

**NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE MEETING OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS LOCAL RECYCLING COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE LONGFORD COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> OF NOVEMBER 2021 COMMENCING AT 2:00PM**

## **AGENDA**

**1 PRESENT** – Cr. Ian Goninon (IG), Leanne Sherriff (LS), Rex Heathcote (RH), Roderick Cuthbert (RC), Jonathan Galbraith (JG), Daniel Stearnes (DS)

**2 IN ATTENDANCE** –

**3 APOLOGIES** – Owen Diefenbach, Maria Lawson, Mary Knowles Kate Heathcote has resigned from the committee.

**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*, 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.

**5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### ***Recommendation***

The minutes of the meeting of the Local Recycling Committee held on **Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> of October 2021** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings. Proposed RH seconded RC that the minutes be accepted

**6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

#### **6.1 Composting of organics**

JG to invite Launceston Environmental services to attend a future meeting, this is to be arranged when some further research has been done on the kerbside greenwaste collection (possibly the December or January meeting).

#### **6.2 Kerbside greenwaste collection**

It was noted that with the new state waste levee coming in it may now be viable to start a kerbside greenwaste collection.

### **6.3 Volunteers at recycling events**

Volunteering at events has been put on hold for the present time to due to OH&S issues with emptying “wheelie bins.” Are there any possible solutions?

### **6.4 Develop program for use of recycling trailer**

Trailer should have a jockey wheel. Action DS to follow-up with manufacturer.

Seek volunteers – encourage people to recycle at events and assist in rostering and moving of trailer.

**ACTION:** JG to follow-up about a risk assessment for emptying bins.

Suggested locations:

- Longford, Perth, Evandale schools
- Is Owen able to organise a schedule for Campbell Town, Ross and possibly Avoca?
- Functions where the trailer can be supervised or locked away.
- IGA, Nutrien, Southern Farming systems (Longford)

**ACTION:** IG and LS to organise program.

**ACTION:** JG to provide phone numbers for schools.

### **6.5 Support for business recycling**

JG has drafted letter to be followed up after this meeting.

**ACTION:** JG to send letter to IG and then forward on to the Northern Midlands Business Association.

### **6.6 Single use plastics policy**

Policy to be considered by Council. To be taken to a future workshop.

**ACTION:** IG to follow up with Des

### **6.7 Recycling shed** – Opening at 11.00am tomorrow.

**6.8 Presenting at community groups** – e.g. Neighbourhood watch, KH has provided a list to JG. Do we have any volunteers to do presentations?

**6.9 Farm and agricultural waste** – TFGA has started up a sustainability committee. LS to investigate further re silage wrap etc.

**6.10 Volunteer induction** – LS has not done an induction. RC is not sure.

### **6.11 Column for country courier**

LS has written several articles

Future columns??

### **6.12 Dog ID labels**

Council's animal control officer is looking into this next years budget.

### **6.13 Plasroc**

Owen has been in contact with Plasroc, they plan to start their first plant in Queensland next year.

### **6.14 Group name – Northern Midlands Waste Watchers**

It was agreed at the October meeting to look at vests with a name or logo. Is this still required since we are not able to volunteer at events at the present time.

## **7 AGENDA**

### **7.1 Gift voucher for recycling trailer**

We received a \$250 Australia Post gift voucher for the award we won for the recycling trailer. Does the group have any suggestions for how this can be spent?

## **8 New items**

### **8.1 ???**

## **9 PRIORITY IDEAS LIST**

**9.1** FOGO collection for businesses – on hold

**9.2** Launceston Council have a good fridge magnet which shows how products can be recycled. Look into whether this can be sent out with the next rates notices. – committee noted information, perhaps to be considered with next years rates mail out.

## **10 FACEBOOK / WEBSITE IDEAS**

**10.1** Recycling at events – Lucie to arrange Facebook items and content before departure.

## **12 FUTURE IDEAS LIST**

**12.1** Updates to recycling information sent out with rates (see 9.2)

**12.2** Recycling at sports clubs

**12.3** Labelling of clothing for businesses

## **13 CLOSURE**

Chairperson closed meeting at 3.10pm.

*Next meeting was agreed to be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of January but there is staff training on that day.*

*Suggest next meeting be held on 19<sup>th</sup> of January at 2.00pm please confirm.*