

## AVOCA, ROYAL GEORGE &amp; ROSSARDEN LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of the Committee held at the **Avoca Community Centre (Ash Centre), Arthur Street, Avoca** on Thursday, 29 April 2021 at 12.30pm.

**1 ATTENDANCE**Present:

Mrs Shirley Freeman, Mrs Helen Reynolds, Ms Carol Wearing, Mr Riccardo De Angelis, Ms Lesley Collins, Ms Leesa Rundell

In Attendance:

Mayor Mary Knowles, Mrs Gail Eacher (secretary)

Apologies:

Ms Jacinta Allen, Mr Michael McGree

**2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**Mr De Angelis/Ms Wearing

That the minutes of the meeting of the Avoca, Royal George and Rossarden Local District Committee held on Thursday, 30 January 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

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**4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES****i) Updates**

- Council's entrance plantings – the Committee were advised that Council would replace the dead trees which form part of the entrance statement plantings. The members were requested to assist with the watering of the trees – Mrs Freeman, Mrs Reynolds and Ms Collins agreed to organise the watering of the trees. As the ground is rocky, suggested that when trees are replaced a larger area is excavated/cultivated to give the trees a better chance of survival.
- Main Street tree plantings – the Committee were advised that Council would replace the dead tree.
- Biocycle at Boucher Park not operating correctly – the Committee were advised that the replacement of the biocycle had been listed for consideration in the 2021/2022 budget.

**ii) Budget**

Noted that the following matters have already been listed for consideration in the 2021/2022 budget:

- Biocycle at Boucher Park
- Avoca Hall toilets

Requested that the following be relisted for 2021/2022

- New area map for the BBQ shelter

2020/2021 budget

- Post & Rail fence at Boucher Park – the Committee noted that the materials were now available for the new fence and works would be progressed when time allows.

**5 PENDING/ONGOING ITEMS**

Matters on hold:

- i) TasWater water tower mural – awaiting advice from TasWater
- ii) Noticeboard

**6 ASSOCIATION REPORTS****i) AMIC**

- Donated documents and photos being digitised, nearly complete
- AMIC has purchased a printer and is able to offer this service to the community

**ii) Rossarden & Friends Kids Xmas Group**

- Final party of the group held and funds expended
- Items held by the Committee to be donated for community use
- Group to be disbanded

**7 NEW BUSINESS****i) Council Meeting - Assisting Tourism in the Northern Midlands to Recover from COVID-19**

- 2021-02-15 minute/report noted

**ii) Council Meeting - Avoca Primary School**

- 2021-04-26 report noted. No further action to be taken by Council.

**iii) Tourism Signage**

- Noted that tourist signs had been installed across the state in the various regions, the local region being the Heartlands.

**iv) Committee Membership & MOU**

- Noted that the 2-year membership term of all committees expires on 30 June 2021 (noted that the term had been extended to 3 years due to COVID-19), all members wishing to retain membership would need to reapply. Council to call for applications in mid-May, to be advertised on Council's website, facebook and in the Northern Midlands Courier.
- MOU review documentation to be tabled at a Council meeting in the near future

**v) Other matters**

- Banners – noted that the banners on the banner poles are to be changed over shortly
- ANZAC Day – the Committee thanked the organisers, noting that there were some issues with the sound system
- Garden waste has been illegally dumped on the verge in Schnell Street, Rossarden
- Suggested that bigger bins be installed at Boucher Park

**8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 1.05pm.

The next meeting to be held at 12.30pm on 24 June 2021, Avoca Community Centre (Ash Centre), Arthur Street, Avoca.

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MINUTES  
EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Gov 7(1)(ii)

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY, 4 MAY 2021

**1 PRESENT**

John Lewis, Carol Brown, Stephanie Kensitt, Barry Lawson

**In Attendance:**

Cr Jan Davis, Gail Eacher (Secretary)

**2 APOLOGIES**

Henrietta Houghton, Annie Harvey, Cr Janet Lambert

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**S Kensitt/C Brown**

*That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 2 March 2021 be confirmed as true and correct record of proceedings.*

*Carried*

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**5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**i) Budget List 2020/2021**

The Committee noted that budget requests had been submitted to Council for budget consideration, and included the proposal a proposal to remember the pioneers of the district within Pioneer Park.

Noted that the budget is to be considered by Council at the 28 June Council meeting.

**ii) Pioneer Park**

The Committee received feedback on the action proposed in relation to the large tree which had recently dropped a limb and other large trees in Pioneer Park – the following advice was provided:

*proposed to install a garden bed to the drip line of the tree to discourage access under the tree, undertake a small amount of pruning. Advice received that the tree still has considerable life left, however, will continue to drop branches from time to time. Council will monitor the health of the tree.  
Full Audit report on trees awaited.*

**iii) Neighbourhood Watch Newsletter**

EAC membership/vacancies – noted that membership/vacancies are advertised in accord with the MOU, i.e. in the NM Courier, Facebook and Council's website. NHW to pick up the advertisement and include as an item in their newsletter.

**iv) ANZAC Day Memorial**

Noted that a contractor had undertaken repairs/maintenance of the ANZAC memorial mural and that the lighting was yet to be completed. The Committee thanked Council for the works undertaken.

**6) MATTERS PENDING**

**i) Overhanging Trees – Hedge at 12 Macquarie St, Evandale**

Matter listed for future consideration by Council.

**7 COMMUNITY GROUP / SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS****i) Community Centre**

- Visitation numbers improved.
- Shredder purchased
- Noticeboard plans progressing

**ii) Memorial Hall**

- Booking numbers increasing

**iii) Rotary**

- Final lunch and meeting to be held on 27 June
- BBQ is to be donated for community use through a booking system

**iv) Evandale Garden Group**

- Monthly meetings being held

**vi) JAG**

- Garden at the Primary School being progressed

**B Lawson/C Brown**

*That the reports from the Community Groups be received.*

*Carried*

**8 NEW BUSINESS****i) LDC Membership and MOU**

The Committee noted that

- the 2018/2020 LDC membership term which had been extended to June 2021 is due to expire at 30 June
- membership would be advertised in mid-May
- all members wishing to retain membership would need to reapply
- the MOU is to be considered by Council in the near future.

**ii) Footpath Trading By Law**

The 15 February 2021 Council meeting Minute and Agenda Attachments were circulated for information.

Mr Lawson raised the following concerns

- the General Manager being listed as the authorised officer, the Committee noted that the authorised officer is an officer delegated by the General Manager to act
- EVENTS had not been catered for in the by law

**iii) Entrance Sign/Statements**

- Blue signs at the Logan Road entrance (near Gunn Street) still reflect the incorrect date of 1866, should be (c)1830.
- Entrance plantings need attention/replacement.

**9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

Chairperson closed meeting at 7.40pm.

The next ordinary meeting to be held on Tuesday, 1 June 2021, at the Evandale Community Centre.

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE MEETING OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS LOCAL RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE LONGFORD COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> OF MAY 2021 COMMENCING AT 2:00PM

## MINUTES

### 1 PRESENT -

2 IN ATTENDANCE – Owen Diefenbach, Roderick Cuthbert, Leanne Sherriff, Mayor Mary Knowles, Fiona Dewar (NMC), Rex Heathcote, Cr. Ian Goninon, Jonathan Galbraith (NMC)

3 APOLOGIES – Cr. Matthew Brooks, Maria Lawson, Kate Heathcote, Sarah Benson

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### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### ***Recommendation***

The minutes of the meeting of the Local Recycling Committee held on **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2021** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings. Proposed Rex Heathcote, seconded Mary Knowles

### 6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### **6.1 Plasrok**

Still awaiting further information from Plasrok. Their product is not yet approved to use in Australia as concrete aggregate

#### **6.2 Recycling shed**

Site works have commenced.

#### **6.3 Frank's Biochar**

Cr. Gonion has contact Franks Biochar, he mainly produces small scale kiln which are probably not suitable for our waste transfer stations.

#### **6.4 Compost and plastic products at agricultural businesses**

Some enquiries have been made, continue to follow-up.

#### **6.5 Collection and separation of recyclables from Council bins**

This would involve purchasing another vehicle for collection recycling bins. List as a future idea.

#### **6.6 Collection of organics at the Longford Waste Transfer Station**

JG to provide update into investigations into the issues involved with collection of organics at the Longford Waste Transfer Station. JG to follow-up with further with EPA.

#### **6.7 Attendees at future meetings**

Justin Jones (Just Waste) was to be invited to present at the May meeting but as a number of committees were away this has been postponed to June.

Jon Heathcote (Sage Automation) to also be invited to a future meeting to discuss automated vending machine that can be used for the container deposit scheme.

#### **6.8 Vouchers at Waste Transfer Stations**

Report to be prepared for future Council meeting. JG to follow-up with Maree.

### **7 AGENDA**

#### **7.1 Recycling trailer**

The recycling trailer is now complete. Need to organise promotion of the trailer and develop a plan to start using the trailer around the community. Cr. Gonion to assist with a launch presentation.

#### **7.2 Recycling at events**

Council have a small number of yellow bins which can be used for the collection of recycling at events. These would need to be monitored by volunteers to prevent contamination. Agreed that we attempt to find volunteers through the Recycling Committee.

Request a small budget needs to be allocated to purchase vests for volunteers, signage, more bins etc.

Fiona to draft some information on recyclables to include in the event manual.

The Panama Festival have recycled very successfully agreed to invite them to present at future meeting.

### **8 NEW ITEMS**

#### **8.1 Subsidisation of cloth nappies to reduce waste to landfill**

Some Melbourne councils are subsidising the purchase of cloth nappies to reduce waste to landfill. JG to talk to Maree re investigating this at NMC.

#### **8.2 ??**

**9 PRIORITY IDEAS LIST**

- 9.1 Recycling at events
- 9.2 FOGO collection for businesses

**10 FUTURE IDEAS LIST**

- 10.1 Information to sent out with rates
- 10.2 Recycling at sports clubs
- 10.3 Labelling of clothing businesses
- 10.4 Recycling bins in Council parks

**11 CLOSURE**

Chairperson closed meeting at 3.15 pm.

Next meeting **to be confirmed to fit with promotion of recycling trailer** at the Longford Council Chambers.

MINUTES

GOV 7(1)(iv)

MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CRESSY TOWN HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 26 MAY 2021 COMMENCING AT 7:00 PM

**1 PRESENT**

Mr Daniel Rowbottom (Chair), Mrs Angela Jenkins, Mrs Maurita Taylor, Mrs Helen Howard, Mrs Helen Williams

**2 IN ATTENDANCE**

Deputy Mayor Richard Goss

**3 APOLOGIES**

Mrs Ann Green

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Nil declared

**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

***Mrs Maurita Taylor/Mrs Helen Howard***

*That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on 31 March 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

*Carried unanimously*



## **6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### **6.1 Cressy Recreation Ground development**

Works commenced.

### **6.2 Cressy Swimming Pool**

Works commenced.

### **6.3 Town Wayfinding - brochures – town walk**

Revised quote sought. Once quote received design to be progressed.

**Action: Committee to confirm design to be same as mural in Bartholomew Park and advise Council officer.**

*Mrs Helen Williams/Mrs Helen Howard*

*Committee asked if this document will be printed in colour, if so proceed.*

*Carried unanimously*

### **6.4 Water Tower Mural**

TasWater have been contacted. Project to recommence in October/November 2021. Avoca first town scheduled.

**Action: To be followed up by Council officer in September.**

*Committee has requested they are notified what the mural is of prior to commencement please.*

### **6.5 Bartholomew Park Name Explanation**

Committee to confirm the wording for the name explanation as:

*Captain Bartholomew Boyle Thomas (1785-1831) named Cressy to commemorate one of his ancestors who fought at the Battle of Crécy (Cressy) in 1346.*

*An initiative of the Cressy Local District Committee*

**Action: Committee to confirm wording and advise Council officer, Council officer to seek design for park name sign and explanation plinth.**

*Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Angela Jenkins*

*To re-address the relocation/remake of the name sign (Bartholomew park). Suggest across the front of the fish on the corner angled from Church to Main. New name board incorporating plaque underneath.*

*Carried unanimously*

## 6.6 Dump point

Location in front of public toilet not considered a suitable location. Officers recommendation to install dump point at the Recreation Ground which is designated overnight stay area for self contained vehicles and where there is room for vehicles to manoeuvre.

Please maintain as business arising.

## 6.7 Dog waste bags

Committee requested bags be located in Main Street last meeting.

**Action: Committee to specify exact location for consideration by officers.**

To be located outside the two bus shelters, one outside the pool and the other outside the church.

## 6.8 Customer requests

Several customer requests were listed in General Business at the March meeting. These have been forwarded to the Works Manager for action.

Entrance sign cleaning and War Memorial Clock for follow up.

## 7 NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1 Bartholomew Park

Trees / hedges removed due to encroaching / overhanging footpaths. Landscaping to occur in area fronting Church Street. Christmas Tree to be planted at front of park.

### 7.2 Memorandum of Understanding

Secretary will be provided, meeting time to remain at 7pm.

### 7.3 Macquarie Street progress

Chairman and Deputy Mayor Goss to meet with Morrison family to discuss land etc.

### 7.4 Budget

Councillor Goss advised committee: footpath in Church Street will be included in current budget. Pool and Recreation Ground must be included in 2022/2023 budget. Further stage required to complete.

### 7.5 Maintenance requests

All requests required must be submitted via customer request process through Council.

**7.6 Memberships**

Are due in by 18 June 2021.

**8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

The Chairperson closed the meeting at **7:55 pm**.

The next meeting to be held on **28 July 2021** at **7:00pm**.

MINUTES

Gov 7(1)(v)

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 1 JUNE 2021 COMMENCING AT 9:31AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke (Chairperson), Mrs Jill Davis, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr John Ashman, Ms Sally Hills, Mrs Fiona Oates (Deputy Chairperson), Ms Jo Taylor, Mr Owen Diefenbach

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Lucie Copas Fowler (NMC), Anita Fitzallen (CTDHS), Mr Danny Saunders (guest)  
3x representatives from Centacare Evolve Housing

3 APOLOGIES

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Cr Andrew Calvert

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Nil declared

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*Mrs Jill Davis/ Mr John Ashman*

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 4 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

## 6.1 Underpass

No response has been received.

*Mrs Copas Fowler advised that she would provide an update to the committee once an update has been received.*

## 6.2 Bicentennial Celebrations

Committee to provide update on upcoming events.

*Mrs Clarke advised that the bicentenary celebration held on Monday 31 May in the Town Hall went very well with almost 90 people attending.*

*Upcoming events include:*

- 13 June – Golf day
- 4 July – Organ recital

## 6.3 MOU

The updated MOU has been endorsed. All committee members have been provided with a copy. It is also available to view on Council's website.

In accordance with the new MOU, all incoming committee members are required to attend a Volunteer Induction which will occur at the first meeting once the new term commences.

*Committee noted the information.*

## 6.4 Town Hall Review

Council at its 17 May 2021 Council Meeting resolved the following:

### DECISION

Cr Polley/Cr Davis

That Council:

- notes the objections received; and
- determines to sell the Town Hall in Campbell Town; and
- notifies parties who lodged the objections within 7 days of this decision.

Carried

Voting for the motion: Mayor Knowles, Cr Adams, Cr Calvert, Cr Davis, Cr Goss, Cr Polley

Voting against the motion: Cr Brooks, Cr Lambert

*Committee noted the information.*

## 6.5 Tourist Signage/ Dual Naming

Awaiting approval from the Tasmanian Aboriginal Centre. Mrs Copas Fowler will advise

the committee once approval has been granted.

*Awaiting approval from TAC. Committee noted the information.*

## **6.6 Tourist Signs**

Council's Tourism & Events Officer Fiona Dewar is currently progressing this project and is identifying signs for replacement and seeking quotes. No further progress has happened since the last meeting, still awaiting quotes.

*Committee noted information.*

## **6.7 Invitations**

The following groups and organizations were suggested:

- Tasmania Police
- Ambulance Tasmania
- TasFire
- Royal Flying Doctor Service
- Department of State Growth

Mrs Copas Fowler contacted the Department of State Growth. Awaiting reply.

*No reply has been received from the Department of State Growth yet. Mrs Copas Fowler to again invite Tasmania Police to July meeting.*

## **6.8 Anglican Diocese and Centacare Evolve Partnership**

Representatives to present to the committee at the 2 June meeting.

*Sarah, Belinda and Bella presented to the committee, the proposed Development Application plans for social and affordable housing. General discussion was held regarding the proposal. The committee is supportive of the proposed development.*

## **6.9 Smoke Free Zone – High Street**

Council Officers to draft a letter to be sent.

*Mrs Copas Fowler advised that Council Officers are currently drafting a letter for approval.*

## **6.10 Upgrades to the Campbell Town Skate Park**

Further information requested.

*Mrs Fitzallen presented a proposal to the committee. Mrs Copas Fowler advised that*

*more information was required before Council would consider the proposal as a budget request.*

*General discussion was held regarding other possible funding streams, they included:*

- *Tasmanian Community Fund*
- *Campbell Town Hospital Auxiliary Board*
- *Upcoming Federal Election*
- *Department of Communities, Sport and Recreation grants*
- *Regional and Rural*

#### **6.11 Banners**

Mrs Copas Fowler and Mrs Oates have been working on banner drafts.

*Mrs Oates provided the committee with draft designs. General discussion was held and changes were noted. Mrs Oates to make changes.*

#### **6.12 Speed Limit**

Mrs Copas Fowler invited representatives from Tasmania Police to the 2 June meeting.

*Mrs Copas Fowler to invite Tasmania Police representatives to July meeting.*

#### **6.13 Noticeboard**

Mrs Oates to provide an update.

*Mrs Oates to investigate ownership and approach owner requesting community use.*

### **7 NEW BUSINESS**

#### **7.1 PLN-21-0096 - 101 High Street, Campbell Town**

*General discussion was held regarding the proposal for a new medical centre in Campbell Town. The committee is supportive of this proposal.*

#### **7.2 Irrigation**

*General discussion was held regarding changes to statewide irrigation. Mrs Lyne advised that the State Government is promoting the project.*

#### **7.3 TasNetworks Tree Pruning**

*General discussion was held regarding tree pruning conducted by TasNetworks. Mrs*

*Copas Fowler advised that as previously discussed, 6 trees along the Main Road of Campbell Town were to be removed by TasNetworks, and in their place Council is going to install garden beds. Extra trees will also be planted in Blackburn Park.*

#### **7.4 Promotion of the committee**

*General discussion was held regarding the promotion of the CTDF. Mrs Taylor advised that many residents are not aware of the committee, who the members are and what purpose it serves. Mrs Copas Fowler advised that Council's website has all the information.*

#### **7.5 Speed limits**

*General discussion was held regarding ongoing speeding throughout Campbell Town. Discussion was also held regarding the suggestion that Campbell Town is going to be bypassed.*

#### **7.6 NBN concerns**

*Mr Diefenbach discussed his concerns with the current NBN availability in Campbell Town.*

#### **7.7 Streetlights**

*General discussion was held regarding several streetlights that are not working. Mrs Copas Fowler advised that this is a responsibility of TasNetworks and that they should be advised directly.*

#### **7.8 Bicentenary stamp**

*General discussion was held regarding a special bicentenary stamp that Mrs Lyne has organized for Australia Post to distribute for the 200-year celebration of Campbell Town.*

### **8 CLOSURE**

Chairperson closed meeting at **10:52am**.

Next meeting to be held on **6 July 2020** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.



MINUTES

Gov 7(1)(vi)

THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM, ROSS, ON TUESDAY  
1<sup>st</sup> JUNE 2021, COMMENCING AT 11.15AM.

1 PRESENT

Arthur Thorpe (Chair), Grant Larkman, Herbert Johnson, Helen Davies, Christine Robinson, Jill Bennett, Ricky Hebbard, Ann Thorpe (Hon. Sec.)

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Councillor Janet Lambert, Mr Phil Brown, Mr Graham McShane, Mr Paul Eyre, Mr Keith Jolly,

3 APOLOGIES

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Councillor Andrew Calvert, Candy Hurren, Allan Cameron.

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**Nil declared**

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Ross Local District Committee held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

**Christine Robinson / Jill Bennett**

**Carried unanimously**

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

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

The second round of Public consultation with the community was from the 17<sup>th</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021, and was available on-line or by contacting Jacobs directly.

Jacobs have confirmed that two additional overtaking lanes have been added to the highway upgrade, making a total of 2 northbound and 2 southbound overtaking lanes between the Mona Vale intersection and Campbell Town. One northbound lane commencing at the Horton College ruins, and a second northbound starts north of Young's Corner. Southbound starts just out of Campbell Town and the next southbound is in the current dual overtaking lanes south of Young's Corner.

State Growth has declined the request to add a merge lane for north bound traffic at the Chiswick Road/Midland Highway intersection on safety grounds. As a result of this, both north and south intersections remain the same. Only the highway itself and safety fencing in the middle of the lanes and overtaking lanes are being looked at currently. Ashby Road and Auburn Road intersections will remain in the same configuration.

Committee felt that when government funds are available, the Ross community needs to push for upgrades to both the Northern and Southern intersections with the Midland Highway.

The consensus of the meeting was that there was no need for Jacobs to address another RLDC meeting. Chair will relay this decision to Jacobs.

## 6.2 Memorandum of Understanding

Council has now issued the amended Memorandum of Understanding to the Ross Local District Committee for review and comment. There were four requested alterations to the document distributed by NMC.

Chairperson raised four issues that only need to be covered by one liners:

- Item 5 Roles & Responsibilities

***"Additional rights and responsibilities of both the Council and its Volunteers, are detailed in Council's Volunteer Handbook."***

- Item 6 Meeting Procedures.

***"Ross Local District Committee meetings, are subject to the same meeting conduct requirements which apply to meetings of the Northern Midlands Council."***

- Item 7 Media Communication, Information Sharing & Consultation

***A) "When approached by the media for comment on any issues, the media should be instructed to direct all enquiries to the Mayor."***

***B) "Where appropriate, Councils Issue Resolution Policy may be utilised in the event of an internal dispute between Committee members, and external disputes between Committee members and Councillors, Council Staff and the general public."***

The Committee also requested that Council delete the words "community of Ross", and "local community of Ross" in section 2 – Purpose, and replace them with "Ross District" as detailed below.

***The purpose of the Ross Local District Committee is to:***

- ***Be a communication channel for information between Council and the Ross district.***
- ***Identify needs, concerns and expectations of the Ross district and advise Council of these needs.***
- ***Consider and provide feedback to Council in respect to matters referred to the committee by Council.***

Chair to contact NMC and include Councillor Lambert with the proposed changes the Committee would like included. Councillor Lambert mentioned that this had been a long and protracted project. Our input was really valuable to NMC and they would be happy to hear our recommendations.

Councillor Lambert also mentioned that when the MoU comes to be ratified at the next Council meeting, she will suggest that for the sake of expediency, a NMC representative come out to meetings to conduct Volunteer Induction sessions, rather than everyone having to travel somewhere else.

**6.3 Ross Pool**

An Interim Report has been presented to NMC and they are awaiting the presentation of the final report. No further update – still waiting final report.

**6.4 Campbell Town Hospital Board**

Chair was unable to attend the May meeting of the Hospital Board so nil to report.

**6.5 Road Marking On Bridge Street Outside Old School Oval**

Councils Works Manager has advised that these T parking lines could be completed by a different contractor than the contractor that does the North and South entrance lines. No further update at this time.

**6.6 White Traffic Dividing Lines North and South Entrances**

Councils Works Manager has advised that:-

“Council staff are still trying to have the white lines completed at the North and South entrances, every contractor has let us down so far and now the weather is going against us, we have contacted another company and are waiting for a reply.”

No further update at this time.

**6.7 Village Green**

Work is progressing on completing this project. It was remarked that the ablutions building and undercover area would appear to be longer than the original development plan. Also, it was mentioned that the footpath colour is not the colour that was agreed upon.

## 6.8 Ross Bicentennial Celebrations

Official Opening to mark the bicentenary of the naming of Ross, will be held at the Ross Town Hall on Wednesday, 2nd June. Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions, attendance will be by invitation only. The ceremony will be marked by the unveiling of a community quilt that tells the story of Ross, to be retained as a permanent record of this historic occasion.

In response to a customer request submitted by Helen, NMC sent down a cleaning crew to ensure the Town Hall and surrounds were looking at their best. There is also an article in The Examiner, and Nigel Davies took photos and was interviewed for the paper.

Mayor Knowles is to open the event, and politicians as well as The Examiner and The Mercury are expected to attend as well.

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June, Dr Jenny Jackson will present a "different" look at the Ross Bridge. Then on Friday, it will be an open day in the hall and the quilt will be on exhibition.

Other events for the rest of 2021 are, **July**, *Colonial Dinner* / **Aug**, cancelled / **Sept** *Running Carnival & opening of Village Green* / **Oct** *Bicentennial Cricket match, sandstone carving and late in Oct, David Blakely watercolour exhibition of Ross* / **Nov** *Open Gardens* / **Dec**, *New Year's Eve on The Village Green*.

## 6.9 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, with the construction of another footpath on the eastern side of the railway line being the RLDC's first priority.

Construction has now been completed on the footpath on the western side of Park Street between High and Bridge Streets, which was funded in the current financial year 2020/2021.

## 6.10 Speeding Vehicles On Roseneath Road Southern Bridge Approaches

Due to the concern expressed regarding the speed of vehicles when approaching and crossing the Ross Bridge via the Roseneath Road southern bridge approaches, State Growth were approached to allow the 50 kph sign to be moved 150 metres south, however this request was refused. State Growth did agree to a "50 AHEAD" sign at the suggested location, to further remind motorists to slow down.

The "50 AHEAD" sign has now been installed.

## 6.11 Clearing The Macquarie River

Although State Growth has been approached in the past to clean/clear the Macquarie River in the Ross area, no action has yet been forthcoming.

The Chair raised this issue at the May meeting of the Elizabeth Macquarie Irrigation Trust, who advised that as a first step, an approach should be made by the RLDC to Council, requesting that Council raise this matter with the relevant Government Department for action.

Accordingly, the RLDC raised the following motion:

*The Ross Local District Committee request that the NMC contact the relevant Tasmanian Government Minister, requesting clarification as to which Government Department is responsible for maintaining the Macquarie River.*

*Jill Bennett / Christine Robinson*

*Carried unanimously*

## **6.12 Condition Of Trees in Ross**

The issue of the tree trimming in Badajos Street was raised and discussed. Mr Johnson has provided a copy of the NMC "Tree Inspection Form (Risk And Management)", completed in 2005 for every Council owned tree in Ross, and a copy of Council's "Tree Management Policy" dated 2010.

Chair has asked Council's Works Manager to update the "Tree Inspection Form (Risk And Management)" and take whatever remedial action is necessary, given that some trees are so badly lopsided, that they now present a public safety risk in high winds through the possibility of collapse, and may need further "remedial" pruning, or removal and replacement. In addition, some of the trees are extremely unsightly, and due to the severity of the "pruning" may never recover their natural shape or form.

Chair has also asked Council's Works Manager to confirm if Council still has a "Tree Management Policy" and if so, where is it located on Council's Web Page listing of Council Policies? At the time of meeting no update has been received from NMC.

Mr McShane read from the above document, and remarked that Section 4.4, states Council is responsible for all trees within The Ross District. Also, If NMC had performed regular maintenance, then this debacle would not have happened. Chair advised that tree pruners need a special License/Certificate to be able to trim beneath certain high voltage lines.

## **6.13 Dog Exercise Park**

The matter of providing dog exercise equipment in Ross, similar to that in the Longford Dog Exercise Park was raised. A project such as this would depend on available funding. Chair also mentioned that when the dog park in Ross was established, Council indicated it would be fenced off and that this had not occurred.

Committee discussed. As the RLDC Budget Request List has been completed for 2021/2022, Mr Hebbard was OK to leave this matter until the 2022/2023 budget year. It was mentioned that NMC apparently received a grant to provide the dog exercise equipment in the Longford Dog Park. Chair to follow up.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

Round Table Discussion:

*C Robinson* – enquired as to the progress in the co-naming of the Macquarie River. Chair mentioned that there may be some differing views as to the correct co-name. NMC has submitted the co-naming application.

Also, there doesn't appear to any repairs commenced to the old stables as yet. Chair to follow up with Works Manager.

*Herbert Johnson* – there has been some vandalism in regard to street name signs (Badajos & Tasman Streets) which have been pulled out of the ground. Chair will report the vandalism and submit a customer request.

*Jill Bennett* – the sandstone wall on the north-west side of the Ross Bridge is very overgrown and untidy. Can volunteers be organised to help clear this? Before commencing, need to ask who actually owns the land. Chair to follow up with NMC as to the owner and then progress.

*R Hebbard* – raised the issues of problems with the rail crossing in Badajos Street. Who is the relevant Government Minister and can we perhaps have a representative visit to enable a visual explanation of what we need. A motion to this end, was been raised as below:

*The RLDC requests that NMC contact Tas Rail to determine the extent of Tas Rail ownership of the Badajos Street rail crossing, for the purpose of future widening of the road to ensure the safety of road users.*

***Ricky Hebbard / Herbert Johnson***

***Carried unanimously.***

*P Eyre* – there is a large crack in the asphalt footpath in front of Macquarie Homes, 9 Church Street Ross, caused by the Elm from the tree roots. As this path is used regularly by elderly people, an accident is only a matter of time. Chair will submit a Customer Request.

Also, there has been an issue with hooning on the sports ground. This has happened twice, as recently as Thursday night of previous week. A 4 wheel drive car has tried to get onto the oval proper, but was unable to, so used the outside of the sports oval as a hoon track. Chair recommended that the Police need to be informed so that they are aware of the issue.

Chair to contact Works Manager to discuss security of the oval and surrounding grassed areas.

*K Jolly* – containers in Ross are an ongoing eyesore. The work in the Caravan Park has been completed, but the container presumably associated with the recent works is still sitting there. Not a good look in a heritage area. If building is finished, can the container please be removed. Chair to contact NMC.

*G McShane* – business owner happy to water footpaths, but needs a special "spigot" to turn on for watering. It was suggested that perhaps the Works Manager/Assistant could show a number of different people where and how turn on the water. Apparently there are a number of different spigots for different areas. Chair will discuss with Works Manager.

*P Brown* – asked the question, who gives the authority for people to close off the roads for activities? Mr Brown has contacted NMC and the Police, but no one seems to know who is

responsible. When roads are closed (particularly Church Street), a number of businesses are unable to be accessed by vehicles for a period of time, and income is lost.

Chair will contact the NMC in an effort to determine the applicable procedure and who is responsible for administering it.

**8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE**

The Chair closed the meeting at 12.40 pm

**Next meeting – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2021 commencing 11.15am at the Ross Reading Room,**

Please note that this meeting will commence with a Volunteer Induction Program, followed by the Bi-annual General Meeting, then proceed on to the usual monthly RLDC meeting.

MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE PERTH COMMUNITY CENTRE, ON TUESDAY, 1 JUNE 2021 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.

## 1 ATTENDANCE

Tony Purse (Chair), Shan White, Russell Mackenzie, Sue Field, Jo Saunderson, John Stagg, Don Smith, Jonathan Targett

### In Attendance:

Gail Eacher (Secretary)

### Apologies:

Phillip Dell, Cr Janet Lambert, Cr Jan Davis

## 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

### S White/D Smith

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 4 May 2021 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

## 3 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

In accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Part 5, S48A – S56, a member of a Special Committee must not participate in any discussion or vote on any matter in respect to which the member:

- 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.

\* *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.*

Noted that

- Mr Tony Purse is consulting and/or has an involvement in the following projects currently being undertaken by Council:
  - Perth Community Centre Master Plan
  - Perth Recreation Ground Master Plan
  - South Esk River Parkland Proposal, including owner/developer of adjacent property
  - Perth Streetscape Improvements
- Mr Phillip Dell has an interest in the property being utilised for the proposed Perth Early Learning Centre relocation.

## 4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### 4.1 Main Street Redevelopment / Perth Streetscape Masterplan

*Perth Streetscape Masterplan:*

The Committee noted that

- the Perth Streetscape Masterplan survey appears limited in input and does not necessarily provide for an adequate range of questions
- the survey questions should provide council with relevant community feedback on the entire Masterplan
- the committee discussed whether there was excess reference to tree plantings in the questions and limited other aspects of the masterplan
- the committee discussed whether the current survey could be amended to include a comments section with the capacity for respondents to provide adequate feedback over and above the questions



- the committee suggested the reviewed survey should include the following:
  - question 1 – Perth business owners / workers (who are not resident) as an option
  - additional scope for feedback (the number of characters should be increased – currently can only provide very brief input)
- the committee discussed whether another question could be included to seek community suggestions for practical uses for the Main Street.

Clarification be sought from council that the Train Park is to be included in the extended Perth Streetscape Masterplan.

Noted that the Department of State Growth has transferred ownership of the 3 Perth roundabouts to Council, and roundabout landscaping works can now be programmed.

Notes:

- Committee request to commence works in Bicentenary year, with preference being proposed upgrade of Main, Drummond, Clarence streets and Old Punt Road intersection
- Need for upgrade of the main street to be staged over a number of years, \$300,000 set aside in the 2020/2021
- Roundabouts included in master plan
- Request for inclusion of overnight parking for motorhomes
- Perth Streetscape Redevelopment Concept Plan survey in progress, prior to further report to Council
- Lions Club plough silhouettes at town entrances giving consideration to design and location prior to discussion with Council.

#### 4.2 Perth Projects / 2020-21 Budget Priorities

Update on the listed items

Priority List Item	Committee Comment	Officer Comments
Perth River Reserve: clean-up riverbank and installation of foot bridge	2021-06-01: request for progress report to July meeting	Funding sought, application results expected June.
West Perth connectivity footpaths		
Train Park additional play equipment	<p><b>Awaiting Council response (Nov 2020 meeting)</b></p> <p><b>MOTION:</b> (i) request Council to consider urgent maintenance to the timber sculptures; play equipment and facilities as part of the 'Special COVID-19 Funding' to ensure appropriate and safe condition for the 2021 sesquicentenary of trains.</p> <p>(ii) Request council to include upgrades to the Train Park in the Perth Main Street Masterplan.</p> <p>2021-06-01 progress report requested.</p> <p>Requested that,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sculptures: the committee discussed the tree sculptures and request council to seek advice from Mr Freeman as to whether they can be repaired. If this is not possible, PLDC request council to seek professional advice as to a possible remediation plan for the top carvings section.</li> <li>PLDC request council to consider seeking advice for an overall master plan for the train park to include all aspects requiring upgrading not only the facilities but possible uses e.g. tree carvings, play equipment, toilets, bbqs, picnic tables, fencing, food vans. With a train park masterplan in place, the committee could then consider / recommend a priority list and a timeline for completion so council could incorporate in budget planning.</li> </ul>	Difficulty in contracting Eddie Freeman to conduct repairs/maintenance, he has been requested and will progress when his time allows.
Tree plantings in subdivisions – both existing and underway	Ongoing as developments progress	
Seccombe Street & Talisker Street	2021-06-01 progress report requested	At design stage. Construction

Amenities		to be completed by 31 December.
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The following 13 April 2021 decisions of the Committee tabled at the 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

**1) Perth Train Park:**

*request Council consider the list of upgrades to the Train Park as a matter of urgency to make the park safe and attractive for the community and to coincide with the celebration of the arrival of trains in the town.*

Council decision: *The matter be considered further as part of the Perth Main Street Upgrade Program.*

**2) Budget 2021/2022:**

*request Council advise the committee of the 2021/22 Budget Priorities relevant to the Perth Township following approval of the budget by council*

Council decision: *That the recommendation be noted.*

#### 4.3 Memorandum of Understanding Review

The 17 May 2021 Council Meeting report, minute and final amended MOU were circulated for comment and discussion.

In regard to membership, the following was noted

- membership applications close on 18 June
- membership appointments are to be endorsed at the 28 June 2021 Council meeting
- members appointed will need to attend an induction session prior to taking up membership
- a volunteer induction session for the Perth LDC will be held on 6 July 2021 at 5.30pm
- the Biennial General Meeting will follow the induction session; and
- a short first meeting of the new Committee will be held following the Induction Session and BGM.

In regard to the MOU - noted that the amended MOU included additional amendments in accordance with the decision of Council at the 17 May 2021 Council Meeting.

#### 4.4 Footpath Trading By Law

Committee's comments submitted, minor amendments have been made to the draft By Law prior to a further report to Council and referral to the Director of Local Government for consideration (together with the RIS).

### 5 OTHER PROJECTS / COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### 5.1 Murals, Artworks, History interpretation panels

Perth Primary School mural is the final mural to be completed, mural is currently being finalised.

#### 5.2 Perth Bicentenary Committee Report

The PLDC Chair congratulated and thanked the Perth Bicentenary Chair, Committee and those involved on the 2 very successful events held on 29 and 30 May 2021.

The Chair of the PBC provided an overview of the events and the attached report.

#### 5.3 Perth Early Learning Centre

Tenders called, closing 17 June 2021.

#### 5.4 Perth Dog Park

Council is investigating a second location in Perth for a secure Dog Park and will provide PLDC with updates as this can be progressed, no site has as yet been identified.

The following 4 May 2021 decision of the Committee tabled at the 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

*That Council, in consultation with the Perth Lions Club, progress with the planting of appropriate tree species at the Mulgrave Street dog park to replace the vegetation removed.*

Council decision: *That the recommendation be noted.*

Noted that

- appropriate tree species have already been ordered
- Council officers will contact Perth Lions Club
- Member advised that Perth Lions member has already contacted Council.

## 5.5 Banner Poles

The Committee

- thanked and commended Council officers on the banners and on the timing of the banner installation, being prior to the commencement of the weekend's bicentenary celebrations.
- noted the following 13 April 2021 decision of the Committee tabled at the 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

*add the bicentenary dates 1821 to 2021 to the banners listed below. Committee agreed these banners would be suitable to use ongoing in future years with the bi-centenary dates.*

Council decision: *That the recommendation be noted.*

## 6 MATTERS PENDING

### 6.1 2021/2022 Budget Priorities

Budget priorities submitted for consideration - in order of priority:

- 1) Train Park: maintenance for play equipment to ensure appropriate and safe conditions; maintenance to timber sculptures.
- 2) Perth River Reserve: extension to George Street including installation of footbridge
- 3) Main Street Redevelopment: commencement of Stage 1
- 4) West Perth Connectivity footpaths: continue development to connect with other areas of Perth
- 5) Tree plantings in subdivisions: continue plantings in existing and planned developments
- 6) Punt Road Toilet Block: redevelopment / upgrade
- 7) Drummond Street/ Main road Corner: clean up and landscaping to link with Main road Streetscape masterplan

### 6.2 Highway Maintenance

Roads have not yet been transferred to Council by State Growth (roundabouts have been transferred to Council, landscaping works to be programmed).

The Committee requested that Council lobby for the transfer of the roads so that Main Street works can commence.

### 6.3 Old United Service Station Site cnr Drummond and Main Street

Ms Saunderson noted that she had received permission from their head office in Melbourne to decorate the temporary fencing at the Service Station. The committee discussed the possible future uses of the building in the event that it becomes available.

### 6.4 South Esk River Speed Limits

Council contacted both MAST and TasWater re the PLDC request for installation of signage and a locked gate at the northern end of William Street.

MAST have advised that they will provide signage, to be installed by Council.

TasWater is yet to provide comment to Council re the proposal to lock the gate.

## 7 NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1 2021 State Election Promises by Liberal Party

The following information was listed in the 17 May 2021 Council meeting agenda/minutes and provided to the Committee for information.

The Committee agreed that in order to attract funding for Perth it would be beneficial for members to lobby candidates prior to the next Federal election.

*This information item has been prepared following the request by Councillor Davis for a consolidated list of the election*

promises for the Northern Midlands Council.

The Liberals promised the following commitments to the Northern Midlands Council if re-elected as a majority government:

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Other commitments within the Northern Midlands region made by the Liberals if re-elected as a majority government included:

- \$23.7 million to supersize irrigation schemes to meet increased demand for the Don, Tamar, Sassafras, Northern Midlands & Fingal areas
- \$2.8 million investment towards turning Ben Lomond into a year-round destination
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- Commissioning a feasibility study for a new Safe Emergency Accommodation facility in the Northern Midlands to better support women from rural areas

## **7.2 Membership**

The Committee agreed that it would be advantageous to attract new members and promote membership of the PLDC on the Perth Community Facebook page. R Mackenzie to progress.

## **7.3 Line Marking in Perth**

The Committee requested that Council review and refresh the line marking in Perth.

## **8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 6.36pm.

The next meeting to be held at the Perth Community Centre on Tuesday, 6 July 2021.

Meeting to be preceded by a Volunteer Induction session at 5.30pm and the Biennial General Meeting.

BCC Report May 30<sup>th</sup> 2021

**This report takes two parts: One is a record of what we have been up to recently and the other with recommendations for organizing future community events**

### **Part 1 – Perth Bicentenary Celebrations**

**Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup>**'s bicentenary celebration at Adam's distillery went off very well. Approximately 500 people from the community attended and everyone reported enjoying the event. It was a beautiful evening, and the bonfire was very well received. The music was a nice accompaniment to what was happening while not being perfectly positioned. The food vendors did a good job, however, we had a slight complication with them needing to access power. The MOU between Adams and The BCC stated that they would provide power, but on the night, this was not available as had been anticipated which meant some food vendor's had to go and get their own power. We also sourced some generators from the community which showed excellent community spirit in helping us to solve this problem.

As part of this event, we drew the next winner for the Bicentenary Pamphlet draw and this was sponsored by Tony Purse to the value of \$100. Thanks Tony!

**Sunday May 30<sup>th</sup>**'s celebration at the Community Centre was a great success with the over 100 people attending to celebrate the naming of Perth and its history, particularly that surrounding the Gibson family, there was a large contingent of that family present. Other families were well represented too. We heard from Bill Gibson who gave a rundown of how Gov Macquarie came to be associated with David Gibson leading to the naming of the town in 1821. Following other speeches, we enjoyed the Caledonian pipe band and the highland dancers who did an excellent job helping to celebrate the Scottish connection.

When giving thanks to those who have helped it's always a great risk that someone will be missed off, so I won't name too many names here except to say thanks to Sue field and Jo Saunderson for working with me to make these events happen. Thanks goes to a whole host of volunteers and the rest of the bicentenary committee for helping to make sure we got this right; everyone played a part in making sure these events were a success. Lee Craw and the Perth Primary School were also instrumental in the success of the Saturday event and we thank them for that. There were many at council that assisted us too and foremost of them was Fiona Dewar who walked alongside the process to see the event be a success. We must also thank Adam Pinkard, Adam and Claire Saunders for allowing us to use Adams Distillery to host the May 29<sup>th</sup> event.

I am currently in the process of organizing an event to give thanks to all the volunteers who have contributed to the Bicentenary Celebration so far. This will happen during the month of June.

It is my recommendation that the Bicentenary Committee, resume its previous focus now and become a History Committee under the leadership of Sue Field. Should there be other events that we organize I am very confident that team members have shown what great things can be achieved when we work together. We will ratify this when the committee next meets.

Thanks to all on the PLDC for encouragement and support of what we have been doing!

The next section of recommendation may seem outside the scope of a volunteer, such as myself, but I would like to recommend the following for future events and activities involving sub-committees. Some of these may have been in place prior to my involvement with the PLDC, nonetheless I offer these suggestions.

**Part 2 - recommendations for organizing future community events**

- 1) There should be clear rules for sub-committees and these rules should include what the committee does and how it will do this.
- 2) Any sub-committee should have to submit a detailed plan for any events being proposed and how this will be achieved with clear lines of accountability, action points and time frames. These plans should then be approved by the PLDC firstly and secondly, by Council who can advise on how the plans fit within the broader scheme of council plans and policies.
- 3) Criteria for events supported by the PLDC could include:
  - a. Ruling out events held on private land
  - b. Ruling out events that do not have a minimum of 6 months lead time
  - c. Ensuring proposed events have a budget which includes funding options
  - d. Choosing events that promote the town to the people of Perth
  - e. Supporting events that enhance community spirit
  - f. Supporting events that build the reputation of Perth with the broader Tasmanian population.

While many challenges were in front of us, we overcame them all, each and every one of them and together we have achieved things we can be proud of.

I sign off this report as a proud chairman of the Bicentenary Committee.

Thanks

Russell MacKenzie

BCC Meeting date to be advised

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**EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.00PM ON TUESDAY, 1 JUNE 2021

**1 PRESENT**

John Lewis (Chair), Stephanie Kensitt, Carol Brown, Annie Harvey, Henrietta Houghton

**In Attendance:**

Gail Eacher (Secretary)

**2 APOLOGIES**

Barry Lawson, Cr Janet Lambert, Cr Jan Davis

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**C Brown/S Kensitt**

*That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 4 May 2021 be confirmed as true and correct record of proceedings.*

*Carried*

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

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**5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**i) Budget 2020/2021**

Budget deliberations in progress, municipal budget to be tabled at 28 June Council meeting.

**ii) Memorandum of Understanding Review**

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In regard to the MOU - noted that the amended MOU included additional amendments in accordance with the decision of Council at the 17 May Council Meeting.

In view of the amendments to section 9. *Secretarial Support & Resources* of the MOU, the Evandale Advisory Committee opted to review the time that meetings are held, the matter to be addressed at the Biennial General Meeting.

**ii) Footpath Trading By Law**

Committee's comments submitted, minor amendments have been made to the draft By Law prior to a further report to Council and referral to the Director of Local Government for consideration (together with the RIS).

i) Overhanging Trees – Hedge at 12 Macquarie St, Evandale

Matter listed for future consideration by Council.

7 COMMUNITY GROUP / SUB COMMITTEE REPORTSi) Community Centre

- The onset of winter has seen visitor numbers decline.

ii) Memorial Hall

- Hall bookings remain steady.

iii) Evandale Garden Group

- Monthly meetings being held.

iv) JAG

- 11 children have joined JAG
- Meetings are held weekly on Tuesday's
- Working on the kitchen garden
- Progressing with erecting the greenhouse
- Commenced with composting
- Vegetable seedlings are being planted
- Proposed to sell the vegetables to fundraise.

v) Neighbourhood Watch

- NHW newsletter delayed awaiting the crime report
- Advised of a number of petty thefts in and around Evandale
- All incidents need to be reported to the Police.

8 NEW BUSINESSi) 2021 State Election Promises by Liberal Party

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- Commissioning a feasibility study for a new Safe Emergency Accommodation facility in the Northern Midlands to better support women from rural areas

**ii) Morven Park – Cricket Nets**

The Committee sought clarity on the location of the new cricket nets to be installed and whether they would be subject to a Development Application. Advice to be provided to the next meeting.

**iii) Road Marking**

The Committee sought clarity on the process for new and renewal of road markings, noting new road markings had been installed on Russell Street.

**9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

Chairperson closed meeting at 7.42pm.

The next meeting to be held at the Evandale Community Centre on Tuesday, 6 July 2021.

Meeting to be preceded by a Volunteer Induction session at 7.00pm and the Biennial General Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LLDC WILL BE HELD AT **THE CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE** ON  
WEDNESDAY 2 JUNE 2021, COMMENCING AT 5.30PM

- 1 **PRESENT** : Neil Tubb, Dee Alty, Bron Baker, Len Langan, Kevin Headlam
- 2 **IN ATTENDANCE** : Councillor Adams
- 3 **APOLOGIES**: Dennis Pettyfor, Doug Bester, Jo Clark, Tim Flanagan, Matthew Brooks

**MOTION**; Dennis Pettyfor has been in hospital at different times over the last two months and is there again today, therefore this committee gives him leave of absence for this meeting.

**MOVED**; Len Langan/Kevin Headlam **CARRIED**

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** - not applicable at this time.

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

In accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, a member of a Special Committee must not participate in any discussion or vote on any matter in respect to which the member:

- 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.

5 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on **May 05, 2021**, were confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**MOVED**: Kevin Headlam/Len Langan **CARRIED**

6 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- 6.1 Longford Entrance Improvements – no further information at this stage.
- 6.2 Water Trough Plaque – Len Langan undertook some research on the trough and the information gathered, will be passed onto council so that a plaque be completed and fitted onto the Water Trough.
- 6.3 LLDC Nominations – all members reminded if they wish to re-nominate, please get it in by June 18.

## 7.0 NEW BUSINESS

### 7.1 MOU Discussion

There was discussion on this and the following motion in two parts was moved;

#### **MOTION:**

1. In section 4 of the MOU - third paragraph.

“Members are to comprise of residents of Longford including members of organisations or businesses who live in the Longford district.

2. in section 5 roles and responsibilities

“To receive communications from the local communities and special interest groups and forward their letters/requests with appropriate recommendations to Council”.

**MOVED: Dee Alty/Bron Baker**

**CARRIED**

### 7.2 Town Hall Committee Proposal

**MOTION:** “Subject to a small change to the Management structure, the Committee endorses the proposal to set up a Town Hall Committee as set out in the attached proposal.”

**MOVED: Kevin Headlam/Bron Baker**

**CARRIED**

## 8 REPORTS FROM SUB COMMITTEES

8.1 Railway Committee – meeting next week, to look at more ways to raise funds.

8.2 Longford Legends - meeting to be organized in July to progress inductees.

## 9. PENDING BUSINESS ITEMS

- Tear-off Street Maps for Longford – the Council is not prepared to fund; it has now been referred to Dennis Betts for further work to put it on line so businesses can print their own.
- Safety Issues Woolmers Lane/Panshangar Road intersection – discussion was on speed limits and a solar powered warning signal.
- Racecourse Signage – proposed budget item
- JBS Alternate Entrance – waiting decision on Urban Design Strategy.
- Memorial Hall – Village Green Development – pending Council/Public review.
- Wellington & Marlborough Streets Intersection – waiting on Council decision.

- The Planning Scheme Revisions LGAT & NMC.
- 2021-2022 Budget Proposals.

## 10. OTHER BUSINESS

- 10.1 Discussion took place on the possibility of putting a mural on the water tower on Hugh Mackinnon's property. Further discussions need to happen with relevant stakeholders.
- 10.2 Kevin raised the issue of a water problem near 109 Marlborough Street at the junction of Marlborough and Cressy Road. He said it has been going on for a month, but Taswater has not taken any action to remedy the problem.

**MOTION:** That this committee asks the Council to find out who is responsible for this leak and seek to have it fixed.

**MOVED:** Kevin Headlam/Bron Baker

**CARRIED**

## CLOSURE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18.25 pm. The next meeting will be on July 7 at 5.30pm.

ATTACHMENT TO LLDC MINUTES OF 2nd JUNE 2021

**LONGFORD ARTS STRATEGY – LONGFORD TOWN HALL PROPOSAL**

**SCENARIO**

Northern Midlands is one of the early settlement areas which also had an active art and craft artisans. More well known is John Glover who is well represented at Evandale, yet Tom Roberts, the iconic Australian painter, lived for the latter part of his life at Esk Farm in Longford and is barely acknowledged here.

Longford is also the home of current well known artist Michael McWilliams and a series of other artists and craftspeople who have made the Northern Midlands their home.

Yet there is no centre or dedicated sales area to showcase our local talent.

Council has a number of empty and lightly used buildings which could be developed into an active and lively arts industry, adding to the economy of Longford.

Two issues that have come up recently that opens up a real opportunity for Longford to become the major arts centre in the north.

1. The Launceston Art Society has been asked to move out of Eskleigh in Perth because the Aged care management is expanding that business and requires more office space.
2. The Tin shed in Invermay, where many local artists have workshop space and where northern potters fire their work, and space to undertake projects they cannot undertake domestically, is going to close due to the site being sold for development.

**BUILDINGS**

**The Longford Town Hall** is an iconic building in the centre of town. It has been used over the years as a lodge, dance hall, a movie theatre, a concert hall, a place for exhibitions, children's programs and end of term assemblies. It has also had karate and other indoor sports and games. But lately other buildings around Longford have been more fit for purpose than this hall.

More recently it has been the venue for some very successful local exhibitions after the Council set up a simple hanging system to allow the walls to be used without being damaged. It does need lighting and it does need a good clean and paint touch up and this can be continued. But to really make more useable, it requires a lift to access the stage, the supper room and the understage spaces if it is to comply with disability guidelines.

It could be further used for art workshops, working artists shows, storage of art equipment and youth and senior art competitions and workshops.

## PROPOSAL

*That the Longford Art Group seek a trial exclusive lease at a peppercorn rent for a year to hold art-based events during that time to test the viability of a community run Art Centre.*

### Advantages

To keep the building used and in good condition, protecting the asset.

To undertake the bookings for use of the hall at no expense to Council

To give a focus to the town and its surrounds as a historic art district and help promote other art spaces such as Blenheim Farm gallery, Evandale, Patterdale, Longford craft and bric-a-brac shops.

Promote events in the town.

Encourage other art, music and performance activities in the town and aid their activities.

### Disadvantages

It would not be available for private functions or parties unless arts related.

It won't be able be used by sports groups or classes for regular bookings.

Council will need to work with the Committee for their local functions in the hall such as Expos, public assemblies etc.

In return, the Art Group will:

- Undertake to keep the hall and rooms clean and tidy.
- Ensure COVID rules be adhered to.
- Pay the power bill.
- Maintain the bookings for the hall and supper room.
- Undertake small maintenance jobs.
- Seek further grants for the hall's activities.
- Care and storage of Council chairs, tables and other assets.
- Cover the public liability for local events under the Arts Group umbrella, outside groups will be asked to provide evidence of public liability.

### Management structure

The Longford Local District Committee has been asked to set up a sub committee and the Longford Hall Committee will report to the LLDC. The committee will be on a similar basis as the Longford Legends and Longford Railway Bridge Committee as a sub committee of Council. Two LLDC representatives would be sought to be formal members of that committee and there will be a group of arts-based volunteers.

Grants and other monies will be channeled through the Council - hope to sort out an accounting arrangement with Council. Most community events are on a not for profit basis and surpluses will be channeled to local charities as done in the past.

Local events using the hall will also be referred to NorMie and the LLDC as appropriate so activities in the town can be coordinated.

Report back to the LLDC will be on a LLDC meeting basis.

*Before agreement - we would require a full inventory of all the useable features such as the sound systems, theatre lights, overhead projector, piano etc.*

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Minutes of Devon Hills Neighbourhood Watch and Residents  
Committee

13<sup>th</sup> June 2021

COVID-19 Safe Plan & Agreement for Hire of Community Hall COVID-19 Requirements for Northern Midlands Council signed and returned prior to meeting.

**Present:** Phill & Cheryl Canning, Margaret Webster, Alira Davis, Lance Turner, Janet Lambert, Ian Goninon

**Apologies:** Ted Davis, Lisa Lucas, Jamie Buckby

**Meeting Opened:** 3.30pm

**Previous Minutes:** Moved as correct

April meeting was cancelled due to low numbers, February meeting minutes read.

Moved as Corrected: Cheryl Canning

Seconded: Margaret Webster

All in Favour: All

Business Arising From Previous Meeting

NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL					
File No					
Property					
Attachments					
REC'D 15 JUN 2021					
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GM			PLN		
P&DM			BLD		
CSM			MYR		
WM			EA		
HR					
HLT					✓



- 1) Notice Board has been painted and is at the Community Shed ready to be mounted on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 10am.
  
- 2) No update on Dog Stations from Northern Midlands Council yet.
  
- 3) Tas Fire Service: So far have not had any success arranging a time with Dave. Phill Canning will try to arrange this week or begin looking into other avenues. Range Rd: Access and emergency exit for Range Rd Residents was discussed as part of Fire/Evacuation Plan. Northern Midlands Council had provisions for a Gate into Reserve. Phill Canning to speak with Northern Midlands Council and Range Rd Residents on development of Fire/Evacuation Plan.

Treasurers Report: Tabled by Margaret Webster  
Devon Hills Residents Committee Account Balance \$1,620.41

Opening Balance \$1,620.41

In Nil

Out Nil

Closing Balance \$1,620.41

Devon Hills Neighbourhood Watch Account \$3.26cr

Moved as Correct: Margaret Webster

Seconded: Phill Canning

All in favour: All

Motion: Pay Margaret Webster for Water Trailer Registration, as Margaret paid this herself.

Motioned: Phill Canning

Seconded: Lance Turner

All in Favour: All

General Business:

1) Crime Report by Phill Canning: 10<sup>th</sup> April 2021 – 9<sup>th</sup> June 2021

During this period there were no crimes of public interest reported to police.

2) Treasurers Book have been Audited by Northern Midlands Council and returned as Correct.

3) Market Day: Set for Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November, 8am Start, \$10 charge. Minimum of 10 tables booked for day to go ahead.

4) Sewerage Pit at Community Shed became blocked and was leaking. This has been cleared & repaired by Northern Midlands Council. Has also been added onto maintenance list.

5) Haggerston Rd: Concern from resident after parcels not being delivered correctly that there is no Haggerston Rd sign on the Slip Lane coming from Launceston. Request will be sent to Northern Midlands Council for Sign.

6) Cleanup Day at Community Shed: Set for Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021 10am. Filing Cabinet & white outside table will be for sale if anyone would like to view on this day.

7) Northern Midlands Council Management Agreement for Devon Hills Fire Shed: Received 8<sup>th</sup> June 2021 including cover letter of changes. Changes were discussed; Phill Canning accepted point of contact role.

Motion: To sign Agreement

Motioned: Alira Davis

Seconded: Phill Canning

All in Favour: All

8) Bike Trail: Express to Northern Midlands Council our support for a bike trail through Devon Hills linking up with options then through to Western Junction, Evandale and Perth.

9) Wildlife: Sad to see so many dead animals on the roads within our small community, especially as we are one of only a few areas to have the Bandicoot.

Call for all to slow down and keep look for the wildlife we have and please check if you hit/injure/kill animals as many have young in pouches or carried on their backs. Request to Northern Midlands Council for Beware Wildlife sign.

10)Northern Midlands Council: What are the plans for the verge area from Gibbet Hill through to Underpass at end of Heggerston Rd, Plantation

plans, maintenance and upkeep. Currently no action being taken and large amounts of rubbish are being left through this area.

- 11) Changes to Planning and Tree removal: recent changes to planning now mean you do not need permission to remove trees, once removed you may have to prove why tree was removed and no longer need to advertise removal of trees.

This goes against what we as a Community fought for in keeping our area naturally beautiful and safe.

Discussions to be held with Northern Midlands Council regarding changes and the impact these are having on the area.

No Fees to remove or advertise stay the same.

- 12) Haggerston Rd Parking: As the use of Haggerston rd bike/walk pathway is increasing the parking is becoming dangerous along the sides of Haggerston Rd and at the entrance/Exit of Devon Hills, with several cars also parking in Bus Zone. Designated parking areas need to be established with signage and Bus Zone signs erected.

- 13) Bike/Pedestrian Path: recent weather and winds brought down several limbs/branches over the path between Devon Hills and Breadalbane.

Request for Northern Midlands Council to have trees assessed for safety.

14)

Following on from above items

Motion: To Northern Midlands Council for;

Haggerston Rd sign on the Slip Lane coming from Launceston.

Devon Hills to be included and link up with existing/planned bike trails in the area.

Beware Wildlife signs in the area.

To have trees assessed for safety along Haggerston Rd Bike/Walk Path.

We invite Northern Midlands Council General Manager to attend our next meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 3.30pm to further discuss above items and any plans for the verge area from Gibbet Hill through to Underpass at end of Haggerston Rd, changes to planning allowing removal of trees without due cause or advertisement.

Motioned: Margaret Webster

Seconded: Lance Turner

All in Favour: All

15) Newsletter: AGM info, Cleanup day, Market day

Next Meeting: Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021 3:30pm

AGM followed by Devon Hills Neighbourhood Watch and Residents Committee

Ian Goninon an apology. Confirmed he will continue on the committee.

Meeting Closed: 4.36pm

Devon Hills Neighbourhood Watch and Residents Committee <sup>1-46</sup>  
Treasurers Report  
June 2021

Residents Committee

Opening Balance      \$1620.41

In nil

Out nil

Closing Balance      \$1620.41

Neighbourhood Watch

Opening Balance      \$3.26

Closing Balance      \$3.26

## Devon Hills NHW Crime trend Report



**From 10/04/2021 – 09/06/2021**

During this period there were again no crimes reported in the Devon Hills area.

**Please continue to report suspicious activity in your area straight away to police on 131 444 (non-urgent) or if you wish to provide information anonymously to help solve a crime, phone Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or report online at; [Crimestopperstas.com.au/report-a-crime/](https://Crimestopperstas.com.au/report-a-crime/)**