

**Minutes of a teleconference meeting of the Noetzie Conservancy Owners’
Association
4 February 2008**

Present

Carl Metelerkamp (Chair), Eion Brown, Julie Gosling, Penny Suckling, Cathy Shimmin, Santie Den Boestert, Nick Taylor

Apologies

Rookan Podesta

1. Annual General Meeting 28 December 2007

1.1 Minutes

To follow.

1.2 Matters arising

1.2.1 Access to steps

The Committee is to meet with Pezula to agree on access to the steps down to the beach and to report back within 3 months.

1.2.2 Parking

The lease has lapsed and the Committee is to discuss with the Knysna Municipality.

1.2.3 Amendments to NCOA Constitution

The amendments proposed at the AGM were accepted. Carl is to effect these and distribute the amended constitution.

1.2.4 Electricity

It appears that few Noetzie residents are interested in having their homes connected. It would seem also that costs are likely to be high: even to get an engineer’s estimate of cost may cost in the region of R15 000. Homeowners who are interested should contact Pezula directly.

1.2.5 Right of way on Noetzie road

Upcoming traffic has right of way.

2. Meeting with Mayor 23 January 2008

The NCOA Committee was invited by Cllr Eleanor Bouw-Spies to meet with delegations from the Municipality and Pezula to discuss matters of common interest and differences between Pezula and the NCOA. The NCOA was represented by Carl Metelerkamp, Julie Gosling and Eion Brown. Minutes of the meeting are to follow.

3. Committee Portfolios

The following portfolio distribution was agreed:

Carl Metelerkamp – Chair and Newsletter

Eion Brown – Matters relating to the development of the Noetzie Infill and the proposed Environmental Education Centre

Julie Gosling – Liaison with the Knysna Municipality

Penny Suckling – assist with Newsletter

Cathy Shimmin – Treasurer

Rookan Podesta and Santie Den Boestert – Conservancy matters

Nick Taylor – Secretary

4. Budget

Cathy to liaise with Craig Getliffe and to draw up an expense budget.

5. Meeting days

It was agreed that Thursdays offer the best fit between the other commitments of Committee members.

6. Correspondence

All correspondence in the name of the Committee must be approved by the Chair.

7. Newsletter

It was agreed that the next edition should contain a report on the meeting with the Mayor. Eion offered a story on the Noetzie bushbuck.

8. Minutes

Nick is to forward all minutes since July 2007 to Carl for approval and posting on the website.

9. Green Waste Management Site

It was agreed that the Committee should offer constructive comment on the ROD. Eion to draft a letter, which would state, inter alia, that access to the site should be controlled and that it should be locked when no one is on duty. Comment is due by 28 February.

10. Montrose

It is clear that Pezula is continuing to operate a restaurant from Montrose castle in violation of their B&B license. Julie to consult Ed Hill on next steps. The septic tank is being repaired.

11. Rezoning

Julie to check with the Municipality on the progress of the Pezula application.

12. Communication with Pezula

It was agreed that an appeal should be made, through the Newsletter, for NCOA members to inform the Committee of any communication they may have with Pezula.

13. Subscriptions

Craig did distribute a number of invoices at the AGM. Cathy will ensure that the rest are sent to NCOA members.

14. Fundraising

The Committee is to call for pledges from NCOA members through the Newsletter and personal letters. Craig has the most up to date list of members: Cathy will consolidate.

15. Payment for road cleaning

Julie to speak to the Municipality about paying Ezekiel to keep the Noetzie road clean. To date, Julie has been paying him herself.

16. Access to Lindsay castle

It has come to the notice of the Committee that Don Lindsay has applied to Pezula to build a road down to his castle. It was agreed that the Committee should ensure that all proper procedures are followed.

17. Voting procedure for AGM

Eion is to establish the correct procedure and circulate to Committee members.

Next meeting: 18h30 Thursday 6 March