

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CRESSY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL (DONNA RITCHIE ROOM) ON WEDNESDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2011, COMMENCING AT 7.00PM.

1 PRESENT

Mr S Saltmarsh – Chairperson from 7.15pm, Mr L Harwood – Secretary, Mr N Maxwell, Cr R Goss, Mrs H Williams, Mrs F Cox, Mr P Goss, Mrs A Green, Mrs A Jenkins, Mrs H Howard, Mrs M Taylor from 7.25pm)

2 APOLOGIES

Mr S Saltmarsh until 7.15pm, Mrs M Taylor until 7.25pm

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Mr Maxwell / Mrs Cox

“That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on Wednesday 27 September 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings subject to the following alteration:-

Business Arising—Item (v) Customer Request to read --build up of gravel at edge of Cressy Main Rd in front of “Cressy House” property is causing stormwater to be directed over the road pavement”

Carried

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Outdoor Exercise Equipment & Community Barbecue

Mr Harwood mentioned that at the October Council Meeting, the following resolution was passed

Cr Knowles/Cr Goss

“That Council

- i) note the recommendation put forward by the Cressy Local District Committee and consider providing funds for the project in the 2012/2013 budget, and make allowance for any grant assistance and community support.*
- ii) consider allocating funds to the purchase and installation of a community barbecue in the reserve located at the corner of Church and Main Streets, Cressy in the 2012/2013 budget.”*

It was **RESOLVED** that the information be received.

ii) Bus Shelter—Church St

In regard to the proposed new bus shelter, Mr Harwood referred to the following note which had been received from Council's Work's & Infrastructure Manager, Mr Chellis:-

“The slab was poured a month ago and the shelter is being installed today . The standard requires that the footpath is at the front of the shelter. The shelter is also designed and constructed with a wider section on the Western end to protect users from the wind”.

After viewing the new structure, the Committee expressed their approval and in doing so requested that a rubbish bin be installed in close proximity to the new shelter.

iii) Alcohol Consumption—Outside the Ringwood Hotel at Cressy

Mr Harwood advised that he had discussed the matter concerning the consumption of alcohol outside the Ringwood Hotel Cressy with a representative from the licensing commission and further comments will be available at the next meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that the comments from Mr Harwood be noted and that a letter be forwarded to the Licensing Commission expressing concern about the practice of alcohol being consumed on land in front of the hotel (not dedicated footpath area)

iv) Cressy Main St Improvements

At the September meeting it was agreed that Mr Harwood would obtain images of recent main street makeovers.

Mr Harwood advised that the process to improve the main street in several towns within the Northern Midlands has varied and in fact works in Wellington St & Marlborough St Longford has already extended over a 10 year period.

He mentioned that Images of main street improvements in other town within Australia could be viewed on the internet but the fact remains that each main street is different as it is modelled to meet the needs of a particular community.

It was agreed that the Committee further discuss the matter at the next meeting and in the interim, Mr Harwood determine the availability of government grants for such works.

v) Expanding Cressy Child Care Service

Correspondence re a study undertaken to determine what demand there is for a third operating day by the Rural & Remote Child Care Service at Cressy will be circulated at the meeting.

The outcome is that at this stage, the level of demand is insufficient to make the service expansion financially viable.

It was **RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

vi) Provision of a Barbecue—Brumbys Creek Reserve

Mr Harwood advised that a letter had recently been sent to Inlands Fisheries requesting that an electric barbecue be installed in the reserve.

It was **RESOLVED** that the information be received.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

i) Cressy Development Plan

Mr Harwood mentioned that the objective of the plan is to provide a broad framework to guide Council when it considers subdivision and development proposals for Cressy.

Following a discussion about the plan, the following matters were supported:-

- Acquisition of land to extend existing open space off Church St
- Construction of a skate park
- Future development area (Site 2) to favour larger allotments

6 OTHER BUSINESS

Matters discussed included:-

- i) Need for regular patrols by Council's Animal Control Officer
- ii) Provision of a bus shelter (Main St, Cressy)—opposite the Cressy Pool
- iii) Risk issue being caused by a concrete lid outside 8 Church St
- iv) Overhanging tree outside 27 Main St
- v) Presence of capeweed—near War Memorial Reserve and other footpath reserve area within the township of Cressy
- vi) Need for 24 Charles St to be cleaned up (remnants of a burnt out house)
- vii) Laneway between King St & Main St- needs a suitable security light at appropriate location

- viii) Use of i phone apt as a means to promote the attractions in Cressy—forms distributed and upon completion they are to be returned to Ms Lorraine Green—Council’s Manager of Community & Economic Development

7. CLOSURE

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.15pm.

8. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 25 January 2012 at the Cressy District High School (Donna Ritchie Room) at 7.00pm