

MINUTES OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON TUESDAY, 26 NOVEMBER 2013 COMMENCING AT 3.08PM

1. ATTENDANCE

Mr A Cameron-Chairperson, Mr K Draper, Mr T Jacobson, Mrs J Bennett, Mrs F Doe, Ms R Quill, Ms G Jenkinson from 3.50pm, Mr W Chellis- Council's Works & Infrastructure Manager, Mr L Harwood-Secretary.

Guests Mr J Cuthbertson—Heritage Highway Association

Mrs W Dyer--

2. APOLOGIES

No apologies received.

Note—Mr Jacobson indicated that he would be an apology for the December meeting.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Cameron/Mrs Bennett

That the minutes of the Ross Local District Committee Meeting held in the Ross Reading Room on Tuesday, 15 October 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

Mr Draper and Mr Jacobson declared an interest in the planning application relating to the placement of solar panels on side and rear roof at 7 Badajos St, Ross.

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Development of Walkways in Ross

Mr Harwood advised that a response had been received from Crown Land Services and as Council will need to assume responsibility for fencing and maintenance of the identified reserve roads, it is unlikely that the matter will be progressed.

Mr Chellis agreed to discuss with the person who grazes stock in the area re need to provide suitable fencing.

Issue about the unmade streets to be further discussed at the December meeting.

ii) Future of Targa Stage in Ross

Mr Harwood mentioned that he had held a conversation with an official from Octagon -promoters of Targa Tasmania re interest expressed by the Ross community for a stage of the event to be held in the village was being considered and an announcement made in the future.

iii) Ross School Sale

Mr Harwood advised that the matter regarding the subdivision of the land was in progress and it was expected that the titles for the property would be issued in the next few months.

5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Planning Applications

The following applications have been received by Council

Site	Proposal
i) 14-18 Bridge St	2 lot sub'n to excise heritage listed place from vacant land (heritage precinct)—former Ross Primary School
ii) 7 Badajos St	Solar panels on side & rear roof (heritage precinct)
iii) 43 Church St	House extensions/alterations, solar panels on rear roof and garage (heritage precinct)

It was **RESOLVED** that no concerns be raised about applications listed as (i) & (iii)

Mr Draper and Mr Jacobson declared an interest in item (ii) and left the meeting

Room at 4.35pm

It was **RESOLVED** that no concerns be raised about item (ii)

Mr Draper & Mr Jacobson returned to the meeting room at 4.38pm

6 MATTERS PENDING

i) Customer Requests

Issue	Action	Committee Contact/Action
Outside Eddie Freeman's house, water lying about, there seems to be problems with council drain	Referred to Mr Chellis— Council's Works & Infrastructure Manager.	Resolved
Footpath outside newsagency is damaged	To be asphalted in summer time.	Mr Cameron-- To be rectified during 2013/2014
Plant poplar trees in the existing guards on private property (western side of the road, at southern entrance)	To be planted when time permits..	Mrs Doe & Mr Chellis

7 OTHER BUSINESS

Management of fire hazards—to be further discussed at the December meeting and in the interim, Council to be requested to undertake a fire prevention program.

Mr Draper requested that he be provided with information showing current strategic and budget matters (capital works) relating to the Ross area.

Mr Cameron referred to the following matters:-

Management of fire hazards

Standard of mowing in various areas

Maintenance required to the town canon

Treatment of potholes and culverts on Tooms Lake Rd

Presence of another shipping container at 15 High St

Need for pavers to be installed outside Ross General Store (dust control measure)--- Mr Chellis to follow up.

Council's policy re funding contribution towards driveway crossovers.

Mr Bennett referred to the need for the elm suckers located behind the public toilets to be trimmed

Issues mentioned by Mrs Doe:-

Sandstone bollard broken near Ross Bridge

Need for clean- up of overgrown along the pathway to the Female Factory

A listing of members email addresses to be circulated

Need for improved management of Council road signs –before and after a flood event impacting on the Ross Village

Mr John Cuthbertson representing the Heritage Highway Association addressed members about highway signage used to promote by-passed towns in the midlands Reference was made say a large sign showing key attractions rather than a multitude of signs that are presently on display

Mrs Dyer attended the meeting and tabled a traffic plan showing a proposed car parking layout that would enable the 2014 Picnic at Ross to be transferred back into the village from the Recreation Ground.

Due to the potential economic benefits to Ross, it was **RESOLVED** to support a proposal to hold the Picnic at Ross sponsored by the Post Vintage Car Club in the Village rather than at the Recreation Ground--- Mr Harwood was requested to invite officials from the Post Vintage Car Club to attend the December meeting.

8 NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 17 December 2013 commencing at 3.00pm.

9 CLOSURE

Chairman closed meeting at 4.40pm.