

1. **Attendance and Apologies**
2. **Declarations of Interest**
3. **Deputations**
4. **Confirmation of Minutes – 11 March, 2014**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 11 March, 2014 was distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 11 March, 2014 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business arising from Minutes – 11 March, 2014**

Aboriginal and Child Care Centre – Porter Park

Attached for the information of the Committee is a copy of the letter of support sent to the Bunjum Aboriginal Cooperative.

BBQ at Kiosk Beach

The old BBQ was removed by staff on 14 March 2014.

Banksia Trees – Kiosk Beach

Staff have added the Kiosk Beach area for additional plantings to occur as a part of the next financial years street tree planting program. The grassed reserve area falls within the road reserve entrance to Missingham Bridge. Consideration for suitable species at this exposed site will be undertaken.

Toddler Pool at Shelly Beach

The works have been completed. Staff advise that this work is done as part of their regular maintenance program.

Missingham Shower

The shower has been pressure cleaned by staff. The on/off button was inspected and found to be working correctly.

Battery Recycling

Staff from our waste management facility provide the following information in response.

Used batteries are potentially hazardous and need to be carefully managed. The batteries must be stored, handled and transported in accordance with hazardous waste and dangerous goods legislation, and Workplace Health and Safety regulations.

For the purposes listed, Council confines the drop off collection point to the Waste Management Facility at Southern Cross Drive which has the appropriate risk management strategies in place to deal with such hazardous wastes.

To provide further drop off points throughout the shire will reduce Council's ability to correctly and safely manage the risks associated with the disposal of old and unwanted batteries, and can decrease Council's ability to comply with the relevant legislation & regulations.

Council will include battery recycling into the waste education campaign to encourage residents to correctly dispose of their unwanted batteries.

Aldi Supermarkets is the first supermarket to accept unwanted batteries under the national battery recycling program and more supermarkets may join in under the Handheld Battery Stewardship Scheme in the near future.

Staff are also investigating disposal options and based on their findings it may be possible that battery recycling could be introduced to the libraries.

Fripp Oval Project

A meeting was held on 14 April 2014 with Geoff Jacobs to discuss proposed project plan for drainage works at Fripp Oval. Mr Lancashire was invited but unable to attend on the day. OSR Manager and Sportsfield Supervisor were in attendance and discussed plans with Mr Jacobs. Preferred outcome achieved and further discussions will continue, with works at this stage planned to commence at the completion of junior carnival in January 2015.

Previous Correspondence from Cumbalum East Precinct Committee

Letter of response emailed to Mr Greg Unwin on 17 March 2014.

Ferry Closure Times at Christmas

Letter of response posted.

Boomgate – Southside of Ferry

Letter of response posted.

Illegal Camping at Lighthouse Beach & Pat Morton Lookout

Staff advise that the Rangers conduct morning patrols 7 days a week of parks and reserves along the coast in regard to illegal camping, including this particular site. If the Rangers observe what appears to be illegal camping in prohibited areas they will stop and if necessary wake the occupants of the subject vehicle and discuss illegal camping.

In the first instance a formal warning is issued and vehicle details recorded. If the same vehicle is observed to be illegally camping at other sites in the Shire the Rangers will issue a penalty infringement notice if the offence can be proved.

The proofs regarding illegal camping are very complex and recent case laws regarding illegal camping has not supported Council's taking action. The Rangers also conduct inspections of illegal camping when reports are received by Council and also during other routine patrols. If you refer to the Council's website under Rangers there is an information fact sheet on Illegal Camping; "Sleep Right Overnight".

Old Ferry Ramp – South side

Staff inspected the area on 18 March 2014 and did not find any dumped goods or refuse.

Garden Encroaching Footpath

Staff inspected the area on 20 March 2014. They could not see any problems with gardens or footpath. They contacted the resident who had made the complaint and left a message for her to call back, however we have received a response.

Staff did however prune a small garden from the footpath on the corner of Burnet & Martin Street.

6. General Business

NA

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.

- Filming Policy Review – closing date 7 May 2014
- B-Double and 4.6m High Vehicles Route Assessment Policy Review – closing date 7 May 2014
- Donations – Waste Disposal Fees for Not for Profit Groups Policy Review – closing date 7 May 2014
- Policy (Draft Review) – Councillors Expenses & Facilities – closing date 21 May 2014

- Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012 – Draft Amendments No. 3- General Amendments – closing date 23 May 2014
- Concealed Water Leaks Policy review – closing date 4 June 2014
- Pensioner Concessions – Rates & Charges Policy review – closing date 4 June 2014
- Private Structures on Public Land & Roads Policy review – closing date 4 June 2014
- Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 – Planning Proposal BSCPP 14/003 – Aspects Estate Dual Occupancy Lots, Lennox Head

8. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 8 July, 2014 at 4.00 p.m.

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Cr David Wright

230-03/745

21 March 2014



Nita Roberts
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Dear Ms Roberts

Re: Opening of Aboriginal and Child Care Centre – Porter Park

Thank you for inviting me to the opening of your new centre and congratulations on reaching this magnificent milestone. As a Council we are well aware of the journey we have travelled to get to this point and we certainly look forward to the successful operation of the centre into the future. There is little doubt that it will make a significant difference to the lives of many people.

We understand that you are still pursuing funding for July 2014 onwards and if there is anything we can assist with please contact either myself or our General Manager, Paul Hickey.

Also we do occasionally get asked as to the current occupancy rates for the centre and it would be appreciated if you could advise Council on any information of relevance to this, such as numbers of children and / or families using the facilities. This type of information can help Council promote the benefits of the centre to the entire community.

Once again congratulations and I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours faithfully

Cr David Wright
Mayor

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