

CORRESPONDENCE FOR MEETING HELD 3/09/2018

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

GRC Director Community & Culture – GRC Community Grants Program 2016-17– completion and acquittal of Walking Track Signage project extended to 30 June 2019. Shaun Keays-Byrne has met with Council's graphic designer and project will commence soon (dated 25/7/18)

GRC Director Assets & Infrastructure re Indigenous Plant Community Nursery – future location of Council nursery will be considered, one potential site is Hurstville Golf Course; when site selected, expansion of scope of nursery will be considered; referred to Max Massa (Team Leader Bushcare) for further info (email in 9/8/18)

GRC Director Assets & Infrastructure re security of Oatley Park – damaged gates due to be repaired by 7 September; staff to change Fire Danger Ratings signs as per RFS rating; re visitors lighting fires - Rangers to do extra patrols and “no fires on beach” sign to be installed; will discuss closing times of OP with contractor (email in 29/8/18)

GRC GM re Canopy Enhancement Program – consultant engaged to conduct digital aerial veg. mapping, identify areas suitable for increased veg. cover, recommend species, develop targets to improve canopy enhancement and review draft Tree Management Policy being drafted by GRC staff. Recruitment underway for new fulltime Senior Environmental Officer. Tree Preservation Officers continue to prosecute illegal tree removal with some recent successes

David Coleman – Stronger Communities Programme Round 4 – invitation to OFF to submit EOI (closing 24/8/18)

Mark Coure – response from Anthony Roberts' office to OFF letter re mining in drinking water catchments (31/7/18)

EnviroPrint – received our acceptance of quote for 700 calendars (in 2/8/18)

Oatley Lions - not-for-profit organisations entitled to a 50% discount on first stall site; second site is full rate. Invoice should have included the discount. For this year no action is required, but please note for next year. Can we circulate promotional festival flyer to OFF members?

Melissa Derwent – yes, would like to do something at OFF stall for Lions Festival; will gather ideas.

Friends of the Western Ground Parrot - wonderful to hear OFF screened "Secrets at Sunrise" and members enjoyed the film. Please extend our thanks to your members for supporting the work to save this critically endangered bird through a donation. Treasurer will issue a receipt once OFF cheque is received (in 1/9/18)

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE:

Padstow Heights resident - membership package in response to inquiry via OFF website – they had spoken to Graham Lalchere at Beauty Point clean-up day (posted 22/8/18)

OEH NPWS Parks – submission on Kamay Botany Bay proposed developments - Draft Master Plan (copied Deb Andrew's submission) (re-emailed 14/8/18); acknowledged with details of next steps.

NSW Environmental Trust – supported GRC Bushcare Team Leader's application for a Saving our Species Contestable Grant (letter sent by Shaun Keays-Byrne and Graham L, 13/8/18)

GRC GM – to secure Oatley Park against dumpers and firebugs, please install new, secure gates at both vehicular entrances, and ensure gates are locked at advertised hours (email sent 18/8/18; reply – see inwards correspondence)

David Coleman's office – submitted EOI for a Government Stronger Communities Grant (23/8/18)

Oatley West PS – thanks for inviting us to have a stall at their Community Festival, we were very happy with the outcome

JOURNALS:

The Bushland Bulletin (Bankstown Bushland Society) Winter 2018

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