

MINUTES OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON TUESDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2012 COMMENCING AT 4.00PM

1. ATTENDANCE

Mr G Cadogan- Cowper-Chairperson, Mr L Harwood-Secretary, Mr P Bewg, Mrs J Cummins, Mrs J Bennett Mr F Dowling, Deputy Mayor Downie-until 4.30pm, Cr M Knowles, Mr A Wilson (Council's General Manager), Mr S Kummerow, Mr W Chellis (Council's Works & Infrastructure Manager).
Guest:-Mr G Robertson (Ross Progress Group)

2. APOLOGIES

Cr A Calvert

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Kummerow / Mrs Bennett

That the minutes of the Ross Local District Committee Meeting held at the Ross Reading Room on Tuesday 21 August 2012 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, 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 was **RESOLVED** that the information be received

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

i) Customer Request Issues—Progress Report

ISSUE	ACTION
Drainage works Cnr Church St & High St	No work to be undertaken at this stage
Road maintenance at level rail crossings in Ross Village	Some work undertaken
Repairs at the Old Stables	Site to be inspected by Mr Chellis
Spraying of weed/gorse at the “Old Cemetery”	Site to be inspected by Mr Chellis
Additional gravel in the vicinity of the “town water tank”—near Council depot	Work to be undertaken
Testing regime at the Ross sewerage lagoon	Email from Ben Lomond Water tabled which contained information about the testing regime.
Maintenance (potholes) at the car park of the Ross Female Factory	Rectified
Maintenance issues-Town Hall	Rectified
Northern entrance to Ross- road edge needs to be graded	Rectified

ii) Shipping Containers in Ross Village

Mr Harwood referred to the following advice received from Council’s Planning & Development Department;-

- i) Council’s Manager of Planning & Development-Mr Payton mentioned that a “policy would enabling fees to be increased where permit renewals are sought for buildings that are not completed. This would be similar to the policy we have for illegal works where the fee is double the scheduled fee for those works. The permit for the house at 14 Park Street has a condition that it is to be completed by the end of November 2012. If it is not completed, we will seek orders from the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal to enforce that condition.”
- ii) Council’s Building Surveyor, Rob Hallam, advised “that generally shipping containers are not placed on a footing”.

It was **RESOLVED** that the information be noted.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

i) Membership of the Ross Local District Committee

Mr Harwood mentioned that an advertisement calling for nominations to fill the nine vacancies on the Ross Local District Committee would be published in the Examiner on Saturday 8 September 2012—closing on Friday 21 September 2012.

Mr Dowling gave notice that he would not re-nominate to be a member of the Committee.

Mr Cadogan-Cowper expressed on behalf of the Committee, appreciation to Mr Dowling for his input into the matters considered. at the previous meetings. Mr Cadogan-Cowper also thanks other members who may decide to not re-nominate.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Outstanding Issues

Date Rec'd	Issue	Progress
December 2011	Development of Old Stone Quarry	Mr Cadogan-Cowper advised that he had discussed this project with Mr Ken Pearson-Smith who had agreed to attend the October meeting.
	Future of the former Ross Primary School	Matter to be considered as an "In-Committee" item as the Sept Council Meeting

Various Issues

Welcome To Ross Sign & Structure (Sandstone Wall)

A selection of images were tabled—matter to be referred to Council's Heritage Architect and also Council's Works & Infrastructure Manager, Mr Chellis.

It was mentioned that a Ross property owner may donate sufficient sand stone for the project.

Mrs Cummins/Mrs Bennett

That it be recommended to Council that a proposal for Ross entrance structure/sign (northern & southern entrance) be supported and the matter be referred to Council's Signage Committee.

Carried

Ross Female Factory Sign

Mr Robertson representing the Ross Progress Group referred to a request to contribute towards the cost of a sign. He mentioned that a quote was being obtained and donations towards the project would be sought from community organisations.

Road Maintenance

Compliments were expressed to Council employees for the excellent work in grading the road shoulders in the Ross Village

Flood Lighting

Customer request form to be issued re non functioning of light outside the Reading Room and also the flood lights at the Ross Bridge.

Tree Trimming & Bundling of Cables

Mr Chellis provided information about future work practices by Auora in trimming trees in the Ross Village. He also commented about the bundling of cables near the junction of Church St & High St.

Waste Management

It was suggested that 2 waste bins which are located near the Ross Bridge be removed. Mrs Bennett to liaise with Mr Chellis about this matter.

Activities—Ross Progress Group

Mr Robertson referred to:-

Successful holding of the 2012 Ross Marathons including a review to be undertaken on the management of the event.

Planting of flowerbeds in Church St—3 completed to date—2 to be done.

Use of the Ross Town Hall/ Supper Room & Reading Rooms

Mr Kummerow outlined the procedures for booking and also mentioned the general usage of the facilities including the provision of catering services.

It was **RESOLVED** that Mr Harwood provide to the next meeting a statement of income and expenditure covering the period 1 July 2011 to 30

June 2012 for:-

Ross Town Hall & Supper Room

Reading Rooms

NEXT MEETING

Meeting closed at 5.10pm

Next meeting is to be held on Tuesday 16 October 2012 commencing at 4.00pm.