

CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEETING HELD 2/07/2018

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

- GRC GM – re damage to Dairy Creek from unauthorised works at 26 Cromdale St, Mortdale – Co-ordinator of Civil Works Projects is working with owner to integrate the wall into Council’s stream bank erosion controls (email received 12/6/18)
- GRC Director Assets & Infrastructure – re clearing at 23 Bay Road, Oatley – reported to Council by a local resident on 29 May 2018; Council Tree Management Officer and Development Compliance Officer inspected site that day; detailed statement was prepared and matter is currently under investigation. Unable to provide any further information until the investigation and legal advice is finalised; referred to Manager Infrastructure, Glen Moody.
- GRC Director Assets & Infrastructure – re destruction of trees on Hurstville Golf Course - poor state of health, roots damaging infrastructure, two had bracket fungus (sign of advanced internal decay), in heavily used area of golf course and public safety is paramount; replacement trees have been planted; Council takes tree preservation very seriously, all efforts are undertaken to improve and protect existing urban canopy in LGA (email in 19/6/18)
- Premier of NSW (via her Parlt Sec Jonathan O’Dea) - Bill does not propose to increase the population of brumbies in Kosciuszko NP [!], in sensitive areas brumbies will be removed and rehomed outside the park, or, if possible, relocated to less sensitive areas (email received 20/6/18)
- Tanya Harper, Oatley West PS – re OWPS Community Festival – stall spaces 3 x 3 m; stallholders usually bring own marquees, school covered for public liability but not for the stallholders themselves
- Mark Coure – has passed on our concerns about mining in Sydney’s drinking water catchment, to Minister for Planning, Anthony Roberts (letter in 10/6/18)
- Mark Coure – response from Parlt. Sec. for Planning re our concerns about greenhouse gases, which Mark forwarded to Minister for Environment, Gabrielle Upton
- Mark Coure’s office (Astrid Von Hackewitz) – secured funding of \$1000 from Minister’s Conservation Fund, for purchase of plants in River Road Reserve (email received 14/6/18)
- Mark Coure’s office (Shane Kocass) – request for photo op when handing over MCF grant (email in 21/6/)
- Bev Watters (member since 1985) – concerned at poor facilities in Sports Bar for meetings – not enough chairs, poor sound system, concerned membership will fall; if we can’t move back upstairs, perhaps return to Uniting Church hall (now air-conditioned) (in 5/6/18)
- Member – Ted Cooper – subs for 2018
- Member Torie Cooper – living in US, will renew membership when she returns at end of year (email in 19/6)
- ATO – offer of tools and services for not-for-profit organisations (in 11/6)
- CBA – reminder of term deposit approaching maturity

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

- GRC GM (cc: Max Massa Bushcare Teamleader) – request Council consider establishing an Indigenous Plant Community Nursery (email sent 19/6/18, auto acknowl.)
- GRC (Attention: Laurie O’Connor Director of Assets and Infrastructure, cc: Damien Duggan Co-ordinator Parks and Waterways) – request Council consider locating footpath extension from Myra Place to Neville Street, on eastern side of treeline bordering Oatley Parade (email sent 24/6/18, auto acknowl.)
- Premier of NSW – appalled by passage of Kosciuszko Wild Horse Heritage Bill 2018; alpine flora and fauna being irreparably damaged; current popn of brumbies in Kosciuszko NP must be drastically reduced (email sent 7/6/18)
- Dana Sampath, NPWS – re Minister’s grant for plants – OFF ABN, bank details and invoice for \$1000 (email sent 15/6/18)
- Oatley Lions (Brian Pirie) – request for \$3,000 from Oatley Lions towards printing Oatley 2019 calendar, with initial proceeds from sales to go to reimburse Oatley Lions (email sent 14/6/18)
- Bankstown Bushland Society – invitation to join OFF members in cleaning up foreshores of Georges River round Padstow and Salt Pan Creek, tentative date Saturday afternoon 18th August (message sent via BBS website)

REQUESTS FOR DONATIONS: TEC, Colong Foundation for Wilderness - urgent appeal to save Blue Mountains wild rivers