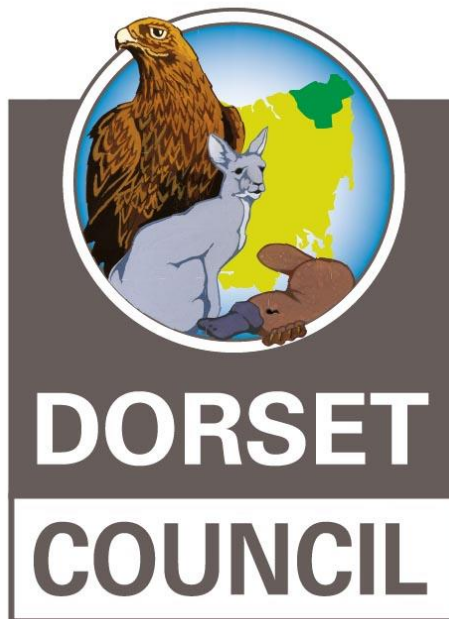


Dorset Council

*Improving the quality of life of the people
of the Municipality through services
based on the principles of quality, equity,
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Minutes

Ordinary Meeting of Council

16 April 2018

Branxholm Hall, Stoke Street Branxholm

Commencing at 6.00 pm

TIM WATSON
General Manager

Ref 18/3871

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Dorset Council Meeting

Minutes

16 April 2018

The Meeting Opened: 6.00 pm

Present: Crs G J Howard (Mayor), M A Hall (Deputy Mayor), L D Archer, S Y Martin, L C Stein, S J Arnold, D R Jessup

Director – Corporate Services J Marik, Director – Infrastructure D A Griffin, Director – Community & Development R P Willis, Customer Service/Community Liaison Officer E Hadley

Apologies: Crs L S Quilliam, S D Moore, General Manager T J Watson

50/18 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes 19 March 2018
Ref: 18/2612

Decision

Crs Jessup/Stein

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on 19 March 2018, having been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

Carried Unanimously

51/18 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Closed Session Minutes 19 March 2018
Ref: 18/2613

Decision

Crs Arnold/Stein

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on 19 March 2018, having been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

Carried Unanimously

52/18 Confirmation of Agenda

Decision

Crs Stein/Jessup

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 16 April 2018 Council Meeting.

Carried Unanimously

53/18 Declaration of an Interest of a Councillor or Close Associate

Cr Jessup – Item 61/18 and 70/18

Cr Hall – Item 70/18

Cr Howard – Item 61/18 and 70/18

Cr Archer – Item 61/18

54/18 Management Team Briefing Report

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Councillors and the community with a briefing on matters of interest dealt with during the past month by Council's Management Team.

Recommendation

That the Management Team Briefing Report be received and noted.

Decision

Crs Stein/Hall

That the Management Team Briefing Report be received and noted.

Carried Unanimously

55/18 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

4 April 2018 – Councillor Briefing Workshop

56/18 Applications for Leave of Absence

Councillor Leon Quilliam – Refer closed Session item 69/18

57/18 Public Question Time

Mr Graham Cashion:

With all the development of the Mountain Bike Trails, is Branxholm going to be included in any of these future developments? For example, the opening up of the Briseis Race from Derby to Branxholm and possibly bringing the track down through the old rail trail up to the former railway station.

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

At this stage that hasn't been investigated. We currently have funding for the trails that are being built at the moment so any extension of the trails beyond that will firstly require funding before we could go ahead with it.

Mr Stuart Rainbow:

About 30 days ago I sent in a request for some paperwork from the Council about the Mountain Bike Trails at Derby and all I have back is a document saying that Council didn't have the personnel available at the time of the request and was just wondering if the personnel are going to be there this month?

Response from Director – Corporate Services, John Marik:

We are missing a few key resources including our General Manager at the moment who is on annual leave. As a result I requested additional time to fulfil your request.

Ms Edwina Powell:

My question is in relation to the Good Governance Guide for Local Government in Tasmania and I quote "Workshops should not be used to debate or develop a collective position on issues. This should happen in council meetings where the decision making process is transparent and open." Can there be a system of regular reporting to the public on issues that come out of Workshops?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

In the Guidelines it says that decisions can't be made at Workshops and we don't make any decisions at Workshops at all, therefore there is nothing to report. We can only report on decisions that are made at Council Meetings as Workshops are purely planning meetings between Councillors and Staff where we discuss ideas from within the organisation and from members of the community who wish to present at Workshops. That the idea of a workshop and why they are closed to the public is because they provide a forum where we can have a frank, open and honest discussion with the staff and members of the community about things that we intend to do in the future.

Ms Jenny Bellinger:

Regarding the question I raised at the February Council Meeting regarding the Pioneer water situation, have you contacted or had any further response from TasWater?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

I appreciate that TasWater are extremely difficult to deal with. I note that in a recent report that came out that they had more complaints in the last 12 months than they had in the previous 12 months, especially about water quality so that is clearly an ongoing issue. Council can continue to advocate on your behalf which we have done on a number of occasions.

Would it help if I could get a petition up by the Pioneer residents?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

It won't do any harm. We are happy to present that to TasWater as it is clear that the situation at Pioneer is unacceptable.

Mr Trevor Priestley:

Why is Bridport the only town in Tasmania (in this area) to go on water restrictions this year?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

I agree it is unacceptable that Bridport is only one of two towns on water restrictions. Council have in fact offered alternatives to TasWater as to how they might fix this issue. One proposal was where we are building the new Western Access Road rather than build a bridge Council suggested that maybe a dam could be built instead of a bridge and we could take the road across the top. The dam would've held in the vicinity of 500 megalitres which would more than cater for Bridport in the peak periods. The second option Council offered TasWater was that in 2019 when the Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme comes on line, the pipeline will extend already halfway to Bridport. This would require a simple extension to connect to the Bridport Water Supply. TasWater didn't like either of those ideas. Their long term view is that they will run treated water from the Scottsdale water plant at a cost of about \$8 million dollars to Bridport, however, this is not in the next 10 year plan. Council have made numerous representations on behalf of Bridport residents with TasWater advising that it is not considered a priority. Council will continue to advocate on behalf of Bridport residents.

58/18 Deputations

Nil

59/18 Councillor Question Time

Deputy Mayor Hall

The turn off into the Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station on Bridport Road is an accident waiting to happen. Are we able to have that line marked so that people know that there will be turning traffic? Coming from the Scottsdale end there is enough room to have a turning arrow and markings.

Response from Director – Infrastructure, Dwaine Griffin:

I can approach the Department of State Growth with this request.

Councillor Dale Jessup:

Have we got an expected release date of the economic benefits study being conducted by Treasury on the heritage rail and rail trail projects?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

No.

Councillor Steve Arnold:

In regards to the Bridport water restrictions, I requested a letter to be written to TasWater in regards to the legality of the Bridport water, have we heard anything back from them?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

I'm unsure whether it's been sent, as it would have come from the General Manager. We will look into this and advise whether this has occurred.

Councillor Lawrence Archer:

Can we please at the next Workshop have some time set aside to discuss matters raised by Mrs Powell regarding Governance and Workshop issues and also Meeting Regulations?

Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:

Yes.

60/18 Notices of Motion by Councillors

Nil

Mayor Howard vacated the chair for item 61/18. Deputy Mayor Hall took the Chair.

Councillor Jessup left the room for item 61/18.

Mayor Howard declared an interest in item 61/18 but stated it is immaterial and didn't leave the room.

Councillor Archer declared an interest item 61/18 and didn't leave the room.

61/18 Notice of Motion – Cr Greg Howard – Removal of Community Lease/Licence Fees
Ref: 18/3564 NoM 18/2378 & 18/3567

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor G J Howard.

Recommendation

That Council remove all licence and lease fees paid by sporting clubs and not for profit community groups (Dorset based) associated with the use of Council owned facilities.

Decision

Crs Howard/Stein

That Council remove all licence and lease fees paid by sporting clubs and not for profit community groups (Dorset based) associated with the use of Council owned facilities.

Voting For the Motion: Mayor Howard, Deputy Mayor Hall, Cr Stein

Voting Against the Motion: Crs Martin, Archer, Arnold

Motion Lost

Mayor Howard retook the Chair.

Cr Jessup returned to the Meeting.

62/18 Notice of Motion – Cr Lawrence Archer – Bridport Seaside Caravan Park RV Trial
Ref: 18/3542 NoM 18/3545

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor L D Archer.

Recommendation

As a trial and during off peak times 10 unserviced sites at the southern end of the Bridport Holiday Park be made available for fully self-contained vehicles at a reduced rate of \$10 per night with a maximum stay of 5 nights.

Crs Archer/Arnold

As a six month trial and during off peak times 10 unserviced sites at the southern end of the Bridport Holiday Park be made available for fully self-contained vehicles at a reduced rate of \$10 per night with a maximum stay of 5 nights.

Decision

Procedural Motion

Crs Stein/Hall

That the Matter be Deferred.

Carried Unanimously

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor L C Stein.



Recommendation

That toilet blocks 3 and 6 in the Bridport Seaside Caravan Park remain open all year, with hours being Peak Season 7am-8pm and Off Peak being 7am-5pm and to be serviced by Caravan Park caretakers.

Procedural Motion

Crs Archer/Arnold

That the Matter be Deferred.

Voting For the Procedural Motion:

Crs Archer, Arnold, Deputy Mayor Hall

Voting Against the Procedural Motion:

Mayor Howard, Crs Jessup, Stein, Martin

Procedural Motion Lost

Decision

Amended Recommendation

Crs Stein/Martin

That toilet block 3 in the Bridport Seaside Caravan Park remain open to the public the same as the current arrangement for toilet block 6. The servicing of the toilets will be performed by the Park Caretakers and by Council staff during the 6 week annual leave period of the Caretakers.

Voting For the Amended Motion:

Mayor Howard, Deputy Mayor Hall, Crs Stein, Martin, Jessup, Arnold

Voting Against the Amended Motion:

Cr Archer

Carried

**64/18 Notice of Motion – Cr Lawrence Archer – Public Toilets adjacent to
Bridport Playground**
Ref: 18/3543 - NoM 18/3547

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor L D Archer.

Recommendation

Crs Archer/

Prior to the demolition of the public toilets adjacent to the Bridport playground, management provide councillors with visual interpretation of the scenic impact of the proposed space net equipment and investigate the suitability of the proposed area for the foundations of the equipment to be erected.

Motion Lapsed, No Seconder

65/18 Annual Plan 2017/18 Quarterly Update March 2018
Reporting Officer: Director – Corporate Services, John Marik
Ref: 18/2528 | March Update: 18/606

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to update Council and the community on progress of the Dorset Council Annual Plan 2017/18 as at 31 March 2018.

Recommendation

That the attached Dorset Council Annual Plan 2017/18 March Quarterly Report be received and noted, including the variations as follows:

- a.) The review and update of Councils Road and Bridge Asset Management Plans to be deferred into 2018/19 and included in the annual plan.
- b.) The Bridport Cemetery recommendation to Council to be deferred into 2018/19 and included in the annual plan.

Decision

Crs Archer/Hall

That the attached Dorset Council Annual Plan 2017/18 March Quarterly Report be received and noted, including the variations as follows:

- a.) The review and update of Councils Road and Bridge Asset Management Plans to be deferred into 2018/19 and included in the annual plan.**

b.) The Bridport Cemetery recommendation to Council to be deferred into 2018/19 and included in the annual plan.

Carried Unanimously

66/18 2017/18 – Community Matching Funding Grants Application Assessment – Round 3

Reporting Officer: Customer Service and Community Liaison Officer, Elizabeth Hadley
Ref: 18/3531

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendations of the Community Grants Committee to Council for approval.

Organisation	Project	Project Cost	Grant Requested	Grant Recommendation
Northbourne Park Association Inc.	Purchase & Installation of Defibrillator	\$1995	\$997.50	Recommended
North East Junior Basketball Club	Purchase Basketball Playing Tops	\$1848	\$924	Recommended

Recommendation

That Council approve funding for the following Community Matching Funding Grants applications:

- \$997.50 to Northbourne Park Association Inc.
- \$924 to North East Junior Basketball Club

Decision

Crs Hall/Archer

That Council approve funding for the following Community Matching Funding Grants applications:

- **\$997.50 to Northbourne Park Association Inc.**
- **\$924 to North East Junior Basketball Club**

Carried Unanimously

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendations of the Community Grants Committee to Council for approval.

Organisation	Project	Project Cost	Grant Requested	Grant Recommendation
Scottsdale Cricket Club	Purchase Equipment	\$950	\$950	Recommended
Scottsdale RSL Sub Branch Inc.	Cenotaph Maintenance – Correct the year on the Scottsdale Cenotaph	\$1,060	\$900	Recommended
Scottsdale Football Club	Purchase Equipment	\$1,005	\$1,000	Recommended

Recommendation

That Council approve funding for the following Small Grants applications:

- \$950 to Scottsdale Cricket Club
- \$900 to Scottsdale RSL Sub Branch Inc.
- \$1,000 to Scottsdale Junior Football Club

Decision**Crs Hall/Jessup**

That Council approve funding for the following Small Grants applications:

- **\$950 to Scottsdale Cricket Club**
- **\$900 to Scottsdale RSL Sub Branch Inc.**
- **\$1,000 to Scottsdale Junior Football Club**

Carried Unanimously

Crs Arnold/Martin

That pursuant to Regulation 15 (2) (h) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council close the meeting to the public.

Time: 7.19 pm

Meeting Adjourned: 7.19pm

Meeting Resumed: 7.45pm

Time Meeting Closed: 8.10pm

Minutes Confirmed: 21 May, 2018.

Minute No: 73/18

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Mayor