

**MINUTES OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON TUESDAY 16 APRIL 2013
COMMENCING AT 3.30PM**

1. ATTENDANCE

Mr G Cadogan-Cowper-Chairperson, Mr L Harwood-Secretary, Mr A Cameron, Mrs J Bennett, Mr A Petrie, Mrs J Cummins, Ms G Jenkinson, Mr P Bewg from 3.45pm

2. APOLOGIES

Mrs F Doe, Mr S Kummerow, Cr A Calvert

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Cameron/Mrs Cummins

That the minutes of the Ross Local District Committee Meeting held at the Ross Reading Room on Tuesday 19 March 2013 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 noted—no declarations of any pecuniary interest were declared.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Welcome to Ross Sign (Sandstone Structure)

The Committee requested that Council's Heritage Architect , Mr David Denman be requested to present the revised plan as soon as practical so that the matter can be considered as part of the 2013/2014 budget. Unless information is received in the near future the Committee indicated that they wish to proceed with the concept plan as recently tabled by Mrs Cummins.

ii) Development of Former Quarry Site

Mr Harwood advised that the matter of securing ownership of the parcel of land owned by Mr Johnson had been considered by Council and it was agreed that the proposal be referred to Council's Property Sub-Committee.

iii) Structural Condition of Verandah—Man O Ross Hotel

Mr Harwood advised that the concern relating to the structural condition of the front verandah of the Man O Ross Hotel had been referred to the manager of the premises.

iv)....Protection of Power Poles

Following a general discussion about fire management issues associated with the protection of power poles, it was **RESOLVED** to invite a representative from Aurora to attend the next meeting of the Ross Local District Committee.

v) Strategic Plan for Ross

A copy of the previous notes about this subject were tabled. Issue to be considered at a future workshop.

vi) Street Signage

Mr Harwood advised that a revised free standing signs and footpath trading policy was approved at the Council Meeting held on Monday 15 April 2013.

6 OTHER BUSINESS

Mrs Bennett advised that a sewage sampling program at the Ross lagoon had been instigated by Ben Lomond Water.

Mr Cadogan-Cowper tabled a letter of resignation as member of the Ross Local District Committee. Mr Cameron expressed appreciation to Mr Cadogan-Cowper and acknowledged his exceptional contribution as Chair of the Ross Local District Committee.

In tabling his letter of resignation, Mr Cadogan-Cowper thanked the membership as well as Council officers for their support. He also mentioned that the Chair of the Ross Local District Committee will be an ex-officio member of the Elizabeth/Macquarie Irrigation Trust.

Mr Harwood and Mrs Bennett thanked Mr Cadogan-Cowper for his effort as Chair of the Ross Local District Committee and in doing so wished him the very best for future.

It was **RESOLVED** the resignation from Mr Cadogan-Cowper be accepted with regret.

Mr Harwood advised that Councillors and senior Staff would visit Ross on Tuesday 30 April 2013 at 2.00pm. It was requested that the discussion be held in the Meeting Room and say allow 30 minutes.

Works Issues

Need for the southern wall of the Town Hall to be cleaned—removal of cobwebs and sprayed

Tooms Lake Rd near rail crossover—attention required to seal the inside corner over the rail line.

Condition of Glen Connell Rd—matter to be referred to Mr Chellis.

The word “Public Toilets” needs to be painted on the western wall of the building which is located at the rear of the Town Hall.

Provision of soil—planter boxes.—Mr Chellis to liaise with Mrs Kate Robertson

Need for an appropriate sign to be erected in Ross showing visitors the location of the 42nd Parallel Interpretation Panels which are located on the eastern side of the Town Hall.

7. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 21 May 2013 commencing at 3.00pm

8. CLOSURE

Chairman closed meeting at 5.00pm