

**Minutes of the 'A' Ward Committee Meeting
Held 11 September 2018
In the Committee Rooms, 40 Cherry Street, Ballina**

Time Commenced

The meeting commenced at 4.00pm.

1. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance

Cr David Wright	Mayor
Cr Phil Meehan	Councillor
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Councillor
Michael Young	Ballina Chamber of Commerce & Ballina Retail Action Group
Yvonne Scarrabelotti	Ballina CWA
Ross Pickering	Ballina & District Citizens & Ratepayers Association
Andrew Playford	Ballina Coast High School & East Ballina Lions Club.
George Young	Ballina Lions Club
David Felsch	Ballina Peninsular Residents Association

Council Staff in Attendance

John Truman	Group Manager Civil Services
Joanne Cordery	Secretary - Civil Services Group

Apologies

Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club
Neil Denison	Ballina Environment Society
Cr Nathan Willis	Councillor
Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club
Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club

2. Resignations/Changes to Memberships

Nil

3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4. Deputations

Nil

5. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 July, 2018 were accepted as a true and correct record.

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6. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Request for Inspection of Headwall near 848 River Drive

The information in the staff report was noted.

Porter Park Signage

The information in the staff report was noted.

John Truman advised that the signage had been installed.

Western Arterial Road – Tabled Documents

The information in the staff report is noted.

7. General Business

Presentation on Infrastructure Planning

Council's Manager Infrastructure Planning, David Kelly provided a presentation regarding Council's Infrastructure Planning section and its current activities.

8. Council Documents on Exhibition

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

9. Business Without Notice

i) Roadwork

Andrew Playford thanked Council for the work done on the road near Ballina Coast High School.

ii) Ballina Indoor Sport Centre

Andrew Playford asked how the progress was advancing on the Centre.

John Truman advised that the tenders had closed and were being assessed. John also advised that the name for the centre would remain as "Ballina Indoor Sports Centre"

iii) Kingsford Smith Park

Andrew Playford asked about a sportsfield hub to be located at Kingsford Smith Park.

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Cr Meehan advised that Council was currently developing a Recreation Plan to guide the use and development of the Shire's sporting infrastructure. This plan will also inform the preparation of a Plan of Management for his area.

iv) River Drive

David Felsch thanked Council for the patching work done in River Drive and reported it is working really well.

v) Ferry Carpark

David Felsch asked if Council could investigate the exiting options for the carpark as there has been some incidents with cars being damaged, he also suggested that rear to kerb parking might also be a solution.

John Truman advised he would arrange for staff to investigate.

vi) Ferry Issues

David Felsch asked if Council would again look at the issues with the number of cars being loaded onto the ferry during peak busy times and also the speed that the ferry travels as he believes it could be improved.

vii) Lights on Ferry

David Felsch asked if Council could investigate the spotlight on the ferry. It is very bright when you are parked on the southern side.

viii) Linemarking on Southern side of Ferry

David Felsch asked why there were unbroken lines on the south side of the ferry as this was resulting in illegal uturns.

ix) Issues on South Ballina Beach

David Felsch discussed the issues with 4WD on South Ballina Beach and made some suggestions that may be used as part of a strategy.

Cr Wright advised that letter had been written to the Minister supporting a permit system and that Police were actively doing more patrols in the area. He also reminded the Committee that Council is not the land manager responsible for this area.

x) Speeding Issues on River Drive South Ballina

David Felsch asked if it were possible to review the speed limit on this section of road as it is currently 80kmh. He advised that residents were having trouble reversing out of the driveways. He also discussed the view issues when turning from Keith Hall Lane into River Drive.

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John Truman advised that the RMS was the responsible organisation for speed limit changes and it would be unlikely that they would change the limit on this section of road. John advised that he would arrange for staff to undertake an inspection to determine if a speed zone review is warranted.

xi) Illegal Camping

David Felsch advised that an issue of illegal camping, was ongoing and asked if staff could investigate, particularly left of the River heading south near the fishing spot.

xii) Shelly Beach Cafe

George Young asked for an update on the Shelly Beach Café.

Cr Wright advised that the lessee was paying the required rent on the property. Therefore the Council is not able to terminate the lease and continues to work with the tenant to encourage the re-establishment of a business on the site.

xiii) Chamber of Commerce

Michael Young advised that the Chamber of Commerce Business Awards were held on 11 August 2018 and they were very successful.

Cr Meehan also congratulated the Chamber on their continued partnership with the FairGo skating competition.

Andrew Playford also congratulated the Chamber on the reinstatement of the Junior Chamber of Commerce.

xiv) Captain Cook Park

Yvonne Scarrabelotti asked if Council could investigate the replacement of some of the dead plants.

xv) Grants

Cr Wright advised that the Council had received \$26m in grants from the State Government, some of the projects funded from these grants include:

- Coastal Recreation Paths
- Airport Extension
- Airport Boulevard Road
- Ballina Indoor Sports Centre

xvi) Surf Club Building B

Cr Wright advised that the new surf club building was progressing however no opening date had been announced.

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xvii) Chamber of Commerce

Michael Young advised the Chamber AGM was being held on 15 May 2018 and that they were busy organising the Business Awards.

xviii) Ballina Triathlon

Cr Meehan reported the Triathlon that was held recently was successful. There were 300 competitors and there were no reported issues with the road closures and no accidents.

10. Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 4.00pm on Tuesday 13 November 2018.

11. Meeting Close

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.20pm.

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Name	Business	Signature
Cr Nathan Willis	Ballina Shire Council	Apology
Cr Phil Meehan	Ballina Shire Council	<i>P Meehan</i>
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Ballina Shire Council	Apology. <i>S McCarthy</i>
Cr David Wright	Ballina Shire Council	<i>D Wright</i>
Yvonne Scarrabelotti	Ballina CWA	<i>Y Scarrabelotti</i>
Mr George Young	Ballina Lions Club	<i>G Young</i>
Mr Michael Young	Ballina Chamber of Commerce & Ballina Retail Action Group	<i>M Young</i>
Ms Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club	Apology
Ms Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club	Apology
Ms Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club	Apology
Mr David Felsch	South Ballina Community Association	<i>D Felsch</i>
Mr Stephen Wills	Ballina Bears Cricket Club	
Mr Ross Pickering	Ballina & District Citizens & Ratepayers Association	<i>R Pickering</i>
Andrew Dougherty	Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Lifesaving Club	<i>A Dougherty</i>
Andrew Playford	Ballina Cast High School & East Ballina Lions Club	<i>A Playford</i>
Neil Denison	Ballina Environment Society	Apology
	West Ballina Quays Consultative Group	<i>W B Quays</i>
Mr John Truman	Group Manager Civil Services	<i>J Truman</i>
Ms Joanne Cordery	Civil Services Group	<i>J Cordery</i>