

MINUTES

THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LONGFORD ON WEDNESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2018 COMMENCING AT 5:01PM

1 PRESENT

Mr Neil Tubb (Chairperson), Ms Dee Alty, Ms Kathy Farr, Mr Len Langan, Mr Dennis Pettyfor, Ms Terry Goldsworthy

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Dick Adams, Cr Mary Knowles, Miss Lucie Copas (NMC)

3 APOLOGIES

Dr Tim Flanagan

4 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.*

Nil declared

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Len Langan/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on **Wednesday, 4 September 2018** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 2018/19 Special Project Assistance

Ms Alty to provide update on progress.

Ms Alty gave a brief report and advised a great response had been received. Ms Alty is awaiting quotes and advised that they are hoping to be up and running for the Longford Blooms event in November.

The potential for further community use of the facility was also discussed.

6.2 Promotion of the Longford Local District Committee

Mr Tubb to provide update on progress.

Mr Tubb gave a brief report to the committee and advised that he is awaiting a quote for the banner. Mr Tubb also advised that members of the committee will attend Hill Street from 11am – 2pm to promote the committee.

6.3 Federal Election Priorities

Committee to continue with discussions and provide to Miss Copas once finalised.

To be deferred to 7 November committee workshop.

6.4 Longford Memorial Hall

Committee to provide update on meeting.

To be deferred to 7 November committee workshop.

6.5 Communitree

Communitree planting was well attended. Thank you to those that came along.

Mr Tubb gave a brief report on the Communitree planting. Mr Tubb advised there are further discussions happening on future projects.

Mr Tubb thanked Leigh McCullagh and the Works Department for their enthusiasm and eagerness to be involved.

6.6 Railway Bridge Sesquicentennial

Cr Adams to provide an update on progress.

Cr Adams provided a brief update and advised that he has met with TasRail and has initiated discussions surrounding the Railway Bridge Sesquicentennial. Cr Adams advised that TasRail was eager to get on board and is keen to be involved.

6.7 Levee Banks

MOTION:

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That the use of the levee banks be investigated and advice on use be sought.

Officer's Comments:

The Committee has requested that Council investigate the establishment of a walking trail on the Longford Levee Bank.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council officers investigate.

DECISION

Cr Knowles/Cr Lambert

That the use of the levee banks be investigated and advice on use be sought.

Carried unanimously

Miss Copas to liaise with Council Officers and provide update once advise has been received.

Miss Copas to continue investigations and provide updates.

6.8 Northern Midlands Land Use Strategy 2018- 2038

Committee to provide update.

To be deferred to 7 November committee workshop.

6.9 Location of Flood History Panel

Awaiting planning approval.

Miss Copas has confirmed that an amendment to the Planning Application was required due to relocation.

6.10 2019 Volunteer & Australia Day Nominations

Committee to continue discussion. Forms available online or can be posted at request.

To be deferred to 7 November committee workshop. Committee to note closing date is Friday 7 December 2018.

6.11 Dog Signage, Declared Areas and Proposed Off Lead Areas

Feedback provide to Council's Animal Control Officer. No further action required.

General discussion was held regarding the committees feedback and it is to be noted that the committee has opposed the locations of the identified sites.

6.12 Notice of Proposed By-Law: Placement of Shipping Containers

Submissions closed on 17 September 2018.

General discussion was held regarding the proposed By-Law and the regulations of Council's Footpath Trading Policy.

6.13 Keep Australia Beautiful Awards

MOTION:

7.7 Keep Australia Beautiful Awards

That Council investigate a broader concept for deposit legislation.

Officer's Comments:

Keep Australia Beautiful - Tasmania is a non-government, non-political community organisation, with autonomous Councils in each State and Territory working to encourage the protection and improvement of the Australian environment.

The matter was discussed at the 25 July 2018 LGAT General Meeting at which time the following motion was carried:

That Tasmanian Councils, through LGAT, support a container deposit scheme within Tasmania and call on the State Government to investigate the best model for implementation within the State.

This matter is therefore being championed by LGAT and requires no further action by Council at this time.

Officer's Recommendation:

No further action be taken at this time.

DECISION

Cr Goss/Cr Adams

That Council investigate a broader concept for deposit legislation.

Carried unanimously

Committee to further discuss and consider entering Longford in the KAB Awards for 2019 on behalf of the Committee.

To be deferred to 7 November committee workshop.

6.14 Library Painting Maintenance

Feedback to be followed up.

Miss Copas can confirm that the Works Department has been notified of the committee's feedback. No further action required.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Longford Local District Committee Workshop

Mr Tubb to give verbal report.

The committee resolved to hold a workshop in lieu of their 7 November meeting. The workshop will run from 5 – 8pm in the Council Chambers and Mr Tubb will circulate an agenda prior to the meeting.

7.2 Longford Legends Park

Mr Tubb to provide an update.

Mr Tubb gave a brief report to the committee and advised that planning approval would be required.

7.3 Christmas Function 2018

The Northern Committees Christmas function will be held in Longford for 2018. Recommendations on venue are welcome. Committee to discuss options.

Confirmed date is Wednesday 5 December at 6:30pm. Miss Copas to contact the Blenheim Pub and Racecourse Inn for costs and availability.

7.4 Youth Officer

Council at its 17 September 2018 meeting resolved to approve the appointment of a part time Youth Officer within the Northern Midlands.

Committee to consider the role of a Youth Officer and further discuss.

General discussion was held regarding the role of a Youth Officer within the Northern Midlands with an emphasis on a collaborative approach.

Ms Terry Goldsworthy/ Ms Kathy Farr

The Longford Local District Committee endorses the employment of a Youth Officer.

Carried Unanimously

7.5 Development Applications

General discussion was held regarding the process and procedure surrounding Development Applications. Miss Copas advised that members of the Longford Local District Committee were to receive Development Applications suitable to their area via email as an information item only. If they wish to make a submission, it can only be done in an individual capacity.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at **6:23pm**.

Next meeting to be held on **5 December 2018** at the Council Chambers, Longford.