

**MINUTES OF
PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE**

THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, 4 APRIL 2023, COMMENCING AT 5.34PM

1 PRESENT: RUSSELL MACKENZIE, JO SAUNDERSON, DON SMITH, JON TARGETT, MICHELLE ELGERSMA, COUNCILLOR PAUL TERRETT

APOLOGIES: TONY PURSE. SAM BEATTIE, COUNCILLOR JANET LAMBERT

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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3 PROCEDURAL:

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

Recommendation

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 7 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

MOVED: DON SMITH

SECONDED: JON TARGETT

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 and information received

Russell noted that there had been no comments from the previous minutes other than motions we had put forward which were operational in nature.

Don commented that the sculptures at the Train park had been installed and that there had been more work on the bridge at William St.

Paul stated that he and Janet had enquired about the installation of the new playground equipment at the Train park and that installation would begin shortly.

The Perth historical society would be moving on installing an interpretive panel regarding the sculptures.

MOTION:

What is the plan for ongoing maintenance of the sculptures at the Train Park and the murals in various locations around the town.

Moved: Michelle Elgersma

Seconded: Jon Targett

General discussion about the bus tour and the streetscape and budgetary matters.

MOTION:

The committee requests that all outstanding budgetary matters be completed as a matter of priority.

Moved: Jon Targett

Seconded: Don Smith

Paul stated that the RAP is progressing.

5 New Business

Discussion of MOU.

Is the MOU fit for purpose? Change of 5 to 6 members.

More need for representation from community organisations ie. football club. Church groups and businesses :

MOTION

To ask that the MOU be amended to include the process and criteria for membership.

MOVED: Don Smith

SECONDED: Jon Targett

The question was asked whether information about the PLDC be included in the New Residents Information on the Council website or with rates notice?

Change to MOU: Candidates for PLDC to be advertised in the Examiner as well as The Northern Midlands Courier and on social media

Keep the wording "matters of concern" rather than change to "strategic."

To retain money in lieu of secretarial service.

Request for info: what is balance of secretarial allowance as March 2023.

Suggestions for use of allocation money discussed.

Training for how to run meetings suggested.

Communication issues discussed. Newsletter discussed.

Discussion on meeting dates. Change of meeting

May 23rd Tuesday next meeting at 5.30

Bus tour 16/4/2023

Jo - BBQ still in slab form. Question asked as to where idea for William St BBQ came from.

Jon stated there is rice grass at edge of river near William St.

MOTION:

That the Council take as a matter of concern the spread of rice grass in South Esk River at the north end of William St and notify the relevant government authorities.

Moved: Jon Targett

SECONDED: Jo Saunderson

MOTION:

Request for an update on streetscape relating to Main Rd of Perth and

Moved: Michelle Elgersma

Seconded: Don Smith

Meeting closed at 6.52p.m Next meeting at 5.30p.m. on Tuesday 23rd May at Perth Community Centre.