

CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM

Meeting held on Tuesday 7th December 2021 commencing at 9.30am.

- 1.0 **Present:** Mrs Jill Clarke - Chairperson
Mrs Jill Davis, Ms Sally Hills, Mr Danny Saunders, Ms Jo Taylor, Mrs Fiona Oates, Mrs Tracy Spencer-Lloyd, Ms Michella Wright (new member - welcomed)
- 2.0 **In Attendance:** Ms Isabella Aitkinson, Mr Leigh McCullagh- NMC works manager
Special Guest - Denise – Road Manager – State Growth
- 3.0 **Apologies:** Mr Owen Diefenback, Cr Andrew Calvert, Ms Sarah Annesley (has handed in her resignation due to work and family pressures)

Guest Attendance: Denise MacIntyre, General Manager of State Roads

4.0 Declaration of any Pecuniary Interest by a member of a special committee of Council

None

5.0 Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 2 November 2021 were a true and correct record of proceedings.

Moved: Fiona Oates Seconded: Jill Davis

6.0 State Growth/Roads

Denise MacIntyre was welcomed and a fulsome discussion was held concerning the following:

1. The disappointment of the Forum and Community over the lack of communication about the underpass. It was recognised that it will be of enormous benefit (and safety) to the school students and teachers using the sports facilities at Campbell Town Memorial Oval. It was pointed out that there is no continuous footpath along the northern side of the Midlands Highway leading to the underpass. The works have now commenced on site.
Ms Aitkinson requested that the percentage of the project kept for art works be used to provide murals to brighten the underpass tunnel. This was agreed.
2. There does not appear to be a specific traffic management plan (current) for Campbell Town.
3. The Midlands Hwy/High Street from the oval to the Red bridge was discussed at length with regard to the safety of those crossing the road, vehicles exiting from side streets and the parking of both private and commercial vehicles including buses. The following was noted:
 - State roads are responsible for the centre lanes of the highway with the NMC responsible for the remainder of the width of the roads including footpaths

- CTFD and the local community would like to be involved in all communications and decision making regarding any proposed works to the High Street
- The safety of the structure of the Red Bridge is continually monitored
- Traffic lights can be installed on the highway if appropriate
- Pedestrian Island and increased pavement widths to reduce the width of the highway can be implemented
- Sightlines can be increased for vehicles emerging from side streets
- Flashing speed reduction signs for peak periods can be used if appropriate
- The CTFD can request a safety review of the existing speed limits from the Transport Commissioner by passing on recommendations to NMC Gail Reacher/Denise MacIntyre
- The proposed designs for the Midland Highway upgrades from Mona Vale to Campbell Town and from Campbell Town to Epping Forest were tabled. The plans will be left in the museum for viewing. State roads will welcome any feedback/concerns on the design. Work is due to commence in 2022 and will take approximately 18 months

7.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

7.1 Bicentennial Celebrations

A successful cricket match was held jointly with Ross at Ross Football ground. The final event will be a BBQ at the Community Fair run by the Footy Club at the CT memorial oval on 18th.

7.2 Sale of Campbell Town Hall

Decision of Council to sell the Town Hall in Campbell Town has been appealed to the Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal. Outcome to be determined in the new year.

7.3 Campbell Town Entrance Statement

Awaiting completion, and installation.

7.4 Historic Information Signs and Tourist Town Entrance Signs

New signs have been ordered, awaiting delivery and installation

7.5 Banners

Banners ordered, awaiting delivery and installation

Motion:

As a Forum we would like to express our disappointment, despite various requests over the last couple of years, that none of the proposed signage (7.3-7.5) has eventuated in time for the 200 years celebration of the naming of Campbell Town.

Moved: Fiona Oates Seconded: Danny Saunders

7.6 Invitations

The following groups and organisations were suggested:

- Tasmania Police (visited)
- Ambulance Tasmania
- TasFire
- Royal Flying Doctor Service
- Brian Mitchell

Committee to pursue invitation to Brian Mitchell to attend the February meeting and invite the Liberal senator to the March meeting.

7.7 Upgrades to the Campbell Town Skate Park

Jill Davis and Fiona Oates have been working with CTDHS teacher Judy Clegg and the students who have submitted a Power Point presentation to NMC for consideration. They have been invited to attend and present it to the NMC workshop on Monday 7th February 2022.

7.8 Community Newsletter/Community Noticeboard

Due to the resignation of Sarah Annesley this will be revisited.

The IGA to be asked if a larger noticeboard could be mounted above the external seat in front of the IGA. As well as Notices it could contain details of emergency numbers and businesses.

7.9 Membership of the Elizabeth Macquarie Irrigation Trust

Motion:

CTDF has elected Danny Saunders as its representative to the Elizabeth Macquarie Irrigation Trust. The Council advise the Elizabeth Macquarie Irrigation Trust of his election.

8 New Business

8.1 2022 Meeting Dates

Meetings for 2022 will take place on the following dates:

- No January meeting
- 1 February
- 1 March
- 5 April
- 3 May
- 7 June
- 5 July
- 2 August
- 6 September
- 4 October
- 1 November
- 6 December

8.2 Swimming Pool

Motion: CTDF request that a way be found to reinstitute morning swimming at Campbell Town pool. Suggested time 6.30am-7.30am.

Moved: Ms. Tracey Spencer-Lloyd Seconded: Mr Danny Saunders

8.2 Town Appearance

It was noted that it was stated in the 2017 Report summary that the town lacks a coordinated appearance and style. Mrs Fiona Oates requested this be considered when planning future developments and signage.

9.0 Closure

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 11.15am

Next meeting to be held on 1 February 2022 at 9.30am at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.