

OUR VISION

We strive to be responsive, progressive, sustainable council which respects, listens and empowers the people to be strong.

The Way We Will Work

We will make it happen!

We will be engaged and have regular opportunities to listen.

We will have strong policy and budgets to ensure our programs and services are progressive and sustainable.

Respect is shown in everything we do and we have acceptance of all cultures in the Barkly Region and their practices through a culturally competent Council.

We are a responsible Council.

We will be a responsive Council.

We want to empower local decision making.

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We want to ensure that our services are sustainable and that our region has a standard consistent level of services.

We want to be able to sustain our environment – our communities, our physical places, our people and our organisational culture.

We will aggressively pursue additional funding from both levels of government to improve the standard of living of people across the region.

We need to be realistic, transparent and accountable.

MINUTES

The Youth Advisory Meeting of the Barkly Regional Council was held in Council Chambers on Tuesday, 24 September 2019 at 9:00am.

Steven Moore Chief Executive Officer

Meeting commenced at 8:59am with Brooke Wilson as chair.

MOTION

That the Youth Council:

a) Appoint Brooke Wilson as the Chair for this Youth Advisory Council Meeting.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor Ebony Pickel

Seconded: Youth Councillor Pashya Noorizal

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

1. OPENING AND ATTENDANCE

1.1 Elected Members Present

Mayor Steven Edgington

Deputy Mayor Hal Ruger

Cr Jeffrey McLaughlin

1.2 Appointed Members Present

Denver Cope

Christopher Kollakkombil

Pashya Noorizal

Ebony Pickel

John Ross

Brooke Wilson

1.3 Staff Members Present

Gary Pemberton – Finance Manager

Gina Rainbird - Acting Director of Community Services

Vanessa Goodworth - Executive Assistant to the CEO and the Mayor

Andrew Scoffern – Governance and Quality Officer

1.4 Apologies

Steve Moore - Chief Executive Officer

Cr Sid Vashist

Felicity Fewings

Robelyn Lanas

1.5 Absent Without Apologies

Tye Noonan

1.6 Disclosure Of Interest - Councillors And Staff

There were no declarations of interest at this Youth Advisory Meeting.

2. ACTIONS FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

2.1 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOTION

That the Youth Council:

a) Receive and confirm the Minutes from the 25 June 2019 Youth Advisory Council as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor Pashya Noorizal

Seconded: Youth Councillor Christopher Kollakkombil

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

3. CONFIRMATION OF AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Nil

4. REGISTER OF MOTIONS

Nil

5. <u>UPDATED AUDIT COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAM REPORTS</u>

Nil

6. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

6.1 PURKISS RESERVE DESIGN SUGGESTIONS

MOTION

That Council:

a) Receive and note the response letter from the Purkiss Consultative Group in regards to the Youth Council's design suggestions.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor Pashya Noorizal

Seconded: Youth Councillor John Ross

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

6.2 BARKLY YOUTH ACTION PLAN

MOTION

That the Youth Council:

- a) Receive and note the presentation from Territory Families regarding the Barkly Youth Action Plan; and
- b) Present all feedback relating to the Action Plan to the Council's Governance and Quality Officer by 10 October 2019.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor Pashya Noorizal

Seconded: Youth Councillor Denver Cope

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

Diane Michelle Meyers from Territory Families presented the Barkly Youth Action Plan to the Youth Council.

The consensus among the Youth Council was that the Action Plan be reviewed every 12 months

Potential ideas of inclusion into the Youth Action Plan included:

- 1. Greater access to food for troubled children in Tennant Creek:
- 2. Tougher laws for children who commit crimes in Tennant Creek; and
- 3. Greater level of career guidance

6.3 BARKLY REGIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE PRESENTATION

MOTION

That the Youth Council:

a) Receive and note the Barkly Regional Coordination Committee Presentation.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor John Ross

Seconded:Youth Councillor Denver Cope

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

Craig Kelly from the Barkly Regional Coordination Committee congratulated Council on the establishment of the Youth Advisory Council and noted that the intention of this Committee was to coordinate services around town to provide a benefit to Tennant Creek. An example was used of the Greyhound buses arriving into the BP at around 2am and the lack of transport options to move between various locations in town.

6.4 BARKLY REGION YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES

MOTION

That the Youth Council:

a) Receive and note the call for the Barkly Regional Deal Interim Governance Table Youth Representatives nominations.

RESOLVED

Moved: Youth Councillor Pashya Noorizal

Seconded: Youth Councillor John Ross

CARRIED UNAN.

Resolved

GENERAL BUSINESS

General Business allows the members of the Youth Advisory Council to raise their thoughts or concerns on items they wish to discuss that were not raised during the meeting. Several issues arose in General Business:

Youth Councillor Brooke Wilson questioned the status of the dark streetlights, particularly along Ambrose Street as per the Minutes or the June 25 meeting. Mayor Edgington noted that a second audit was underway which should clearly outline the dark areas in town. Once the dark areas were noted, work could commence on obtaining brighter lights.

The Youth Council also raised concerns about the amount of rubbish in town and questioned whether there were inadequate bins. Discussions were had about a potential culture of non-use of the bins and how the wind blows any loose rubbish around.

The Youth Council asked about the status of the BMX Track gates. Councillor McLaughlin noted that RISE were undertaking this project and that to his understanding the project would be commencing in the next couple of weeks.

The lack of footpaths and the standard of the existing footpaths were also discussed. The Mayor noted that the current focus was on fixing the current footpaths and then potentially adding more footpaths in the future. Approximately 26 footpaths in town are currently being repaired.

The Executive Assistant reminded the Youth Council of Council's new association with the app Snap Send Solve, to be used as a tool in the aid of damage and graffiti reports as they emerge

Youth Councillors Pickel and Wilson also requested Council consider the option of establishing a Jumping Pillow in town. Concerns were raised regarding the impracticality of people utilising the Jumping Pillow in summer due to Tennant Creek's excess heat. Mitigation measures potentially include establishing a shade sail area on top of the Pillow and ensuring jumpers must wear socks when using the Pillow.

Youth Councillor Pickel noted that most towns on the main roads between NT and Queensland had grassy/shady areas where people could rest on their travels and noted that Tennant Creek does not seem to have this option. The Mayor noted that Purkiss would be the designated place in town and that as part of the new Purkiss Design Implementation there would be signage on the main road indicating the way to Purkiss Reserve. The use of Davidson Walk as a type of thoroughfare for vehicles was also discussed.

7. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting terminated at 10:20am

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