

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 5 JUNE 2018 COMMENCING AT 9:34AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke (Chairperson), Mrs Jill Davis, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr John Ashman, Ms Sally Hills, Mr Michael Roach, Mrs Debbie Thomas, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Bevis Perkins
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2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor David Downie, Cr Leisa Gordon, Miss Lucie Copas (Executive and Communications Officer)

3 APOLOGIES

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

Mr John Ashman/ Mr Owen Diefenbach

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 1 May 2018** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings, with the following amendment:

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Self Contained Vehicle Permits

Miss Copas has confirmed with Council's Tourism Officer that details of Council's Camping Permits were sent to all Information Centres within the Northern Midlands and a copy of the email was resent to the Campbell Town Museum and Information Centre for their information following last meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum.

Ms Hills confirmed the information was received.

6.2 P18-034 121 HIGH STREET, CAMPBELL TOWN

Council at its 21 May meeting considered the representations made against the application and resolved that no changes were to be made and to forward the representations to the Tasmanian Planning Commission in accordance with section 39 (2) (b) of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993.

Committee awaiting decision.

6.3 Footpath Trading

Miss Copas has confirmed with Council's Compliance Officer that letters and application forms will be sent in June to all businesses who conduct footpath trading within the municipality for a permit.

No further action required.

6.4 Motions to Council

Convict Brick Trail

At the ordinary meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on 10 April 2018 the following motion was put and carried unanimously:

That the Northern Midlands Council conduct a review of the Campbell Town Convict Brick Trail with a view to expanding it and making it one of the Tasmania's premier heritage attractions.

The motion was considered at Council's May meeting and the following decision was made:

DECISION

Cr Gordon/ Cr Calvert

That Council progress the upgrade in line with the recommendation listed in the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy as funds become available.

Carried unanimously

Miss Copas confirmed that the Convict Brick Trail will be considered within the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy.

Committee expressed the importance and heritage of the Convict Brick Trail and reiterated that it is a valuable asset that Council needs to protect and promote.

Tourism

At the ordinary meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on 10 April 2018 the following motion was put and carried unanimously:

That the Northern Midlands Council as a matter of priority allocate funding to conduct a strategic review of the municipalities tourism offering with a view to growing the sector's value for the benefit of all ratepayers.

The motion was considered at Council's May meeting and the following decision was made:

DECISION

Cr Gordon/ Cr Knowles

That Council consider this request through the current Tourism Services review.

Carried unanimously

Committee expressed the importance of Council to support a Tourism strategy for the Northern Midlands and expressed that Council is falling behind in its approach to Tourism within the area.

Comparison was made between the Northern Midlands and other municipalities and their iconic tourist locations and destinations which are strongly increasing each year.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 P17-312, 171-183 HIGH STREET

Council at its 21 May meeting denied the application for 24-hour operation. Council resolved that the proposed application does not meet or comply with the zone purpose statement and that the proposed hours of operation will intrude on close residential properties.

Committee expressed their disappointment in minimal community consultation that was offered. Discussion was held regarding the approval process.

Cr Gordon confirmed that the approved opening hours are 6am – 9pm.

7.2 Local District Committee Nominations

Nomination forms for the Local District Committees are due by June 12th to be considered by Council. Application forms are available online.

Committee to provide nomination forms to Miss Copas for Council to consider.

7.3 Declared Dog Areas

Council at its May meeting conducted a review of all declared exercise and on lead areas in the Northern Midlands regarding dogs. It endorsed the following areas for Campbell Town:

Campbell Town

Restricted areas - on lead

- Blackburn Park – Blackburn Park is an overnight rest area for Self-Contained Vehicles. Many people travel with dogs; therefore it is suggested Blackburn Park be an on lead area.
- Valentine Park – Many people pass through who travel with a dog. Campbell Town is used as a regular rest stop. This area is close to the road and has an open playground so dogs need to be restrained by a lead.

All used Recreation Grounds

Restricted area- On lead at all times and no dogs allowed on playing field

- Campbell Town

A further report will be presented to Council's June meeting, identifying proposed off lead areas for Campbell Town.

Following this report Council will publicly advertise these areas and seek community feedback.

Dog poo disposal bags and signage will be installed at all new declared dog areas.

7.4 Cenotaph

Discussion was held regarding the operating of the lights at the cenotaph. Miss Copas to follow up and provide comment.

7.5 LED Street Lights

Mr Ashman provided some comment regarding the installation of LED street lights.

Miss Copas confirmed that by replacing regular street lights with LED lights, it increases efficiency by 82% and massively reduces cost to Council.

Mr Ashman provided feedback on the decreased visibility.

7.6 Main Street

Miss Copas confirmed that this is still in the planning stages and will be actioned once plans are finalised, and funds are available.

7.7 TasWater

Mayor Downie provided some comment regarding TasWater price increases and discussion was held regarding the ongoing issues of trade waste.

7.8 Thank you

Mrs Clarke thanked the committee for their commitment and involvement and encouraged each member to renominate for the new term.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at **10:25am**.

Next meeting to be held on **3 July 2018** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.