

**MINUTES
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

10 FEBRUARY 2015

COMMENCING AT 7:30 PM

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THE TOWN OF NARROGIN
89 EARL STREET
NARROGIN WA 6312**

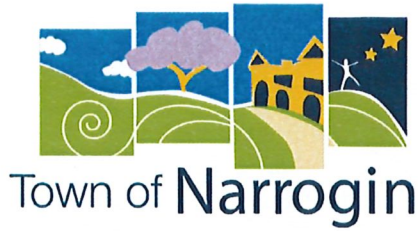
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These minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 24 February 2015

Signed:

Date

24/2/15

(Presiding Member at the meeting at which minutes were confirmed)

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

10 FEBRUARY 2015

1. OFFICIAL OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Mayor opened the meeting at 7:31pm

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Elected Members

Mayor L Ballard

Cr Clive Bartron

Cr Colin Ward

Cr David Russell

Cr Michael Kain (arrived at 7:55pm)

Cr Jan McKenzie

Cr Paul Schutz

Staff

Mr Aaron Cook – Chief Executive Officer

Mr Brian Robinson – Director Technical and Environmental Services

Mr Colin Bastow – Director Corporate and Community Services

Ms Carolyn Thompson – Executive Assistant

Apologies

Cr Arthur Paternoster – Deputy Mayor

Members of the Public

Mr B Seale

Mr R Little

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY ELECTED MEMBERS AND COUNCIL EMPLOYEES IN MATTERS INCLUDED IN THE MEETING AGENDA

Nil

4. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Ross Little – Narrogin

Are the new bays on Federal Street there to stay as they seem smaller and I notice cars having difficulty parking and is the smaller bay allocated as a motorbike bay?

Mr Robinson responded that the bays are the same size and are industry standard however, we have also reduced pedestrian crossing bays which gave cars more

room to manoeuvre. We deliberately removed pedestrian crossing bays so pedestrians would use the safer intersections to cross Federal Street.

6. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

7. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.001

Moved: Cr C Ward

Seconded: Cr D Russell

That Council:

Accept the minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 December 2014 as amended and be confirmed as an accurate record of proceedings.

CARRIED 6/0

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The Mayor advised that Council will be facilitating a meeting after the close of this meeting and it will be closed to the public.

9. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

Nil

10. MATTERS WHICH REQUIRE DECISIONS

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10.1 DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES

10.1.001 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL - REQUEST FOR COUNCILLOR NOMINATIONS

File Reference: 18.4.5 & ICR144844
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Applicant: Government of Western Australia - DAPs
Previous Item Nos: Item 12.1.15 – 24th May 2011
Date: 5 January 2015
Author: Brian Robinson, Director Technical & Environmental Services

Attachments:

Copy of correspondence and associated form received from Government of Western Australia – Development Assessment Panels.

Summary:

The Government of Western Australia is requesting Council to nominate two councillors and two alternates for participation in the Development Assessment Panel (DAP) process for assessing significant developments. Successful nominees will be appointed as Local Government DAP members for a period of two years.

Current appointments for all Local Government DAP members expire 26 April 2015.

Background:

Development Assessment Panels (DAPs) were established following the introduction of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panel) Regulations 2011. Further details on the operation of DAPs and the types of development determined under this process are provided in the Comment and Statutory Environment sections of this report.

Council considered nominations for representatives on the DAP Committee/Panel at its Ordinary Meeting held 24 May 2011. Council resolved to nominate the Mayor at the time – Don Ennis and then Deputy Mayor Councillor Froome as representatives, with Councillors Madson and Hiscock as the alternates.

Subsequently, following local government elections in 2011, the Town's elected members representation on the DAP Committee was changed to then Mayor Ennis and his Deputy Mayor Cr Madson being the two representatives, with Crs Ballard and Russell being the nominated alternates.

Further changes occurred to Council's composition following the elections held in 2013, with previous Mayor Ennis and Cr Madson no longer being elected representatives. No changes were proposed to the DAP representation as the two deputies were re-elected to Council.

Town of Narrogin representatives have not yet been required to participate in a DAP.

Comment:

Larger more complex land use/development proposals, whether rural or urban based, are often controversial within a community. This can lead to applications being determined on a political basis with local opposition becoming a primary factor in the decision-making process.

Development Assessment Panels have been introduced to ensure that applications for planning consent are determined in a consistent manner, based on technical advice. To achieve this, DAPs are comprised of two (2) Local Government Members and three (3) persons appointed as specialist members. DAP's take one of the following two forms:

- Local Development Assessment Panel – relating to a single district; or
- Joint Development Assessment Panel – relating to 2 or more districts.

Within the Wheatbelt, a Joint Development Assessment Plan has been established, ensuring that the same specialist members are used throughout the Wheatbelt Region. Local Government Members on the JDAP are provided by the Local Authority in which the application is situated.

Appointed Councillors will be required to undertake DAP training before they may participate in the DAP process.

Consultation:

Chief Executive Officer – Aaron Cook

Statutory Environment:

The statutory basis for Development Assessment Panels is provided by Part 11A of the Planning & Development Act 2005. Consistent with other legislation, the Act prescribes the functions of DAP's.

In accordance with Part 2 – Clause 5 of the Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011, applications seeking approval to a development (outside of the City of Perth), having a value of more than \$7 million must be referred to and determined by a DAP.

Notwithstanding the above, in accordance with Part 2 – Clause 6 of the regulations, an applicant for a development which exceeds \$3 million may elect to have any application for development determined through the DAP process. A determination of an application by a DAP committee qualifies as a determination made under Town Planning Scheme No 2.

Policy Implications: Nil

Financial Implications:

Any costs associated with the DAP Councillor training that are to be borne by Council (i.e. accommodation) and would be wholly contained within the adopted 2015/16 annual budget.

In accordance with Schedule 2 of the regulations, the following fees are payable to DAP members:

Member	Meeting to determine development applications	Meeting to amend or cancel decision	Attending SAT
Presiding Member	500	100	500
Other Members	400	50	400

In addition to the above, an amount of \$400 is payable to all members for training.

Strategic Implications:

A JDAP is yet to be convened for the Town of Narrogin as no applications for development valued at more than \$7,000,000 have been received to date. It is however imperative that Council’s elected member representation and training is finalised.

Failure to have the membership of the JDAP finalised will result in significant delays in assessing a significant application should one be received.

Consistent with the previous decisions of Council it is recommended that the Mayor and Deputy Mayor be nominated as the representatives for the DAP Committee. Two councillors are also required to be nominated as alternates to attend meetings should the primary members not be available.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Nominate Mayor Ballard and Cr Paternoster as Town of Narrogin representatives on the JDAP, with Cr _____ and Cr _____ as alternates should the two nominees not be available to attend:
2. The Mayor and Councillors nominated above undertake Development Assessment Panel training.

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.002

Moved: Cr P Schutz

Seconded: Cr C Bartron

That Council:

1. Nominate Mayor Ballard and Cr Paternoster as Town of Narrogin representatives on the JDAP, with Cr C Ward and Cr P Schutz as alternates should the two nominees not be available to attend:
2. The Mayor and Councillors nominated above undertake Development Assessment Panel training.

CARRIED 6/0

Reason for Change: To nominate the alternative Elected Members.



Mr Aaron Cook
Chief Executive Officer
Town of Narrogin
PO Box 188
NARROGIN WA 6312

Town of Narrogin RECEIVED	
Directed to	A. COOK, TORRE
	24 DEC 2014
Ref No.	1012144844
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Subject File	14-9-18
C-Point No.	

Dear Aaron

DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANELS: LOCAL GOVERNMENT NOMINATIONS

As you would be aware, fifteen Development Assessment Panels (DAP) came into operation on 1 July 2011 to determine development applications that meet a certain threshold value. Each DAP comprises five members: three specialist members, one of which is the presiding member, and two local government members.

Appointments of all local government DAP members expire on 26 April, 2015. Members whose term has expired will be eligible for re-consideration at this time.

An Expression of Interest for Development Assessment Panel specialist members was advertised in the West Australian on 6 and 10 December, 2014 and in regional newspapers in the week commencing 8 December, 2014. Nominations for specialist members will close on Friday, 23 January, 2015. You will be advised of the new specialist members once they have been appointed by the Minister.

Under regulation 26 of the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*, your local council is requested to nominate four elected members of the Council, comprising two local members and two alternate local members to sit on your local DAP as required.

Using the attached form, please provide names, address, email, mobile and land line telephone numbers, date of birth, employer(s), position(s) and include curriculum vitae details of your four local government DAP nominees.

Nominations are required to be received no later than Friday 27 February, 2015.

Following receipt of all local government nominations, the Minister for Planning will consider and appoint all nominees for up to a two-year term, expiring on 26 April 2017. All appointed local members will be placed on the local government member register and advised of DAP training dates and times. It is a mandatory requirement, pursuant to the DAP regulations, that all DAP members attend training before they can sit on a DAP and determine applications. Local

government representatives who have previously been appointed to a DAP and have received training are not required to attend further training.

Local government elections may result in a change to local DAP membership if current councillors, who are DAP members, are not re-elected. In this instance, the deputy local DAP members will take the place of the former local DAP members. If both local and alternate (deputy) local members are not re-elected, the local government will need to re-nominate for the Minister's consideration of appointment.

The Council should consider the above matters in selecting nominees as local DAP members.

Local DAP members are entitled to be paid for their attendance at DAP training and at DAP meetings, unless they fall within a class of persons excluded from payment.

Members who are not entitled to payment of sitting, training and State Administrative Tribunal attendance fees include Federal, State and local government employees, active or retired judicial officers and employees of public institutions. These DAP members are not entitled to be paid without the Minister's consent, and such consent can only be given with the prior approval of Cabinet. This position is in accordance with *Premier's circular – State Government Boards and Committees Circular (2010/02)*.

Further information, including DAP location maps and the Premier's Circular, is available online at <http://daps.planning.wa.gov.au>.

Local representation is vital to DAPs. If no nominations are received by Friday 13 March, 2015, or if I have not allowed the local government a longer nomination period, regulation 26 of the *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*, enables me to include on the local government register a person who is an eligible voter of your local government district and who has relevant knowledge or experience that will enable that person to represent the interest of the local community of your district.

If you have any queries regarding this request for nominations, please contact the DAPs secretariat – phone 6551 9919 or email daps@planning.wa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely


Gail McGowan
Director General

18 December 2014

DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL NOMINATION FORM

Local Government:	DAP Name:
Nominated Local DAP Member 1	Nominated Alternate Local Member 1
Name: Address: Phone: Mobile: Email: Date of Birth: Employer name(s): Position(s):	Name: Address: Phone: Mobile: Email: Date of Birth: Employer name(s): Position(s):
Nominated Local DAP Member 2	Nominated Alternate Local Member 2
Name: Address: Phone: Mobile: Email: Date of Birth: Employer name(s): Position(s):	Name: Address: Phone: Mobile: Email: Date of Birth: Employer name(s): Position(s):

Note: Employer name and position details are required for Cabinet submission and to determine if the nominee is entitled to be paid fees in accordance with the Premiers Circular 2010/02.

Name and contact details of local government minute taker and/or DAP meeting contact (if known):

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

DAP Secretariat Use

Date received: _____ Officer Name: _____ Date Registered: _____

10.1.002 REMOVAL OF ALL NARROGIN RAILWAY TENNIS COURTS & CLUB ROOMS INFRASTRUCTURE (LOT 1721) LOCATED AT THE JUNCTION OF HALE & HERALD STREETS NARROGIN

File Reference: 5.4.16
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Applicant N/A
Previous Item Nos Nil
Date 27 January 2015
Author Torre Evans, Administration Officer-Technical & Environment Services

Attachments:

Photographs of the existing tennis playing courts & club rooms, located at the Railway Tennis Courts Narrogin.

Summary:

Council is respectfully requested to consider endorsing a proposal to remove all infrastructure associated with the Narrogin Railway Tennis Courts & Club Rooms located at the junction of Hale & Herald streets Narrogin.

Background:

The Narrogin Railway Tennis Courts are located on Lot number 1721 being at the Southern end of Gnarojin Park and at the junction of Hale and Herald Streets Narrogin. The facility was once used to play tennis by members of the community however this ceased in August 2014 when the then user group handed in the keys to the facility and advised administration that they had no further use of it.

The facility infrastructure consists of:

- Small club rooms with ablutions (unusable – broken asbestos, white ant damage to structural timber)
- Tennis courts playing surface (unusable and in disrepair)
- Cyclone fencing of tennis courts (in disrepair)
- 5 light poles in tennis courts area (salvageable)
- Steel patio structure adjoining club rooms (salvageable)
- Steel play equipment (non-compliant to AS 4685:2014)

Narrogin's primary tennis facilities are provided by the Narrogin Tennis Club located on Clayton Road near the junction of Earl Street Narrogin. The Clayton Road Tennis Courts and club rooms, are in very good condition and are well-equipped to cater for the community to play tennis. They consist of 10 courts, club rooms and an outdoor grassed area with children's play equipment.

Over the past 12 months or more, the Railway Tennis Courts have been targeted by vandals who have gained entry to the facility by cutting the cyclone fencing in various locations and

smashing glass on the unused courts. Damage has also been sustained to the club rooms with sections of asbestos wall panelling being smashed along with asbestos fence panels.

The smashed asbestos renders the club rooms totally unusable and presents a liability risk if not removed.

The tennis playing surface is totally unusable due to vegetation growing through the extensive cracking throughout (see attached photographs).

Comment:

This Officer is recommending the removal of all associated infrastructure of the Railway Tennis Courts including:

- Tennis courts playing surface and adjoining fencing
- Tennis courts club rooms including fencing
- 5 tennis court light poles with lights (salvageable and could be offered for tender to the local community)
- Steel patio (salvageable)
- Non-compliant steel play equipment

There would be no impact on any user group as this facility is not leased or being used due to its unusable state. As mentioned, there is a purpose built tennis facility and club rooms located at Clayton Road near the junction of Earl Street Narrogin that caters for the communities tennis playing requirements. Due to existence of the Clayton Road Tennis facility, it is not recommend Council expend any further funds on renewing or maintaining the Railway Tennis Courts.

Given the presence of asbestos, the state of the building and the strong potential for vandalism to occur, immediate action to remove the building is recommended.

It is proposed that the majority of the tennis court infrastructure be removed using our in-house operational work force and plant. A local electrician and plumber would need to be engaged to disconnect the electricity and water supply along with a licenced asbestos removal contractor to remove any/all asbestos from site.

Post removal of infrastructure, the levelled site would then be restored to that similar of surrounding and adjoining park land and present a more visually pleasing and usable asset to the community, especially residents directly opposite. This would be achieved as follows:

- The area would be top dressed and seeded with turf seed
- A number of juvenile native trees be planted

CEO Comment

There was discussion that two of the courts would be retained for social tennis to be facilitated from the site. It has since been assessed that the courts are in such poor condition that this would then open a liability to Council if the public were allowed to play tennis on them or Council would be forced to upgrade the surface which would be costly.

Consultation:

The Chief Executive Officer, Director of Technical & Environmental Services, the Town Foreman and Council's Environmental Health Officer were consulted.

The Narrogin Railway Tennis facility is no longer leased or used by the community and hasn't been since August 2014. There has been no contact from the community to use the facility in any form since. As the facility is located on Crown Land and under the care and control of the Town, no further consultation is required in respect to its removal.

Statutory Environment:

In accordance with the Land Administration Act and in the absence of a lease to a third party, the Town is responsible for the care and maintenance of Crown reserves vested with the Town and their associated structures.

It is recommended that the 5 tennis court lights be disposed of by public tender in accordance with section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995.

Policy Implications: Nil**Financial Implications:**

The cost associated with the proposed removal of the Narrogin Railway Tennis Courts infrastructure and the remedial works to restore the area back to park land will be wholly contained in Councils adopted budget with the majority of work to be undertaken by our in-house operational staff.

Should Council wish to retain this infrastructure, then ongoing funds will be required to remove and replace all asbestos panelling to club rooms, remove all other asbestos materials, remove and replace white ant damaged structural timber to club rooms and ongoing maintenance to failing fencing and court surfaces.

Strategic Implications:

Removal of the infrastructure as proposed will reduce the Towns ongoing liabilities and maintenance costs. Given the facilities at Narrogin Tennis Club, opportunities to play tennis will not be lost.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**That Council:**

1. Endorse the following actions in respect to the removal of all Narrogin Railway Tennis Courts infrastructure (Lot 1721) located at the junction of Hale and Herald streets Narrogin:
 - Removal of the tennis courts playing surface including lighting and fencing
 - Removal of the tennis court club rooms including fencing, adjoining patio and non-compliant steel play equipment

- Restoration of the site to compliment the adjoining park
- 2. Retain the salvaged steel patio for possible future use
- 3. The 5 tennis court lights be salvaged and be advertised for disposal by public tender in accordance with clause 3.58 of the Local Government Act

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.003

Moved: Cr D Russell

Seconded: Cr J McKenzie

That Council:

1. Endorse the following actions in respect to the removal of all Narrogin Railway Tennis Courts infrastructure (Lot 1721) located at the junction of Hale and Herald streets Narrogin:
 - Removal of the tennis courts playing surface including lighting and fencing
 - Removal of the tennis court club rooms including fencing, adjoining patio and non-compliant steel play equipment
 - Restoration of the site to compliment the adjoining park
2. Retain the salvaged steel patio for possible future use
3. The 5 tennis court lights be salvaged and be advertised for disposal by public tender in accordance with clause 3.58 of the Local Government Act
4. That a plaque be placed on the site to recognise the Railways Tennis club and its significance to Narrogin's history.

CARRIED 6/0

Reason for Change: To add to the resolution recognition that the Railways Tennis Club was located on the Reserve.

**ATTACHMENT FOR REPORT:
REMOVAL OF ALL NARROGIN RAILWAY TENNIS COURTS & CLUB
ROOMS INFRASTRUCTURE.**



Tennis Court Playing Surface



Tennis Court Club Rooms



Internal Club rooms white ant damage



Internal club rooms white ant/asbestos damage



Tennis court fencing



Tennis Court club rooms rear

10.1.003 PROPOSED TOWNSCAPE WORKS ASSOCIATED WITH TOWN HALL AND FORTUNE STREET, NARROGIN

File Reference: 26.3.8, 5.3.1 & 5.3.2
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Applicant: N/A
Previous Item Nos: Nil
Date: 4th February 2015
Author: Brian Robinson, Director Technical & Environmental Services

Attachments: Photographs of the Town Hall Verandah and Piazza.

Summary:

Council is requested to consider a number of proposals associated with proposed improvements to the Town Hall and Fortune Street Piazza.

Background:

The Town of Narrogin's Townscape Committee was recently reconvened. To date the new Committee has participated in a workshop on Place Making, which has stimulated strong discussion on the need to revitalise the Town Centre, particularly the activation of otherwise under-utilised spaces.

With Fortune Street works to commence shortly, and Federal Street works nearing completion, the Committee was requested to focus on the Town Hall and Fortune Street with the view of identifying the opportunities available.

As Councillors would be aware, a significant number of restoration works and improvements have been completed on the Town Hall over the past three years. These works have restored the Town Hall to its former glory, significantly improving the buildings external appearance.

In order to complement these works, further improve the visual appearance of the Hall and the Streetscape, Council is now requested to consider:

- a) Endorsing the removal of the decorated concrete planter boxes located on the Town Hall verandah;
- b) The establishment of seating on the Town Hall verandah, being specifically designed to suit;
- c) A number of proposed improvements to the Piazza located abutting the Town Hall in Fortune Street.

Prior to preparation of this report, the proposals were referred to Council's Townscape Committee for consideration. In response, the Townscape Committee passed the following two resolutions:

1. That in respect of the Town Hall, the Townscape Committee support the following:
 - a) Removal of the existing planter boxes on the Town Hall verandah;

- b) That Karen Keeley, Peter White liaise with Narrogin-based cabinet maker and wood technologist – Stan Samulkiewicz re the potential design of seating to be installed on the verandah and his potential involvement in the project.
2. Brian Robinson to submit an Agenda item to the 10 February Ordinary Council meeting setting out the proposed work for the piazza including the following:
- i) redesign of the roof, to reflect the arches along Fortune Street;
 - ii) works to provide a level floor;
 - iii) installation of appropriate lockable power points;
 - iv) replacement of the current lighting with something more sympathetic to the Town Hall; and
 - v) a proposed mural with an image associated with/relevant to the Town Hall and a bygone era (commissioned through an artist's design brief recommended by the Committee) and with the style of art settled by the artist.

Further detail regarding the above resolutions and the associated discussions is provided within the comment section below.

Comment

To assist Council in considering these matters, the following comments and additional details are provided:

Town Hall Verandah

It is understood that the existing concrete planter boxes were located on the Town Hall verandah as part of the Town's previous Townscape in the 1980's.

In the author's opinion, removal of the planter boxes is desirable for the following reasons:

- a) the planters have sustained minor damage over the years and look untidy;
- b) the plants within the planters appear stunted and unattractive;
- c) the Planters have been used as ashtray's over the years; and
- d) the position of the planter boxes in the centre of the verandahs limits the potential development/use of the verandah area.

In the author's opinion, the verandah of the Town Hall represents an opportunity to provide sheltered seating, activating the space. Such seating for use in association with Town Hall functions or by independent members of the public (ie for eating lunch). However, the purchase of 'standard seating' for placement on the verandah is not recommended.

Alternatively, it is the author's opinion that seating designed specifically for the verandah would allow for more effective use of the space and ensure that the seating design enhances the appearance of the building's Federal Street frontage.

As reflected with the resolution 1 shown on the background section of this report, the Townscape Committee agree with the above views and have recommended:

- a) Removal of the planter boxes; and
- b) Liaison with a local cabinet making/wood technologist (Mr Stan Samulkiewicz) for ideas and inspiration and potentially assistance with a scope of works.

Mr Samulkiewicz is a local cabinet maker/wood technologist whose work is well recognised both nationally and abroad. The level of his recognition resulted in Mr Samulkiewicz and his wife being two of eleven private enterprise representatives chosen to participate in a Western Australian Furniture/Timber Industry study tour of Italy in 2001 to examine the latest trends at furniture factories and the annual Milan Furniture Fair.

An agenda item detailing the proposed scope of works will be prepared for Council consideration/endorsement once the Townscape Committee has endorsed a draft scope.

Piazza

The Town Hall Piazza is an under-utilised covered area adjacent to the Town Hall facing Fortune Street. Use of this area is currently restricted due to:

- a) the existing concrete floor not being level, sloping downward toward Federal Street;
- b) the low nature of the roof; and
- c) the lack of outdoor power points.

A significant opportunity exists to activate this space, encouraging more frequent use of the area for a range of activities ranging from live entertainment (including buskers) to cake stalls and other community fund raising activities.

As reflected in the second resolution shown in the comments section, the Townscape Committee supports these views and is recommending:

- i) replacement of the current low flat roof with an arched roof consistent with the existing verandah arches;
- ii) installation of a level floor;
- iii) installation of lockable outdoor power points;
- iv) replacement of the existing fluoro lights with improved light, being of a design more sympathetic with the Town Hall.

During discussions with the Townscape Committee, it was agreed that an opportunity exists for a mural to be located on the wall of the Town Hall forming the back wall of the piazza. This is one of several locations within the Town site that may be suitable for a mural.

The Townscape Committee is proposing to prepare a design brief for the proposed mural. An agenda item detailing the proposed brief will be prepared for Council consideration once a draft is available. In the interim, Council's support is sought for the concept.

Consultation

Townscape Committee, Chief Executive Officer – Aaron Cook and Manager of Culture and Leisure - Susan Guy.

Statutory Environment:

Local Government Act 1995 and the associated regulations relating to Local Government expenditure.

Policy Implications - Nil

Financial Implications:

Costs associated with the proposed works on both the verandah and Piazza are currently being costed by Town of Narrogin staff.

Any works undertaken will be wholly contained within the Town of Narrogin's adopted 2014/15 annual budget. In the event that costs cannot be contained within the adopted budget, the works will be appropriately staged and alternative funding, through either grant funding or future budgets will be sought.

Strategic Implications:

Improvements as proposed for the Town Hall and Piazza will bring vitality and life back to these areas, ensuring that they are utilised and complement the high standard of work undertaken to restore the Town Hall to date.

Voting Requirements:

Simple Majority

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.004

Moved: Cr C Ward

Seconded: Cr J McKenzie

That Council:

1. Endorse the following actions in respect of the Federal Street Town Hall Verandah:
 - Removal of the existing planter boxes
 - The Townscape Committee preparing a scope of works regarding the potential design of seating to be installed on the verandah.
2. Endorse the following actions in respect of the Town Hall Piazza on Fortune Street:
 - Replacement of the existing flat roof with and arched roof to complement the Town Hall's existing arches along Fortune Street;

- Remediation of the current concrete floor to provide a level floor;
 - Installation of appropriate lockable power points;
 - Replacement of the current lighting with something more sympathetic to the Town Hall; and
 - The Townscape Committee preparing a draft Artist Design brief for a mural with an image associated with/relevant to the Town Hall along the back wall of the piazza.
3. The works detailed in points 1 and 2 be facilitated in a staged manner so as to be within the 2014/15 Building Maintenance budget and all further improvements are to be considered within the 2015/16 Budget deliberations.
 4. Await a further report on the proposed scope of works/design brief for seating on the Town Hall Verandah and Piazza Mural, to be prepared by the Townscape Committee.

CARRIED 6/0

Town Hall Piazza



Town Hall Verandah





10.2 CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Please Note: Councillor Kaine arrived at 7:53pm

10.2.004 PROPOSAL TO PURCHASE ARTWORKS

File Reference: 26.3.7
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Applicant: Chief Executive Officer
Previous Item Nos: Nil
Date: 4 February 2015
Author: Mr Aaron Cook – Chief Executive Officer

Attachments: Photos of proposed artworks

Summary

It is proposed for Council to consider the purchase of a piece, or piece's, of art work from the late artist Mr John Ainsworth. It is noted that should Council wish to proceed with this acquisition that the purchase has not been budgeted; however, budget allocations can be made within the budget review and if Council wish to proceed this will dictate and potential regulatory compliance to this matter.

Background

Currently the late artist Mr John Ainsworth's artworks that are owned by the family are being shown in the Nexus Gallery. Mr Ainsworth is a renowned artist and upon erecting the collection the Nexus Committee contacted Council to inform us that a particular painting was for sale that has Narrogin heritage / links.

Prior to the opening of the exhibition, the Mayor and I attended the Nexus Gallery to inspect the painting. Photos of the art works is attached. The piece clearly shows the Narrogin Steam Engine PM706, although not the entire engine but the section with the Narrogin name plate. This particular piece has a listed price tag of \$4,500.

During our visit, Mr Ainsworth's daughters attended the gallery and a brief discussion was held regarding this piece and that the Town may be interested in its purchase.

Comment

This item has been presented to Council to consider the potential purchase artwork from Mr John Ainsworth that depicts the Narrogin Steam Engine PM706. This artwork would then be added to Council's art inventory.

There has been discussions over several years that the previous Narrogin Art Prize should be resurrected and this would result in the Town purchasing art into the future. An allocation was made in this budget; however, the art prize event has not resulted as the focus has been placed on other Community and Art projects. As such, there is a budget allocation for this prize within the budget and through the budget review that will be presented at the next

meeting of Council, this purchase could be facilitated through the savings in several areas within the budget.

It is requested that Council consider the potential importance of this art work and, if resolved, to negotiate with the family for an agreed purchase price that this is then included within the budget review that will be presented at the second meeting in February.

There is a second art work depicting the drive train components of a steam engine and although this could be argued it is the PM706 Engine there are no distinguishing markings nor is it titled to reflect this and could be any steam engine from the era. It was felt though that this could also be considered by Council as an accompanying piece. This price is listed at \$2,500. If Council is in agreement and would like to consider the second piece this can be negotiated with the family but potentially purchased upon the adoption of the next budget.

Consultation

Mayor Ballard

Nexus Committee representatives:

- Mrs Karen Keeley
- Mr Ned Crossley

Statutory Environment

This item does not fall within any statutory environments as the purchase will be considered and included within the budget review process that if accepted will include its allocation within the current budget. This review will be presented at the second meeting in February 2015.

Policy Implications - Nil

Financial Implications

In the instance that Council considers the art work to be significant enough to purchase the financial impact will be absorbed within the budget review amendments from savings in other areas. As such, there is no additional impact of over-expenditure; however, does have the potential impact of reducing the net savings at the end of the financial year.

Strategic Implications

The purchase of the Art work will assist in developing the reputation of Narrogin as supporting the Art's community and can be reflected in the following sections of the Strategic Community Plan and Business Plan:

1.5	Support Tourism, Arts and sport initiatives, recognising the economic impact that they provide to the businesses and general community.	DCCS/MLC	Ongoing
2.6	Encourage and assist local Arts Groups to facilitate the development of the arts culture in Narrogin.	MLC	Ongoing

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.005

Moved: Cr D Russell

Seconded: Cr C Bartron

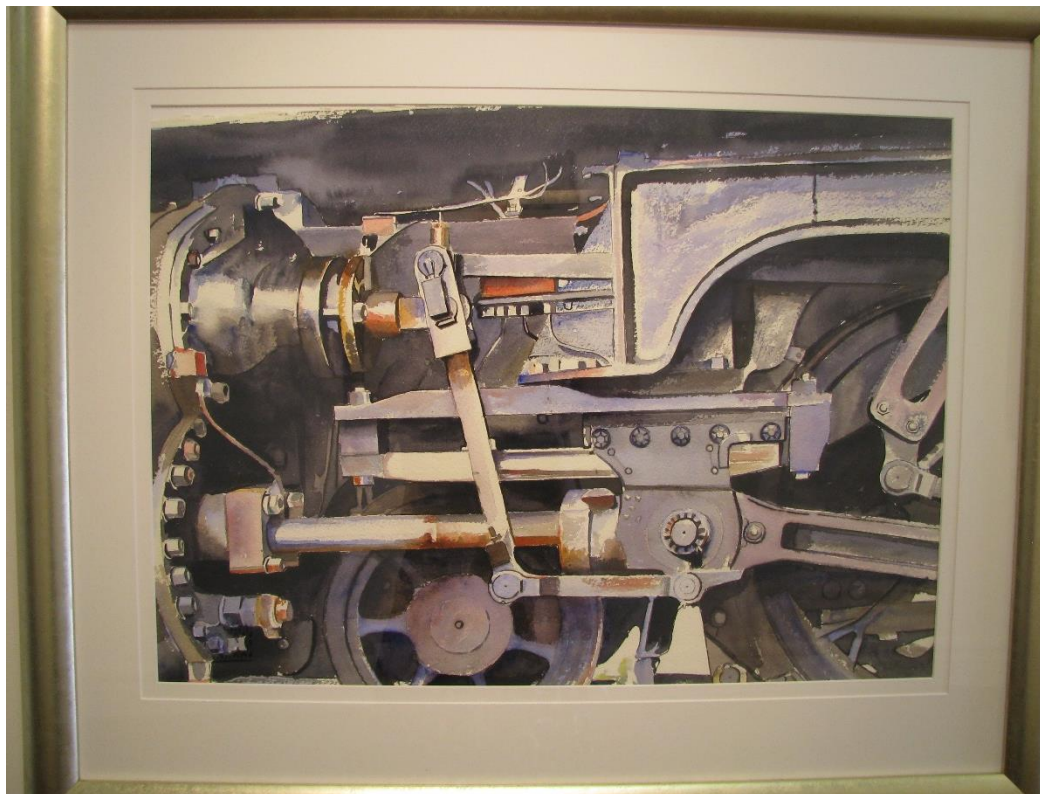
That Council

Negotiate with the family contact for the late artist Mr John Ainsworth to secure a purchase price for the identified art works and the purchase be dealt with in the following manner:

- a) "Narrogin PM 706 Steam Engine" negotiated purchase price be included within the Budget Review agenda item presented to Council at the second meeting of February 2015.
- b) "Steam Engine Drive Train" negotiated purchase price be included within the 2015/2016 Draft Budget for consideration to be acquired early in the new financial year.

CARRIED 7/0

Attachment: Proposal to Purchase Artworks



10.2.005 AMEND 25 MARCH 2014 MINUTES

File Reference: 13.3.8
Disclosure of Interest: Nil
Applicant: Nil
Previous Item Nos: 0414.035 (8 April 2014)
Date: 4 February 2015
Author: Colin Bastow – Director Corporate and Community Services

Attachments: Nil

Summary

It is recommend to Council to amend the minutes of the 25 March 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting to include a missing resolution.

Background

Council had resolved by absolute majority to adopt the recommendation from the Audit Committee meeting which was held 25 March 2014 before the Ordinary Council Meeting. Unfortunately this item was omitted in error from the approved minutes of this meeting.

Comment

To revoke the previous motion that accepted the minutes, Council will require a mover and two other members to support the new amended motion.

Consultation

Aaron Cook - CEO

Statutory Environment

Local Government Act 1995

S5.25(1)(e)

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

10. Revoking or changing decisions (Act s. 5.25(1)(e))

- (1) If a decision has been made at a council or a committee meeting then any motion to revoke or change the decision must be supported —
 - (a) in the case where an attempt to revoke or change the decision had been made within the previous 3 months but had failed, by an absolute majority; or
 - (b) in any other case, by at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of the number of offices (whether vacant or not) of members of the council or committee, inclusive of the mover.
- (1a) Notice of a motion to revoke or change a decision referred to in subregulation (1) is to be signed by members of the council or committee numbering at least $\frac{1}{3}$ of the number of offices (whether vacant or not) of members of the council or committee, inclusive of the mover.
- (2) If a decision has been made at a council or a committee meeting then any decision to revoke or change the first-mentioned decision must be made —

- (a) in the case where the decision to be revoked or changed was required to be made by an absolute majority or by a special majority, by that kind of majority; or
 - (b) in any other case, by an absolute majority.
- (3) This regulation does not apply to the change of a decision unless the effect of the change would be that the decision would be revoked or would become substantially different

Policy Implications - Nil

Financial Implications - Nil

Strategic Implications - Nil

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

COUNCIL RESOLUTION 0215.006

Moved: Cr C Bartron

**Seconded: Cr M Kain
Cr C Ward**

That Council:

1. Revoke resolution 0414.035 which approved the minutes of the 25 March 2014 Ordinary Council Meeting.
2. Amend the minutes of the 25 March 2014 to include the following resolution:

Moved: Cr Paternoster

Seconded: Cr Schutz

That Council:

1. *Approve the 2012/13 Annual Report and the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Electors be held on Wednesday 23 March 2014 at 7.00pm.*
2. *Acknowledges receipt of the Audit Certificate and Management Letter, and*
3. *Endorse the actions to be taken by The Town to resolve the matters raised in the Management Report*
4. *Appoints Bill Thomas of Anderson Munro and Wylie as Auditor for the 2013/14 and 2014/15 financial years.*

***CARRIED 6/0
BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY***

**CARRIED 7/0
BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

11. ELECTED MEMBER'S MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

12. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

The Mayor tabled correspondence in the form of an email received from Mrs Wormsley regarding her concerns of the Regional landfill site at Cuballing.

13. CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Mayor closed the meeting at 8:02pm