



**COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE
MEETING**

MINUTES

21 FEBRUARY 2023

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**REPORT OF THE COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 232 BOLSOVER STREET, ROCKHAMPTON
ON TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2023 COMMENCING AT 9:03AM**

1 OPENING

1.1 Acknowledgement of Country

2 PRESENT

Members Present:

The Mayor, Councillor A P Williams (Chairperson)
Deputy Mayor, Councillor N K Fisher
Councillor S Latcham
Councillor C E Smith
Councillor C R Rutherford
Councillor M D Wickerson
Councillor G D Mathers

In Attendance:

Mr E Pardon – Chief Executive Officer
Ms A Cutler – General Manager Community Services (Executive Officer)
Mr R Cheesman – Deputy Chief Executive Officer (via video link)
Ms M Taylor – Chief Financial Officer (via video link)
Mr G Bowden – Executive Manager Advance Rockhampton (via video link)
Mr A Russell – Executive Manager Strategy and Planning
Mr A Pont – Manager Parks
Ms E Dwyer – Manager Community Assets and Facilities
Mr J Kann – Manager Office of the Mayor
Ms E Bellward – Curator/Director Zoo
Mr B Diplock – Strategic Planner
Ms G Dwyer – Acting Coordinator Media and Communications (via video link)
Ms A Lane – Business Improvement Advisor
Ms A Johnson – Land Use and Community Planner (via video link)
Ms K Walsh – Committee Support Officer

3 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor Kirkland was not in attendance.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the minutes of the Communities Committee of 15 November 2022 be confirmed.

Moved by: Councillor Smith

Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS ON THE AGENDA

6 BUSINESS OUTSTANDING

6.1 LIFTING MATTERS FROM THE TABLE

File No: 10097
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services

SUMMARY

Items laid on the table require a report to be lifted from the table before being dealt with. This report is designed to lift the reports that have been laid on the table at previous Communities Committee Meetings.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the following matter be lifted from the table and dealt with accordingly:

- Property Matter – Disposal of Site Improvement Assets

Moved by: Councillor Latcham
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8 PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

Nil

9 COUNCILLOR/DELEGATE REPORTS

Nil

10 OFFICERS' REPORTS

10.1 TOUR OPERATORS - ZOO AND GARDENS

File No: 3066
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Liz Bellward - Curator Rockhampton Zoo

SUMMARY

The zoo and gardens have been approached by a tour operator wishing to conduct paid tours at both sites. The proposal is to operate as a stand-alone operator at multiple Council sites.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the Tour Operators – Zoo and Gardens report be received.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.2 PARKS PROGRESS REPORT

File No: 8044
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Aaron Pont - Manager Parks

SUMMARY

Manager Parks providing bi-monthly update in relation to Parks Service Standards.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the bi-monthly update in relation to Parks Service Standards be received.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.3 SKI GARDENS MASTER PLAN ENGAGEMENT

File No: 15225
Authorising Officer: Angus Russell - Executive Manager Strategy and Planning
Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Brandon Diplock - Strategic Planner

SUMMARY

Officers are seeking endorsement of the Draft Master Plan document for the Ski Gardens to allow a high level of community engagement to take place.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the matter lay on the table and be presented at the next Communities Committee Meeting on 21 March 2023.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10.4 CHANGING PLACES STYLE ACCESSIBLE BATHROOM FACILITIES

File No: 787
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Emma-Jane Dwyer - Manager Community Assets and Facilities

SUMMARY

This report provides information around the feasibility study completed for the inclusion of a Changing Places facility at the 2nd World War Memorial Aquatic Centre and Kershaw Gardens. The estimated costs for the 2nd World War Memorial Aquatic Centre will be added to the 23/24 Capital budget submission for consideration.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer (Manager Community Assets and Facilities) to add the estimated costs for the 2nd World War Memorial Aquatic Centre to the 23/24 Capital budget submission for consideration.

Moved by: Councillor Rutherford
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

12 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

13 URGENT BUSINESS\QUESTIONS

14 CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with the provisions of section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, a local government may resolve to close a meeting to the public to discuss confidential items, such that its Councillors or members consider it necessary to close the meeting.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT the meeting be closed to the public to discuss the following items, which are considered confidential in accordance with section 254J(3) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, for the reasons indicated.

15.1 Property Matter - Disposal of Site Improvement Assets

In accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Fisher

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

9:47AM

THAT pursuant to s5.12 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves into Closed Session and be closed to the public.

Moved by: Mayor Williams
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

9:52AM

THAT pursuant to s5.12 *Council Meeting Procedures* the meeting moves out of Closed Session and be opened to the public.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Wickerson

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

15 CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS

15.1 PROPERTY MATTER - DISPOSAL OF SITE IMPROVEMENT ASSETS

File No: 11795
Authorising Officer: Alicia Cutler - General Manager Community Services
Author: Emma-Jane Dwyer - Manager Community Assets and Facilities
Kellie Roberts - Coordinator Property and Insurance

In accordance with section 254J(3)(g) of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* it is considered necessary to close the meeting to discuss negotiations relating to a commercial matter involving the local government for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government.

SUMMARY

The site improvement nominated in this report requires significant remedial or maintenance works in order to retain it. This report details a plan to repair the nominated site improvement and best future use for the area.

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

THAT Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer (Manager Community Assets and Facilities and Coordinator Property and Insurance) to deal with the property as per the option detailed in the report.

Moved by: Councillor Fisher
Seconded by: Councillor Rutherford

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

16 CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9:52am.

SIGNATURE

CHAIRPERSON

DATE