

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON TUESDAY 20 MARCH 2012 COMMENCING AT 4.00PM

1. ATTENDANCE

Mr G Cadogan- Cowper-Chairperson, Mr L Harwood--Secretary, Mr P Bewg, Mr F Dowling, Mr S Kummerow, Mr H Johnston, Mrs J Cummins, Mrs J Bennett, Cr A Calvert,

2. APOLOGIES

Mr A Cameron, Mr R Goss

Note--Mr Bewg sought leave of absence for a period up to 4 months.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mrs Cummins / Mr Johnston

That the minutes of the Ross Local District Committee Meeting held at the Ross Reading Room on Tuesday 21 February 2012 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings subject to the following alterations:-

i) No 6-General Business Item i) Sub Sect ii) to read as follows-- "*Recent holding of outside broadcast in the grounds of the Tasmanian Wool Centre*

ii) No 6-General Business Item iii) to read as follows—

Successful Staging of the Macquarie Exhibition at the Tasmanian Wool Centre

Mrs Cummins/Mrs Bennett

That in recognition of the exceptional success of the Macquarie Exhibition held at the Tasmanian Wool Centre, a letter of appreciation be sent to Mrs Cadogan-Cowper-Manager of the Tasmanian Wool Centre

Mr Cameron/Mr Bewg

That in recognition of the exceptional success of the Macquarie Exhibition held at the Tasmanian Wool Centre, a letter of

appreciation be sent to Mrs Val Kummerow who represents the operators of the Ross Village Market.

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 THE MINUTES**

i) Future Zoning of the Ross Primary School

In order than discussions can be further held by Council's Property Sub-Committee, views are sought in relation to a preferred zoning of the site excluding the recreation area which will be retained for community purposes.

Following a discussion about future usage of the property, it was **RESOLVED** that it be suggested to Council that the former Ross Primary School property should upon being sub-divided be:-

- i) Rezoned from "Community Purposes" to "Closed Residential"—this area relates to the land containing the buildings together with adequate adjoining land
- ii) Balance land be retained and zoned for "Community Purposes"--- this land being generally the area that is used as the playing field

Mr Harwood advised that Council Planning Scheme does not allow for an area to be re-area zoned for a residential/commercial activity but a proposed closed residential rezoning would allow for the establishment of a home industry subject to the approval of Council.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

i) Ross Activities

Mr Cadogan-Cowper referred to the Diary of Events as mentioned in the minutes of the meeting held on the 14 February 2012 including:-

1 st Tuesday	Knitters/spinners at the Wool Centre
Midlands Film Society	Films advertised
Ross Village market	3 rd Sunday of each month
Picnic at Ross	20 May 2012 (Hosted by the Post Vintage Car Club)
Ross marathon	To be advised

In regard to any profits from the Ross Market, it was suggested that consideration be given to purchasing plaques which would outline the history of buildings in the village.

ii) 2012/2013 Budget Issues for Ross

It was suggested that the following projects be listed for consideration in Council's 2012/2013 budget:-

- Black out curtains for the Ross Town Hall
- Additional watering systems in Church St
- Planting of suitable trees along the southern entrance to the Ross Village
- Replacement of the white board in the Town Hall
- Improved parking near intersection of Badajos St & Church St – eastern side and also in Church St—opposite the intersection—western side

iii) Planning Applications

The following applications for developments have been received for:-

SITE	PROPOSAL
i) 15 High Street	Shipping Container & Skillion Extension-- Retrospective Approval
ii) 1 Portugal Street	Garage & demolition of outbuildings
iii) 13-17 Bridge Street	3 lot boundary adjustment

Comments

Item (1)—Retrospective approval not supported as no improvements to the property are being undertaken.

Item (ii) & (iii)—No concerns be raised.

In regard to the shipping containers located within the Ross Village, Mr Harwood advised that property owners will be contacted and will be requested to seek a permit from Council otherwise they must remove the unit within 21 days.

iv) Removal of Large Tree—Adjacent to the Ross Pool

Council's Works & Infrastructure Manager, Mr Chellis has asked that the opinion of the Committee be sought in regard to the removal of the large tree particularly in view of the problems being created in the cleaning of the nearby Council pool.

Committee agreed to inspect the tree and that matter be further discussed at the April Meeting.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

i) Customer Request/Outstanding Issues

Mr Harwood provided an update on the following customer request issues:-

Date Rec'd	Issue	Progress
	Clean up of Old Burial Ground	Mr Cadogan –Cowper advised that he had discussed the work with the Secretary of the Anglican Church and it has been suggested that the project may need to be undertaken by the community.
December 2011	On-street dining	Matter referred to

	barricades re children safety issue	Council's Manager of Planning & Development
	Removal of willows	Matter being dealt with in consultation with NRM
December 2011	Development of Old Stone Quarry	Concept plan to be produced by Mr Ken Pearson-Smith
	Functioning of stage curtains at Town Hall	Matter referred to Mr Chellis

ii) Screens—Outside Dining-Ross Bakery

Mr Harwood advised that the owner of the Ross Bakery had agreed to close the gap between each barricade and in the near future would be seeking approval from Council for fixtures (sleeves) that would be set into the footpath enabling each barricade to stand upright and thus address any safety concern.

It was **RESOLVED** that the information be noted and that the colour used on the advertising panels be compatible with the historic nature of the Village.

iii) Removal of Willows

Mr Cadogan-Cowper advised that an application for funding in relation to the work associated with the project has been lodged via the Caring For Our Community Action Grant Scheme 2012/2013

iv) Upgrading of Roads—Eastern Side of Rail Line

Mr Johnson suggested that the roads on the eastern side of the rail line needed to be upgraded. Area to be inspected during the Council Road Tour on 13 April 2012.

8. MATTERS PENDING **Entrance/Exit Signs for Ross Village**

9. NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 17 April 2012 commencing at 4.00pm.

10. CLOSURE

Chairman closed meeting at 5.15pm