

MINUTES

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

1 PRESENT

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

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Dick Adams, Cr Matthew Brooks, Des Jennings (NMC), Miss Lucie Copas (NMC), Dr Tim Flanagan (Guest)

3 APOLOGIES

Ms Terry Goldsworthy, 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 Len Langan

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on **Wednesday, 1 May 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

Third meeting scheduled for Wednesday 12 June.

Cr Adams gave a brief update to the committee and advised that he has had discussions with TasRail.

6.2 Levee Banks

Council Officers are further investigating possible opportunities.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up Officer actions and updates.

6.3 Safer crossing to the Library from Church park

Awaiting formal notification from The Nationals.

General discussion was held, it was resolved that this issue would be addressed when the funding is made available to Council.

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

To be considered through Council's 2019/20 budget process.

General discussion was held. Matter to be considered at Councils June meeting.

6.5 Outstanding Motions

The following motions are outstanding:

6 May 2015

R Weiver/ N Tubb

Request by LLDC for Council to establish a bilateral agreement with Department of State Growth for the maintenance and appearance and surrounds of the Illawarra Road roundabout.

Status: Ongoing, NMC in discussions with Dept. State Growth.

21 Nov 2017

N Tubb/ J Cauchi

That the Committee expressed concern about any proposal which might result in a truck depot inside the town boundary rather than outside it. Concern was expressed at more traffic entering and exiting from Tannery Road.

Status: Ongoing

1 Aug 2018

Ms Dee Alty/ Ms Terry Goldsworthy

The Longford Local District Committee has requested further consultation with Council staff to ensure that the desired future characteristics of Longford are retained.

Status: Awaiting feedback from Officers.

1 Aug 2018

Mr Tim Flanagan/ Ms Dee Alty

That the Longford Local District Committee approach the General Manager requesting further information regarding the safety requirements of considering a walking track utilising the already existing levee banks.

Status: Ongoing/ further information required

5 Dec 2018

Ms Kathy Farr/ Ms Dee Alty

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.

Status: Officers to advise LLDC of any strategies to assist.

6 Feb 2019

Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor

That Council seek Federal funding for a feasibility study surrounding the Longford Equestrian Centre.

Status: To be discussed at Council.

6.6 Cycling in Longford

Council at it's 15 April 2019 meeting resolved the following:

DECISION

Cr Goss/Cr Adams

That Council consider the request of the Committee.

Carried unanimously

General discussion was held, Mr Jennings advised that this matter is still under review and is listed for review within the 2019/2020 budget process.

6.7 Longford Legends Park

Mr Tubb to provide committee with an update.

Mr Tubb provided a brief update to the committee and advised that a sub committee has been activated.

Mr Flanagan gave an update on suggested location and advised that Stokes Park is the preferred location.

General discussion was held regarding installing an interpretation panel and suggested rocks or bollards (similar to those in Bishopsbourne).

6.8 Heritage Overlay Longford Main Street

Council at its 20 May 2019 Ordinary Meeting resolved the following:

DECISION

Cr Adams/Cr Polley

That Council consider the request when presented with the Local Provisions Schedules for approval.

Motion withdrawn

Cr Goss/Cr Goninon

That the matter be discussed.

Carried unanimously

Cr Goninon/Cr Brooks

That the matter be deferred subject to a future report to Council providing further information.

Carried unanimously

General discussion was held regarding the restrictions that could be potentially imposed upon new and existing homeowners. It was resolved that further information was required.

6.9 Removal of Fred Davies Grandstand

Council at its 20 May 2019 Ordinary Meeting resolved the following:

DECISION

Cr Adams/Cr Goninon

That the matter be discussed.

Carried unanimously

Cr Goninon/Cr Polley

That the matter be deferred for a report to a future council meeting, the report to include: costs associated, how services/works would be carried out and how the grandstand would be brought to current standards, who would

undertake the cost of refurbishment/relocation.

Carried unanimously

General discussion was held regarding the importance of keeping the grandstand and historical value that it holds.

Report is listed for Council's June meeting.

6.10 Meeting with Jess Whelan

Mr Tubb to provide update on meeting.

Mr Tubb advised that the meeting with Ms Whelan was cancelled.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Invitation

An invitation and agenda will be sent to Sergeant Mike Gillies a few days prior to the meeting.

Committee noted information.

7.2 Urban Design Strategy Priorities

Committee to discuss.

Committee noted information.

7.3 Community Meeting - Heart FM

Heart FM in conjunction with Northern Midlands Council is hosting a community meeting.

WHEN: Thursday 20th of June from 6pm

WHERE: Supper Room, Longford Town Hall

For Heart FM to operate sustainably as a community radio station serving the Northern Midlands willing volunteers with expertise in the following areas are needed –

Station Manager, Announcers, Programmers, Promotions, Technicians, IT, Sales Personnel, Office Administration, Grant Writing, Membership Development, Volunteer Co-Ordinator

For enquiries email Committee Member Michael Cleary at michael.cleary@fusion.org.au or ring 0412 904 472.

Committee noted information.

7.4 Have your say on the economic future of the Northern Midlands

The Northern Midlands Council in conjunction with the Northern Midlands Business Association (NMBA) are currently gathering feedback and information for use in

developing Council's Economic Development Framework. We are in the process of creating an economic framework for our region and are seeking input from businesses and the community.

The economic development framework covers strategies and projects ranging across agriculture, businesses, entrepreneurs, tourism, infrastructure, natural resources, reducing red tape, population, and the built environment.

Two open discussion forums are planned in June where all are welcome to provide their thoughts on the framework, and further discuss how we can all work together to build a prosperous and sustainable future for the Northern Midlands.

The following dates have been identified: Longford, Tuesday 11 June from 5:30PM
Campbell Town, Tuesday 18 June from 5:30PM

At this stage venues have not been confirmed but will be chosen closer to the date based on expressions of interest in attending.

To register your interest in attending these sessions please visit this link www.nmba.asn.au/economic-development or alternatively please send an email to gordon.williams@nmba.asn.au to register your interest.

The above link will take you to a survey which you can complete online if you are unable to attend a session.

Committee noted information.

7.5 MOU Discussion

General discussion was held regarding making an amendment to the current MOU.

The following motion was put:

Mr Len Langan/ Mr Gary Catchlove – Owen

The Longford Local District Committee MOU be amended as follows:

4. Membership

Members of the Committee will be deemed to vacate their position if they are absent without leave from three (3) consecutive meetings of the Committee where there has been no apology or request for leave submitted to the Longford Local District Committee Secretary. Where there is a likely breach the Secretary is to provide a warning in writing to the offending Member prior to advising the Member of their removal from the Committee.

Carried Unanimously

7.6 Meeting Time

General discussion was held regarding a proposal to change the time of the meetings from 5pm to 5:30pm to better accommodate working members.

Mr Jennings advised that the committee has available to them a budget of \$2,500 to use towards secretarial assistance in lieu of provided secretarial support from Miss Copas.

7.7 Parklets outside Library

General discussion was held regarding the parklets that are currently being installed outside the library.

7.8 Smith Street Trees

General discussion was held regarding the installation of trees in Smith Street. Mr Jennings gave a brief update on the project and advised that the trees being used will be deciduous.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at **6:26PM**.

Next meeting to be held on **5 June 2019** at the Council Chambers, Longford.