

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CRESSY MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 30 APRIL 2014 COMMENCING AT 7.10PM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Fae Cox (Chair), Mrs Angela Jenkins, Mrs Helen Howard, Mrs Helen Williams, Mrs Megan Cables, Mr Peter Goss, Mr Andrew Turnham, Cr Richard Goss, Miss Amanda Mason (Secretary).

2 APOLOGIES

Mrs Ann Green, Mrs Maurita Taylor

3 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

Mrs M Cables/Mrs H Howard

That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on Thursday, 27 February 2014 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 Council is investigating the installation of a boat ramp without removing the concrete weir. Marine and Safety Tasmania (MAST) have been invited to the next Council workshop to address Councillors on this possibility.

The Committee noted that the issue of the boat ramp remains an ongoing action on the Agenda for Council Meetings.

Action:

Retain as ongoing agenda item.

5.2 Painting of Power Poles—Main St, Cressy

At the February meeting of the Committee it was agreed that Mr P Goss would consult with Mr W Chellis in regard to progressing the matter, giving consideration of the various OH&S concerns to be considered in respect to painting the power poles.

The Committee noted that Mr P Goss has painted the first coat on the power pole next to the big fish and thanked him for his efforts.

Action:

Advise Wayne Chellis the paint colour had been chosen and available to paint the remaining power poles.

5.3 Cressy History Project

The mural has been completed and installed. Update to be provided as to when the unveiling is to occur and the preparation of the DVD.

The Committee noted the Mayor has proposed the unveiling of the mural to occur on 9 May 2014 at 3:45pm. No issue was raised as to the proposed time and date. The Committee will provide afternoon tea to guests.

Action:

- *Invitations to be sent to:*
 - *Maree, Wayne & Kerin-Lea from the Council, Leanne & Richard Hodgetts, Annette Hollingsworth, Mr and Mrs N Maxwell, Mr and Mrs S Saltmarsh, Mrs B Bugg, The Hall Committee, Mr and Mrs B Burton, owners of historic homes displayed on mural, Mr and Mrs M Shelton, Mr B Sansom, Mrs D Preece, Mrs Monica Green, Mr Lindsay Harwood, Councillors, State and Federal Politicians, Mr Carlton Dixon, Mrs Leila Frankcombe, Mr and Mrs M Seadon, Mr and Mrs D Button, Mr L Robson - **Amanda Mason.***
 - *Letterbox drop to Cressy - **Helen Williams.***
 - *Invitation displayed in window of Cressy Shop – **Helen Williams.***
- *Media release – **Amanda Mason***
- *Confirm with Mayor – **Fae Cox***
- *PA System - **Council***
- *Video and television installed and ready for display by opening – **Council***
- *Ribbon/Scissors – **Angela Jenkins***
- *Catering – **Cressy Local District Committee***

5.4 Works Issues

Matters for attention:

Issue	Comment
Telstra Pits	<p>Consultation with Telstra ongoing, 2 pits have been repaired.</p> <p><i>Mrs Cox has received correspondence from Telstra noting the pits that require repair and advising they will be fixed.</i></p> <p><i>Ongoing.</i></p>
Large flower pots	<p>Cr Goss to liaise with Mr Chellis.</p> <p><i>Flower pots have arrived, decision needs to be made on location of pots (noting they should be positioned close to people who will care for them).</i></p> <p><i>On hold until next meeting.</i></p>
Trout sculpture	<p>Inspection to be undertaken by Craig Carey.</p> <p><i>No update.</i></p>
White line needed in King St (at first bend)	<p>To be done. <i>Request has been issued for white line.</i></p>
Future of tree outside 138 Main St under review	<p>Tree to be removed. <i>Complete.</i></p>
Northern boundary fence at the Cressy pool – frontage to Memorial Reserve	<p>Replacement of shade cloth section to be included in 2014/15 budget deliberations.</p> <p><i>Ongoing.</i></p>
CCTV cameras	<p>To be included in schedule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cressy Hall on completion of mural - <i>installed</i> • Recreation Ground facilities • Trout Park <p><i>Ongoing.</i></p>
Barbecue facility	<p>Instructions to be amended to include “TO BE CLEANED BEFORE AND AFTER USE”</p> <p>Consideration to be given to the provision of a paint scraper (on short chain) to facilitate effective cleaning of the BBQ.</p> <p><i>Both requests have been attended to and completed.</i></p> <p><i>Committee noted the barbecue is always clean however, scraper still not installed. Customer request to be issued.</i></p>

Hazard Sign	Hazard sign has been left behind on Cressy Main Road, needs removal. <i>Sign was placed on DIER road by Stornoway – it is not Council's to remove.</i> <i>Removed. Complete.</i>
ANZAC Memorial	Iron gates and arch need repair and painting (prior to ANZAC Day) <i>Gates and arch have been removed for painting on 13/3/2014.</i> <i>Complete.</i>
Walkway between King & Main Streets	Requires cleaning due to large quantity of broken glass. <i>Has been attended to and cleaned, complete.</i>
Recreation Ground	Fence requires repair. Mr P Goss to report. <i>Complete.</i>
Speed limit on Cressy Main Road	DIER be requested to lower the speed limit between the Cressy District High School and Macquarie Street to 50km/hr. <i>Customer request issued.</i>
Trees & hedges	Audit required of trees and hedges encroaching footpath. <i>Customer request issued.</i> <i>The Committee noted inspections are to be carried out along with other towns.</i>
Painting of gazebo	Mr P Goss to report. <i>Painting of the gazebo has commenced, it has been cleaned and one coat complete. More paint to be ordered.</i>

6 ITEMS PENDING

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Cressy Development Plan

Update to be provided as to the status of:

- King/Archer Street and Saundridge Road footpaths
- Risk assessment of King/Archer Street re footpath requirement
- New tree plantings (when, what and where)

- Timing of installation of bus shelters, seats, etc.

The Committee noted that the above items have been included in the 10 Year Plan, however, expressed concerns that some items, ie King/Archer and Saundridge Road footpaths are dangerous and should be actioned sooner given the risk level as a result of pedestrians being required to walk on the road as there is no suitable footpath.

Action:

Request a risk assessment of the area with the view to action sooner.

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

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.

Council's Planning & Development department has provided the attached briefing notes for review in respect to the following items:

- The Northern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme 2013
- The greater Launceston Plan
- Powranna Road Rural Processing Centre
- Business confidence in Northern Midlands.

The Committee discussed in general the idea of making recommendations to Council in respect to strategic planning issues. Three ideas were expressed:

- *Waste dump point at the Cressy Recreation Ground for Motor Homes.*
 - *The Committee noted that an application had previously been made to Council for a dump site at the Cressy Recreation Ground and that was objected to by community members.*

Helen Howard/Angela Jenkins

That Council consider the installation of a dump site for motor homes at the Cressy Recreation Ground, with the installation of signs at the entrances to the town notifying campers of the dump site, and the provision of overnight camping at the Recreation Ground.

Carried.

- *Consideration be given to the feasibility of having an industrial hub near Cressy, ie area where Petuna, the meatworks and berry farm are located.*
- *Re-zoning the land on the outskirts of Cressy to allow for smaller land holdings.*
 - *The Committee discussed the re-zoning of land to smaller lots to encourage people to move into the district.*

Action:

Committee to consider and discuss ideas at next meeting.

7.3 2014/15 Budget

At the February 2014 meeting it was discussed and proposed that the following items be put forward to Council for possible inclusion in the Municipal Budget for 2014/15:

- Bus Shelter near Anglican Church.
- Repainting of fence around swimming pool.
- ANZAC Memorial – clock needs batter 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).

Matters to be submitted for consideration in 2014/15 budget deliberations.

It was noted the Committee is in favour of all of the above to occur. It was reported that Rural Youth have expressed disappointment of the removal of the Rural Youth sign without consultation. It was noted that Rural Youth had previously indicated they did not have the funds to maintain the sign and that is why the Committee had actioned its removal and maintenance.

Action:

Advise Acting General Manager of Rural Youth response to removal of sign.

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.

A letter was prepared and sent to TasWater on 13 March 2014 advising them of the incident.

A response was received from TasWater dated 7 April 2014 advising that TasWater had completed a full investigations of the site and installed colour bond panels around a section of the ladder to prevent children from being able to scale the outside of the ladder cage; and are in the process of getting quotes to have a permanent security fence installed around the infrastructure (the reservoir and pump station).

Action:

No further action.

7.5 CCTV Camera

Update to be provided on status of application for installation of a CCTV Camera at the Cressy Town Hall.

Camera has been installed.

Action:

No further action.

7.6 Outdoor Gym Equipment

Update to be provided in respect to possible installation of outdoor gym equipment in Cressy – on the corner of Main/Macquarie Streets, behind the Cressy War Memorial.

The Committee noted the equipment will be installed the week commencing 5 May 2014. The Committee requested the equipment be installed back from the War Memorial in the corner between the Swimming Pool and the Bowls Club.

Action:

Notify Works Department of Council re location request.

7.7 General Issues

Items raised by Mrs Helen Howard:

- Weeds in gravel area around trees in Main Street need to be attended to. Customer request to be issued.
- Committee has requested frames for the photos to be displayed in the foyer of the Cressy Town Hall. Matter to be investigated.
- Historical Recognition Board – the Committee is seeking confirmation that funds have been allocated for the next stage of the history project in Cressy – the Historical Recognition Board. The committee noted the sub-committee would meet within the next month or so to commence this stage. Confirmation of funding to be sought.

Items raised by Mrs Fae Cox:

- Request for a stop sign on the corner of Gatenby Ave and Spencer Lane, so that vehicles coming out of Gatenby Ave must give way to vehicles on Spencer Lane. Request to Traffic Management Committee to be issued.

Items raised by Cr Goss:

- That the Cressy Local District Committee publish an update to the community as to what the Committee has been achieving.

9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8:40pm.

The next meeting to be held on 25 June 2014.

Item 7.2

Memo to: Local District Committees
From: Planning & Development
Date: 4 April 2014
Subject: Northern Midlands Council Strategic Plan 2007-2017 –
Structure Planning & Sustainability Items



Please find below briefing notes regarding strategic planning, as per item 4.6 of Council's Strategic Plan 2007-2017.

1 Northern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme 2013

The *Northern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme 2013* was placed on public exhibition from 1 June – 2 August 2013.

51 representations to the scheme were received.

The Council considered these representations and sent a report on Council's view of each representation to the Tasmanian Planning Commission in January.

The Commission has advised that no hearings will be held until the Launceston Scheme is finalised, and it expects the hearings into the Launceston Scheme won't be completed until May 2014.

2 The Greater Launceston Plan

The Greater Launceston Plan (GLP) is a planning initiative undertaken by the Launceston City Council, in conjunction with the Tasmanian State Government, the Australian Government (through the Department of Infrastructure, Liveable Cities Program) and with the support of the surrounding municipalities.

The draft GLP provides a long-term strategy for sustainable land use planning and management to inform a coordinated approach for municipal planning and investment in the greater Launceston area.

At its meeting of 17 March, Council resolved to make the following comment in response to the community consultation process for the Greater Launceston Plan:

Council supports the GLP as a significant planning document for the City and its surrounds and recommends that its scope be expanded to consider:

- *The impact of major tourism projects just outside its boundary, such as the proposed extensions and upgrades to the Symmons Plains Raceway;*
- *The potential for upgraded rail linkages between the possible rail hub at Western Junction and Bell Bay. Such an upgrade of the*

existing link may be an alternative to the long touted eastern heavy vehicle by-pass; and

- *Provision for the long term growth of our northern towns (Longford, Perth, Evandale). Current trends for development to the north west of the city may be hampered over time by traffic constraints, whereas the southern approaches to Launceston remain efficient. In the longer term we may see residential development following the major routes between the towns of Hadspen, Longford and Perth and back to the city.*

Further details on the GLP can be found on Launceston City Council's website - <http://www.launceston.tas.gov.au>.

3 Powranna Road Rural Processing Centre

Item 4.9 of the Strategic Plan seeks to expand the Northern Midlands value-adding industrial base with a centralised state wide storage and processing complex for agricultural and other bulk products.

This requires the preparation of a land use management plan to facilitate and support planning scheme provisions.

A brief is being prepared for presentation to the May Council meeting.

4 Business Confidence in the Northern Midlands

It is encouraging to note that Council is currently assessing approximately \$7.5 million of developments, including major expansions at both the Pure Foods egg sheds and the Petuna fish hatchery, and subdivisions creating an additional 11 lots.