

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2019 COMMENCING AT 9:39AM

1 PRESENT

Mr Michael Roach (Chairperson), Mr John Ashman, Ms Sally Hills, Mrs Jill Davis (Vice Chair), Mrs Jill Clarke, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Ken Reid

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Miss Lucie Copas (NMC), Mrs Fiona Oates

3 APOLOGIES

Councilor Andrew Calvert, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr Bevis Perkins ESM, Mrs Debbie Thomas

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/ Mrs Judith Lyne

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 4 December 2018** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings with the following amendment:

7.12 Valentine Park Sign

A general discussion was held regarding the newly installed signage at the log in Valentine Park. Concern was raised about some of the content of the sign relating to

episodes of drunkenness associated with the sawmilling and logging. It was agreed that it would have been preferable if council had better consulted the local community about the content of the sign before installation. The forum welcomed the overall design of the sign which complimented the main town sign at the entrance of Valentine Park.

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Festival of Small Halls 2019

Northern Midlands Council hosted the Festival of Small Halls in Longford at the Longford Town Hall on Wednesday 9 January 2018.

The event was well attended, and feedback was overwhelmingly positive.

Miss Copas gave a brief report on the event and advised that it was well attended.

6.2 Christmas Decorations

Miss Copas has advised that Christmas lights and banner poles will be considered along with the Main Street Design. The final plan has not yet been received.

Miss Copas will advise once the design has been received.

Discussion was held regarding the inclusion of Christmas decorations and entrance statements within the Campbell Town Main Street Design. Miss Copas advised that a finalised proposal has not yet been received. Further discussion was held regarding the proposed removal of the trees outside Valentine Park. Mayor Knowles advised there had been recent conversation regarding this issue among Council.

Comment was also made with regard to the lack of community consultation prior to the installation of the Conara entrance statement.

6.3 Kitchen Facilities at the Town Hall

The chair tabled a letter regarding the poor amenities and lack of kitchen facilities in the Town Hall.

Miss Copas provided a copy of the letter to General Manager Des Jennings and Works Manager Leigh McCullagh for comment.

Discussion was held regarding recent community comments stating that hirers and users of the facility were frustrated with the lack of kitchen facilities. Miss Copas advised that the Forum list upgrades to the kitchen on their 2019/20 budget requests.

6.4 Illegal Dumping

Miss Copas provided the information received to Works Manager Leigh McCullagh for action and investigation.

No further updates were provided.

6.5 Shipping Container

Miss Copas provided the information received to Works manager Leigh McCullagh for action and investigation.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up with Works Department.

6.6 Valentine Park Toilet Maintenance

Miss Copas provided the information received to Works manager Leigh McCullagh for action and investigation.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up with Works Department.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Meetings for 2019

The following dates have been set for 2019 meetings:

5 February, 5 March, 2 April, 7 May, 4 June, 2 July, 6 August, 3 September, 1 October, 5 November, 3 December.

Committee noted 2019 dates.

7.2 Painting at Town Hall

Discussion was held regarding the proposed painting and maintenance of the Town Hall. It was noted that during the painting process 2x northern windows would also be repaired and closed as they are permanently open and allowing for birds to fly in.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up with Works Department.

7.3 Dogs

Discussion was held regarding the off-lead area in Campbell Town, it was noted that there is no fence and it is not suitable for dogs to be let off lead in.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up.

7.4 Swimming Pool Sprinkler

Discussion was held regarding the purchase of a sprinkler system for the pool to allow for watering of the grass and limit the dry grass that enters the pool.

Action:

Miss Copas to follow up with Works Manager.

7.5 Camping Area – Blackburn Park

Discussion was held regarding recent comments made to a member of the forum regarding the upkeep of the overnight rest area at Blackburn Park. Comments were made relating to maintenance of the grass and the lack of facilities available.

It was resolved that the Blackburn Park camping area is suitable only for self-contained caravans and mobile homes as per the signage. No further action needed.

7.6 Council Representative

Discussion was held regarding the allocation of a Councillor representative to the forum. Miss Copas advised that Councillor Andrew Calvert was allocated.

7.7 Hospital Fence

Discussion was held regarding the poor state of the existing fence near the rear driveway at the Hospital. It was resolved that Council is unable to enforce any repair or maintenance because Council does not own the land.

7.8 Neighbourhood Watch

Discussion was held regarding the need for Neighbourhood Watch within the Campbell Town area.

It was resolved that the committee would not proceed but would instead continue to invite Tasmania Police along to future meetings.

Action:

Miss Copas to invite Tasmania Police representative to March meeting.

7.9 Campbell Town Pool Kiosk

Discussion was held regarding the location of the kiosk in the new development at the War Memorial Oval. The pool committee has raised concerns regarding the ability to continue to fund raise once the kiosk has been relocated. Mayor Knowles advised that there had been discussions regarding this issue.

7.10 Underpass

Discussion was held regarding the progress of the promised underpass from the State Government. Mayor Knowles advised that the process would be long and there is more discussion needed before it can be installed. Mayor Knowles indicated that the Department of State Growth were beginning to ask questions and indicated that as a positive step.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at **10:43am**.

Next meeting to be held on **5 March 2019** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.