

MINUTES OF THE PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

HELD ON TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2023, AT THE PERTH COMMUNITY CENTRE
MEETING COMMENCED AT 5.32P.M.

1 ATTENDANCE. Russell MacKenzie, Jo Saunderson, Tony Purse, Don Smith, J,
Michele Elgersma, Councillor Janet Lambert, Councillor Paul Terrett

Apologies: Jon Targett

2 Russell conducted the ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

In keeping with the spirit of reconciliation, The Perth Local District Committee acknowledges the First Peoples- the traditional owners of the plipatumila land where we live and work. We recognise their continuing connection to land, water, sky and community. We pay respects to to Elders -past, present and emerging- and acknowledge the important roles Tasmanian Aboriginals continue to play as part of our community

3 PROCEDURAL

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes

Recommendation

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 11 July 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

MOVED: Don Smith

Seonded: Michelle Elgersma

3.2 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 (passed at the July 2022 meeting of the NMC)

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PLDC MINUTES

4.1 Opening of William St reserve- Update from Councillor Lambert. Still considering opening of reserve. Problem of turning room for large vehicles in wet weather. Safety Issue. is soluble. There may be room to provide a 'Y' turn around. Jo suggested signage prohibiting large vehicles if that is an issue. Work in progress and we will keep the issue live. Russell thanked Janet for update.

4.1.2 South Esk walkway. Quarry Site. Council will continue to use site for storing soil for 12 months.

William St bridge area Tony commented that the fencing was rather imposing visually. George St end

Jo commented that some of the planting appeared to be dead as they were under shade. Seems a waste of money.

Opening of the bridge on Friday Nov 24 at 11a.m.

4.2. Dog Park CCTV

Councillor Lambert updated. Investigation in to providing power and internet./CCTV.

The problem with solar is theft of the panels.

Janet stated that people impacted by issues in the dog park need to make statements and be prepared to go to court.

4.3 Budget. Business case had been submitted for pledged money by government at election time.

12.1 million for Campbelltown and Perth Main St upgrades

5.53p.m. Councillor Terrett left the room due to a conflict of interest . His partner had put in a submission.

Russell stated it appears we will be getting 3 million of pledged 8 million

6.00p.m. Councillor Terrett returned to the room. Train Park.

Councillor Lambert gave an update. The train park equipment is not up to hand over stage due to some issues. Works manager says contracts need o rectify faults. Issue with concrete.

Jo asked if there were clauses in contracts for over runs of time. Also that there was les equipment than before. Need to ask for more play. equipment in next budget.

4.4

MOTION:

THE PERTH DISTRICT COMMITTEE requests that banners be placed on the banner poles all year round. Noting that there had been no banners up since Anzac Day. The committee also noted that new Christmas banners were being prepared for 2024 and requested that this years Christmas banners be placed asap.

MOVED: Michelle Elgersma

SECONDED: Tony Purse

5.0 Review of Memorandum of Understanding.

Russell stated that the term of office would be extended to June next year rather than Dec '23. Council has noted our

Concerns which were sent in by October 8. There will be a workshop for chair- persons to discuss issues raised about the district committees. Frequency of meetings still to be decided. Special meetings can be held at any time. Any new people to PLDC can join before April next year.

Around the table.

Michelle stated that an issue about bus stops had been raised in the community.

Paul stated that he had been working on this. Jo stated that there were 3 bus stops for for the Tassie link buses depending on where the bus was heading. It was not that there was no signage for school buses.

MOTION: The committee requests the council to work in conjunction with public transport providers to plan for future services in view of expanding population and the proposed upgrading o and beatification of the Main Street.

MOVED: Michelle Elgersma

SECONDED; Don Smith

Janet Lambert stated that Community Recognition awards need to be in by December 1st.

Paul said that this would help to bring attention to organisations within the town

Don brought to the committees attention that the trees along William St had some pruning by arborists and then slashing by a tractor with a blade that had left the trees in a rough state. This was not only a safety issue with hanging limbs but detrimental to the trees themselves.

Don also asked for a motion regarding shade over play equipment which happens in other jurisdictions.

MOTION: For the Council to re-consider their objections to the erection of shade sails over play equipment especially in Seccombe Street.

MOVED: Don Smith

SECONDED: Jo Saunderson

Don also stated that the markings for soft fill in the playground had been removed.

The edging also restricts access for children with mobility issues to access the play equipment.

Tony stated he had found a bike and wondered whether there was any where to publicise this besides the FB page.
The op shop was mentioned.

Op shop is now in building next to Brian Mitchell office

Paul Terrett said that a resident had asked whether there could be a shower at the toilet block in Charles Berryman park.

MOTION: For the Council to consider installation of a shower in Public toilets at Charles Berryman Picnic ground and for an update on any improvements to this facility.

MOVED: Don Smith

Seconded: Jo Saunderson

Jo asked a question regarding pedestrian refuges at the Main road intersections of Clarence St and Arthur St. This would be something that would be addressed in the streetscape works. It was noted that a pedestrian refuge on Clarence St near the Baptist Tabernacle and the school would be a good idea. This was deemed operational and for a works order to be put in.

Council Christmas function on Thursday 23rd at Blenheim Hotel Longford

Meeting closed at 6.35p.m. with next meeting to be held on December 5th at 5.30p.m. in the Perth Community Hall.