**Friends of Garden Island Creek Inc**

**Meeting Minutes**

**30th June, 2025, 6-7.30 pm**

**Therese’s, 6150 Channel Highway**

**Attendees: Mark, Simon, Brad, Angela, Therese, Phil, Jess, Mick**

**Apologies: Lucas and Ros, Kelsie**

**Chair: Therese Minute taker: Angela**

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| **Welcome and introductions : Welcome to Mark**  |
| **Endorsement of the Minutes of the previous meeting: Therese, aAngela** **Treasurer’s report:** **Correspondence:** Swift Parrot boxes. Follow up grants. Grant for a community gathering – Look into this. Ask Ros. Council may have funding **Membership:**  |
| **Ongoing business updates**1. **GIS erosion management**

Flyer to the community – Angela to follow up with Kelsie Two meetings with Malcolm Johnson, HVC Manager Environmental Sustainability. First meeting was on the beach. He had a look at the issues. Second meeting we talked about what next. Both council and parks won’t approve a hard wall solution. He’s talking about a natural solution such as sandbags or rock bags or vegetation. This will take time to research and cost etc and will have to involve Parks. In the meantime do what we’re doing with natural vegetation. Doing nothing is not an option.Need the community to start collecting vegetation. Access: HVC keen to progress this. Govt offered 10k towards it. We have arranged to meet with Parks. Mark’s plan using vegetation is working and could be extended along the beach. We need to get people to keep vegetation. Getting people to collect/save this. Post hole digger - we have one. Have a working bee in early November Share with community Cost - excavatorTree removal – identify dangerous trees. Photos of treesReplace with suitable trees.

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1. **Community activities:**
* Tree planting - Therese and Bruce planting on their property.
* Slow burn day – Kelsie might be interested in spring. Go for permits – ring it in – Brad. Bush fire prevention. Three week opportunity to do it. Ask who wants what done. Involve the fire brigade. Next Autumm – get a list organised. Easter was a traditional day. April. Brad keen to build a fire trailer – have them dotted around the community. Need to apply for grants for equipment.
* Weeding -
* Water testing and monitoring
* Sea grass monitoring
* Other ideas?
* Community activity Kids bush activity - October school holidays
1. **Community noticeboard update**
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| **New Business:** |
| **Next Community Activity: working bee on the beach – date to be confirmed next meeting****October Kids bush activity day.** **Next Committee Meeting: September 1st – host Therese** |

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