

MINUTES

1 OPENING

The Chairperson welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 9.32am.

2 ATTENDANCE

Jillian Clarke	Chairperson
Jill Davis	Member
Danny Saunders	Member
Owen Diefenbach	Member (to 10.25am)
Christopher Beach	Member
Elizabeth Porter	Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Paul Terrett	Councillor
Alison Andrews	Councillor
Lorraine Wyatt	Executive & Communications Officer (Minutes)

APOLOGIES

Sally Hills	Member
Leisa Gordon	Member

ABSENT

Nil

GALLERY

Barry Pyke

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.

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Committee Decision

Moved Dany Saunders, seconded Chris Beach

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 4 July 2023** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

Meeting Dates for 2023

5 September
3 October
7 November
5 December

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

4.1 Outcome of recommendations made to Council discussed at the Council meeting.

Nil

4.2 Actions from the Previous Minutes

4.2.1 - Campbell Town, Town Hall Sale

This item will be updated at the September meeting.

Forum members advised that they were disappointed Council did not see fit to restore/renovate the Town Hall in the same manner as the Longford Memorial Hall. Concern was expressed that funds from the sale of the hall would be placed into municipal funds and spent on projects in other locations which was thought to be unfair.

4..2 - King Street Reserve

This is still under consideration by Council. Additional information has been requested so is still a work in progress at this time. An update will be provided when available.

Forum members enquired if council had any plans to construct a playground in this area as community members had suggested however, Council representatives advised that this had not been discussed.

Campbell Town currently has three parks: Valentines Park located on High Street in the centre of Campbell Town; Blackburn Park located on Midlands Highway and Lions Park Located on Esplanade. All parks cater to differing demographics with differing equipment/facilities available.

5 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 – Community Notice Board

[Forum Recommendation](#)

[Moved Liz Porter, seconded Chris Beach](#)

[That Council consider the construction of a community notice board, in a central location that is accessible to the public.](#)

[CARRIED](#)

Forum members suggested that the construction/installation of a notice board in a central location such as Valentines Park, would provide the opportunity for community members to be better informed by placing a copy of the District Committee minutes on the board. It was suggested that the IGA noticeboard would also achieve this however, it was agreed that the public board would be more accessible, generally if located in a public space.

5.2 – West Street Deterioration

Concern was expressed about the standard of reconstruction of West Street. As a comparison, Bridge Street has been well constructed. It was suggested that Council may wish to undertake the remedial construction of West Street to ensure the road was maintained to an appropriate standard.

5.3 – West Street Lawn Verge

The lawns around the water works' do not get mowed. Why?
Acton: Cr Andrews will follow this up.

5.4 – Responsible Dog Ownership

There has been some improvement in the public areas with owners cleaning up after their dogs when out walking however a reminder via Facebook would be appreciated.

5.5 – Campbell Town, Town Hall

5.5.1 - Relocation of the Information Centre

The Information Centre will need to be relocated once the Hall is sold and it was suggested this will be at great expense. The Centre will only have two volunteers as there has recently been resignations and it was queried if there was enough interest/usage in the Centre to maintain it.

Councillor Andrews advised that Council has committed to maintaining the Information Centre if/when the Hall is sold. Councillor Terrett advised that this will be coordinated when required and will include Service Tas as Council does not want to lose the services.

Further discussion will occur when they are required.

5.5.2 – Town Hall as an Entertainment Venue

Enquiries were made about the lack of parking around the hall and if this would be an issue if it was sold as an entertainment venue? Further, members enquired about the ownership of the land where the fire station and library are located; does Council own this land, and could this area be an option for prospective buyers?

Councillor Terrett advised that there will be an opportunity to make comment on these matters if a Development Application is submitted after the Hall is sold.

Councillor Andrews advised she will follow up about the ownership of the land and report back to the September meeting.

5.6 – Future of Local Government Review and Amalgamations

Members advised they were pleased that amalgamations were reportedly now off the table and supported Council's position.

Councillor Terrett advised that the Review Board would be holding Community Hearings in the coming days and that Council would also be making a presentation to the Board.

Lorraine will provide further information to the members via email.

It was reported that the ERM survey had reached some members by phone and that others had taken the opportunity to participate face to face outside the IGA. Comment was made regarding the age restriction of participants however this was rectified by ERM.

Council would like to thank Owen Diefenbach and Eliabeth Porter for their assistance in ensuring the flyers were distributed to residents. This was very much appreciated.

5.7 - Budget Estimates

Members asked if the budget estimates for had been decided and what the outcome was regarding the items submitted by CTDF?

Lorraine will follow this up and advise prior to the September meeting.

5.8 - Council Communications – Community Comments

Members reported that some commentary in the community regarding Council was quite negative and it was disappointing to hear and unnecessary.

Discussion continued and it was suggested that local representation was not adequate. Members were asked for options that may address this issue as nobody had nominated at the 2022 Local Government elections despite significant canvassing for a representative. It was also noted that Councillor representatives have consistently been present at each of the Local District Forum meetings. The Chairperson thanked councillors for their support and advised that their commitment is appreciated.

5.9 – Medical Services in Campbell Town

It was reported that new Doctors would be arriving in Campbell Town next month. There will be one full time Doctor (5 days per week).

Owen Diefenbach left the meeting at 10.25am

5.10 – West Street/Elders Location

An enquiry was made regarding access issues for turning vehicles (large/heavy haulage).

Councillors advised they would follow this up.

6 CLOSURE

The Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and input and declared the meeting closed at 10.36am.

7 NEXT MEETING

Next meeting to be held **on 5 September 2023 commencing at 9.30am** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.