

## MINUTES

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE LONGFORD MEMORIAL HALL, LYTTLETON STREET, LONGFORD ON WEDNESDAY, 25 January, 2017 COMMENCING AT 5:30

#### PRESENT

Michael Salhani (Chair) Dee Alty, Neil Tubb, Lesley Mackenzie, John Cauci

2. **IN ATTENDANCE** Dick Adams

3. **APOLOGIES** Terry Goldsworthy, Sharin McCarthy

4. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Nil declared.

5. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

That the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record **Dee Alty/John Cauci CARRIED**

The Chair thanked Linus Grant for standing in for him as chair.

#### 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

**6.1.1** The Committee wrote to the Council regarding the National Trust offer and still has had no reply. The Chair agreed to email the Council to determine the response.

**6.1.2** Longford District Committee' and Longford Business and Tourism committees' joint strategy plan has not been formally considered by Council yet. The Urban Design Strategy consultants were handed a copy of the report too. A copy of the Council's response has not been received, nor have the Committee been asked to comment on the current heritage planning scheme changes. The Chair said that he would seek a formal copy of the Consultants' report in order to have the committee discuss it along with the overall strategy.

**6.1.3** Browns IGA car park issue. It appears that officers of the Council have reported to Council that it was going to be too expensive, that there were no formal reports of problems, and the State Growth people have no interest. However informal discussions have revealed that Stakeholders have suggested to the contrary and it is just a question of having the conversation.

It was pointed out that there have been huge changes since the IGA store was built. All the retail space is now centred on this site, additional shops have been added, there is far more traffic entering and exiting the site than before, and the amount of traffic at this end of Longford is growing. This problem is not going away. The Committee believes it is getting worse and the Council is ignoring the Committee's request for a solution.

The meeting therefore passed the following motion:

"That the LLDC Committee will instigate a meeting of stakeholders, including IGA owners, the owners of the United Petrol Station, BWS, Country Club, the Police and any other stake holders in the area, as well as the Council General Manager and a representative of State Growth, with a goal of making the entry and exit from this site more streamlined and safer. This is to take place in the next two or three weeks" Linus Grant/John Cauci **CARRIED**

## **6.2 Rotarian Submission.**

"That the Committee support the submission and will prepare a short paper in order that stakeholders can be invited to meet and discuss how this proposal might best be advanced. Issues to address are the Council Emergency Evacuation plan including gate closures, the traffic control and information, and to address a viewing site for floods."

Linus Grant/ Neil Tubb **CARRIED**

*It was decided that the stakeholders would include the Police, the SES, the Council's officer who deals with the Longford Emergency Evacuation plan, relevant land holders, the LLDC committee members, the Mayor and the GM.*

## **6.3 Longford Strategic Plan**

It was felt that the Committee's work is not being taken seriously by Council and that if anything is to be achieved, the Committee will have to instigate more stakeholder meetings to work up proposals such as in 6.1.2. Therefore the Committee wants to set up discussions on the two reports, by establishing an action group for two issues:

6.3.1 The horse trail proposal

6.3.2 The development of a wholistic plan for the Mill Dam – through consultation with the Mill Dam Committee, the neighbouring private land holders, the Consevancy Trust, Swifts, NRM, the Hydro and the Council officer responsible for this area.

## **7. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **7.1.1 Planning Application**

P17-005 74 Marlborough Street, Longford, extension of Car Park (for the Mens shed).

“The this Committee has no objection to the proposal.”

It was suggested that Council help with some simple landscaping.

**7.1.2 The Planning Commission advertisement for changes to the heritage planning scheme for Longford.**

The Chairman spoke of the changes he had suggested through the Longford Strategy Plan which so far appears not have been addressed.

The status of this document and whether if objections are made, change will be made. It appears that this latest interpretation has appeared because a developer in town has objected to some of the clauses in the heritage scheme. There is a lack of process.

“That the Committee request a meeting with Council Planning Officer to talk about the heritage plan at a date to be set. The committee believes it should have had input after working on the community strategy plan.” Dee/Linus  
**CARRIED**

**7.1.3** That the issue of the PCYC be the subject of another meeting.

**7.2 Agenda timetable**

Neil Tubb asked that this be discussed. The Chair explained that there are other meetings apart from our formal ones, and that although there is a bit of anomaly over Christmas, mostly members will get together monthly anyway through sub committees.

**7.3 Trucks still being parked along Illawarra Road.** The proposal of a truck park has not yet been addressed by Council. It was noted that sheep are also being left unattended in trucks on a hot day (25/1/2017)

**7.4 Fence in Carins Park.** This has still not been finalised properly, a big fence has been erected but no signs of any planting. When is the Council going to finalise this issue?

**NOT ADDRESSED FROM LAST MEETING**

**.7.5 Perth Bypass roadworks.**

**MOTION: That a Council officer attends the January meeting to brief the committee about how Longford will be linked to the new system.**

**Neil Tubb/J.Cauci**

**CARRIED**

**8.0. NEXT MEETING:** March 8, 2017

**9.0 CLOSURE**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.00 pm