

MINUTES

THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LONGFORD ON WEDNESDAY, 7 AUGUST 2019 COMMENCING AT 5:30 PM

- . **1 PRESENT** [SEP] Mr Neil Tubb (Chairperson), Ms Dee Alty, Mr Dennis Pettyfor, Mr Len Langan, Mr Gary Catchlove – Owen, Ms Inga Apostol, Mr Kevin Headlam [SEP]
- . **2 IN ATTENDANCE** [SEP]; Councillor Adams and Councillor Brooks
- . **3 APOLOGIES** [SEP] Tim Flanagan, Mrs Joanne Clarke
- . Councillors advise they had received a resignation letter from Terry Goldsworthy.
- . **4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL** [SEP]
 - . 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 [SEP]
 - . b) is aware or ought to be aware that a close associate has an interest. [SEP]
 - . 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. [SEP] **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

Gary Catchlove Owen/Keith Headlam CARRIED

That the minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on Wednesday, 3 July be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings as amended below:

7.5 MOU Discussion

General discussion was held regarding making an amendment to the current MOU. Discussion was also held regarding the lack of process Council Officers follow with regards to advising members of their attendance and membership termination.

7.7 Parklets outside Library

General discussion was held regarding the parklets that are currently being installed outside the library. The committee does not agree with the location of the parklets.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Railway Bridge Sesquicentennial 2021

- . Dick gave a report on the progress of the committee in relation to the pillars and power connections.

- . **6.2 Levee Banks** Council Officers are still investigating possible opportunities. The committee was concerned that the levee banks issue was not on the Council priority list as far as it could see. It was suggested that the Committee go to the public in Longford with some photos and ideas so that any consultancy has a community base from which to work. Further the Committee would like to know who sets the priorities in the consultancies?

- . **Action:** Seek an answer from the General Manager.

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

Motion: That Council be asked to give consideration to this in the next financial year similar to the West Tamar council and that council liaise with them.

Gary Catchlove Owen/Inga Apostol CARRIED

- . **6.4 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 - leave on the agenda**

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 - leave on the agenda

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.

MOTION: Would the Council please advise the committee of the desired future characteristics of Longford.

Dee Alty/Keith Headlam

CARRIED

Status: Require an answer from the General Manager.

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 – can this be answered please.

3 July 2019 (off the Amended Minutes)

Dr Tim Flanagan/ Mr Kevin Headlam . The LLDC expresses their disappointment that some items on the LLDC minutes were not forwarded to council therefore these were not given high priority.

Current Motion: Why aren't all motions from the LLDC to Council listed on their agenda for discussion and if they are vetted, what is the criteria?

Dennis Pettyfor/Len Langan

CARRIED

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. Encourage council to work with the shops and services to assist the change.

Kevin Headlam/Dennis Pettyfor

CARRIED

6 Feb 2019

Ms Dee Ay/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor ... That Council seek Federal funding for a feasibility study surrounding the Longford Equestrian Centre.

Mr Dennis Pettyfor/ Mr Tim Flanagan . The LLDC requests that the motion from 6 February 2019 is submitted to Council.

Carried unanimously

That the motion be resubmitted as follows:

Mr Dennis Pettyfor/Len Langan ... That Council seek Federal funding for a feasibility study surrounding the proposed Longford Equestrian facility and that it be anchored at the Race Track to ensure the survival of the race track.

Carried unanimously

Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Dennis Pettyfor ... The Longford Local District Committee requests that the track from Longford to Cressy taking into consideration the 2010 report be pursued.

Status: To be discussed at Council.

- . **6.5 Recreational PATH in Longford** Update to be provided at meeting. General discussion was held regarding the implementation of a cycling/horse track from Longford to Cressy. **That the words “cycle” path be amended to recreational path as above.**
- . **6.6 Longford Legends Park** Mr Tubb to update on committee progress. Mr Tubb provided an update and advised that a meeting was held two weeks ago to discuss criteria. Sporting teams and clubs have now been included. Allocated \$5,000 – Rotary helping.
- . **MOTION: That this Committee suggests to Council that they apply for funding from the “Stronger Communities Grant Program Round 5” for part of the Longford legends Park**

Len Langan/Inga Apostal

CARRIED

- . **6.7 Heritage Overlay Longford Main Street** Committee to further discuss. General discussion was held, Cr Brooks advised that further information was being brought to Council.
- . **6.8 Removal of Fred Davies Grandstand** Report is listed for Council’s July meeting. General discussion was held, Mr Tubb advised that there are now 9 people on the committee to save the Fred Davies Grandstand. Resolve that LLDC encourages the Clubs using the recreation ground to apply for funds from the “Stronger Communities Grant program Round 5.”

6.9 Invitation

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

General discussion was held, Mr Tubb advised that the Sgt Mike Gillies will be invited to the September meeting. Ask.

6.10 MOU Amendments

Update to be provided at meeting.

General discussion was held, Cr Brooks advised that a report will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

6.12 Memorial Hall – the Committee awaits further advice from the Council as to what to expect and further community consultation.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2019/2020 LLDC Budget items

We have discussed the 2019/20 budget priority items.

That the Committee ask the Council to advise how the budget priority allocated to those items listed eg What is the budget priority for the Consultancy budget items .

Inga Apostol/Gary Catchpole-Owen

CARRIED

7.2 2020 VOLUNTEERS recognition – that this Committee seeks possible nominations for these awards.

7.3 LIBRARY OPENING HOURS – that this be discussed at the next meeting.

7.4 2019/2020 Council Budget [L] [SEP] Council adopted the 2019/2020 budget at its Council Meeting on Monday 24 June. The full media release is available on Council's website. [L] [SEP] General discussion was held, the committee expressed their disappointment with the overspend at the Longford Recreation Ground as reported in the Northern Midlands Courier. Miss Copas advised that Council's Works Department took on the project as their first major project, the project was not given a formal tender process as it was not required. [L] [SEP]

. Resolved "That this committee having passed on their views to the committee Council members and will now await the advice as to how to proceed before taking further action."

7.5 Memorial Hall [L][SEP] General discussion was held regarding the future of the Longford Memorial Hall. Cr Brooks advised that the memorial Hall was currently under review by Council and has been identified for further improvements. [L][SEP] The committee expressed their desire to see it transformed into a Civic Centre. [L][SEP]

. **7.6 Federal Election Promises** [L][SEP] General discussion was held regarding the federal election promises made during the election. Miss Copas advised that the funds had not yet been received. [L][SEP] As at August 2019 advice was still not received.

. **7.7 JBS Alternate Entrance** [L][SEP] ***Ms Dee Alty/ Mr Kevin Headlam*** [L][SEP] *That this committee ask the Council to ask State Growth that when they are designing the next part of the Illawarra Road using the \$86 million funds for the upgrade, that attention be given to providing an off Street truck park within the Swifts site and an entry road off Illawarra Road through the levy.* [L][SEP] *Carried unanimously*

7.5 Invitation

The committee has suggested that they invite Mark Shelton to a future meeting.

***Action:** Mr Tubb to invite Mr Shelton to a future meeting.*

. **7.6 Time and Day of meetings** [L][SEP] General discussion was held regarding the current time and day of the LLDC meetings. It was suggested to change the time and day to suit members who work and find it difficult to attend early meetings. [L][SEP]

Confirmed at the August meeting that the Committee meets at 5.30 pm at Anglican Church hall and the Council reimburses the Anglican church for the hire of the hall.

. **7.7 Location of Parklets** [L][SEP] Cr Brooks advised that the parklet originally planned for outside the library will be relocated elsewhere, he suggested the committee consider some locations and provide some suggestions.

. [L][SEP] ***Dr Tim Flanagan/ Mr Len Langan*** . *This committee reiterates its original point that it does not support any parklets within [L][SEP] Longford.*

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at 7.45 pm. [L][SEP] Next meeting to be held on **4 September 2019** at 4 William Street, Longford.