



Liffey Hall Management Committee.

The Liffey Hall Management Committee meeting held on Tuesday 9th February 2021

The meeting commenced at 7.05pm.

Present:

Quenton Higgs, Sally Staubmann, Herbert Staubmann, Lindsay Jordan, Dennis Chilcott, Maria Saldana, Jilli Spencer, Richard Chin, Jane Millar, Steve Broadbent.

Apologies:

Ian Spencer

Minutes:

The minutes from the previous meeting were read by the secretary, they were moved by Sally Staubmann and second by Herbert Staubmann to be a correct account.

Treasurers Report:

The treasurer Sally Staubmann read the financial report for the previous period stating incomes and expenses. The treasurer's report was moved by Steve Broadbent and seconded by Lindsay Jordan.

Attached is a full financial report prepared by the treasurer.

The treasurer has reported that the financial are to be audited by council in the next few days.

Matter Arising from last Meeting:

The committee are still arranging a plumber and electrician to install water pump and wire in electrical needs for the water pump.

We have been advised by tens days spokesperson that a disabled toilet will not now be supplied.

Food catering for the Ten Days event has be address with a coffee van organized and two different types of food Afghan and Lebanese styled menus along with the traditional BBQ.

Concerns about power supply to the stage, resolved Tens Days organizers have a battery powered public address system.

Agenda Items:

Items on the agenda for the 9th February meeting were to vote on a formal adoption of a strategic plan proposed by Herbert Staubmann. The plan is to help prioritise and organise future work projects.

Set a date and time for a working bee to pour a small concrete slab for the water pump.

Look at organizing a lockable cage to house the water pump in case of theft attempt.

Correspondence:

An enquiry has been made into the hiring the Hall for Yoga this to be followed up.

General Business:

At the last meeting the Strategic Plan proposal was moved by Herbert Staubmann and 2nd by Steve Broadbent and with the overall support of the members it was accepted. It was suggested by Steve Broadbent and agreed by others that we view on a quarterly period to see how it is working.

A second flag pole is to be installed this was moved by Herbert Staubmann and 2nd by Lindsay Jordan. Herbert and Richard will source a pole and erect it before the 13th of March. The second flag pole is to raise the aboriginal flag.

We need to check with appropriate people as to the location of any cables in the area before we dig any holes.

Quenton Higgs will check with council building person Damian Wilson as to where we are with the new fascia and guttering that was expected to be replaced when the old roofing iron was replaced.

While Sally Staubmann doing a general clean-up of the kitchen area she noticed we have a rodent problem that needs addressing. Herbert Staubmann will draft a letter to the council stating the gaps under the main doors that is allowing rodent to enter the hall also will mention again the fascia and gutting issues we have.

Richard Chin suggested a general tidy up of the fern area on the eastern side of the Hall. Richard and Herbert have volunteered to do this job.

Dennis and Quenton will pour small slab for the water pump and Ian Spencer will help with a lockable cover the house the pump.

Thanks to the hard work by Sally Staubmann preparing and cleaning the kitchen area prior to inspection from the N.M.C health inspector Graham Hillyard. **We now have a low risk food handling licence.**

On the 5th February the Ten Days on the Island Hall designer Barrie Baxter was met at the hall by Dennis Chilcott and Mr. Baxter assessed the areas he will be decorate on the festival day.

Issues arising from the new safe food handling licence is we will need a three side covered in area with a ground cover e.g. a market tent for setting up the B.B.Q. area.

The treasurer lodged an account of \$70.46 for the purchase of new tongs, cutting boards and hand sanitizer.

Market News:

The Liffey Hall market manager Quenton Higgs is very happy with the way the markets are going. The usual stall holders are expected at the next market. A possible visit from a Launceston group called Poets Peddlers. The idea of the visit is to have a look and feel of the area before the Ten Days event.

Meeting Closed:

The meeting was close by the outgoing Chairperson Quenton Higgs at 8.40 pm Tuesday 9th February 2021.

The next Liffey Hall Management Committee meeting Tuesday 13th April 2021 at 7.00pm at the Liffey Hall.

Secretary Liffey Hall Management Committee.

Dennis Chilcott. 28/2/2021

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EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MEMORIAL HALL
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of General Meeting Tuesday 9th March 2021

Chairperson John Lewis

Meeting opened: 1.00pm

1. Present: Arthur Walter, Peter Riley, Geoff Divall, Brett Goldsworthy, Barry and Maria Lawson, Heather Leggett, Frank Halliwell, Cath & Barry Wenn, Judy Heazlewood, Ian Goninon, Gillian Atherton.

2. Apologies: Jackie Divall, Sue Bedford.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: were taken as read and confirmed: Frank Halliwell/Peter Riley. Carried.

Visitor from Rotary:

John Lewis introduced Jodie Lowe – Rotary Membership Chairperson for Rotary Tasmania. Jodie is liaising with Rotary Evandale which is in recess at present. She is exploring different ways of presenting Rotary meetings that may have a greater appeal to new members. Rotary is committed to working for the benefit of the community and Jodie wishes to canvas ideas that may work at Evandale. Committee members felt that there are already a wide range of groups within Evandale but agreed that an 'Expression of Interest' meeting for the community, to be held at a later date would be helpful. Jodie left her contact details with the Secretary.

4. Business Arising:

- R.V.Friendly Town: Evandale is listed as an RV friendly town but fails to deliver on RV friendly criteria. This question still causes much confusion when directing visitors to appropriate camping facilities, and if the uncertainty of caravanning/camping areas remains Evandale will lose these tourists. After discussion, and to gain clarity on the whole picture, Ian Goninon offered to discuss the problem with the General Manager at N.M.C. and if necessary ask him to meet with members of the committee to clarify arrangements.
- Mural Memorial Hall: this is proving more difficult to repair than first foreseen. Ian Goninon advised that the N.M.C. has now received a quote for it to be repaired on-site. Rotary to contribute \$1000 towards the cost.
- Garage Sale: a notice to be placed in the next edition of N.W. newsletter thanking the community for their support.

5. Centre Report/Correspondence:

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- Centre still being well used as a community hub, with regular meetings and library use.
- Number of users during the month of February down from last year 406/969 but it was encouraging that the Centre was being used for more meetings and the library was still popular.
- Correspondence sent and received to N.M.C. re the question of RV friendly town.

6. Community Hall Report:

- \$2000 was received for the hall from a Cancer Council function this month.

7. Financial Report:

EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
Financial Statement as a 28 February 2021

BANK BALANCE				\$14,186.39
Add interest		Interest	\$4.92	
Add deposits		Cash Deposits	\$500.00	
		Direct Deposits	\$920.00	
		Eftpos	\$303.25	
				15914.56
Less cheques				
	08.02.21	Telstra 727371	\$124.09	
	12.02.21	NMC 727365	\$125.00	
	13.02.21	Transfer to hall account	\$55.00	
	16.02.21	Top up of card account	\$500.00	
	24.02.21	Aurora 727373	\$21.84	
	26.02.21	Link 727370	\$36.30	
				\$862.23
				\$15,052.33
Less direct debit	02.02.21	CBA Eftpos Fee	\$60.00	\$14,992.33
BANK BALANCE				
Less unrepresented cheques		Flick Anticimex 727369	\$50.05	
		Evandale Village Fair 727372	\$182.00	
		Flick Anticimex 727374	\$50.05	
				\$14,710.23
Available Balance				
Debit Card Account	31.01.21			\$77.10

8. Gift Shop:

- Gift Shop moving slowly, mainly cards etc.

It was moved and seconded that the reports be accepted. Peter Riley/Frank Halliwell.

Carried.

9. Any Other Business:

- Carpet cleaning, Friday 12th March - \$200.
- Discussion regarding spending of funds from the garage sale:
 - Arthur Walter proposed the formation of a community club for various indoor activities.
 - Provision of an outside, community notice board was again raised. A sketch has been submitted but with very little detail. However, the meeting agreed in principal that this would be an acceptable project and will ask for a more detailed plan to be available for the next meeting.
 - Barry Lawson proposed several ideas/projects which will need to be put to the members for consideration prior to the next meeting.
- Meeting with N.M.C. General Manager 18th March regarding improvements to the Memorial Hall.

Meeting closed at 2.30 pm and was followed by afternoon tea.

Next meeting Tuesday, 13th April at 1.00pm.

Minutes of the Ross Community Sports Club Inc. AGM Gov 7(i)(ii)
held on Tuesday March 30th 2021 at the Clubrooms 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT:- Karen Donlon, Owen & Sue Kay, Ricky Hebbard, Sally Langridge, Dennis Rule, Keith & Jeanette Draper, Candyce Hurren, Tim and Wendy Dyer, Paul Eyre, Meg, Birchall, Rod Lawrie and Herbert Johnson.

APOLOGIES:- Arthur & Ann Thorpe, Molly Jones and Marcus Rodrigues.

MINUTES -: 'Moved by Sue Kay and seconded by Dennis Rule that the minutes be accepted.' CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS -: 'Moved by Owen Kay and seconded by Candy Hurren that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.' CARRIED

AUDITOR'S REPORT -: 'Moved by Karen Donlon and seconded by Jeanette Draper that the Auditors report be accepted.' CARRIED

Election of Committee Members -: All members filled as per constitution requirements.

Election of Office Bearers -:

Owen Kay took the chair and called for nominations for Chairman.

Chairman -: Sue Kay nominated Rick Hebbard and seconded by Keith Draper, and as there was no other nominations Rick accepted.

Ricky took the chair and thanked Owen.

Deputy-Chairperson -: Candy Hurren nominated Dennis Rule and seconded by Sally Langridge and as there was no other nominations Dennis accepted.

Secretary -: Sally Langridge nominated Candice Hurren and Sue Kay seconded, as there was no other nominations Candice accepted.

Treasurer -: Candy Hurren nominated Sally Langridge and Jeanette Draper seconded, as there was no other nominations Sally accepted.

Sue Kay mentioned what a great job Karen has done and the Committee thanked her for all her work over the years.

'It was resolved that Northern Midlands Council remain Auditors for the Ross Community Sports Club inc.'

Hire Charges -:

'Resolved that hire fees be Ground and Clubrooms \$250, Lounge and Kitchen \$100, Lounge only \$50 and all other requests to be set by the discretion of the Committee while Pool tickets will be assessed before opening of the 2020/2021 season.'

Meeting closed at 7.20p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

MARCH
Minutes of the meeting of the Ross Community Sports Club Inc.

held on Tuesday 30th ~~March~~ 2021 Clubrooms 7.20 p.m.

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PRESENT-: Owen & Sue Kay, Ricky Hebbard, Sally Langridge, Karen Donlon, Candyce Hurren, Keith & Jeanette Draper, Tim & Wendy Dyer, Meg Birchall, Paul Eyre, Rod Lawrie, Dennis Rule and Herbert Johnson.

APOLOGIES Marcus Rodrigues & Molly Jones.

MINUTES -: 'Moved by Candy Hurren and seconded by Dennis Rule that the minutes be accepted.' CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING -: Sue Kay has not heard from Howard Burrows as yet re Motorcycle. Candy's fundraising has been most enjoyable and very successful, all had fun at the raft making day at pool while everybody had a lovely afternoon at the Easter Bonnet parade.

Rod & Ian arrived from Veteran's Cricket, Ricky welcomed them and a good discussion was had by all on the success of the venture so far. Ian ran through proposed draft lease from Council, discussing and verifying point with Committee. They thanked us and the Community for the help in getting the turf wicket useable again, with a special thanks to Steve Robinson and Paul Eyre.

FINANCIAL REPORTS -: Moved by Candy Hurren and seconded by Dennis Rule that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment.' CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE -:

IN-: NMC – Covid update.

VCT – Draft from Council.

J Fahey – Thankyou.

Tas. Govt. – Covid checkin.

OUT-: L. Pulford – re Covid funeral arrangements.

Tas. Govt. re checkin online.

Moved by Sue Kay and seconded by Karen Donlon that the correspondence be accepted.' CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS -:

Keith Draper mentioned whether Club would look at eftpos facilities, Karen said that it would take a lot of extra bookwork. Sally suggested we talk with Council, if there is a way of simplifying the work involved

Dennis Rule asked if okay for another Trivia Night on the 8th May, all good just have to abide with covid restrictions.

Candyce Hurren ran through all her upcoming fundraising ventures, Committee will help her whenever and wherever possible.

Sue Kay welcomed Tim Dyer to the Committee. Then thanked him for all his help with the pool over the season and big thank you to Tim and Wendy for the Heated sign for the Pool.

'Committee resolved to write to Council for some presence of Councillors at our next meeting, to discuss where the Council is with the future of our pool.'

Meeting closed at 8.25 p.m.

Next meeting will be 11th May at 7pm.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LLDC HELD AT **THE CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE** ON
WEDNESDAY 7 APRIL 2021, COMMENCING AT 5.30PM

- 1 **PRESENT** Neil Tubb (Chair) Dee Alty, Tim Flanagan, Len Langan, Jo Clark, Bron Baker, Doug Bester
- 2 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Adams and Brooks
- 3 **APOLOGIES** Kevin Headlam, Dennis Pettyfor
- 4 **RESIGNED:** Gary Catchlove-Owen

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS - not applicable at this time.

5 **DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL**

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- a) has an interest; or
- b) is aware or ought to be aware that a close associate has an interest.

A member has an interest in a matter if the matter was decided in a particular manner, receive, or have an expectation of receiving or likely to receive a pecuniary benefit or pecuniary detriment.

Nil declared

6 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

"The minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on March 07, 2021 to be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings."

MOVED: Len Langan/Dee Alty

CARRIED

6 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- 6.1 Safety Issues Woolmers Lane/Panshangar Road intersection. Council offered the information that it be investigated. Doug Bester spoke of the very near miss he witnessed. He spoke of extreme concern and asked that urgent action be taken. It was agreed that the Chairman, Doug Bester and Councillor Brooks approach Council to emphasise their concerns about this corner.
- 6.2 Herb Boxes – mentioned from Council minutes that it would be in 2021/2022 budget. However, the original thought was that the Committee seeks permission from Council to replant a number of the Council planter boxes with herbs like the ones at Cressy and the Committee would seek members of the community/ Garden Club to ensure they survive.

MOTION: "That the Committee seeks permission to replant some of the planters in Longford with herbs and that they seek volunteers in the garden community to tend them."

MOVED; Bron Baker/Jo Clark

CARRIED

6.3 Water Trough Heritage Corner – Council has undertaken some repairs to the water trough.

7.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Council Bus Tour Meeting – The Chairman and Dee Alty attended the early morning meeting in which Neil talked to three points, the race course rezoning, signing the MOU and difficulties of motions out to Council. Dee handed the Mayor a list of concerns raised from the minutes of the last year. They are attached to these minutes.

The 'New One Size Fits All Planning Scheme' is not working. There was a brief discussion on this aspect.

MOTION: "The Planning Scheme is causing huge headaches for both the staff and the community. There needs to be revisions and it can only be done through the LGAT. There is an election in a month. Councillors should explain to LGAT how difficult it is to hear from the community and make changes to the scheme that takes into account, the development and heritage principles of the Northern Midlands Council."

MOVED: Dee Alty/Len Langan

CARRIED

7.2 Petition – Rezoning of the Land around Longford Racecourse – now tabled Northern Midlands Council. The Chairman reported the petition for action for the whole intersection had been presented to State Parliament. The Committee asks the Council to seek a commitment from State Government.

7.3 Budget Proposals 2021-22 – Neil tabled his list (see attached) Dee added a lighting proposal for the Town Hall, quote attached.

7.4 Memorial Hall – Invitation to meet with Architect. The first arranged meeting did not take place. The Committee is now waiting for the consultant to make contact to reset a meeting.

7.5 Town Hall Lighting as per the item in 7.3 and attachment.

8 REPORTS FROM SUB COMMITTEES

8.1 Railway Committee – still meeting and the GoFundMe fundraising is continuing.

8.2 Longford Legends. Next meeting will be organized during April, items to be reviewed will be new inductees and the installation of a Lyche Gate.

9. PENDING BUSINESS ITEMS

- Tear-off Street Maps for Longford – still in process.
- Safety Issues Woolmers Lane/Panshangar Road intersection, see 6.1.
- Racecourse Signage - pending
- Heritage Streetscape Addendum - pending
- Longford Racecourse and the Longford Show Ground as part of Brickendon and Woolmers Heritage Link – pending.
- JBS Alternate Entrance – [waiting decision on Urban Design Strategy](#).
- Memorial Hall – Village Green Development – [pending Council review](#).
- Wellington & Marlborough Streets Intersection – [waiting on Council decision](#).
Further to this, the Chairman reported the petition for action for the whole intersection had been presented to State Parliament. The Committee asks the Council to seek a commitment from State Government.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1** Dee raised the question of road signs – she pointed out that none of the local street signs acknowledge that Longford is a destination. It was decided to get some more specific detail and bring it back to the next meeting.
- 10.2** Bron suggested buying the Scamander old bridge and bringing it to Longford to cross the river. It was thought to be too expensive for the movement of a bridge.
- 10.3** Doug asked where South Longford boundary was?
- 10.4** At the beginning of the meeting Neil advised that he had contacted Gary Catchlove-Owen who advised that he no longer was available due to work commitments.

MOTION: “That a letter of thanks be sent to Gary acknowledging his time with the LLDC.”

MOVED: Dee Alty/Len Langan

CARRIED

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18.45. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 5, 2021 at the Catholic Church Hall.

ATTACHMENT 1

**REQUESTS FROM THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE DURING THE
BUDGET DISCUSSIONS AND COUNCIL BUS TOUR**

Through 2020 and into 2021, there are a number of issues that are still in the pending list that the Committee would like to see addressed.

1. Finalise the MOU and have it working for both sides as per the suggestions the LLDC sent through in 2019
2. Have the Racecourse report included as part of the budget process with some allocation of funds so that it can be included into any economic strategy the Council is considering.
3. The Planning Scheme is causing huge headaches for both the staff and the community. There needs to be revisions and it can only be done through the LGAT. There is an election in a month. Councillors should explain how difficult it is to hear from the community and make changes to the scheme that takes into account the development and heritage principles of the Northern Midlands Council,
4. Longford Legends is due to start work on the next 6 legends to honour 6 women from the community. The Committee will be looking for funds to erect the plaques as before.
5. The Longford map – the Committee is working with Gordon Williams of NMBA to produce a map that fits the request of businesses in Longford. A quote is attached.
6. The committee is very concerned that although many of the motions put to Council go to the agenda, but nothing is ever heard again; there is limited feedback from officers and the Councillors on the LLDC committee can only give information after it has been through council.
7. The Committee is still waiting to have input into the latest design for the Memorial Hall precinct.
8. Currently, some of the committee are looking at the Town Hall to upgrade it as an exhibition space. This is something the Arts community in Longford are desperately needing as well as space for workshops and work space. Quotes are being obtained at the moment for specialized lighting for the Town Hall.

APPENDIX 2 - BUDGET PRIORITIES ON COUNCIL FORM

NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL**2020/2021 BUDGET**Committee: ... LONGFORD
COMMITTEE.....

LOCAL

DISTRICT

Project	Description of proposed works/service	Estimated cost or resources needed (if available)
Marlborough Street Footpaths	Hight Street to Pultney Street it shows gravel then from Pultney to to Malcombe Street it shows grass and so on, until you reach Cressy Road! On the opposite side of Marlborough Street, it shows asphalt continuously! It would make more sense if it was asphalt on both sides of Marlborough Street as this will provide a more consistent profile and will show the main thoroughfare through Longford aesthetic to the eye. Also, it will not be necessary to use the current weed killing program that is in place for that section of Marlborough Street. NOTE: This item was listed as a budget requirement last year and needs to be added to the FOOT PATH CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM	\$15,000
Legends Park Stage II	Stage II requires the construction of a Lyche Gate at the entrance to the Legends Avenue. The gate will display important details about the purpose of the Legends Avenue, including the opportunity to promote tourism and detail Councils important input.	\$12,000
Racecourse Signage	The request is for proper Racecourse Signage to be installed in the same design and located at the same locations where there is current signage displaying Woolmers and Brickendon which totals 5 locations.	\$2,000
Entrance to Longford	Put in place Screening such as trees or other materials that will hide the Meat Works and provide beautification at the entrance to Longford. (funding of \$4M provided by the national Party at the last election can be used)	\$20,000
Replace Lawn Mower	Ride-on Mower used on the Longford Football Ground is old and needs replacing.	\$5,000

Roundabout Entrance	Was listed in the 20-21 budget but nothing has happened. Item 751654.	\$200,000
Lighting/Sound for Town Hall	The lighting and the Sound System in the Town Hall needs upgrading to meet current standards. (see attached quotation)	\$14,000

PLEASE NOTE: Costs are indicative only.

We are happy to meet with Council Officers for them to provide more accurate costs.

APPENDIX 3 - LIGHTING QUOTATION

LED WORLD

DRAFT QUOTE

Longford Town Hall

Date
6 Apr 2021
Quote Number
QU-0021
ABN
17 636 835 277

LED World Pty Ltd
70 Knights Park Cres
BANNOCKBURN VIC
3331
AUSTRALIA

BANNO LIGHTING
172 Suydam St Unit 4 R
Brooklyn, New York,
11221

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
BODY OF HALL					
LW-SK-3M-KIT	- 4M Adjustable (on site) - Each Kit Contains 2 strings.4	46.00	51.00	10%	2,346.00
LW-ST-1M	-Surface Mount Track - Lengths: 16x2M, 10 x3M -White/Black -Single Circuit	46.00	28.00	10%	1,288.00
LW-LA-WW	- 3000K/4000K/5500K or CCT - Black/White - Dimmable - CRI 90 - Single (3Wire) or Three Circuit (4Wire)	46.00	149.00	10%	6,854.00
MEZZANINE					
LW-ST-1M	-Surface Mount Track - Lengths: 4x2M, 2 x3M -White/Black -Single Circuit	13.00	28.00	10%	364.00
LW-LA-WW	- 3000K/4000K/5500K or CCT - Black/White - Dimmable - CRI 90 - Single (3Wire) or Three Circuit (4Wire)	13.00	149.00	10%	1,937.00
LW-TL-ACC	- Corner joiners x 6 - Mini Joiners x 20	1.00	12.00	10%	12.00
Postage	Postage	2.00	30.00	10%	60.00
Subtotal					12,861.00
TOTAL GST 10%					1,286.10

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CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM

Meeting held on Tuesday 13th. April 2021 commencing at 9.30a.m

PRESENT Jill Clarke Chairperson.

Jill Davis (Minute Sec.) John Ashman, Sally Hills, Jo Taylor, Poppy Lyne.

In Attendance Mayor Cr. Mary Knowles.

Apologies - Owen Diefenbach, Fiona Oates. Luci Copas-Fowler

A Minute Silence was observed for the passing of late Bevis Perkins, ex Forum Member, Prince Phillip the Duke of Edenborough & Dallas Burr ex council employee.

.Declaration of any Pecuniary interest by a member of a special committee of Council.

Nil.

Confirmation of minutes

The minutes of the C'Town District Forum held on the 2nd. March 2021 were a true & correct record of proceedings. Moved John/Poppy Lyne. Carried.

Business arising from the Minutes

Underpass – No further update has been provided. Resolved Council to follow up on invitation to Tas Growth Representative to attend forum council meeting to further the discussion on underpass & main street upgrade.

Bicentennial Celebrations – Jill Clarke reported on the next function to be a Cocktail evening on the 31st. May at the Town Hall from 6.00 to 8.00 p.m.

MOU The Mayor Cr. Knowles advised that this matter is still in progress.

Town Hall Review - General discussion took place & Mayor Knowles spoke on the ongoing process the council are required to follow.

Tourist Signs - Forum advised that 10 signs are noted in the budget & a commitment of 10 per year will be replaced.

Invitations No update available.

Anglican Diocese & Centacare Evolve Partnership - This project is still moving along & it is a possibility that it will be in a position for public consultation May/June.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Promotion of Forum Following on from discussion referring to the awareness of the forum Cr. Knowles to investigate the possibility of promoting Forum on Northern Midlands Council face book page & local members can further distribute general information.

School Rep. Resolved Jo Taylor to contact the school to how best can the school be represented or how it can interact with Forum on a regular basis. Moved Jill Davis/Poppy Lyne. Carried

2021/22 NMC. A paper was tabled which had been previously distributed to Forum members on the Budget feedback meeting on 31/3/2021. Noted - No Forum members received a email advising the time & date of this meeting/bus tour.

High Street - Moved Jo Taylor & Seconded John Ashman that Council investigate the possibility of declaring the footpath between 80 High Street and Queen Street to be a 'SMOKE FREE' zone and notify owners of all premises in the area to make sure the outside eating areas are kept **CLEAN** & free from garbage at **all times**. Carried.

Garbage Bins - Moved John Ashman second Jill Davis that council consider larger & maybe a better style of garbage bin be placed in High Street in the area of Zepps & Banjo's. Carried.

There being no further business meeting closed 10.40am.

Next Meeting Tuesday 4th. May 2021 @ 9.30.am.

THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM, ROSS, ON TUESDAY
13th APRIL 2021, COMMENCING AT 11.15AM.

1 PRESENT

Arthur Thorpe (Chairperson), Allan Cameron, Helen Davies, Candy Hurren, Herbert Johnson, Christine Robinson, Ricky Hebbard, Grant Larkman, Ann Thorpe (Hon Sec)

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Paul Ayre, Steve Robinson

3 APOLOGIES

Jill Bennett, Marcus Rodrigues, Councillor Andrew Calvert

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

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It should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the General Manager, in writing, of the details of any interest declared within 7 days of the declaration.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Helen Davies / Candy Hurren

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Ross Local District Committee held on **Tuesday 2nd March, 2021** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 **Midland Highway Safety Upgrade – Final Stage**

As a presentation to the RLDC and interested residents on the above was held 6 months ago, the Chair contacted Jacobs requesting an update. Catherine Searle (Jacobs) has advised she

will email update through later this week. This response will then be forwarded to RLDC and members of the Campbell Town Forum who attended that meeting.

6.2 Memorandum of Understanding

Mayor Knowles advised changes to the MOU is still to be workshopped, as it was unable to be completed in the previous workshop. Will definitely be included in the next workshop. However when it will be presented to a Council Meeting is still to be decided. The various Local District Committees will have the opportunity to comment on the report.

6.3 Ross Pool

Draft report still to be presented to Council and it should be at the next council meeting. Would be included most probably as an item of the NMC closed meeting. Mayor Knowles advised that it is yet to be decided whether the report will be released to the RLDC and community before any final decision on the pool is made.

6.4 Electric Vehicle Charging Points in Ross

An interesting presentation was provided by Clive Attwater and Rob Dawkins from the Australian Electrical Vehicle Association (AEVA) to the March meeting.

Project proposal was well received and the RLDC supports the installation of electric vehicle chargers in Ross, and suggested that as a next step, AEVA contact Council's General Manager Mr Des Jennings. Chair has provided AEVA with Mr Jennings contact details.

However siting would possibly need to be outside the Church Street heritage area, unless contained with electric light poles. AEVA now to progress directly with Council, and community to think about where the points may be located.

6.5 Campbell Town Hospital Board

Chair attended the March meeting of the Hospital Board, and provided the RLDC with an update. The meeting was also attended by Rebecca White, Tasmanian Labor Leader and Member for Lyons.

Chair discussed the last meeting and the letters from Rebecca White to relevant government departments, regarding issues in relation to the Old Ambulance Station and security issues at the hospital.

Chair read David Gatenby's letter to the Labour Party regarding funding for a dementia ward within the hospital complex. Nurse's quarters upgrade hoping to commence before end of June. Committee member asked if the Hospital Board has any direct involvement in running the Hospital, Chair advised that the role of the Hospital Board was an advisory role, and that The Department of Health is responsible for all managerial and operational decisions.

6.6 Road Marking On Bridge Street Outside Old School Oval

Council's Works Manager has requested a quote for this road marking to be performed, and is awaiting receipt of same.

No further update available at time of meeting, however Chair to advise Committee when answer received.

6.7 White Traffic Dividing Lines North and South Entrances

Council's Works Manager advises that line marking has been organised for the North/South entrances; there is no start date at this stage.

Chair noted that 6.6 and 6.7 could possibly be done together as a cost saving measure. Chair to update Committee when advised.

6.8 Rabbits

Councillor Davis previously provided the RLDC with an update on the 2021 Calicivirus release program. Release will be limited this year due to abundant food already being available.

Committee member mentioned that newspapers stated it was to be released in Campbell Town, but not for Ross. There are a large number of rabbits inside the town boundary and are causing a public nuisance / danger by digging numerous holes in public places. Committee asked that a motion be put to Council:

Chris Robinson / Ricky Hebbard

Motion: The RLDC requests NMC approach DPIPWE regarding the release of the Calicivirus virus in Ross to ameliorate the increasing rabbit population in Ross Township and districts.

Carried unanimously

6.9 Heritage Street Signs

The Heritage Street signs have now been installed, and there are a small amount of adjustments necessary to some of the signs, mainly in relation to incorrect distances.

Following committee discussion, Helen Davies has offered to liaise with Jonathon Galbraith regarding correction of the distance errors. It was agreed that the signs were very welcome, and Helen commented on how the "flow" of tourists using the signs appears to be working, instead of tourists standing around looking lost.

6.10 Village Green

Work is continuing on the Village Green, and during Council's annual bus tour, Council's Trent Atkinson indicated that Council hoped to have the Village Green finished by the end of the financial year, i.e., 30th June 2021.

Discussion regarding how project is progressing and it was agreed it would be a great asset for the village. Helen Davies remarked about the safety of the depth of logs in the children's play area. Mayor Knowles advised all work will be carried out according to industry standards. Question asked if trees would be planted? Yes definitely, however they will be planted in winter when dormant. Mayor Knowles indicated that an official opening of the Village Green would be held later in the year.

6.11 Ross Bicentennial Celebrations

The Ross Bicentennial Organising Group met on 12th April, and although a full calendar of events had been organised, some items may not go ahead due to organiser unavailability. A Facebook page has been set up for public information.

6.12 Development Of Prioritised List Of Works And Services

A prioritised list of works and services for Financial Year 2021/2022 that could be considered for funding has been compiled and presented to Council.

During their annual tour on Wednesday 31st March, Councillors and Council Staff were shown locations of several items on the prioritised list, so Councillors were aware first hand of where these particular items are located. After the tour, everyone returned to the Village Green and discussions were held together with Christine Robinson and Candy Hurren.

Committee discussed the footpath funded in this financial year's budget and if the proposed alternative site was actually the best location. Original site was unsuitable as problems with State Rail arose regarding accessing the old station area, and the need for pedestrian chicanes at the rail crossing. In addition the proposed alternative location of the footpath has been questioned by several residents.

Park Street was a possible alternative mentioned as 7 houses would benefit. The condition of Park Street itself was also raised and questioned if the road could be upgraded at the same time. Chair to contact Works Manager and request an onsite meeting to discuss this matter.

A Weeds Officer in the local government area and other council areas is desperately required. It was stated that DPIPWE only deal with "declared" weeds. If they are not declared weeds, no-one has any authority to deal with them.

Committee members were advised to individually write to DPIPWE as concerned residents regarding the lack of weed control. It was also suggested that Candidates standing for election in the Tasmanian State Election on 1st May 2021, also be lobbied.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Speeding Vehicles On Roseneath Road Southern Bridge Approaches

Several residents have expressed concern about the speed of vehicles when approaching and crossing the Ross Bridge via the Roseneath Road southern bridge approaches.

One alternative discussed was to move the existing 50kph speed sign further south by approximately 150 metres, to provide motorists with earlier warning about the approaching 50kph speed area. The existing speed sign is also located adjacent to the right hand bend approaching the Bridge, which means motorists have to take their eyes off the road to read it whilst negotiating the right hand bend.

Motion: The RLDC requests that NMC consider relocating the 50 kph speed sign a further 150 metres (approx) south towards Roseneath gates, in an effort to slow vehicles approaching

the Ross Bridge and to protect the safety of the many pedestrians that use the Ross Bridge.

Christine Robinson / Candy Hurren

Carried unanimously

7.2 Round Table Discussion

Christine Robinson advised the old stables near the bridge appear to need maintenance work. This building is under NMC ownership, not State Growth. It was noted that although roof had been replaced in recent years, work was still required. Chair to raise Customer Request.

Herbert Johnson raised that tree trimming under power lines in Badajos Street recently carried out by Active Tree Services on behalf of Aurora, look very unsightly and lopsided. Question raised if there was a process to follow as to how they should be trimmed. Even if classed as heritage trees, they are not exempt from trimming due to public safety and infrastructure protection requirements. It was suggested that concerned Community members contact Aurora directly, or write to the Examiner etc.

Maintenance required for road edging on Tooms Lake Road and roadside spraying for weeds which should be done as a matter of course.

Need for more truck stops in local area, particularly as female truck driver numbers are on the rise, necessitating a need for separate toilets. NMC looking at further truck stops as part of Campbell Town upgrades and the siting of same. However, need private enterprise willing to do it and private property would need to be accessed. Chair suggested this issue be raised during the next round of public consultation with Jacobs regarding the Midland Highway upgrade. NMC are also aware of the issues of trucks double parking in the main street of Campbell Town.

Candy Hurren raised issues/problems with rabbits digging holes in the nature strips in town, leading to safety issues with people tripping or falling because of the holes. Chair to discuss with NMC Works Manager and advise him of locations.

Alan Cameron asked if all the lights in Church Street are working? One in the north tends to be a bit on and off. Also mentioned that the Bus Stop sign is useless, as cars are still parking in this designated area. Feels a sign on the road is needed.

Mentioned that a number of young boys have been seen riding push bikes in a dangerous manner around town. This is not a council issue, concerned residents should report the matter to the Police.

Asked if the Customer Request "*Status List*" that committee received in the past could be reissued to all RLDC members. Mayor Knowles advised this was contained within the Council Meeting Business papers, however it was pointed out that not everyone on the committee has a computer. Chair also pointed out that the Ross outstanding Customer Requests would need to be extracted from the Council Meeting Business Papers, compiled into a list, and then modified as requests were added or deleted after completion. Chair stated that he was not prepared to undertake this task, but would look into why the "*Status List*" previously provided by Council, was discontinued approximately three years ago.

Ricky Hebbard questioned Mayor Knowles on The Examiner report regarding the comparative costing of Regional Council's Consultants Fees. Mayor explained that the reporting was skewed and that the article did not compare apples with apples. Some council projects cannot be carried out by staff as they do not have the qualifications required, so therefore a specialised consultant needs to be employed.

Chair pointed out that at the end of the day, Council either employs a person to carry out specialised tasks, or engages a consultant. Given that in most instances specialised tasks are "one offs" to be completed within a limited time frame, it is more financially cost effective to engage a Consultant for that limited time, rather than hire a full time Council employee.

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The Chair closed the meeting at 12.37 pm.

Next meeting – **Tuesday 4th May 2021 commencing 11.15am at the Ross Reading Room.**