

MINUTES – AQUATIC CENTRE COMMITTEE – TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2014



ITEM 1: PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Clr Ray Thompson (Chairman), Roger Bailey (LCC), Terry Cambourn, Karen Luka, and Darren King

APOLOGIES: Clr Ross Higlett, Maree Evans, Jodie Stewart.

OFFICERS: Maddison Bailey, Iain Stewart

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: Nil.

ITEM 2: CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Aquatic Centre Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 5 December 2013 were adopted by Council on Monday, 10 February 2014.

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting of 5 December 2013 be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Terry Cambourn

SECONDED: Darren King

ITEM 3: LOCAL INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL SCHEME (LIRS)

At the meeting held on 5 December 2013 it was reported that Council was applying to have the \$3m LIRS loan transferred from the Clarence Transfer Scheme to the Lithgow Aquatic Centre Project. The application was successful, and Council now has \$5.6m under LIRS to complete Stages 2, 3 (indoor 25m pool) and Stage 4 (Redevelopment of existing 50m outdoor pool). The total project cost is estimated at \$5.547m.

ACTION

THAT the information regarding the Local Infrastructure Renewal Scheme be noted.

MOVED: Karen Luka

SECONDED: Darren King

ITEM 4: LITHGOW AQUATIC CENTRE STAGES 2 & 3

Following an expressions of interest stage, Council resolved to invite 5 companies to submit tenders for the construction of Stages 2 and 3 of the Lithgow Aquatic Centre Redevelopment.

A Construction Certificate has been lodged with Council. Facility Design Group are currently finalising the tender documentation.

ACTION

THAT the information regarding Lithgow Aquatic Centre Stages 2 & 3 is noted.

MOVED: Darren King

SECONDED: Terry Cambourn

ITEM 5: LITHGOW AQUATIC CENTRE STAGE 4

Council has engaged Facility Design Group to provide consultancy services for Stage 4 of the Aquatic Centre Redevelopment. Expressions of Interest for the construction works are currently open, closing Wednesday 26 February. It is anticipated to use the selective tendering method to engage a suitable contractor to carry out the works, with a report recommending a contractor to be presented to Council on Monday 14 April 2014.

ACTION

THAT the information regarding Lithgow Aquatic Centre Stage 4 be noted.

MOVED: Terry Cambourn

SECONDED: Karen Luka

ITEM 6: POOL WATER TREATMENT – LITHGOW AQUATIC CENTRES STAGES 2, 3, 4

Stephen Johansson of Facility Design Group and his Pool Plant Consultant, Bob Collingridge, attended the meeting to discuss final specifications and pool water treatment options for Stages 2, 3 and 4. The committee were provided information on water treatment options for the proposed indoor and existing outdoor pool. Pool water treatment options include Chlorine, Bromine, and Ozone systems. Bromine was recommended by the consultants for the new indoor pool, as it has no odour or taste, and is able to be stored for much longer periods than chlorine. Bromine dosing systems have the same initial capital cost as Chlorine systems, and have lower ongoing costs. Ozone systems have a high initial capital cost and minimal benefits over Bromine dosing.

Stephen Johansson and Bob Collingridge recommended the continued use of Sodium Hypochlorite for the 50m outdoor pool renovation (Stage 4). Bob also presented information on the technology involved in renovation of old pool gravity sand filters. It was recommended that Council opt to renovate the existing filters for the 50m outdoor pool to comply with NSW Department of Health Guidelines, rather than replace the filtration at considerable cost.

ACTION:

THAT Council:

1. Consider the installation of a Bromine pool water dosing system for the new 25m indoor pool (Aquatic Centre Stages 2 & 3);
2. Renovate the existing 50m outdoor pool gravity sand filters to comply with NSW Department of Health Guidelines in lieu of demolition and replacement.

MOVED: Karen Luka

SECONDED: Terry Cambourn

There being no further business the meeting closed at 4.30pm.