

PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD AT 5.30PM ON TUESDAY, 4 JUNE 2019 AT THE OFFICES OF BRIAN MITCHELL MP, MAIN STREET, PERTH

1 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Tony Purse (Chair), Don Smith, Phillip Groves, Philip Dell, Shan White, John Stagg, Sue Field, Graeme Eberhardt, Lynne Wilton (from 6.20pm)

In Attendance:

Cr Janet Lambert, Gail Eacher (Secretary)

Apologies:

Cr Jan Davis

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

S Field/G Eberhardt

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday, 7 May 2019, 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*

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) South Esk River Parklands/ William Street Reserve

At the 7 May 2019 meeting of the committee, the committee discussed details of the concept plan and priorities for feedback to Lange Design.

Following discussion at the meeting it was agreed that the following amendments be made to the feedback as highlighted:

PLDC feedback (to be read in conjunction with Preliminary Masterplan)

- *Connection between William and George Street to be considered as priority for completion.*
- *Recommend 'concrete footpath' be constructed from compacted gravel as a more cost effective form of material.*
- *Recommend description be amended from 'footpath' to 'bike path' to ensure suitability for multi-use (relates to the William Street Reserve to George Street connection).*
- *Committee questioned the suitability of a playground in the 'old quarry' site and highlighted safety concerns with children playing close to the river in this location.*
- *Committee recommended completion of existing playgrounds prior to any works considered for this location. e.g. Secombe Street, Train Park.*
- *Committee suggested consideration of viability of this location for an RV park instead of playground.*
- *Committee questioned the location of public toilets in this location.*
- *Committee recommended elimination of more higher priced items be considered low priority, e.g. playground equipment, toilets, bbq to allow funds to be prioritised for paths, landscaping and access*

works for river edge viewing decks, interpretive signage.

- Committee does not consider the building of new infrastructure as a priority for this precinct.
- Committee recommended 'nature based activities/ to be the focus of this development.
- Committee recommended interpretive signage should be included in Stage One of the development.
- Committee recommended the works be cognisant of the natural habitat of the riverbank as a priority when planning the development.

D Smith /G Eberhardt

That Council the first stage of the William Street Reserve River works be considered a priority, i.e. the connection from William to George streets, and included in the 2019/2020 budget.

Carried

ii) Murals/Artworks

At the 7 May 2019 meeting the committee considered the Perth Mural Project submission and provided the following feedback to Council:

- Subject matter of each mural is important and should be significant to the location and relate to the history of the Perth township.
- Implementation should be planned to coincide with the 2021 Perth Bi-Centenary celebrations.
- The location of each mural should be carefully considered in conjunction with the Perth Structure Plan and the PLDC.

The committee does not believe this project is relevant at this stage of the Perth town improvements and recommends focus to be on pathways and landscaping in order to ensure the mural project can be implemented to compliment the Perth Structure Plan.

iii) Perth Bicentenary 2021

A meeting of the sub committee was held on 4 June 2019 prior to the PLDC meeting, at which time it was agreed a questionnaire would be circulated to members requesting suggestions to be submitted to Council for further consultation.

G Eberhardt / S Field

That Council

- take a leadership role in coordinating the celebrations and provide expertise; and
 - seek support, funding and input to the bicentenary celebrations;
- as the Committee do not believe they have the expertise/resources to coordinate such an event.

Carried

iv) Perth Early Learning Centre

The committee noted that Council is awaiting the \$2.6m in government funding committed for this project.

v) Town Square/Centre

Matter to be placed on pending list.

To be considered in conjunction with the Perth Structure Plan and identification of a possible town centre. Main Street currently responsibility of Dept of State Growth.

vi) Bus Tour / Budget

The Committee noted that budget deliberations for 2019/2020 are ongoing, with the budget report to be considered at 24 June Council meeting.

vii) Committees Action List Updates

The following matters were discussed:

- Shipping Container By-Law – matter ongoing, Council and officers working through issues prior to report back to Council.
- Tree Plantings – Report to be tabled at Council meeting, Council to provide formal direction.
- Clarence Street bus shelter – reported that the stormwater run-off from the bus shelter did not appear to be connected.
- Main Street bus shelter – fabrication complete, awaiting opportunity/staffing to install.
- Perth Entry statements – committee were advised that the roundabouts are part of the Dept of State Growth Perth Links Road project.
- Train Park – requested that Council undertake improvements to the Train Park prior to the 2021 bicentenary celebrations and provided support for the relocation of the Lions Shelter to the Train Park.

Ms Wilton attended the meeting at 5.20pm.

- Talisker Street public toilets – the committee reiterated their request for visible signage to be installed.
- Sewerage Dump Point – no further action at this time, matter to be retained on pending list.
- MOU –to be reviewed by Council.

S Field / J Stagg

That Council note the support of the Perth Local District Committee to the Lions Club request that the Lions shelter be relocated to the Train Park.

Carried

5 NEW BUSINESS

i) Council meeting times/days

Committee requested change of time / day for meetings. Following options suggested for meetings to be held:

- second Thursday of the month from 5.30pm;
- retain as first Tuesday and extend from 5.30pm – 7pm.

Matter to be considered by Council officers and other affected Local District Committee.

ii) Concerns Relating to Upgrade Works On State Roads: Evandale Main Road & Woolmers Lane /Midland Highway Intersection

20 May Council minute circulated.

Further concern raised re signage at northern entrance to Perth.

L Wilton / S White

That Council request the Department of State Growth to review the safety of the location of the 80km speed sign placed on the Midland Highway at the northern entrance to Perth.

Carried

iii) Food Vans

The committee noted that Food Vans are attending the Train Park on a regular basis.

There is no provision for electricity use by the food vans at the park, generators are therefore used which are noisy.

Committee queried whether provision could be made for access to electricity for the food vans (similar to arrangements at the Longford Village Green).

6 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The Chair closed the meeting at 6.50pm.

Meetings:

- Tuesday, 2 July 2019 at 5.30pm, at the offices of Brian Mitchell MP (no secretarial support).
- Tuesday, 6 August 2019 at 5.30pm, at the offices of Brian Mitchell MP (scheduled meeting).