

## MINUTES

THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LONGFORD ON WEDNESDAY, 6 MARCH 2019 COMMENCING AT 5:01PM

### 1 PRESENT

Mr Neil Tubb (Chairperson), Ms Dee Alty, Mr Dennis Pettyfor, Ms Terry Goldsworthy, Mr Gary Catchlove – Owen, Mrs Inga Apostol

### 2 IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Dick Adams, Cr Matthew Brooks, Miss Lucie Copas (NMC)

### 3 APOLOGIES

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Ms Kathy Farr, Mr Len Langan, Dr Tim Flanagan, Mrs Joanne Clarke

### 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

*Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Gary Catchlove – Owen*

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on **Wednesday, 5 February 2019** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

*Carried unanimously*

### 6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

#### **6.1 Railway Bridge Sesquicentennial 2021**

The first meeting of the Railway Bridge Sesquicentennial 2021 Committee took place on

Wednesday 13 February 2019. Cr Adams to provide update.

Cr Adams gave a brief update and advised that the next meeting is to be held on Wednesday 10 April.

## 6.2 Levee Banks

Council Officers continue to investigate opportunities for usage of the Levee Banks.

General discussion was held regarding an article published in the Northern Midlands Courier regarding possible upgrades to the flood levee.

Matter deferred until further information has been received.

## 6.3 Safer crossing to the Library from Church park

At the ordinary meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on 5 December 2018 the following motions were recorded for Council's consideration:

### 7.4 Safer crossing to the Library from Church park

*That this Committee asks the Council to write to the State Government seeking a safer road crossing between the Anglican Church grounds and the Longford Library.*

*Carried unanimously*

Council at its 18 February meeting resolved the following:

### DECISION

Cr Calvert/Cr Brooks

That Council consider the request, with the inclusion of access to Lyttleton Street, through the Longford Streetscape Strategy and not take any action until the final streetscape plan is received.

Carried unanimously

General discussion was held regarding the time frames surrounding this request. It was resolved that the committee would consider starting a petition for further community support and would contact stakeholders directly to request a letter of support.

### *Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor*

That this committee agrees that letters be written to stakeholders to ask for their support in writing for action to be taken to make Wellington Street, Longford, safer to cross. Action should include the access to Lyttleton Street; further that a petition to be drafted to elicit support again for Council to seek funding urgently from both levels of government.

Carried unanimously

## 6.4 Opening hours of Library, Saturday morning opening and more hours

At the ordinary meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on 5 December 2018 the following motions were recorded for Council's consideration:

### **7.5 Opening hours of Library, Saturday morning opening and more hours**

*That this Committee asks the Council if they would be prepared to write to the State Government requesting that the Library hours be extended to allow families to visit together on Saturday mornings.*

*Carried unanimously*

Council at its 18 February meeting resolved the following:

#### **DECISION**

Cr Adams/Cr Brooks

That Council consider the request, once further information is obtained by officers.

*Carried unanimously*

General discussion was held regarding the opening hours of the library and the need for further opening hours. Council Officers are currently investigating and will progress.

### **6.5 Rubbish and rubbish disposal around the towns – “no more plastics” strategy**

At the ordinary meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on 5 December 2018 the following motions were recorded for Council’s consideration:

#### **7.6 Rubbish and rubbish disposal around the towns – “no more plastics” strategy**

*That this committee advised the Council that Longford residents are keen to help in minimizing the amount of plastic that goes into the rubbish stream. Could they please advise of any strategy or policy that exists or may be developed to assist this.*

*Carried unanimously*

Council at its 18 February meeting resolved the following:

#### **DECISION**

Cr Lambert/Cr Goninon

That Council advise the Longford Local District Committee of any strategy or policy that exists or may be developed, that may assist the residents of Longford to minimise the amount of plastic that goes into the rubbish stream.

*Carried unanimously*

General discussion was held regarding Hobart City Council’s recent ban on single use plastics.

### **6.6 Introduction of some free vouchers for the waste transfer station for ratepayers each year, especially for those who initiate cleanups along country roads**

At the ordinary meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on 5 December 2018 the following motions were recorded for Council’s consideration:

#### **7.7 Vouchers**

That this committee asks the Council whether they would consider issuing rate payers no more than 3 free vouchers per year for disposing of rubbish in order to encourage everyone to be

responsible with their rubbish disposal.

Council at its 18 February meeting resolved the following:

#### **DECISION**

Cr Polley/Cr Goninon

That Council consider the request through the 2019/20 budget process.

Carried unanimously

Discussion was held regarding the implementation of vouchers. Mr Brooks advised that Council Officers will investigate and report back to Council with costs.

#### **6.7 Flood sign at new Woolmers bridge**

Council Officers have confirmed that the new flood sign along Woolmers Lane will be amended to reflect the requested changes. There has been no further update on moving the sign to a new location.

Discussion was held regarding the flood signs. Mr Tubb advised that he is waiting further response regarding relocation of the signs.

#### **6.8 Outstanding Motions**

Further discussion to be held regarding outstanding motions.

##### **ACTION:**

*Mr Tubb to provide update at April meeting.*

#### **6.9 Budget Requests**

Committee to provide discussed budget requests for the 2019/20 Budget.

##### **ACTION:**

*Mr Tubb to provide Miss Copas with budget preferences prior to April meeting.*

#### **6.10 New Community Noticeboard in Longford**

Further discussion to be held regarding installation of a new community noticeboard.

Discussion was held regarding use of community noticeboards. It was resolved no further action is required.

#### **6.11 Cycling in Longford**

Council Officers are currently investigating. Electronic copy of 2010 report to be circulated with agenda.

Discussion was held regarding the 2010 report commissioned by Council.

*Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor*

*The Longford Local District Committee requests that the Cycle track from Longford to Cressy is progressed as per the 2010 report.*

*Carried unanimously*

## **6.12 Longford Legends Park**

Committee to provide update on recent progress.

Deferred until April meeting.

### **Action:**

*Mr Tubb to progress and provide update.*

## **6.13 Longford Race Track**

Council Officers will progress when funding becomes available.

Discussion was held regarding the future of horse racing in Longford and it was resolve that no further action by Council is required.

## **7 NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Grants and Event Funding**

The Northern Midlands Council offers a variety of in-kind support and grant funding to events and not-for-profit community groups. Applications are now open for Round 1.

Application forms are available on Council's website and must be received by Friday 29th of March 2019.

Miss Copas to forward information and application from with minutes.

### **7.2 Invitation**

The committee has extended an invitation to Sergeant Mike Gillies from Tasmania Police to attend the April meeting. Miss Copas to progress.

### **7.3 Makers Market**

The next Makers Market will take place on Sunday 7 April 2019 at the Longford Village Green.

## **8 CLOSURE**

Chairperson closed meeting at am.

Next meeting to be held on **3 April 2019** at the Council Chambers, Longford.