

**HAWKESBURY CITY COUNCIL
GENERAL PURPOSE COMMITTEE**

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MINUTES**

DATE OF MEETING: 23 April 1996

LOCATION: Council Chambers

TIME: 9:30am

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Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on 23 April 1996, commencing at 9.30am.

PRESENT: Councillor R P Stubbs, Mayor and Councillors L Allan, A W Baczynskyj, H J M Books, R G Calvert, M E Lawson, P J Minturn, C A Paine, R Sahasrabuddhe, R D Searle and L C Sheather.

Councillor Allan arrived at 9.45 am.

An apology for absence was received from Councillor W J Mackay.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Calvert and seconded by Councillor Lawson that the apology be accepted.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Books and seconded by Councillor Sheather that the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on the 26 March 1996, be confirmed.

The following recommendations were passed as resolutions of the Committee:

MAYORAL MINUTE

1. RURAL LANDS ASSESSMENT GT225/013 PT02

THAT COUNCILLOR BOOKS be nominated to the Rural Lands Study Committee.

SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT

134: LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN - ERECTION OF A DWELLING - LOT 1 DP824014 - OFF COROMANDEL ROAD, EBENEZER - FALSON AND ASSOCIATES (LEP1/96/EVD)

1. COUNCIL EXERCISE ITS delegation under Section 69 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 for the report to the Minister.
2. The local environmental plan as exhibited be forwarded to the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning for gazettal.

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135: DRAFT LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 10/95 - ADDITIONAL HERITAGE ITEMS, LOWER PORTLAND (LEP10/95/EVD)

1. COUNCIL EXERCISE ITS delegation to submit a report pursuant to Section 68 and 69 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 to the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning.
2. The plan be forwarded to the Minister of Urban Affairs and Planning requesting gazettal.
3. The inventory sheet for Stone Cottage be reviewed by Council's Heritage Advisor taking into consideration the comments made by Graham Edds and Associates.

136: DRAFT LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN 4/95 - AMENDMENT 41 - REZONING OF THE RESIDUE ALLOTMENT IN THE SUBDIVISION OF LOTS 4 AND 5 DP786671, LOT 7 DP738354, LOTS 80 AND 90 IN DP834019 AND LOTS 22, 24, 26-29, 32-41 INCLUSIVE DP17870 - "KEMSLEY DOWNS", GROSE VALE ROAD, NORTH RICHMOND (LEP 4/95, LEP4/96/EVD)

1. COUNCIL EXERCISE ITS delegation in respect to Section 68 and 69 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 and prepare a submission to be forwarded to the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning.
2. The plan be forwarded to the Minister of Urban Affairs and Planning requesting gazettal.

137: MINUTES OF "THE ISLANDS" COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - HELD ON 28 FEBRUARY 1996, 7.30PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS GEORGE STREET, WINDSOR. (LEP2/96; LEP3/96; LEP4/96; SA65/94, DA65/95/EVD)

Items 138 and 143 were dealt with in conjunction with Item 137.

See Item 143.

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138: MINUTES OF THE "THE ISLANDS" COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE - HELD ON TUESDAY 19 MARCH 1996 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, GEORGE STREET, WINDSOR COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM. (LEP2/96; LEP3/96; LEP4/96; SA65/94, DA65/95/EVD)

See Item 143.

139: DEVELOPMENT CONSENT - LANDFILL - LOT 1 DP814363 NO 103 FRANCIS STREET, RICHMOND (DA218/93 P613.309/EVD)

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

140: PORTLAND COUNTRY CLUB - CARAVAN PARK (P717.60;GL061/017/EVD)

COUNCIL INSTITUTE LEGAL action to require the existing caravan park to be upgraded in accordance with the Regulations, including the provision of a reticulated sewerage system to the "ensuites" or alternatively close the caravan park.

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141: HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL, WINDSOR - CONSERVATION PLAN AND ASSESSMENT - DRAFT SUBMISSION (P731/3005/EVD)

- A. THAT THIS REPORT be received and noted.
- B. That the Council resolve to recommend that the building be restored to its 1820's presentation.
- C. That Council nominate the building for the Register of the National Estate with the registration noting the significance of restoration back to 1820.

142: FORTNIGHTLY GARBAGE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING SERVICE PROPOSAL FOR THE MACDONALD VALLEY AND COLO HEIGHTS (GW010/017PT05/EVD)

THAT COUNCIL PROCEED to implement a fortnightly garbage collection and recycling service for the Macdonald Valley and Colo Heights in 1996/97 for 50% of the applicable 240 (two hundred and forty) litre garbage charge with residents being provided with the opportunity of having a second bin at no cost for 100% of the applicable 240 (two hundred and forty) litre garbage charge.

Further that a weekly garbage collection service be rendered for the Settlers Arms, the Court House guesthouse, the Fickle Wombat and the Macdonald Valley School for 100% of the applicable garbage charge. The vacant land charge would accordingly be reduced by 50%.

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143: EXHIBITION OF DRAFT LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLANS - "THE ISLANDS", HERMITAGE ROAD, KURRAJONG - PROPOSED 32 LOT COMMUNITY TITLE SUBDIVISION ON LITTLE ISLAND - PROPOSED LIMITS ON DEVELOPMENT OF MIDDLE ISLAND AND BIG ISLAND (LEP002/96;LEP003/96;LEP004/96;SA065/94;DA65/95/EVD)

Mr Don Fox, Consultant for Howard Harris, the property owner, addressed the Committee.

- A. THAT DRAFT Local Environmental Plan 2/96 to permit a 32 [thirty two] lot community title subdivision (30 [thirty] lots with building entitlement) on part of Lot 182 DP 701978 (Little Island), Hermitage Road, Kurrajong, be referred to the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning for final gazettal.
- B. That Draft Local Environmental Plan 3/96 be amended to retain the existing Environmental Protection Scenic 7(d1) zone on that part of Little Island proposed to be subdivided and that part of Middle Island below the escarpment. Otherwise, the provisions of Draft Local Environmental Plan 3/96, including the prohibition on the felling of trees be retained. Further, that Draft Local Environmental Plan 3/96 as amended be referred to the Department of Urban Affairs and Planning for final gazettal.

144: GUIDED HORSE TRAIL RIDES ALONG EXISTING FIRE TRAILS - LOT 202, 203 DP206301 - NO 380-382 LIEUTENANT BOWEN DRIVE - BOWEN MOUNTAIN (DA288/95/EVD)

The Mayor advised that the applicant had requested that this application be withdrawn.

THAT THE APPLICATION be withdrawn.

145: RECYCLING CONTRACT - IMPENDING TENDERING FOR RECYCLING CONTRACT - SEPTEMBER 1996 (GC270/043 PT02/EVD)

THAT COUNCIL SUPPORTS the investigation and preparation of a tender for kerbside collection of recyclable materials to commence on the 5 September 1996.

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SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE

20: EXEMPTION FROM RATING (P360/290/ENC)

THAT THE CHISHOLM Catholic Primary School situated at 30 Collith Avenue, South Windsor be granted exemption from rating from the 1 March 1996 and furthermore that an amount of \$407.65 (four hundred and seven dollars and sixty five cents) be written off in respect of the rates for 1 March 1996 to 30 June 1996.

21: FRIENDSHIP PARK - CAR PARK (PK/214 PT02/ENG)

THAT AN APPROPRIATE car parking area, adjacent to Friendship Park be fenced off from the remainder of the Bicentennial Park.

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SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

35: AUSTRALIAN PIONEER VILLAGE (GC283/107 PT04/CSV)

Mr Ken McManus, Consultant and Mr Brian McKinlay, Chairman of the Australian Pioneer Village Management Committee, addressed the Committee.

THAT COUNCIL ASSIST Australian Pioneer Village in funding its deficit to the extent of \$27,000 (twenty seven thousand).

36: MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - MARCH 1996 (GF011/005 PT04/FNC)

THAT THE INFORMATION be received.

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE:

1. Councillor Searle stated that he had received an enquiry from a Miss Pickford about an Illawarra Flame Tree in Paget Street in the new Woolworths development and sought clarification as to the reason for its removal.

The Director Environment & Development advised that the tree is located on the site of the loading dock, and because of its size it would not be practicable to relocate it.

2. Councillor Searle advised that he has had representations from Mrs Marks about broken glass on the netball courts at South Windsor.

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The Director Asset Services & Recreation advised that he has referred it to the Sports Council as it is their responsibility.

3. Councillor Searle tabled a letter from Mr John Christie of Hobartville for further action to the appropriate authority referring to problems with the park relating to hooliganism and asked if this and the issue of broken glass at South Windsor could be incorporated in the report to the Community Policing Committee or to the Police direct.
4. Councillor Searle tabled a letter from Mr & Mrs McFadden in reply to Council's decision on the report on rural dual occupancies. There are some points in the letter that Council needs to address in its LEP.
5. Councillor Minturn stated that he was having a bit of a hassle getting the General Manager to ring him back. He stated that he had rung him about three times in the last week.

The General Manager advised that the only message that he had had from Councillor Minturn was yesterday afternoon and he not got around to replying as yet.

6. Councillor Lawson asked if some more bins could be supplied in Thompson Square at the weekends.

The Director Asset Services & Recreation stated that it may be more appropriate to look at providing an extra service at the weekends.

7. Councillor Sheather referred to Council's decision at the last Ordinary Meeting to delegate authority to "rangers", and asked if it would be appropriate for the Sports Council's staff to be similarly appointed for the recreation areas for which the Sports Council is responsible.
8. Councillor Books asked if the Chairman of the Local Traffic Committee could take up with the Committee the problem with the Westbus buses double parking in the double lines in front of the Freemans Reach Primary School.
9. Councillor Allan stated that during the week Mrs Donnelly rang her about some signage for exit and entry to the Sports Stadium, speed humps and the blocking out of the lights from the cars.

The Director Asset Services & Recreation advised that there is a sign indicating the Sports Stadium and that it would be not be appropriate to instal speed humps as this would exacerbate the problem.

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The Director Community Management & Finance stated that the question had been asked by the Donnellys regarding a brick fence adjacent to the carpark. There is no plan for any fencing along the carpark. Advanced trees had been provided to try and minimise the effect of the lights in the carpark. Attempts are being made to contact the original suppliers of the lights to see what measures can be taken to stop light spillage.

10. Councillor Paine stated that there are no bins in the park on the wharf side of Thompson Square.

The General Manager stated that the provision of a garbage service through the town on Saturday and Sunday afternoons would be investigated.

11. Councillor Paine stated that she had heard this morning that Tim Geyer is leaving.

The General Manager stated that he has accepted a position, similar to what he has at Council, with Goulburn City Council.

12. Councillor Calvert sought advice on the current position with the raising of the building levels and asked if a Section 65 had been issued as yet.

The Divisional Manager Environment & Development advised that the statutory notification to the Department has been completed, a Section 65 has not been issued as yet but this can be issued under delegated authority, the exhibition will be advertised within the next 2 (two) or 3(three) weeks. It is not proposed to require the 17.3 metre level until the plan has been gazetted which would allow a period of growth for six months.

Councillor Calvert asked if, when the plan does go on display, it could be advertised in a full page advertisement in the Gazette, and the consultation period be for a period of 2 (two) months rather than 30 (thirty) days.

13. Councillor Calvert asked if there is any progress with the traffic lights at Rifle Range Road.

The Director Asset Services & Recreation advised that further representations are being made. Applications have been invited for the 1996/97 Black Spot Program and it would appear that these intersections meet the requirements and an application would be made in this program. Also a report would be submitted to Council seeking assistance from the Local Member.

Councillor Calvert asked if this could be assessed to go into this year's estimates budget for Council to fund that intersection.

The Director Asset Services & Recreation advised that there are already funds available to part

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fund both intersections.

14. Councillor Calvert referred to the traffic problems created by the "Stop" sign in Collith Avenue since the closure of the intersection of Collith Avenue and Rifle Range Road and the need for the traffic lights to be installed to resolve the problem.

INSPECTIONS

The Committee then adjourned for an inspection of the Hawkesbury Oasis Aquatic Centre and 143 Francis Street, Richmond - the time being 11.10am.

MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF TOURISM HAWKESBURY INC

Mr Ross Miller, Chairperson, Mr Peter Auld and Mr Chris Wells, members of Tourism Hawkesbury Board, outlined a number of projects proposed for the promotion of tourism in the Hawkesbury, including the introduction of Hawkesbury ambassadors, fauna park proposal, historic buildings in the Hawkesbury and historic plaques on historic buildings, return to the Hawkesbury weekend as a regular tourist event, bed and breakfast accommodation, and a review of the office systems at Tourism Hawkesbury.

The meeting terminated at 3.05 pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of the General Purpose Committee held on 28 May 1996.

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