

MINUTES

EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES FOR THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2023, 4.00PM

1 ATTENDANCE

John Lewis	Chairman
Henrietta Houghton	Member
Barry Lawson	Member
Bruce Argent-Smith	Member
Geoff Divall	Member

In Attendance:

Paul Terrett	Councillor
Lorraine Wyatt	Executive & Communications Officer (minutes)

2 APOLOGIES

Stephanie Ann Kensitt	Member
Janet Lambert	Deputy Mayor

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

COMMITTEE DECISION

Moved Geoff Divall, seconded Bruce Argent-Smith

That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 3 October 2023 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

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.*

No declarations were made.

5 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Review of Local District Committees and Forums

On Monday 16 October 2023, Council considered the proposed changes to the Local District Committee's further.

On that occasion, Council determined as follows:

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DECISION

Cr Brooks/Cr Andrews

That Council extend the period of operation of the current Memorandum of Understanding until 30 June 2024 (or sooner if resolved) to allow additional time for the review of the Memorandum of Understanding to be undertaken.

Carried Unanimously

Several Local District Committee's requested additional time and a workshop meeting with Council to discuss the proposed changes. Council has considered this request and allowed further time for the review to occur.

The Evandale Advisory Committee can still recruit new members until April 2024.

7 MATTERS FOR NOTING

7.1 Meeting dates 2023

In accordance with the MOU meetings of the Committee will be held at 4pm on the first Tuesday of the month, schedule of dates follows:

Meeting Dates for 2023

5 December

8 MATTERS PENDING

NIL

9 COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

9.1 Community Centre

Running well although numbers are down a little from this time last year.

9.2 Memorial Hall

The Hall is running well, and usage is consistent including the Flower Show which will be happening this weekend. The Hall prices are listed on the NMC website under public halls, which shows the meeting room at \$20/ hour, with a note that says; "Local community groups- special rates can be negotiated for regular bookings".

9.3 Neighbourhood Watch

Cuppa with a Cop was well attended

Committee Recommendation

*Moved Barry Lawson, seconded Henrietta Houghton
That the Community Group Reports be received.*

CARRIED

10 NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Northern District Committees Christmas Function

When: 23 November 2023

Time: from 5.45pm for a 6.00pm start

Where: at the Blenheim Inn

Refer to the attached invitation.

Members, please provide your RSVP.

10.2 Policy Updates

a) Unreasonable Customer Conduct Policy; and

b) Customer Service Charter.

(Attached)

Customer Service Standards form part of the Customer Service Charter (Appendix) however they were not provided to the Committee. A copy will be circulated with the minutes.

Can Council confirm if Community/Visitors Centre is required to abide by these policies as well?

10.3 Heritage Resources

Can Council provide an update about the status of the Significant Trees Register as Barry Lawson has significant resources including photos that he would like to share for this project.

10.4 Pioneer Park Upgrades

Can Council provide an update on this project and confirm when community consultation will occur?

10.5 Changed Speed Limits

Can Council provide an update on about this request?

10.6 Traders in Purple

Has there been any further updates about this development?

Members were advised that there was nothing further to report.

10.7 Dump Point

Can Council provide an update on this project and advise if public toilets will also be installed at this location?

10.8 Flood Marker

The flood marker was removed from the fence of a property which was for sale and is no longer installed/available for community purposes.

Can council advise what the highest known flood level is (reportedly in 1929), what is the Datum and where this is reflected within the community?

10.9 Security Cameras

An update of the installation of the security cameras at the Memorial Hall was provided.

10.10 Underground Power Lines

There has been no progress on this item at this time.

10.11 Community Walkability Project

Distributed to members previously, this item is to be placed on the December Agenda for further discussion.

10.12 2024 Australia Day Awards – Now Open

Award categories are:

- Citizen of the year
- Young Citizen of the year
- Community Event of the year

Council also awards **Volunteer Recognition** to individuals or organisations within our community that have made an outstanding effort or achievement to the municipality. Nomination forms are available on Council website. **Completed forms must be returned before 4.30pm, Friday, 1 December 2023** by post to PO Box 156 Longford TAS 7301 or emailed to council@nmc.tas.gov.au

Members were encouraged to nominate community members and groups.

11 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

Chairperson closed meeting at pm.

The next meeting to be held at the Evandale Community Centre on Tuesday, **5 December 2023 at 4pm.**