

Annual Electors Meeting

MINUTES

15 September 2022



SHIRE OF BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP

Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held in the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup Council Chambers Norrish Street, Tambellup on 15 September commencing at 6.03pm.

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present: Cr ME White President

Cr DT Barritt Deputy President

Cr MC Paganoni Cr CJ Letter Cr JL Wills Cr CM Dewar

Anthony Middleton Chief Executive Officer
P Vlahov Manager of Works

KP O'Neill Manager Finance & Administration
PA Hull Strategic Support & Projects Officer
HA Richardson Governance & Executive Assistant

Warren Jeater

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting held on Thursday 21 April 2021.

Moved Cr C Letter, seconded Cr M Paganoni

That the minutes of the Annual Electors Meeting for the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup held on 21 April 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

CARRIED

Motion No: AE 01/22

3. ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2020/2021

Presidents Report

Cr White advised the meeting that the President's report was contained in the Annual Report, and welcomed any questions about it.

CEO Report

The Chief Executive Officer advised that the Financial Report had been delayed as it is now checked by the Auditor General as well as the Shire's Auditors and as such, this meeting is a lot later than would be ideal. A great deal was achieved in 2020/2021 and thanks go to previous Chief Executive Officer, Keith Williams and all staff. Completion of the Great Southern Housing Initiative and opening of the new Broomehill Fire Station was a major project completed.

Financial Report

Cr White advised the meeting that the financial report is included in the annual report, and welcomed any queries.

Moved Cr D Barritt, seconded Cr J Wills

That the 2020/21 Annual Report, including annual financial report, be received.

CARRIED

Motion No: AE 02/22

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

Warren Jeater asked the following questions:

4.1. Asset Management

Q: Recent Topics Newsletter talks about consultation over 61 Garrity Street, Tambellup

A: The CEO advised this block was handed over from State Government. The Shire did not demolish the house. This site is going through a community healing process and the Shire needs to be involved. Consultation has not commenced. The article in The Topics was seeking any feedback only at this stage. The plan is a low key, low maintenance outcome.

4.2. Council Minutes – Public Question Time

Q: Why doesn't the Shire document PQT questions in The Topics Newsletters.

A: The CEO advised that Public Question Time and responses are made available to the public in the Ordinary Council Minutes which are public documents and available at Shire Offices, CRC and on the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup website. The Shire only reports on Council decisions through The Topics.

4.3. Tambellup Caravan Park - Signage

Q: When is the Shire going to update on-line information and its brochure with the correct location of the Tambellup Caravan Park?

A: The CEO advised this is being addressed and currently a Business Plan and Costing for the new caravan park is in train. The President Cr White advised the current area being spoken about is an RV rest stop not caravan park. The Shire cannot change what appears in social media and other websites outside of their control in regards to signage of areas. The CEO noted that the RV rest stop area in question will soon become a construction site. The Caravan Park is a priority to build, promote and sign.

4.4. 'The Zone' Improvements

Q: Why are you proposing improvement at The Zone when it is in the wrong spot?

A: The CEO advised the improvements are currently being scoped. More floor space and an undercover area are short-term priorities.

Mr Jeater considered the Zone is in the wrong place with regard to antisocial behaviour by children/teenagers and believed it could be relocated to the basketball court area on Crawford Street.

4.5. Tambellup Bowling Club

Teenagers running rampant in the area, playing on and damaging the green. White stones in the garden areas should be removed as they are ending up on the roof, bowling green and tennis courts.

Bins are another issue. Most are locked in place but bins at the entry to pavilion are not locked in place and the children use them as a ladder to climb onto bowling club shed/verandah roof/pavilion roof.

4.6. Strategic Community Plan [SCP]

Mr Jeater considers the Shire are not complying with their current SCP. Pavilion gardens on the Zone side are overgrown.

4.7. Tambellup-West and Warrenup Road Intersection

Mr Jeater emailed the Shire regarding a near miss and to date has received a generic response only. Manager of Works advised that Main Roads WA are the regulatory authority. Concerns have been passed on. There is 350 meters of sight distance in both directions from the intersection. This meets the Main Roads Standard, however they will review site specific circumstances. Road is due for widening over the summer which will then see new line markings.

4.8. Norrish Street, Tambellup

Q: Cars and other vehicles remain on the verge. What are you going to do about it?

A: Council advised a local law has just been adopted which will help address the issue.

4.9. Reserve Funding

Q: Queried the need for reserve account funding versus loans and why doesn't the Shire just operate an overdraft.

A: The CEO advised loans are a good way of funding projects whilst interest rates are low and future generations (who use the facility) can also pay for it. The Shire is limited with what you can do with funds in Reserve accounts by their definition. The Council must abide by the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.*

4.10. Municipal Heritage Inventories

Q: Mr Jeater advised he hadn't seen anything to date on the review process and was a community session held.

A: The Strategic and Special Projects Officer responded that a meeting was advertised and a flyer mailed. A preliminary session was held at CRC, Tambellup and in Broomehill. A report will come to Council shortly. The CEO advised the consultation on the draft heritage list hasn't commenced yet.

4.11. Avenue of Friendship (Great Southern Highway, Tambellup)

Q: Plaques damaged by machinery. When will they be repaired?

9. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President thanked Councillors, staff and community members for their attendance, and declared the meeting closed at 6.30pm.