

NEWSLETTER
Barwon Heads Association
May 2015

Next meeting
Monday 18th May 7.30pm
Senior Citizens Hall
Clifford Pde
Agenda

1 Guest speaker Hon Lisa Neville
Minister for Environment, Climate Change & Water
Member for Bellarine

It is not often that Barwon Heads has a representative who is a minister of the state cabinet and our May meeting represents an opportunity to discuss and question Lisa on a range of local and state wide matters. Lisa will let us know what is happening in our area, what future plans the state may have and will be happy to answer questions.

Remember the meeting is in Clifford Pde Senior Citizens Hall.

2 Pedestrian Safety Project & recent falls on unsafe footpaths.

We have been in contact with VicRoads and will be giving an update on progress with the project to add pedestrian safety measures to the Hitchcock Rd/Bridge Rd precinct. Meanwhile we have contacted CoGG and arranged a meeting with council officers and our councilor in June to review footpath safety especially along Bridge Rd, past IGA and down to the bridge.

Please contact the BHA if you or someone you know has fallen on uneven footpaths in Barwon Heads.

3 Further discussion arising from rate forum.

Members at our March meeting indicated that they were not convinced they were getting value for rate money from CoGG rates.

In response to our inquires CoGG says *“the levying of Council rates is a property taxing system designed to raise funds for expenditure within the municipal district. Council does not account for rates by suburb or expenditure by suburb.”*

We all know that Barwon Heads provides a considerable source of income for The City and more needs to be done to satisfy our ratepayers that we are getting value for money.

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