



Brisbane CBD BUG

Annual General Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 25 January 2011
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm
Tiered Theatre, Brisbane Square

Attendance

Chair: Paul French

Minutes: Ian Lister

Attendees: Thea Baker, Paul French, David Hannah, Rolf Kuelsen, Ian Lister, Beverley Marshall, Paul Murdoch, John Nightingale, Helen Sutherland, Sebastian Tauchmann, Darren Tracy, Peter Whittle, Bruce Williams

Apologies: Aaron Wray, John Lister, Leslie Martin

Thanks for letting us know.

Previous AGM

Presenter: Paul French

Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting were not available, but highlights included adoption of a new constitution, which led to us being able to make a successful application for exemption from Right To Information (RTI) fees.

2010 Co-convenor's report

Presenter: Paul French

Paul French presented the attached report. Paul Murdoch additionally noted Paul French's outstanding contribution to the BUG.

Paul French moved that the report be accepted. Ian Lister seconded. Passed unanimously.

Election of Co-convenors for 2011

Presenter: John Nightingale

Paul French vacated the Chair, and John Nightingale assumed it.

John declared the positions of co-convenor vacant, and called for nominations.

Paul Murdoch nominated Ian Lister. Paul French seconded the nomination.

Paul French nominated Aaron Wray. Aaron was not present at the meeting, but was believed to be willing to serve another term. Ian Lister seconded the nomination.

Ian Lister nominated Paul French. Peter Whittle seconded the nomination.

Ian Lister nominated Paul Murdoch. Paul declined the nomination.

There were no further nominations forthcoming. John declared the nominations closed and Paul French, Ian Lister and Aaron Wray the duly elected co-convenors for 2011.

John noted that the positions do not have predetermined roles, and it is up to the three co-convenors to determine how to share their responsibilities. Paul French

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said the co-convenors would discuss it and probably keep the same roles as for 2010.

Ian Lister commented that the BUG also depends heavily on other members sharing the work, and invited anybody interested to volunteer. Peter Whittle expressed an interest in being involved. Paul French and Paul Murdoch reinforced the importance of transparency and openness to the BUG, and their enthusiasm for more members getting involved.

Other business

Presenter: Paul French

Paul French resumed the chair.

Introductions

Paul French proposed that members attending their first meeting briefly introduce themselves to the meeting. Ian Lister suggested that more regular attendees also introduce themselves. All present introduced themselves in turn and briefly described their interest in cycling and CBD BUG.

QCH RTI application

Paul French reported that we had received a response to the Right To Information (RTI) application to Queensland Health for information on the application to close the footpath on Stanley Street near the Queensland Children's Hospital construction site. Paul Murdoch described the background of the issue, and that we had granted two requests for additional time to process the request. We have received a letter via e-mail indicating that we have been granted full access to the requested documents (including 60 pages of correspondence), and that physical copies of those documents are now being sent to us.

| Action Items | Who | Deadline |
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| ✓ Digitise received documents | Paul Murdoch | When received |
| ✓ Place documents on web site | Ian Lister | When received |

Priorities for 2011

Peter Whittle suggested that we call for input from members on issues and priorities for CBD BUG in the coming year. Paul French described some of his issues and priorities, including a bridge at Bulimba, more active media relations, and delivery of north side routes. Peter suggested that another priority should be to audit the \$100m promised by the Lord Mayor for bikeways.

Peter suggested that members be invited to present their ideas at the next meeting, and that attendees vote on them. Ian Lister pointed out that most members do not attend meetings, and members should be invited to put their thoughts forward via e-mail, preferably before the next regular monthly email to give them sufficient time to consider, express and submit their issues before the next meeting.

| Action Items | Who | Deadline |
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| ✓ Ask members to put issues forward | Paul French | ASAP |
| ✓ Put issues forward | All members | 23 Feb 2011 |

Riverwalk reconstruction

Paul French announced his intention to write to the Lord Mayor about the reported length of time to reconstruct the floating Riverwalk, heavily damaged and partially destroyed in the recent floods, expressing the importance of the route, and requesting that reconstruction be given higher priority and suitable alternatives provided in the meantime.

| Action Items | Who | Deadline |
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| ✓ Write to Lord Mayor about Riverwalk | Paul French | 23 Feb 2011 |

Legacy Way (Northern Link)

Helen Sutherland reported on the recent meeting with herself, Aaron Wray and BCC representatives.

- BCC wants feedback on how best to communicate with cyclists.
- The day after the meeting the Coordinator-General rejected the proposed location for the toll control centre, which has put that back up in the air.

| Action Items | Who | Deadline |
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| ✓ Continue engagement with BCC | Helen Sutherland Aaron Wray | Ongoing |

Next meeting

Presenter: Paul French

Wednesday 23 February 2011, 12:30 pm – 1:30 pm.

All meetings this year will be in the tiered theatrette, Brisbane Square.