

**Minutes of the General Meeting of the
Twin Waters Residents Association Inc
held at Novotel Twin Waters Resort
11th February, 2013 at 7.30pm**

Opening	Meeting opened at 7.30pm, Geoff Billard as Chair in Peter Braithwaite's absence	Action
Attendance	Refer Attendance Book (61 people) New attendees (6 people) Apologies: Rob Ruskin, Kev Tinker, Peter Braithwaite, Tony & Vera Mark	
Guest Speaker	Peter Mann, Sunshine Coast Regional Council, Strategic Project Officer, Disaster Management Team. Peter has been living on the Sunshine Coast for 13 years. He has worked for Council in a number of roles, but he currently works at Council preparing communities for disaster exposure. Peter reported that Twin Waters (like all other areas on the Sunshine Coasts) is susceptible to natural disasters - In Twin Waters, the risks are posed by the ocean and river (flooding) and vegetation (fire). Four elements to disaster management: Prevention, Preparedness, Response, Recovery. Council's priority in the event of a natural disaster is the preservation of life and livelihood in our community. SCRC recommend "Redi Plan" – details of which will be circulated by email to all members.	
Minutes	Resolved unanimously that the minutes of the General Meeting of the Association held on 10 th December 2012 were a correct record.	
Correspondence	Correspondence: Email from George Murr regarding airport meeting 08.02.13. Email from Cr Opray regarding off leash areas. Email to Lend Lease regarding pontoon arrangements for the future 11.02.2013; Ltr to Katie Rose Cottage 24.01.13 with a cheque for \$750.00 Ltr from OFT confirming amendment to Constitution 05.02.13 Ltr from Fiona Simpson detailing grants available under the Gambling Community Benefit Fund for 2013. Ltr from Katie Rose Cottage 03.02.13;	
Treasurer's Report	Kev Tinker was unable to attend. Sophie Lever delivered the report in his absence: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OFT have approved the new constitution and copies will 	

	<p>be available electronically or on the website soon;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Membership totaled 362 at the end of January (new members 98); 14 less in total than last year; • Cash at bank \$13,343 but after debtors and creditors comes down to \$9,300. • Thanks to SCC, Bendigo Bank and North Shore Realty who granted and donated a total of \$5,337.00 to the Carols and Fireworks. We broke almost even as the costs were \$5,309.00. 	
<p>SCC Report</p>	<p>Cr Opray reported:-</p> <p>Dog off leash area – Cr Opray is in support of the area. Council are not wanting to close them. More dog showers, dog bag areas, etc are hoped for in the future.</p> <p>Council recently voted to continue with the Court case with Stockland. It started today. 2 week process Council’s support will continue.</p> <p>Community forum at the Airport. Majority of questions and contention was around helicopter noise. Booming industry bringing a lot of economic benefit to the Sunshine Coast but has to be balanced against the noise issue it causes for Marcoola and Twin Waters areas.</p> <p>George Murr commented: Council seemed to be avoiding the issue at the meeting. Once helicopter noise was raised – Council officers abandoned us. Deep division within people who attended the meeting. Why are they so close, so low and in the number they are? There are acres of land and acres of ocean over which they could fly – why are they not flying there?</p> <p>Ken Allcock commented regarding the new runway. The EIS statement not due til 2014. If they start, it will be 2015 and finished in 2020, they hope. Big concern is they have no finance for it. State Govt and Fed Government won’t come to the party. Jason said Council are currently looking at overseas finance to be able to build it. \$250M to \$400M – Ken doesn’t want to see Council go in to debt for this amount. Would like to see curfew at night for general helicopter traffic.</p> <p>Business Plan for the airport – what sorts of numbers do we need to expect to fly in and out of the airport to justify the building of the SC airport? The expansion would mean 5 or 6 times the passengers. It would also mean industry surrounding the airport – such as catering.</p> <p>Vice President Geoff Billard submitted that someone needs to take ownership of the helicopter noise problem. A curfew would be a significant step to illustrate to the community that the authorities get it and are willing to respond. Resolved that we support a curfew on the non-emergency helicopter movements at Sunshine Coast Airport. Geoff asked that someone to try to find a solution to</p>	<p>GB</p>

	<p>assist in getting this done.</p> <p>Cr O’Pray responded that it is completely out of Council’s realm as once a craft is in the air it becomes the realm of CASA.</p> <p>GB says that Council does have a say in imposing a curfew so that craft cannot get off the ground after certain hours.</p>	
<p>Vice President Governance</p>	<p>Geoff Billard reported on the first day of the hearing in Brisbane. WD, Ken Taylor, DK and GB attended. Judge Rackemann is hearing the dispute, who is very experienced in hearing these disputes. Stockland represented by QC (Daniel Gore) assisted by two barristers together with two lawyers from Clayton Utz. Council represented by QC and Barrister together with Graham Phillips and Kelly who was very familiar with the issues. Development Watch still in the appeal. They are still at the bar table but won’t play a significant part in the court hearing. TWRA no longer able to sit at the table. We are not opposing the application, but that does not mean we support it. Dept Main Roads have also withdrawn from the Appeal process. Stockland walked the Judge through the principal areas of contention. Mr Gore pointed out 13 disciplines where experts were engaged, eg traffic, noise, environment, flooding etc. AS a result of the expert process, areas that have been settled between the experts are no longer addressed in the court. 5 areas left: GQAL, visual amenity, need, hydrology and town planning. The experts in each of the areas will be called in and cross examined. Good quality agricultural land = canefields. Stockland says you can’t grow sugar cane here anymore as there is no mill, you may as well develop it. Visual amenity – as you drive over the motorway, you see the site – a view of roofs will not be visually pleasing. Stockland say you can soften with landscaping etc. Need – They are arguing we need this because there is a need for undeveloped land on the Sunshine Coast. The counter is that there is plenty of land other than this – Council’s expert agrees. Plenty of contention in this area and it is subjective. Hydrology – water – flood modelling – only issue in contention is the evacuation plan in the event of an extreme flood. Town planning – classified as agricultural land (rural and natural habitat). Stockland want it rezoned as residential. It is in conflict with the existing town plan. Town plans keep evolving and changing. SEQ regional plan, Maroochy Town Plan 2000. Ambiguity between the two. Case is being put that land east of the motorway should be in-filled with housing. This will be a big part of the hearing. The onus is on the Appellant to establish why Council’s decision should be overturned. Judge and barristers will be coming tomorrow to visit the site. They will be back in Brisbane at Court on Wednesday and it’s unlikely to go over time. On Wednesday, visual amenity, hydrology and need are scheduled to be discussed.</p>	

	Members are welcome to go down to sit in the public gallery. Supreme Court at 415 George Street, Brisbane.	
Vice President Infrastructure	Warwick Daniels – nothing to report except that Council have been using Prime to fix up some of the trees that have fallen.	
Vice President Social	Ed Berry – Kayak and a Canoe – has anyone lost one? They’ve been found in a resident’s backyard. Clean up Australia Day starting at 8.00am 3rd March 2013 and finishing by 10.00am – breakfast will be provided. Assemble in Baywater drive. Provide your own gloves. If you have a trailer or ute, let Ed Berry know.	
Neighbourhood Watch	Con Guard reported: Stealing in Webb Street – garage left open, tools & equipment stolen. Next NHW GM Monday 18 th March 7pm at TWRV. Come along and take part. NHW Newsletter will be coming out shortly. Another bike engraving event will be conducted soon (Sat 23 rd March at this stage) outside the Friendly Grocer. Need some engravers to assist.	
General Business	Lost & found. Someone left a back shelf of a hatchback at home of Gary & Norma Pothoven by mistake. The owner should contact info@twra.net if they are the owner.	
Thanks to sponsors	Thank you to the Novotel, Friendly Grocer and The Loose Goose	
Next Meeting	8 th April 2013	
Closure	Meeting closed at 9.10pm	
President/Chairperson Execution Date...../...../2013	