

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BALRANALD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE HELD ON COMMENCING AT 7PM 1st August 2018

PRESENT: Jill Bath, Mary Grisdale, Karen Norfolk, Steve O'Halloran and Gavin Helgeland

APOLOGIES: Michael Kitzelmann (General Manager), Andre Pretorius (Director Infrastructure & Development), Clint Jolliffe, Margie Vanzanten.

Business Arising:

1. Water filling stations. The DID suggested to install a watering station at the Lions Park and maybe at the school. EM presented examples as well as indicative costs of these filling stations. It was suggested that local businesses could place their business logos on the stations. Cost for the filling station and installation would come from the grant (\$10K), if other funds cannot be sourced. Margie proposed a second BBQ be included with the upgrade of the Lions Park with water refilling station. Discussion to upscale for provision to be grant funded.

*Possibility for Liquor & Gaming Grant being sourced. Gavin is considering a funding opportunity to revamp Lions Park and suggested Fiona Slade to take on a design
To be considered under a scope of works for the Liquor & Gaming Grant.
To be captured under strategic development grant opportunities.*

2. DID to engage with the various Church denominations to form an agreement on maintenance of the cemetery grounds.
Jill proposed that committee to view DID's Draft of Cemetery Policy before going to Council if okay.

Cemetery Policy has been drafted. Provision has been made for Committee to work/improve cemetery gardens.

3. There are three offensive trees that are encroaching on gravesites that will need to be removed soon. To be relayed to Works Manager to arrange an arborist to this work.
SO suggested committee inspect the trees and submit a report to council recommending what should be done with the trees.

Scheduled for Wednesday 28th November to tie in with fieldtrip to Dareton.

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4. **Market Street Revitalisation Project:**

Committee endorses the idea raised by EM to commission a mural on the Eastern wall of the Theatre Royal building. EM to engage with Balranald Gallery to get feedback on a theme for the mural. Initial thoughts are an historic riverscape scene depicting a parked wool bale-laden bullock dray and driver against the Murrumbidgee River awaiting transfer of the load to a nearby barge. This is intended to speak to the Wooltrack

heritage. Funding for this project will need to be sought once the scope and estimate has been established.

5. GM asked committee to consider location/scope for old council TC signs to be montage / sculpted into public art, public toilets, scout hall & Brian Smith Stand at Greenham Park.
*Works Manager to do stock take on available signs.
GM to provide examples of TC sign projects.*
6. Cemetery fence: To be funded by Council or Grant opportunity.
Obtain a quote and scope program – Clint/Mary to follow-up
7. Committee would like to endorse that the name Lions Park be kept but a new sign is required. Steve suggested that Council pay new sign.
DID has called for quotes for this sign.
8. When MSR kicks off committee would like to take possession of the roses in Market street and Senior Citizens to plant elsewhere. Relocate when construction begins
To be considered in scope of works during demolition by ADID
9. Jill there is no kerb access for people with walking frames and wheelchairs etc to access the memorial walk along Court Street.
To be considered under Rivers & Region Proposal. Or to be completed by town shire guys(?)
10. Steve bamboo at swing bridge needs to be hacked away. ADID to check to see if work ethic is needed.
EM to follow up with ADID
11. It was suggested to install directional signs along memorial walkway.
ADID to consider.
12. It was proposed that committee take bus trip to Dareton Cemetery and Botanical Garden in Spring better weather. Suggested 28th November:
 1. *Karen to chase down options.*
 2. *Steve to reach out to Des Robertson to arrange tour*
 3. *Food will be made by committee members. Drinks donated by Council.*

New Business

1. Kelly family are donating a bench for the cemetery (moveable). Need to be advised about what bench design/spec is required (?)
EM to follow-up.
2. We have had a rain event. Weeds at cemetery need spraying now.
ADID to follow-up
3. Plaques for cemetery being progressed by Carol – look good well done.
4. Suggestion for Council: Town approaches – options for a series of screens/banners/trees to beautify both approaches?
5. Old Works Manager house front yard is unkept and is an eyesore.
ADID to follow up.
6. O'Connor Street parklet – Tree planting for shade – plan has been initiated by GM...Manchurian pears have been suggested for planting.
Check Plan – GM.

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 8:45pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 28th November 2018