



Hawkesbury City Council

general purpose committee minutes

date of meeting: 27 July 2004

location: council chambers

time: 9.00 a.m.

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Minutes of the Meeting of the General Purpose Committee held at the Council Chambers, Windsor, on Tuesday, 27 July 2004, commencing at 9:07am.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Councillor R Stubbs, Mayor and Councillors B Bassett, T Books, , K Conolly, T Devine, D Finch, C Paine, B Porter, N Wearne and L Williams

APOLOGIES

An apology for absence was received from Councillors P Rasmussen and B Calvert

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly and seconded by Councillor Finch that the apology be accepted.

Councillor Conolly left the meeting at 1:00pm
Councillor Finch left the meeting at 2.38pm
Councillor Calvert arrived at the meeting at 3:10pm

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Finch and seconded by Councillor Wearne that the Minutes of the General Purpose Committee Meeting held on the Tuesday, 29 June 2004, be confirmed.

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded Councillor Finch.

That Item 36 be brought forward and become the first item heard for the day to allow Mr Charles Vandervord to address the Committee.

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SECTION 1 - ENVIRONMENT

Item: 35 **ENV A - Security Fence - Wilberforce Cemetery, Lot 7016 DP 1032360 and Crown Land Property Bounded by Copeland, Duke, Clergy and Unnamed Road, Wilberforce NSW 2756 - (107, 79354, 87514)**

Previous Item: 13, Ordinary (9 March 2004)

Mrs Jill Vincent, Mr Don Poull and Mrs Mavis Cobcraft, proponents, addressed the Committee

Ms Renee Darlington, respondent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

The application be approved subject to the following conditions:

General

1. The development shall take place in accordance with the stamped plans, specifications and accompanying documentation submitted with the application except as modified by these further conditions.
2. The development shall comply with the provisions of the Building Code of Australia at all times.
3. The development shall comply with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 at all times.

Prior to Commencement of Works

4. At least two days prior to commencement of works, notice is to be given to Hawkesbury City Council, in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation.

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During Construction

5. Site and building works (including the delivery of materials to and from the property) shall be carried out only on Monday to Friday between 7am – 6pm and on Saturdays between 8am – 4pm.
6. The site shall be kept clean and tidy during the construction period and all unused building materials and rubbish shall be removed from the site upon completion of the project.
7. The fence is to be located to provide a minimum of 2 (two) metre setback from grave sites and vaults to allow access around the sites and vaults.

Item: 36 **ENV A - Proposed Tourist Facility - No 73 Ghost Hill Road, Bilpin, DA157/02 - (17809, 17810, 85977)**

Mr Brian Jukes and Mr Charles Vandervord, proponents, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the application for 3 (three) tourist cabins be approved subject to the following conditions:

General

1. The development shall take place in accordance with the stamped plans, specifications and accompanying documentation submitted with the application except as modified by these further conditions.
2. No excavation, site works or building works shall be commenced prior to the issue of an appropriate Construction Certificate.
3. The approved use shall not commence until all conditions of this Development Consent have been complied with.
4. The development shall comply with the provisions of the Building Code of Australia at all times.

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5. The development shall comply with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 at all times.
6. The accredited certifier shall provide copies of all Part 4 certificates issued under the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979 relevant to this development to Hawkesbury City Council within 7 (seven) days of issuing the certificate. A registration fee applies.
7. Details of the proposed hot water system demonstrating that the appliance has a minimum energy rating of 3.5 stars is to be submitted to the principal certifying authority.
8. An occupation certificate is to be obtained on completion of all works and prior to commencement of the approved use. The occupation certificate will not be issued if any conditions of this consent are outstanding.
9. The wind classification for the site has been assessed as minimum W41N, this classification should be referred to your glazing supplier, frame manufacturer and building contractor to enable the appropriate glazing, bracing and tie down to be designed.
10. All solid fuel heaters installed must comply with the requirements of the Clean air Domestic Solid Fuel Heaters Regulation.
11. The effluent disposal system is to be in accordance with the system recommended in the report prepared by Blue Mountains Geological and Environmental Services P/L, Ref 011207, dated December 2001.

Prior to Issue of Construction Certificate

12. Provide all necessary details demonstrating compliance with AS 3959 (Construction of Buildings in Bush Fire Prone Areas) to the principal certifying authority.
13. Submission of details for the external finishes/colours to be provided to Hawkesbury City Council for approval.
14. Construction of civil works including road, drainage, access, or sewer works are not to commence until three (3) copies of the plans and specifications of the proposed works are submitted to and approved by the Director Asset Services and Recreation or an accredited certifier.
15. The submission of engineering designs and calculations covering all works required by this consent.
16. The submission of a satisfactory soil and water management plan (SWMP) prepared in accordance with the State Government guidelines titled "Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction (1988)".

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17. Water quality control measures to be incorporated to ensure runoff from the site will not detrimentally affect the existing watercourse. A suitable report is to be submitted prepared by a suitably qualified person.
18. Estimation of peak flows by a suitably qualified person is to be undertaken to determine the 1 in 100 year average recurrence interval storm flow through the existing watercourse.
19. Survey, hydrological, hydraulic and structural details from a suitably qualified person for the watercourse crossing to be provided.
20. A Sewer Management Facility System application shall be submitted to and approved by Council.
21. Submission of a traffic management plan for Ghost Hill Road to address but not limited to:
 - (a) Safety of the public;
 - (b) Need to regulate drivers action by signage.

Prior to Works Commencing

22. Separate certified structural engineer's details of all structural concrete and steelwork shall be lodged with the principal certifying authority for approval.
23. The proposed development falls outside the scope of the Timber Framing Code AS1684, details shall be prepared by a Practising Structural Engineer for the frame, roof, bracing and tie down requirements and submitted for approval.
24. Sanitary accommodation shall be provided for workmen throughout the course of the building operations in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993 and the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act.
25. The applicant shall advise Council of the name, address and contact number of the principal certifier, in accordance with Section 81A 2(b) of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act, 1979.
26. At least two days prior to commencement of works, notice is to be given to Hawkesbury City Council, in accordance with the Environmental Planning and Assessment Regulation.
27. Erosion and sediment control devices are to be installed and maintained at all times during site works and construction. The enclosed warning sign shall be affixed to the sediment fence/erosion control device.
28. Site meeting being arranged with Council officers, Rural Fire Services, contractor and applicant to identify and mark the vegetation to be removed and retained within the approved Asset Protection zones.

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During Construction

29. Site and building works (including the delivery of materials to and from the property) shall be carried out only on Monday to Friday between 7am – 6pm and on Saturdays between 8am – 4pm.
30. The site shall be kept clean and tidy during the construction period and all unused building materials and rubbish shall be removed from the site upon completion of the project. The following restrictions apply during construction:
 - (a) Stockpiles of topsoil, sand, aggregate, spoil or other material shall be stored clear of any drainage path or easement, natural watercourse, footpath, kerb or road surface and shall have measures in place to prevent the movement of such material off site.
 - (b) Building operations such as brick cutting, washing tools, concreting and bricklaying shall be undertaken only within the site.
 - (c) Builders waste must not be burnt or buried on site. All waste (including felled trees) must be contained and removed to a Waste Disposal Depot.
30. Only the vegetation marked as being removed from the on site meeting is to be removed, other vegetation will require separate approval from Hawkesbury City Council.
31. An automatic fire detection and alarm system shall be installed within the building in accordance with Part 3.7.2 of the BCA for class 1A and 1B dwellings and F2.2a of the BCA for Class 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 9a and 9b. Alarms and Detectors shall be installed by a licensed electrician and multiple alarms shall be interconnected, a certificate of the installation shall be provided prior to occupation of the building; (Note: refer to approved plans, for location marked in red ink).
32. Inspections shall be carried out and compliance certificates issued by Council or an appropriately accredited person for the following components of construction:
 - (a) erosion controls, site works and site set out;
 - (b) piers;
 - (c) steel reinforcement;
 - (d) framework, after the installation of all plumbing, drainage and electrical fixtures, and after the external cladding and roof covering has been fixed and prior to fixing of internal linings and insulation;
 - (e) wet area flashing, after the installation of any bath and shower fixtures;
 - (f) internal drainage lines prior to covering;
 - (g) external drainage lines, prior to backfilling; and
 - (h) on completion of the structure.
33. All roof water shall be drained to the water storage vessels.

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34. The construction of vehicular access around the site and a vehicular crossing from the edge of bitumen in Ghost Hill Road, in accordance with the approved plans, together with any works to make this effective.
35. All access roads proposed to take 2 (two) way traffic are to be a minimum of 4.5 (four point five) metres, finished with 150mm (one hundred and fifty millimetre) of crushed rock pavement. The maximum grade is to be 16% (sixteen percent). The maximum grade may be increased to 20% (twenty percent) if the pavement is finished with a 2 (two) coat flush seal, or 25% (twenty five percent) if constructed with 150mm (one hundred and fifty millimetres) thick reinforced concrete. Passing Bays are to be provided at maximum 100m (one hundred metre) intervals or more frequently where safety conditions dictate.
36. Any carparking areas associated with the proposed cabins are to be constructed with a minimum 150mm (one hundred and fifty millimetre) crushed rock pavement.
37. A concrete causeway and a low flow stormwater pipeline is to be constructed over the existing watercourse to allow access to Cabin 3.

Prior to Issue of Occupation Certificate

38. Compliance with all conditions of this development consent.
39. Written clearance from Integral Energy shall be submitted to the Principal Certifying Authority.
40. Cabins to be connected to the approved and fully installed sewerage management facility.

Use of Site

41. The development shall be conducted in such a manner that the LA(eq) noise levels, measured at any point in accordance with the NSW EPA's Industrial Noise Policy (2000), do not exceed 5dB(A) LA(eq) above background noise levels with respect to noise amenity of residential dwellings.
42. The development shall be limited to the area shown on the submitted plans.
43. The subject development, including landscaping, is to be maintained in a clean and tidy manner.
44. Any external lighting shall be directed in such a manner so that no nuisance is caused to adjoining properties.
45. The bushfire asset protection zones required by this consent shall be maintained at all times.
46. All waste materials shall be regularly removed from the property.
47. The cabins shall be used for short term tourist accommodation only.

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48. The effluent disposal system is to be monitored as outlined in the report prepared by Blue Mountains Geological and Environmental Services P/L, Ref 011207, dated December 2001.

Advisory

49. The applicant shall make themselves aware of the Discrimination Against People with Disabilities Act (DDA) and assess their responsibilities and liabilities with regards to the provision of access for all people.

Conditions of Department Infrastructure and Natural Resources

50. These General Terms of Approval are only applicable for the works granted on this site, in this consent and are to be carried out in accordance with the plans presented to the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources (DIPNR).
51. These General Terms of Approval are granted for a period equivalent to the consent. If the works are incomplete after this period, a renewal application needs to be made no less than 1 (one) month in advance of the expiry date.
52. All works proposed must be designed, constructed and operated so they minimise sedimentation, erosion and scour of the banks or bed of the watercourse/foreshore and adverse impacts on aquatic and riparian environments.
53. Erosion and sediment control measure are required to be implemented prior to any works commencing at the site and maintained, for as long as necessary after the completion of works, to prevent sediment and dirty water entering the watercourse/foreshore environment. These control measures are to be in accordance with the requirements of the Consent Authorities and best management practices as outlined in the NSW Department of Housings' "Managing Urban Stormwater: Soils and Construction" (1988) manual (the "Blue Book").
54. This Permit is issued for works on FREEHOLD land only. This Permit is null and void for any works on Crown Land.
55. Rehabilitation of the area in accordance with the Permit Conditions or any direction from DIPNR is the responsibility of the Permit holder and the owner or occupier of the land.
56. Work as executed survey plans of a professional standard and including information required by DIPNR shall be provided to DIPNR upon request.
57. If, in the opinion of a DIPNR officer, any activity is being carried out in such a manner that it may damage or adversely affect the stream or foreshore environment, then all work shall cease immediately upon oral or written direction of such an officer.
58. If these Permit Conditions are breached the Permit holder shall immediately restore the site in accordance with these Conditions and any other necessary remedial actions as directed by DIPNR. If any breach of the Permit Conditions requires a site inspection by DIPNR, then the permit holder shall pay a fee prescribed by DIPNR for this inspection and all subsequent breach inspections.

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Location of the Works

59. The location, nature and extent of works shall not be any closer to the tributary of Hungerfords Creek than that described on the submitted Site Plan by Monaghan Surveyors Pty Ltd, Ref no. 02247-5 (RFS), dated 17 December 2003.

Riparian Zone

60. A riparian zone at least 5 (five) metres wide measured horizontally and at right angles to the flow from the top of both banks, consisting of local native plant species, shall be protected and maintained along the watercourse.
61. The construction technique adopted to construct the dwelling is to ensure that disturbance to soil and vegetation on protected land and within the identified riparian zone is kept to an absolute minimum.

Site Rehabilitation

62. Site rehabilitation must protect any remnant local native riparian vegetation at the Site and restore any riparian zones disturbed or otherwise affected by the work to a state that is reasonably representative of the natural ecotone of the protected waters system, in accordance with the endorsed plans and these conditions.
63. Riparian zones so protected and /or restored must be made up of a diverse range of native tree, shrub, groundcover and grass species local to the areas, planted at appropriate densities to achieve an effective and full riparian vegetation structure.
64. Rehabilitated areas must be maintained to ensure successful native plant establishment. Maintenance must include any watering, weed control, replacement of plant losses, disease and insect control, mulching etc, necessary for successful plant establishment.

NSW Rural Fire Service

65. Property access roads are to comply with Section 4.3.2 of Planning and Bushfire Protection 2001. This clause shall only apply to property access roads associated with the development.
66. A tank with a capacity of 10,000 (ten thousand) litres for exclusive use for fire fighting purposes shall be provided for each cabin. A 65 (sixty five) millimetre storz fitting and ball gate valve shall be installed in the tank.
67. The Inner Protection Area (IPA) only shall be provided to the development as shown on plan number 02247-5 (RFS) D plan dated 31/5/04 except where modified by the following conditions.
- a) Cabin number 1 (one) and 2 (two) shall be provided with a 75 (seventy five) metre IPA to the east.

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- b) Cabin 3 (three) shall be relocated a minimum of 20 (twenty) metres from the riparian buffer identified on the plans.
- 68. Construction should comply with AS3959-1999 level 3 'Construction of Buildings in bushfire prone areas'.
- 69. The strip of vegetation to be retained along the fence line between the western neighbour and the proposed development, and the dense tree fern stand shall be managed as an 'Outer Protection Area' (OPA) as outlined within Section 4.2.2 in Planning for Bushfire Protection 2001. It is considered that the retention of trees associated with these areas is acceptable, however, under scrubbing shall be carried to reduce the fuel loadings within the OPA.

Item: 37 **ENV B - Spraying of Herbicide in the Hawkesbury River - (79348, 12212)**

Previous Item: 87, Ordinary (13 July 2004)

Mr Ken Archer and Mr Roger Tofalin gave a presentation to the Committee
Mr Neville Diamond, Ms Marie Noble, Mr Gary Howard and Mr Gary Adams respondents, addressed the Committee

Councillor Calvert left the Council Chambers prior to voting taking place as he arrived at the meeting mid Item.

MOTION:

A MOTION was moved by Councillor Williams, seconded by Councillor Paine

That Council, exercising its delegation as a Committee of the Whole, resolve:

1. Council urgently convene a public 'River Summit' to seek solutions to correct the River's problems.
2. Council ask the Hawkesbury River County Council to get the EPA, Department of Health, Department of Fisheries and Sydney Water to sign off on their proposed course of action to alleviate the Salvinia Weed in the Hawkesbury River.

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RESOLVED on the AMENDMENT moved by Councillor Books, seconded by Councillor Devine.

Refer to RESOLUTION

The amendment was carried.

The amendment then became the motion which was put and carried.

297 RESOLUTION:

That Council, exercising its delegation as a Committee of the Whole, resolve:

1. The Hawkesbury City Council support the Hawkesbury River County Council in its decision to alleviate the weed problem in the Hawkesbury River.
2. Council urgently convene a public 'River Summit' with the appropriate Government Agencies, to seek solutions to correct the River's problems.
3. Council seek urgent confirmation from the Minister of Local Government and Minister for Primary Industries, being the Ministers responsible for the Hawkesbury River County Council that they agree and are responsible for the strategies adopted to clear *Salvinia* from the Hawkesbury Nepean River.

Item: 38 **ENV B - Allegations Made by Animal Activists Regarding Hawkesbury City Animal Shelter - (39906, 79347)**

Ms Jenny Wall, proponent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The information be received.

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2. That the proposed changes to the opening hours of the Animal Shelter be adopted by Council.
3. That Council adopt the proposal to increase the advertising of animals available at the animal shelter through its web site and via local press on a weekly basis.

SECTION 2 - INFRASTRUCTURE

Item: 31 **INF B - Governor Phillip Reserve - Upper Hawkesbury Power Boat Club - Exclusive Use - (73829)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to RESOLUTION

298 RESOLUTION:

That Council exercising its delegation as a Committee of the Whole resolve that approval be granted to the Upper Hawkesbury Power Boat Club for exclusive use of Governor Phillip Reserve on 7 and 8 August 2004, subject to the following conditions:

1. The applicant undertaking a letter drop to all affected residents in proximity to the event, with that letter advising full details of the event.
2. The applicant paying the exclusive use contribution rate and the toilet cleaning charge fee for exclusive use events applying at the time of the event.
3. The reserve being left clean and tidy with the applicant being responsible for the disposal of all waste from the reserve.
4. The applicant obtaining appropriate licences from the Waterways Authority regarding conduct of this event.
5. If required, the applicant to obtain appropriate licence from the Licensing Branch of the NSW Police Service for the sale of alcoholic beverages at the proposed event.
6. The applicant obtaining all necessary permits/approvals in relation to amusement devices rides.

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7. The applicant contacting Council's Environment Health Officer with regard to the sale of hot foods.
8. The applicant to liaise with Integral Energy regarding the supply of power to devices/rides and their proximity to power supply lines.
9. The applicant lodge a damage bond in the amount applying at the time of the event.
10. The applicant submitting a copy of its Public Liability Policy in an amount of not less than \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars), with Council's interest noted on the policy.
11. The applicant making appropriate arrangements regarding access by affected residents and their visitors, as well as emergency vehicles.
12. The applicant obtaining NSW Police Service approval for conduct of this event and appropriate traffic control arrangements being made by the event organiser and the NSW Police Service to control traffic travelling to the event.
13. The event organiser should carry out an overall risk assessment to identify and assess the potential risks to spectators and participants during the event and is to design and implement a risk elimination or reduction plan in accordance with the Occupational Health & Safety Regulation 2000 as detailed by the Department of Tourism, Sport & Recreation.

Item: 32 INF B - Windsor Flood Evacuation Route - Day/Mileham Streets Intersection - (79338)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Porter.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 1

RECOMMENDED on the foreshadowed motion moved by Councillor Bassett, seconded by Councillor Books.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 2

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 1:

That Option 2 – Shift Day Street East, in relation to the intersection of Mileham and Day Streets to facilitate the construction of the flood evacuation route to be supported.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION 2:

That Council write to the Minister requesting that the Flood Evacuation Route be opened as a 3 (three) lane road with tidal flow lane changing and the construction timetable be moved forward.

Item: 33 INF B - 296 George Street, Windsor - Pine Warehouse - (79338)

MOTION:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to RESOLUTION 1

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Bassett.

Refer to RESOLUTION 2

299 RESOLUTION 1:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Finch that Council, exercising its delegation as a Committee of the Whole, resolve

That Council resolve to spend no further money on refurbishing the building

300 RESOLUTION 2:

RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Bassett that Council, exercising its delegation as a Committee of the Whole, resolve

That a further report be provided to Council on future options for the site after being referred to the Commercial Response Unit.

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Item: 34 **INF B - Raising Tanker Hydrant Filling Points - (79338)**

Previous Item: 44, Ordinary (9 December 2003)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Williams.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That a letter be forwarded to Sydney Water requesting the raising of the connecting valve and hydrant at:

- Wire Lane, Freemans Reach;
- Bathurst Street, Pitt Town; and
- Corner of Buckingham Street and Cattai Road, Pitt Town

SUPPLEMENTARY

Item: 35 **INF B - Council Communications Tower - Warks Hill Road, Kurrajong Heights - (79338, 79607, 73881)**

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Wearne.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. The offer of Optus Mobile Pty Ltd to co-locate mobile telephone antennas and an equipment shelter on the Council tower and site at the end of Warks Hill Road, Kurrajong Heights be accepted; and

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2. Further negotiations be undertaken with Optus Mobile Pty Ltd with a view to increasing the initial rental offered for the site to between \$15,000 (fifteen thousand dollars) and \$20,000 (twenty thousand dollars).
3. All necessary documents be executed under seal following satisfactory lease conditions being negotiated.
4. Legal advice be obtained prior to the Ordinary meeting in relation to the application of the Telecommunications Act on Emergency Services communication sites.
5. Correspondence to be sent to the surrounding community advising of the proposal.

Item: 36 INF B - Water Ski Racing NSW - Lower Portland Ferry Closure - (79338)

Mr John Nolan, proponent, addressed the Committee

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Finch, seconded by Councillor Conolly.

Refer to RESOLUTION

301 RESOLUTION:

That Council exercising its delegation as Committee of the Whole support the closure of the Lower Portland Ferry between 10:30am and 12:30pm on Sunday, 8 August 2004 subject to compliance with the following conditions:

1. The applicant submitting a copy of a public liability policy for \$10,000,000 (ten million dollars) and indemnifying Hawkesbury City Council prior to the event.
2. The applicant obtaining appropriate licences from the Waterways Authority regarding conduct of this event.
3. Advertising of the proposed suspension of service of Lower Portland Ferry being undertaken at the expense of the organisation in newspapers circulating in the area of the service 2 (two) weeks prior to the event, such notice is to be incorporated in the news section of those newspapers and to be approximately 1/8th page size.

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4. Signs be erected at the Association's cost in locations as required by the Director Asset Services & Recreation and at a size indicated by him, on all roads leading to the ferry, as well as on each ferry for at least 2 (two) weeks prior to the event.
5. Safety precautions are to be placed at the Lower Portland Ferry such as to include a boat and crew upstream and downstream from the ferry with suitable equipment to indicate to competitors that a ferry may be operating and with communication between those boats and the ferry vessel, such procedures are to be implemented to the satisfaction of the Waterways Authority and the Director Asset Services & Recreation.

SECTION 3 - ORGANISATION AND RESOURCES

Item: 40 ORG A - Monthly Financial Report - June 2004 - (107)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be received.

Item: 41 ORG B - Community Donations Program - Round 1 2004/2005 - (79356)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Paine, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- A. As part of Round 1 (one) of Community Donations 2004/2005, a total of \$3,254.50 (three thousand, two hundred and fifty four dollars and fifty cents) be paid as donations as follows:
1. Colo Wilderness Children's Services receive \$899.00 (eight hundred and ninety nine dollars) for a trampoline cover and sandpit.
 2. Hawkesbury Complex Needs Day Centre receive \$405.90 (four hundred and five dollars and ninety cents) for the use of Windsor Function Centre for their client's Christmas function.
 3. Life Education NSW receive \$1,200.00 (one thousand and two hundred dollars) to fund 6 (six) months towing of their mobile classroom to schools within the Hawkesbury.
 4. Hawkesbury Care Inc receive \$750.00 (seven hundred and fifty dollars) for their Regeneration Program.
- B. That Kurrajong Heights Uniting Church be referred to other more appropriate funding sources.

Item: 42 **ORG B - Future Operation of the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct - (79342)**

Previous Item: 24, Ordinary (8 June 2004)

Professor Ian Jack, Mr Michael Gennings, Ms Lyn Mantell and Ms Vivienne Pearson, addressed the Committee

A site inspection was carried out at 4:00pm. Councillors present at the inspection were Councillor R Stubbs, Mayor and Councillors B Bassett, T Books, T Devine, D Finch, C Paine, B Porter, N Wearne and L Williams.

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Conolly, seconded by Councillor Finch.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Council authorise Council staff to further discuss the draft Memorandum of Understanding for the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct with relevant groups with a view to adopting modifications, consistent with the existing spirit and intent, to address concerns expressed by those groups.
2. Council authorise Council Staff to begin negotiations with the Hawkesbury Historical Society Inc. and the Friends of the Hawkesbury Art Collection and Regional Gallery Inc. to draft a Deed of Agreement. The Deed of Agreement will identify an agreed process for the relocation of the collections owned by HHS and FOHACaRAG into the Regional Gallery and Regional Museum; it will ensure that the ownership of the collections remain with HHS and FOHACaRAG, and will identify policies for the ongoing management and development of these collections which is acceptable to all parties.
3. Council expand the Hawkesbury Cultural Precinct Advisory Committee by an additional 3 (three) community members and seek nominations from the community and organisations to fill the designated positions on the Committee.
4. A site inspection be carried out.

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ORG B - Code of Meeting Practice - (107, 79341)

MOTION:

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Books, seconded by Councillor Devine.

Refer to COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The revised Code of Meeting Practice be placed on public exhibition for a period of 28 (twenty eight) days, with submissions to be received up to 42 (forty two) days from the date of exhibition with the following changes:

1. In point 2.2.3, Notices of Motion, change from 7 (seven) working days to 7 (seven) days.
2. In point 2.3.3, Notices of Rescission, the following text be included '*During this time, no consents in relation to the Notice of Rescission are to be issued by Council*'

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3. In point 2.3.6, - A broader group of ministers be allowed to give the prayer at the beginning of the meetings.
4. In point 3.3.8 - Part 1 - E-mails and faxes can be received by members of the public indicating that they wish to address Council at its meetings.

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QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

1. Councillor Bassett asked what the likely increase to insurance premiums would be if the Orange Grove Complex is not rezoned by State Government.

The Director Community and Corporate Services advised that Westpool had been notified and that the effect on premiums would depend on the success of the claim.

2. Councillor Bassett asked if the General Manager had considered writing to the State Government with the implications for our budget based on the scenario that has just been outlined in regard to the rezoning.

The General Manager advised he would give consideration to the suggested strategy.

3. Councillor Finch tabled correspondence from the Grose River Golf Club regarding a sign.

4. Councillor Finch tabled a shopping bag that she received from Bathurst City Council and advised that residents who participated in the Plastic Bag Replacement Project received one of the re-useable bags in exchange for 30 (thirty) plastic bags. Councillor Finch asked if Hawkesbury City Council could consider a similar project.

The Director Environment and Development advised that an exchange program would be investigated.

5. Councillor Paine referred to a meeting held between Council and the Heritage regarding Pitt Town and asked for a report back on how that went and what the outcome is.

The Director Environment and Development advised that the notes from the meeting had been finalised and will distributed back to the office and the residents action group at Pitt Town.

Councillor Paine asked what the length of the delay would be.

The Director Environment and Development advised that draft provisions had already been completed to deal with archaeological and another letter will be expected back to them by the end of this week. They indicated that they would respond to our submission by a period of two or three weeks.

6. Councillor Paine asked for an update in regard to Mr Tolson's land at Mulgrave and the issue of rezoning of that land.

The Director Environment and Development advised that Consultant planners had been engaged and are undertaking consultation with Government Departments. We have

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clarified with Mr Tolson which land he wants rezoned, we have determined that and we are waiting for some further information from Mr Tolson to assist Council with the exhibition and this is all taking place.

7. Councillor Paine asked for an updated in relation to the shed on Old Stock Route Road, Oakville.

The Director Environment and Development advised that the owner of the land had agreed to the terms of settlement offered by Council. Council's solicitors have been instructed to file those matters with the Land and Environment Court. The neighbour, who was a party to the case has not agreed to those conditions and Council hasn't received any further advice since that was received.

Councillor Paine asked if Council had received any clarification on the letter that was sent to Mr Hager from our solicitors who had an incorrect siting of the shed.

The Director Environment and Development advised that Council had received advice that the solicitors agree that letter was incorrect.

Councillor Paine asked what Council was doing about that as that resident had no opportunity to lobby Councillors.

The Director Environment and Development advised that no residents were denied the situation as the Council resolution was carried out. The solicitors have corrected the letter.

8. Councillor Williams referred to Roberts Creek Road and asked if a pipe could be put in under the causeway to allow the water, what water there is, to get down the creek for the animals.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that the matter will be investigated.

9. Councillor Williams referred to the River Summit that was held at Penrith, where ten Councillors were invited and asked if anyone attended.

The Mayor advised that the Director Environment and Development and he attended the Summit as it was a Mayoral Forum.

10. Councillor Devine asked if Council provided any assistance to the Salvation Army or St Vincent De Paul for the disposal of rubbish that is left dumped on them.

The Director Environment and Development advised that Council did provide assistance and he would provide further details to Councillor Devine.

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11. Councillor Conolly requested an update on the progress of the possibility of a pedestrian crossing over the railway at Fairey Road.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that there is no update at the moment, but would advise Councillor Conolly of the outcome.

12. Councillor Porter referred to the 'No Standing' sign on Baker Street, near Woolworths and asked for it to be put back on the agenda as the delivery trucks park there, which makes it extremely dangerous to get out.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised that the matter had been referred, again, to the Local Traffic Committee and will be reported back to Council.

13. Councillor Wearne referred to the closure of Windsor Pool over the school holidays and asked why it couldn't have been closed in the summer period when there is an alternate pool can be used.

The Director Community and Corporate Services advised that the pool was operated by the YMCA now and there has been a standard period of closure each year in winter to maintain the facilities, the gym was still open for use, it was only the pool that was closed. It is closed at this period because it doesn't affect the 'Learn to Swim' classes or the swimming classes.

14. Councillor Wearne referred to the pools reopening on 19 July 2004, he asked if Council was aware of complaints received in relation to the high levels of chlorine in the water, which was causing health issues.

The Director Community and Corporate Services advised Council was aware of the chlorine issue and explained that it was caused by a power-out on the Sunday or Saturday night, which had caused the chlorine to be disbursed incorrectly.

15. Councillor Wearne made reference to Copeland Reserve shelter and asked if it could be inspected as it was in a dangerous condition.

The Director Asset Services and Recreation advised it would be investigated.

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The meeting terminated at 4:30pm.

Submitted to and confirmed at the meeting of the General Purpose Committee held on 24 August 2004.

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Mayor