

**Minutes of a teleconference meeting of the Noetzie Conservancy Owners'
Association
5 June 2008**

Present

Carl Metelerkamp (Chair), Eion Brown, Santie den Boestert, Rookan Podesta, Cathy Shimmin, Penny Suckling, and Nick Taylor

Apologies

Julie Gosling

1. Meeting of 8 May

1.1 Minutes

The spelling of Neil Metelerkamp's name was corrected in item 2.

1.2 Matters arising

1.2.1 Green Waste Management Site

Santie noted that the Environmental Liaison Committee has still not been established.

1.2.2 Meeting with the Mayor

Nick reported that there had still been no response following his enquiry, and he was requested to follow up.

1.2.3 Noetzie infill

EB reported that he had visited the offices of DEADP in George and discovered that Percy Lange, who had received the NCOA comment on the Draft Scoping Report, has left DEA&DP and handed it on to Agnes Gee. It was decided to ask Elbie to make contact with Agnes Gee to enquire as to whether she has received the NCOA submission. It was resolved that the NCOA should continue to lobby members of DEADP, and even attempt to get to the Minister.

1.2.4 Boardwalk

EB's objection to the width of the boardwalk has been submitted to the Knysna Municipality.

1.2.5 Urban Edge

Carl has written to the KM requesting that Noetzie remain outside the Knysna urban edge, but no response has been received.

2. Lindsay B&B

It was reported that JG has spoken to Alan de Souza, pointing out that holding commercial activities such as weddings and other functions at the castle contravened the terms of the B&B consent use. Apparently this news was not well received. It was agreed the CS would talk to Don Lindsay, after which RP will write to Alan de Souza.

3. Trading activities at Montrose

PS volunteered to phone Ed Hill and ask his advice on next steps.

4. Budget

CS undertook to produce the budget by the next meeting.

5. Fire Management

Nothing has been done yet about the NCOA registering with the Fire Protection Association of the Southern Cape, and it was decided that the matter should stand over until JG's return .

6. Letter from Justine Sharples

Wendy attended the fundraising workshop on 21 May.

7. NSRI sign on Noetzie beach

It was agreed that the sign is an eyesore and should be taken down. Santie volunteered to investigate with NSRI.

8. Water

CS cautioned about the danger of digging up the forest to lay pipes, and that increasing the supply of water to houses might drive up usage to the point where soakaways become flooded. PS undertook to talk to Don Lindsay, who is intending to lay on water, and to Ed Hill. EB noted that anyone intending to avail themselves of the municipal supply should ensure that they have a proper contract.

9. Environmental Forum

Santie attended the meeting, which did not get to discussing the Spatial Development plan, because the KM person did not turn up.

10. Garden refuse

It was noted that garden refuse is being dumped in the ravine at the bottom of the road, which is problematic as it is in a watercourse. EB undertook to talk to George about this.

11. **Next meeting:** 18h30 on Thursday 3 July.