



# LOCALLY SPEAKING

LOWER KING & BAYONET HEAD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION  
NEWSLETTER: MARCH 2020

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## **LAST MEETING HIGHLIGHTS: last general meeting was held 12<sup>th</sup> of March 2020.**

Councilor Emma Doughty was in attendance matters discussed at this meeting were:

- request has been made to the city of Albany for seating at the boat launching ramp on the Esplanade and bollards to prevent vehicles parking on the grassed areas. Emma Doughty to follow-up with C.O.A.
- request to the city of Albany for gravel upgrade of the bayonet head lookout area parking area and pathways Emma to photograph areas of concern and follow-up with Council.
- a discussion was held regarding the future planning for the Vancouver Arts Centre and in particular the planned storage of historical archives at the Arts Centre, Councilor Doughty assured the meeting that no final decision has been made and further consultation would take place with the interested groups that would be affected by any future decisions made on the use of the Vancouver art centre.
- emails have also been exchanged on this matter with Councilor Matt Benson-Lidhom and the meeting decided to seek further consultation with him on this matter and also for the general future of our association.
- membership views were sought regarding Association meeting times and it was decided to retain existing meeting times for general meetings to be held quarterly on Thursday at 6:30 PM.
- decision made regarding cancellation of future swap meets see below.
- Sydney wattle infestations continues to be an ongoing issue within the city of Albany it was requested that any substantial areas be reported to the city for possible attention.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

next quarterly meeting is scheduled for Thursday 11th of June 2020 at 6:30 PM at Gomm Park Hall lower King.

## **SWAP MEETS**

some months ago we instituted regular monthly produce swap meets as a community activity with the objective of being a way to have the Association provide a service and a way for local people to meet each other and swap produce as had been evidenced by the very successful Denmark produce markets which are held on a regular basis. However apart from the first initial meeting last year the attendance has become poorer as time went on to the stage where only one or 2 people were showing up for the last few meetings therefore it was decided by your committee to discontinue this activity, the next swap meeting would have been on April 4th so this meeting and any future meetings have been cancelled, the Association is disappointed at this outcome as it seemed to be a good way to involve people with a good outcome. we believe that after 9 months we gave this a fair trial for it to take on interest.

## **OUR PROGRESS ASSOCIATION**

your committee has become increasingly concerned about the future of our association and making it something that would be supported by a local people in the Lower King/ Bayonet Head areas. And in addition add value to local residents. Our efforts have included:

- discussion with the Lower King Community group that runs Gomm Park Hall with a view to see if there could be a common expansion of our interests and better use of the local Hall, these discussions did not result in any positive outcome or interest by that group.
- we put out a member survey for ideas on activities that would interest members and enable your Association to add value to local members and residents, the result was a very limited response to this survey.

- our financial membership has gradually declined to now being a small number of financial members as we hire the hall for our meetings and any other activities this has also become an issue.
- your committee feels that there still a place for local Association to represent residents and to take up issues with the city of Albany and we are sure that there will be future issues that will arise as the area continues to develop especially in the new residential areas between bayonet head and lower King.
- we are also planning to consult with the city of Albany to see if they can offer suggestions for ways for us to become a reverent group to our local areas, we have also over the time consulted with some of the other successful local associations such as the King River group and lower Kalgan associations.
- we again would encourage our members to give us some input on their suggestions or ideas how we could continue to make our association worthwhile and to achieve its aims of representing local residents so we would encourage your feedback not only from members but also from local residents in the areas of Lower King/ Bayonet Head...

### **CURRENT CORONAVIRUS CRISIS**

As we are all well aware the virus crisis has affected us all, our lifestyles and activities, we wish all the best to get through this time and to keep safe and community aware.

### **LKBHPA FACEBOOK PAGE:**

The Association now has our own Facebook page, so we can post relevant and interesting local information for you as it happens. Members can also post and help keep everyone updated.

All the details of meeting dates and times etc are here, and also a link to the LKBHPA website.

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