

## **BAWLEY POINT KIOLOA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION – SKATE PARK WORKING PARTY**

### **Minutes of Meeting 17 March 2021**

Michael Skwarko opened the meeting at 5.10pm.

**Attendance (as per the COVID attendance register):** Liza Butler, Michael Skwarko, Cec Skwarko, Terry Nicholls, Kathy Clifton, Lucian McDowell, Paula Mullins, Paul Mullins, Annie Haughey, Roger Lucas

**Apologies:** nil

**COVID:** Members present complied with COVID restrictions in the occupation of the hall and during the meeting.

#### **Minutes of the previous meeting adopted.**

The Chair invited Cec Skwarko to read a letter relating to the CA general meeting held on Sunday 28 February. Members of the working party understood the content of the letter. Cec tabled the letter.

Subsequent discussion resulted in the Chair accepting a motion from Terry Nicholls, a motion that was accepted by the working party by consensus:

***That the members of this working party have been charged with the responsibility to develop a case for the establishment of a skate park in Bawley Point Kioloa to be presented to the BPKCA executive and to a general meeting of the community association***

#### **Reports on Key Components of the Project:**

##### **SITING (Cec Skwarko)**

- It was noted that a small majority of members at the general meeting voted against the siting south of the childrens' playground at the Bawley Beach Reserve.
- It was also agreed that the working party needs to take a longer-term strategic approach to the siting of the project
- That includes a process which:
  - Identifies all potential sites within Bawley Point and Kioloa
  - Requires consideration of the positive and negative features of each site
  - An early assessment of the likelihood of the site being approved by the community and/or council
  - Development of a physical display of the above, and
  - Presentation to the executive of the community association and the community with the view of conducting a detailed discussion session with the community
  - Resulting in a vote to determine the most preferred site as judged by members of the community with an interest in the subject
- Liza suggested that we develop a generic design including features such as picnic tables, etc
- The working party began the process of identifying all potential sites by asking members to nominate sites. The result (not in priority order):

1. In the Mens Shed grounds
2. Adjacent to the Southern boundary of the Mens Shed
3. Land to the east of the Bawley Point RFS
4. Adjacent to the toilets in the Bawley Beach reserve
5. Private land – it was recognised that there could be other suitable private lands but the one identified was the land on the eastern side of Murramarang Road between Rosemary Avenue and Malibu Drive (the inclusion of private lands recognises that owners may not wish to participate)
6. Land to the west of the community hall and tennis courts
7. Land to the south of the Bawley Point boat ramp
8. The northern or southern end of the Kioloa playing field
9. The Kioloa basketball court
10. Watts Reserve

Once all potential sites have been identified the working party will begin the process of listing all the pros and cons of each site.

During this process the SCC will be accessed for advice/comment where appropriate. Cec undertook to undertake SCC liaison.

### **Temporary Site/Structure**

Lucian raised the issue of a temporary structure on a temporary site to give everyone a better understanding of the issues and give skaters the opportunity to skate at least at the basic level until a permanent structure becomes available.

The working party thought this was a good idea.

Again, Cec volunteered to liaise with the SCC on this possibility.

**DESIGN** (Rory Betts-McCrae, Lucian McDowell)

### **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION**

**COUNCIL LIAISON** (Mel Croan, Cec Skwarko)

**VISITS TO OTHER SITES/LIAISON** (Lucian McDowell, John Kovar)

**FUNDING (Private and Corporate)** (Cec Skwarko)

- The working party noted the letters sent to the businesses that have already pledged funds, pointing out that we are not yet in a position to accept funds, thanking them for their generosity and asking them to defer their pledges.

**FUNDING (GRANTS AND GOVERNMENT)** (Mel Croan, Roger Lucas)

**FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT** (Terry Nicholls)

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The secretary advised that other commitments may mean that the working party should identify another secretary. It was agreed that the secretary would mentor a new person that may be available.

**NEXT MEETINGS:**

**April 14, May 12, June 9, July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8**

However, It was noted that much work needs to be done and that it would be appropriate to liaise via e-mail and meet for short periods and at short notice to resolve issues. The monthly meetings would be used to formalise the preceding month's work and report to the BPKCA executive.

**MEETING CLOSED 6.20pm**