

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE, EVANDALE ON TUESDAY, 1 AUGUST 2017 COMMENCING AT 7:00PM.

1 PRESENT

Mr John Lewis (Chairperson), Mr Robert von Bibra, Mr Barry Lawson, Mrs Kathryn Heathcote, Mrs Henrietta Houghton, Mrs Carol Brown, Mrs Annie Harvey,

In attendance:

Cr Mary Knowles, Cr J Lambert, Mrs Gail Eacher (Secretary)

2 APOLOGIES

Mr Adrian Jobson, Mr Stephen Baldock, Mr Craig Plaisted

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

C Brown/H Houghton

That the minutes of the meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 4 July 2017, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

4 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.*

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Falls Park Overnight Camping

Complaints received under investigation.

Suggested:

- signage needs to be improved to redirect campers to old model railway area.
- that Council develop an RV Friendly plan/communication strategy;
- a letter be forwarded to 'Wickie Campers' to explain the situation;
- planting of screening trees on boundary;
- Suggestion/complaint box to be located at Information Centre for concerns to be expressed re this matter.

April meeting - the committee noted that in order for Evandale to be considered RV Friendly an alternate site needed to be identified for use when Falls Park was not available. The following motion was passed at the 4 April meeting and the following was the decision at the 15 May Council meeting:

*That Council **note and investigate** the following recommendation/s of the **Evandale Advisory Committee**:*

That Council consider the identification of Honeysuckle Banks as the designated overflow and weekend overnight camping location for RV/self-contained vans.

This matter is on hold pending finalisation of the Northern Midlands Free Overnight Rest Areas, matter to be workshopped by Council.

The committee noted that a report was likely to be tabled at 21 August Council meeting.

ii) Parking on Logan Road and surrounding streets

Concerns raised regarding the parking along Logan Road and surrounding streets on market days and festivals.

Consultation undertaken in regard to the proposal to install signs prohibiting parking on Sundays – (right hand side - eastern side) of Coachmans Road, Berresford Place, Saddlers Court and Hartnoll Place.

Noted that concern was expressed that the consultation was inadequate and background had not been provided.

Based on feedback, signage had not been supported in Saddlers Court and Coachman's Lane. Council officers proposed that signage be installed on 1 side (right hand) of entry on Berresford and Hartnoll Place only.

K Heathcote/C Brown

That Council officers pursue the installation of signage as proposed, to prohibit parking on Sundays on one side of the road (right hand side on entry) on Berresford Place and Hartnoll Place only; and that parking in Saddlers Court and Coachman's Lane be monitored.

Carried

6 members voted for the motion

1 member voted against the motion

iii) Entrance Statement

Costed designs for smaller signs for the Logan Road and Nile entrances to Evandale (including exit signage), together with the main entrance statement, to be submitted to Council for consideration in the 2018/19 budget (received).

Previously met with Council's Senior Planner and Heritage Adviser.

The following was noted in relation to the original design proposed:

- location and size of sign may be an issue;
- layout of sign, to scale and in-situ has been provided;
- sign is engineer designed and will be appropriately braced to withstand wind;
- cost of maintenance.

Committee requested a written response from Council relating to any issues with the sign (carriage), e.g. size, location, etc.

Alternate design proposal was sought by Council officers and circulated for consideration (penny farthing).

The Committee requested that:

- the correct date be researched in relation to the date of settlement
- should the alternate sign be progressed, that an additional penny farthing panel be installed in the walkway barrier at the corner of Leighlands Road. (not to in-fill a gap, but as an addition to the number already included).

The Committee noted that the signage proposals should be subject to the following process:

- Designs to be considered at the September Committee meeting.
- Designs to be discussed at a future Council Workshop.
- Signage will be subject to the development application process.

iv) Morven Park

Information sought

- expected date of installation of lighting. Completion expected January 2018. Committee requested that the placement of the lights should not impede road users as is the issue with the existing lighting.
- Next project in the program after installation of the lights.

v) General matters

Further investigation

- Time Traveller – bricks at site loose, could be a WH&S issue.
Committee noted officers had inspected the site and were unable to locate.
Committee advised that a number of pavers are loose and wobble when standing thereon.
- Shale around trees - messy needs tidying, or replacing with gravel and installation of tree guards. Area swept, advanced trees do not require tree guards.
Committee advised that the level of shale is too high, either needs to be removed or barrier needs to be placed to prevent overflow.
- Trees – query as to whether Arborist had been to assess Council's trees
Committee reported that the Horse Chestnut tree near the toilet block at Pioneer Park needs to be assessed.
- Nature strips at TRANSlink/Airport to Evandale (**area not within road reserve, private property**)
overgrown - blackberries and possible fire hazard, not a good look for visitors entering the State (letter in the Australian).

Completed:

- Trees – query as to whether Council has a tree policy.
Noted - Council is currently doing tree reports for main streets of all towns, January 2017 council minute circulated for information – includes guidelines for tree planting.
- NBN -asphalt dug up and not yet replaced in Barclay Street.
Committee noted that an asphalt patch is in place.
- Public toilets
amenities painted. External ok, internal painting not satisfactory, door frames damaged.
Committee noted that new toilet partitions will be installed.
- Heavy vehicle usage of Leighlands Road (incl B Doubles) – (Western Junction from/to Midland Highway)
Committee noted, that there is a list of b-double routes on the DSG website at http://www.transport.tas.gov.au/vehicles/heavy_vehicles/access/pages/bdouble_route_network
It should be noted that Leighlands Road does not appear on the list.
The Tasmanian Load Carry vehicles webpage also indicates that there are weight concerns with the bridge across the South Esk River on Leighlands Road.
It therefore appears that b-doubles should not be utilising Leighlands Road and if they are observed using the road they can be reported to DSG.
- Care A Car
Longford Care A Car, how is Longford's funded?
Funded by donations. Noted that the Longford vehicle can be booked by Evandale residents, details in Country Courier.
- Falls Park
progress report on Falls Park entrances and other works requested. Walk way entrance is being monitored.
- Signage - Saddler's Court Reserve.
- Disabled parking roadmarking signage at the commencement of Russell Street needs refreshing.
- Pioneer Park sign next to Lake Leather needs to be renewed. Signage cleaned.
- Roadmarking cnr Collins Street and Nile Road had not yet been reinstated.
- Lighting of ANZAC mural
Noted that light is currently on Hall circuit, as bill is paid by Community Centre, the light has been switched off. Request that Council fund the added cost to the Community Centre for the lighting of the mural.
Hall committee to pursue - ascertain actual cost of usage, also pursuing alternate solutions (i.e. possibly install solar powered sensor/timer switch).
- Perth Mill Road Tree lopping - large branches cut, no care taken, trees smashed. Council

contacted TasNetworks.

6 COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

i) Rotary Club

No report.

ii) Community Centre/ Memorial Hall

- Community Centre open 7 days.
- New secretary commencing January.
- Hall bookings low – 1 regular booking per month and boot camp on Fridays.
- Quotes being sought to undertake alterations at the Community Centre (replacement of glass roof with colourbond, installation of ceiling and drainage (likely to request reallocation of funds).

R von Bibra/B Lawson

That the reports from community group representatives be received.

Carried

7 NEW BUSINESS

i) 2017 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour

The committee noted that the 2017 Emirates Melbourne Cup Tour is to visit the Northern Midlands on Wednesday 27 September 2017. The following is scheduled for the Cup visit:

- Eskleigh, Perth, from, 10.30am – 11.30am
- Cressy District High School, from 11.50am – 12.45pm
- Toosey Aged & Community Care, Longford, from 1pm – 2.15pm
- Community Fun Afternoon at the Longford Racecourse, from 2.30pm – 4.30pm
- Helping Hand charity fundraising function at the Queens Arms Hotel, Longford, from 5.30pm – 7.30pm.

ii) White Ribbon

Flyer re event details circulated for information.

iii) Backyard Burning Off

Guidelines circulated for information.

iv) 2017/2018 Budget Allocations

Noted that the Chair had received advice from Council re the Committee's budget priority list for 2017/2018, as follows:

- 1 Public Toilets at Pioneer Park – toilets have recently been painted. New toilet partitions to be constructed, however extension of this facility not yet scheduled.
- 2 Nile Road sealing – Council will continue to seek grant funding for this project and consider building it into the long term road improvement program. Cox Street at Nile kerb and channel included in long term road improvement program scheduled 2020.
- 3 Honeysuckle Banks – Council will provide infrastructure and surfaces easily maintained in flood prone areas as suggested by committee. RV status for area being investigated further.
- 4 High Street slope removal – Project to be investigated and designed with major stormwater and road improvements required.
- 5 Parking on Logan Road and surrounding areas – residents in streets have been surveyed and appropriate signage being considered by Engineering Officer.
- 6 Rubbish Bin near cricket nets to be installed on a trial basis, but if damaged again will be removed. Rubbish bins near BBQ at Pioneer Park collected six days per week, Council will keep monitoring but at this stage no further bin required. Users should be encouraged to remove

their own rubbish where possible, and not encourage household rubbish to be taken to the public reserve bins.

- 7 Garden bed near Pioneer Park BBQ shelter replanting – noted that there is no watering system available but will review planting of hardy plants during the year.
- 8 Pioneer Park Cemetery information plaque for tourists – referred to Tourism Officer for investigation and consideration for inclusion in Signage Promotion allocation. Assistance from the committee and/or local history society would be appreciated for design.
- 9 Second BBQ in Pioneer Park and more tables and chairs to be investigated along with tree planting – list park to be Master planned.
- 10 As above, or if not Master planned develop a tree planting strategy.
- 11 Saddlers Reserve Walkway – walkway to be tidied and monitored under maintenance budget/ program.
- 12 Leighlands Road walkway – no further panels to be placed on the hand railing due to wind loading.
- 13 Russel Street car parking marking – no action planned.
- 14 Permanent events board to welcome visitors to Evandale and advertise coming events – low cost options supplied for Cressy and Devon Hills – to be discussed further with committee for suitable location / size.

Additional items:

- Replacement of LED street lighting across the municipal area.
- Exposed concrete footpaths in
 - High Street from Cambock Lane to Barclay – allocation \$41,000
 - High Street from Collins to end of kerb – allocation \$40,000
 - Barclay Street from Macquarie to Leopold – allocation \$20,000.
- Town Hall internal painting and improvements - \$20,000.
- Morven Park topdressing – allocation \$20,000.
- Entrance Statement design funded.
- Special Project grant funding allocated to – Evandale History Society for Tasman Tree Recognition plaque \$1,000; Morven Park Management Committee for storage (subject to site Masterplan) \$5,000; and Evandale Football Club contribution towards freezer \$500.

8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

Chairperson closed meeting at 8.00pm.

The next meeting to be held Tuesday, **5 September 2017**, commencing at **7.00pm**.