



Yorke Peninsula Council

Minutes of the Meeting of the Bush Camping Working Party

Held on Wednesday 14th September 2016
In the Council Chambers
57 Main Street Minlaton commencing at 3pm
(Subject to confirmation)

ITEM 1

1.1 WELCOME

Chairperson Adam Meyer welcomed everyone to the meeting and declared the meeting open at 3.05pm.

1.2 PRESENT

Councillors, Naomi Bittner, Tanya Stock and Adam Meyer

IN ATTENDANCE

Roger Brooks	Director Development Services
Mick Cartwright	Manager Development Services
Stephen Goldsworthy	Operations Manager
Wendy Story	Visitor Information Services Coordinator
Maddy Pulling	Minute Secretary

1.3 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

1.4 APOLOGIES

Cr Scott Hoyle, Phil Herrmann and Anne Hammond

1.5 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING - for confirmation.

Cr Adam Meyer moved Cr Naomi Bittner seconded

That the minutes of the Bush Camping Working Party meeting held on 10th August 2016, as circulated, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

ITEM 2 VISITORS TO THE MEETING

Nil

ITEM 3 CORRESPONDENCE

Cr Adam Meyer moved Cr Tanya Stock seconded

That in the absence of Cr Scott Hoyle, his email correspondence be received for discussion in relation to Item 4.1 of the Agenda.

CARRIED

ITEM 4 DEBATE AGENDA

4.1 The submissions of the Bush Camping Expansion public consultation were reviewed and considered. Discussion ensued on what adjustments/works need to be made to the following individual campsites to make them safe and suitable for camping.

Parara

- Requires some fencing to define area.

Foul Bay Boat Ramp

- Camping on the high side of the road only.
- Boundary adjustments/extensions to be made to the boat parking or the camping area, depending on demand.

Len Barker Reserve

- Close the current entrance point and create a new entrance and exit point at the eastern end for safety/traffic purposes.
- Clear away dead trees/wood and re-plant new vegetation as required.

Port Minlacowie

- Relocate camping to the south of the cairn.
- Create a day use/parking area.
- Install signage in each of the designated areas stipulating the use for the area.
- Permit camping in the 'The Bowl'.

The Working Party would like to prioritise establishing facilities in the above mentioned camp locations.

Involve Communications and Engagement Officer Carolyn Wakefield with the preparation of a response to the Port Minlacowie residents notifying them of any Council endorsement to the Port Minlacowie camp site. Stephen Goldsworthy to liaise with Carolyn Wakefield with information and maps to be included in the response.

Cr Bittner moved Cr Tanya Stock seconded

It is recommended that Council endorse Len Barker Reserve, Port Minlacowie, Parara and Foul Bay Boat Ramp to be included in Councils gazetted bush camping locations.

CARRIED

4.2 Discussion ensued about which sites are in the most need of a waste management (rubbish removal) service. Several camp locations currently have rubbish removal whilst some have signage erected advising campers to take their rubbish with them when they leave. This signage has proved to be effective and rubbish has not been too much of an issue. However, it is at peak holiday times that additional rubbish can become an problem. Stephen Goldsworthy suggested hiring skip bins for certain camp locations in

the peak holiday period. It is noted that none of the camp site toilet facilities are cleaned by staff or contractors.

Stephen Goldsworthy to provide costings on skip hire and cleaning of toilets.

- 4.3** The Working Party has identified that installing toilet facilities at camp locations is a priority for infrastructure budget considerations. The Party would like costings provided for installed single cubicle eco toilets to assist with future budget considerations. Stephen Goldsworthy to provide costings.

Stephen Goldsworthy advised that fencing installation and replacement of old fencing is required at The Bamboos, Tipara and Parara. Stephen Goldsworthy to provide costings.

General infrastructure works should be a priority at the following locations so that sites can be fenced or delineated when and where necessary.

- Port Minlacowie camp site needs to be delineated with rocks.
- Len Barker Reserve requires some signage and new driveway entrance and exit.
- Foul Bay Boat Ramp requires signage and fencing installation.

Cr Adam Meyer moved Cr Tanya Stock seconded

It is recommended that Council allocate \$10,000 for the purpose of fencing and delineation works to be carried out across various camp locations.

CARRIED

4.4.1 Matters Raised

Nil

ITEM 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Wendy Story reported that the permit system 'Book Easy' has been working smoothly since permits went online on 1st September 2016. Wendy advised she is currently working out how to produce statistical reports from the booking system.

Mick Cartwright advised that Council is waiting for a quote on hand held technology to assist rangers to patrol the camp locations. Rangers are currently using printed permit reports to assist them when patrolling the camp locations.

Mick Cartwright advised that a bush camping information sheet has been created to hand out to campers advising where and how they can purchase permits.

Wendy Story advised she has been to each of Council's offices to train reception staff on how to operate the Book Easy permit system to assist callers who phone the Council offices wanting to purchase a camping permit.

Stephen Goldsworthy presented a final version of the signage (provided by the sign contractor) to be installed at the camp location entrance points. It was advised that some very minor amendments need to be made which include;

- making the Council logo clearer
- adjusting the maps slightly to ensure the text is not cut off
- centring the font/text under each photo

Stephen Goldsworthy advised that he has visited each camp location to determine the most practicable place to install each of the 21 signs.

Invite Communication and Engagements Officer Caroline Wakefield to the next Bush Camping Working Meeting to discuss the promotion of Councils bush camping.

Senior Compliance Officer to provide feedback of the September/October school holiday period and advise the effectiveness of the permit bookings.

Discussion ensued about the installation of signage at Federation Park. Michael Cartwright advised that he has spoken with DPTI regarding ownership and placement of the signs at Federation Park. The Party decided it would be premature to make a decision about placement of the sign at Federation Park. To be discussed further in the future.

Stephen Goldsworthy advised that he wants to ensure works are done at The Bamboos and Tipara in line with the Recreational Management Strategy. He advised that these two locations are in disrepair.

ITEM 6 NEXT MEETING

To be advised

ITEM 7 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 4.35pm

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Chairperson – Mr Adam Meyer
Date;