

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT JOES ON WEDNESDAY, 1 JULY 2020, COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

1 **PRESENT:** Neil Tubb, Jo Clarke, Dennis Pettyfor, Doug Bester, Kevin Headlam, Len Langan, Garry Catchlove-Owen, Bron Baker, Tim Flanagan, Dee Alty

2 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillors Adams and Brooks

3 **APOLOGIES** nil

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** - not applicable

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.

Nil declared.

5 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**MOTION**

The minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on June 17, 2020 to be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

**Moved:** Dee Alty/Len Langan

**CARRIED**

6 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

6.1 Characteristics of Longford – paper being considered, there is a need to finalise directions soon.

6.2 Longford Racecourse - the ownership of the Longford racecourse has been confirmed and the surrounding curtilage has been confirmed. It is also heritage listed.

As part of the LLDC's budget submission, there was a request for Council to spend funds on a feasibility study to establish a facility that could accommodate equestrian events at the Longford Racecourse. Original motion pertaining to a feasibility was requested at the LLDC Meeting of August 07, 2019.

## **MOTION**

“That the Council be asked to respond to the request for a feasibility study that was submitted with the budget requests,”

**Moved:** Dee Alty/Dennis Pettyfor

**CARRIED**

### 6.3 LLDC Budget Submission

The following items from LLDC were included 20/2021 Council Budget –

**6.3.1 Marlborough Street signage roads** – Neil, Dennis and Dee met on the junction of the Cressy Road and Marlborough Street to explain what sign is required. The committee is happy to support the revised discussions and Neil said he would write to the Works Manager to express their view. It was pointed out that the Cressy road be depicted as the bigger of the two. It was also asked that the Committee would like the road signs at that end of the town either be cleaned or replaced.

**6.3.2 Marlborough Street Footpath** – Council to refer to Footpath Program.

**6.3.3 Memorial Hall Development** – currently still being discussed at Council.

**6.3.4 Longford Legends Park Stage II** – Council to refer for Special Project Funding.

**6.3.5 Norfolk Plain Heritage Collection** – still awaiting Council decisions.

**6.3.6 Equestrian Proposed feasibility Study. (see 6.2)**

6.4 MOU Discussion – LLDC Revised version sent to Northern Midlands GM. Council discussed this and has deferred any decision until comments are received from other committees. Committees have been advised that they are reappointed for another 12 months.

6.5 Wellington & Marlborough Streets Intersection. State Growth has said there is no problem there. The committee is extremely disappointed with this comment when we consider the number of accidents that have occurred there. The Council is asking for a review.

6.6 LLDC Information Session – IGA. **Postponed**

## **7 REPORTS FROM SUBCOMMITTEES**

7.1 Railway committee. – no progress because of COVID19

7.2 Longford Legends – Council approved plan for the placement of plaques in Abel Tasman Avenue.

7.3 Fred Davies committee. Neil reported the Mulga Fred Davies Sign had been damaged and Council are organizing the repair to the sign and securing it back onto the Grandstand.

## **8 PENDING BUSINESS ITEMS**

- 8.2 JBS Alternate Entrance – [Still Pending](#).
- 8.3 Flood Levee Bank – Still pending outcome of Councils consultation with residents. Discussion also included walkways and bicycle paths to Perth and how the new road does not provide easy access to bicycles and walkers. The bus drivers spoke of difficulties of mixing bikes and trucks on 110 kmh roads. Can consideration be given to having bikeway links on the road between Longford and Perth too.
- 8.4 CCTV Cameras in Longford – [Still pending review with Police](#).
- 8.5 Memorial Hall – Village Green Development  
(Includes the housing of the Norfolk Plains Collection) should now be incorporated with 6.3.2.

## **9.0 NEW BUSINESS**

- 9.1 Tree Lighting near Perth By-Pass there was considerable discussion about painting a tree blue or white, but the cost of painting plus maintenance is a bit too much. Perhaps lighting would be better. The blue man was also discussed. Something that would involve the community. The consensus from those present was that tree lighting would be a preferable outcome.

### **MOTION**

**“That the Committee approach Council to see how the tree on the bypass can be solar lit as a natural artistic feature. “**

**Moved:** Bron Baker/Gary Catchlove-Owen

**CARRIED**

- 9.2 Vinnies Clothing – the closure of Vinnies in Longford was discussed and mention was made that this situation has been a successful outcome in Beauty Point where Vinnies closed there to collect clothing and that a possible collaboration between Rotary and Council I maybe an option to bring this to fruition. Further information will need to be investigated.

## **10. OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10.1 Lighting on Pateena Road – is the junction lit. Councillor Brooks believes it is , but he will check and report back. Pateena road is an important historic feature and if Longford is going to start using history as an attraction, then Pateena road needs to be considered. This to be put on next agenda.
- 10.2 Councillor Adams reported on the Council budget, that there will no rate increases, but a slight increase on the waste collection. Capital works are being developed to help stimulate work in Northern Midlands. There is about \$19.5 million available. No workers were put off during the lock down period. The small grants program will help stimulate the community groups start up again.

10.3 Gary reported that the visually impaired dots on footpaths and wearing out and/or lifting and are becoming a trip hazard.

**MOTION**

**“That the Council fix up the visual impaired aid dots on the pavements around Longford”**

**Moved:** Gary Catchlove-Owen/Jo Clarke

**CARRIED**

10.4 There was discussion about cyclists using the bridge when coming into Longford Where this is no allocated lane for cyclists. This is a safety issue as the speed limit on this section of road is 100kmh. The same situation happens in Pateena Road which has a speed limit of 80 kmh and is frequently used by cyclists where there is no signage indicating “Beware of Cyclists”.

**MOTION**

**“Can Council approach State Growth to have some signs erected to prevent cyclists and pedestrians using off roads that have speeds greater than 80 kmh and can Council please erect “Beware of Cyclists” signs in Pateena Road.”**

Moved: Gary Catchlove-Owen/Bron Baker

**CARRIED**

**CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6.55 pm

The next meeting will be held on August 5 at the Anglican Church Hall 2a William Street, commencing at 5.30 pm