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### NOTES FOR COMMITTEE MEETING **MONDAY 29 FEBRUARY 2016** at Cygnet Hotel (Top Pub)

#### **1 ATTENDING:**

Trent Cowen (TC CHAIR), Pat Synge (PS), John Diment (JD), Steve Ferguson (SF), Andrew Blaxland (AB), Elizabeth Haworth (EH), Peter George (PG), Kraig Carlstrom (KC), Roger Hart (RH), Susan Ferguson (SuF), Carolyn Mason (CM), Michael Garner (MG), Ken Collis, Robyn Cameron, Martin Eaton (ME).

**APOLOGIES:** Pat and Jeremy Wright, Mike Lynch, Liz Smith.

TC welcomed all present to the first TCA meeting of 2016 and congratulated RH, PG and Le Weekend planning committee on the outstanding success of the inaugural Le Weekend Cygnet.

**2 MINUTES** from the meeting of Monday 30 November 2015 at the Cygnet Hotel, circulated 21 December 2016, were accepted as correct.

**3 TREASURER'S REPORT:** SF presented the TCA financial position to 10.2.16 in an Excel spreadsheet This included \$8600 from HVC for historic plaques, grants for Le Weekend of \$2500 and \$1000 for the Cygnet expo. The Cygnet expo report is in hand to secure the \$1000 grant. An invoice from PS for \$71.17 for the Wordpress was also accepted and the updated financial report was accepted as proposed by PG and seconded by ME.

**ACTION:** SF to adjust TCA funds after recent expenditures on le Weekend and historic plaques and present to March meeting

**4 MEMBERSHIP:** Paid life membership and business and supporting membership to be added to existing categories. AB and PG-E congratulated as first paid-up life members. Supporting membership to be offered to Jack Buzelin of Taroon.

TCA membership needs to be promoted by the committee.

**ACTION:** Membership register to be checked and updated by AB and SF.

Membership categories to be clarified by AB.

Business membership to be explored with local businesses by P G-E

Membership strategy to be developed by strategy group, consisting of TC, PG, PG-E. J Will, new proprietor of 'The Diner' to be invited to become a business member by TC and Jack Buzelin a supporting member by AB.

**5 LE WEEKEND @ CYGNET:** Key planners of the 2016 Le Weekend to be consulted by RH via SWOT analysis. A project team and 2017 strategy to be developed.

Action: Members to send SWOT comments to MG

**ACTION:** RH to consult key people and establish 2017 project team and strategy and agree 2017 date with TMAG.

**6 EVENTS BOARD:** KC has established that HVC owns the land where the Events Board is to be located. Hannah Matthews has reported that Simone Watson wants a full community consultation on the location of the board. According the HVC guidance such a consultation would be inappropriate. Meanwhile, a Cygnet theme is being promoted by HVC. The suggested descriptor from the Cygnet community has been 'Creative Cygnet'. Despite the future of HVC being uncertain, HVC wishes to proceed immediately with a 2-week consultation on theming Cygnet.

**ACTION:** AB to set up special TCA meeting to discuss theming Cygnet.

KC to proceed with erection of the events board on a slab. Funding to be sought from TCA members.

**7 COUNCIL RELATIONS:** RH proposal for a discussion with Simone Watson on several issues to be postponed until after the HVC enquiry report has been released with its action plan.

**8 STREET PLANTING:** Tree guards, funded by HVC have been removed by HVC because of obstruction to truck parking. Funds to be sought for further street planting.

**ACTION:** JD to make reapplication to TCF for additional car park (Plaza) planting

**9 PLAZA:** No further progress possible till outcome of HVC review known.

**10 TCA WEBSITE:** There was some criticism that le Weekend program was too late and that booking process was unclear. Business advertising on website to be sought and local events to be published with as much notice as possible. Four months' notice needed for future Le Weekend publicity.

**ACTION:** Thanks to PS for sterling work to date which the committee invited him to continue.

**11 HISTORIC PLAQUES:** AB has continued the project, with nine plaques now printed (including Community Hotel (top pub) and St James Church). Thanks to AB for his hard work and persistence. Four local people / organisations are still to answer (Incl TC, ME, Old School and St Marks Anglican church).

**ACTION:** AB to seek answers from outstanding historic buildings and to manage the \$8600 received for this project from HVC.

## **12 OTHER BUSINESS**

- HVC Annual Community grants applications invited. 41K available. Application to be made for Cygnet Expo (probably 2-yearly) and Le Weekend
- HVC inviting nominees for Volunteering Awards. Unanimous decision to propose Suzy Manigian. TC to contact SM to seek her agreement and then to propose by 5 pm deadline of 4 March 2016.
- Application to be made to Events Tasmania for Le Weekend 2017-2019. John Huckerby to be asked if he wishes to make reapplication.
- State grant to be sought for Le Weekend 2017.
- Sponsorship by local and national businesses to be considered.

**13 NEXT MEETING:** 7pm Tuesday 29 March 2016 at Community Hotel