

MINUTES PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

Minutes of meeting of the Committee held in the Perth Community Centre, on Tuesday, 4 May 2021 commencing at 5.30pm.

1 ATTENDANCE

Present:

Tony Purse (Chair)(from 5.35pm), Don Smith, John Stagg, Russell Mackenzie, Jo Saunderson, Jonathan Targett, Sue Field, Phillip Dell

In Attendance:

Cr Jan Davis, Gail Eacher (Secretary)

Apologies:

Shan White, Cr Janet Lambert

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

J Targett/R Mackenzie

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 13 April 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

Notes:

- Committee request to commence works in Bicentenary year, with preference being proposed upgrade of Main, Drummond, Clarence streets and Old Punt road intersection
- Need for upgrade of the main street to be staged over a number of years, \$300,000 set aside in the 2020/2021
- Roundabouts included in master plan, finalisation of handover awaited prior to commencement of works – Council has signed the agreement and are awaiting execution of the document by the State Government who are currently in caretaker mode due to elections
- Request for inclusion of overnight parking for motorhomes
- Report tabled at March 2021 Council meeting min. ref. 121/21 – decision to consult with the community on the Perth Streetscape Redevelopment Concept Plan, consultation to be undertaken prior to further report to Council
- Lions Club plough silhouettes at town entrances, Perth Lions Club are considering design and location prior

to discussion with Council.

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) <i>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 ensure appropriate and safe conditions for the 2021 sesquicentenary of trains. (ii) Request council to include upgrades to the Train Park in the Perth Main Street Masterplan.</i>	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	

The Committee noted that the following 13 April 2021 decision of the Committee to be tabled at the 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

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.

4.3 Youth Officer

Agreed that NMC Youth Officer would contact the Committee re youth activities in Perth.

5 OTHER PROJECTS / COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Murals, Artworks, History interpretation panels

Final mural is the Perth Primary School mural - in progress, a development application has been progressed (no advertising was required as the works are permitted).

5.2 Perth Bicentenary Committee Report

Noted that due to the complexities of holding a combined history and it had been decided to hold 2 separate events on the weekend of 29/30 May

- Adams Distillery's event - bonfire and barbecue - Saturday 29 May
- Perth Bicentenary Committees history presentation and official commemoration - Perth Community Centre - Sunday 30 May.
- the Committee Chair advised that sponsors that had pledged their financial support of the event at Adams Distillery are to be contacted to ascertain whether they wished the funds to be retained for other planned events or returned.

The Chair thanked the Committee for their hard work in relation to the bicentenary celebrations.

5.3 Perth Early Learning Centre

The PELC project is currently progressing well with tenders to be called later this month.

5.4 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, no site has as yet been identified.

Noted that during the 2021 State Election fund had been pledged for equipment to be installed at the Mulgrave Street dog park.

J Targett/S Field

That Council, in consultation with the Perth Lions Club, progress with the planting of appropriate tree species at the Mulgrave Street dog park to replace the vegetation removed.

Carried

5.5 Banner Poles

Following 13 April decision of the Committee to be tabled at 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

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.

Previously agreed:

- 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

Updated image of the Tabernacle has been sourced, updated photographs of the William Street Reserve/South Esk River and Eskleigh are awaited. Once suitable images are available production of the banners to be progressed. The Committee requested that in conjunction with the images, each banner reflect the bicentenary dates – i.e. '1821 – 2021'.

6 MATTERS PENDING

6.1 Memorandum of Understanding:

In progress, report likely to be tabled at 17 May Council meeting.

6.2 2021/2022 Budget Priorities

Budget priorities submitted for consideration - 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

Following 13 April decision of the Committee to be tabled at the 17 May 2021 Council meeting for consideration:

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

The Committee were advised that the budget would be considered at the 28 June 2021 Council meeting.

Following endorsement of the budget, correspondence will be sent to Committees advising of budget inclusions relevant to their area.

6.3 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.

6.4 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. Site included in Perth Streetscape master plan.

6.5 South Esk River Speed Limits:

The Committee were advised that Council had contacted TasWater and MAST re the following 13 April committees requests for:

- TasWater to permanently lock 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.
- MAST to install a sign 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.

Responses awaited.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Footpath Trading By Law

15 February 2021 Council meeting Minute and Agenda Attachments were tabled for discussion.

The Committee noted that Council may wish to include a requirement for the demarcation of the licensed area for on-street dining, as is the case in Launceston City.

7.2 LDC Membership

The Committee noted that the current membership term expires at 30 June, all members will need to reapply for membership. Membership to be advertised in the Northern Midlands Courier, Council's website and on Facebook.

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6.26pm.

The next meeting to be held on Tuesday, 1 June 2021 at 5.30pm at the Perth Community Centre.