

MINUTES
AVOCA, ROYAL GEORGE & ROSSARDEN LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of the Committee held at the **Avoca Community Centre (Ash Centre), Arthur Street, Avoca** on Thursday, 29 April 2021 at 12.30pm.

1 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Mrs Shirley Freeman, Mrs Helen Reynolds, Ms Carol Wearing, Mr Riccardo De Angelis, Ms Lesley Collins,
Ms Leesa Rundell

In Attendance:

Mayor Mary Knowles, Mrs Gail Eacher (secretary)

Apologies:

Ms Jacinta Allen, Mr Michael McGree

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr De Angelis/Ms Wearing

That the minutes of the meeting of the Avoca, Royal George and Rossarden Local District Committee held on Thursday, 30 January 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

3 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.

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Updates

- Council's entrance plantings –the Committee were advised that Council would replace the dead trees which form part of the entrance statement plantings. The members were requested to assist with the watering of the trees - Mrs Freeman, Mrs Reynolds and Ms Collins agreed to organise the watering of the trees. As the ground is rocky, suggested that when trees are replaced a larger area is excavated/cultivated to give the trees a better chance of survival.
- Main Street tree plantings – the Committee were advised that Council would replace the dead tree.
- Biocycle at Boucher Park not operating correctly – the Committee were advised that the replacement of the biocycle had been listed for consideration in the 2021/2022 budget.

ii) Budget

Noted that the following matters have already been listed for consideration in the 2021/2022 budget:

- Biocycle at Boucher Park
- Avoca Hall toilets

Requested that the following be relisted for 2021/2022

- New area map for the BBQ shelter

2020/2021 budget

- Post & Rail fence at Boucher Park – the Committee noted that the materials were now available for the new fence and works would be progressed when time allows.

5 PENDING/ONGOING ITEMS

Matters on hold:

- i) TasWater water tower mural – awaiting advice from TasWater
- ii) Noticeboard

6 ASSOCIATION REPORTS

i) AMIC

- Donated documents and photos being digitised, nearly complete
- AMIC has purchased a printer and is able to offer this service to the community

ii) Rossarden & Friends Kids Xmas Group

- Final party of the group held and funds expended
- Items held by the Committee to be donated for community use
- Group to be disbanded

7 NEW BUSINESS

i) Council Meeting - Assisting Tourism in the Northern Midlands to Recover from COVID-19

- 2021-02-15 minute/report noted

ii) Council Meeting - Avoca Primary School

- 2021-04-26 report noted. No further action to be taken by Council.

iii) Tourism Signage

- Noted that tourist signs had been installed across the state in the various regions, the local region being the Heartlands.

iv) Committee Membership & MOU

- Noted that the 2-year membership term of all committees expires on 30 June 2021 (noted that the term had been extended to 3 years due to COVID-19), all members wishing to retain membership would need to reapply. Council to call for applications in mid-May, to be advertised on Council's website, facebook and in the Northern Midlands Courier.
- MOU review documentation to be tabled at a Council meeting in the near future

v) Other matters

- Banners – noted that the banners on the banner poles are to be changed over shortly
- ANZAC Day – the Committee thanked the organisers, noting that there were some issues with the sound system
- Garden waste has been illegally dumped on the verge in Schnell Street, Rossarden
- Suggested that bigger bins be installed at Boucher Park

8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 1.05pm.

The next meeting to be held at 12.30pm on 24 June 2021, Avoca Community Centre (Ash Centre), Arthur Street, Avoca.