

## **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, 31 MARCH 2022 AT 12.40PM

### **1 ATTENDANCE**

Shirley Freeman, Helen Reynolds, Carol Wearing, Helen Richardson, Jane Mitchell, Leesa Rundell

**Guest:** David Gatenby, Chair – Campbell Town Hospital Board

**In Attendance:** Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Gail Eacher (Secretary)

### **APOLOGIES**

Vicki Burn, Fiona Kozub, Rick De Angelis

### **2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### **C Wearing/H Reynolds**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Avoca, Royal George and Rossarden Local District Committee held on Thursday, 25 November 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

### **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) Budget**

##### **2021/2022**

Noted that the following matters have been included in the 2021/22 municipal budget

- Avoca Hall – side entrance ramp – in progress.
- Avoca Hall – toilet upgrade.
- Boucher Park Public Toilets - gates, building improvements & septic tank upgrade – awaiting design to finalise sewer.
- Boucher Park – side fence replacement
- The new area map is to be considered for expenditure from the signage allocation – in progress, Mayor Knowles is working with Council's Tourism Officer.

##### **2022/2023 budget submission.**

- Request for installation of additional seats in the streets of Avoca (locations to be advised).
- Replacement of waste bins with larger type bins.
- Installation of a swing for small children in Boucher Park
- Installation of bollards between the road and steep section of the river bank to curb 4x4 activity.

#### **ii) Other Matters**

- Waste bins need refurbishment – budget request.
- Council officers to review the need for the old bins from Boucher Park given the installation of the new bins.
- Flower/Art show for September/October 2022 as fundraiser for local groups (AMIC/Hall) – BBQ, market, raffle (S Freeman to prepare EOI – to be progressed)
- Noted that parks and reserves work has been delayed due to staff absences, maintenance to be undertaken prior to ANZAC day.

## **5 PENDING/ONGOING ITEMS**

Matter/s on hold:

- i) TasWater water tower mural – awaiting advice from TasWater, noted a further email enquiry has been sent.
- ii) Noticeboard has been delivered, installation being arranged.

## **6 ASSOCIATION REPORT – AMIC**

Mural project – suggestions for inclusion in the mural to be considered. Mural to be installed at Boucher Park on the rear of the amenities (facing the main road).

ANZAC day – barbecue and community function to be held.

## **7 NEW BUSINESS**

### **i) Campbell Town Hospital Advisory Board**

Mr David Gatenby Chair of the Campbell Town Hospital Board attended the meeting to provide an update on the facility and services provided.

Mr Gatenby advised that a representative from the Avoca area is being sought to join the Board.

Suggested that a letter drop/flyer be prepared for circulation to households and a nomination form has been made available at the Avoca post office. Volunteers are also being sought to assist with driving of patients to appointments as required.

The Board meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month from 3pm to 4pm.

Mr Gatenby encouraged the Committee to contact with the Board if health matters are raised within the Community which need to be addressed by the Board.

### **ii) MOU Amendment**

Meeting frequency was discussed by the Committee.

#### **H Reynolds/C Wearing**

That Council consider an amendment to the Avoca, Royal George & Rossarden Local District Committee MOU, to provide for the Committee to meet on a quarterly basis.

Carried unanimously

Subject to Council's consent, suggested that the 2022 meeting scheduled be revised and meetings be held on 26 May, 25 August and 24 November 2022.

### **iii) Grant Funding - Queen's Jubilee tree planting**

The Committee were advised that a report had been tabled at 21 March 2022 Council meeting in regard to the above, locations across the municipality were identified in the report and include Boucher Park.

Noted that Council had agreed to seek grant funding to plant the trees.

## **8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING**

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 1.23pm.

The next meeting to be held on 26 May 2022, at the Avoca Community Centre (Ash Centre), Arthur Street, Avoca at 12.30pm.