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DUNEDIN HERITAGE LIGHT RAIL TRUST AND HIGH STREET CABLE CAR SOCIETY INC.

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Items in this Newsletter:

- **The stage 1 consent update and Museum Building progress**
- **How you can assist this voluntary society group with the day to day progress**

This is our first newsletter for 2017 and unfortunately we are unable to provide you with good news. It was hoped that by now we would be constructing the building to house Mornington Trailer 111 and Roslyn Cable cars 95 and 97.

Building Consent for Stage One

The process through Building and Planning consents have been long and testing. Prior to Christmas we made application for building consent but were unable to provide all the information required in order for the consent to be approved. However after four months, February this year we were finally successful in obtaining the building consent, however we required planning consent before any work could progress.

Planning Consent for Stage one

Only days after receiving our building consent, a trust member spoke to planning consent staff who informed him that we would require a professional company to prepare the necessary documentation. This was duly undertaken and following several draft documents the company lodged an application in late February. Passage through this process has been just as difficult.

To date we are at a position where an alternative site on Mornington park has been proposed following a negative response to our original site. The Trust are currently working through negotiations with the Planning department for a joint agreement of this site, as the new home for the three cable cars.

On a Brighter Note

Three members of the Trust presented an update on the cable car progress to the Dunedin City Councillors at a forum on 28th March. A brief history on the project from 2007 to 2017 was delivered to the councillors prior to the forum in order to bring the new councillors upto date with progress.

We were first to talk, and presented a five minute report on the proposal, its place in world history, the progress of stage one and the problems we were facing with their consent departments.

We concluded by stating that the construction of Stage one and two will ultimately determine the fate of the project.

In question time, three of the new councillors asked questions on the time span, cost and its tourism potential. The members felt that they had a supportive audience now well informed on the re-establishment of the Mornington Cable Car route.

Reminder pictures of Mornington Trailer 111, Roslyn cable car 97 and Roslyn cable car 95 as we have come to know them through this newsletter that will be leased to the Trust by the Transport Historical Society once the building has been erected



MORNINGTON PARK BUILDING PROGRESS

The Trust has placed a deposit on the building for Stage one and have the funds set aside to pay in full once all the consents have been received.

The Transport Historic Society have graciously donated 24 metres of track for stage one which has been viewed by a trust member, cut to size and delivered to Dunedin. This was track uplifted after the Christchurch earthquake and is in need of a good cleanup to remove a lot of asphalt. This will happen this Saturday and if you are prepared to help please ring 4881335 and offer your services.

Apart from purchasing the building the Trust has received sponsorship of two roller doors, two windows and one exit door, the site excavated, fill for the concrete slab along with reinforcement and the concrete. The site will also have a container for the building before its construction along with a security fence surrounding the construction site and some builders all at no cost to us.





We do need more help and support when the time arrives for the construction
Contributions can be made by sending an endorsed cheque to ::

**Dunedin Heritage Light Rail Trust,
c/o 39 Chain Hills Road R.D.1 Dunedin 9076,**

OR:

By Internet Banking to Dunedin Heritage Light Rail Trust

A/c 38-9016-787291-00

Please leave a reference name to enable us to send you a receipt for your kind donation!

LOOKING AHEAD ::

- **Willing volunteers required to assist in the construction of the temporary Museum**
- **The return of trailer 111 and cable cars 95 & 97**
- **Stage 2 launch in 2017**
