

## MINUTES

### MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 4 FEBRUARY 2020 COMMENCING AT 9:30AM

#### 1 PRESENT

Mr Michael Roach (Chairperson), Mrs Jill Davis (Vice Chair), Mr Ken Reid, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Bevis Perkins ESM, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr John Ashman, Mrs Jill Clarke, Ms Sally Hills

#### 2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Miss Lucie Copas (NMC), Mrs Fiona Oates (Guest), Mr Barry Pyke (Guest),

#### 3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Debbie Thomas

#### 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 John Ashman/ Mr Bevis Perkins***

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday 3 December 2019** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

## **6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### **6.1 Underpass**

Council is still awaiting notification.

Committee noted information.

### **6.2 Water Reservoir Mural**

No further update has been received, TasWater has been speaking with Launceston based artist Ben Miller.

Miss Copas advised that TasWater is progressing the project directly with the artist.

### **6.3 Bicentennial**

Group to be formalised, to meet in February.

Mr Roach advised that the first meeting will be held on 3 March 2020.

Discussion was held regarding funding, Mayor Knowles advised that there was no budget available.

## **7 NEW BUSINESS**

### **7.1 Management of War Memorial Oval**

Miss Copas to provide verbal update.

General discussion was held regarding the cleanliness of the new facility and the state of the grounds. Miss Copas advised that Council is currently recruiting for a new Facilities Officer. Miss Copas also advised the Works department was having some issues with irrigation and access to water to retain the state of the grounds.

### **7.2 War Memorial Oval Entrance**

Miss Copas to provide verbal update.

Miss Copas advised that Council is still waiting on confirmation from the Department of State Growth before the entrance to the new facility is confirmed.

### **7.3 Library Hours**

Committee to discuss.

Mr Roach advised that he had spoken with Libraries Tasmania and they had advised

that there would be no decrease in opening hours. He also advised that Libraries Tasmania was reconsidering further out of hours opening times.

#### **7.4 Northern Midlands Community Expo**

Expressions of interest for stall holders are presently being called for. The Northern Midlands Community Expo will take place on Saturday 21 March 2020 at the Longford Memorial Hall.

For further information please contact Council's Tourism & Events Officer, Fiona Dewar on [fiona.dewar@nmc.tas.gov.au](mailto:fiona.dewar@nmc.tas.gov.au) or 03 6397 7303 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday only).

Alternatively, further information or to download an event prospectus please visit our website on [nmc.tas.gov.au/expo](http://nmc.tas.gov.au/expo)

Committee noted information.

#### **7.5 Roadside Food Vendors**

General discussion was held regarding roadside food vendors who have recently been seen in the Campbell Town area.

Mayor Knowles advised that they may require a permit, and due to the main street being a highway, the Department of State Growth is the correct authority.

#### **7.6 Gate at King Street Oval**

General discussion was held regarding the missing gate at the King Street Oval.

Miss Copas has spoken with the Works Manager who has advised that he has not removed it. The Works Department will replace it at earliest convenience.

#### **7.7 Vacant Shops**

General discussion was held regarding the state of the windows in the vacant shops around the main street.

Miss Copas advised that Council was unable to enforce anything.

#### **7.8 Cigarette Butts in the main street**

General discussion was held regarding the large amount of cigarette butts in the main street near the shops. Miss Copas advised that she will follow up with the relevant Officer to see if anything can be done.

### **7.9 Request for more doggy bags at Chain Bridge**

General discussion was held regarding a recent request to install a doggy bag dispenser at the Chain Bridge.

Mr Ashman advised that there are currently 3x doggy bag dispensers in Campbell Town.

Miss Copas suggested that the item be listed for budget consideration for the 2020/2021 financial year.

### **7.10 Esplanade Mowing**

General discussion was held regarding mowing of the Esplanade.

Miss Copas advised that she would discuss with the Works Manager.

### **7.11 State of Campbell Town**

Mr Reid expressed his concerns at the state of Campbell Town. He advised that he had customers that make regular complaints about the untidiness or uncleanliness of the town.

### **7.12 King Street Footpath**

General discussion was held regarding the state of the footpath in King Street. There is debris, dirt and weeds along the footpath.

The committee has requested that this is looked at.

### **7.13 Concern RE Fire Hazard – Tip**

Concern was raised regarding the tip and the amount of green waste there is a fire hazard.

Miss Copas advised that will talk to the Works Manager to advise him of concerns.

### **7.14 War Animal Remembrance Day**

Committed noted that War Animal Remembrance Day is taking place on Sunday 23 February at the Campbell Town War Memorial Oval.

### **7.15 Update on Midlands Anglican proposal**

Mrs Davis advised that the proposal had progressed and there were people interested.

Mrs Oates advised that there are currently 77 people waiting for housing within the

Campbell Town area.

#### **7.16 Midlands Anglican Youth Worker**

Mrs Oates advised that Midlands Anglican is currently recruiting for a full time Youth Worker.

#### **7.17 Event Request Process**

Mrs Davis commented on the process of planning an event in Campbell Town. She advised that she sent all the documentation through to the generic email and did not get a response.

#### **7.18 Signage**

General discussion was held regarding the lack of signage in Campbell Town.

#### **7.19 Budget Queries**

General discussion was held regarding the budget process and implementation of budget items. The committee expressed their concerns at some of their budget request not being completed yet.

#### **7.20 Australia Day Awards**

The committee expressed their delight in Mrs Margaret Crisp being awarded Citizen of the Year in the Council Australia Day awards.

#### **7.21 Thank you to emergency services personnel**

The committee expressed their thanks to local emergency services personnel who had volunteered to assist on the mainland with the bushfires.

#### **7.22 Bond Street – Maintenance**

The committee raised concern over the current state of the road in Bond Street and has requested further attention is given to ensure the road does not deteriorate any further.

Miss Copas to talk to Works Manager.

### **7.23 Bus Changes – Signage**

The committee has requested 'school crossing' signs are installed along the new school bus pick up route.

Committee to forward requested locations to Miss Copas.

## **8 CLOSURE**

Chairperson closed meeting at 10:54am.

Next meeting to be held on **3 March 2020** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.