

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE CRESSY MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 2016 COMMENCING AT 7:15 PM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Fae Cox, Mrs Helen Williams, Mrs Helen Howard, Mrs Angela Jenkins (7:04pm)

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Maurita Taylor, Mr Daniel Rowbottom, Mr Peter Goss, Cr Richard Goss, Mr Des Jennings (General Manager), Mrs Amanda Bond (Governance & Community Development Officer)

3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Ann Green

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

Deferred until next meeting

That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Entrance statements

Council officers are still awaiting quote for construction and are progressing the planning application for the statements.

6.2 Dump Point

Funding was allocated for improvements to the Cressy Recreation Ground buildings this financial year. This does not include a new sewerage system and dump point.

Mr Goss reported he has had several conversations with the former Works & Infrastructure Manager and it is proposed to remove the Rural Youth Building and conduct other building works at the Cressy Recreation Ground. Once that work has been completed there may be more room for the installation of a dump point where there are existing pipes and it is not going to effect adjoining landowners.

Mr Jennings suggested the investigation of a Master Plan for the Cressy Recreation Ground.

Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Helen Williams

[That Council further investigate the installation of a dump point in Cressy.](#)

Carried unanimously

6.3 AED Units

Request for AED unit to be placed publicly in Cressy has been discussed with Council's Work Health & Safety Officer. Given there is already one Council owned AED Unit in the town and one at the Bowls Club, and due to vandalism risk, it is not considered a priority to place a public unit in Cressy. However, it has been suggested to advertise around the town that there are AED units in Cressy and who to contact.

It was discussed that phoning 000 in the first instance is likely to be more beneficial than phoning someone to unlock the pool and get the AED Unit.

It was resolved to request a sign to be placed outside the pool advising there is an AED Unit there.

Action

[Mrs Bond to progress request for sign outside pool.](#)

6.4 Sign in hotel grounds

Request has been submitted to remove the sign in the hotel grounds. Investigation of installation of notice board on BBQ shelter under way. The Committee confirmed support for the notice board to be erected on the Main Street side of the BBQ shelter.

6.5 Traffic movements in Cressy

Request has been submitted to Department of State Growth for traffic movement data as per motion of meeting of 25 May 2016.

6.6 Calicivirus

Enquiry with the Department of Primary Industries Water & Environment confirmed the calicivirus was released at the Cressy Recreation Ground in April 2016

6.7 Kerb & gutter

Enquiry was made at last meeting for kerb & gutter to be installed at Spencers Lane. This is not on the works program for completion.

6.8 Dogs

Concern was raised at the last meeting regarding the mess left by dogs, particularly on Saundridge Road, Church Street and Murfett Street. Concerns have been raised with Council's Animal Control Officer who has advised regular patrols of Cressy are conducted, however, little action can be taken unless offending is witnessed. Animal Control Officer has requested that offending be reported so that action can be taken.

7 MATTERS IN PROGRESS

7.1 Telstra Pits

Remaining pits for repair by Telstra are:

- Opposite the park in Church Street.

7.2 Cressy History Project

7.2.1 Information Brochure

Funding carried forward from history project allocated for brochure production. Information and photos must now be collated and reviewed and provided to designer.

Action

[Mrs Cox and Mrs Bond to meet and progress.](#)

8 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 2016/17 Budget

Council confirmed its 2016/17 budget at its meeting of 27 June 2016. Correspondence to be tabled as to the allocations for Cressy during this financial year.

The Committee expressed appreciation to Council for the budget allocations in 2016/17 financial year.

Cr Goss requested that enquiries be made as to the exact funding allocation to Cressy for the installation of trees.

Action

[Mrs Bond to progress.](#)

8.2 Northern Midlands Further Education Bursary Program

Council at its meeting of 18 July 2016 agreed to extend its Further Education Bursary Program which offers 10 bursaries per year to students within the municipality who are going on to higher education above Year 10.

8.3 Northern Midlands Trails & Bikeways Strategy

Council at its meeting of 18 July 2016 requesting a costing be conducted for the construction of a cycleway between Cressy & Longford. Further information to be provided as available.

8.4 Cressy Road

[Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Angela Jenkins](#)

[That Council request the Department of State Growth inspect and conduct reconstruction work to Cressy Main Road, between Cressy and Longford where the road is deteriorating.](#)

[Carried unanimously](#)

8.5 Works & Infrastructure

It was requested that Council's Works & Infrastructure Department inspect the drainage on Macquarie Street as there is consistently water over the road and it is believed it is causing the road to fail. It was noted that Council has budgeted to conduct a stormwater study for Cressy which will incorporate this.

It was requested again that Council sow grass on Macquarie Street. It was confirmed this request has been relayed to the Works Department to be progressed when the weather is appropriate.

Action

[Mrs Bond to advise Works & Infrastructure Department of concern re draining on Macquarie Street.](#)

8.6 Council support for Local District Committees

Mr Jennings advised that Council resolved at a meeting late last year to offer an allocation of up to \$2,500 toward its local district committees to provide their own secretarial support. Alternatively, committees can volunteer to provide the secretarial services and allocate the funding toward projects within the town.

Committee to consider and discuss further at next meeting.

8.7 Other business

Cr Goss thanked the committee for their ongoing contribution to Cressy and the district.

Cr Goss reported he attended the Local Government Association of Tasmania conference in Hobart last week and was pleased that Cressy got several mentions in one presentation.

Cr Goss further mentioned the issue with the Launceston Airport not paying its ex-gratia rate equivalent payments remains unresolved, and encouraged the committee to discuss the issue within the community. Council continues to attempt to reach a resolution of the dispute.

Cr Goss concluded by reminding members the Trout Expo is on 17-19 September 2016 and encouraged volunteers to assist with the event.

8.8 Flood Recovery information

Information is available at the Council regarding Flood Recovery services and funding opportunities, should individuals affected by the recent flooding in June wish to enquire.

9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8:06 pm.

The next meeting to be held on 28 September 2016 at 7:00pm.