

**Minutes of the 'A' Ward Committee Meeting
Held 9 November 2021
In the Council Chambers, 40 Cherry Street, Ballina and via ZOOM**

Time Commenced

The meeting commenced at 4.00pm.

1. Acknowledgement of Country

In opening the meeting Cr Meehan provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. Attendance and Apologies

Attendance

Cr Phil Meehan	Councillor (Chair) - Zoom
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Councillor
Cr David Wright	Mayor
Claudia P. Caliarì	Ballina Environment Society - Zoom
Gai Mason	Ballina CWA
Geoff Jacobs	Ballina Bears Cricket Club - Zoom
John Bout	Summerhill Residents Group

Council Staff in Attendance

John Truman	Director - Civil Services Division
Joanne Cordery	Secretary - Civil Services Division

Observer

Jason Shrieves	Zoom
Colin Riches	Zoom

Apologies

Cr Nathan Willis	Councillor
Andrew Playford	Ballina Coast High School
Sue Van Ooi	East Ballina Lions Club
Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club
Margaret Hain	Ballina Day View Club

3. Resignations/Changes to Memberships

Information in the staff report was noted.

John Bout advised the meeting of his resignation from the A Ward Committee and Summerhill Residents Group.

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Deputations

Nil

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6. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 September 2021 be accepted as true and correct record. The request from David Felsch to amend the minutes was noted without further action.

7. Business Arising from Previous Minutes

South Ballina 4WD Access

The information in the staff report was noted.

River Drive - Safety

The information in the staff report was noted.

Airport Boulevard Works

John Truman reported that Stage Three (the North Creek Road intersection) works will be completed in early December and this will complete the project. Stages One and Two are not open to the public as the road is being used as a temporary carpark to support the airport upgrade. In response to a question John noted access to the airport will still be possible from Southern Cross Drive once the Airport Boulevard is open.

8. General Business

Nil Items

9. Business Without Notice

i) Fripp Oval

Geoff Jacobs discussed the grant opportunities the Club were currently investigating for the refurbishment of the cricket nets at Fripp Oval and advised that they had been liaising with staff in the Open Spaces section. They were hoping that Council would be able to provide some additional funding to support the grant proposal. A copy of an email sent to Cr Meehan has been attached to the minutes for the information of the Committee.

Geoff Jacobs also raised a matter regarding plans for extensions to the clubhouse that the group would like to do and enquired what Council could do to help the support the application.

John Truman advised the meeting that Council considered applications to waive development application assessment fees under its Donations Policy.

ii) Ballina CWA

Gai Mason advised that the CWA was also looking to expand their rooms and modernise their facilities.

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iii) Thank You

Claudia Caliarì thanked the Councillors for their contributions to Council and to the A Ward Committee.

iv) Coastal Management Plan

Claudia Caliarì asked if there would be community consultation workshops held for plan.

John Truman advised that further community consultation would occur later in the process. The current survey is designed to inform the early stages of the plan preparation work. John also advised that the current Coastal Zone Management Plan was available on the web.

v) River Street

Cr Wright commented on the success and appearance of the River Street Lane Duplication works and congratulated staff.

vi) Mayor Wright

Cr Meehan acknowledged Cr Wright and the contribution he has made to both Council and the position of Mayor.

10. Council Documents on Exhibition

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

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting is planned for Tuesday 14 March 2022 at 4.00pm.

12. Meeting Close

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 5.00pm.

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A Ward Zoom Meeting Attendance Sheet – 9 November 2021		
Name	Business	Signature
Cr Nathan Willis	Ballina Shire Council	Apology
Cr Phil Meehan	Ballina Shire Council	Zoom
Cr Stephen McCarthy	Ballina Shire Council	Attended
Cr David Wright	Ballina Shire Council	Attended
Gai Mason	Ballina CWA	Attended
Laine Ballard	Ballina CWA	_____
Debbie Grant	Ballina Chamber of Commerce	_____
Margaret Hains	Ballina Day View Club	Apology
Marilyn McIntosh	Ballina Evening View Club	Apology
Mary O'Brien	Lighthouse Day Club	_____
Kevin Loughrey	South Ballina Community Association	_____
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Geoff Jacobs	Ballina Bears Cricket Club	Zoom
Ken Johnston	Ballina & District Citizens & Ratepayers Association	_____
Andrew Dougherty	Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Lifesaving Club	_____
Joanne McIntosh	Ballina Lighthouse & Lismore Surf Lifesaving Club	_____
Andrew Playford	Ballina Coast High School	Apology
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From: Geoff Jacobs
Date: 9 November 2021 at 2:26:41 pm AEDT
To: Councillor Phil Meehan
Cc: Nathan Lyon
Subject: [EXTERNAL SENDER] Fripp Oval Cricket Nets

CYBER SECURITY WARNING - This message is from an external sender - be cautious, particularly with links embedded within the message and/or attachments.

Phil we are still chasing grants for refurbishment/rebuild of cricket nets at Fripp Oval. I have discussed with you before applications but have had no success at this stage.

Current grants that Nathan Lyon our Cricket Nsw Officer is putting together for us is applying for 2 different grants with one closing on Sunday. These 2 grants would cover the total rebuild of the facilities.

He has spoken to Luke Marshall about the applications about a letter of support from Council which he is happy to organise but would also like a commitment from Council for financial input which would be the amount of Gst included in the grant applications which Council could obviously apply for reimbursement of which as I understand it would be no cost to Council after gst refund? I may misunderstand the process.

Luke said Council is know in caretaker mode with election coming up and just thought you may be able to throw some light on the subject for us.

I will be hopefully attending Ward meeting this afternoon but didn't want to raise the subject then.

Your advice would be welcome

Thanks

Geoff Jacobs

Ballina Bears Cricket Club