

**MINUTES Campbell Town District Committee Ordinary meeting Tuesday 4 August 2026 (After the BGM)
at the Campbell Town Guide Hall, 20-30 King Street Campbell Town.**

- 1 **Present:** Barry Pyke, Danny Saunders, David Gatenby OAM, Emily Webb, Gordon Manning, Kenneth Reid, Jill Davis and Sally Hills
- 2 **In Attendance:** Cr Paul Terret, Cr Alison Andrews and Vivien Tan (NMC Executive and Communications Officer).
- 3 **Guests:** nil
- 4 **Apologies:** nil
- 5 **Absent:** Nicole Graham
- 6 **Acknowledgement of Country:**

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional and original owners, and continuing custodians of this land on which we gather today and acknowledge Elders – past, present, and emerging.

7 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, Part 5, S48A – S56, 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. *It should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the General Manager, in writing, of the details of any interest declared within 7 days of the declaration.” nil

8 Confirmation of Minutes:

MOVED: B.Pyke SECOND: K.Reid Carried

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town Local District Committee held on Tuesday 2 June 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Business Arising:

	Business	ACTION
7.1	Significant Trees	Awaiting final council endorsement
7.2	Blackburn Park Toilet Public Shower Facilities Council will be including a Shower facility when the new toilet is constructed. Construction will be this year 2026. Timeline will be in the next 9 months. Cameras will be installed – pending budget	General Discussion: The Committee requested that the design and plans be presented for review prior to finalisation. Members expressed a desire to ensure that the proposal is in keeping with the heritage character of the area. Concerns were raised regarding aspects of the current

	Endorsed in 2026-2027 Budget	design, and the Committee would welcome the opportunity to provide feedback as the project progresses.
7.3	Meeting Dates for 2026. • 1 September 2026 • 6 October 2026 • 3 November 2026 • 1 December 2026 • 2 February 2027 • 2 March 2027 • 5 April 2027 • 4 May 2027 • 1 June 2027 • 6 July 2027 • 3 August 2027 • 6 September 2027 • 5 October 2027 • 2 November 2027 • 6 December 2027	Committee resolved to hold the meeting monthly every first Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. The venue being the Campbell Town Guide Hall.
7.4	Neighbourhood Watch Discussed with Inspector Fox 3/3/2026 • Committee to determine if they will pursue the set up. • Nicole Graham to advertise on her Facebook page for interested persons and District Forum members ask that NMC add the information to their Facebook page. General discussion: • Suggestion of letter box drop to see if there is community interest, discussion of using mainstream and social media. Motion: Put to the June 29 th 2026 Council meeting Moved E Porter Seconded S Hills Carried That Council write to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management and the Shadow Minister for Police advocating for the allocation of full-time police personnel in Campbell Town to address increasing crime trends and improve community safety, noting recent increases in recorded offences across Tasmania. At the June Council meeting: 7.1.1 Advocacy for Full-Time Police Presence in Campbell Town MINUTE NO. 26/0155 DECISION That Council write to the Minister for Police, Fire and Emergency Management and the Shadow Minister advocating for an increased police presence in Campbell Town, including consideration of a permanent police	General Discussion: Meeting was held on the 26 July 2026 at 2pm /5pm Banjos with the State Chair of Neighbourhood Watch. Cr Terrett noted this initial meeting was to determine the appetite of putting together a committee, meeting dates and times and discussing supporting activities. Perth Lions may be able to assist as they are the auxiliary branch for Lions in Campbell Town.

	presence, in response to community concerns regarding crime and public safety.	
7.5	Campbell Town Cemetery Moved: D Gatenby OAM Seconded: S Hills Carried Motion: That Council investigate opportunities to purchase suitable land for the establishment of a community cemetery to address current and future burial needs in Campbell Town NMC is engaging consultants to review a 50-year plan for the whole municipality. NMC is looking for suitable land options. Anglican Cemetery paddock on the northern side of church unsuitable for burials because of the amount of blue rock in the ground. Motion 16 March 2026 Council meeting. 7.1.1 Campbell Town Cemetery That Council continues the development of a 50-year Cemetery Plan for the Northern Midlands. Carried General Discussion • A consultant has been engaged to develop the municipal cemetery plan. April 2026 • Council is progressing a long-term Cemetery Plan and investigating land for a new public cemetery in response to capacity constraints. • Expansion of columbarium facilities and development of memorial gardens are being considered. • Securing funding is required to progress these initiatives.	Officer Update: Purchase has been finalised; however, the planning and rezoning report is still pending. Ongoing.
7.6	West Street, Campbell Town Motion Moved: E Porter Seconded: B Pyke Carried That Council resolves to investigate a full reconstruction and resealing of West Street, from Pedder Street at the crossroads through to the highway, to provide a long-term and safe road outcome. Background: It was noted by committee that West Street requires full reconstruction and resealing from West Street through to the highway, including Pedder Street at the crossroads. Existing pavement conditions have deteriorated to the point where patching is no longer effective. Repaired sections are failing and now require frequent and ongoing maintenance.	Council officers have been requested to inspect and assess road conditions on West Street. Council has included funding towards reconstruction in the 2026-2027 budget. Monitor
7.7	Bridge Street Road Conditions Motion: Moved: K Reid Seconded: B Pyke Carried That council check the condition of Bridge Street and corners of King and Queen Street.	General Discussion: Caravans doing U-turns in the summer have spread the tar on the roads and cause damage. Council is aware of the

	Council officers have been requested to inspect and assess road conditions on Bridge Street and at the corners of King Street and Queen Street, and report back on any required maintenance or traffic management measures.	situation and this looking at Stage 2 of the main street upgrades to fix this. Monitor
7.8	Footpaths A. William St – works started May 2026 B. Footpath from Bond St to main shopping area Vulnerable User Fund grant acquired.	General Discussion: William Street works are nearing completion– positive feedback and thank you from committee members
7.9	Social media Motion deferred To set up a Facebook page for the Campbell Town District Committee to attract and inform a younger age group. - Refer to the new committee. - Officer to investigate how many followers and usage of the Longford District Committee Facebook page The Longford District Committee Facebook page remains an active communication channel for engaging with the local community. As of 10 July 2026, the page has 345 followers and contains 147 posts. This indicates that the page continues to provide a useful platform for sharing committee updates, promoting community events, and facilitating communication with residents.	General Discussion: - Concerns with who will run the page? FB brings to the fore agitation and other social issues. - Young people use other platforms - Not all members of the committee have social media accounts. Remove from next agenda.
7.10	Campbell Town Guide Hall General discussion -Safety and security installing CCTV Works request J Davis To clear up along the fence line and fix the gate. Carpet has been laid to resolve the acoustics for meetings. Ongoing	General Discussion: A question was raised regarding the removal of a tree from the area, and members requested clarification on the reason for its removal. The Committee also noted that the car park contains numerous potholes requiring attention. In addition, concerns were raised about wire hanging over the fence line, which was considered a potential safety hazard. Action: S. Hills to submit a works request to investigate the condition of the car park, address the potholes, inspect the hanging wire and arrange any necessary remedial works. Clarification is also to be sought regarding the removal of the tree.

7.11	Footpaths in Campbell Town	
	NMC bus tour: general concern West Street and Macquarie Road - There are a lot of competing items to come up in budget discussion. A long-term plan is needed for road works upgrade/replacing.	
	Motion: Carried	
	<i>Move: David Gatenby OAM Second: Jill Davis</i>	
	District Forum request Northern Midlands Council to provide a ten-year plan for assessment and road works across the municipality.	Members raised concerns regarding the ongoing deterioration of Macquarie Road and noted that repeated patching works are no longer providing a satisfactory long-term solution. Concerns were also raised about the condition of local footpaths and the need for prioritisation of maintenance and renewal works across the municipality.
	Officer notes	
	1. Council has a 5-year Road internal report. It is an independent review.	
	2. This is a structured objective and precise report that is tailored to suitably qualified people such as our engineers to interpret the current and long-term condition of public infrastructure.	
	3. At any given time, there will be priority work on failed roads.	
	4. Road repairs are subject to change according to road failure, budget and manpower.	
		Action: Council officers to provide the Road Hierarchy Schedule and advise the Committee of the priority program for road and footpath works.
		Council Meeting 21 September 2026
		Motion: Moved D Gatenby OAM
		Seconded: G Manning Carried
		<i>That Council provide the Committee</i>
		<i>with the current Road Hierarchy</i>
		<i>Schedule and a priority listing of</i>
		<i>planned road and footpath</i>
		<i>maintenance, renewal and upgrade</i>
		<i>works for the district.</i>
	Campbell Town Museum and Information Centre:	
	The Museum Committee delivered a presentation at the Council workshop in May, as noted on 1 June 2026.	
	General Discussion – Future of the Campbell Town Museum	
	The Committee held a general discussion regarding the future location of the Campbell Town Museum and Information Centre.	
	It was noted that Cafe 100 has been identified as a potential site for an information centre due to its central location, ample space, and comparatively lower rental costs. However, concerns were raised regarding the condition of the building, including repair works required and a hole in the kitchen ceiling. Members noted that, as the property is privately owned, the owner may not be willing to undertake the necessary rectification works. While the site may be suitable as an information centre, it was considered unlikely to be large enough to accommodate a substantial museum collection. It was suggested that quotations and further	

	assessment may be required to determine the extent of works needed, compliance requirements for a public space, and associated costs. The Committee also discussed Gallery 81 as an alternative option. Members noted that the building does not appear to require additional repair works and provides sufficient space for a museum as well as other community activities. It was acknowledged that the Campbell Town Museum Committee has previously presented a proposal to Council and has submitted further correspondence for reconsideration following the recent budget deliberations. The matter remains under discussion by Council. The District Committee agreed that further consideration of the issue would be more productive once the Museum Committee is able to present the available options, together with supporting information and relevant facts. Members expressed the view that all options and associated considerations should be clearly outlined before any further discussion or recommendations are made.	
7.45	Bike Racks Awaiting delivery of the Street furniture for main street upgrade	Committee requested a timeline for the installation.

8. Budget Items/Requests Table for 2027-2028 - considered separately closer to the budget development timeframe

9. New Business:

9.1 Brick Trail / Ship Outline Design

Members expressed concern that the ship outline feature associated with the Convict Brick Trail is currently covered in tar, which appears unsightly, and that gravel from the walkway is spreading onto surrounding areas. A Councillor advised that the original concept included the installation of ship names within the outlines and interpretive panels in the main street. The Committee requested an update on the proposed completion and interpretation works.

9.2 Guide Hall Precinct Maintenance and Safety Concerns

Question raised regarding the removal of the mature gum tree at King Street adjoining the Guide Hall. Members sought clarification on why the tree was removed, who authorised the works, and whether replacement tree planting is planned. Concerns were also raised regarding the condition of the adjacent car park, including potholes and surface deterioration, the poor condition of the boundary fence, and the narrow entrance access. The Committee further noted that protective wire netting above the fence line is sagging and may present a potential safety hazard. Action: S.Hills will submit a works request to council.

10. The Chair closed the meeting at 11:15am. The next meeting will be held at 9:30 on September 1, 2026.