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# SARPRA COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 (Jitsi)**

**Meeting opened: 9:30am.**

1. **PRESENT:** Chris Sloper, Tom Turbill, Geoff Cann, David Brindley, Bill Anderson, Wendy McLeod, James Peterkin, Chris Prescott, Lawrie Stanton, David Tubb. Also Wayne Henley (Waikerie) Observer.
2. **APOLOGIES:** Mike Mulvihill, Annette Haridan.
3. **MINUTES PREVIOUS MEETING 9<sup>th</sup> December 2025**  
**Moved: Wayne Henley**  
**Seconded: Lawrie Stanton**  
**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**
4. **BUSINESS ARISING** from the previous minutes:
  1. Appointment of an Auditor and provision of Audited statement:
    - 1.1. Mike Mulvihill provided an Audited Statement from Clive Harris. See the Treasurer's Report below.
  2. Secretary Role Update:
    - 2.1. Minutes and Agenda: James Peterkin is assisting Secretary Geoff Cann by taking on the Minutes and Agenda, freeing Geoff up to other duties as Secretary of the Association.
    - 2.2. Newsletter: Mike Mulvihill and Geoff Cann worked together on the December 2025 Newsletter and will again on the March 2026 Newsletter.
    - 2.3. Membership List: Mike Mulvihill & David Brindley are working on this. There are around 1200 names to sort through – current status, financial status, checking for duplicates, checking accuracy will all take time.
  3. Purchase of SARPRA leaflets: Chris Sloper is due to have a knee replacement this month and will attend to this once he is mobile again.
  4. No Seniors newspapers been approached regarding advertising opportunities or articles related to SARPRA. An editorial in 2019 was provided free. After Covid, \$2000 was spent on advertising over 3 months, with questionable results.
  5. Confirm Elections held at the October 2025 AGM – Motions required:

#### **4.5.1 Motion One:**

The following positions are elected unopposed:

President: Chris Sloper; (The Palms)

Vice President: Tom Turbill; (The Palms)

Secretary: Geoff Cann; (Seachange)

Treasurer: Mike Mulvihill; (Rosetta)

Webmaster: David Brindley. (Waikerie Lifestyle Village)

**Moved: Tom Turbill**  
**Seconded: David Brindley**  
**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

#### **4.5.2 Motion Two:**

The following people are elected unopposed to the Committee:

Bill Anderson (Hillier Park)  
Annette Haridan (Pt Willunga Tourist Park)  
Wendy McLeod (McLaren Vale Caravan Park)  
James Peterkin (Hillier Park)  
Chris Prescott (Best Life Canterbury Victor Harbor)  
Lawrie Stanton (Echo Holiday Park Windsor Gardens)  
David Tubb (Woodcroft Caravan Park)

**Moved: Geoff Cann**  
**Seconded: David Brindley**  
**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

#### **4.5.3 Motion Three:**

The following people are Representatives of their Park/Village

Vivienne Goodenough (Strathalbyn Lifestyle Village)  
Wayne Henley (Waikerie Lifestyle Village)  
Jan Laslett (The Palms)  
Margie Pullen (Highview Holiday Village Ardrossan)  
Don Rana (Hindmarsh Island Caravan Park)  
Grant Warner (Lakeside Goolwa North)  
Liz Williams (Moana Caravan Park)  
Karin Wilson (Alexandrina Cove)

**Moved: Bill Anderson**  
**Seconded: Tom Turbill**  
**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

4.6: Website has been updated to include all available Minutes, thanks to David Brindley.

4.7: Chris Prescott reported the Community Centre at Best Life Canterbury Victor Harbor has been opened after an 18 month build.

4.8: Janet and John Strawbridge's case was finalised by SACAT yesterday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Member Johns has found against them and has given them until 27<sup>th</sup> February to vacate. He found that although this appears to be a spiteful eviction Contract Law takes precedence and they were at the end of a 2 year contract with no contractual guarantee of renewal. Member Johns also noted that other residents have the same issues yet were not treated in the same way. Local MPs seem uninterested. Geoff Cann has provided Mr and Mrs Strawbridge with an email link for the Housing Unit at the Legal Services Commission.

#### **5. CORRESPONDENCE IN:**

5.1: Letter from LSC solicitor containing advice re Hometown water and rent increases etc

5.2: Email via website from HICP director - forwarded to Ministers office

5.3: Email from Hometown Seachange explaining planned installation of water meters and charges

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE OUT

- 6.1: Letter to Hometown Seachange disputing the planned water changes
- 6.2: Letter to CBS Compliance about HA laying gravel paths around new homes
- 6.3: Letter to COTA requesting their advice and assistance on banning gravel.
- 6.4: Letter to HA pointing out the dangers of using gravel as a cost cutting measure.
- 6.5: Letter to HA regarding their decision to install water meters and increase rent and try to impose an \$84 per quarter supply charge on metered houses.
- 6.6: Letter to HA (Seachange) regarding Compliance Concerns — Rent Increases, Refusal of Section 48 Transfers, and Potential Breaches of the Residential Parks Act 2007 (SA)

**Moved: Wendy McLeod**

**Seconded: Geoff Cann**

**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

## 7. TREASURER'S REPORT:

- 7.1: Treasurer's Documentation send via email:
  - 7.1.1: SARPRA December 2025 Profit and Loss
  - 7.1.2: SARPRA September to December 2025 Profit and Loss
  - 7.1.3: SARPRA Balance Sheet as at 31 Dec 2025

**Moved: David Brindley**

**Seconded: Wayne Henley**

**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

7.2: Audit Report

- 7.2.1: Audit Report 24/25 Financial Year from Clive Harris

**Moved: Geoff Cann**

**Seconded: Bill Anderson**

**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

7.3: Rollover of our SARPRA Term Deposit with People's Choice:

The deposit matured on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2025 and automatically rolled over for a further 6 months. The Interest (\$112.27) earned was capitalized into the new Term Deposit making the total amount of the Term Deposit \$5,273.68. The Term Deposit is at 3.95% and will mature on 15/06/26. A motion to ratify this course of action is required.

**Moved: Tom Turbill**

**Seconded: Wendy McLeod**

**Outcome: Carried / ~~Not Carried~~**

## **8. NEW BUSINESS**

### **8.1: Schedule of Meetings for 2026:**

Second Tuesday of each month:

Feb 10<sup>th</sup> via Jitsi

March 10<sup>th</sup> at COTA (day after Adelaide Cup long weekend)

April 14 via Jitsi

May 12 via Jitsi

June 9 at COTA (after King's Birthday long weekend)

July 14 via Jitsi

August 11 via Jitsi

September 8 at COTA

October 13 via Jitsi

November 10 at COTA – AGM and General Meeting

December 8 via Jitsi

### **8.2: Meeting to elect new President on Chris Sloper's resignation**

Chris Sloper advised his last meeting as President will be May 12<sup>th</sup>, so an election will be required at that meeting. Notice to members will be given in the March Newsletter so that all members have the notice required under the Constitution, calling for nominations and that an election will be held at the May meeting.

### **8.3: AGM protocols going forward**

8.3.1: Notice of the November AGM to be in the September newsletter.

8.3.2: AGM Agenda and Meeting procedure.

According to the SARPRA Constitution, the AGM is to Confirm Minutes from the previous year's AGM; receive President's and Treasurer's reports; elect office bearers for the new SARPRA year; appoint an Auditor and determine the annual subscription for the coming year.

8.3.3: There may be consideration of a special resolution that has been previously advised.

8.3.4: If there is general business to discuss, the AGM should be closed, and a separate General Meeting opened.

8.3.5: The Minutes for these two meetings are separate documents.

8.4: Website and Newsletters need to reflect the difference between Committee Members and Village/Park representatives. Geoff Cann and Mike Mulvihill (Newsletter) and David Brindley (Website) will attend to this in due course.

8.5: Chris Sloper reported on a recent issue at Northern Community Residential Village. Life Member of SARPRA Chris Cariaille-Allen, resident of the Village, privately arranged a visit to NCRV by representatives of the City of Playford to the Village so residents could discuss local government issues with them. This was advertised to residents. Some members of the Residents Committee felt Chris did not have the authority to hold this meeting and wrote to both Chris and SARPRA detailing this. It was pointed out to the NCRV Residents Committee that this meeting was to discuss residents' concerns about matters outside the Village regarding the Town of Playford, so was not undermining them or in contravention of any Village rules.

8.6: Happenings at Seachange – Geoff Cann: Some residents fear making an individual complaint about the introduction of water meters, but SARPRA cannot do this on behalf of nameless residents. Regarding gravel around homes, CBS has declined to give advice saying it's not their job. Geoff has started a Facebook group for Seachange SARPRA members.

8.7: Market Reviews for Land valuations: Queensland has abolished this and Victoria is about to follow suit. Local governments use land valuations to set Council Rates for residential parks, which are then passed on to residents in annual rent increases. The suggestion is a 4% increase in land value instead.

8.8: SARPRA is lobbying for Federal legislation to protect residential and retirement village residents, as this would over-ride inadequate state legislation. WA and Tasmania appear to have no legislation at all whilst other states all have differing laws, which causes confusion when interstate owners of parks and villages in South Australia don't understand SA legislation.

**MEETING CLOSED:** 10.25am

**NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026, 9:30 am via Jitsi