

1. Attendance and Apologies

Cr David Wright (Chair)
Cr Ben Smith
Les Wiles - Alstonville/Wollongbar Chamber of Commerce
Richard Lutze - Combined Services Club
Sheila Aveling - Tintenbar School of Arts
Allan Hart, Rotary Club of Ballina on Richmond
Bob Cooper - Far North Coast Legacy/Probus
Malcolm Johnson - Ballina Environment Society
Brian Hill - Tuckombil Landcare & Alstonville RSL
Elva Fitzell - Alstonville Rotary Club
John Sim - Alstonville Plateau Historical Society
Ray Clifford - Wardell Progress Association
Steve Miller - Rous Mill Ratepayers

Staff in Attendance

Paul Busmanis

Apologies

Barry Jeffress, Tuckombil Landcare
Jane Gardiner - Alstonville Plateau Historical Society

2. Declarations of Interest

Nil

3. Confirmation of Minutes – 10 March 2011

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 March 2011 be accepted as a true and correct record.

4. Business arising from Minutes – 10 March 2011

(a) Relocation of Mosaic in Freeborn Park

Paul Busmanis advised that the mosaics would be relocated during the next stage of the upgrade works. This would be later in the program when the paving contractor would also be on-site. It was asked whether the café operator has been advised. Since the recommendation of the last C Ward meeting, the café operator has not been consulted, but this will be organised.

(b) Elizabeth Ann Brown Park Masterplan

A site meeting was held on 20 April 2011 between Council staff, Alstonville RSL and service clubs regarding the implementation of the park's masterplan. Since the meeting the Alstonville RSL has reviewed the masterplan, and Brian Hill tabled an alternative layout plan (attached).

It was noted by Paul Busmanis that the north east corner of the park will house an electrical substation to facilitate the underground power in the main street.

It was agreed that the handout provided by Brian Hill would be circulated with the minutes, and feedback would be sought at the next meeting. This will determine whether there is support to recommend a review of the existing masterplan. Elva Fitzell also suggested the provision of service club information signage.

5. Alstonville Main Street Upgrade - Update

Paul Busmanis advised that the RTA forecast for opening the bypass is end of May 2011. Council will resume works on the main street upgrade in June 2011, with a forecast duration of approximately four months. Disruption will be more significant due to rebuilding the road. Council will contact the Chamber of Commerce for proposed meetings and information sheets about the detail of the proposed works.

6. Alstonville Carparking

Cr Wright forwarded an apology from John Truman regarding a delay in tabling the report. Re-scheduled for next meeting.

7. Council Documents on Exhibition

The Committee noted the list of documents recently exhibited by Council.

8. General Business

(a) Alstonville Bypass Family Celebration Day

Cr Wright expressed congratulations to all concerned regarding the successful family day celebrations for the Alstonville Bypass on 7 May 2011. The service clubs did an exemplary job in planning and supporting the day, and the community participation was overwhelming.

(b) Council's 2011/12 Delivery Program

Cr Wright confirmed the public meetings calendar for community consultation regarding Council's 2011/12 Delivery Program:

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| Wardell | 16 May |
| Alstonville | 18 May |
| Ballina | 23 May |
| Lennox Head | 26 May |

c) Regional Development Australia Fund

Cr Wright advised that Council was making grant funding application via Regional Development Australia Fund for significant projects:

- Pyrolysis Demonstration Facility (biochar and energy production from waste)
- Ballina CBD upgrade
- Ballina Airport upgrade

9. Items raised by members of the Committee

(a) Financial Assistance Requests

Steve Miller enquired when financial assistance requests (ie Rous Mill Hall) would be considered.

Cr Wright advised the June 2011 Council meeting.

(b) Lumley Park

Mal Johnson commented on the condition of the old tractor located at Lumley Park (corner Pearces Creek Road and Bruxner Highway). Ownership and maintenance of historical items is of interest.

c) Paradise FM

Allan Hart advised that Paradise FM is having its 10 year celebrations in June 2011 (18 June) and all of the Shire's communities are encouraged to participate. Paradise FM appreciates the assistance from Council.

(d) Legacy Gathering

Bob Cooper advised that Legacy was hosting a national gathering in Ballina next year.

It was suggested that Legacy may wish to contact Council's Tourism Co-ordinator, Caroline Klose.

(e) Rotary Food & Wine Festival

Rotary is hosting a food and wine festival on the weekend of 29 May 2011 at the Ballina Racecourse.

(f) Alstonville Playgroup Hall

Les Wiles enquired about the future of the Alstonville Playgroup Hall when the current tenants/lease expires. He indicated there was a need for a youth facility at Alstonville.

(g) Richmond River Estuary Management Plan

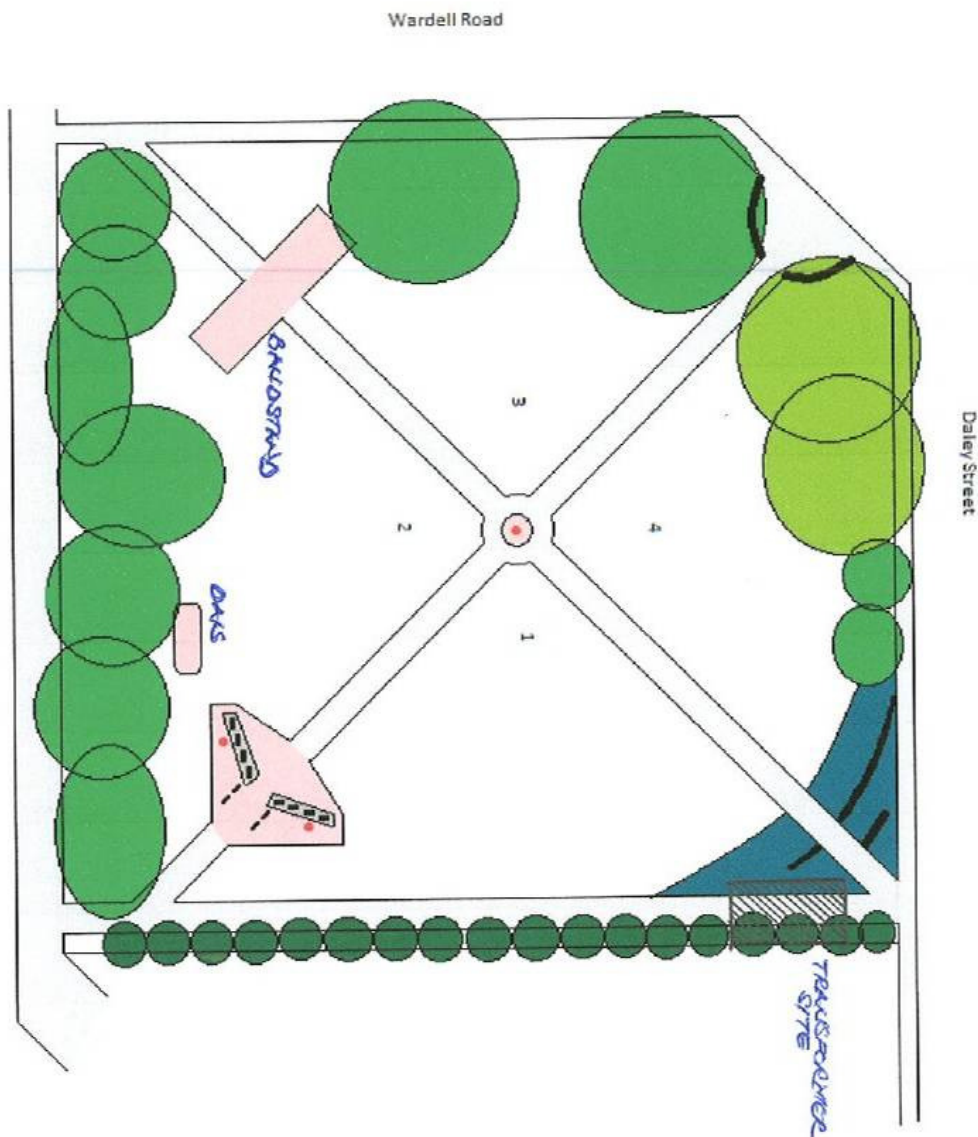
Mal Johnson enquired about responses to the current public exhibition of the Richmond River Estuary Management Plan. It was explained that the Plan is a collaborative between Ballina, Lismore, Richmond Valley and Richmond River County councils. The responses to the public exhibition would be compiled and reported further to the councils.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Thursday, 14 July 2011 at 7.30 pm

MEETING CLOSURE

8.30 pm



EAB Park Redevelopment

Adopt a "cross" like design incorporating a centre flagpole for permanent flying of the Australian National Flag. RSL would assume responsibility for all ceremonial activities, ie Half Mast etc.

Memorial design see attached.

Electrical power to be made available to memorial area for lighting, etc.

A cross design fits in better with the format of the ANZAC Day service conducted by the RSL. The parade enters at the corner of Daley and Wardell and proceeds down the centre of the park to seating positions.

The school children and Veterans would be seated in quadrant 1 & 2, Veterans in quadrant 1 and general public in 3 & 4. This design would permit much better management by the RSL.

The Catalaigue Party and Wreath Laying would commence from the new entrance at Daley & Wardell and proceed through the assembled gathering to the Canotaph.

A path along the eastern boundary is considered necessary.

- A possible example of the Cenotaph left wall.
- Simple stone blocks mounted on a (individual) raised platform to enable wreath laying. Idea to alternate conflicts by date starting in centre adding blocks for each conflict. Recommend that NO names be engraved on stones.
- Cenotaph area to have LED lighting illuminating stones recessed into paved surface.
- Maybe have "We Will Remember Them" and "Last We Forget" engraved at bottom of centre 7 stones.

