

**Minutes of the 'A' Ward Committee Meeting  
Held 8 March 2011  
In the Committee Rooms, 40 Cherry Street, Ballina**

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**Time Commenced**

The meeting commenced at 4.00pm.

**1. Attendance and Apologies**

*Attendance*

Cr Robyn Hordern	Councillor
Cr Sue Meehan	Councillor
Cr Alan Brown	Councillor
Glenn Costello	Ballina Chamber of Commerce
Allan Hart	Paradise FM
Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club
Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club
George Young	Ballina Lions Club
Sheila Aveling	Paradise FM
Andrew Playford	Ballina High School & East Ballina Lions Club
Pip Carter	St Andrews Ballina

Hazel Elliott                      Ballina Evening View

*Council Staff in Attendance*

John Truman                      Group Manager Civil Services

*Apologies*

Dr Lee Andresen	Ballina Environment Society
Betty Barwick	Ballina CWA
Paul Kennedy	Ballina Probus Club
Cr Phillip Silver	Mayor

*Absent*

Alex Smith                      Ballina Retail Action Group

**2. Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3. Deputations**

There were no deputations.

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

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23 November 2010 were accepted as a true and correct record.

Glen Costello/Cr Sue Meehan

**5. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes**

**Richmond Room Chairs**

Information noted.

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Main Street Flag

Information noted.

**6. Items raised by Members of the Committee**

Proposed Public Facility at Porter Park - A submission from Mr Young was presented to the Committee. Mr Young accepted the invitation for the submission to be included as a response to the public inquiry process that is due to commence shortly.

**7. General Business**

Update on Proposed Site of a Public Facility at Porter Park

The information in the report was noted.

**8. Council Documents on Exhibition**

The list of previously advertised documents were discussed. This information was noted by the Committee.

**9. Business Without Notice**

i) Glen Costello

- Disability Career Forum - Recognised Council's commitment to employing people with disabilities.

ii) Andrew Playford

- Invitation to community groups to include students and volunteers in their activities.
- Requested that the fence at the front of Southern Cross School be repaired and the bus shelter removed.
- Thank you for Council's support to Youth Week.
- Market Policy - requested that the markets be inspected for compliance in respect of plant sales and weed management.
- Thanked Council for the ongoing mowing of the market area.
- Thanked Council for Australia Day celebrations.

iii) Hazel Elliott

- Drew to the meetings attention it was International Womens Day.

iv) Alan Hart

- Requested Council to assist with security at the Paradise FM site.  
*Action: Council staff will contact Alan to discuss, and if necessary seek a formal submission for Council's consideration.*

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v) Sheila Aveling (Representing Paradise FM Board)

- Advised the Committee that Paradise FM is seeking financial assistance towards its 10 year anniversary celebrations and will make a formal request to Council.

vi) Pip Carter

- Requested Council to include in its waste service a kerbside bulk collection.

*John Truman provided advice in response to explain why it was Council's policy not to introduce such a service.*

vi) George Young

- Sought an update on the signage taskforce, specifically advice was sought in respect of signage for service clubs.

*John Truman advised that staff would contact Mr Young with an update.*

vi) Cr Meehan

- Congratulated Cr Brown on his efforts in representing the community goals for the Ballina Bypass and noted the northern section opening being a key milestone of achievement.
- Advised the meeting of the forthcoming deliberations for the West Ballina Structure Plan.

**10. Next Meeting**

The next meeting to be held at 4.00pm on Tuesday 10 May 2011.

**11. Meeting Close**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.25pm.