



Central Highlands Regional Council

Communities Standing Committee Meeting

MINUTES

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

Tuesday 12 September 2017

Commenced at 10.15am

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 12 September 2017

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**MINUTES – COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 10.15AM TUESDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2017 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE**

PRESENT

Councillors

Councillors (Crs) K. Hayes (Mayor / Chair), G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor), M. Daniels, P. Bell AM

Officers

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason, General Manager Communities D. Fletcher, Minute Secretary B. Pusey

Observers

Councillor (Cr) C. Rolfe

APOLOGIES

Councillor (Cr) G. Nixon

Resolution:

Cr Goodwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That an apology be granted for Cr Nixon for today’s Communities Standing Committee Meeting.”

CSC 2017 / 09 / 12 / 001

Carried (4-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Leave of absence was previously granted to Cr Brimblecombe for this meeting.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Communities Standing Committee Meeting: 8 August 2017

Resolution:

Cr Goodwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That the minutes of the previous Communities Standing Committee Meeting held on 8 August 2017 be confirmed.”

CSC 2017 / 09 / 12 / 002

Carried (4-0)

Business Arising Out Of Minutes

Cr Goodwin-Smith requested an update on the loan to the Emerald Triathlon Club. It was advised that the loan was processed and sent to the Emerald Triathlon Club last week. Planning for the upcoming 2017-18 Nissan State Series is well underway.

Outstanding Meeting Actions

Cr Daniels requested an update on the free wireless internet. It was advised that an update on council’s finalised position will be provided. Currently council are communicating with Southwest Wireless. The area locations on where the wireless internet will be provided include various locations including the Town Hall and McIndoe Park.

Attendance

Manager Community Development S. Poulter attended the meeting at 10.18am

Conflict of Interest, Personal Gifts and Benefits

Nil

Petitions

Nil

COMMUNITIES

Community Planning Advisory Group (CPAG)

Executive summary:

At the Central Highlands Regional Council Strategy Meeting held on 25 July 2017, Councillors agreed to continue the Community Planning Advisory Group (CPAG), with a new Terms of Reference (TOR) to be created to support meetings. Councillors Bell, Daniels, Nixon and Brimblecombe nominated themselves to review the TOR with council officers for presentation to council once complete. Attached to this report is the revised TOR for review and endorsement.

Resolution:

Cr Daniels moved and seconded by Cr Bell “That Central Highlands Regional Council endorse the proposed Community Planning Advisory Group Terms of Reference to establish a revised framework and governance for the Community Reference Group meetings.”

CSC 2017 / 09 / 12 / 003

Carried (4-0)

All Abilities Queensland – State Disability Plan 2017 - 2020

Executive summary:

This report provides information in relation to the Queensland Government's new state disability plan. The plan has been developed to identify positive strategic outcomes for people with disability across the state, and the broader community. The plan identifies actions to be taken by the Queensland Government, with individual plans to be developed by each department which may then require partnership with third parties, including local government. This report discusses the five priorities of this plan, and outlines Council's existing measures in relation to these priorities.

Resolution:

Cr Bell moved and seconded by Cr Goodwin-Smith “That the Central Highlands Regional Council write to the Local Government Association of Queensland to encourage partnerships and funding opportunities with the Queensland Government Department of Disability Services and local governments for the implementation and successful delivery of the State Disability Strategy.”

CSC 2017 / 09 / 12 / 004

Carried (4-0)

Cr Bell encouraged Council to consider the necessary investment profile to provide adequate all abilities equipment and to prioritise investment decisions in accordance with need and park hierarchy. Additionally, Cr Bell asked how we are presently influencing our purchasing for all abilities participation including equipment for parks.

Attendance

Manager Community Development S. Poulter left the meeting at 10.42am

Acting Principal Planner Strategic Land Use J. Webster attended the meeting at 10.42am

Provisioning rates for recreation and sports parks

Executive summary:

A review of Council's Open Space and Recreation Plan commenced last financial year. Through the review process the Council has set aspirations for parks in our region which advance higher order corporate planning. The project has continued in line with the project stages which was first presented through this committee. We are nearing the stage of having a complete draft to further engage with the Central

Highlands community. Today we are seeking to work through provisioning rates for non-specialised sports parks. A further session will be held to work through provisioning rates for recreation parks.

Resolution:

Cr Goodwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That Central Highlands Regional Council – adopt a provisioning rate for non-specialised sports parks of 2.3 hectares per 1000 persons.

And further;

That Central Highlands Regional Council – adopt a breakdown of this provision rate as:

1. Local sports parks 0.8 hectares per 1000 persons
2. District sports parks 1 hectare per 1000 persons
3. Regional sports parks 0.5 hectares per 1000 persons.”

CSC 2017 / 09 / 12 / 005

Carried (4-0)

Update on the Liveability Strategy

Executive summary:

The preparation of a Liveability Strategy has been carried forward into the 17/18 Operational Plan. Further to the workshop which was held in April 2017 the Development and Planning team has had to give priority to prioritise Council projects. It is expected that the Liveability Strategy will be completed in the second quarter of the 17/18 year and this report is to provide an update on work remaining and an overview of the findings for the community engagement which occurred earlier this year.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Acting Principal Planner Strategic Land Use J. Webster left the meeting at 11.06am

Communities – Department Update

Executive summary:

The purpose of the Communities Department report is to provide a brief overview for the Communities Standing Committee on operational projects and matters that are linked to the operational and corporate plan or important matters requiring follow-up to the Committee.

Considered by Council.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Project update: Review of Central Highlands Marketing Plan 2015

Executive summary:

This report provides an update on the review of the *Central Highlands Marketing Plan 2015* project.

Considered by Council.

CLOSED SESSION

Into Closed Session

Resolution:

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

2017 / 09 / 12 / 006

Carried (4-0)

Attendance

Councillor C. Rolfe left the meeting at 11.28am

Manager Community Development attended the meeting at 11.28am

Community Planner A. Burton attended the meeting at 11.28am

Out of Closed Session

Resolution:

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

2017 / 09 / 12 / 007

Carried (4-0)

The meeting was opened at 11.39am

Attendance

Councillor C. Rolfe attended the meeting at 11.39am

Councillor A. McIndoe attended the meeting at 11.39am

CHRC Community Grants Program – Assessment Panel Selection

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The role of the Community Grants Assessment Panel is to assess Community Grants applications. The panel consists of two or three Councillors, one staff member and up to four community members, with the community members serving a maximum period of two years.

Nominations for community member representation were advertised and closed on 11 August 2017. Five nominations were received for the Communities Standing Committee to review and select up to four for endorsement as the new community panel members.

Resolution:

Cr Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That Central Highlands Regional Council select all five applications submitted to sit on the Central Highlands Regional Council Community Grants Program Assessment Panel.

And further;

To adjust the Central Highlands Regional Council Communities Grants Program Assessment Panel membership to reflect this change.”

2017 / 09 / 12 / 008

Carried (4-0)

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 11.39am.

CONFIRMED

CHAIR

DATE