

Minutes 29 JULY 2026

Cressy District Committee Ordinary meeting.

7:15 pm at the Cressy Fire Station, 73 Main Street Cressy.

1. Opened: Meeting commenced at 7:33 pm
2. Attendees: Helen Williams, Petrina Goss, Maurita Taylor, Andy Byard, Daniel Rowbottom & Richard Goss
3. Guest: Paul Terrett
4. Apologies: Angela Jenkins & Ann Green
5. Declaration of Pecuniary interest: Nil

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.

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. Confirmation of previous minutes:

The minutes of the meeting of the Cressy Local District Committee held on 27th May 2026 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Moved: Helen Williams second: Petrina Goss **carried/not carried**

8. Business Arising

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8.1	Water Tower Mural. - June 2025 – Email to Emma Helks TasWater - July 2025 - Cressy Water Tower Mural - Community Submission - July 2025 Louis Van Ek – TasWater Community Programs Manager 18 June 2026 Site meeting with KreamArt and Taswater Community Consultation -design/theme with school/community The proposed timeline is: - July: Planning - August: Community consultation	<i>Committee to organize a meeting time and venue for the Community consultation phase of the project.</i> <i>Ongoing</i>

	• September: Design development • October: Public voting • Mid November: Site preparation and painting • December: Community BBQ and media event	<i>Community meeting to be organized.</i> <i>Richard suggested Facebook posting with Bulldogs Logo to see if community agrees.</i>
8.2	Barthlomew Park upgrades. • Committee to be advised and consulted on developments. • Still concern with Entry/Exit. Committee requests for Main Street frontage to be fenced. • Daniel to write to Council seeking clarification and request a meeting With Mayor, Acting GM and Works Supervisor.	Ongoing. <i>Still concerned with no fencing along Main Street. Daniel & Andy met with council staff expressing concerns with vehicle access. At this stage it is a concept plan and awaiting funding to progress to next stage.</i> <i>Committee disappointed that no area will be gained for general community use.</i>
8.3	Speed concern in Macquarie Street Young families living in area past recreation ground. Suggestions of speed reduction or speed humps installed. Also noted that this street has no footpaths, making it unsafe for pedestrians to use.	Budget item request <i>Motion moved for review of footpaths for Cressy with priority for Macquarie Street. No 1 to 19.</i> <i>Moved Petrina Goss</i> <i>Second Helen Willaims</i> <i>All in Favour</i>
8.4	Welcome to Cressy letter. AED information for next print run could include Bowls Club, Fire Station and Cressy District High School <i>AED in park has been replaced. Access now requires to phone for code</i>	<i>Committee wonders if unit can be changed back.</i> <i>Andy to follow up.</i> <i>Andy explained these are the new standard.</i> <i>Daniel to contact Midlands newspaper for Park AED to be added</i>
8.5	Meeting Dates for 2026. • July 29th 2026 Biaenniel General Meeting • July 29th 2026 Ordinary Meeting • September 30th	Date to be confirmed

	• November 25th • December District Committee dinner (TBC)	
8.6	Cressy Child Care Concept At the December 2025 Council Meeting, Council accepted in principle the attached draft masterplan for the Cressy Childcare Expansion, Bartholomew Park Upgrade and approved the draft plan's release for public consultation – with the plan to be forwarded to the Cressy District Committee for review prior to being released for broader public consultation. <i>Helen Williams brought up the concern with vehicle access in and out Main Street.</i> <i>Motion moved by Ann Green seconded Helen Williams for the following</i> <i>All in favor</i> • <i>Carpark and entry be moved to Church Street.</i> • <i>Is there a designated sleeping room area in Centre.</i> • <i>BBQ shade shelter- Committee doesn't agree with it added to toilet block – can be added to existing shelter.</i> • <i>Better fencing along Main Street for safety of little ones entering roadway.</i> • <i>Light up Bollards around Park and small Bike safety track added.</i> The feedback from the Cressy District Committee is included in the report to council presented at the May 18 2026 council meeting.	Grant has been applied for. Awaiting response (August 2026)
8.8	Bus Stop, Cressy Motion moved by Petrina Goss second Toni Burton For Council to - Investigate the access at pick up point at Park for Tassielink Bus travelers. Currently not allowed to hop on at this Bus Stop. 15/7/2026 1:29pm Email response: Good afternoon, This stop is the primary start and finish point for all Cressy services. All of our drivers are experienced and know this stop well, and we have not received any reports or feedback indicating any issues at this location. We will continue to monitor the stop and address any concerns should they arise. 15/7/2026 2:14pm Email response from Tassielink: Good afternoon, I have been advised that DSG has updated the timetables. According to the new timetable, the revised start and finish point is now Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Main Street, Cressy.	ops@tassielink.com.au Adam Rainbow • Committee to comment on whether this resolves the situation. <i>Local drivers have said they are happy for passengers to hop on here after their break.</i>

	Please note that the previous stop will still be used at the end of the service for passenger drop-off only and as a rest stop for our drivers.	
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9 Budget Items/Requests Table

	Budget Items/ Request 2026/2027	Budget
9.1	• Bartholomew Park – Rotunda/New shelter • Bartholomew Park – Development of park with land acquisition adjacent. • Spencers Lane – Curb and guttering with road seal. • Recreation Ground – General discussion around the use of ground with Football games scheduled this year, clubs using for training and Cressy District High School for the roster games. Cricket wise – Good chance for Cricket Club to start again. Concern with the surface not up to scratch with injuries in the past. Water supply issues for irrigation to happen regularly, therefore Budget item request added. Current ground committee have handed back to council to take care of grounds. Thanks to Roy Butler for tending to watering the ground of late. • Community Hall – Window replacements	In progress Andy & Daniel had submitted Budget items. Couple off extras added as discussed. Motion moved for community Hall windows need repairing/replacing. Moved Helen Williams Second Andy Byard All in favour
9.2	Footpaths The council was requested to give priority to some new footpaths around Cressy. King St and Archer St.	Macquarie Street to added Service request for King Street hazards.
9.3	Recreation Ground Children's play area There is a need for something to be included for smaller children to use up there. There will be additional play area with the new Early Learning Centre.	Budget 2026-27
9.4	Bike Track Longford to Cressy. A report supplied to the committee made them aware that a Feasibility Study was conducted for this idea in 2010. It only needs to be from Cressy to Golf Club corner for safe use and connecting of the communities. Shared Pathway Plans 6 September 2023 Bicycle Advisory Committee meeting - Committee endorsed the following maps for inclusion and consideration in the NMC municipal bicycle and shared pathway strategy. 18 September 2023 the recommendations of the Committee were endorsed by Council. Please see the website via this link.	Not in 2026-27 budget. Looking for funding opportunities. Clr Terrett mentioned Funding that may be available.

	Strategic Projects - Northern Midlands Council	
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10. New Business. –

Richard Goss – Cressy Cricket Club is moving forward with committee to be formed. Definitely one Senior team with the Indian group that are pushing for Cressy to reform. Juniors Under 12 & 14 with Women's and Masters have been discussed. Keen for locals to play and be involved in the Club

Kerry Holloway should have some recognition for his involvement every year with ANZAC Day service. This could be in the form of Australia Day Volunteer Award.

Paul Terrett – Asked committee on thoughts that Councilor Adams has suggested in roofing Cressy Pool. Maurita Taylor responded that Council may struggle to get the lifeguards to open it longer, and Committee likewise wouldn't be able to man the Canteen. Better to keep maintaining the current infrastructure in place. Strongly believe the atmosphere will be lost by inclosing it in.

Daniel Rowbottom – Spoken with Council Grounds Supervisor Jeanette Goss re Cressy's entrance Trees and War Memorial rose garden. Committee agree that these are in need of replacement. Toni Burton to talk with Jeanette on suitable plantings, and Maurita to contact Green Family for War Memorial works.

11. The Meeting closed at 8:39 pm. Next meeting will be held 7 pm on 30th September 2026, at the Cressy Fire Station.