

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BATEMANS BAY MACKAY PARK PRECINCT SUNSET COMMITTEE

HELD ON 13 DECEMBER 2017
BATEMANS BAY SOLDIERS CLUB
File No: E12.6442

MEETING COMMENCED: 9.05am

ATTENDANCE

Councillors: Clr Liz Innes (Chair)
Clr Anthony Mayne (left the meeting at 10.31am)

Community representatives: Carolyn Harding
Brad Rossiter (left the meeting at 11.07am)
Lyn Woolridge
Jeannie Brewer
Ross Thomas (left the meeting at 11.02am)
Alan Russell

Eurobodalla Shire Council: Catherine Dale – General Manager
Lindsay Usher - Director Planning & Sustainability Services

Observers: Elizabeth Rankin – Divisional Manager Strategy and Sustainable Growth (left the meeting at 11.05am)
Mark Hitchenson – Coordinator, Land Use Planning
Kathy Arthur – Director Community, Arts and Recreation
Cath Reilly – Executive Manager Communications and Engagement
Tracey Stewart (Minute Secretary)

1.1 INTRODUCTIONS

Clr Innes welcomed the Committee, advising that an opportunity would exist to discuss or recent events later in the agenda. Everyone can then raise issues and provide suggestions and ideas in going forward.

1.2 APOLOGIES:

Councillor Rob Pollock
Mathew Hatcher
Jason Funnell

1.3 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES – 9 August 2017

MOTION: Lyn Woolridge/Brad Rossiter

THAT the Minutes of the Batemans Bay Mackay Park Sunset Committee Meeting held on 9 August 2017, be adopted with the following amendment on page 3:

David Maclachlan and Jeannie Brewer presented an alternative layout plan for the committee's consideration. Unfortunately they did not have time to make their presentation in full.

(The Motion on being put was declared **CARRIED.**)

1.4 BUSINESS ARISING

Nil

2.0 BUSINESS ITEMS

2.1 Grant Funding Applications

Council were successful in getting to the second round of the grant funding for arts and cultural activities. From approximately 250 applications, only 100 went through to this next round. For the next stage, Council must provide information by April 2018 and we have been advised that a decision will be made by the end of June 2018. Council are also seeking funding from other grants sources.

Minister Constance and Ms Sudmalis are being briefed on the progress and both are very supportive particularly in terms of jobs for the region.

When the NSW Government announced the \$1.3 billion in funding, Catherine Dale seconded a staff member with expertise in grants to produce Council's grant applications. Council has applied for \$36 million but the budget needs to be determined dependent on available grant funds. A decision made about what is built, dependent on available funds and the priority of the community needs.

2.2 Next Steps for the Design of the Aquatic and Arts Facility

Council are looking to employ someone to prepare briefs for the design stage of the process. Council needs to look at how the development can be staged. As more information about the budget is received, adjustments can be made.

Council will be preparing a detailed engagement strategy for the design phase of the project. Committee members will be involved in the drafting of the engagement framework. A copy of the information can be accessed via [Community Engagement Framework](#).

Council needs to be clear about negotiables and non-negotiables, so there is no confusion about what feedback and input can be provided.

Recently councillors and relevant staff visited other arts and aquatic centres. Shoalhaven and Sutherland complexes were visited and discussions were held with the managers and staff. Staff at both complexes advised that warm water therapy is the biggest use, and this use is growing. Further, they advised that you can qualify for a regional carnival with a 25m pool and suggested that Council consider eight to ten lanes for a 25m pool.

Clr Innes said that after seeing a shared entrance way in these complexes, more consideration needs to be given to this issue and this needs to be addressed in the detailed design phase.

Council should look at having a model that accommodates growth on site and that focuses on areas that make money to reduce expenses such as gyms, cafes and day spas.

Clr Innes asked the members if they would be interested in going to visit some complexes and have their own discussions? Council will follow this up in the new year. Members can email their interest or suggestions to Mark on mark.hitchenson@esc.nsw.gov.au.

2.3 Presentation by Kathy Arthur on her Experience with Moruya Arts Facility

Kathy provided a presentation on the design process for the Moruya Arts Facility. The presentation highlighted changes from concept to formal design.

A copy of Kathy's presentation is attached.

At 10.31am, Councillor Mayne left the meeting.

2.4 Next Steps for the Site of the Former Bowling Club

Mark gave a presentation to the Committee.

A copy of Mark's presentation is attached.

The NSW Government is in the process of redeveloping the Batemans Bay bridge and consideration is being given to leasing the premises of the Bowling Club from Council. Negotiations are underway.

The Club's inclusions will be recycled as much as possible.

2.5 Discussion on the Tenure and Role of Sunset Committee

A report was presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 12 December 2017, seeking to extend the tenure of the Sunset Committee for another 12 months and to consider filling the vacant position on the Committee. It was determined that the Committee would continue the tenure. The vacant position will not be filled at this time.

Jeannie had concern regarding confidential information and not being able to discuss some issues with the group she represents. Lindsay replied that consultation would occur with the members regarding the Engagement Strategy and there would be occasions when members will be asked not to disclose confidential information.

It was agreed that during today's meeting, more information was shared and this was encouraging.

The members were supportive of continuing their tenure on the Sunset Committee.

At 11.02am Ross Thomas left the meeting.

At 11.05am Elizabeth Rankin left the meeting.

At 11.07am Brad Rossiter left the meeting.

It was suggested that a brief be undertaken on the background of the skills of those on the Committee.

Clr Innes wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

The meeting closed at 11.28pm.