

NOTES

1	Present & Apologies / Precious minutes/Declaration of pecuniary interest	Attach ments
1.1	<p>Present: Hugh MacKinnon, Harry Galea, Robert Henley, Dee Alty, Margaret Stebbings In attendance: Cr Mary Knowles, Terry Eaton, Maree Bricknell Apologies: Linus Grant, Matthew Brooks, John Cauchi, Bob Thomas Leave of Absence: Ness Wallace</p>	
1.2	<p>Confirmation of minutes of 5th February 2014 meeting Moved Robert Henley/Harry Galea that the notes of the meeting held on 5th February 2014 are a true and correct record.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>	
1.3.	<p>Declaration of pecuniary interest No interests declared.</p>	
2	Business arising from the minutes	
2.1.	<p>Sub –Committee Report – Infrastructure</p> <p><u>Report by sub-committee</u></p> <p>Signage:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Short Term parking signage – Traffic Engineer Terry Eaton advised that P1 needs to stay on the sign design. • Signage audit – list of signs in Wellington Street circulated. • LLDC recommended Council erect signs on the intersection of Midlands Highway/Woolmers Road, on Cressy Road, and Illawarra road east and west of Tannery Road the following sign: LONGFORD Est. 1814 Home of World Heritage sites Brickendon & Woolmers <p>It was resolved that the sub-committee meet with Jonathan Galbraith to discuss the signage audit, and the changes required by DIER to install the proposed new signs on the Midlands Highway – it is understood that to erect new signs the old signs may need to be rationalized.</p> <p>Traffic Management Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • IGA carpark and intersection with Wellington Street <p>Following the last meeting the Chairman met with the owner of the IGA supermarket regarding the traffic management concerns in the carpark and the exit/entrance raised by the committee. The owner advised that the entrance/exit was restricted by the property boundary on one side and several utility services on the other side. The owner expressed that she had undertaken several improvements to the traffic management of the IGA site, and would only accept further feasible/workable suggestions from the committee.</p> <p>It was resolved to advise Council of the difficulty of a three lane intersection onto Wellington Street such as the IGA supermarket, and this should be taken into account with any future developments in Longford.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">A1</p> <p style="text-align: right;">A2</p>

	<p>Moved Dee Alty/Robert Henley That Council note concerns and discuss with DIER the ongoing problems with the entrances/exits from the Wellington Street section including IGA Supermarket, the Rebel Service Station, Case Tractors and adjacent businesses .</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Illawarra Roundabout The committee reminded the Works Manager, Wayne Chellis, to order the trees for winter planting in the roundabout and within the area on the western side of the entrance. <p>The committee acknowledged the letter sent from Ms Pam Steleon regarding beautification of the roundabout on the entrance to Longford. After some discussion the committee resolved that it would like the Illawarra Road roundabout to be maintained to a good standard, and requests Council to liaise with DIER and Launceston City Council to obtain an improved maintenance program for the roundabout.</p> • List of Traffic Management issues sent to Engineer Mr Terry Eaton was welcomed to the meeting to discuss traffic management issues in Longford. He advised that Council had no plans to re-direct heavy vehicles around CBD areas at this stage. He suggested that transport corridors may need to be planned for Northern Midlands towns in the future. Mr Eaton said that the current road pavement damage was due to the traffic travelling partly on the centre carriageway and partly on the parking verge – this was due to the traffic lanes not being constructed 3.5m on either side of the centre island provision. Mr Eaton advised that legislation to stop trucks parking in residential streets had been rescinded and he would provide a copy of the old provision, if possible. <p>It was expressed by members that the Agriculture industry was responsible for more and more truck movements through the town.</p> <p>Mr Eaton agreed to undertake a traffic counter analysis of heavy vehicles in Marlborough Street, Wellington Street and Tannery Road, and report back to the committee with results. He would also check regarding load limits for Woolmers Road.</p> <p>Moved Harry Galea/Robert Henley That Council request DIER to reconstruct and seal the appropriate road pavement width of 2 x 3.5m traffic lanes in Marlborough and Wellington Street (outside where the centre island provision has been made). The current pavement width is less than required and the traffic is partly on the centre carriageway and partly on the parking verge causing road pavement interface damage, there is also more traffic noise and more vibration on adjacent buildings.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>	
2.2	<p>Sub –Committee Report – Tourism Heritage & Culture</p> <p><u>Report</u> by sub-committee</p> <p>Park Grounds</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update of Tree Management at Anglican Church Grounds It was noted that Council would undertake a tree management analysis of the trees in the church grounds in early May 2014. In the meantime the Anglican Church Wardens will make application for funding from the Tas Community Fund to undertake some of the tree maintenance work required. Council has provided a letter of support for the 	

	<p>grant application.</p> <p>Information Hut on Victoria Square</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaret Stebbings advised that the information boards are out of date, and the building is dirty. A suggestion was made by Historians during the weekend events that a Longford Family Tree could be added to the hut information. 	
2.3	<p><u>Sub -Committee Report – Economic Development</u> Report by Sub-Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northern Midlands Council Economic Development Committee minutes were circulated and noted. • Committee to consider further strategies that could be adopted to enable more shops in the Longford CBD area to be open during the Christmas period – noted. • It was agreed to place an item for Event Management on the next agenda. 	A3
3	Standing Items	
3.1	<p>Events – ANZAC Centenary & Longford 200 year Celebration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ANZAC centenary event arrangements appear to be progressing with the committee organizing a trial run in 2014 for 2015. ANZAC centenary event update circulated. • Longford 200 Year celebrations and Blessing of the Harvest were held 1st & 2nd March 2014, both days were well attended and enjoyed by all. Robert Henley congratulated Council and Rotary on organization of these events. 	
3.2	<p>Longford Velodrome & Road Rules Park</p> <p>Concrete work on the Longford Velodrome upgrade has commenced, with next stage resurfacing of the track. An application had been made to Sport & Recreation Tasmania for further funding to enable a safety fence around the perimeter of the track. Members were urged to lobby state politicians to make this application a high priority.</p>	
3.3	<p>Walking Tracks, Street Trees, and Re-invigoration of the Longford CBD Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council’s CCTV policies adopted at the last Council meeting were circulated and noted. • Reminder to the Works Manager to order street trees for CBD area. 	A4
3.4	<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</p> <p>No application circulated this month.</p>	
4	New Business	
4.1	<p>MONA Sponsorship</p> <p>Dee Alty advised last meeting that MONA had issued a newspaper article indicating it was considering sponsoring a historic town within Tasmania. An initial email</p>	

	has been sent to MONA asking them to consider Northern Midlands towns but there was no reply received to date. Nothing further to report.	
4.2	<p>Historic Brick Walls at Longford</p> <p>The LLDC recommended that Council consider funding or making a contribution to funding the restoration of the Wellington/Smith Street brick walls as a visible bi-centennial gift to the township of Longford.</p> <p>Acceptable solution to fix the walls still being sought by owners/Council.</p>	
4.3	<p>Replacement of the Longford Revival Festival</p> <p>Council decided to hold a community forum to consider ideas to celebrate the motor racing history of Longford, given the recent loss of the Longford Revival Festival .</p> <p>Time and location to be further advised.</p>	
4.4	<p>Budget 2014/15</p> <p>Consideration of items to be put forward to Council for possible inclusion in the Municipal Budget 2014/15 including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street Trees • Stokes park redevelopment • Velodrome • Information Centre improvements 	
	<p>Other:</p> <p>It was suggested that a short report be prepared for the next meeting listing the Committees' achievements for the last 6 months, and priorities for the next 6 months.</p>	
	<p>Date for the next meeting: Wednesday 2nd April 2014 at 7 pm</p> <p>Meeting closed 8.20 pm.</p>	

Outstanding Items from previous meetings:

- Fence line between the caravan park and Carins Park be planted with hawthorn
- Planning & Development Manager be invited to a future meeting to discuss the Fire Risk
- A representative from the National Trust be invited to a meeting in the new year.
- Would Council Heritage Grant Incentive be more beneficial if increased in value?