



Communities Standing Committee Meeting

MINUTES

Meeting held in the Central Highlands Regional Council Chambers, Emerald Office

Tuesday 27 September 2016

Commenced at 9.02am

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 27 September 2016

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MINUTES – COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 9.00AM TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2016 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE

PRESENT

Councillors

Councillor (Cr) C. Brimblecombe (Chair), Cr K. Hayes (Mayor), Cr G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor), Cr P. Bell AM and Cr M. Daniels

Officers

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason, General Manager Communities B. Duke, General Manager Infrastructure and Utilities Gerhard Joubert, Senior Advisor Margaret Grunsell, Coordinator Communications A. Ferris and Minute Secretary K. Stephenson

Observers

Nil

APOLOGIES

Cr G. Nixon

Resolution:

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr C. Brimblecombe “That an apology be granted for Cr G. Nixon for today’s meeting.”

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Carried (4-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Communities Standing Committee Meeting: 30 August 2016

Resolution:

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels “That the minutes of the previous Communities Standing Committee Meeting held on 30 August 2016 be confirmed.”

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Carried (4-0)

Business Arising Out Of Minutes

Nil

Outstanding Meeting Actions

Nil

Conflict of Interest, Personal Gifts and Benefits

Nil

Petitions (to be tabled)

Nil

Attendance

Manager Community and Customer Service Luke Lankowski attended the meeting at 9.05am
Cr P. Bell attended the meeting at 9.07am

COMMUNITIES' SECTION

Self Help TV Retransmission

Executive Summary:

Central Highlands Regional Council currently owns and operates three (3) re-transmission sites at the Gemfields located in Anakie, Sapphire and the Willows. This report provides information about the service and outlines the costs associated with providing these services to the community and improving coverage to other areas of the Gemfields such as Rubyvale and the Willows.

Resolution:

Cr K. Hayes moved and seconded by Cr G. Godwin-Smith "That the Central Highlands Regional Council upgrade the Sapphire self-help re-transmission site to improve television coverage to the Rubyvale area to address issues experienced due to topography and vegetation impacts. Further, that Council allocate \$10,000 to fund this project as part of Budget Review 1."

CSC 2016 / 09 / 27 / 03

Carried (5-0)

Attendance

Manager Community and Customer Service Luke Lankowski left the meeting at 9.17am

e-Kindy Services

Executive Summary:

At the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee held on 26 July 2016, a further report was requested on information relating to established e-Kindy arrangements across the Central Highlands. This information was to include a list of other local governments that are involved in providing e-Kindy services across Queensland. e-Kindy offers a comprehensive 'at home' kindergarten program for children in the year before Prep. The program is designed so that children living in rural and remote areas can engage in quality kindergarten experiences and maximise their learning as they play, create, imagine and discover. Following contact and a response from the State Department of Education and Training, further information is now presented to the Committee for consideration.

Resolution:

Cr P. Bell moved and seconded by Cr K. Hayes "That Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee takes the decision not to financially support e-Kindy initiatives across the region and that interested parents and primary schools consider a self-funding service delivery model, in direct liaison with the Queensland Department of Education and Training (Early Years Innovation – Program Services – Early Childhood and Community Engagement). Further, that a letter of support be provided to the Queensland Department of Education and Training should Central Highlands communities consider pursuing the self-funding model for additional educational services including the e-Kindy initiative."

CSC 2016 / 09 / 27 / 04

Carried (5-0)

Attendance

Manager Community Planning and Engagement Janice Moriarty and the Arts and Cultural Officer Karen Newman both attended the meeting at 9.23am

Central Highlands Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee (CHACAC) and Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF)

Executive Summary:

The reactivation of the Central Highlands Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee could assist with the operation, decision-making and disbursement of Regional Arts Development Fund grant funding throughout the Central Highlands communities. This Report recommends same.

Resolution:

Cr M. Daniels moved and seconded by Cr P. Bell “That the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee approves the re-establishment of the Central Highlands Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee (CHACAC) under a fresh terms of reference to achieve effective decision-making regarding disbursement of Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) grant monies. Further, that the Terms of Reference be presented to the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee for endorsement.”

CSC 2016 / 09 / 27 / 05

Carried (5-0)

Resolution:

Cr P. Bell moved and seconded by Cr K. Hayes “That the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee recommends that the Deputy Mayor, Cr Gail Godwin-Smith be the Chairman of Central Highlands Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee (CHACAC).”

CSC 2016 / 09 / 27 / 06

Carried (5-0)

Attendance

Arts and Cultural Officer Karen Newman left the meeting at 9.32am

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) 2016-17 Round 1 Application

Executive Summary:

The Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) Program has four (4) primary application rounds annually. However, additional arts and cultural opportunities may present themselves outside these rounds and as such applications may at times be presented to council as an Out-of-Round or additional applications due to timeframes of individual projects. Additional round applications are approved by the Central Highlands Arts and Cultural Advisory Committee (CHACAC) via email and phone confirmations and a record of such is included within the next regular meeting minutes.

Resolution:

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels “That Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee approves a Regional Arts Development Fund grant of \$1,750 to the Central Highlands Writers, for a Writing Workshop with Sandy Curtis to encourage new members and enhance the skills of existing members under Round 1 of the 2016/17 financial year funding allocation.”

CSC 2016 / 09 / 27 / 07

Carried (5-0)

Attendance

Manager Community Planning and Engagement Janice Moriarty left the meeting at 9.36am

Manager Parks and Recreation Mark Giebel and Town Planner Jaymie Webster attended the meeting at 9.37am

Cr M. Daniels left the meeting at 10.04am and returned to the meeting at 10.18am

Open Space and Recreation Plan & Emerald Botanical Gardens

Executive Summary:

Consistent with action identified in the Central Highlands Regional Council Operational Plan 2016-17, an information report is presented to the Committee regarding a review of the existing Central Highlands Regional Council's Open Space and Recreation Plan and engagement strategies to be used.

Attendance

Cr M. Daniels left the meeting at 10.04am and returned to the meeting at 10.18am

The Committee endorsed the following aspirations for Central Highlands Regional Council parks and public places with further progress reports / workshops to follow as this project proceeds:

- Our parks and public places will provide opportunities for all ages, abilities and backgrounds to be outdoors (addressing climate constraints)
- Our parks and public places will be equitable and sustainable, both in terms of provision (region wide, establishment and maintenance costs) and users.
- Our parks and public places will tell our story (i.e. reflect our history, reflect where we are and reflect where we are going).
- Our parks and public places will be located and designed for our community (i.e. reflect the demographic of where they are).
- Our parks and public places provide fit for purpose facilities that encourage community involvement and participation in organised sport.
- Council recognises its role in the provision of quality parks and public places as preventative health care.
- Council recognises its role as the primary steward of parks in our region and recognises the value in working with stakeholders in delivering new or upgrading existing infrastructure (i.e. community partnerships, developer contributions, government and other grants).
- Our parks and public places will protect and enhance natural and scenic values.
- Our parks and public places will encourage our community to lead active and healthy lifestyles all year round.
- Well connected, safe and innovative.
- Community pride.
- Awareness – there is an awareness of our parks and what they have to offer locally, regionally, State level and nationally (feeds in to decision making, ability to attract events [games or otherwise]).
- Our park and public place network is the web bringing our community together.

Attendance

General Manager Infrastructure and Utilities Gerhard Joubert left the meeting at 11.16am

Manager Parks and Recreation Mark Giebel and Town Planner Jaymie Webster left the meeting at 11.16am

General Manager Communities Brad Duke left the meeting at 11.16am returned at 11.18am

Manager Community Planning and Engagement Janice Moriarty attended at 11.16am

CHRC Community Grants - Round 2 2016

Executive Summary:

The Central Highlands Regional Council Community Grants Committee is seeking endorsement from the Communities Standing Committee for the eighteen (18) successful applications for Round Two of the 2016 Central Highlands Regional Council Community Grants.

Resolution:

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels "That the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Standing Committee approves the following successful Community Grants for Round 2 2016 following evaluation by the Central Highlands Regional Council Community Grants Committee:

Organisation	Project	GST Registered	Grant	GST If Applicable	Total
Arcadia Valley Recreation Association	New Footpath from Hall to Amenities Block	No	\$5,000.00	NIL	\$5,000.00
Bauhinia Hack and Pony Club Inc	Bauhinia Kids - Have a Go!	No	\$5,000.00	NIL	\$5,000.00
Blackwater Clay Target Club Inc	Equipment for Major Carnivals	No	\$4,913.50	NIL	\$4,913.50
Blackwater Police Citizens Youth Club	Blackwater Police Citizens Youth Club Basketball Hall refurbishment	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,500.00
Blackwater Pony Club Inc	New Ablution Block - Electrical	No	\$3,890.00	NIL	\$3,890.00
Borilla Community Kindergarten	Access 4 All at Borilla Kindy	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,500.00
Capella Golf Club	Kitchen improvements	No	\$2,843.00	NIL	\$2,843.00
Capella Pioneer Village	Central Queensland Cinematic, Photographic & Communications Exhibit Stage 8	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,500.00
Central Family Support	First Aid Training for people with a disability	Yes	\$1,200.00	\$120.00	\$1,320.00
Central Highlands BMX Club	Registration Hut Renovation	No	\$4,730.00	NIL	\$4,730.00
Central Highlands Feather Club	Renewal of Poultry Cages for Animal Health & Safety Project	No	\$5,000.00	NIL	\$5,000.00
Central Highlands Triathlon Club	Emerald Parkrun	No	\$5,000.00	NIL	\$5,000.00
Emerald Amateur Swimming Club Inc (Emerald Seals)	Sun protection tents and trailer to transport	No	\$4,769.30	NIL	\$4,769.30
Emerald Car Club Inc	Showgrounds Facilities Improvements	No	\$5,000.00	NIL	\$5,000.00
Emerald Junior Golf Club	Junior Golf Equipment	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,500.00
Emerald Show Society	Emerald Show – Poultry Shed Upgrade	No	\$1,870.00	NIL	\$1,870.00
Queensland Country Womens' Association (QCWA) Blackwater	Upgrade Kitchen	No	\$3,067.00	NIL	\$3,067.00
Queensland Police Citizens Youth Welfare Association and Emerald Police Citizens Youth Club	Energy Efficient Air	Yes	\$5,000.00	\$500.00	\$5,500.00
Springsure Show Society	Show Pavillion Upgrade	No	\$4,100.00	NIL	\$4,100.00

Total Community Grants Round 2, 2016 is \$81,382.80.”

Attendance

Manager Community Planning and Engagement Janice Moriarty left the meeting at 11.21am

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 11.21am for morning tea and resumed at 11.44am

GENERAL BUSINESS

(Verbal matters raised by Councillors either as a question, acknowledgement and or additional follow-up by officers)

Steering Committee – New Blackwater Aquatic Centre

The Chair, Cr C. Brimblecombe supported the re-introduction of the Steering Committee to oversee the new Blackwater Aquatic Centre Project. The Chief Executive Officer advised that a report regarding this matter will be presented to the next meeting of the Committee.

CLOSED SESSION

Into Closed Session

Resolution

Cr G. Godwin Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels “That Council close its meeting to the public in accordance with Section 275 (1)(h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that Council staff involved in the closed discussions remain in the room.”

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Carried (5-0)

The meeting was closed at 11.45am

Attendance

Coordinator Communications Andrea Ferris left the meeting 11.45am

Coordinator Environment and Waste Kent Worsley attended the meeting at 11.45am

AECOM representatives Rosanna Sanderson and Ben McMasters attended the meeting at 11.45am to present their final report regarding the centralised waste management facility feasibility study

Centralised Waste Management Facility Feasibility Study

Executive Summary:

AECOM has finalised the feasibility study into the potential use of a final mine void known as Ramp 20 as a centralised waste disposal site. The assessment highlighted both risks and advantages to the use of a mine void and examined potential measures to mitigate the risks. The Report highlights risk with regards to flood impacts and seepage into the pit, which would require extensive expenditure to manage. These risks and financial liability associated with mitigation, would need to stay with the mine site to be economically viable for Council in comparison to using a green field site. Initial discussions with the mine site owner, indicate that the site would be willing to discuss the transfer of the mine void, but all risk and liability would also be transferred to Council (including high wall failure, rehabilitation, groundwater seepage and flood risk).

Out of Closed Session

Resolution

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels “That the meeting now be re-opened to the public.”

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Carried (5-0)

The meeting was opened at 12.37pm

Centralised Waste Management Facility Feasibility Study

Resolution

Cr G. Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr M. Daniels “That Central Highlands Regional Council recognise the transferable benefit of having completed this AECOM feasibility study into the re-use of a mine void for a waste disposal site and that Council conclude its investigations into the void known as Ramp 20. In addition Council revisit its Waste Reduction and Recycling Plan 2016-2026 (Waste Strategy) with a view to both extending the life of its existing landfill sites and identifying a more appropriate mine void for consideration as a centralised waste disposal site.”

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Carried (5-0)

Attendance

General Manager Infrastructure and Utilities Gerhard Joubert left the meeting at 12.37pm

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 12.46pm

CONFIRMED

CHAIR

DATE