	
Website	\$ 984.00	
Canva Software Fee	\$ 165.00	
<b>1/3/24 Cash Balance</b>		<b>\$4,074.37</b>