

MINUTES
PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting of the Committee held in the Perth Community Centre Hall, on Tuesday, 13 April 2021 commenced at 5.30pm.

1 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Tony Purse (Chair), Jon Targett, Russell Mackenzie, John Stagg, Don Smith, Sue Field, Jo Saunderson, Shan White

Guest:

NA

In Attendance:

Mayor Mary Knowles

Apologies:

Phillip Dell, Councilor Jan Davis

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

D Smith/S field

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 2 March 2021 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*, Part 5, S48A – S56, 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 should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the general manager, in writing, of the details of any interest declared within 7 days of the declaration.*

Noted that

- Mr Tony Purse is consulting and/or has an involvement in the following projects currently being undertaken by Council:
 - Perth Community Centre Master Plan
 - Perth Recreation Ground Master Plan
 - South Esk River Parkland Proposal, including owner/developer of adjacent property
 - Perth Streetscape Improvements
- Mr Phillip Dell has an interest in the property being utilised for the proposed Perth Early Learning Centre relocation.

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Main Street Redevelopment / Perth Streetscape Masterplan

T Purse advised the roundabout proposal has now been included as part of the Main Street Masterplan, noting there are three.

S Field raised the provision for overnight parking for motorhomes which T Purse suggested may also be considered (and a suitable location identified) for inclusion in broader Masterplanning opportunities.

PLDC members requested council advise when the proposal will be put out for community comment.

S Field advised the Perth Lions Club has plans well underway to install large iron silhouettes of a “plough” at

both the northern and southern entrance to the town.

Notes below from 2/3/2021 meeting – carried forward for tracking the project progress

Council's General Manager noted that the proposed multi-million dollar upgrade of the main street would need to be staged over a number of years, with an amount of approx. \$300,000 being set aside in the 2020/2021 municipal budget to commence the project. Council will continue to seek funding to progress the upgrade. He noted that a report is to be tabled for Council's consideration and, subject to Council approval, the proposal would be put out for community comment.

He noted that the roundabouts were yet to be transferred by the Department of State Growth to Council and once that occurred, and subject to contractor availability, works on the roundabouts would commence; and advised that **the roundabout plans would be circulated to the membership.**

The Committee requested that some work be progressed in Perth's bicentenary year, with the preference being the proposed upgrade of Main, Drummond, Clarence streets and Old Punt road intersection.

Council Meeting minute ref: 121/21, decision as follows re *Perth Streetscape Redevelopment Concept Plan*

DECISION

Cr Davis/Cr Lambert

That Council

- A) consult with the community on the Perth Streetscape Redevelopment Concept Plan and report to Council; and
- B) in relation to this matter:
 - i) considered whether any discussion, decision, report or document is kept confidential or released to the public; and
 - ii) determined to release the decision and plans to the public.

Carried unanimously

4.2 Perth Projects / 2020/21 Budget Priorities

Update on the listed items

Priority List Item	Committee Comment	Officer Comments
Perth River Reserve: clean-up riverbank and installation of foot bridge		Funding sought, application results expected June.
West Perth connectivity footpaths		
Train Park additional play equipment	Awaiting Council response (Nov 2020 meeting) MOTION: (i) request Council to consider urgent maintenance to the timber sculptures; play equipment and facilities as part of the 'Special COVID-19 Funding' to ensue appropriate and safe condition for the 2021 sesquicentenary of trains. (ii) Request council to include upgrades to the Train Park in the Perth Main Street Masterplan. MOVED: S Field SECONDED: D Smith	Difficulty in contracting Eddie Freeman to conduct repairs/maintenance, he has been requested and will progress when his time allows.
Tree plantings in subdivisions – both existing and underway	Ongoing as developments progress	

S Field advised the committee that she presented to councilors (during their bus tour) a detailed list of the repairs and upgrades required at the Train Park. (list attached to these minutes)

MOTION: request Council consider the list of upgrades to the Train Park as a matter of urgency to make the park safe and attractive for the community and to coincide with the celebration of the arrival of trains in the town.

Moved: S Field Seconded: J Targett

4.3 2021/2022 Budget Priorities

At the 2 March 2021 meeting, the following budget priorities were set by the Committee (in order of priority):

- 1) Train Park: maintenance for play equipment to ensure appropriate and safe conditions; maintenance to timber sculptures.
- 2) Perth River Reserve: extension to George Street including installation of footbridge
- 3) Main Street Redevelopment: commencement of Stage 1
- 4) West Perth Connectivity footpaths: continue development to connect with other areas of Perth
- 5) Tree plantings in subdivisions: continue plantings in existing and planned developments
- 6) Punt road Toilet Block: redevelopment / upgrade
- 7) Drummond Street/ Main road Corner: clean up and landscaping to link with Main road Streetscape masterplan

The Committee requested that Council visit the following sites on the Bus Tour:

- Perth riverbank reserve – George Street end
- Drummond Street – abandoned service station site
- Train Park
- Main Street

The lists have been referred for consideration in the budget process/bus tour consideration.

MOTION: request Council advise the committee of the 2021/22 Budget Priorities relevant to the Perth Township following approval of the budget by council.

Moved: S White Seconded: T Purse

4.4 Banner Poles

The committee discussed the banners currently installed on the banner poles being ANZAC themed and agreed Bi-centenary dated banners should be installed as soon as possible following ANZAC Day.

MOTION: add the bicentenary dates 1821 to 2021 to the banners listed below. Committee agreed these banners would be suitable to use ongoing in future years with the bi-centenary dates.

Moved: J Sanderson Seconded: J Targett

The committee agreed at the 2/03/2021 meeting the following locations would represent the Perth township appropriately:

- Eskleigh House
- The Tabernacle – Clarence Street (image submitted is not the current view – new image required)
- South Esk river: view from south looking north from the Bridge
- Punt road photo submitted – accepted

5 Other Business

5.1 Perth Dog Park

Council is investigating a second location in Perth for a secure Dog Park and will provide PLDC with updates as this can be progressed. Carried forward

5.2 South Esk River Speed Limits:

J Stagg advised the committee of excess speeding by boats observed on Australia Day 2021 on the South Esk river opposite the William Street sewerage pumping station. Committee refer Council to PLDC minutes 6 October 2020 requesting Council approach MAST to undertake a public awareness media campaign for the 2021-21 summer

season and install signage to alert users to the river speed limits.

In early December MAST advised that they had launched a PR campaign, and would include posts on Facebook; also advised that they would assess and consider erection of signage.

Note – following information required -

Where are boats being launched from – may be private property, in which case signage cannot be installed.

Where do the committee think the signage should be installed and we can make that request to MAST.

small water craft - PWC or boat? Info required so that we can work out what needs to be done before the next season.

Small outboard motored boats have been observed launching by way of access through the gates adjacent to the Tas Water sewerage pumping station at the northern end of William Street. Committee agreed these gates should be permanently locked to discourage access in this area. Committee request council advise Tas Water and request the gates are locked.

The committee agreed it would be appropriate for a sign to be installed by MAST at the Frederick Street entrance to the riverbank reserve advising of the river speed limit as well as other relevant safety information for users of the river.

5.3 Murals, Artworks, History interpretation panels

Perth Primary School mural is the final mural to be completed. Awaiting NMC to build frame to allow artists to commence the artwork.

Carried

forward

5.4 Perth Bicentenary Committee Report

- 50 Calendars printed – remainder at Perth Post Office for sale (approx. 10)
- Scavenger hunt postponed due to lack of interest, considering rescheduling to later in the year
- May 2021 History celebration confirmed
- May 2021 event in need of additional funding to assist with event costs

The Chair thanked the BCC committee for all their continued hard work and commitment to acknowledging this important milestone for the township.

6 Matters Pending

Memorandum of Understanding: in progress, awaiting Council update

Highway Maintenance: the road has not yet been handed over to Council by State Growth. Council will ensure North and South entrance roundabouts are cleaned up, planted and maintained as soon as handover is completed.

Old Service Station Site cnr Drummond and Main Street - The General Manager advised that Council had been in contact with the EPA re the contaminated site and the reinstatement thereof. Advice awaited.

T Purse advised this site has now been included in the Perth Streetscape Masterplan

7 NEW BUSINESS

R Mackenzie asked Mayor Knowles to enquire whether the NMC Youth Officer could visit the town. He has observed youth regularly congregating in the Youl Road area.

Footpath Trading By-law

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 06:20 pm.

The next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 4 May 2021 at 5.30pm at the Perth Community Centre Hall