

District Council of Robe

General Meeting

Minutes of the Monthly General Meeting held on 9 August 2005 commencing at 5:00 pm.

PRESENT Mayor P Darr, Crs P Wilkin, M Denning-Wasson, J Mathews, M Denton, D Loxton, Chief Executive Officer and Manager of Works.

Cr F Boylan entered the meeting at 5:04 pm.

CONFIRMATION

OF MINUTES Cr Denton moved **that:**

- 1) **Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12 July 2005 be taken as read and confirmed.**
- 2) **Minutes of the Special Council Meeting held on 14 July 2005 be taken as read and confirmed.**
- 3) **Minutes of the Adjourned Special Council Meeting held on 20 July 2005 be taken as read and confirmed (66/2006).**

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

MAYOR'S REPORT

The Mayor reported on the following:

- Public Meeting
- Meeting with LGA President & Executive Director

Cr Boylan entered that meeting at 5:04 pm.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Cr Loxton moved **that the following reports/minutes be received and that the recommendation and resolutions contained in the minutes be adopted:**

1. **Machinery Committee Meeting – 20 July 2005**
2. **Playground Working Party – 21 July 2005**
3. **OHS&W Working Group – 25 July 2005**
4. **Child Care on Wheels – 2 August 2005**
(67/2006).

Seconded Cr Denton

Carried

REPORT OF PUBLIC FORUM

Cr Boylan moved **that the report of the Public Forum 2 August 2005 be received (68/2006).**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

REPORTS OF DELEGATES

Cr Wilkin reported on:

- Written report on Sea Change Summit
- Limestone Coast Tourism Annual General Meeting

Cr Denning-Wasson reported on:

- Budget Meetings
- Public Forum

Cr Boylan reported on:

- Budget Meetings
- SELGA - Annual General Meeting

ADJOURNMENT Cr Denton moved **at 5:35 pm to adjourn the meeting for the duration of the Development Assessment Panel (69/2006).**

Seconded Cr Wilkin

Carried

RESUMPTION The General Meeting resumed at 5:55 pm.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES CONT.

Cr Mathews reported on:

- Public Forum
- Budget Meeting
- Library Management Committee
- LGA meeting

Cr Denton reported on:

- Machinery Committee Meeting
- Playground Working Party
- Budget Meeting
- LGA Meeting

Cr Loxton reported on:

- Public Forum
- Plastic Bag Strategy
- Budget Meetings
- Robe Ratepayers Meeting

Cr Loxton moved **that Council request Transport SA to review the speed limits on the approach to Robe with a view of seeking an extension of the zones and reduction of the speed limits (70/2006).**

Seconded Cr Boylan

Carried

Cr Denton moved **that the Mayor and Chief Executive meet with Minister for Infrastructure and Advisers re: The Timbercorp proposals (71/2006).**

Seconded Cr Denning-Wasson

Carried

**REPORTS OF
ASSOCIATED
BODIES**

Cr Dening-Wasson moved **that the following reports of associated bodies be received and noted:**

- 1) **South East Coastal Management Group – 24 May 2005**
- 2) **South East Local Government Association – 3 June 2005 (72/2006).**

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

**OFFICER'S
REPORTS**

**CHIEF
EXECUTIVE
OFFICER**

Leave – Chief Executive Officer

Cr Denton moved **that Glenn Sanford Manager of Works be appointed Acting Chief Executive Officer for the following periods:**

3 October 2005 to 14 October 2005 and 15 May 2006 to 9 June 2006 while the Chief Executive Officer is on leave (73/2006).

Seconded Cr Mathews

Carried

Robe Marina Corporation

Cr Denton moved **that:**

- 1) **The Chairman of the Robe Marina Corporation be advised by the Councils Chief Executive Officer to immediately forward the cheque book of the Corporation to the Corporation's Executive Officer,**
- 2) **The Council Authorise the Executive Officer of the Corporation to sign, and to obtain the signature of one other (authorised) Board Member, such cheques as are required for the purpose of making payment to the creditors as listed in the Chief Executive Officers Report, and**
- 3) **Council delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to authorise payment of other Board accounts that may be received from time to time (74/2006).**

Seconded Cr Dening-Wasson

Carried

Injury Management – Policy and Procedures

Cr Dening-Wasson moved **that the Injury Management Policy and Procedures as detailed in the Chief Executive Officers Report be adopted (75/2006).**

Seconded Cr Boylan

Carried

Cr Boylan moved that the Chief Executive Officer's Report be received (76/2006).

Seconded Cr Loxton

Carried

MANAGER OF WORKS

Trees – Victoria Street & Institute Surrounds.

Cr Denton moved as follows:

That the Tree Report, Victoria Street, Robe Dated 26 and 27 May 2005, received from Mr Dean Nicolle be received and noted.

That the Manager Works implement and action the following matters listed 1 to 6, with the inclusion of Tables 6a, 6b and 6c, during financial year 2005/2006 and beyond.

1) Removal/Replacement

Trees 63 (*Pinus canariensis*) and 65 (*Agonis flexuosa*) be removed and replaced.

Several other trees are recommended for removal over the medium (3 to 10 years) to long-term (10 + years). It is recommended that where removal of a tree may be necessary in the medium to long-term, a replacement tree or trees be planted either side of the tree proposed for future removal as soon as possible. This may allow the replacement tree (or trees) to be semi-established and substantial in size prior to removal of the tree proposed for removal, and thus minimizing any high impact tree loss to any part of the streetscape.

Victoria Tree Species Register Adopted; June 2005.

Platanus from Elizabeth Street to Squire Drive

Agonis flexuosa from Elizabeth Street to Bowling Club

Tree 59 – Remove loose and damaged cambium.

2) Monitoring

Trees 7 and 11 (*Agonis flexuosa*) require monitoring for tree health and associated hazards annually for next three years. These two trees are in a reduced and apparently deteriorating state of health.

Trees 17, 19, 46, 49, 54, 56, 59 and 61 (*Eucalyptus leucoxylon megalocarpa*) require monitoring for tree health and associated hazards annually for the next three years. Any significant or continued decline in the health of these ten trees may require that the tree be either removed or pruned to reduce the hazards associated with health decline.

3) Formative Pruning

Formative pruning is recommended for most of the trees. Formative pruning involves the ongoing removal of low branches for appropriate personal and/or vehicle height clearance, and the removal of broken, damaged, unhealthy and poorly formed branches and stems to improve the shape and form of the tree.

Depending on the age, vigor and species of tree, formative pruning may be required on an ongoing basis every year to every six years. No more than 10% of the total tree crown should be removed from a single tree at any single formative pruning event.

All low branches on the two *Araucaria heterophylla* trees (Trees 62 and 64) should be retained. Low branches on these trees act as a physical barrier to protect structures and persons under the crown of the tree from branch failure higher up the tree.

4) Deadwood Pruning

Ongoing deadwood pruning is recommended for most of the trees, although deadwood pruning may be rated as low priority as deadwood does not substantially effect the health of the tree or significantly increase the hazards associated with the trees in this case. Deadwood pruning will improve the aesthetic appeal of a tree and marginally improve the hazards associated with a tree by reducing the likelihood and consequence of dead branch failure.

Deadwood pruning involves the removal of all dead wood, branches and branch stubs from the crown of the tree. Depending on the age, vigor and species of the tree deadwood pruning may be required on an ongoing basis every three to ten years. Some species, such as *Araucaria heterophylla*, do not generally require deadwood pruning.

5) Selective Crown Pruning

One-off selective crown pruning is recommended for trees 17,19,26,28 and 54.

Tree 17 – The long branch stub at two metres above ground level on the east side of the tree should be removed back to the main trunk.

Tree 19 - Crown reduction pruning of approximately 25% of total tree crown on the north side of the tree to be removed.

Tree 26 – Two of the main branches on the north side of the tree should be removed back to the trunk of the tree.

Tree 28 – The long branch stub at 3.5 metres above ground level on the north side of the tree should be removed back to the trunk of the tree.

Tree 54 – Approximately 20% to 30% of the total tree crown should be removed on the north side of the tree by removing long branches up to 280 mm in diameter.

6) Tree Removal

Trees numbered 54 and 56 be removed in lieu of implementation of parking restrictions and replaced with appropriate trees.

Table 6a. The recommended action for the 65 individuals North side of Victoria St.

Tree	Species	Recommendations
Tree 1	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 2	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 3	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 4	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 5	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 6	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 7	A. flexuosa	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 8	H. drupacea	Retain short-term only; replace with e.g. A. flexuosa in medium to long-term
Tree 9	H. drupacea	Retain short-term only; replace with e.g. A. flexuosa in medium to long-term
Tree 10	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 11	A. flexuosa	Retain short-term; monitor annually for next three years; replace with e.g. A. flexuosa when required
Tree 12	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 13	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 14	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 15	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 16	E. l. m	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 17	E. l. m	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 18	N. oleander	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 19	E. l. m	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; weight reduction pruning on NE side; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 20	N. oleander	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 21	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 22	N. oleander	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 23	E. l. m.	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 24	E. petiolaris	Retain short-term; replace with e.g. E.l.m. long-term
Tree 25	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 26	E. l. m.	Retain short-term; selective branch removal; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning; replace with e.g. E.l.m. long-term
Tree 27	E. l. m	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 28	E. l. m.	Retain; branch stub removal; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 29	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative pruning
Tree 30	E. petiolaris	Retain short-term; replace with e.g. E.l.m. long-term
Tree 31	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning

Table 6b. The recommended action for the 65 individuals South side of Victoria St, from W to E

Tree	Species	Recommendations
Tree 32	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 33	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 34	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 35	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 36	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 37	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 38	A. flexuosa	Replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 39	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning

Tree 40	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 41	E. petiolaris	Retain short-term; replace with e.g. E.l.m. long-term
Tree 42	E. l. m	Retain; ongoing formative pruning
Tree 43	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 44	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative pruning
Tree 45	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 46	E. l. m.	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 47	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 48	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 49	E. l. m	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 50	N. oleander	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree
Tree 51	N. oleander	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree
Tree 52	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 53	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 54	E. l. m.	Remove and replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register
Tree 55	E. l. m.	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 56	E. l. m.	Remove and replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree register.
Tree 57	A. flexuosa	Remove & replace with suitable tree species as per adopted tree
Tree 58	E. petiolaris	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 59	E. l. m.	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 60	A. flexuosa	Retain; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning
Tree 61	E. l. m.	Retain; monitor annually for next three years; ongoing formative & deadwood pruning

Table 6c. The recommended action for the 65 individuals Robe Visitor Centre and Library.

Tree	Species	Recommendations
Tree 62	A. heterophylla	Retain; ongoing deadwood pruning
Tree 63	<i>P. canariensis</i>	Remove & replace with <i>A. heterophylla</i>
Tree 64	<i>A. heterophylla</i>	Retain; ongoing deadwood pruning
Tree 65	<i>A. flexuosa</i>	Remove & replace with <i>A. heterophylla</i>

(77/2006)

Seconded Cr Wilkin

CarriedStraddle Lift Carrier

Cr Boylan moved **that Council endorses the Manager, Works actions by commissioning A. Noble & Son Pty Ltd to conduct an annual inspection of the 60 tonne Straddle Lift Carrier (78/2006).**

Seconded Cr Denton

CarriedSpeed Restriction – Nora Creina RoadCr Boylan moved **as follows:**

- 1) That council accepts and agrees to the Nora Creina Road Speed Zone Review for Plan TES16702 from the Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure dated 1 July 2005, Reference Number: 2002/10680 #638184.
- 2) That Council complies with the Code of Technical requirements for the legal use of Traffic Control Devices.
- 3) That the Manager, Works advises the Commissioner of Police before the Council Works Department installs the speed limit signs (79/2006).

Seconded Cr Denton Carried

Cr Boylan moved that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Transport SA for Black Spot Funding for the Wrights Bay/Southern Port Intersection (80/2006).

Seconded Cr Mathews Carried

Cr Mathews moved that the Manager of Works Report be received (81/2006).

Seconded Cr Wilkin Carried

PUBLIC FORUM

- J Nunan - Deep Sea Port
- Millipedes
- L Bywaters - Deep Sea Port
- T Bywaters - Robe Ratepayers Assoc.
- Robe Marina
- K Stutterd - Library
- G Murphy - SA Ambulance Service
- M Bruce - Trees Victoria Street
- R Petrovic - Long Beach Roundabouts

OFFICERS REPORTS CONT.

ROBE LIBRARY

Cr Mathews moved that the Robe Library Report be received (82/2006)

Seconded Cr Boylan Carried

**ROBE VISITOR
INFORMATION
CENTRE**

Cr Boylan moved **that the Robe Visitor Information Centre Report be received (83/2006).**

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

Cr Denton moved **that the Visitor Information Centre Working party consist of 2 VIC employees (84/2006).**

Seconded Cr Wilkin Carried

FINANCE

Accounts Paid July 2005

Payments for July 2005 totalling \$209 183.44 be confirmed.

Reconciliation Statement

Reconciliation Statement as at 31 July 2005 be confirmed.

Expenditure & Revenues

Final Expenditure & Revenues for 2004/2005 be confirmed.

Cr Boylan moved **that the above financial statements be received (85/2006).**

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

Cr Boylan left the meeting at 7:40pm.

**NOTICE OF
MOTION**

Cr Denton moved **that Council resolution 249/2005 (that no playground equipment be placed in Apex Park and that it be left as an open space) be rescinded (86/2006).**

Seconded Cr Denning-Wasson Carried

CORRESPONDENCE

- 1) Ombudsman – Revegetation of road.

Cr Denton moved to invite the Ombudsman to meet Council and discuss the issue.

Seconded Cr Wilkin

Amendment

Cr Loxton moved **to invite the Ombudsman to meet Council and discuss the issue and that the following letter be forwarded to the Ombudsman:**

“Council (that is elected members) did not give permission for the tree planting on said roadside. The Robe CEO gave permission on request of Mr Schleuniger. There was no initial consultation with adjacent landowners, the Ogilvie Family. Robe Council therefore had to inspect the area after complaints from the Ogilvie family. There were a number of issues, but all councillors agreed it would be best to withdraw the CEO’s original approval. We believe all reasons given are responsible as there has never been any vegetation on that area which in our view is an advantage to Council and Ogilvies who have rights to use a roadside unhindered in their farming operation. Max Schleuniger’s business will not be affected by our refusal, other than financial which has been previously addressed” (87/2006).

Seconded Cr Denning-Wasson

Amendment was put and was carried and became the motion.

The Motion was put and Carried

2. Robe Village Fair – Discover Robe Obelisk 150th Celebrations.

Cr Denning-Wasson moved **that the Robe Village Fair be advised that Council are unable to assist financially due to budget constraints (88/2006).**

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

3. Minister for Small Business and Tourism – Regulation Reduction Incentive Fund.

Received

4. Country Arts SA – 4th State Regional Arts Conference.

Cr Denning-Wasson moved **that Council reply declining the invitation (89/2006).**

Seconded Cr Denton Carried

5. South East Natural Resources Management Board – Funding of Board.

Received

6. National Trust – Robe Customs House.
Received

7. Plain Central Services – Library Grants
Received

8. Limestone Coast Tourism – LCT 2006 Regional Guide
Received

9. Mike Rann Premier of South Australia – Environmental Initiatives.
Received

10. South East Area Consultative Committee – Meeting.
Received

11. Hill Sites Pty Ltd – Bitumenising Thompson Road.
Received

12. Robe & District Ratepayers & Residents Association – Robe Marina.

Cr Denning-Wasson moved **that Council respond that it is dealing with issues of concern and seek the Association's patience as Council is going through due process (90/2006).**

Seconded Cr Loxton Carried

13. Local Government Association of SA – LGA General Meeting 2005.

Cr Denton moved **that the Mayor be appointed as delegate and the Deputy Mayor as proxy (91/2006).**

Seconded Cr Denning-Wasson Carried

14. Local Government Association of SA – 2005/2006 LGA subscriptions.
Received

15. Local Government Association of SA – Sustainable Development Bill 2005.
Received

16. Local Government Association of SA – Select Committee on Collection of Property taxes by State and Local Government.
Received

17. Local Government Association of SA – LGA’s response to the Inquiry Boards Interim Report.
Received

18. Local Government Association of SA – Completion of Ordinary Returns.
Received

19. Local Government Association of SA – Major Industrial Relation Reforms.
Received

20. Local Government Association of SA – Australian Local Government Women’s Association of SA branch.
Received

21. Local Government Association of SA – Funding for Fire Access Tracks.
Received

22. Local Government Association of SA – EPA/Local Government Sub Committee.

Cr Denton moved **that Council nominates Manager of Works Glenn Sanford (92/2006)**.

Seconded Cr Mathews Carried

23. Local Government Association of SA – Joint State/ Local Government Electricity Contracts.
Received

24. Local Government Association of SA – Governor’s Leadership Foundation Program 2006.
Received

25. South East Regional Health Service Inc – Review of Mental Health Services in the South East.
Received

26. Women in Business & Regional Development – Annual Report.

Received

27. Annual Report – LGA Workers Compensation Scheme.

Tabled

28. Australia’s Population Challenge – The National Population Summit.

Tabled

**OTHER
BUSINESS**

Cr Denning-Wasson moved **that Council forward a letter of congratulations to Kerin Bade SA Ambulance Robe Branch (93/2006).**

Carried

Seconded Cr Mathews

Cr Wilkin moved **that:**

(a) under the provisions of Section 90 (2) of the Local Government Act 1999 an order be made that the public (not including staff be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider in confidence verbal report regarding the Robe Washdown Area.

(b) the Council is satisfied that it is necessary that the public be excluded to enable the Council to consider the matter at the meeting on the following grounds 90 (3) (i) may involve Litigation.

(c) that accordingly on this basis the principle that meetings of the Council should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed by the need to keep the discussion confidential (94/2006).

Seconded Cr Denning-Wasson

Carried

The Mayor declared the meeting closed at 9:10pm

Confirmed 13 September 2005

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Mayor