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Representing Point Lonsdale Residents since 1910

NOTICE of MEETING and NEWSLETTER

January 2014

Notice of February Meeting

Time: 7.30 pm

Date: Friday, 14 February 2014

Place: **Learning Common, Point Lonsdale Primary School, Bowen Road**
(enter via main school entrance)

This will be a joint meeting with the Queenscliffe Community Association (QCA).

First Part of Meeting

Moremac Plans for The Point Development

Bryce Moore and Duncan McLellan, founders and directors of Moremac Property Group will make a presentation and answer questions regarding The Point Development (formerly owned by Stockland). It will cover matters such as:

- Environmental Controls
- Any changes in the nature and scale of the development versus that planned by Stockland

Second Part of Meeting

Update on Lighthouse Reserves

Briefing by PLCA and QCA respectively on the latest status of the Council's plans for the Point Lonsdale and Queenscliff Lighthouse Reserves. This will be an opportunity to discuss and provide feedback to the Committee on Council plans published so far for the Reserves.

Annual Subscription Payment and Donations

Many members have already paid their 2014 subscription, but if you have not yet made payment, this is a reminder that subscription payment is now due. No annual subscription was payable in 2013 in celebration of the Borough's 150th Anniversary. However, the prior annual subscription amount is payable for 2014 (due by the date of the AGM, being 10 January 2014). **The subscription amount is \$5 for an individual and \$10 for a family.** Donations are welcome in addition to the payment of the subscription amount.

For 2014, the preferred method of payment is by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) to the PLCA bank account. Alternatively, payment can be made by cheque or cash by hand delivery. It is particularly important that your surname and initials are shown in the description section of the payment transaction where Electronic Funds Transfer is used. The PLCA bank account details are:

Account Name:	Point Lonsdale Civic Association
Bank:	Bendigo Bank, Queenscliff
BSB:	633108
Account Number:	131346017
Description:	Surname, Initials

Whichever method of payment is used, it will be appreciated if members complete the Membership Renewal and Subscription Payment form included with this newsletter. The form can be returned by email or by post (details on form). New members need to complete the Membership Application form that can be found here: <http://www.plca.org.au/contact/>

Call for Two New Committee Members

At the Annual General Meeting on 10 January, three of the five ordinary committee member positions were filled (details of elections are in the AGM minutes circulated with this newsletter). The PLCA Constitution provides that the Committee may appoint a member to the remaining two positions at any time prior to the next AGM. Accordingly, the Committee is seeking nominations from members for the two remaining positions.

A member may nominate himself or herself or, with a member's consent, may be nominated by another member. Please consider nominating yourself or another member to join the PLCA Committee for 2014. It will be an important year for PLCA and Point Lonsdale given the large number of longer term issues to be resolved within the Point Lonsdale community. Please contact the Secretary at plcasecretary@gmail.com to nominate or if you have any questions.

Point Lonsdale Lighthouse (Toc H) Reserve Study

During her presentation at our AGM on 10 January, the Mayor acknowledged that the following four options had been presented to the Point Lonsdale Lighthouse Reserve Community Reference Group, as published in the January issue of The Rip:

- Option 1 – No Development (with weed and vegetation management) – indicative capital cost of \$50,000
- Option 2 – A Cafe/Kiosk Development with seating, improved parking and BBQ area - \$120,000
- Option 3 – An Eco Cabin Development - \$500,000
- Option 4 – A Boutique Accommodation and Day Spa Development – with an estimated developer price tag of \$12.2 million

In response to a question, the Mayor advised that these four options will be included in the Discussion Paper to be used in the next round of community consultation. She advised that this Discussion Paper was to be reviewed at the February Council meeting prior to community consultation in March. However, she has subsequently advised that the draft Discussion Paper will not be ready in time for the February meeting and that it will be reviewed at the Council meeting on 26 March.

Details of other Lighthouse Reserve related matters discussed by the Mayor are in the AGM minutes circulated with this newsletter. Our meeting on 14 February will be an opportunity to discuss and provide feedback to the Committee regarding the four options outlined above.

Other New Matters and Updates

These are some other notable new matters and updates that were included in the Mayor's presentation at the AGM on 10 January:

Management of Cemetery: The Council was recently advised and is seeking further information about the recently implemented transfer of management of the Point Lonsdale Cemetery to the Geelong Cemetery Trust.

Caravan Parks Master Plan: The Council is to determine a "future plan" or master plan for all three of the Council managed caravan parks (Golightly, Royal Park and Queenscliff Rec Reserve/Victoria Park) which will examine opportunities for increasing revenue, improving amenities and determining the best mix of accommodation options, and which will include consultant advice and a community reference group.

Closure of Coorabin: The Council is seeking advice from Bellarine Community Health regarding the potential future use of the buildings and the site for both the Coorabin site and the Eric Tolliday units.

Surf Life Saving Club Clubhouse: The Council is looking at two options for a new Point Lonsdale Surf Lifesaving Club clubhouse, namely (1) the State Government and Council proposal to use the land around the bus stop on Ocean Road (adjacent to the Lighthouse Reserve) and (2) use of the land next to the present clubhouse owned by the Council, via a long term lease, with access through to Ganes Reserve.

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