

Central Coast Community Safety Partnership Committee

Minutes of a meeting held in the Chambers

Wednesday, 26 October 2022 – Commencing at 10.00am

1 PRESENT

Cr Jan Bonde (Mayor – CCC); **Cr Cheryl Fuller** (Councillor – CCC); **Sandra Ayton** (General Manager – CCC); **Paul Breden** (Director Infrastructure Services – CCC); **Allison Kable** (Community Development Officer – CCC); **Lynn Norton-Smith** (Community Representative); **Robert Tucker** (Central Coast Chamber of Commerce & Industry); **Garth Johnston** (Community Representative); **Sergeant Russell Judges** (Tasmania Police); **Simon Dent** (Ulverstone Secondary College); **Sam van der Mullen** (Housing Choices Tasmania); **Janelle Wells** (Tasmanian Health Service).

2 WELCOME

The Mayor, Cr Jan Bonde, welcomed everyone to the meeting and read the Acknowledgement of Country.

The Council acknowledges and pays respect to the traditional owners of lutruwita (Tasmania), the palawa/pakana people. We acknowledge the Punnilerpanner tribe of this Northern Country, and in doing so, we celebrate one of the world's oldest continuous cultures.

3 APOLOGIES

Kat Rose (Ulverstone Neighbourhood House); **Kathryn Robinson** (Housing Choices Tasmania).

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

■ Garth Johnston moved, and Janelle Wells seconded, "That the minutes from the meeting held on Wednesday, 31 August 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record".

Carried

4 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 CSP Champion Award

Allison Kable confirmed all required documentation for the nomination for a CSP Champion Award has been received and the award will be presented to the recipient at the next committee meeting. The award recipient is to be invited to the next meeting and an item prepared for the Council's newsletter.

ACTION: Allison to liaise with Simon Dent to arrange presentation at next meeting.

5 COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION PLAN 2017–2022

Allison Kable advised progress is continuing for the accreditation process. This currently involves reviewing where our safety priorities lie and preparing a timeline and scope for the project.

ACTION: Allison to prepare a project plan and present to the committee at the next meeting, including an update on the current progress.

7 REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

7.1 Crime Report.....Russell Judges

Sergeant Judges provided an overview of the recent crime numbers. Public place assaults and family violence remain a problem. There has been a recent occurrence of shop windows being broken and other damage in the Ulverstone CBD that is currently being investigated by police and forensics.

Speeding and parking issues are occurring near East Ulverstone Primary school, as well as on Leith Road and Wilmot Road. Police are currently working with Council staff to investigate potential solutions in these areas.

7.2 Central Coast Chamber of Commerce Report.....Robert Tucker

No current issues to report. An update on the Business expo will be provided in future meetings.

7.3 Primary Health Report.....Jenelle Wells

Covid numbers continue to fall, and the two new variants are not leading to increased hospitalisations. The Health Service will continue to wear masks for the foreseeable future.

The Live Well Live Long program commences on Friday, 28 October, with 16 participants currently registered. The face-to-face program is targeted at community members over 50 and is an opportunity to connect with others in the community and with service providers such as Arthritis Tasmania and Hearing Australia. The program has been promoted in the media and on Facebook, as well as through organisations like Meals and Wheels.

ACTION: Tracey to arrange promotion of the program on Council's Facebook page.

7.4 Education (all schools) Report.....**Simon Dent**

School leaders at Ulverstone Secondary College have called on the services of Tasmania Police recently and were pleased with the help provided.

Currently working to promote the idea of belonging to the school and encouraging better student attendance and behaviour.

There have been some ongoing issues with violence and students looking for trouble, and the school welcomes feedback from Council and Committee members on how to engage staff with safety discussions. Mayor Bonde suggested potential for a safety forum to be held. Simon reported that a parent group had recently been convened by eight local schools to discuss what supports can be provided and feedback from that session was very positive.

7.5 Ulverstone Neighbourhood House Report.....**Kat Rose**

Nil

7.6 Housing Choices Tasmania Report.....**Sam van der Meulen**

Housing Choices continues to work state-wide with residents to understand what is expected of them as good neighbours and encourage engagement with community. The goal is to create communities people are proud of and have a sense of belonging.

Those most vulnerable in the community often find it hardest to navigate the community housing application process, and Housing Choices staff are happy to provide advise to anyone who needs help in this area.

7.7 Community Reports.....**Garth Johnston/Lynn Norton-Smith**

Turners Beach Community Report:

Works completed recently at the Turners Beach Hall are very good. Debris on the beach from the recent storm has been discussed by community members. Paul advised this is a Parks and Wildlife matter, however in the past it has not been cleared and members of the public are reminded that they are not permitted to use chainsaws or other tools to remove debris without permission from Parks and Wildlife Services.

Penguin Community Report:

Garth Johnson reported that the community is feeling positive. Happy to see the Shared pathway is being used by people of all abilities including those with mobility issues. One recent issue with youths during the school holidays that was responded to by Tasmania Police.

7.8 Council Report.....**Mayor, Cr Jan Bonde and Paul Breaden**

The recent flood response has been a major priority for Council staff.

Results of Council elections should be known in the first week of November.

8 OTHER REPORTS

8.1 Update on Flood Emergency.....**Paul Breaden**

An emergency response was put into place on Thursday 20 October due to severe weather conditions. Flooding occurred in Penguin Creek, and along the Leven River, and Forth River was on alert.

Numerous roads were closed across the area over the Thursday, Friday and Saturday due to water and fallen trees over the road, which lead to the isolation of much of the community. For residents on Loongana Road, this was made worse by the washout of Loongana Bridge, however Council was able to arrange for residents to access private Forico roads while the bridge is replaced. Most communities had a way in and out by Sunday, 23 October.

A contractor has been engaged to repair the Loongana Bridge. A landslide near Leven Canyon has made it difficult for the contractor to get into the area however the situation will be continually monitored. situation will be continually monitored.

The evacuation message for Isandula Dam went out to a wide area of the community, including those not directly affected and this caused some community concern. However, overall feedback on the communication process was very positive.

Mayor Bonde noted that the coordination of the emergency was very well executed.

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 Sandra Ayton thanked Mayor Jan Bonde for her leadership and contributions to the Committee. Safety is important to the community and Jan has been a passionate support of ensuring safety in our community during her time as Mayor.

10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on Wednesday, 7 December at 10.00am, in the Council Chamber, 19 King Edward Street, Ulverstone.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 11.20am.