

**PRESENT** Mayor S O'Halloran, Cr Lynda Cooke, Bryan Ruhle RMS, NSW Police Don Quist, Margie Vanzanten, and Director Infrastructure & Development John Stevenson (Chair).

**APOLOGIES:** Sgt Narelle Tucker (NSW Police).

The Mayor opened the meeting by welcoming the attendance of all three police officers, in particular local station Sargent Narelle Tucker.

## **Business**

### **1. Euston Half Marathon**

Bryan Ruhle RMS tabled comment that there were certain deficiencies in the execution of the traffic control aspects of the event. Bryan reiterated that Council's Traffic Control Plan was excellent and the short falls appeared to be in the management of aspects of the plan. Sgt Quist confirmed the above comment.

In summary, these issues involved; a vehicle managing to enter closed areas, some deficiencies in relation to traffic control measures and practices that is insufficient hardware at intersections and insufficient qualified controllers on duty. The issue of the set up still being undertaken as the event commenced and standard highway speed signs not being covered were also raised.

Mayor S O'Halloran moved that the Committee's concerns on the above shortfalls should be conveyed to the traffic control agents involved to avoid any repercussions. Carried by consensus.

The RMS commented that the Visual Message Boards placed on site in the lead up period to the event was very positive advertising and assisted with traffic management on the day.

Despite these shortfalls all present confirmed that efforts should be made to strengthen the management of future events to ensure their success by way of an early commencement to planning next year, that is March April. Sgt Quist reiterated the necessity to lodge event applications a minimum of 12 weeks prior to any event.

### **2. Military Trail**

DID explained the installation of the first stage of the Military Trail to the Committee for the benefit of the visitors. Mayor S O'Halloran advised of the ability for a number of future plaques to be installed in Court and River Streets and that any future Military Trail extension into Market Street has not been endorsed by Council to date.

### **3. Market Street Upgrade**

DID made brief mention of the commencement on alterations to services in Market Street between River and Cally Streets, in readiness for Market Street reconstruction in February.

The recent installation of “No U-Turns” signage in the shopping centre was noted.

A general discussion followed regarding the process to provide the median, refuge area and blister replacements together with hardware for pedestrian crossing points as the project finalises. Mayor S O'Halloran suggested that Council may consider these aspects in detail at the next meeting.

### **Items for General Discussion**

- **Cr Lynda Cooke** - Could angle parking be considered as an option in Market Street following the reconstruction? RMS Bryan, commented that these main street improvements could be capitalised to introduce a more pedestrian friendly design.
- **Cr Lynda Cooke** – Could appropriate “T Intersection Ahead” signs be erected at Endeavour Drive / Sturt Highway intersection approaches? DID advised that matter has been attended to. – was subject of earlier Committee meeting resolve.
- **Cr Lynda Cooke** – How is progress on additional street light - Piper St intersection near Motel - progressing? Mayor S O'Halloran commented that Committee may well undertake an evening inspection of street lights to identify faults and dark spots at some appropriate time in the near future. Carried by consensus.
- **Cr Lynda Cooke** – Will there be any upgrade of the Bertram Road intersection? DID advised that Councils vote of \$45,000 is unmatched by RMS funds therefore works will be limited to a splitter island treatment or similar.
- **Mayor S O'Halloran** – Cowper Street extension to Euston Cemetery will require larger waterway structures if weir pool levels are to be raised. DID confirmed that these matters will be taken into account with Cowper Street proposed works programmed for this year.
- The Mayor also advised the meeting of the appointment of the RMS Riverina Regional Manager, Mr Lindsay Tanner, and recommended that an invitation be extended to Mr Tanner to visit Council when appropriate, to exchange greetings and discuss Council area works programs. Carried by consensus.

There being no further business the Meeting **closed** at 12.00pm.

### **NEXT Meeting:**

Time and date to be advised.

**Recommendation** that the Report be received.