



MINUTES

1	Present & Apologies / Precious minutes/Declaration of pecuniary interest	
1.1	<p>Present: Richard Archer (Chair), Harry Galea, Bob Thomas, Linus Grant, Liz Lethborg and Emma Seymour</p> <p>In attendance: Maree Bricknell (during part of 2.4 Mayor Kim Polley, Hugh MacKinnon, Dee Alty, Vanessa Wallace, Robert Handley)</p> <p>Apologies: Tim Flanagan, Paul Schild, Lorraine Green</p>	
1.2	<p>Confirmation of the minutes of 6th November 2012 meeting Moved L Grant/H Galea CARRIED</p>	
1.3.	<p>Declaration of pecuniary interest No interest declared.</p>	
2	Business arising from the minutes	
2.1.	<p>Longford Business Group Report It was advised that NMBA are planning to hold a function for all NMBA members and Longford Businesses in late Jan/Feb to visit some new attractions on Longford and then discuss over wine and cheese current and future ideas for the township.</p>	
2.2.	<p>Promoting community safety in Longford</p> <p>2.3.1. Query re the wording on the sign proposed for the Village Green Playground sign - No action to date as the Council Signage Committee have not yet met to discuss wording.</p>	
2.3.	<p>Traffic management in Longford It was resolved that all businesses and residents should be advised of works in Wellington Street, and that Council send an email to the Project Manager requesting that all businesses in the Wellington/Marlborough Street CBD area be visited to advise regarding the works as some businesses and residents do not appear to have received the documentation circulated from DIER earlier.</p>	
2.4.	<p>Options for improving the amenity of the entrance to Longford : update on the offer by Gillie and Marc to create an artwork(s) for the town</p> <p>2.4.1. Options for gaining community input to the entrance issue. The committee was pleased to receive coverage in the Country Courier and Northern Midlands section of the Examiner regarding the town and entrance signage/features. There has been an ongoing effort to upgrade the Longford Main Street, and at this stage the committee only have a firm commitment for planting of trees in the business area in Marlborough Street (between William and High). As a result of the publicity the committee had a presentation at the meeting from Mr Hugh MacKinnon on behalf of several community members for a 'Cultural and Arts Project for Longford to interpret the diverse history and recognize families and events over the last 200 years', and suggested that an expression of interest be lodged for RDA funding to assist with the project.</p> <p>It was resolved</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the LLDC supports the ideas presented by Mr MacKinnon and his team, and will take them into account along with any other input provided by the 	

	<p>community, it would refer the proposal to the Council’s Heritage Advisor for comment and further discuss the matter at the next meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • that given the deadline for RDA and Council’s other planned projects, that other funding sources be investigated for the cultural arts proposed project. • That the previous art proposals from Tasmanian artists be circulated at next meeting for information and discussion. <p>2.4.2. New town entry sign The proposed new Longford Township boundary sign was displayed for comment at the meeting – the committee was not completely happy with the photo on the sign and believed it should be something simpler and brighter.</p> <p>2.4.3. Visit by mark and Gillie An email from Mark and Gillie advised that they would not be able to visit Longford in the near future but were keen to still do a town sculpture for the committee.</p>	
2.5	<p>Stokes Park, Village Green to Mill Dam walk including walkway signage Further preparation work for the hotmix footpaths has been undertaken in the Union Street area. Underground drainage is being installed in Victoria Square in preparation of the new footpath adjacent to Archer Street. Signage for installation along the walkway has been drafted for comment. It was also noted that a new walkway to the boat jetty would be required as the old pathway had collapsed due to undermining.</p>	
2.6	<p>Outcome of recommendation to Council re the need for a policy as to how the 200th anniversary of the establishment of Longford is to be celebrated. This item has not yet been to Council for feedback. Awaiting clarification from Nick Haggarth regarding correct year.</p>	
2.7	<p>Outcome of recommendation to Council re requested action to improve the safety and appearance of the tyre business in Union Street It was noted that a substantial amount of cleanup work had been undertaken since the last meeting.</p>	
2.8	<p>Nominations for the District Committee 2013/14 All members were urged to re-apply by the due date.</p>	
3	<p>Standing Items It was noted that the Dog Waste Station near the Christ Church grounds had not been installed. The committee noted the concerns with vandalism but wished to have one installed at the Church grounds due to it being in such a strategic location in the town, and would also like Council to consider placing another near the Baptist Church in Wellington Street.</p> <p>B Thomas asked if it would be possible for Longford shop arcades to have ‘finger signs’ at the street frontage. It was noted that LCC provided the ‘arch’ part of the sign and the businesses paid for the ‘finger signs’. It was resolved that NMBA be asked to consider developing and implementing a standard shop signage policy within Longford.</p> <p>B Thomas advised that the EPA would be installing an air monitoring station in the Men’s Shed community garden in the near future.</p> <p>The longfordtasmania.com web site has now been launched and any feedback and additional information is welcome. It was noted that a section was dedicated to the Longford Local District Committee.</p>	
3.1	<p>Current planning applications It was noted that this is not required by the committee as a standard agenda item.</p>	

3.2.	Telstra tower for Longford It was advised that an application had been received for a Telstra Tower off Lyttleton Street, Longford and that 20 representations had been received by Council. A mediation session with all parties was scheduled on the 11 th December, and it was expected that the application will go before Council at its January 2013 meeting.	
4	New Business	
4.1.		
	There being no further business, the Chairman thanked all members for their valuable input and efforts during the year, wished them a very enjoyable Christmas and urged everyone to re-nominate for the committee.	
	Date for the next meeting: Wednesday 9th January 2013 Meeting closed: 9.30pm	

Pending:

- RV Friendly status for Longford
- Proposed new notice board in Longford CBD
- Arborist report on proposed tree planting in Marlborough Street between William and High Streets