

**MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE 20 JANUARY
2016 HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 7.00 PM.**

- 1. PRESENT:** Linus Grant (Chair) John Cauchi, Neil Tubb, Dee Alty and Sharin McCarthy
 - 2. IN ATTENDANCE:** Councillor Dick Adams
 - 3. APOLOGIES:** Amanda Mason (Exec.Officer) , Anthony Morehouse, Lesley McKenzie.
 - 4. RESIGNATION:** It was reported that Harry Galea had notified Ms Mason of his resignation.
 - 5. NEW MEMBER:** The chairman welcomed Sharin McCarthy to her first meeting.

6. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

- 6.1 "That the minutes of the meeting of 4 November, 2015 be endorsed."

Moved: Neil Tubb/John Cauchi CARRIED

- ## 6.2 "That the notes from the meeting of 2 December be endorsed"

Moved: John Cauchi/Neil Tubb CARRIED

7. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

No interest was declared.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- ## 8.1 Village Well Report

The Village Well final report was circulated to those who had not received it. A draft of the Traffic study conducted by MRCagney was also received.

Discussion ensued of the Village Well project. John Cauchi queried why some items had been marked as priority, in particular the mural wall suggestion, as he did not recall this being agreed at earlier meetings.

Dee Alty told the meeting that the LBTA, too, was critical of the failure of council officers to inform it how and when the Village Well Activation plan will be implemented. She then tabled a motion, passed at a meeting of the LBTA earlier that day, and for which the LBTA sought the LLDC's support.

It read:

That the General Manager meet with members of the three main Village Well project teams, representatives of the Longford Business and Tourism Association and the Longford Local District Committee as soon as possible to clarify the role of these bodies and how they relate to each other.

That Council note that the LBTA is not aware of an approval of the list of priorities set by Village Well and although the association has been through the report it would like to have its say in what the community wished to prioritise.

Therefore the LLDC ask that a meeting be organised so that community priorities can be set.

The Chairman said he shared members' frustrations and although he did not agree with the precise course of action, he invited discussion on the proposed motion.

It was subsequently moved Dee Alty/ Neil Tubb

CARRIED

8.2 Signage

It was understood that a report of the Council's Signage Committee meeting of 3 November would be available for the next meeting of LLDC on February 3.

8.3 Longford Traffic Study

As reported, a draft has been prepared as part of the Village Well report and Committee members will study the draft and discuss it at the next meeting.

8.4 Priority projects for 2016

Members were asked to bring a short list of priority projects to the next meeting.

There was also some discussion on the appearance of the roundabout at the entrance of Longford,. Councillor Adams said negotiations were underway between the Council and State Growth about upkeep of the roundabout. Further advice would be forthcoming when decisions had been made.

5.5 Australia Day

The Committee noted the details of Australia Day and Councillor Adams asked that members of the committee attend.

6. Next meeting

Next meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Longford on 2 February 2016 at 7pm.

7. The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.35pm