

1. Attendance and Apologies

Councillor Ben Smith (Chair)
Cr David Wright (Mayor)
Councillor Sharon Parry

Lois Wright - Plateau Seniors
Mary Birch – Wollongbar Progress Association
Jim Hahn – Probus Club of Alstonville
Marilyn Hahn – Probus Club of Alstonville
Elva Fitzell – Rotary e-Club of NextGen
Tyrone McGillick – Alstonville Asphalt Watch
Ron Birch – Wollongbar Progress Association
Malcolm Johnson - Ballina Environment Society
Russell Priddle – Alstonville Football Club
Wayne Garrard – Alstonville Cricket Club
Jane Gardiner – Alstonville Plateau Historical Society
Ryan Salter – Rous Mill Ratepayers
Marilyn Perkins – Wollongbar Progress Association
David Katschke – Alstonville Wollongbar Chamber of Commerce (Avid Insurance Brokers)

Others in Attendance

Doug Lipscombe – Wollongbar Progress Association
Kate Kempshall – North Coast Community College

Staff in Attendance

Craig Brown, Manager Community Facilities, Strategic and Community Facilities Group

Apologies

Cr Eoin Johnston
Barry Jeffress – Tuckombil Landcare
Steve Miller – Rous Mill Ratepayers
Les Wiles – Alstonville Lions

The apologies were accepted.

2. Declarations of Interest

Nil

3. Deputations

Nil

4. Confirmation of Minutes 12 July 2018

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 July 2018 were confirmed as a true and correct record with the exception of a change to remove Mary Birch from the list of attendees as she was not present at the meeting (Sharon Parry/Jim Hahn).

5. Business Arising from Minutes –12 July 2018

(a) Wollongbar Sports Fields – Entry Road

The information provided in the agenda was noted.

(b) Bulwinkel Park – Tree Limbs Overhanging Power Lines

The information provided in the agenda was noted.

Malcolm Johnson indicated the works are subject to ongoing discussion with Essential Energy. Estimated cost for power line relocation is around \$6000-\$7000 due to requirement for work on a weekend. The Landcare group is seeking financial assistance from Council.

Councillor Smith indicated he would raise the matter as a notice of motion to the next meeting of Council.

(c) Spraying Around Children’s Play Areas

The information provided in the agenda was noted.

Tyrone McGillick indicated ongoing concern with the approach.

Councillor Smith invited members to forward information about other approaches used by councils.

6. Council Documents on Exhibition

The list of Council documents which have recently been exhibited for public comment was noted.

7. Presentation by Craig Brown, Manager Community Facilities

Craig Brown gave a presentation on the community facilities portfolio within Council including the following items:

- Overview of facilities and responsibilities within the portfolio.
- Alstonville Leisure and Entertainment Facility.
- Alstonville and Ballina pools.
- Ballina Indoor Sports Centre

Craig Brown and Councillor Smith invited members to complete the ALEC survey that is seeking feedback on use and ideas for the facility.

Marilyn Perkins asked about plans for the kitchen area. Craig Brown indicated all parts of the building are being considered for upgrade.

Mary Birch raised concern about traffic impact associated with use of the indoor sports centre and other activities in the locality. Craig confirmed the new spaces are additional to the existing street parking and Matthew Wood indicated the spaces are intended to meet Council's obligations for parking.

Lois Wright provided feedback that the pool is being well received by seniors in the community that are seeking to use the facility for health reasons.

Malcolm Johnson queried whether pool season passes are transferable between both pools. Craig Brown confirmed reciprocal arrangements are in place for the 10 ticket, 3 month and season passes.

8. Items raised by members of the Committee

(a) Rifle Range Road Speed

Mary Birch requested a 60km speed sign be erected on Rifle Range Road between Plateau Drive and the edge of the green belt/edge of town (Avalon Estate). To be referred to Council's Civil Services Group for review.

(b) Skate Park Demonstration

Mary Birch advised that on 15 September (10am to 12 noon) there is a demonstration by the skate park (WASP) group at the Wollongbar basketball courts to showcase skateboarding. Mary extended an invitation to the general community to attend.

Doug Lipscombe indicated the progress association has spoken with skating interests and the outcome was that the skaters have indicated interest in using the Wollongbar basketball court site.

WPA requested a meeting with strategic planning and open space staff to discuss site options. To be referred to Council's Open Space and Reserves Section for consideration.

(c) Teven Road and Little Place Stormwater

Wayne Garrard raised concern about stormwater impacts on Teven Road and Little Place in relation to development in the locality.

Matthew Wood provided an overview of a development approval relating to 23 Teven Road in relation to stormwater considerations and advised that Council's Engineering Works Section intends to undertake an inspection of the stormwater system in the area.

(d) Rous Mill Ratepayers

Ryan Salter advised that a new Rous Mill Ratepayers board has been formed with an area of interest being land adjacent to the cemetery. Councillor Smith encouraged the group to engage with Council's Open Space and Reserves Section.

(e) Pool Finishes

Tyrone McGillick requested that Council consider finishing touches (such as providing more shade) to the pools with this to be discussed with the original stakeholder group. Craig Brown indicated issues such as shade and building amenity have been raised and are under consideration. Council will give consideration to the stakeholder group.

(f) Wollongbar Strategic Plan

Mary Birch advised of a meeting to be held on Wednesday 19 September at 5pm at the Wollongbar Hall regarding the Wollongbar Strategic Plan process. Jane Gardiner encouraged Alstonville residents to participate.

(g) Alstonville Preschool Car Parking

Russel Priddle raised concern about the condition of the car parking area near the Alstonville Preschool and particularly areas near the kerb being damaged. To be referred to Council's Civil Services Group for review.

9. General Business

Nil

10. Next Meeting

Thursday 8 November 2018 at 5.00 pm

Meeting Closure

5.52pm