Minutes

Malmsbury Progress Association Inc.

Committee Meeting Monday 1 December 2025 at 6.30pm

Malmsbury Town Hall

1. Welcome

2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners

    2.1.1. Dja Dja Wurrung Peoples.

3. Attendance

    1. Present: Jim Valle (Treasurer), Mark Gamble (Vice-President), Ross Cornell (President & Chair), Philip Flanagan (Secretary).
    2. Guests: None.
    3. Apologies: Jan A'Beckett.

    Motion "That the apologies be accepted" Moved J. Valle/M. Gamble Carried

4. Previous minutes

    4.1. Amendments: Nil

    4.2. Acceptance

    Motion "That the minutes of 3 November 2025 be accepted"

    Moved P. Flanagan/ J. Valle Carried

    4.3. Business arising: Nil

5. Confirmation of Agenda

    5.1.1. Additional items and agenda order. No change.

6. Reports

    6.1. Secretary's report & tabling of communications.

    6.2. Outwards

6.2.1. EM CAV : Request for response to MAA assets issues.

6.2.2. EM Justice etc Dept re liaison with Malmsbury Justice Centre

6.2.3. EM President response to K. Beare EM

6.3. Inwards

6.3.1. EM K. Beare membership and other issues

6.3.2. EM R. Pryor re Malmsbury Youth Justice Centre meeting.

6.3.3. EM CAV 28 12 25 Thanks for patience re assets

Motion "That the communications be accepted"

Moved P. Flanagan/J. Valle Carried

The CAV email was discussed (6.3.3). The delay in CAV response was seen to be unacceptable.
Section 140 of the AIR Act & CAV's responsibilities were discussed.
The issue (in hindsight) that a reinstatement of the MAA may have been an easier path to the community's reclaiming of its assets was also discussed.

Motion "That the MPA write to CAV saying we are aware that recent rates have been paid on former MAA properties. Has the Registrar CAV paid these rates? If not, CAV as the vested owner of these properties should be aware of the details of these payments and we asked that you inform the MPA and the Malmsbury community.

Moved M. Gamble/J. Vale. Carried

7. President's report

7.1. Update on MPA activities placed in Malmsbury mail

7.2. Ross spoke with the primary school principal re scholarship and principal will get back to Ross

7.3. After success of film night will assist organise another – perhaps a "Blues Brothers" type film in February/March in conjunction with the Mail and Hall committees.

7.4. **Motion** "That the President's report be accepted"

Moved P. Flanagan/J. Valle Carried

8. Treasurer's report

8.1.1. Bank account balance $3.231, with no significant expenditure & income.

8.1.2. Jim was keen to get our finance report to CAV.

8.1.3. **Motion** "That the Treasurers report be accepted"

Moved J. Valle/P. Flanagan Carried

9. Juvenile Justice Centre Re-opening

9.1. J. Pryor EM was read out and discussed (See also item 6.3.2). There are various opinions of what may occur when the JJC Malmsbury is reopened. Most weren't that sure that there would be any change in their operations, especially in relation to rehabilitation.

9.2. **Agreed** - That MPA write to Deputy Secretary Youth Justice Jodi Henderson, who addressed the meeting last month, and ask about the progress of community input into the Malmsbury YJC after the New Year.

10. Other reports

10.1.1. Membership payment program PayPal (Jose, Philip). No report.

11. Membership

11.1. Applications nil

11.2. Jim emailed membership forms to those members that we do not have full details on. Only one response. Agreed at AGM to

12. Website development (Jose)

12.1.1. Ross will ask Jose to put our minutes on the website.

12.1.2. The question was raised about how the portal to the email worked on the website. Ross will talk with Jose.

12.1.3. Philip has asked Jose to include a membership form.

13. AGM Date

MPA Annual General Meeting was set for **Sunday 15 February 2026 at 1.30pm**

Notice of AGM is required to go out before 14 days prior i.e. Sunday 1 February 2026.

Notice of any motions to be put to the AGM must be given before 21 days of the AGM i.e. Sunday 25 January 2026.

14. General Business

14.1. Discussion about the VicRoads traffic control requirements for the Malmsbury market which now involves high fees to a private operator as the rules and training requirements have now changed.

Agreed to await more details about the situation before contributing any funds towards training for volunteers.

Agreed also that any agreed payments be formally advised to the Treasurer.

15. Meetings

15.1. Closed at 7.50pm.

15.2. Next Meeting Monday, **5 January 2026 at 6.30pm**. This date was confirmed.