MINUTES

PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT PERTH COMMUNITY CENTRE ON TUESDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2021, AT 5.30PM

1 ATTENDANCE

Russell Mackenzie (Chair), Tony Purse, Don Smith, Jonathan Targett, Jo Saunderson, Michelle Elgersma, Shan White, John Stagg

In Attendance:

Councillor Janet Lambert, Gail Eacher (Secretary)

Apologies:

Mayor Mary Knowles, Councillor Jan Davis

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

J Targett/T Purse

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday 3 August 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:
 - o Perth Community Centre Master Plan
 - Perth Recreation Ground Master Plan
 - South Esk River Parkland Proposal, including owner/developer of adjacent property
 - o Perth Streetscape Improvements

Mr Purse's declaration noted, with no further additions

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Main Street Redevelopment / Perth Streetscape Masterplan

Perth Streetscape Masterplan:

The Committee noted:

- Planter boxes are not part of the master plan and are relocatable units constructed from modwood.
- It is proposed to locate the William Street Reserve BBQ facilities on the opposite side of the gravel road from the location of the existing shelter, toward the southern end of the reserve.
- Work had commenced on the entry signage at each of the roundabouts.
- That the Perth Combined Projects Plan had been circulated for information.
- The Train Park is to be included in the extended Perth Streetscape Masterplan.

The Committee requested that:

• The final drawings/layouts of the entry signage be circulated.

4.2 Perth Projects - Budget Priorities 2020/2021

Update on the listed items

Priority List Item	Committee Comment	Officer Comments
Perth River Reserve: clean-up riverbank and installation of foot bridge	2021-06-01: request for progress report to July meeting Works planned, included in 2021/22 budget.	Funding sought, application results expected June 2021. Building Better Regions fund decision delayed, expected in last quarter of 2021.
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.	Mr Freeman is scheduled to commence work on the sculptures in October 2021 subject to weather conditions.
	 (ii) Request council to include upgrades to the Train Park in the Perth Main Street Masterplan. CONFIRMED. 2021-06-01 progress report requested. Requested that, Sculptures: the committee discussed the tree sculptures and request council to seek advice from Mr Freeman as to whether they can be repaired. If this is not possible, PLDC request council to seek professional advice as to a possible remediation plan for the top carvings section. PLDC request council to consider seeking advice for an overall master plan for the train park to include all aspects requiring upgrading not only the facilities but possible uses e.g. tree carvings, play equipment, toilets, bbqs, picnic tables, fencing, food vans. With a train park masterplan in place, the committee could then consider / recommend a priority list and a timeline for completion so council could incorporate in budget planning. 	
Seccombe Street & Talisker Street Amenities	2021-06-01 progress report requested	Seeking quotes. Construction to be completed by 31 December 2021. Due to increase in construction prices, Council will undertake some of the works and engage sub contractors direct. Project management will be undertaken in-house. Works at Seccombe St are scheduled to commence by end October (completion expected to be before end December 2021) Talisker St works are programme to commence early February 2022.

4.3 Budget Priorities 2021/2022

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 *funding included in the 2021/2022 budget*
- 2) Perth River Reserve: extension to George Street including installation of footbridge *funding included in the 2021/2022 budget*
- 3) Main Street Redevelopment: commencement of Stage 1, incl Drummond Street/ Main road Corner: clean up and landscaping to link with Main road Streetscape masterplan *funding included in the 2021/2022 budget*
- 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 ongoing
- 6) Punt Road Toilet Block: redevelopment / upgrade funding not included in the budget, upgrade of Seccombe & *Taslisker St toilet blocks*. Request to be submitted for future budget consideration.

2021/22 budget - Capital Works Program listing for Perth circulated for information.

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request Council provide PLDC with a proposed works schedule to align with the 2021/22 budget priorities for Perth. Council to note projects that have been bought forward from 2020/21 budget.

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

The Committee were advised that work on budget items is undertaken subject to staffing, the works programmed and where possible completed during the budget period.

4.4 Line Marking in Perth

At the June 2021 meeting, the Committee requested that Council review and refresh the line marking in Perth. Committee are advised that a Customer Request needs to be submitted to Council for consideration, with reference made to specific location of line-marking required.

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request Council undertake an audit of Perth streets to ensure line-marking is compliant with the relevant standards.

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

4.5 Seccombe Street Speed Limit Signage

At the 6 July 2021 meeting, the Committee raised the issue that motorists are entering Seccombe Street from the roundabout at speeds in excess of the 50kph speed limit which is in place on urban roads (in built-up areas) across Tasmania, at which time the following recommendation was made to Council:

That Council consider installation of speed limitation signage at the entrance to Seccombe Street from the roundabout.

The recommendation was considered by Council at the 16 August 2021 Council meeting, at which time Council made the following decision

That Council note the request and the action to be taken.

Officer's advised that a 50km/h speed sign is to be erected.

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the Committee updated their recommendation to Council, as follows:

That Council consider installation of speed limitation signage at the entrance to Seccombe Street from the roundabout and/or road calming measures.

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

The Committee noted that the recommendation required amendment due to the dangers posed to pedestrians and children in the area, especially in the vicinity of the playground, and should read as follows:

That Council consider installation of speed limitation signage at the entrance to Seccombe Street from the roundabout <u>and</u> road calming measures.

4.6 Sheepwash Creek Construction Fencing

At the 6 July 2021 Committee meeting, the Committee requested that warning signs be posted on the construction fencing placed at Sheepwash Creek advising the public of the hazards of entering the creek.

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the Committee noted that design and order for the signage is being progressed, once signage is erected the construction fencing will be removed. Water testing undertaken at a number of sites within the creek proved satisfactory. Protocols are in place to monitor and manage the waterway.

The Committee noted that the fencing had been removed and signage installed.

Matter complete.

4.7 Electric Charging Station

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request Council explore the opportunity for an Electric Charging Station to be installed in Perth

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

4.8 Environmental Project for Perth

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request Council identify a project for Perth which can align with Council's Strategic Plan priority: PLACE – Meet Environmental Challenges - examples suggested install FOGO bins in the Main Street; eliminate single use plastics

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

4.9 Development Applications

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request council review Local Area Plans for Perth as well as other Northern Midlands townships and consider implementing a process for this review which will result in amendments to satisfy and provide such outcomes as (but not limited to):

- Development and design clarity; improved definition of developments; preservation of local area characteristics.

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

4.10 North Perth Density Review

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, Councillor Davis advised that a consultant had been engaged to undertake a density survey as part of the North Perth Development Project. Councillor Davis noted that she would circulate the papers to the PLDC and arrange for a briefing at a future meeting.

5 OTHER PROJECTS / COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 Murals, Artworks, History interpretation panels

Noted at the 3 August 2021 Committee meeting:

• Work is progressing - DA will be submitted for approval if required.

5.2 Perth Bicentenary Sub-Committee

Noted at the 3 August 2021 Committee meeting:

- the sub-committee will be closed, and a final report prepared (attached for information)
- Councillor Davis advised town entrance sculptures have been completed. Councillor to advise the PLDC at the next meeting of the design and installation dates as per the council works schedule.

At the 3 August 2021 meeting, the following was the recommendation of the Committee to Council:

Request Council provide an update on the planning and design for a Bicentenary commemorative plaque to be installed alongside the existing plaque and then relocated to a suitable location as part of the Perth Main street Plan works.

Matter to be referred to 20 September 2021 Council Meeting.

Further information was requested by Council in relation to this project as no prior request had been received.

J Saunderson/S White

The Committee requests that Council design and install a commemorative plaque (to be in keeping with the 150 year plaque) and relocate both plaques to a suitable location in the Perth Main Street landscaped area proposed for the south of Perth (Old Punt Road/Clarence Street redesign).

Carried

5.3 Perth Early Learning Centre

Committee received advice that a report is likely to be tabled at the 20 September 2021 Council meeting.

6 MATTERS PENDING

6.1 Highway Maintenance

Roads have not yet been transferred to Council by State Growth (roundabouts have been transferred to Council, landscaping works to be programmed).

The Committee requested that Council lobby for the transfer of the roads so that Main Street works can commence.

T Purse/J Targett

That, due to the current poor state of the entrances to Perth Council undertake, or request the Dept of State Growth undertake, maintenance of the verges including removal of waste and rubbish where works have been carried out.

Carried

6.2 Old United Service Station Site cnr Drummond and Main Street

The Committee noted that this matter has been resolved; however, sought clarification that the site had been signed off by the EPA.

D Smith/J Targett

That Council approach the owners of the decommissioned United Service Station to purchase the property to be used for community purposes.

Carried

6.3 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 been identified.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Mulgrave Street Dog Park

The Committee discussed the installation of suitable signage at the dog park. Agreed that signage should be similar to that which is installed at the dog park at Coronation Park in South Longford, inclusive of the naming of the Dog Park. Customer request to be submitted.

7.2 Perth Tourism Website

Noted that the Chair is in discussions with Council's Tourism Officer re a website for Perth Tourism.

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6.25pm.

The next meeting to be held at the Perth Community Centre at 5.30pm on Tuesday, 5 October 2021.