

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING/COMMUNITY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, 144 OTHO STREET, INVERELL ON WEDNESDAY, 14 MAY, 2008, COMMENCING AT 8.30 AM.

PRESENT: Cr P H Lloyd (Chairperson), Crs B C Johnston, W J Irvine, D F Baker, P J Harmon, D C Jones and D B Mudaliar.

Also in attendance: Cr J L Cameron (alternate).

Paul Henry (General Manager), Brett McInnes (Director Planning and Development), Ken Beddie (Director Corporate Services) and Greg Moran (Director Technical Services).

APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies received.

SECTION A

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED (Harmon/Baker) that the Minutes of the Planning/Community Committee Meeting held on 9 April, 2008, 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 13.5.4

At this juncture, the time being 8.32 am, the Chair welcomed the members of the public and opened the Public Forum Session by inviting members of the public to speak:

Mr Len Steele Orchard Place

Noted he has been a resident of Orchard Place for over forty (40) years. The amount of traffic on the road has substantially increased. He asked that Council take urgent action to seal this road, especially the Swanbrook Road end to address health concerns.

At this juncture, the time being 9.29 am, the Public Forum Session closed and the Committee resumed the balance of the Agenda.

Suspension of Standing Orders

At this juncture, the time being 8.37 am, the Mayor sought agreement to suspend Standing Orders to welcome Council's Heritage Architect Mr Ian Kirk.

Mr Ian Kirk addressed the meeting. He noted the heritage matters raised in the Business Paper and the recommended direction Council needs to take in these matters.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

DPD-A Employment Lands Strategy (ELS)

Can the issue of a Medical Precinct be considered in the ELS?

Newstead Plan of Management

Actions are progressing in this matter.

SECTION F
PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REPORTS

DPD-A 1. INVERELL SWIMMING POOL - ANNIVERSARY S5.11.39

RESOLVED (Baker/Mudaliar) that the Committee recommend to Council that investigations be undertaken into the conduct of a suitable event to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Inverell Pool.

2. DELUNGRA RESIDENTIAL LAND AVAILABILITY STUDY S5.2.53

RESOLVED (Johnston/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that the Draft Delungra Residential Land Availability Study be formally adopted for the purposes of future strategic planning.

3. SUBMISSION IN RESPONSE TO THE PLANNING REFORM DRAFT EXPOSURE BILL S18.6.34

RESOLVED (Harmon/Baker) that the Committee recommend to Council that the submission in response to the planning reform draft exposure bills as prepared by the Director Planning & Development on the 24 April, 2008, be endorsed.

DPD-A 4. CHERRY TREE HILL LANDFILL DEPOT 31.8.3
MES-A

RESOLVED (Johnston/Mudaliar) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) A rural landfill strategy be developed at the earliest possible time, and*
- ii) A suitable publicity campaign be undertaken regarding this matter.*

At this juncture, the time being 10.30 am Cr Cameron and Direct Corporate Services departed the meeting to attend discussions with State Water.

TTP-A 5. ROAD NAMING DA 73/2007

RESOLVED (Jones/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that appropriate steps be taken to formally name the roads in the subdivision approved under DA-73/2007 as 'Rosella Place' and 'Corella Court'. If no objections are received, Council authorise the Director Planning and Development, Mr Brett McInnes, to adopt these names and submit them for publication to the Government Gazette.

DPD-A 6. ACCESS & FRONTAGE TO LANEWAYS POLICY S28.3.1
EXA-A

RESOLVED (Harmon/Jones) that the Committee recommend to Council that the Draft Access & Frontage to Laneways Policy be adopted.

DPD-A 7. INVERELL COMMUNITY BASED HERITAGE STUDY S18.6.46

RESOLVED (Baker/Harmon) that the Committee recommend to Council that:

- i) The Inverell Community Based Heritage Study be endorsed for the purposes of public exhibition as part of the Inverell Land Use Strategy;*
- ii) The 2008 Annual Report as prepared by the Heritage Advisor be endorsed;*
- iii) The 2008-2011 Heritage Strategy as prepared by the Heritage Advisor be endorsed; and*
- iv) A public awareness strategy in relation to urban design be prepared.*

SECTION I
INFORMATION REPORTS

- 1. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FISHERIES AND FORESTRY S11.12.6
- 2. LETTER OF APPRECIATION RECEIVED S6.8.9
- 3. SHARPS CONTAMINATION OF RECYCLING BINS 31.3.6
- 4. KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL WASTE WATCHERS PROGRAM S31.3.3
- 5. RESPONSE REGARDING MIMOSA BUSH INVASION S11.12.6
- 6. NSW SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE – DETERMINATION TO MAKE A MINOR AMENDMENT TO PART 3 OF SCHEDULE 1 OF THE ACT S11.12.4
- 7. NSW SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE – FINAL DETERMINATION TO REJECT A PROPOSAL TO LIST ‘1080 POISON BAITING USED FOR THE CONTROL OF VERTEBRATE PEST ANIMALS’ AS A KEY THREATENING PROCESS S11.12.4S
- 8. BARTON v ORANGE CITY COUNCIL [2008] NSWLEC S18.6.11
- 9. EMPLOYMENT LANDS STRATEGY ISSUES PAPER S18.6.49
- 10. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED FROM HON RICHARD TORBAY MP S18.6.34

RESOLVED (Jones/Mudaliar) that the items contained in the Information Reports to the Planning/Community Committee Meeting held on Wednesday, 14 May, 2008 be received and noted.

SECTION J
GENERAL BUSINESS

DPD-A DPD Rural Lands Use Study S18.6.49

The Director Planning and Development noted that the minimum lot sizes for Council's new LEP was determined following a recent workshop. A new State SEPP (Rural Lands) has been introduced, that impacts on concession lot provisions at the LEP and the building entitlements that may attach to these lots. A report to Council will be prepared regarding this issue.

DPD Exempt and Complying Development Code for Commercial Buildings

It is noted that the Government has released the Exempt and Complying Development Code for Commercial Buildings. This would indicate that the Government's Planning Reforms were well advanced before being announced.

Cr Jones Staging for use at the Town Hall

A representative of the Combined Churches shall raise the issue of staging for use at the Town Hall with the General Manager.

Cr Jones Optus to install Next G Transmitter at Yetman

It is noted that an announcement was made by Optus that a Next G Transmitter will be installed at Yetman. Concern was raised that the work that Telstra has undertaken to install a tower at Yetman will be overtaken if Optus proceeds first.

MDS-A Cr Harmon Capping Stone in Campbell Park S21.8.11

It is noted that Apex has paid for the repairs done to the capping stones in Campbell Park. When will this work be undertaken?

DTS-A Cr Mudaliar Disabled Parking Places in the Central Business District (CBD)
28.27.2

Cr Mudaliar noted that a number of awning curtain supports and other structures are obstructing disabled parking spaces in the CBD. Can someone please investigate this issue and take appropriate action?

Cr Baker Otho Lane

It is noted that compliments have been received from shop owners for the manner in which liaison is being undertaken during works.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 12.05 pm.

CR P H LLOYD

CHAIRPERSON