

Minutes

1 OPENING

The Chairperson welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 9.37am

2 ATTENDANCE

Jillian Clarke	Chairperson
Jill Davis	Member
Sally Hills	Member
Owen Diefenbach	Member (at 9.45am)
Tracy Spencer-Lloyd	Member
Jo Taylor	Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Lorraine Wyatt	Minutes
Mayor Mary Knowles	Mayor

APOLOGIES

Cr Andrew Calvert	Council Representative
Danny Saunders	Member

ABSENT

Michaela Wright	Member
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2 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.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 7 June 2022** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Committee Recommendation

Moved Tracey Spencer-Lloyd, seconded Sally Hills

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 7 June 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Outcomes of recommendations made to Council discussed at the Council meeting held 27 June 2022.

Reduced Speed Limit on High Street: *That the Council lobby State Growth to reduce the speed limit through the centre of Campbell Town from 20 metres south of the Red Bridge to the entrance of the Recreation Ground, during busy periods such a long weekend/public holidays, and during the middle of the day (11.00am to 4.00pm).*

Officer Comment:

Campbell Town District Forum (CTDF) members advised of safety concerns when crossing High Street, particularly for the elderly, are twofold.

1. When pedestrians are navigating across High Street, the passage through the traffic island does not line up, requiring pedestrians to amble sideways, increasing the time it takes to cross the road.
2. Given the expanse of the road, during busy periods, crossing the road can be precarious particularly with heavy haulage having less time to slow or stop for pedestrians if required particularly during busy pedestrian usage, such as the end of the school day.

CTDF members advised that during public holidays incorporating a long weekend, pedestrian traffic increases, and it was felt that decreasing the speed limit would go some way to decreasing the risk for pedestrians.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council investigate options to determine what benefits can be achieved by reducing the speed limit in conjunction with the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy.

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DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Polley

That Council investigate options to determine what benefits can be achieved by reducing the speed limit in conjunction with the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy.

Carried

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks and Cr Lambert

Voting Against the Motion:

Cr Davis, Cr Goninon and Cr Polley

Congestion on High Street: *That Council provides an updated traffic management plan spanning from the recreation ground to south of the red bridge with particular attention to the recreation ground entrance and the service station.*

Officer Comment:

Members reported congestion issues on High Street at the entrance to the Recreation Ground and at the service station. Turning right out of the service station is difficult or sometimes impossible, particularly during busy periods with drivers required to turn left, proceed down the road, and turn right either into a side street or complete a U-turn to progress north.

Members discussed the possibility of relocation of the recreation ground entrance to a side street; however, were of the opinion this will simply move the issue to another location and not address it.

Discussion with the Works Manager revealed that this is a “known” issue, and that discussions are ongoing to install turning lanes at these locations.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council note the request and communicate updates to the Campbell Town District Forum.

MINUTE NO. 22/180

DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Lambert

That Council note the request and communicate updates to the Campbell Town District Forum.

Carried Unanimously

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks, Cr Davis, Cr Goninon, Cr Lambert and Cr Polley

Voting Against the Motion:

Nil

Stormwater Management - Centrecare Housing Development: *That Council provides an update to the committee about stormwater management along East Street.*

Officer Comment:

The Committee was advised that development approval had been issued for this project and was progressing to the next stage however, that stormwater from Council land, being water from the recreation ground draining onto Church land, was an ongoing matter. Further, the Committee was informed that this could be resolved by the installation of a culvert under the railway line and a swale drain installed to divert the water.

District Committees and Forums are advised when developments applications are advertised for information purposes only and are advised that, “Any comments regarding this matter should be made direct to the Planning Department in your *individual* capacity”.

It was noted that this is a private development that will bring much needed accommodation to the community and is progressing through the relevant approval processes as required that considers stormwater management.

Council has a comprehensive Urban Stormwater Management Strategy which is available on the Council website however, the committee’s enquiry was quite specific.

Council could provide an overview to the Committee about stormwater management in Campbell Town which may provide a better understanding within the context of the overall Urban Stormwater Management Strategy, rather than comment on individual projects.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council provide an overview of Stormwater Management to the Campbell Town District Forum.

MINUTE NO. 22/181

DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Adams

That Council provide an overview of Stormwater Management to the Campbell Town District Forum.

Carried Unanimously

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks, Cr Davis, Cr Goninon, Cr Lambert and Cr Polley

Voting Against the Motion:

Nil

5.2 – Actions from the Previous Meeting

Item 6.1 - Tourism Plaques - Quality

The Committee enquired about the quality of the plaques and if they were coated with anything to protect from fading/vandalism etc.

Response: the plaques are not coated with an anti-vandalism coating.

This action item is completed and can be removed from future Agendas.

Item 6.2 – Bins

With reference to item 5.1.3 – Town Appearance, members noted that recycling bins should be included in this item. They also enquired about the “health and hygiene” of bins located on the sidewalk, particularly those located outside eateries such as Banjos. It was reported that the area under the bins is often grubby and smells terrible as food scraps and drinks fall through the bottom of the bin onto the pavement.

Members enquired as to who’s responsibility it is to keep this area clean? Council or, the business owner?

Response: Some business owners will keep the area clean themselves, but otherwise it is Council’s responsibility to ensure the area is clean.

This action item is completed and can be removed from future Agendas.

Item 6.3 – Alfresco Seating (On the Sidewalk) – Footpath Trading

Members enquired if permission is required for businesses to trade on the sidewalk as pedestrians had reported access issues.

Response: A licence is required from council under the Footpath Trading Policy. A copy of the policy can be found Attachment 1

The committee was provided with a copy of Council’s “Footpath Trading” policy and subsequent discussion identified locations which could be in breach of the policy being:

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The licence holder must:

- maintain the area for on street dining in a clean and sanitary manner including, but not limited to, emptying waste bins and washing pavements, promptly cleaning and washing away any liquid, food, debris, broken glass, or waste from the area;
- not use the existing street rubbish bins for disposal of table waste.

Action: Lorraine to address the matter at Council.

Item 6.9 - Swimming Pool

The committee requested information about the operating revenue and expenses for Campbell Town pool including usage numbers from last season to allow for discussion with interested community members prior to determining if the formation of a pool committee is a viable option.

Response: A report is currently being prepared for Council.

This item to remain on the agenda.

6 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Volunteer Inductions

Members were advised that Council now has a new online induction process in place and that they are required to undertake this process again. The induction needs to be completed before the August meeting.

Action: Lorraine to provide appropriate links and login details to members via email and/or mail.

6.2 State Growth and Road Safety Concerns

Members advised that they are concerned that the issues they have raised previously regarding crossing the main street are not being addressed.

Of concern is:

- a) The traffic islands not lining up on the main street.
- b) Congestion at the service station and entrance to the recreation ground. There were 300 vehicles at the football game on 2 July 2022 and the numbers are growing for each game. Other events have also reported issues with congestion entering and exiting the ground.
- c) Concerns were raised regarding safe and appropriate access from the underpass, particularly at the recreation ground in particular, the proximity of the underpass to the road and the lack of a barrier to protect pedestrians.

The Forum has again requested an invitation be extended to Denise McIntyre of State Growth to attend the next meeting of the Forum to address the issues raised.

Committee Recommendation:

Moved Jo Taylor, seconded Tracey Spencer-Lloyd

That Council writes to State Growth addressing the following traffic congestion and safety issues:

- a) Pedestrian crossings and traffic islands that do not line up.
- b) Slip lanes at the entrance to the Recreation Ground and the Caltex Service Station/Subway.
- c) Safe and appropriate access from the underpass to the recreation ground.

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6.3 – Stormwater and the Centre Care Housing Development

Building works for the Centre Care Housing project is due to commence in October. It was reported the project was delayed for several months while the Developer addressed stormwater issues with the resolution being to install tanks address the issue.

The Forum was advised that the Church is concerned that stage two of the project will experience the same delays if stormwater management is not addressed by Council as the Church is of the understanding that the stormwater comes from the back of the recreation ground which is Council land.

The Forum urges Council to address this issue to ensure that this and other development is not delayed unnecessarily.

6.4 – Health and Fitness in Campbell Town

Members discussed the lack of appropriate indoor sporting facilities, in particular a gym which the forum believed was meant to be in (what is now) the second meeting room at the recreation grounds multipurpose facility.

Mayor Knowles advised the forum that Council did call for expressions of interest however, there was interest received.

Members expressed concern for the physical and mental health of the community and enquired what could be done to address this in both the short and long term? It was recognised that this a multifaceted approach would be required however requested, can Council proactively encourage health and fitness related business to Campbell town and potentially provide assistance by way of reduced lease fees should businesses be interested in relocating to Campbell Town and occupying vacant facilities/buildings?

7 CLOSURE

The Chairperson closed meeting at 11.00am.

Next meeting to be held on **2 August 2022 commencing at 9.30am** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.