



Minutes

Community Development Committee
Tuesday 2 June 2015
Lithgow City Council
Committee Room
4.00 – 5.50 pm

Community Development Committee	
Item Number	Agenda
1	Present & apologies
2	Adoption of Previous Minutes
3	Business Arising From Previous Minutes
4	Guest Speaker
5	Financial Assistance
6	Blast Furnace
7	Update on Current Projects
8	General Business

ITEM 1: PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Present: Mayor Maree Statham (until 5.16pm during discussion of Item 4), Robyn da Costa, Linda Hine, Helen Riley and Rachael Young.

Apologies: Clr Joe McGinnes and Renee Difranco

Officers: Juli-Ann Brozek, Matthew Johnson (until 5.20pm) and Melanie Jones.

Declaration of Interests: The following declarations of interest were made in relation to financial assistance applications:

Rachael Young – Rydal Show Society and Daffodils at Rydal
Helen Riley – Mingaan

These Committee members were advised that would be required to vacate the meeting during discussions on these applications.

ACTION

THAT the above apologies and declarations of interest be noted.

MOVED: Robyn da Costa

SECONDED:

Linda Hine

ITEM 2: ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Minutes of the 31 March 2015 meeting was confirmed by email by 3 Committee members and reported to Council on 20 April 2015.

ACTION

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

MOVED: Helen Riley

SECONDED:

Linda Hine

ITEM 3: BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Sister Cities: This matter was reported to Council on 20 April 2015 where Council resolved not to pursue formal Sister City relationships with other cities but instead consider any individual requests for events and visits as they arise.

3.2 Adventure Playground: This tour of other playgrounds did not proceed due to cold weather and is to be rescheduled. Council called for EOI's by 30 May 2015 from prospective designers to develop concept designs for the adventure playground. Two EOI's were received and will be assessed shortly.

3.3 Recognition of David Palmer: Matter still in progress.

3.4 Busby Street Park: A letter of thanks has been sent.

ACTION

THAT the update on Business Arising from the previous minutes be noted.

MOVED: Linda Hine

SECONDED: Helen Riley

ITEM 5: FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

SUMMARY

Items 5-7 were discussed prior to item 4. The Committee considered applications received for Round 1 of 2015/16 Non-Recurrent Financial Assistance. Rachael Young and Helen Riley left the room from 4.50-5.00 pm while the applications that they had declared an interest in were discussed.

COMMENTARY

During April 2015 Council called for applications for Round 1 of 2015/16 Non-Recurrent Financial Assistance with 28 applications to the approximate value of \$65,000 received.

The Committee considered these applications and recommended that the 28 applications be approved to the value of \$37,774.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council approve the allocation of \$37,774 in Round 1 2015/16 Non-Recurrent Financial Assistance to 28 projects.

MOVED: Robyn Da Costa

SECONDED: Linda Hine

ITEM 6: BLAST FURNACE

SUMMARY

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

COMMENTARY

An application has been submitted to the NSW Heritage office for both the concept plan including fencing, walkways, viewing platforms, the carpark and picnic areas and for the repair works to existing structures. A DA/CC has also been submitted to Council for the concept plan only.

A contract has been signed for development of interpretative signage.

Council has called for expressions of interest to undertake the repairs to the existing structures.

The concept plan has been placed on exhibition on Council's website as well as Administration Centre and libraries until 26 June.

ACTION

THAT The update on Blast Furnace Park be noted.

MOVED: Helen Riley

SECONDED: Rachael Young

ITEM 7: UPDATE ON CURRENT PROJECTS

SUMMARY

An update was provided on the proposed WW11 memorial in Queen Elizabeth Park and the Lithgow Gun Emplacement.

COMMENTARY

Discussions continue between Council and Lithgow RSL Sub-Branch regarding placement of the WW11 plaque.

Interpretative signage for the Bowenfels Gun Emplacement is complete and Council has received Heritage Office approval to install. Works to the adjoining sewer pumping station are complete and arrangements are underway to open the site to the public.

ACTION

THAT the update on Current Projects be noted.

MOVED: Rachael Young

SECONDED: Linda Hine

ITEM 4: GUEST SPEAKER

SUMMARY

Stephan Stead was invited to speak with the Committee on local community projects and partnership opportunities. This Item was discussed after Items 5-7. The Mayor left the meeting at 5.16pm during discussion of Item 4.

COMMENTARY

Stephan Stead spoke to the committee about a possible idea for funding a facility for people with a disability, as part of the proposed adventure playground at Endeavour

Park. The facility a called a 'changing room' and is a fully accessible toilet and changing facility for people with severe physical disabilities, equipped with changing table, rails and hoists to assist carers.

ACTION

THAT The discussion on the inclusion of facilities for people with disabilities at the proposed Endeavour Park adventure playground be noted.

MOVED: Helen Riley

SECONDED:

Robyn da Costa

ITEM 8: GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no General Business

Meeting Closed 5:50pm

**Next meeting:
Tuesday 4 August 2015
From 4.00pm to 6.00pm
Council Committee Room
Lithgow City Council**