

PRESENT: Cr Kerry Campbell (Chair), General Manager – R Geraghty, Acting Director Environmental Services – T Meppem, Director Technical Services – K Tighe, Director Community Services – R Ryan, Director Corporate Services – Carolyn Upston, Liz Cutts, Susan Munns, Niel McDonald, Cr Denis Todd, Sandra Rees, Irene Worrell, Nea Worrell and Glennis Mangan (minutes).

APOLOGIES: Cr Peter Shinton, Ted Hayman.

MINUTES - PREVIOUS MEETING:

BARTC 02 Advisory Recommendation that the minutes of the Baradine Town Committee meeting held on 19 October 2009 be endorsed.

Worrell/Meppem

BUSINESS ARISING

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 2010/2011 Budget.
 - The Budget process for 2010/2011 is not complete. A further meeting to finalise this will be held on 7th May 2010.
- Baradine Lions Park
 - The toilet upgrade and minor works to the park will be reviewed at the next budget meeting in May.
- Shade and Seating for the Swimming Pool
 - The Director of Environmental Services has included these projects in his annual budget.

Additional concerns at the pool:

- Clubhouse wall – the Director Environmental Services will seek quotes from local business to carry out the repairs.
- Extra seating is needed. This could come from the Volunteers Grant and the Director Community Services will investigate this next time round.
- Security – concern was raised about security at the pool. The Director Environmental Services will inspect the fence, gate and security at the pool after today's meeting.
- Street Seating – The Director Technical Services will check the remaining funds in his budget as well as the costs of seats.
- The information board for the town will be ready by the end of June. The Progress Association will arrange for its installation under guidance from the Council.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- The Indians Lane directional sign will be removed by the Director Technical Services.
- Road side mowing is needed on the Coonabarabran Road.
- Horses on residential blocks. No limit to the number of horses kept however, if the smell is a problem a complaint should be made to the Council.
- Halls Grant – the Director Community Services is lodging an application in the next round.
- Insurance – an explanation was sought from the Director Corporate Services as to the reason for the increase in insurance for the Doctors House in Baradine. The

Council is over its threshold for the number of buildings insured and this increases the annual premiums. There is a possibility of further increases.

- Garbage Tip – Discussion arose about the state of the local tip at Baradine. The Manager Urban Services has been invited to come and speak to the BPA. Signage at the tip was considered inadequate. The Director Technical Services will look into this. It was suggested that the Coolah tip (Waste to Art) be visited to gain ideas for Baradine and that arrangements could be made for a group to be shown around on the day of the next Council meeting in Coolah (7th or 20th May 2010).
- Kerb & Guttering layback at the National Parks and Wildlife building. The Director Technical Services will inspect today. An invitation was extended from the National Parks and Wildlife Manager to view the solar power setup.
- Kurrajong Trees. It was pointed out that the pods from the trees have fallen onto the paths and need cleaning up to allow safe passage.

The General Manager spoke briefly of the proposed new chamber building for Coonabarabran as well as the Cobbora Coal Mine. He gave the Progress Association a folder containing the reports and plans relating to the above projects which went to the April Council meeting.

NEXT MEETING: To be advised

MEETING CLOSED: 12.55pm.

CHAIRMAN