

MINUTES OF THE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PAC) MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY,
16 FEBRUARY 2021 IN THE ANDY MCNEILL MEETING ROOM AT THE CIVIC CENTRE, 93 TODD
STREET ALICE SPRINGS

PRESENT

Mayor Ryan
Deputy Mayor Price
Councillor Banks (arrived 4:33 pm)
Councillor Paterson
Mr Mathew Digby
Mr Ken Johnson
Mr Domenico Pecorari
Mr Jonathan Pilbrow (arrived 4:35 pm)

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Takudzwa Charlie - Acting Director Technical Services
Mr Stephen Baloban - Manager Infrastructure
Ms Kaitlyn Weekes - Project Administration Officer (Minutes)

13 th Alice Springs Town Council Parks Advisory Committee Attendance List 2020/2021					
	17 Nov 20	16 Feb 21	20 Apr 21	29 Jun 21	TBC
Mayor Damien Ryan	A	✓			
Deputy Mayor Price	✓	✓			
Councillor Marli Banks	✓	✓			
Councillor Matt Paterson	✓	✓			
Mr Matthew Digby	✓	✓			
Mr Ken Johnson	✓	✓			
Mr Jonathan Pilbrow	✓	✓			
Mr Domenico Pecorari	✓	✓			

✓ Attended
✓ phone Attended via phone
A Apology received
-- No attendance and no apology recorded

Mayor Ryan assumed the role of Acting Chairperson for the beginning of this meeting.

The meeting opened at 4:31 pm with a quorum.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Mr Scott Allen - Director Technical Services
Ms Sabine Taylor - Director Corporate Services
Ms Mel Bennett - Manager Finance
Mr Ben Fitzgerald - Manager Works

1.1 Election of Chairperson

Mayor Ryan called for nominations from the Elected Members on this Committee for the position of Chairperson. A nomination was received for Councillor Paterson. No other nominations were received.

The committee resolved to elect Councillor Patterson as Chairperson.

Councillor Paterson assumed the role of Chairperson at 4:32 pm.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Jonathan Pilbrow - Item 6.2

3. CORRESPONDENCE

NIL

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 17 November 2020.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 17 November 2020 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Moved: Deputy Mayor Price

Seconded: Ken Johnson

CARRIED

Councillor Banks entered the room 4:33 pm

5. FINANCE REPORT

The Committee received and noted the *Income and Expenditure Report* for the Period Ending 5 February 2021. Parks funds available assuming all commitments are realised are \$93,964.60

Moved: Councillor Paterson

Seconded: Ken Johnson

CARRIED

Action:

Council Officers to request that a member from the Finance department attend Parks Committee meetings.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1. Sturt Park

The Committee discussed the issue of cars parking on Sturt Park Reserve, the Manager of Infrastructure spoke to the 'clear zone' applicable to the road reserve and its location.

Further discussion in regard to the implementation of bollards was raised, with the committee suggesting that the bollards could be installed.

Action:

Council Officers to investigate costings for the installation of bollards along Sturt Park Reserve and identify any other suitable options to stop car parking.

Action:

Council Officers to identify the parameters of 'clear zones' to best address public safety.

Jonathan Pilbrow entered the room 4:35 pm

6.2. Lyndavale Park

Jonathan Pilbrow left the meeting 4:45 pm due to a conflict of interest

The Project Administration Officer provided information from *Larapinta Child & Family Centre* on the proposed stages and costings associated to the Lyndavale Park project and opened discussion for the Committee to provide direction to Officers on the next steps.

The Committee was in favour of the project to progress in stages, on the provision that a proposal by the Labor Government to provide \$100,000.00 to Lyndavale Park would be committed.

RESOLVED:

That it be recommended to Council:

That the Grants Officer seek formal commitment from the Labor Government that \$100,000.00 be put towards Lyndavale Park.

Moved: Ken Johnson

Seconded: Councillor Banks

CARRIED

Jonathan Pilbrow returned to the meeting 4:55 pm

6.3. Madigan Park

The Committee received and noted the Feasibility Study, expressed disappointment, and requested a revised version be submitted to the next meeting to include costings associated with Option 2. Discussion ensued in favour of *Option 2: That half of the park be developed by Council*, and the Committee indicated their support of this being associated with the *CARGO* (initiative). Concerns were raised in regard to the timeline for the recreational half of the Park and that commitment be made to ensure its completion.

Mr Domenico Pecorari voted against *Option 2: That half the park be developed by Council*.

Action:

Council Officers re-submit Feasibility Study with costings associated with *Option 2: That half the Park be developed by Council*.

6.4. Tucker Park

The Acting Director of Technical Services provided an update for Tucker Park. The Acting Director received and noted feedback in regard to the surfacing and ongoing management of the Park.

Action:

Council Officers liaise with Media in relation to a formal opening when Tucker Park is completed.

6.5. Oleander Park

The Acting Director of Technical Services provided an update for Oleander Park.

No comments were made.

6.6. Rotoract Park

The Acting Director of Technical Services provided an update for Rotoract Park.

No comments were made.

6.7. Walmulla Park

The Acting Director of Technical Services spoke to a query raised in regards to the installation of a water bubbler at Walmulla Park. The committee voted for the installation.

Action:

Council Officers install a water bubbler at Walmulla Park

6.8. Potential Public Art Project

The Acting Director of Technical Services spoke to a proposal by the Public Arts Advisory Committee for the installation of one or two sculpture's at nominated Parks around town. The project was initiated after feedback was received from the community to see a greater commitment to quality Public Art within Alice Springs.

The Parks advisory Committee was asked to contribute to the install and commissioning of the project. Discussion ensued in regards to the need for this particular proposal to be asked of Council first, before the Parks Advisory Committee.

No further discussion occurred.

6.9. Bar Brothers and Sisters, Alice Springs - Proposal

The Acting Director of Technical Services spoke to proposal by the '*Bar Brothers and Sisters of Alice Springs*' to install exercise bars and equipment in a local park. The Committee raised concerns in regard to ongoing maintenance, cost/benefit and durability of the product and whether there was a need for additional exercise equipment.

Discussion ensued in regards to proposed locations for the equipment, Snow Kenna Park was highlighted as a preferred location due to the nature of public accessibility and proximity to Anzac Oval. However, the committee supported the project in principle on the basis that it returns to the Parks Advisory Committee for costings and location at a later stage in the project lifecycle.

RESOLVED:

That it be recommended to Council:

That the proposal by the '*Bar Brothers and Sisters*' be supported in principle by the Parks Advisory Committee on condition that it returns to the Committee with costings and potential locations.

Moved: Councillor Banks

Seconded: Ken Johnson

CARRIED

6.8. Alice Springs - Open Spaces Master Plan 2013

The *Open Spaces Master Plan 2013* was tabled for discussion. A query was raised in regard to the possibility of reviewing the document for any recommendations which could be adopted for the purpose of master planning. The committee decided against reviewing the masterplan through the Parks Advisory Committee and suggested an external meeting be held for those interested.

No further discussion occurred.

7 OTHER BUSINESS

NIL

8 NEXT MEETING:

4:30pm on 20th April 2021 - Location confirmed closer to the date
The meeting closed at 6:01pm.