**Friends of Garden Island Creek Inc**

**Meeting Agenda**

**13th November 2024, 6-7.30 pm**

**Attendees:** Therese, Phil, Jenny, Wendy, Sarah, Simon, John, Angela, Mick, Trish **and** Peter (on the phone)

**Apologies:** Kelsie, Laura, Brad, Ros

**Chair:** Therese  **Minute taker:** Angela

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| **Welcome and introductions. New attendees were welcomed.**  |
| **Endorsement of the Minutes of the previous meeting:** Last meeting was the AGM August 24th. **Treasurer’s report:** next meeting**Correspondence:** emails from Landcare forwarded. **Membership:** Financial membership assists with Landcare membership and incidentals. Members who don’t attend meetings receive an email to inform them about what was discussed. Membership fees are $10 per person or $20 per family per financial year. Membership form is available on the Facebook page in files. |
| **Ongoing business updates*** **GIS erosion mitigation management plan–**
	+ Angela gave a summary of what has occurred to date. This information is available in the management plan on the website or in the files on the Facebook page.
* DV application to council. – awaiting a meeting date with council to discuss. The DA was prepared by a professional planner. The planner said it was unusual for a community group to prepare a DA like this.
* Funds update – no grants available atm. We were unsuccessful with the most recent grant we applied for. There will be federal grants coming up. Julie Collins’ office has kept us informed about these. The state government offered us $10K which we haven’t received yet.
* As the “land owner” FOGIC needs approval from Parks to build a wall. Parks has refused our request. The two reasons were responsibility for maintenance and liability. We were told a couple of years ago in a meeting with Parks rep and HVC rep that we would need an agreement/partnership with Council so that once built council would take on responsibility for any mitigation works FOGIC undertook. If council agrees to partner us we can resubmit our request with council support.
* There was unanimous support for taking action.
* Lukas Mrosek, a local resident who is now on council, shared information about the council and its approach to climate change. There has been a restructure within in the council staff which is positive. Lukas is very supportive and will advocate for our cause with council where possible.
* **Actions**: Sarah volunteered to phone Clarence Council and ask about how they manage rock walls at Clifton and Lauderdale, and Kingborough Council to ask about Conningham and Gordon.

Simon has been enquiring about who is responsible for the walkway between 30 and 32. It seems that it’s not owned by Parks or council and as part of the original subdivision it was owned by the Lowes. Mick will do a rough quote for rocks and equipment. Anyone who wants to can email the Minister for Parks, Nick Duigan nick.duigan@parliament.tas.gov.au letting him know the situation and that action is needed and our disappointment that Parks refused to allow a wall to be built etc. We could also email Rosalie Woodruff and other state members. Names at the end. Angela will let everyone know when we have a meeting date * **Community activities:**

**Foxglove Weeding** – Ros and Allison. This went well and there are signs that the foxglove removed earlier has not returned. Every little bit helps. **Future activity ideas: Held over until next time** * Tree planting - Therese
* Slow burn day - Laura
* Weeding – Allison
* Water testing and monitoring - Kelsie
* Other ideas
* **Community noticeboard update** – held over until next meeting
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| **Next Community Activity: TBA****Next Group Meeting: TBA – next meeting will be in February. Might have a family BBQ in the New Year.**  |

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* David O'Byrne (Independent) david.obyrne@parliament.tas.gov.au
* Jacquie Petrusma (Liberal) jacquie.petrusma@parliament.tas.gov.au – visited the beach when she was minister a couple of years ago
* Rosalie Woodruff (Greens) rosalie.woodruff@parliament.tas.gov.au – Lives in Petcheys Bay and came to our first community meeting in 2021.
* Dean Winter (Labor) dean.winter@parliament.tas.gov.au