

Minutes: 11th May 2026: 7.00 pm, Macclesfield Institute**1. WELCOME:**

Acknowledgement of the traditional owners - the Peramangk people – and their leaders past and present, on whose land we meet tonight.

2. PRESENT: R. Davidson (Vice Chair), L. Boyd, J. Conroy (Sec), B Smith, T. Slack

3. APOLOGIES: P. Worland (Chair), G Harris (Treasurer), K. Stephenson

4. GUESTS: Chris Stedman;

5. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion: “That the minutes of the meeting held 13/4/2026 be accepted”.
Moved L. Boyd, Seconded: R. Davidson. Motion carried

Agenda items	Discussion	Decision	Action
6. Business Arising from Minutes			
6.1 Imagine Uraidla presentation + Town Teams Movement (Place Making)	• Reflections on Town Team Movement presentation: impressed, positive, we already adhere to principles, engaged community already. Offers some financial support for aspect of the model • We already do many TT type activities but how can we be more creative to engage others, particularly younger who may not want to join committees, formal structure • Liked the phrase “Don’t turn up with an idea without an action and commitment”	Motion: That MCA register to be part of Town Teams Movement. Moved: B. Smith Seconded: L. Boyd Motion Carried Committee thought P. Worland should be Town teams contact and initiate determine registration requirements	P. Worland

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6.1 Imagine Uraidla presentation + Town Teams Movement (Place Making)	• P. Worland asked <i>Imagine Uraidla</i> contact Sarah for some date options some time ago and haven't heard back. Starting to think the TTM is way to go because they have so much more capacity to assist us, connect us with other places and examples etc than the <i>Imagine Uraidla</i> folks • P. Worland suggested we form a subgroup to look at the TTM and how it would benefit Maccy and it's fit with existing MCA structures.		
6.2 Institute Green Room and foyer improvements	• Added to SpacetoCo – no bookings yet. Launched on Social Media. • Need replacement key due to displacement of original – concern that general Institute key accesses all areas not just Green room • R. Davidson thanked for his work in negotiating Green Room general hire use, redecorating and fit out of space for use. • Foyer revamp – big job, will take committee many hours. Suggested MCA contract professional painters and decorators to repaint foyer	Install separate lock box for Green Room Hirer access only Motion: MCA to contract professional t painter for foyer work. Moved R. Davidson, Second: B. Smith All in favor. Seek CPJ Painting quote – walls, all timber work (architraves/trim/front doors) not ceiling	R. Davidson T. Slack

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6. Business Arising from Minutes (cont.)			
6.3 Noise in supper room	• R. Davidson meeting C. Mobbs at 10.30 tomorrow to draw up plan	Seek quote and if appropriate submit application for Infrastructure Grant funding (closes 24 May)	R. Davidson
6.4 Township Plan update + Macclesfield Leaders meeting	• Email from P. Worland MBDC: MCA has asked repeatedly for clearer updates and stronger delivery on the 2020 Township Plan. • Council is shifting to an annually updated Prospectus covering Macclesfield, Echunga and Meadows. • In January, MCA agreed to involve other local groups to strengthen shared advocacy. • P. Worland emailed community leaders asking for 5 priority actions each, due end of May for discussion in June. • Council hasn't given a meeting date but has begun drafting the Prospectus; MCA supplied project images. • Further community consultation is expected once a draft Prospectus is available.		
6.5 Sports Trophy awards	• MCA tennis and cricket awards given, (community service type award rather than sporting) Recipients: A young person who coaches juniors at tennis; A 50 year-volunteer at cricket. • Softball awards 'Rookie of the Year'	Committee supported Maccy Footy Club award: junior club person, representing MCA's vision of encouraging and supporting individuals who contribute to their club and community Will be given out by MCA Committee member	T. Slack

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6.6	Time Capsule	Phil Cotter, will temporarily remove and replace once contents recorded	Time to be determined	T. Slack
6.7	Proposed access agreement for hirers	Discussed.	Add policy reference and agreement then distribute	L. Boyd
6.8	Community Association/residents group meeting	Defer to next meeting		
6.9	Changes to event support grants	P. Worland has liaised with other Halls committees, contacted by Courier for comment - May be value getting key event organisers together re the changes	Photos of Carols event provided for media article Discuss with C. Gordon – arrange meeting in future	
6.10	Tree management policy	C. Stedman read and spoke to his impressions of the draft. Gave summary of key points and considers it to be solid		
7. Correspondence				
7.1	Youth Spaces consultation - MBDC		Prepare draft for circulation	P. Worland
7.2	Community Engagement Policy consultation – MBDC	When applicable L. Boyd shares from MBDC social media to local Maccy Community Chat	Prepare draft for circulation	P. Worland

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7.3 Training for Incorporated Association – MBDC	•EOI sent from those committee members who were interested in attending sessions •Await further advice from Council as to schedule.		
7.4 Volunteer recognition MBDC – Free cinema tickets, 20 May	•Tickets available now	Posters and flyers prepared to promote/ thank all volunteers for their contributions	L. Boyd
8. New Business			
8.1 Incident at Comedy Night	•External Power outlets to Institute forecourt: R. Davidson created access to power for right hand side of Institute	David Brown electrician to install 15 amp PP for food trucks	R. Davidson
8.2 Proposed community gathering and outdoor film night, Davenport Square (Kelly Turner)	•Nil further to report		
8.3 Nomination to MCA Committee	•C. Stedman nominated and accepted.	Motion: That C. Stedman be elected as MCA committee member prior to AGM Moved: J. Conroy, Second: L. Boyd All in favor.	
9. MCA Planner			
9.1 Working Bee - safety check tables & chairs	•Now Green Room is completed can finish this task. •Chairs hired out to a couple of people for donations.	Audit of damaged black card tables & white trestle tables. Check replacement required & action	R. Davidson/B. Smith

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9. MCA Planner				
9.1	Working Bee - safety check tables & chairs	• Weeds have been sprayed out the back	Locate asset register and forward copy to R. Davidson	J. Conroy
9.2	Donation to Newsletter	• to cover our advertising additions for the year. \$200pa	Motion: To donate \$200 to newsletter for coming financial year. Moved R. Davidson, Seconded L. Boyd All in favor	
10. Finance				
10.1	Report	• Circulated by email • C. Stedman query re gifts & donations. The committee gave examples of expenditure over the financial year		
10.2	Approved expenditure in 2025/26	• Reminder where possible to purchase items for MCA activities which have been approved by the committee, in the current financial year (Eg new chairs for the foyer, new small tables and trestles, electrical outlet for forecourt • C. Stedman – is it possible to purchase sand bags for use with Marquees rather than water weights	To research suitable replacements and cost	C. Stedman
11 Events update				
11.1	Macclesfield Literary Festival	• J. Conroy attended to award Youth writing prizes and gave summary		

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11.2 History Group Bush dance	• Feedback provided to R. Foster and L. Bullock – fun but hall overcrowded. • Did History Group receive grant monies this year? What are the break-even costs? Can we manage with less ticket sales to increase enjoyment and safety? How to value add – can \$5 increase in ticket price be sustained?	debriefing with Rod – Invite R. Foster to next meeting for debrief and to discuss time capsule.	R. Davidson
11.3 Battunga Youth Celebration	• Battunga Youth event at Davenport Sq approx. 35 members and family attended • Excellent local media coverage		
11.4 Planting Day Davenport Sq.	• 30th May for digging holes/31st for planting • L. Boyd has promoted. • Story time for younger attendees	10 am start Contact Sam Glazbrook for native planting demo Contact Eleanor Ford for Photo frame Promote shared morning tea Need to arrange tree pick up	J. Conroy J. Conroy L. Boyd TBD
12. Grants update			
12.1 Social Impact Grant 2024/25– Battunga Youth Partnership			
12.2 PIRSA Thriving Regions Fund – Thriving Communities	• Grant agreement for \$25K signed.		P. Worland

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12. Grants update (cont.)			
12.3 MBDC Community grants - proposal for Crystal Lake - sculpture installation	• Unsuccessful		
12.4 DCMB Community Grant – Battunga Youth Partnership	• successful		P. Worland
12.5 DCMB Community infrastructure grants due 24 May	• Possible Community Infrastructure Grant applications discussed: ○ Replace small shed and insulate to house pantry fridge. ○ Quote for batteries, improved solar system. Would reduce power cost for pantry. ○ ‘Dining with locals’ sculpture as unsuccessful Community Grant application ○ Pave driveway– feedback from Pantry volunteers gravel difficulty to navigate trolleys to and from shed	Quotes secured for new shed and slab with increased footprint/height - to pursue anyway as needs to be done Batteries – pursue through resilience group Concern that sculpture install may again be unsuccessful Agreed on paving driveway using pavers stored at Crystal Lake and Rec Grounds. To check m2 of pavers stored. Seek quote from Strath contact	R. Davidson L. Boyd B. Smith T. Slack
12.6 Community Event Grants	• Creative Pursuits, Carols, Strawberry Fete applications need to be completed by May 24th		J. Conroy
12.7 Battunga Youth funding opportunities	• Possible options: DHS Social Impact 2025/26, Rotary Mount Barker, SAPower	Deferred	

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13. Reports			
13.1 Hall report	- Electricity costs for pantry fridge (~ \$30 p.w.) needs to be clarified so can discuss payment with Pantry. C. Stedman raised some floor boards in Hall are spongy especially in corners.	Aware and monitoring situation	P. Worland R. Davidson
13.2 School Report	Available week 8 of term		K Stephenson
13.3 Task groups	- Market - Discussed signage mockups, types to replace aging signage on way into Maccy - Discussed reporting requirements for market income and expenses - Arts Group - Biochar Group Biochar report received by email - Resilience Group	Good day. nil report received on progress Still to develop Financial Reporting plan Meeting Tuesday 12th to discuss artists feedback and plan 2026 offering Report received CFS have scheduled 2 workshops - Firey women 4 evening workshop series commencing Wednesday 1st July - Write a survival plan 21st June Still working on booklet	E. Ford / G. Harris B. Smith/R. Davidson/J. Conroy L. Boyd

Finish: 9.12 pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday 8th due to LWE

6.45 pm start – Macclesfield Institute Supper Room (Supper providers next meeting – J. Conroy & B. Smith)