COUNCIL SPECIAL COMMITTEE – WHITEMARK GYM MEETING 15TH JANUARY 2018

PRESENT: Marc Cobham, Vicki Warden, Bill Boehm, Rachel Summers, Anne Campbell.

David Heap, Annie Revie, Kara Hallas

APOLOGIES: Claire Nichol

In the absence of Claire, Annie has offered to take the minutes for this meeting.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Moved Rachel, seconded Anne C, that minutes for meetings 23/11 and 18/12 be approved

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES:

- Council has agreed to purchase the app recommended by Lochie Nicholls re security. Rachel will explore purchasing of the app and bring information to the next meeting.
- Painting and refurbishment of the gym space will be reviewed by Council following the trial period.

PECUNIARY INTEREST: Exemptions from Pecuniary Interest have been granted on 13th December 2017 for members of gym committee. Marc Cobham, being a councillor, still has to declare Pecuniary Interest.

CORRESPONDENCE:

In – letter from Linda McGregor

Out – letter acknowledging receipt of the above.

INDUCTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS AS COUNCIL VOLUNTEERS: Kara Hallas issued members with an induction form to become Council Volunteers – to be completed, signed and returned to Kara. Form can be completed on line.

GYM INSURANCE: Insurance is currently in place for a supervised gym. For the buddy system to be used Kara has to explore issues around the gym being a leased space rather than being owned by Council.

It was resolved that a sign will be placed prominently informing users of this. Kara will act on this.

UPDATE ON GYM: Since 20th December 2017 there have been 170 user visits to the gym. The first lot of fees (\$60) has been collected by Vicki and banked in Council account.

David has moved some of the gym equipment so that the gym space is safer.

Approximately 40 inductions have been completed.

GYM LEASE: The lease between Council and Lions has been agreed to in principle but there is no document yet. Lease document to be presented at next meeting of committee.

INDUCTION FORM: David gave members a copy of induction form. Induction will be addressed at the next committee meeting.

GYM EQUIPMENT: There is still no clarity about ownership of the gym equipment. Some is currently owned by the MPC, some owned by David and Kathleen, and some funded for other programs by the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Motion: That the Chairman contacts Director of the MPC, Flinders island Harriers as the successor of the Fitness on Flinders Program seeking confirmation that equipment is transferred to Council ownership and that an inventory will be drawn up by Council clarifying ownership and location of equipment. Moved Rachel, seconded Vicki. Passed unanimously.

GYM FEES: The letter from Linda McGregor requested an annual gym fee rather than fees at time of use. She also suggested that members may be able to claim the amount paid for gym fees on their private health insurance.

There was discussion on these matters as follows:

- The gym is a community gym and private health may not cover fees for this.
- Given that the Whitemark Gym is operating under Council for a trial period until 30th
 June 2018, we cannot consider an annual fee till after that date.
- The issue of annual fee, possibly across both gyms, will be reviewed after the trial ends.
- Chairman to respond to Linda McGregor's letter.

MONITORING GYM USAGE: How is the committee and hence Council able to monitor whether or not all payments are being made and whether or not the buddy system is being used?

Use of a surveillance system and / or system proposed by Lochie Nicholls are still on the table.

REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE: Once the lease / ownership is clarified Council will be responsible for repairs and maintenance. Council is in the process of organising this.

POSSIBLE USE OF GYM BY A PRIVATE PARTY: If a party wishes to use the community gym as a space for private lessons for their clients, they would have to apply to the Council for consideration of this matter.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY GYM: There was discussion on this matter. There are currently grants available under Charitable Organisations Grants Program. Marc will explore whether the gym is eligible for this program.

David will draw up a list of equipment that could be purchased in the future if / when grants become available. Also he will communicate this to Lady Barron Gym Committee.

It will be considered in the future if a member of the Lady Barron Hall Committee should be invited to attend meetings of the Whitemark Gym Committee after the trial period.

NEXT MEETING: Monday 19th February at MPC at 4.30 pm. Marc to book room

MEETING CLOSED: 6.10 pm