



Minutes

Community Development Committee
Tuesday 31 March 2015
Lithgow City Council
Committee Room
4.00 – 5.15 pm

Community Development Committee	
Item Number	Agenda
1	Present & apologies
2	Adoption of Previous Minutes
3	Business Arising From Previous Minutes
4	Anzac Day 2015
5	Blast Furnace
6	Update on Current Projects
7	General Business

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ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Present: Mayor Maree Statham, Robyn da Costa, Linda Hine and Rachael Young.

Apologies: Clr Joe McGinnes, Helen Riley and Juli-Ann Brozek.

Officers: Matthew Johnson, Melanie Jones and Wendy Hawkes.

Declaration of Interests: NIL

ITEM : 2 ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of the 3 February 2015 meeting was confirmed by email by 3 Committee members and reported to Council on 2 March 2015.

ACTION

THAT the confirmation and reporting of the previous minutes to Council be noted.

MOVED: Linda Hine
Carried

SECONDED: Rachael Young

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY

3.1 Sister Cities: A report on this matter will be prepared for Council on 20 April 2015.

3.2 Adventure Playground: The planned tour of Bathurst and Blayney playgrounds has been rescheduled to 13 May 2015. Committee members who wish to attend are asked to advise the Community Development Officer beforehand and meet at the Lithgow Visitor Centre at midday.

3.3 Recognition of David Palmer: The Committee was advised that contact has been made with David's family to discuss sign content and design.

3.4 Lions Club Financial Assistance: The Lion's Club has advised that they do not require financial assistance at this time and have therefore withdrawn their application for Financial Assistance.

3.5 Lithgow OAM recipients: Letters have been sent by the Mayor to Lithgow recipients of 2015 Order of Australia Medals.

3.6 Rising Prince: The Committee was advised that Club Lithgow organised a bus trip to an event at Bathurst Thoroughbred Racing Club in honour of Rising Prince.

3.7 Hindu Temple: This matter has been forwarded to Council's Economic Development Committee for consideration.

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3.8 Busby Street Park: A letter of thanks will be sent once the person's address is determined.

ACTION

THAT

1. A tour of Bathurst and Blayney playgrounds be undertaken on 13 May 2015.
2. A letter be prepared from the Mayor to Club Lithgow asking them to recognise Rising Prince in the Club's Sporting Hall of Fame.
3. The update on the Business Arising from the previous minutes be noted.

MOVED: Linda Hine
Carried

SECONDED: Robyn da Costa

ITEM : 4 ANZAC DAY 2015

SUMMARY

The Committee was provided with an update on planning for ANZAC Centenary events.

COMMENTARY

The following events have been scheduled to celebrate the ANZAC Centenary:

Gallery Lane Poppies

2 April – 3 May 2015

**National Trust Heritage Festival – Conflict and Compassion
including Camera on Gallipoli Photographic Display**

11 April – 26 May 2015

Lithgow Library Learning Centre

Heritage Talks – Conflict and Compassion

Saturday 11 April from 10am to 2pm

Lithgow Library Learning Centre

1915 – Lithgow City Band Production Commemorating the ANZAC Centenary

Friday 17 April – 8pm

Saturday 18 April – 2pm and 8pm

Union Theatre

ANZAC Day Parade

Saturday 25 April

Lithgow RSL

ANZAC Cemetery Walk

Sunday 26 April

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Lithgow and District Family History Society

Entries for the Yvonne Jenkins Memorial Award Essay due.

Thursday 30 April

Lithgow and District Family History Society

ANZAC Review

Saturday 23 May

Lithgow Library Learning Centre

History Walk – Top End of Main Street

Saturday 23 May

Lithgow Library Learning Centre

ACTION

THAT the update on ANZAC Centenary events be noted.

MOVED: Rachael Young

SECONDED: Linda Hine

Carried

ITEM : 5 BLAST FURNACE PARK

SUMMARY

The Committee was provided with an update on the development of Blast Furnace Park.

COMMENTARY

A concept plan has been developed for the site including fencing, walkways, viewing platforms, picnic areas and interpretative signage.

A structural assessment has also been undertaken to repair the remaining brick structures on the site.

Council will be proceeding to seek tenders for implementation of the concept plan and repairs to the structures once heritage approvals are finalised. It is hoped that works will be complete or largely progressed by the end of 2015.

Council has secured \$300,000 in funding for the project from the NSW government and Council has committed \$150,000 to the project in 2014/15 and a further \$100,000 has been included in the draft 2015/16 budget. This will not be sufficient to complete all works. Once tenders are received, a priority list will be determined.

ACTION

THAT

1. The update on Blast Furnace Park be noted.
2. The installation of tourism signage on the Great Western Highway directing visitors to Blast Furnace and Lake Pillans be referred to Council's TALC Committee for consideration.

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MOVED: Robyn Da Costa
Carried

SECONDED: Linda Hine

ITEM : 6 UPDATE ON CURRENT PROJECTS

SUMMARY

An update was provided on works at Lake Pillans and the Lithgow Gun Emplacement.

COMMENTARY

The concrete pathway linking Blast Furnace and Lake Pillans is completed with only site clean-up works remaining.

Interpretative signage for the Bowenfels Gun Emplacement is complete. Council is awaiting Heritage Office approval to install and the finalisation of works to the adjoining sewer pumping station after which the site will be opened to the public.

ACTION

THAT the update on Current Projects be noted.

MOVED: Rachael Young
Carried

SECONDED: Linda Hine

ITEM : 7 GENERAL BUSINESS

Tourism Signage

The need for signage on the corner of Main Street and Bridge Street directing visitors to Sydney and local tourist attractions was raised and will be referred to Council's Tourism Committee for consideration.

The inclusion of directional signage to Lake Pillans at the Inch Street entrance to Blast Furnace will be incorporated into the Blast Furnace upgrade works.

CBD Parking

Concerns raised about the lack of parking in the CBD will be referred to the CBD Revitalisation Committee and appropriate Council Department for consideration.

Queen Elizabeth Park War Memorial

The Committee was advised that quotes are being obtained for the installation of a plaque on a remembrance wall at the park in memory of those who gave their lives during World War 11.

Lions Club

The Mayor advised that a new combined Lions Club has been established for Wallerawang and Portland.

ACTION

THAT the items discussed under General Business be noted.

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MOVED: Linda Hine
Carried

SECONDED: Robyn da Costa

Meeting Closed 5.15pm

**Next meeting:
Tuesday 2 June 2015
From 4.00pm to 6.00pm
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