

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 4 APRIL 2017 COMMENCING AT 9:34AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke (Chairperson), Mr Bevis Perkins ESM, Mr John Ashman, Ms Sally Hills, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr Michael Roach, Mr Rob Rakich

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor David Downie, Cr Leisa Gordon, Mrs Amanda Bond (Regulatory & Community Services Manager), Miss Georgina Brown (Executive & Communications Officer)

3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Debbie Thomas, Mrs Jill Davis

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*, 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.

Nil declared.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Bevis Perkins/Ms Sally Hills

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 7 March 2017** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Campbell Town CBD Urban Design Strategy

Council expect to receive the draft master plan and costing for the CBD Urban Strategy by the end of March 2017.

At Council's meeting held 20 March 2017, it was decided:

That Council

- a) make application under the State Government ALGCP program for up front loan funding of an additional \$1,000,000 to progress the upgrade of the Campbell Town CBD streetscape;

AND

- b) enter into discussion/seek confirmation from State Growth in relation to financial support for the proposed works;

AND

- c) a further report be brought to Council before any further action is taken.

Carried unanimously

Mayor Downie reported Council have approached the Department of State Growth to repair the pavement along High Street, Campbell Town which is the responsibility of the Department. Council have also applied for an additional \$1,000,000 from the State Government's Accelerated Local Government Capital Program (ALGCP) to contribute to the development of High Street, Campbell Town. This creates an opportunity to ensure a holistic and connected design strategy for the Campbell Town streetscape.

6.2 Campbell Town Oval Redevelopment

Awaiting final plan.

Philp Lighton Architects presented at the Council Workshop held Monday, 3 April 2017. Mayor Downie advised feedback was provided to the architects regarding several small design issues as has been reported to Council by stakeholders. The final plan is to be presented back to Council once issues have been addressed.

The forum noted the new facility will be a tremendous improvement on the existing building and look forward to the project progressing.

6.3 Animal Management By-law

At Council's March 2017 meeting, a report was presented requesting Council to progress the proposed Animal Management by-law tabled at the Forum's meeting on 4 October 2016.

It was decided:

That Council refer this matter to a workshop for further discussion and that council send through suggested changes to the responsible Council Officer.

Carried unanimously

The Animal Management By-Law is scheduled to be discussed at a Council workshop later this year.

6.4 2017/2018 Budget requests

The Campbell Town District Forum's 2017/18 budget requests have been provided and are listed in order of priority:

1. Footpath at kindergarten, Bridge Street;
2. Replace logs with fencing and extra tables and chairs, Valentine Park;
3. Improve northern, southern and eastern approaches into Campbell Town with more ornamental trees;
4. Footpath, Pedder Street;
5. Footpath King Street, High Street to Bridge Street;
6. Car park at Golf Club, Torlesse Street;
7. Realign corner of Bridge Street to Adelaide Street;
8. Seal Bond Street, Bridge Street to Grant Street;
9. Upgrade walkway along Esplanade, eastern side of bridge;
10. Swimming pool hours to be extended next swimming season from 490 to 530 hours;
11. Kumbungi to be removed from Elizabeth river;
12. Willow trees along river bank to be inspected to maintain longevity;
13. Christmas decorations to be made available for Christmas period;
14. Toilet sign at Blackburn Park to indicate toilets in centre of town;
15. Toilet and shower to be added to barbeque area at Blackburn Park;
16. Bus stop at Conara to be upgraded;
17. History plaques of Campbell Town to be replaced by 25% each budget year for a period of four years.

The above list will be provided to Council to consider in its 2017/18 budget.

6.5 Overnight Camping

The Forum to provide comment on the letter sent via the Chairperson on 14 March 2017 regarding overnight camping for self-contained vehicles.

Council is currently reviewing its Overnight Camping – Self Contained Vehicles Policy. The committee expressed support for free overnight camping across the four existing sites located in Campbell Town, Cressy, Evandale and Bishopsbourne.

The Forum stated the minimum stay for self-contained vehicles to be between 48-72 hours. It was also suggested the camping boundaries at Blackburn Park be more prominently marked.

Mrs Bond reported signage for existing overnight camping sites is to be improved.

It was noted a complaint was received from a local resident in regard to generator noise at Blackburn Park. The police were called and the campsites were inspected.

Mr Michael Roach/Mr John Ashman

The Campbell Town District Forum support Blackburn Park to remain as a free, overnight camping site. The Forum generally support the proposal received from CMCA for a separate overnight camping location in Campbell Town. King Street Oval has been identified as an alternative site.

Carried

Voting for the motion:

Mrs Jill Clarke, Mr Bevis Perkins ESM, Mr John Ashman, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr Michael Roach, Mr Rob Rakich

Voting against the motion:

Ms Sally Hills

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Dark MOFO Festival

Council has been approached by an artist to display several light installations within the Northern Midlands as part of the Dark MOFO program.

Dark MOFO will be held from 8 – 21 June 2017. The event's program will be launched Friday, 7 April 2017.

7.2 Christmas Lighting

Committee to note Council Officers are investigating opportunities for Christmas decorations.

The Forum discussed potential landmarks to install Christmas lighting. This included:

- Willow tree located inside Valentine Park, between the cenotaph and the northern boundary;
- Wood carvings located at Blackburn Park;
- Pine tree located at the Campbell Town Health and Community Service Centre;

- Tree located on corner of Montagu Street and High Street.

Action:

Council Officers to confirm which of the above sites have a power source nearby and investigate permissions.

7.3 Customer requests

The following customer requests were raised at the meeting:

- Sign installation and line marking at Broad Street and Bridge Street junction;
- The road pavement at the Bridge Street railway crossing has collapsed in places.

Action:

The above customer requests to be submitted by the Forum members who reported each issue.

Council Officers to provide customer request forms at the next meeting.

7.4 Campbell Town Hall maintenance

It was requested Council replace the hand dryers in the female toilets, located within the Campbell Town Hall.

Action:

Miss Brown to forward request to Council's Building and Maintenance Supervisor.

7.5 Service station progress

An enquiry was made in respect to the progress of a proposed service station site at the southern entrance into Campbell Town.

Action:

Miss Brown to follow up status of the application and provide update to the Forum.

7.6 Campbell Town History

Councillor Gordon reported the history project, initiated by Mr Malcolm Baird was presented to the Hospital Board and a working group has been established. Councillor Gordon encouraged those who have information on the history of the hospital to participate in the project. The working group will meet on Tuesday, 2 May at 4pm at the Campbell Town Health and Community Service Centre.

7.7 TasWater

Mayor Downie reported the Northern Midlands Council is strongly opposed to the State Government's proposed takeover of TasWater. Council is in a strong financial position and stated the importance of Tasmanian Councils maintaining ownership of TasWater assets. The dividends received from TasWater are allocated toward community projects and ensure the Northern Midlands townships are sustainable into the future.

Mayor Downie left the meeting at 10:41am

7.8 Compliance issue

An issue of road safety was raised concerning the corner of Montagu Street and High Street.

Action:

Council Officers to investigate.

7.9 Invitation

A general discussion was held in regard to inviting politicians to a Forum meeting.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at 10:44am.

Next meeting to be held on **2 May 2017** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.