

Communities Standing Committee Meeting

Meeting of the Central Highlands Regional Council held
in the **Council Chambers, 65 Egerton Street, Emerald**
on

Tuesday, 13 February 2018
Commenced at 10.15am

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COUNCIL MINUTES

CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL
COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY 13 February 2018

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MINUTES – COMMUNITIES STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT 10.15AM TUESDAY 13 FEBRUARY 2018 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE

PRESENT

Councillors

Councillors (Crs) C. Brimblecombe (Chair),

Councillors (Crs) G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor), M. Daniels, A. McIndoe, G. Sypher

Officers

General Manager Corporate Services J. Bradshaw, Acting General Manager Communities S. Poulter,
General Manager Infrastructure G. Joubert, Minute Secretary B. Pusey

Observers

Cr G. Nixon

APOLOGIES

Cr K. Hayes

Resolution:

Cr McIndoe moved and seconded by Cr Godwin-Smith “That a leave of absence previously granted for K. Hayes for today’s meeting be recorded.”

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Carried (5-0)

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Communities Standing Committee Meeting: 23 January 2018

Resolution:

Cr Godwin-Smith moved and seconded by Daniels “That the minutes of the previous Communities Standing Committee Meeting held on 23 January 2018 be confirmed.”

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Carried (5-0)

Business Arising Out Of Minutes

Nil

Outstanding Meeting Actions

Nil

Review of Upcoming Agenda Items

Nil

PETITIONS (IF ANY)

Nil

MATERIAL PERSONAL INTEREST, CONFLICT OF INTEREST, PERSONAL GIFTS AND BENEFITS

Nil

Attendance

Acting Manager Planning and Environment K. Worsley attended the meeting at 10.20am
Coordinator Ranger Services A. Philippzig-Mann attended the meeting at 10.20am

COMMUNITIES

Animal Management Report

Executive summary:

The purpose of this information report is to provide Council with an overview of how Animal Management within the Central Highlands Regional Council Local Government Area (LGA) can be improved throughout 2018, taking into account the requirements of the *Animal Management (Cats and Dogs) Act 2008* (the Act) and *Local Law No 2 (Animal Management) 2012*. The initiatives outlined within this report are intended to improve both service delivery and compliance outcomes across the region.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Acting Manager Planning and Environment K. Worsley left the meeting at 10.28am
Coordinator Ranger Services A. Philippzig-Mann left the meeting at 10.28am

Update from Nogoia November and the River Revival Project

Executive summary:

This Information report has been drafted to provide a close out on the activities from the Nogoia November Day initiative hosted by the Central Highlands Regional Council on 25 November 2017 and identifies future opportunities to continue with the river revival project.

Considered by Council.

Attendance

Executive Assistant Infrastructure S. Cooper attended the meeting at 10.29am
Executive Assistant Infrastructure S. Cooper left the meeting at 10.29am

DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

Departmental Updates

Executive summary:

The following information provides an update on key activities for the Communities Department.

1. Rubyvale facility opening
2. Mobile litter fencing to Lochlees and Blackwater landfills
3. Repair work out at Duaringa Landfill
4. Hydro-mulching completed in across a number of sites
5. Mosquito management
6. Blackwater investigation to unlawful disposal of regulated waste
7. Environmental Authority Compliance Inspections
8. Water testing

9. Decontamination of Emerald Town Hall
10. Emerald Skate Park Update
11. Mobile Skate Park Update
12. Youth Strategy and Action Plan
13. Emerald Community Gardens
14. Library partnerships
15. Library workshops
16. Library renovations
17. Comet tales and walking trails
18. Community nbn™ access network information sessions
19. Community Planning and Advisory Group
20. RADF event marketing and project planning community training
21. 30 Year Anniversary Bauhinia Bicentennial Art Gallery and Art and Photo Competition
22. Council gallery exhibitions
23. Springsure Hospital Museum visit by Dr Melanie Piddoke
24. Springsure Hospital Museum 150 year anniversary
25. Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF) - Round 2, 2017-18 update
26. Community Grants Program - Round 1, 2017-2018 update
27. CHACAC planning meeting and community visit to Gemfields
28. Ranger Attendance at Weed Symposium in Port Douglas
29. Trainee Rangers
30. Capella patrols continuing
31. Fines and compliance notices – Capella and Emerald
32. Draft Queensland Biosecurity Strategy 2017 - 2022
33. Service Level Agreement
34. Misuse of water connections in the Gemfields
35. Non-conforming Building Product (NCBP) Audit Taskforce
36. Central Highlands Sports Forum 2018

Considered by Council.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Daniels raised a vote of thanks to Cr Brimblecombe for Chairing the Communities Standing Committee to date. From March 2018 Cr Daniels will be the Chair of the Communities Standing Committee.

Cr Brimblecombe raised concern about the Flying Foxes and the recent media from Rockhampton Regional Council noting that flying foxes have moved closer to the Westwood State School. There are also increasing numbers of little red flying foxes beginning to roost at McKenzie Park in Duinga. Ranger Services have been asked to investigate and to provide an update to the next Communities Standing Committee.

CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 10.46am

CONFIRMED

CHAIR

DATE