

Cressy Local District Committee

Minutes of meeting held on 29th May 2024

At Cressy Community Hall

- Opened: 7.00 pm

Attendees: Daniel Rowbottom, Maurita Taylor, Ann Green, Andy Byard, Peter Goss, Angela Jenkins.

- Guest: Councillor Richard Goss & Snr Sgt Mike Gilles.
- Apologies: Helen Williams, Katie Lamprey.
- Declaration of Pecuniary interest.

None

- Confirmation of previous minutes

Moved: **Ann Green**

2nd: **Maurita Taylor**

- Business arising

Dump point: As the car park work is still underway this matter will be left ongoing.

Concern was voiced as to the safety of the public moving through the construction area to access the ground for football etc,

Angela said that steps were in place to avoid any issues with moving across the area under construction, re CDHS use

- Swimming Pool Sign.

Ongoing, the committee is still waiting for council input as to where we want it positioned.

- Street Library

This has been built by the Longford Men's Shed, and Andy will meet with the council rep to determine its positioning in the town. Two positions have been put forward,

- it at the entrance of the Swimming pool carpark,
- somewhere in Bartholomew Park.
- Street signage (Banners)

The committee will liaise with the Cressy residence regarding what they would like on the banners, by way of local FB page, ask council to put on their FB page and by talking to locals. Ideas are

1 Trout fishing,

2 Farming / Agriculture

3 Cressy historic info.

Andy will draft a circular with the information required to distribute to all.

- Playground Equipment

This is underway now. The committee is sure the children of Cressy will appreciate this new equipment, and while it was not what the committee wanted, they are appreciative of what we have received.

It was suggested that when construction is completed, the NMC/CLDC hold a community “opening day” with a sausage sizzle at the park. The committee asks the council if they would provide the sausages for this event.

- Water Tower.

Ongoing, Tas Water has advised that this is not allowed for in its current budget. The committee asks if the council would write to Tas Water and request that the artwork on the tower be included in its FY 25 budget.

- Bike Track Longford to Cressy.

A report supplied to the committee made them aware that a Feasibility Study was carried out for this idea in 2010. The study found the suggested routes were problematic due to landowners’ concerns in providing access across some of their property.

It was suggested that we invite Brian Mitchell MP, Federal member for Lyons, to meet with members of the CLDC to discuss the possibility of Federal Govt assistance with this project.

- Slalom / canoe course on Brumby's Creek.

The committee was made aware that the council paid \$2500 to Paddle Tasmania towards a study of a white-water sports facility in Tasmania but had not received any report back. Councillor Richard Goss said he would investigate what happened to the report. Ongoing.

- Snr Sgt Mike Gilles addressed the committee regarding a range of issues. He was very supportive of our community and was forthcoming with information regarding the safety of our community. He stressed that everyone should report crimes, even ones we think are small, to the police, as this aids them in getting a larger picture of what is happening in our community. Suggested to email Michael.Gillies@police.tas.gov.au with minor incidents and can inform his team.

Regarding the issue of bus access to the hotel car park, he suggested a couple of measures to aid in the safety of this action.

1 We could discuss with the bus owners the possibility of having "driver training event" where experienced bus operators meet with the current pickers bus drivers to pass on some of their experience regarding safe operation of the bus.

2 We investigate the possibility of having yellow, no parking painted on the kerb (Longford side) to stop the public from parking too close to the driveway and allow for better access to the car park.

3 Investigate the possibility of having a left turn only rule for buses as they leave the car park and have them travel around the block to travel South. The same when returning.

These ideas will be considered by the CLDC, and they will advise council of their ideas. *Ongoing.*

- **New Business.**

Council bus tour feedback. The CLDC rep met with the bus group while visiting the Cressy Recreation Ground, Bartholemew Park, and the stock route. Discussed budget requests with feedback from group encouraging.

The LDC committee asks the council to give priority to some new footpaths around Cressy. Wilson Street, with heavy vehicle (trucks) usage. King St and Archer St.

RV overnight parking area. Issue was concerned with Dump point install and new entrance area that this will not meet the needs. Thoughts are it'll attract more users and there will not be enough room to accommodate. Wait for completion and investigate future options.

Other Business.

Richard Goss advised that the Fishing sign at the entrance of the lane access to the top part of Brumby's Creek has been removed.

The community would like to see it replaced as it may affect the safety of vehicles trying to turn off the main rd.

Peter Goss mentioned that the mowing of the stock route has been done and several other areas of Cressy are looking terrific. He commended the grounds crew/operator(s) for doing a good job.

He also suggested that where the BBQ at the Rec ground has been installed, but no rubbish bins nearby this area. Committee requests for new bin to be installed and when the council cleans the Bartholomew Park BBQ on Rubbish collection, could the BBQ at the Rec ground be added and empty those bins as well.

No further business

Meeting closed 8.15pm

Next meeting will be on the 31st of July