

**MINUTES OF TIMBER HERITAGE WALK COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON
31 OCTOBER 2011**

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PRESENT: Dietmar Torner, Bruce Stevenson, Col Roberts, June Evans, Stella Cotton, Director of Development Gary Wallace, and Heritage Advisor, Mr Christo Aitken.

APOLOGIES: Ray McMahon, Laurie McMahon, Councillor Keith Sullivan and the General Manager, Leanne Mash

Moved: Col Roberts
Second: Bruce Stevenson

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

ONGOING BUSINESS

Interpretive Signs

Mr Col Roberts provided the committee with the history behind the Timber Heritage Walk. The interpretive boards are to be used as a tool to inform people of what is happening in the industry and its history with Forests NSW.

Col has gathered information on the history of each factory in the Oberon Timber Complex and forwarded a draft copy to a contact person from each site who have all agreed with the information supplied. The one exception is the MDF site which have not responded as yet.

Col has enough information for eight Interpretative Boards and a copy was provided to the committee. He suggests the majority of information could be reproduced onto a leaflet with some relevant photos and the information then be condensed for use on the Interpretative Boards.

A copy of his draft work will be forwarded to all Committee member for comment and suggestions for the next meeting.

The Director of Development is requested to write to all industries within the Oberon Timber Complex, seeking financial support for one or more interpretive signs. Also contact Mr Shane Moorhead, President of the Oberon Tarana Heritage Railway Inc to see what role they may have in this project. Col is to provide a copy of his contacts.

Col asked if Council would allow the use of their Mapping System for a map of the Oberon Timber Complex for potential leaflets. Col also asked member if there was any old photos of Pyneboard that may be used on the Interpretative Boards and if so would they make them available.

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It was suggested that an action plan could be developed as follows:

1. Committee to review the submission made by Col Roberts and make appropriate comments
2. Seek suggestions from OTHR in order to gain their support or vision
3. Write to the Timber entities to seek financial support for erection of the signage in conjunction with a tourist pamphlet for the walk
4. Develop a Timber Heritage Information Pamphlet to assist in the Timber Heritage walk
5. Implement signage/pamphlet in conjunction with OHTR, should they wish to be involved

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Mr Bruce Stevenson advised that the Walking Track requires some attention and Gary Wallace confirmed he will bring this to the attention of the Engineering Department.

Mrs Cotton thanked Mr Roberts for all of his efforts in preparing the information for the interpretative signs.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Timber Heritage Walk Committee will be held on Monday, 30 January 2012, commencing at 4.00pm.

This concluded the business and the meeting rose at 4.50pm.

Confirmed this _____ day of _____ 2011.

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