



# Central Highlands Regional Council

**Communities Standing Committee Meeting**

## **MINUTES**

**Meeting held in the Central Highlands Regional Council Chambers, Emerald Office**

**Tuesday 8 August 2017**

**Commenced at 10.25am**

**CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL  
COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**TUESDAY 8 August 2017**

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**MINUTES – COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT 10.25AM TUESDAY 8 AUGUST 2017 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE**

**PRESENT**

**Councillors**

Councillors (Crs) K. Hayes (Mayor), G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor) C. Brimblecombe (Chair),  
Councillors M. Daniels, G. Nixon

**Officers**

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason, General Manager Communities D. Fletcher, General Manager  
Infrastructure G. Joubert, Minute Secretary B. Pusey

**Observers**

Councillors (Crs) A. McIndoe, C. Rolfe

**APOLOGIES**

***Resolution:***

Cr Hayes moved and seconded by Cr Godwin-Smith “That an apology be granted for Councillor P. Bell AM  
for today’s Communities Standing Committee Meeting.”

**CSC 2017 / 08 / 08 / 001**

Carried (5-0)

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

***Resolution:***

Cr Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That a leave of absence for Councillor  
Brimblecombe be granted for the Communities Standing Committee Meeting to be held on 12 September  
2017.”

**CSC 2017 / 08 / 08 / 002**

Carried (5-0)

**Business Arising Out Of Minutes**

Nil

**Outstanding Meeting Actions**

Nil

**Conflict of Interest, Personal Gifts and Benefits**

Nil

**Petitions**

Nil

**Attendance**

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason left the meeting at 10.26am

Councillor C. Rolfe attended the meeting at 10.28am

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason attended the meeting at 10.28am

General Manager Infrastructure G. Joubert attended the meeting at 10.29am

Manager Finance S. Fogg attended the meeting at 10.37am

## **COMMUNITIES**

### **Loan to Central Highlands Triathlon Club**

#### **Executive summary:**

The Central Highlands Triathlon Club has made a request to Central Highlands Regional Council for a financial loan of \$10,000 to assist with preparations for the upcoming Nissan State Series Emerald Triathlon.

#### **Resolution:**

Cr Hayes moved and seconded by Cr Godwin-Smith “That the Central Highlands Regional Council approve the loan conditional to specific negotiated terms, with delegation provided to the Chief Executive Officer to undertake negotiations, and any further loans requested from community groups be approved, in accordance with and pursuant to, the creation of a financial assistance policy for Community organisations (or similar)”

**CSC 2017 / 08 / 08 / 003**

Carried (5-0)

#### **Attendance**

Manager Finance S. Fogg left the meeting at 10.43am

Manager Environment and Planning K. Byrne attended the meeting at 10.43am

Senior Ranger J. Bullivant attended the meeting at 10.43am

### **Stock Routes**

#### **Executive summary:**

This information report is provided for the purpose of updating Council regarding the Stock Route Network across the Central Highlands region and the legislative amendments proposed in the *Stock Route Management Bill 2016*.

Additionally, the report outlines the upcoming stock route audit report to be completed and information on funding the assets and maintenance of the stock routes.

Considered by Council.

Mayor K. Hayes thanked the Ranger Services team for their response to a recent event, for their professionalism in the community and providing support to a high standard.

#### **Attendance**

Manager Environment and Planning K. Byrne left the meeting at 10.54am

Senior Ranger J. Bullivant left the meeting at 10.54am

Manager Community Development S. Poulter attended the meeting at 10.55am

Community Development Officer B. Frawley attended the meeting at 10.55am

### **Community Reference Groups – Action Planning Update**

#### **Executive summary:**

The Central Highlands Community Plan 2022 comprises a region-wide plan with regional goals and outcomes, as well as 13 place based community plans that list each community’s priorities with goals that link to the regional plan.

The 13 place based plans recognise the unique and diverse communities within the region, providing equal representation to their future aspirations and priorities within the Central Highlands.

With these plans in place, the next step to achieving these priorities is “Making it Happen”. To “Make it Happen” each of the 13 Community Reference Groups (CRG’s) have been tasked to set out how their priorities and goals will become a reality, through the creation of an Action Plan.

The Community Development Unit have been working with each of the 13 CRG's to develop their Action Plan. This report provides an update of the progress made by each community on their Action Plan.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Community Development Officer B. Frawley left the meeting at 10.58am

Youth Officer J. Clutterbuck attended the meeting at 10.58am

General Manager Infrastructure G. Joubert left the meeting at 11.01am

**Youth Strategy Progress Report**

**Executive summary:**

The Youth Strategy will be Central Highlands Regional Council's plan for our region's young people outlining council's priorities to support them over the next 5 years. The strategy will be developed in line with council's strategic documents, including the Central Highlands Community Plan 2022 and the new Corporate Plan 2017 - 2022.

The community engagement process is well underway with a number of engagement activities conducted to gain information and feedback to assist the development of the strategy. Engagement activities will continue until August 2017, with the draft Youth Strategy scheduled for presentation to council in November 2017, and the final version to be presented for adoption at the Communities Standing Committee meeting 12 December 2017.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Youth Officer J. Clutterbuck left the meeting at 11.10am

Manager Community Development S. Poulter left the meeting at 11.10am

**Call for Motions – LGAQ Annual Conference**

**Executive summary:**

The 2017 Local Government Association of Queensland Annual Conference is being held from 16 – 18 October 2017 at the Gladstone Entertainment Centre.

Submissions are currently being sought for motions for the annual conference and are due by Friday 25 August 2017.

Motion handout circulated to all Councillors to provide open discussion.

1. Prevention of a recycling market failure
2. Transport for vulnerable people in regional areas
3. Post codes in rural areas – (ongoing issue as noted in CRGs)
4. Disability access improvement in rural and regional areas
5. Fixed Phone lines to support education and telecommunications generally
6. Development and Planning
7. Environment and Waste
8. Ranger Services
9. Better utilisation of open space sporting facility between educational institutions and community sport
10. Expansion of e-kindy to areas across the Central Highlands

Considered by Council.

## **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

### **Show Dates 2018**

#### **Executive summary:**

The Minister responsible for the administration of the *Holidays Act 1983*, is empowered to appoint, upon request from the Chief Executive Officer of the local government for the district, a special holiday within the region whether it be a day, or the forenoon or afternoon of a day. Holidays of this nature are usually appointed in respect of an annual agricultural show, horticultural show or industrial show or other even which would be of significance to a particular district.

#### **Resolution:**

Cr Nixon moved and seconded by Cr Godwin-Smith “That Central Highlands Regional Council advise the Office of Industrial Relations that it requires the following dates to be gazetted in the respective areas as the Show Holidays for 2018:

Capella/Tieri: Friday 25 May 2018

Springsure/Rolleston: Friday 1 June 2018

Emerald / Comet / Gemfields: Wednesday 6 June 2018

Blackwater/ Bluff / Dingo / Duaringa: Wednesday 6 June 2018.”

**CSC 2017 / 08 / 08 / 004**

Carried (5-0)

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Nil

## **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 10.20am.

CONFIRMED

CHAIR

DATE