

NOTES

1	Present & Apologies / Precious minutes/Declaration of pecuniary interest	Action
1.1	<p>Present: Hugh MacKinnon (Chair), Linus Grant, Harry Galea, Ness Wallace (7.15pm), Dee Alty, Bob Thomas and Robert Hendley</p> <p>In attendance: Maree Bricknell</p> <p>Apologies: Cr Brooks, John Cauchi, Margaret Stebbings, Chairman welcomed all to the meeting.</p>	
1.2	<p>Confirmation of minutes of 9th January 2013 meeting Moved D Alty/R Hendley</p>	CARRIED
1.3.	<p>Declaration of pecuniary interest No interests declared.</p>	
2	Business arising from the minutes	
2.1.	<p>Sub- Committee Report - Infrastructure The Infrastructure Committee had not had a chance to meet since the last meeting, however would table some issues in the New Business section of the meeting for discussion.</p>	
	<p>INFRASTRUCTURE Harry Galea, Bob Thomas, Cr Matthew Brooks, Dee Alty (with power to co-opt) Primary contacts nominated: Dee Alty and Harry Galea</p>	
2.2	<p>Sub-Committee Report – Tourism Heritage & Culture (THC) Notes of the sub-committee meeting were circulated for discussion (see attachment 1). <u>Trees</u> It was noted that a budget was available to commence planting of trees stage 1 in Marlborough Street between High & William. <u>Promotion</u> - Agreed that the idea of Longford ‘Living History’ tag could be used in future promotion of Longford (as per suggestion from Neil Kearney). - Suggested that Longford could focus more on people, not just events, in our interpretation of history and through promotional materials. <u>Continuity</u> - Resolved to ask David Denman to consider the need for continuity throughout the town in terms of a ‘local brand’, and provide suggestions to a future meeting. This could be as simple as the type of trees planted, signage, footpath construction etc. - Agreed to arrange a 2 hour meeting with the Works Manager for discussion on the Village Green to Mill Dam walkway plan. - It was suggested that a ‘feature/seat dedication’ program be investigated for Longford. <u>Entrance Feature</u> The meeting agreed that it was in favour of an Entrance Feature in the centre of the roundabout, and that further enquiries be made regarding any restrictions to any installation (other than the maintenance of the surface area). The meeting also favoured an artistic interpretation rather than a prescriptive and representational feature. <u>Town Information</u> - A meeting with Council’s Economic & Community Development Manager to be</p>	

	<p>arranged regarding town information updates.</p> <p><u>Signage</u> It was suggested that signage ⇨ LONGFORD (<i>more Living History</i>) be installed on the exit of Woolmers and Brickendon historic sites. - Suggested that an audit of street signage in Longford Main Street be undertaken as there seems to be some duplication.</p> <p><u>Walkway</u> Information regarding the proposed walkway between Woolmers and Brickendon to be sought for further discussion regarding possible linkage to the town.</p>	
	<p>TOURISM HERITAGE & CULTURE Robert Hendley, Linus Grant, John Cauchi, Ness Wallace and Margaret Stebbings (with power to co-opt) Primary contacts nominated: Robert Hendley and Ness Wallace</p>	
2.3	<p>Sub-Committee Report – Economic Development Notes of the sub-committee meeting/discussions were circulated for consideration (see attachment 2). - Met with Northern Midlands Business Association to discuss how the two committee’s could work together to maximize value to the community. The sub-committee’s now intends to identify key objectives to take to the NMBA. - Met with Council’s Works Manager to establish sound working relationships. - Met with Toosey Aged Care Facility director Nick D’Antoine to discuss working together to assist it implementing its new Strategic Plan when completed, and agreed to meet again at a future date.</p>	
	<p>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT Robert Hendley, Ness Wallace, Hugh Mackinnon, Dee Alty and Linus Grant (with power to co-opt) Primary contacts nominated: Linus Grant and Hugh Mackinnon</p>	
3	Standing Items	
3.1	<p>Maintenance of Entrance to Longford The meeting noted the improved appearance of the entrance and appreciated the works undertaken by Council.</p>	
3.2	<p>Longford Planning Applications – Development Applications for industrial, Commercial, any within main street precinct (Tannery Road to High Street), subdivisions of greater than 10 allotments, and any other that may impinge on the town streetscape are referred to the committee for comment. Applications to be circulated between meetings and if strong comments received a special planning issues meeting may be called by the chairperson.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was noted that the Council was vigorously defending its decision not to approve the Telstra Tower Application at the proposed Longford Water Treatment Plant site. • A Planning Application for a tree removal in Christ Church grounds was circulated to members prior to the meeting. <p>Moved H Galea/R Hendley – That the Longford Local District committee has no objection to the removal of the tree in the Longford Christ Church grounds as per planning application no. P13-042.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>	

4	New Business	
4.1	<p><u>Christ Church Tree Management</u> Agreed that the Primary contact of the THC sub-committee contacts the Christ Church to discuss tree maintenance and planting at the Longford Christ Church grounds, and advise that this committee is interested to assist.</p>	
4.2	<p><u>Infrastructure</u> Dee Alty presented a list of infrastructure issues for consideration (see attachment 3). - It was agreed that the issues in relation to the Carins Park area be further discussed with the Works Manager at the above proposed meeting. - It was suggested that Council's Traffic Committee consider traffic/pedestrian requirements again before the traffic islands and line markings are reinstated in Wellington Street between the railway and Union Street.</p>	
4.3	<p><u>Signage</u> It was suggested that the brown coloured Mill Dam sign at the corner of Illawarra Road and Tannery Road be replaced as it was in poor condition.</p>	
4.4	<p><u>ANZAC Centenary</u> Funding has been recently announced of \$100,000 per electorate to support community based commemorative activities and projects. It was suggested that the committee could pursue a project to commemorate the last living ANZAC Alec Campbell who was born at Longford and grew up at his parents store 'Campbell Store' in Wellington Street, Longford. It was agreed to gather further information regarding Alec Campbell and the grant program for further consideration at the next meeting.</p>	
4.5	<p><u>Events</u> - It was resolved that the Chairman write a letter of congratulations to the Northern Midlands Council, Longford Rotary and Toosey for their involvement of the preparation and running of the Norfolk Plains Gathering/Blessing of the Harvest at Longford on the 1,2 & 3rd March as it was a wonderful event for the area, and also ask if they would consider organizing another event for Longford's 200 year celebrations. - It was further suggested that the THC sub-committee look at the possibility of the revival of the Longford Folk Festival.</p>	
4.6	<p><u>CBD road crossing</u> Ness Wallace expressed concern regarding the safety of children crossing Wellington Street to meet the school buses. It was resolved that the concern for children and the aged crossing Wellington & Marlborough Streets within the CBD area be referred to the Traffic Management Committee to consider if there could be any improvements to make the road safer to cross.</p>	
4.7	<p><u>PCYC</u> Bob Thomas advised that the Longford Community Garden had been vandalized recently. He also advised that the PCYC hall had been closed for urgent building works to allow it to meet the standards for necessary public building permits.</p>	
4.8	<p><u>Bike Strategy</u> The Launceston Bike club has expressed interest in working with the Longford community to resurface the St George's Square bike track to enable it to be used for an off road training facility. It was agreed to invite a representative from the bike club to discuss the matter further.</p>	
4.9	<p><u>Activities for Town</u> Concern was expressed that there did not seem to be a good guide to what leisure and sporting activities that the Longford community wanted or needed. Should there be a community survey of what was required, or was the current Council</p>	

	funded Health Needs Assessment covering this issue. It was resolved to check if the Health Needs Assessment would cover this area of need, and if not what was required to obtain this information.	
4.10	There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting and expressed his appreciation on the amount of work undertaken by members since the last meeting.	
	Date for the next meeting: Wednesday 3rd April 2013 at 7.00pm	
	Meeting closed: 9.00 pm	