

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

3. **Deputations**

4. **Confirmation of Minutes – 12 March, 2013**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 12 March 2013 was distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 March 2013 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business arising from Minutes – 12 March, 2013**

Paradise FM Shed

John Truman has contacted Allan Hart with a response.

Tap at Fripp Oval

The following information is provided in response to the incident where the recycled water irrigation to the sports field continued over night, unknowingly.

Background

The irrigation sprinklers are hydraulically controlled from the pressure of the drinking water to the field. When pressure exists, the sprinklers are disengaged. When pressure drops, the sprinklers are engaged and fed from the recycled water line.

Cause of Incident

Our water operators were not aware of the above irrigation control at the open spaces, or the impact of isolating the drinking water line to the field.

A break occurred late at night on the drinking water service line to Fripp Oval. The water operators isolated the line to the oval, to be able to address first thing the following morning. Isolating this service line resulted in the irrigation sprinklers engaging and irrigating the oval over night, until operators returned the following morning.

Corrective Actions

Sports Field Supervisor (Will Bennet) is currently getting quotes for the modification of this irrigation control so that manual isolation of drinking water and recycled water is not required by operators. This will eliminate the risk of unknown irrigation occurring.

To reduce the likelihood of this occurring, until the above is installed:

- All water operators have been made aware of Open Spaces irrigation configuration and the impact of isolating drinking water to fields. (Water Forman & Team Leader aware and a notice issued during the monthly team meeting).
- A notice tag (similar to a lock-out tag) is being prepared to be located on all open spaces drinking water isolation valve to notify/remind operators that if valve is isolated, recycled water also requires isolation.

Illegal Camping

Correspondence has been forwarded to National Parks and Wildlife (Richmond Area) and copied to NSW Trade & Investment Crown Land. Refer attached letter.

Coxspur Coral Trees

Refer attached report.

Aboriginal Apprenticeship Schemes

Staff have spoken with Paul Garland from Glenzeil, who is project managing Ballina's Aboriginal Child & Family Centre construction. He advised the following regarding the Aboriginal traineeship program:

- Tender guidelines for the project required aboriginal participation.
- Glenzeil was required to set a milestone for a percentage of the workforce to be Aboriginal.
- The engagement process is a difficult process.
- Suitable Aboriginal candidates were put forward by Bunjum, as the Bunjum community is who the facility will be servicing.
- Glenzeil engaged a total of six Aboriginal people in unskilled labouring roles.
- There is currently 5 still employed and these staff have been identified suitable for an apprenticeship, which is the desired end result.
- Generally engagement of this type is done through employment agencies however this did not apply in this instance.
- The project is based on the Aboriginal Participation in Construction Guidelines (NSW Government doc).

Missingham Bridge Roundabout

Staff advise that the "Mother of Millions" have been removed from the roundabout.

Porter Park

Staff advise that the Junior Cricket association have been contacted and a response has been received advising that they do not need to use Porter Park for cricket.

Discussions have been held to commence an engagement process with the local residents to determine what they would like to see done with Porter Park. That is now progressing and an engagement strategy and timing is being developed.

Howard Crescent/Riverside Drive

Staff have attended the site and whipped the area, they will monitor the section and spray the gutter edge in future if required.

RV Friendly Signage

Council's technical officer reports;

Having reviewed the arrangements in Ballina, the most appropriate signage would require a considerable amount of text, supported by pictures of vehicle & caravan/trailer & or RV. The sign would also be best read from a stationary position.

Onsite inspections of both the northern and southern approaches to Ballina have been undertaken to check for suitable sites to locate this type of signage.

As for the southern approach to Ballina, staff were unable to locate a suitable area to locate this type of signage.

6. General Business

7. Council Documents on Exhibition

The following is a list of recent documents that have been placed on exhibition in the period since the last meeting.

- Draft Community Event Signage Policy and Guidelines – closing date 9 May 2013.
- Coastal Zone Management Plan – closing date 20 May 2013
- BSC Development Control Plan 2012 – Draft Amendment 1 (General Amendments) – closing date 3 June 2013
- East Ballina Cemetery Draft Master Plan – closing date 14 June 2013
- Ballina Landscape Entry Treatment Master Plan – closing date 14 June 2013

Soon to be placed on exhibition

Draft Delivery Program 2013/14 to 2016/17 – closing date 17 June 2013.
Please note public meetings are to be held on this document, as follows:

Monday 3 June – 7 pm – Wardell Memorial Hall

Tuesday 4 June – 7 pm – Lennox Head Cultural & Community Centre

8. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 9 July, 2013 at 4.00 p.m.

Kerri Watts

Illegal Camping

26 April 2013

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Manager, Richmond River Area
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Dear Sir

Re: Illegal Camping adjacent to South Ballina Beach Road in the Richmond River Nature Reserve

During a recent "A Ward Committee" Meeting of Council on the 12 March, 2013 the issue of illegal campers and the increase in their presence in the Richmond River Nature Reserve was raised by local residents in South Ballina.

As you are aware the Council Rangers are not able to undertake enforcement on the State Government Land.

Council at this meeting agreed to write to the relevant State Government agencies regarding the concerns raised and hence this correspondence.

Council would appreciate your consideration and co operation on the management on illegal camping on the subject land so that the amenity of nearby residents in not impacted.

If you have any enquiries in regard to this matter please contact Kerri Watts on 66 861210.

Yours faithfully

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