

MINUTES
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
SMITH STREET, LONGFORD ON WEDNESDAY, 9 AUGUST,
2017 COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT

Linus Grant (Chair), John Cauchi, Dee Alty, Neil Tubb, Terry Goldsworthy

2. IN ATTENDANCE Cr Dick Adams

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3. APOLOGIES Amy Reiner, Lesley McKensie, Sharin Imlach

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Nil declared.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

“That the May minutes be endorsed as a true and correct record”

Dee Alty/Neil Tubb **CARRIED**

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

6.1 Copies of the Longford Urban Design Strategy and the Urban Design Guidelines manuals were distributed to the Committee members. It was agreed that everyone study the documents and prepare some comments for the Monday, August 28 special meeting. The committee's agreed recommendations could then be taken to the final public consultation on 6 September.

6.2 Community centre update. It was noted that Council had discussed the issue at a workshop and agreed council

officers investigate existing facilities in Longford and their use, taking into account suggestions from the LLDC.

Committee members suggested that the existing buildings were not fit for purpose and that this should be communicated during any further discussions.

6.3 IGA carpark entrance/exit. A proposal, instigated by the LLDC, to ease traffic congestion by widening the entry/exit at a possible cost of between \$17,000 and \$20,000 was discussed at a council workshop on July 3. The proposal aimed at finding a low-cost solution which could be agreed by council and the supermarket owners. Council, however, rejected the proposal out of hand on the grounds that no ratepayers' funds should be spent on a private property carpark which had been built in accordance with standards.

The Committee noted its disappointment that Council had not sought to at least engage in discussion with the owners to explore all possible ways to fix the problem. The committee will continue to work on the issue.

6.4 Carins Park Hedge planting. The committee was pleased to hear that this had finally occurred and expressed its thanks to Works Manager Leigh McCullagh and his team.

7.00 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Memorial Hall closure. It was noted the hall had been closed for repairs to the floor caused by moisture underneath. All bookings for the hall had been moved to the Town Hall.

7.2 Neil Tubb raised the question of the old police house next

to the Council being demolished. He was informed it had been given a stay of execution pending further inquiries.

7.3 John Cauci was concerned about reports of the possible removal of the stone Longford entrance in Tannery Rd South. It was felt the sign should remain. The matter would be raised at the Urban Design feedback session on Sep 6.

7.4 Neil Tubb raised the Australia Day change debate. It was felt that it was not a discussion that should be held at local government level.

7.5 Tasmanian Chamber Music festival could include Longford next year if suitable premises could be made available. This could be put on the agenda for next general meeting.

8.0 MEETING CLOSURE AND NEXT MEETING

8.1 The meeting closed at 6.05 and the next meeting, a special meeting, will be held at the Council Chambers, Smith Street on 28 August, 2017 at 5.30 pm