

MINUTES OF THE CIVIL & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY,  
12 SEPTEMBER, 2018, COMMENCING AT 9.00 AM.

PRESENT: Cr D F Baker (Chairperson), Crs A A Michael (Acting Mayor), M J.Peters and J N McCosker.

Also in attendance: Crs J A Watts, C M Dight and P A King.

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Civil and Environmental Services), Scott Norman (Director Corporate and Economic Services), Justin Pay (Manager Civil Engineering) and Anthony Alliston (Manager Development Services).

SECTION A

APOLOGIES:

Apologies were received from Crs P J Harmon and S J Berryman both of whom could not attend due to personal reasons.

*RESOLVED (Michael/McCosker) that the apologies from Crs P J Harmon and S J Berryman be noted.*

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

*RESOLVED (Peters/Michael) that the Minutes of the Civil and Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on 8 August, 2018, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.*

2. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS/PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

There were no interests declared.

3. PUBLIC FORUM S13.5.6/11

At this juncture, the time being 9.04 am, the Chair welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak:

Greg Bannerman  
Inverell Boys Club

Seeking support for new Gymnasium

Greg Bannerman from Inverell Boys Club (also know as Inverell Gymnastics) addressed the Committee seeking support to build a new gymnasium on the Council controlled reserve adjacent to the Inverell Rugby Club House. The current gymnasium was built in 1897 and has seen multiple different uses before it become the property of the Inverell Boys Club. The club has outgrown the building and can not accept any more registered gymnastic members because of a lack of space. They also have to strip the building of furniture and equipment to gain enough space to hold events; this will soon become more problematic as the building work on the adjoining land will block the rear access they have previously used.

The Club is a volunteer based incorporated association and has no paid employees. They are seeking Council support for an application to the Lands Department to sight the new building on the Recreation Reserve. A concept design was presented with an estimated cost of construction of \$500,000,

for which the Club seek grant funding. The Club owns the current building which they would sell to assist to fund the new building, although bridging finance would be required. They have the support of the Rugby Club who would like to share the facility, and the nearby schools. Macintyre High School already uses the current facility. There is also interest from early childhood facilities to run Kindy Gym Programs.

Tim Newberry  
Inverell East Rotary  
Club

Support for an observation deck in May Park Inverell.

Tim Newberry from Inverell East Rotary Club addressed the Committee seeking support for the Club to construct an observation deck in May Park Inverell.

Mr Newberry thanked Council for their previous support.

The Club is seeking Council's consent to construct the viewing platform in the Park. They have received a quote of \$22,000 (materials and labour) and have committed \$10,000 from Club funds towards the project. They have also made application to the District 9650 Rotary Club Foundation for financial assistance. They would appreciate Council's assistance with identifying and making an application to any appropriate grant funding opportunities.

At this juncture, the time being 9.20 am, the Public Forum Session closed and the Committee resumed the balance of the Agenda.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil

SECTION B  
ADVOCACY REPORTS

Cr Michael Homework Centre at the Linking Together Centre

Cr Michael attended, on behalf of the Mayor, the Opening of the Homework Centre at the Linking Together Centre.

Cr Michael Modern Day Conflict Commemoration Service

Cr Michael attended, on behalf of the Mayor, the Modern Day Conflict Commemoration Service. It was held 8 September 2018 and was organised by the Returned and Services League of Australia Inverell Sub Branch.

Cr Michael Gum Flat Movie Night

Cr Michael attended the Gum Flat Movie Night, which was a great success and the Rock Climbing Wall was particularly popular.

Cr Michael Regional Bank Community Partnerships Presentation

Cr Michael attended the Regional Bank Community Partnerships presentation where \$71K was distributed to local Community Groups.

SECTION D  
DESTINATION REPORTS

- MCE 1. ROAD TRAIN ACCESS - RING STREET AND BYRON STREET - TRIAL OUTCOME S28.15.3/08

*RESOLVED (Michael/Peters) that the Committee recommend to Council that Council approve the permit application for A – Double Modern Road Train (Type 1) access to the section of the route between the Ring Street Roundabout, along Ring Street to the land adjacent to the Silos complex, under the condition that permission is granted from the land owner for access to the site.*

- MCE 2. REQUEST FOR ROAD TRAIN ACCESS - YETMAN ROAD S28.15.3/08

*RESOLVED (McCosker/Peters) that the Committee note their support for the General Manager to exercise his delegated authority to issue a temporary conditional permit for A - Double Road Train (Type 1) access to Yetman Road, between Inverell Saleyards and Oakwood to Stewarts Grain Trading, subject to the identified conditions.*

- GM 3. MAY STREET PARK - OBSERVATION DECK S21.8.41

*RESOLVED (Peters/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) Council approve the concept of constructing an observation deck in the park, and*
- ii) Council seek funding opportunities for the residual of the construction costs, using the Club's financial commitment as 'seed funding'.*

- MCE 4. GRAVEL AVAILABILITY - IMPACTS ON WORKS PROGRAM S28.26.2

*RESOLVED (Peters/McCosker) that the Committee recommend to Council that:*

- i) The standard gravel royalty rate for natural ridge gravels be increased to \$3 (exc. GST) per cubic metre;*
- ii) Existing gravel pit owners be advised of the increase; and*
- iii) The new royalty rate be appropriately promoted in an attempt to attract new gravel sources.*

#### SECTION E INFORMATION REPORTS

- 1. PROJECT CONTROL GROUP MEETING MINUTES 22 AUGUST 2018 – MICHELL LANE S28.11.2 + S28.7.18/60
- 2. PROJECT CONTROL GROUP MEETING MINUTES 22 AUGUST 2018 - WOOD STREET GILGAI DRAINAGE UPGRADE STAGE 3 S28.11.2 + S28.7.18/43
- 3. NSW CATTLE UNDERPASS SCHEME S14.18.6/11
- 4. MAINTENANCE GRADING 2017/2018 S14.18.6/11
- 5. WORKS UPDATE S28.21.1/11
- 6. NSW PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT - POPULATION PROJECTIONS 2018 S14.16.9
- 7. PROJECT CONTROL GROUP MEETING MINUTES 14 AUGUST 2018 – OTHO STREET – (BYRON TO EVANS STREET) TCRP S28.11.2 & S28.7.18/56

*RESOLVED (Michael/Peters) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Civil & Environmental Services Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 12 September,*

*2018, be received and noted.*

SECTION F  
GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr McCosker      Council Kerb Side Pickup Program

Cr McCosker asked if a Council kerb side pickup program could be reconsidered.

The Director Civil and Environmental Services replied that Council currently has “free to dump days” at the Landfill and an Electrical and White Goods Collection Service run in conjunction with the Service Clubs.

The issue of a possible kerb side collection program will be considered by the Waste Management Sunset Committee and a recommendation will be made to Council.

Cr Peters      Freight Strategy

Cr Peters enquired as to the progress of the Freight Strategy.

The Director Civil and Environmental Services replied that RMS would like to participate but is not willing to contribute funding. The Brief is partially prepared and amendments are being made in response to feedback received. RMS has provided a list of suitable consultants to seek quotes from and it is expected tender documents will go out in the next 4 weeks.

Cr Dight      North Star – Yetman Road Intersection

Cr Dight requested a watching brief on the North Star – Yetman Road Intersection and in particular to ensure sufficient room to turn large trucks south without crossing onto the wrong side of the road.

This was noted by the Director Civil & Environmental Services.

Cr Peters      Bruxner Highway between Seereys Creeks and Western Shire Boundary

Cr Peters brought to the Committee's attention the surface and in particular the bridge approaches on the Bruxner Highway between Seereys Creeks and Western Shire Boundary are in need of attention.

This was noted by the Director Civil & Environmental Services.

Mr Paul Henry  
(General  
Manager)      Proposed Tingha Boundary Realignment

The General Manager briefed Councilors on the progress of the proposed Tingha boundary Realignment. The matter is with the Minister for Local Government. She can refer the matter to the CEO of the Office of Local Government or the Local Government Boundary Commission; this decision will impact the amount of time it takes to receive a decision.

Council staff have met with Armidale Regional Council Staff and held preliminary discussions in relation to the matter.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.50 am.

CR D F BAKER

CHAIRPERSON