

MEETING MINUTES OF THE PARKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY  
29 FEBRUARY 2020, IN THE ALICE SPRINGS TOWN COUNCIL, ANDY MCCNEILL ROOM

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**PRESENT**

Mayor Damien Ryan  
Councillor Jimmy Cocking (Chair)  
Councillor Jamie de Brenni  
Councillor Jacinta Price  
Mr Matthew Digby  
Mr Domenico Pecorari  
Mr Jonathan Pilbrow

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr Scott Allen - Director Technical Services  
Mr Takudzwa Charlie - Manager Technical Services  
Mr Stephen Baloban - Manager Infrastructure  
Mr Ben Fitzgerald - Manager Depot  
Ms Kaitlyn Weekes - Project Administration Officer (Minutes)

**OBSERVER**

Mr Dalton Dupuy

14 <sup>th</sup> Alice Springs Town Council Parks Advisory Committee Attendance List 2019/2020					
	27 Aug 19	29 Oct 19	25 Feb 20	28 Apr 20	30 Jun 20
Mayor Damien Ryan	✓	✓	✓		
Councillor Jimmy Cocking	✓	✓	✓		
Councillor de Brenni	✓	✓	✓		
Councillor Jacinta Price	A	✓	✓		
Matthew Digby	A	✓	✓		
Jonathan Pilbrow	✓	✓	✓		
Domenico Pecorari	A	A	✓		

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

The meeting opened at 4:30 pm.

1. APOLOGIES

Mr Robert Jennings  
Ms Sabine Taylor

2. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Nil

3. CORRESPONDENCE

3.1. Email to Council from Bernard Hickey – re: Tucker Park – 20 November 2020

The Committee received and noted the correspondence from Bernard Hickey.

3.2. Letter to Council from Isabel and Dalton Dupuy – re: Oleander Park – 4 February 2020

The Committee received and noted the correspondence from Dalton Dupuy.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 29 October 2019.

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the Parks Advisory Committee meeting held 29 October 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

**Moved:** Mayor Ryan

**Seconded:** Mathew Digby

**CARRIED**

5. FINANCE REPORT

The Committee received and noted the *Income and Expenditure Report – for the Period Ending 13 February 2020*. Parks funds available assuming all commitments are realised are \$498,330.79.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

6.1 Ashwin Park

Ashwin Park revised plan was tabled for the Committee.

The Committee discussed:

- Removing the concept of a concrete path and replacing with bitumen
- A concept of a Community garden and the need for discussion with residents highlighting this would be included in stage 2.
- A reduction in the amount of path and shade (over exercise equipment) to reduce the costs.

The Committee noted additional shade trees were a priority however the plan already includes 30 trees.

RESOLVED:

That it be recommended to Council:

**That Council officers adapt the plan for Ashwin Park and present to the Community through public consultation.**

**Moved:** Mayor Ryan

**Seconded:** Mathew Digby

**CARRIED**

Action:

Council officers to adjust the plan and call another public meeting at Ashwin Park.

6.2 Madigan Park

Two design proposals were tabled for the potential subdivision of Madigan Park. Proposals included:

1. That half the of the park land is sold to an external developer, and
2. That Council develop 4 x Units and gain income over the years from land value.

Both designs for Madigan Park were discussed by the Committee and a request was made to ensure a laneway continue through to the other side in the final plan to ensure community access.

Concern was raised that Council may be seen as developers and not representing the face of the community. The Committee requested that the final decision be open to public consultation.

**RESOLVED:**

That it be recommended to Council:

**That Council select option two, to develop the park into 4 units.**

**Moved:** Councillor de Brenni                      **Seconded:** Mathew Digby                      **CARRIED**

**Action:**

Officers go out to public consultation after Council has made its decision.

6.3      Oleander Park

The Oleander Park revised plan was tabled for the Committee.

A member of the general public, Mr Dalton Dupuy attended the meeting to raise concerns about the path location. The Committee discussed investigating other options for path location, material and width of the path to reduce costs.

Discussion ensued in regard to adopting a '*friends of parks*' mode of design.

**Action:**

Officers to await the receipt of a precedent drawing from Mr Dalton Dupuy and table for discussion at the next meeting.

6.4      Rotorac Park

The Committee discussed the proposed location for a Pet Park at Rotorac Park. Members of the committee expressed their support and discussed the timeline for completion, access, carparking, and how the park would be managed.

**RESOLVED:**

That it be recommended to Council:

**That Council move the proposed Pet Park at Rotorac Park to Public Consultation.**

**Moved:** Councillor de Brenni                      **Seconded:** Mayor Ryan                      **CARRIED**

**Action:**

Once approved by Council, Officers go out to public consultation and also consider parking and how the park will be managed.

6.5      Spencer Park

The Committee discussed installing one shade structure at Spencer Park, in place of an existing structure that has been destroyed, at a cost of \$50,000.

**RESOLVED:**

That it be recommended to Council:

**That Council install one 12 x 8m shade structure at a cost of \$50,000 excluding GST**

**Moved:** Councillor De Brenni                      **Seconded:** Mayor Ryan                      **CARRIED**

6.6 Tucker Park

The Tucker Park revised plan was tabled. The Committee discussed reducing the path width to 1.5m to reduce costs.

Action:

Council Officers to adjust the plan and call another public meeting at Tucker Park

6.7 Lyndavale Park

The Manager of Infrastructure advised members of the Committee that the residents of Lyndavale Park had planned to provide a presentation on proposed updates for the Park however nothing had been received to date.

Action:

Council will re-engage the community about a presentation for the next Park Advisory Committee meeting in April.

6.8 Todd River Fitness Stations

The Manager Infrastructure advised work on the shade structures for the Todd River Fitness stations was progressing and the pre-fabrication process has begun.

6.9 4 Smart Bins

The Committee discussed proposed locations and existing trials being undertaken with Smart Bins in the community.

7 OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Gillen Park Community Garden

Mayor Ryan raised the Gillen Park Community Garden, expressing concern for the state of the garden and requested Council consider installing trees for shade in this area.

8 NEXT MEETING:

**4:30pm on 28 April 2020** in the Andy McNeil Room.

The meeting closed at 5:30pm