

DRAFT MINUTES

Operations Committee

held at

Council Administration Centre
Committee Room
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Wednesday 3 July 2019

at 4:00 pm

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 04:06 pm.

1. Present

Present: Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor S Ring, Councillor J Smith, Councillor R Thompson

Officers: Graeme Faulkner, Jonathon Edgecombe, Lewis Bezzina, Daniel Buckens

2. Apologies

Apologies: Councillor C Coleman, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Lesslie, Councillor M Statham

Officers: David Anderson

3. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2019 were presented to Council on Monday 27th May 2019 (Reconvened Tuesday 11th June)

ACTION

THAT the Minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2019 be taken as read and confirmed.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson SECONDED: Councillor S Ring

CARRIED: Unanimously

4. Declaration of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest for items to be dealt with at this meeting.

5. Presentations

Nil

6. Staff Reports

6.1. Streets Opening Coordination Council

At the recent WRSOC meeting a new system/ organisation which invites voluntary members to place a schedule of their capital works, remedial works and all organisation can see what works are happening in the area.

The membership fee is \$5,000 for Local government, this membership will able Council to gain valuable information about works in the area including and provide private companies a schedule of our own works and be able to collaborate on restorations works and plan ahead. This would assist Council to identify areas of interest and assist in long term planning.

NBN and Telstra are just some of the larger companies that are not currently members but their membership is sought

The EPA has been requested to map contaminated land.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

- 1. The Committee notes the report on the benefits to Lithgow City Council of membership to the Streets Opening Coordination Council; and
- 2. Council allocate \$5,000.00 from the Main Street Stormwater Improvements project to fund membership to the Streets Opening Coordination Council.

MOVED: Councillor R Thompson SECONDED: Councillor J Smith

CARRIED: Unanimously

6.2. Change to Aquatic Centre Opening Hours

During winter - patrons being turned away due to full capacity.

Investigation have begun on assessing community usage such as operation hours of the facility.

A new set of operations hours will be on trial for a period of 3 months to better cater for patrons of the Aquatic Centre by adding an additional hour on Weekdays and reduce weekend operations by 3 hours. These hours will be reassessed after the trial period and dependent on trial may come into effect permanent in the next year's winter season.

The Summer Season will also be assessed and a report will be brought to the committee and possible changes may occur for a trial period of 3 months.

ACTION

THAT the Committee note the report detailing upcoming changes to the operating hours of the Jim Robson Aquatic Centre, for a trial period of three months.

MOVED: Councillor S Ring SECONDED: Councillor J Smith

CARRIED: Unanimously

7. General Business

Clr R Thompson advised that he is receiving good reports from McKanes Falls Road project on the great job of road repairs and requested a message to be passed on to staff and contractors.

It was noted that the Reservoir at Portland, staff have identified a leak in the system, looking a repairing a valve but may need to replace it if it cannot be repaired.

The General Manager raised that a report will be prepared in relation to the new code of meeting practice and how this will affect him as a voting member on the committee moving forward.

J Smith has also received good reports from pleased residents in relation to the installation of a footpath on Wolgan Street , Lidsdale. It was noted that residents thank Council on a job well done

It was noted that the Pedestrian Walkway at Wallerawang is scheduled to be repaired by contractors shortly and may need to look at a long term solution.

Plans have been sourced for the Sanford Ave - Accessible Pedestrian Bridge

It was raised that a quotes has recently been received for 1 Valve replacement in relation to the water main renewal in Bridge Street Lithgow. This particular valve has to be imported from America and there is only one company in Australia that can install it. It was noted that it would take 12 weeks until we receive the part. A general media release will be sent out to public advising of the works, there will be traffic control during day - possible night works.

8. Meeting Close

Next Meeting: Wednesday 7th August 2019 at 4:00pm in the Committee Room

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 04:29 pm.