

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LLDC HELD AT THE CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE ON  
WEDNESDAY 7 APRIL 2021, COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

- 1 **PRESENT** Neil Tubb (Chair) Dee Alty, Tim Flanagan, Len Langan, Jo Clark, Bron Baker, Doug Bester
- 2 **IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Adams and Brooks
- 3 **APOLOGIES** Kevin Headlam, Dennis Pettyfor
- 4 **RESIGNED:** Gary Catchlove-Owen

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS** - not applicable at this time.

5 **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

6 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**“The minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on March 07, 2021 to be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.”**

**MOVED: Len Langan/Dee Alty CARRIED**

6 **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- 6.1 Safety Issues Woolmers Lane/Panshangar Road intersection. Council offered the information that it be investigated. Doug Bester spoke of the very near miss he witnessed. He spoke of extreme concern and asked that urgent action be taken. It was agreed that the Chairman, Doug Bester and Councillor Brooks approach Council to emphasise their concerns about this corner.
- 6.2 Herb Boxes – mentioned from Council minutes that it would be in 2021/2022 budget. However, the original thought was that the Committee seeks permission from Council to replant a number of the Council planter boxes with herbs like the ones at Cressy and the Committee would seek members of the community/ Garden Club to ensure they survive.

**MOTION:** “That the Committee seeks permission to replant some of the planters in Longford with herbs and that they seek volunteers in the garden community to tend them.”

**MOVED;** Bron Baker/Jo Clark

**CARRIED**

6.3 Water Trough Heritage Corner – Council has undertaken some repairs to the water trough.

## **7.0 NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 Council Bus Tour Meeting – The Chairman and Dee Alty attended the early morning meeting in which Neil talked to three points, the race course rezoning, signing the MOU and difficulties of motions out to Council. Dee handed the Mayor a list of concerns raised from the minutes of the last year. They are attached to these minutes.

The ‘New One Size Fits All Planning Scheme’ is not working. There was a brief discussion on this aspect.

**MOTION:** “The Planning Scheme is causing huge headaches for both the staff and the community. There needs to be revisions and it can only be done through the LGAT. There is an election in a month. Councillors should explain to LGAT how difficult it is to hear from the community and make changes to the scheme that takes into account, the development and heritage principles of the Northern Midlands Council.”

**MOVED:** Dee Alty/Len Langan

**CARRIED**

7.2 Petition – Rezoning of the Land around Longford Racecourse – now tabled Northern Midlands Council. The Chairman reported the petition for action for the whole intersection had been presented to State Parliament. The Committee asks the Council to seek a commitment from State Government.

7.3 Budget Proposals 2021-22 – Neil tabled his list (see attached) Dee added a lighting proposal for the Town Hall, quote attached.

7.4 Memorial Hall – Invitation to meet with Architect. The first arranged meeting did not take place. The Committee is now waiting for the consultant to make contact to reset a meeting.

7.5 Town Hall Lighting as per the item in 7.3 and attachment.

## **8 REPORTS FROM SUB COMMITTEES**

8.1 Railway Committee – still meeting and the GoFundMe fundraising is continuing.

8.2 Longford Legends. Next meeting will be organized during April, items to be reviewed will be new inductees and the installation of a Lyche Gate.

## **9. PENDING BUSINESS ITEMS**

- Tear-off Street Maps for Longford – still in process.
- Safety Issues Woolmers Lane/Panshangar Road intersection, see 6.1.
- Racecourse Signage - pending
- Heritage Streetscape Addendum - pending
- Longford Racecourse and the Longford Show Ground as part of Brickendon and Woolmers Heritage Link – pending.
- JBS Alternate Entrance – [waiting decision on Urban Design Strategy](#).
- Memorial Hall – Village Green Development – [pending Council review](#).
- Wellington & Marlborough Streets Intersection – [waiting on Council decision](#).  
*Further to this, the Chairman reported the petition for action for the whole intersection had been presented to State Parliament. The Committee asks the Council to seek a commitment from State Government.*

## **10. OTHER BUSINESS**

- 10.1** Dee raised the question of road signs – she pointed out that none of the local street signs acknowledge that Longford is a destination. It was decided to get some more specific detail and bring it back to the next meeting.
- 10.2** Bron suggested buying the Scamander old bridge and bringing it to Longford to cross the river. It was thought to be too expensive for the movement of a bridge.
- 10.3** Doug asked where South Longford boundary was?
- 10.4** At the beginning of the meeting Neil advised that he had contacted Gary Catchlove-Owen who advised that he no longer was available due to work commitments.

**MOTION:** “That a letter of thanks be sent to Gary acknowledging his time with the LLDC.”

**MOVED:** Dee Alty/Len Langan

**CARRIED**

## **CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 18.45. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 5, 2021 at the Catholic Church Hall.

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

### **REQUESTS FROM THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE DURING THE BUDGET DISCUSSIONS AND COUNCIL BUS TOUR**

Through 2020 and into 2021, there are a number of issues that are still in the pending list that the Committee would like to see addressed.

1. Finalise the MOU and have it working for both sides as per the suggestions the LLDC sent through in 2019
2. Have the Racecourse report included as part of the budget process with some allocation of funds so that it can be included into any economic strategy the Council is considering.
3. The Planning Scheme is causing huge headaches for both the staff and the community. There needs to be revisions and it can only be done through the LGAT. There is an election in a month. Councillors should explain how difficult it is to hear from the community and make changes to the scheme that takes into account the development and heritage principles of the Northern Midlands Council,
4. Longford Legends is due to start work on the next 6 legends to honour 6 women from the community. The Committee will be looking for funds to erect the plaques as before.
5. The Longford map – the Committee is working with Gordon Williams of NMBA to produce a map that fits the request of businesses in Longford. A quote is attached.
6. The committee is very concerned that although many of the motions put to Council go to the agenda, but nothing is ever heard again; there is limited feedback from officers and the Councillors on the LLDC committee can only give information after it has been through council.
7. The Committee is still waiting to have input into the latest design for the Memorial Hall precinct.
8. Currently, some of the committee are looking at the Town Hall to upgrade it as an exhibition space. This is something the Arts community in Longford are desperately needing as well as space for workshops and work space. Quotes are being obtained at the moment for specialized lighting for the Town Hall.

# NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL

## 2020/2021 BUDGET

Committee:....LONGFORD  
COMMITTEE.....

LOCAL

DISTRICT

Project	Description of proposed works/service	Estimated cost or resources needed (if available)
<b>Marlborough Street Footpaths</b>	<p>Hight Street to Pultney Street it shows gravel then from Pultney to to Malcombe Street it shows grass and so on, until you reach Cressy Road! On the opposite side of Marlborough Street, it shows asphalt continuously!</p> <p>It would make more sense if it was asphalt on both sides of Marlborough Street as this will provide a more consistent profile and will show the main thoroughfare through Longford aesthetic to the eye. Also, it will not be necessary to use the current weed killing program that is in place for that section of Marlborough Street.</p> <p>NOTE: This item was listed as a budget requirement last year and needs to be added to the <b>FOOT PATH CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM</b></p>	\$15,000
<b>Legends Park Stage II</b>	<p>Stage II requires the construction of a Lyche Gate at the entrance to the Legends Avenue. The gate will display important details about the purpose of the Legends Avenue, including the opportunity to promote tourism and detail Councils important input.</p>	\$12,000
<b>Racecourse Signage</b>	<p>The request is for proper Racecourse Signage to be installed in the same design and located at the same locations where there is current signage displaying Woolmers and Brickendon which totals 5 locations.</p>	\$2,000
<b>Entrance to Longford</b>	<p>Put in place Screening such as trees or other materials that will hide the Meat Works and provide beautification at the entrance to Longford. (funding of \$4M provided by the national Party at the last election can be used)</p>	\$20,000
<b>Replace Lawn Mower</b>	<p>Ride-on Mower used on the Longford Football Ground is old and needs replacing.</p>	\$5,000

<b>Roundabout Entrance</b>	Was listed in the 20-21 budget but nothing has happened. Item 751654.	\$200,000
<b>Lighting/Sound for Town Hall</b>	The lighting and the Sound System in the Town Hall needs upgrading to meet current standards. (see attached quotation)	\$14,000

**PLEASE NOTE: Costs are indicative only.**

**We are happy to meet with Council Officers for them to provide more accurate costs.**

## APPENDIX 3 – LIGHTING QUOTATION

**LED WORLD**

### DRAFT QUOTE

Longford Town Hall

Date  
6 Apr 2021  
Quote Number  
QU-0021  
ABN  
17 636 835 277

LED World Pty Ltd  
70 Knights Park Cres  
BANNOCKBURN VIC  
3331  
AUSTRALIA

BANNO LIGHTING  
172 Suydam St Unit 4 R  
Brooklyn, New York,  
11221

Item	Description	Quantity	Unit Price	GST	Amount AUD
<b>BODY OF HALL</b>					
LW-SK-3M-KIT	- 4M Adjustable (on site) - Each Kit Contains 2 strings.4	46.00	51.00	10%	2,346.00
LW-ST-1M	-Surface Mount Track - Lengths: 16x2M, 10 x3M -White/Black -Single Circui	46.00	28.00	10%	1,288.00
LW-LA-WW	- 3000K/4000K/5500K or CCT - Black/White - Dimmable - CRI 90 - Single (3Wire) or Three Circuit (4Wire)	46.00	149.00	10%	6,854.00
<b>MEZZANINE</b>					
LW-ST-1M	-Surface Mount Track - Lengths: 4x2M, 2 x3M -White/Black -Single Circui	13.00	28.00	10%	364.00
LW-LA-WW	- 3000K/4000K/5500K or CCT - Black/White - Dimmable - CRI 90 - Single (3Wire) or Three Circuit (4Wire)	13.00	149.00	10%	1,937.00
LW-TL-ACC	- Corner joiners x 6 - Mini Joiners x 20	1.00	12.00	10%	12.00
Postage	Postage	2.00	30.00	10%	60.00
Subtotal					12,861.00
TOTAL GST 10%					1,286.10

#### Terms

\*\*\*Track is cut to length on site.

\*\*\*Please specify Track and Light colour

\*\*\* Specify Billing name and address