

**Minutes of the 'A' Ward Committee Meeting  
Held 20 July 2021  
ZOOM Meeting**

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**Time Commenced**

The meeting commenced at 4.05pm.

**1. Acknowledgement of Country**

In opening the meeting Cr McCarthy provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

**2. Attendance and Apologies**

*Attendance*

Cr David Wright	Mayor
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Councillor (Chair)
Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club (attended)
David Felsch	Ballina Peninsular Residents Association (Zoom)
Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club (Zoom)

*Council Staff in Attendance*

John Truman	Director - Civil Services Division
Joanne Cordery	Secretary - Civil Services Division

*Observer*

Jason Shrieves	Zoom
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*Apologies*

Cr Phil Meehan	Councillor
Cr Nathan Willis	Councillor
Andrew Playford	Ballina Coast High School
Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club
Yvonne Scarrabelotti	Ballina CWA
Geoff Jacobs	Ballina Bears Cricket Club
Claudia P. Caliarì	Ballina Environment Society

**3. Resignations/Changes to Memberships**

Information in the staff report was noted.

**4. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**5. Deputations**

Nil

**6. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 1 May 2021 were accepted as a true and correct record.

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**7. Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

Nil

**8. Update on Covid19**

John Truman provide an update on Council's response to Covid19.

**9. General Business**

*Next A Ward Committee Meeting and Election Information*

John Truman reported the Council will hold meetings in July and August as per its schedule. On 14 August Council will enter caretaker mode. There are some limitations to the Council's decision making in the caretaker period, however most matters can be advanced on a business as usual basis. The election is scheduled for 14 September 2021. Staff will arrange a comprehensive induction program to assist new Councillors to be established in their roles. The next meeting of the A Ward Committee is scheduled for 9 November 2021, however the new Council will need to review and determine its preferred Committee structure for the commencement of this term of Council.

*Post Meeting Note*

Advice was received on Monday 26 July advising that Council elections have been postponed until 4 December 2021. The decision to postpone all council elections has been made in response to the escalating outbreak of the Delta variant of the COVID-19 virus in Greater Sydney and the potential for further outbreaks in regional areas.

Current Councillors and popularly elected mayors will continue to hold their civic offices until council elections are held.

Due to this postponement, the next A Ward meeting will be now be held on Tuesday 14 September at 4.00pm

**10. Business Without Notice**

*i) Cars Bridge & South Ballina & Pole Houses*

David Felsch thanked Councillors for their service during this term of Council. David reported his observations of the performance of pole houses during the recent flood event in Port Macquarie. David also thanked the Council for replacement of Carrs Bridge and also noted that some South Ballina residents remain disappointed with Council's decision not to offer compensation for Ferry passes purchased during the period River Drive was closed.

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ii) Ballina Evening View Club

Marilyn McIntosh thanked Councillors and staff for the good work that has been carried out over the past four years and how wonderful the Shire is presented. Marilyn also advised that the club is again holding meetings.

iii) Compliments & Thank You

Andrew Playford provided an email to members. He complimented Council on the Dog play area in the off leash grounds at Shaws Bay and the installation of the bins at the serpentine Park.

Andrew thanked the Council nursery for supplying trees and shrubs to plant next week at Kingsford Smith Park. Ballina High and Ballina Coast have a landcare site in the park and this year is the 20th Anniversary of Ballina students planting trees in the park.

iv) Pop Dennison Park

Andrew Playford's email asked "what is happening at POP Denison Park now the ground is clear from the sand?"

John Truman advised that the Masterplan for the park included an active play area and that the park was classified as a District Park. A copy of the planning for the development of the park is available on Council's website. Stage One works is a current project in Council's Delivery Program.

v) Shaws Bay – Fenced of Area

Andrew Playford's email asked for an update on the fenced area at the caravan park entrance on Brighton Street.

John Truman advised that the information provided at the last meeting was still current.

vi) Kingsford Smith Park Plan

Andrew Playford's email asked about the plan for Kingsford Smith Park

John Truman advised that a detailed report was being presented to the July Council meeting and a copy of this report is available on our website.

Post Meeting Note

Council resolved at the meeting held 22 July 2021 to place the draft plan on public exhibition.

**11. Council Documents on Exhibition**

The list of previously advertised documents was noted by the Committee.

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**12. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for 4.00pm on Tuesday, 14 September 2021.

**13. Meeting Close**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 4.27pm.

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A Ward Zoom Meeting Attendance Sheet – 20 July 2021		
Name	Business	Signature
Cr Nathan Willis	Ballina Shire Council	Apology
Cr Phil Meehan	Ballina Shire Council	Apology
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Ballina Shire Council	Present
Cr David Wright	Ballina Shire Council	Present
Yvonne Scarrabelotti	Ballina CWA	late Apology
Laine Ballard	Ballina CWA	_____
Debbie Grant	Ballina Chamber of Commerce	_____
Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club	Apology
Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club	Zoom
Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club	no Bues
David Felsch	South Ballina Community Association	Zoom
	South Ballina Community Association	_____
Geoff Jacobs	Ballina Bears Cricket Club	Apology
Ken Johnston	Ballina & District Citizens & Ratepayers Association	_____
Andrew Dougherty	Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Lifesaving Club	_____
Joanne McIntosh	Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Lifesaving Club	_____
Andrew Playford	Ballina Coast High School	Apology
Claudia P. Caliarì	Ballina Environment Society	Apology
Sue Van Ooi	East Ballina Lions Club	_____
John Bout	Summerhill Residents Group	_____
John Truman	Director Civil Services Division	Present
Joanne Cordery	Secretary Civil Services Division	Present

Jason Shreeves

Observer Zoom