

Minutes Community Development Committee Tuesday 13 March 2018 Lithgow City Council Committee Room 4.00 – 5.00 pm

Community Development Committee			
Item Number	Agenda		
1	Welcome, Present & apologies		
2	Previous Minutes		
3	Business Arising from Previous Minutes		
4	Safe Crossing Great Western Highway		
5	Update on Current projects		
6	General Business		

ITEM: 1 WELCOME, PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Present: Mayor Lesslie, Clr Coleman, Clr Statham, Leanne Walding, Rachael Young, Bryan Williamson, Paul Philips and Glenda Anthes

Apologies: Annette Staines

Officers: Matthew Johnson

Declaration of Interests: nil

ACTION

THAT

The present, apologies and declarations of interest be noted.

MOVED: Mayor Lesslie **SECONDED:** Leanne Walding

ITEM: 2 PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting were endorsed by three members present and reported to Council on 26 February 2018.

ACTION

THAT

The endorsement of the previous minutes by three members present and their reporting to Council on 26 February 2018 be noted.

MOVED: Leanne Walding **SECONDED:** Rachael Young

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

3.1 Financial Assistance

The Committee's recommendations were reported to Council on 26 February 2018 with Council resolving to fully adopt the recommendations.

3.2 John Welling's Award

Council resolved on on 26 February 2018 to adopt the Committee's recommendation that Council run the awards in future and allocate funding in each operational plan.

ACTION

THAT

- **1.** The Business Arising from the previous minutes be noted.
- **2.** Council staff liaise with Council's Heritage Advisory Committee on the future running of the awards.

MOVED:	Paul Phillips	SECONDED:	Glenda Anthes

ITEM: 4 Safe Crossing Great Western Highway

SUMMARY

The committee discussed safe pedestrian access issues across the Great Western Highway in Bowenfels.

COMMENTARY

A report appeared in the Mercury recently stating that a community petition was being collected asking the Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) to construct a safe pedestrian crossing at the Bayonet Street/ Great Western Highway intersection near the adventure playground site.

It is understood that the RMS had already decided, but not publicly announced, that it would construct lights at the Bayonet Street/ Great Western Highway intersection with works possibly to occur in the current financial year.

The lack of safe access across the highway at the Col Drew Drive intersection has also been a concern for a number of years.

ACTION

THAT

- 1. The planned construction of lights at the Bayonet Street/ Great Western Highway intersection by the RMS be noted.
- 2. Community concerns about the lack of safe access across the Great Western Highway at the Col Drew Drive intersection be referred to Council's Operations Committee for consideration.

MOVED: Leanne Walding **SECONDED:** Rachael Young

ITEM: 5 UPDATE ON CURRENT PROJECTS

SUMMARY

An update was provided on projects currently underway in Community and Culture including Blast Furnace Masterplan works and the Adventure Playground.

COMMENTARY

Blast Furnace

Barrier fencing has been removed so the public can now access the site. Some minor works are continuing and power, lighting and toilet installations are also continuing. The official opening is scheduled for Saturday 12 May to coincide with Lithglow Heritage Festival light show. An outdoor cinema event is also to be held on Saturday 14 April during Youth Week.

Adventure Playground

Council has been very fortunate to receive a little over \$1m from the Stronger Country Communities program to construct the playground, together with funding commitments from Council of over \$300,000 and a further \$200,000 for the recently installed public toilets. Council expects this to be sufficient to construct the project.

Final tender designs have been received from the designer and Council expects to call for tenders within a few weeks with works to start and finish in 2018/19.

ACTION

THAT

- 1. The report on current projects be noted.
- 2. Concerns about rubbish in a number of pits at Blast Furnace be referred to the appropriate Council department for action.

MOVED: Glenda Anthes SECONDED: Bryan Williamson

ITEM: 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Naming of Bank/Burns Lane Lithgow

Concerns were raised about the naming of this Lane next the Lithgow Library which is signposted as Burns Lane but shown on Google Maps as Bank Lane. This could be confusing for emergency services.

6.2 Community transport in rural villages.

Clr Statham raised concerns about the lack of affordable community transport from Cullen Bullen, Portland and Lidsdale to medical and other appointments and social events. The effect of this is that many people, particularly the aged, are socially isolated.

ACTION

THAT

- 1. The naming of Burns Lane be referred to Council's Director of Operations for action.
- 2. Concerns about the lack of affordable community transport from Cullen Bullen, Portland and Lidsdale be investigated by Council staff and brought back to the Committee for consideration.

MOVED: Clr Statham SECONDED: Bryan Williamson

Meeting Closed 4:30pm

Next Meeting Tuesday 8 May 2018 at 4:00pm