

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CRESSY MEMORIAL HALL ON THURSDAY, 27 FEBRUARY 2014 COMMENCING AT 7.10PM**

**1 PRESENT**

Mrs F Cox (Chair), Mrs A Green, Mrs M Cables, Mrs A Jenkins, Mrs H Williams, Mr A Turnham, Mr P Goss, Mrs H Howard, Mrs M Taylor, Cr R Goss, Miss M Bricknell (Acting General Manager), Mrs G Eacher (Secretary)

**2 APOLOGIES**

Nil

**3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

*Mrs A Green/Mr A Turnham*

*That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 18 December 2013 be confirmed as a 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 interest was declared.*

**5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**5.1 Boat Ramp (incl. Removal of Concrete Weir)**

The Committee noted that the following 18 December 2013 recommendation of the Committee:

*That a boat ramp be constructed at Cressy to a minimum safe standard.*

was considered at the 20 January meeting of Council, at which time Council resolved to note and investigate the recommendation of the Committees.

Letters being prepared to send to stakeholders. The Committee was advised that it

was expected that progress with the project would be slow and it would take some considerable time to resolve the associated issues.

**Action:**

*The Committee to be kept informed on progress.*

## 5.2 Painting of Power Poles—Main St, Cressy

At the December meeting of the Committee Mr Chellis referred to various OH&S concerns that needed to be considered in relation to the painting of the power poles and agreed that the matter be further considered at the February 2014 meeting.

Mr P Goss to consult with Mr Chellis with regard to progressing the matter.

**Action:**

*Mr P Goss to progress.*

## 5.3 Cressy History Project

At the December 2013 meeting, the Committee noted that:

- the application for a grant from the Tas Community Fund was unsuccessful.
- Mrs Cox liaise with Miss Bricknell re the project and the possibility that the purchase of a TV may be considered for funding by Council and the Committee be invited to fund the cost to install the TV unit.

It should be noted that the following funding was discussed at the Council Meeting of 20 January 2014 (Monthly Financial Statement - Alterations to 2013-14 Budget):

***Public Building Improvement Program (PBI)***

*An additional allocation of \$2,500 is required by the Cressy Hall Committee to complete the toilet upgrade at the hall during 2013/14.*

*The Cressy Town Hall Mural and Avoca Heritage Plaques have been allocated funding from the Signage budget at a total cost of approximately \$10,000.*

***New Projects***

*With reference to Council Minute 238/13, the Cressy History Project was unsuccessful in its application for funding under the Tas Community Fund, however the Town Hall Mural, and TV screen at the Hall have been authorised and are in progress. The next project that the committee would like to undertake is a heritage walk around the town which would require an additional allocation in 2013/14 of approximately \$7,500. Other projects can be deferred for further consideration in a future budget period.*

Mrs Cox provided the following update re progress:

- Painting of mural expected to be completed by 2 March, curing to follow prior to application of the lacquer. Installation expected to be undertaken in April.
- Preparation of DVD in progress, each photograph to be titled.

**RESOLVED**

- that the Mayor should be invited to unveil the mural;
- that the Press (Examiner & Country Courier) and volunteer gardeners be included on the guest list;
- that the opportunity should be taken to promote the hall.

The Committee noted that the next phase of the Cressy History Project would be the display board and plaques.

**Action:**

*Project to be progressed.*

#### 5.4 Works Issues

Matters for attention:

Issue	Comment
Telstra Pits	Consultation with Telstra ongoing – noted 2 pits repaired
Large flower pots	Cr Goss to liaise with Mr Chellis
Trout sculpture	Inspection to be undertaken Craig Carey
Re-instatement of picnic table where gazebo located	Completed.
White line needed in King St (at first bend)	To be done.
Future of tree outside 138 Main St under review	Tree to be removed.
Northern boundary fence at the Cressy pool – frontage to Memorial Reserve	Replacement of shade cloth section to be included in 2014/15 budget deliberations.
CCTV cameras	Following to be included in schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cressy Hall on completion of mural</li> <li>• Recreation Ground facilities</li> <li>• Trout Park</li> </ul>
Barbecue facility	Instructions to be amended to include – “TO BE CLEANED BEFORE & AFTER USE.”  Consideration to be given to the provision of a paint scraper (on a short chain) to facilitate effective cleaning of the bbq.
Barbecue – water supply	Connected.
Hazard sign	Hazard sign has been left behind on Cressy Main Road – needs removal.
Anzac Memorial	Iron gates and arch need repair and painting (prior to Anzac Day)

## 6 ITEMS PENDING

### 6.1 Proposed Skate Park at Cressy

At the 18 December 2013 meeting the Committee noted that Council’s Youth Officer had provided the following information:

*“In regard to Cressy, at this stage, the indications are that the real number of regular users of a skate facility would probably not exceed that at Westbury, or any other small centre. That would mean around 10-15 regular users, with greater numbers on special activity days.*

*If that is correct, the outlay on a facility of \$65000 to \$80,000 would not be considered good value for money. If Council’s contribution was to be similar to that made towards the Campbell Town skate park, it would need to be considered against the background of probable number of users of the facility.”*

It was RESOLVED that the idea of constructing a skate park at Cressy not be proceeded at this stage.

The Acting General Manager noted that this project had been included in Council’s Priority Projects document which had been circulated to candidates contesting the seat of Lyons in the 2014 State Elections.

## **7 NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Cressy Development Plan**

The Cressy Development plan was tabled at the meeting. Following discussion, it was agreed that the following works be given priority status:

- King/Archer Street footpath
- Saundridge Road footpath

Further, the Committee requested that:

- A risk assessment be undertaken with regard to the safety of pedestrians on King/ Archer Streets; and
- Details of new tree plantings be provided (when, what and where).
- Timing of installation of new bus shelters, seats, etc.
- Bus shelter outside of church to be upgraded to new shelter.

#### **Action:**

*Priority status to King/Archer St and Saundridge Road footpaths*

*Risk Assessment to be conducted King/Archer St re: footpath requirement*

*Further information to be provided re:*

- *new tree plantings (when, what and where)*
- *timing of installation of bus shelters, seats, etc.*

### **7.2 Northern Midlands Council Strategic Plan 2007-2017 – Structure Planning & Sustainability Items**

The Committee noted

- that Council’s Strategic Plan 2007—2017 recommends that under Structured Planning and Sustainability, Local District Committees are to be provided with briefing notes regarding strategic planning.
- the Strategic Plan also seeks to have the provision for the commercial and service needs reviewed through Local District Committees.

#### **Action:**

*No further action.*

### 7.3 2014/15 Budget

The following items to be considered for possible inclusion in the Municipal Budget for 2014/15:

- Bus Shelter near Anglican Church.
- Fence around swimming pool needs repainting.
- Anzac Memorial – clock needs battery back-up.
- Rural Youth Sign at entrance needs renewing/replacement (depicts population).
- Town entry signs need updating.
- Footpath to be constructed to rear entrance of childcare centre, approx. 10m (as key entry is through rear access).

**Action:**

*Above matters to be submitted for consideration by Council in budget deliberations.*

*Matter to be discussed further at April 2014 meeting.*

### 7.4 Cressy Recreation Ground/TasWater Water Tower

Incident reported of child observed entering the water tower precinct, bypassing existing security measures and climbing the access ladder to the water tower.

Council officers to prepare and send letter to TasWater advising of the incident and requesting that suitable fencing be installed; the entrance to the facility to be secured and access gate be located outside of the recreation ground facility.

**Action:**

*Letter to TasWater re safety issues.*

### 7.5 CCTV Camera

In accordance with Council's new CCTV Policy, application to be prepared to allow for the installation of a CCTV camera at the town hall. Helen Williams to sign application.

**Action:**

*Application to be prepared.*

### 7.6 Outdoor Gym Equipment

The possible installation of outdoor gym equipment in Cressy was discussed, the Committee agreed that the equipment would be an asset to the town; with the possible location for the equipment to be on the cnr of Main/Macquarie streets behind the Cressy War Memorial.

**Action:**

*Council to progress, subject to available funding.*

### 7.7 Customer Requests/Maintenance Issues

The Committee noted the following matters requiring attention:

- that the walkway between King & Main Streets requires cleaning as large amounts of glass fragments are evident – Customer Request to be issued.
- the Recreation Ground fence requires repair – Recreation Ground Committee.

- DIER be requested to lower the speed limit on Cressy Main Road, between the Cressy District High School and Macquarie Street to 50km/h.
- Painting of the Gazebo – Mr P Goss to contact Mr Chellis re progressing the matter.
- Rubbish being dumped in the park – Noted.
- Audit required of trees/hedges encroaching on footpaths – Customer Request to be issued.

**Action:**

*Customer Requests to be issued:*

- *walkway between King & Main Streets requires cleaning as large amounts of glass fragments are evident.*
- *DIER be requested to lower the speed limit on Cressy Main Road, between the Cressy District High School and Macquarie Street to 50km/h.*
- *Audit required of trees/hedges encroaching on footpaths.*

*Other matters for attention of Mr P Goss:*

- *the Recreation Ground fence requires repair.*
- *Painting of the Gazebo.*

## **8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8.20pm.

The next meeting to be held on Wednesday, 30 April 2014 commencing at 7.00pm.