

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF BARUNGA WEST  
HELD AT THE BUTE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON  
JUNE 10TH 2003 AT 7.00PM**

**PRESENT:**

D. Dolling (Chairman), I. Burgess, H. Daniel, T. Schkabaryn, J. Aitchison,  
G. Simmons, A. Theobald, B. Rooney, L. Kerley, I. Young, N. Hand (District  
Manager and G. O'Connor (Deputy District Manager).

**APOLOGIES:**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Cr Simmons moved, Cr Burgess seconded,

*“that the Minutes of Meeting held on May 13th 2003 be confirmed as printed  
and supplied”.*

CARRIED

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

1. Development Assessment Commission approval has now been received for the upgrading of the Port Broughton Boat Ramp. (Refer Development Assessment Panel minutes).
2. The two school based trainees (Elise and Kareen Stringer) have commenced their traineeships with Council on the 4<sup>th</sup> June 2003.
3. Arrangements have been made for a new Toyota Hilux utility to be purchased for \$6000 changeover after trading in the two Falcon utes. Delivery is scheduled for late June.
4. The new HACC vehicle from Kent Perry Ford was delivered on 5<sup>th</sup> June 2003.
5. Problems have been experienced in obtaining broadband internet connection from Telstra which has been frustrating. Our Technician is still “negotiating” with Telstra and a report will be available at the meeting.
6. No response has been received to date from the Minister of Health regarding the future of services at the Port Broughton Hospital.

## MEMBERS REPORTS

### Cr. DANIEL

1. Attended Executive Meeting of Council 26/5/03
2. Attended Inspection of ablution block at Paramount Brown 27/5/03
3. Attended mayoral lunch for Kernewek Lowender 17/5/03
4. Attended Alford Primary School celebrations 25/5/03

### Cr. SCHKABARYN

1. Attended Executive Meeting of Council 26/5/03
2. Attended YP Tourist Association meeting 22/5/03
3. Attended Barunga West Progress meeting 2/6/03
4. Attended Fishermans Bay Progress Association meeting 6/6/03

### Cr. BURGESS

1. Attended Bute 2000 Onwards meeting 14/5/03
2. Attended Coastal Management & Seminar at Port Broughton 20/5/03
3. Attended Narunnga Native Title meeting 22 & 23/5/03
4. Attended Executive Meeting of Council 26/5/03

### Cr. DOLLING

1. Attended Alford Primary School Celebrations 25/5/03
2. Attended Executive Meeting of Council 26/5/03
3. Attended Coastal Management Seminar at Port Broughton 20/5/03

### CR. YOUNG

Nil

### Cr. G.SIMMONS

1. Attended Port Broughton Area School Library meeting 22/5/03
2. Attended Bute 2000 meeting 1/5/03
3. Attended Barunga Village meeting
4. Attended YP Rail Preservation Committee meeting 17/5/03
5. Attended Funeral of E. Robinson at Bute 20/5/03
6. Attended HACC meeting at Maitland 18/5/03

### Cr. AITCHISON

1. Attended Fishermans Bay Boat ramp damage inspection 25/5/03

Cr A. THEOBALD

1. Attended Port Broughton Hospital Board meeting 21/5/03
2. Attended Combine Churches meeting 8/5/03
3. Attended Fishermans Bay Progress Association meeting 6/6/03
4. Attended Opening of School Computer Suite at Port Broughton Area School

Cr ROONEY

1. Attended Rural Counselling meeting

Cr KERLEY

Nil

## **MEMBERS QUESTIONS**

Nil

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Cr. Daniel moved, Cr Kerley seconded

*“that the Committee reports be received”.*

**CARRIED**

## **WORKS COMMITTEE**

Nil

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Nil

## **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

Nil

## **STAFF MEETINGS**

Nil

## **BOAT RAMP ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Nil

## REPORTS

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Burgess seconded,

*“All reports be received”.*

CARRIED

## DISTRICT MANAGER’S REPORT

### 1. Bute RTC

On Thursday June 5<sup>th</sup> advice was received that Council’s application for funding has been successful and of the process which would now be put in place, to establish the RTC at the Bute Office.

- Noted

### 2. Garbage Collection – Port Broughton and surrounding areas

Following Councils last meeting, where it was agreed to seek comments on the proposed wheelie bin system for collection of garbage in Port Broughton, Fishermans Bay and Muntoora, there has been a large response for Council to consider utilizing the 240 litre bins in preference to the proposed 120 litre bins.

A letter has been received from Fishermans Bay Management asking Council to reconsider its decision for the wheelie bin system and outlining their reasons for the request.

Additional costing for the collection of the 240 litre bins and the supply of 240 litre bins indicate:

- (a) Collection cost will be \$51652 (inc GST) compared to \$38038 for 120 litre bins.
- (b) Bin cost is \$44 (inc GST) compared to \$36.30 for 120 litre bins.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr J. Aitchison seconded

*“Council accept the quote from Wardles Garbage Contractors for the collection of 240 litre mobile bins in Port Broughton, Fishermans Bay and Muntoora. The collection truck system at Fishermans Bay be retained”.*

CARRIED

### 3. New Employees

Councils new employees have commenced duties with Steve Daniel (handyman/cleaner) commencing on 21<sup>st</sup> May and Bill Michie (plant operator) commencing on 10<sup>th</sup> June. Induction procedures (including medical) have been undertaken and we look forward to them having a lengthy period of employment with Council.

- Noted

4. Yorke Regional Development Board

In recent months the District Council of Copper Coast has indicated that it was not prepared to continue being a part of the Yorke Regional Development Board. There have been attempts by the Board and representatives of the State Government to address the Council and this has been refused by Council.

This is very disappointing because the Board's recent review indicated that the Board was being productive and producing benefits to the region that were measurable.

The CEO of the Board has advised that the withdrawal of the Copper Coast would not financially affect the viability of the Board, but would require the relocation of the Board Office to Maitland, and withdrawing any assistance to proposed development opportunities in the Copper Coast area.

The Copper Coast Council is due to meet soon to further discuss this issue and hopefully a reversal of their current position will occur.

- Noted

5. Port Broughton Jetty

Transport SA have commenced work on the replacement of over 300 sleepers on the Port Broughton Jetty, along with other repair work that has been recently undertaken.

The jetty is an important feature for the Port Broughton Township and we have been fortunate in that Transport SA have been excellent in the response to our request for various repairs in recent times.

Cr Burgess moved, Cr Daniel seconded

*"that a letter of appreciation be forwarded to Transport SA (Marine section) for the recent works undertaken by them in repairing the Port Broughton jetty".*

CARRIED

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Aitchison seconded

*"Community groups be given first option on sleepers from the Port Broughton jetty".*

CARRIED

6. Vehicle Replacement Program

Following discussions with Kent Perry Ford regarding Council's fleet of vehicles, including the HACC vehicle, a replacement program is to enable Council to changeover its vehicles at the optimum time for the lowest cost.

This information will be available for Council's budget meeting and Machinery Committee.

I have also been advised by the NYP Animal and Plant Control Board that the depreciated value of the Board's spray unit is \$16411 (Mitsubishi utility \$14194 and spray unit \$2217).

- Noted

7. Places for People Grant

Following discussion with representatives of Planning SA. I have arranged for the company Hames Sharley to undertake the consultancy work for the Places for People Grant. This grant will enable the Council to prepare an urban design framework for the Port Broughton Township, and in particular the main street, shopping precinct, foreshore and town entrances.

Work will now commence on this project with public consultation (including the Port Broughton Progress Association) being an important process.

- Noted

8. Bylaws

Following discussions with our lawyer handling the bylaws it has been suggested that we postpone implementing the bylaws because of a continuing lack of response from the Minister of Transport.

- Noted

9. Port Broughton STEDS

In my report are the latest reports from the contract supervisor for the Port Broughton STEDS Scheme, which is progressing well.

Discussion with the supervisor include that the contract is now on schedule for its September completion. He also advised that reinstatement work done on sections of West Terrace and Dalling Street will be reconstructed due to the poor conditions of the reinstatement.

- Noted

10. Review of Councils Mutual Liability Insurance

Following a recent review of Councils Mutual Liability Risk Management we have now reviewed a report from the Scheme giving details of what is required of Council too meet the required standards.

There is a tremendous amount of work still remaining for Council to reach the standard required, and this will place a strain on Council staff. Greg and I will be reviewing the report and looking at actions required.

- Noted

11. Meetings

A table of meetings attended by the District Manager was noted.

- Noted

## DEPUTY DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

1. Training Incentives

As discussed at the May meeting, I have investigated rewards to the employees who successfully completed the training program, ie Graham, Matthew, Michael, John and Bradley.

The men are keen on jackets at a cost of \$111.30 each and Michael would also like a pair of earmuffs / AM radio as Matthew has.

- Noted

2. STEDS Scheme

As part of the funding of the Port Broughton STEDS Scheme Council is required to raise a Debenture Loan of \$1,360,000, which is then serviced by the community levying a special rate to those ratepayers serviced by the scheme.

The funding already provided by the State government will be spent in late July and Council will need to have access to the loan funds to pay contractors by that date.

To initiate that funding Council will need to carry the following motion: -

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Simmons seconded

*“Council agree to borrow \$1,360,000 for 15 years pursuant to Section 134 (1) of the Local Government Act 1999 as amended from the Local Government Finance Authority secured by the general rate of the Council and the Chairman and District Manager be empowered to affix the common seal pursuant to Section 37 of the Act”.*

CARRIED

Council will levy ratepayers approximately \$300 annually which will raise \$201,000 with about \$150,000 used to service the load. The remaining funds is used for maintenance and establishing a pumping station reserve account.

4. Transport SA

Council has been approached seeking information on the roadside clearing of trees on the Willamulka Road. I have replied and have also explained the position personally to the Senior Property Advisor from Transport SA. The

ratepayer concerned has also been consulted and now understands the position he is in for the future.

- Noted

5. Port Broughton Town Hall Stage Curtains

David Hollands from Moonta Home furnishings has made all the arrangements for the hall stage curtains as per Council's budget and the office staff have made the decisions on colours.

- Noted

6. Fisherman's Bay Pontoon

The walkway from the boat ramp to the pontoon was badly damaged during the kind tide in May and following negotiations with the manufacturer, Jetty Specialists of Brisbane, they have agreed to replace the walkway.

The Works Manager and Chairman were responsible for taking high tide levels at Fishermans Bay and supplying them to the manufacturer, from which they would remake a walkway with necessary modifications.

- Noted

7. Port Broughton Dump Ablution Block

Council budgeted \$10,000 for an ablution building at the dump during the month, investigation has been made to find a suitable one.

Councillor Daniel inspected a building at Paramount Brown but considered it unsuitable. Following his suggestion I have also investigated the purchase of the Office/ablution block at the former Jet Fuels depot and Bute with Caltex.

- Noted

8. Draft Budget

Cr Young moved, Cr Schkabaryn seconded

*"the Draft Budget meeting be held on June 24<sup>th</sup> at 6.00pm at Bute"*.

CARRIED

9. Meetings

A table of meetings attended by the Deputy District Manager was noted.

- Noted

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH OFFICER'S REPORT



1. STEDS

I submit this report on the progress of providing a STED Service to all residential and commercial sites in the Port Broughton Township.

A report was presented to the December 2002 Council, and Council directed “that the issues raised in this report be referred to the Waste Management Committee”.

It is important that this matter be considered by the Waste Management Committee for their direction, and I will be preparing an agenda paper for this to occur in the near future.

To consider a number of comments raised by residents of the town I have advised that Council will be preparing a newsletter to go to all owners/occupiers in the township that will have connections to the STED scheme.

Issues that need to be included in the Newsletter are:

The Contractor providing the connection point to each property will hand over the STED system to Council on completion of the individual connections and the Effluent Processing Plant including the disposal system to the Golf Club and Town Oval.

Council will then be able to process the connection to the STED System with individual owners. At this time specific questions will be answered with the owners and Council’s Environmental Health Officer.

Connection applications will be required to be submitted to Council for consent to connect and all applications will be required to have a Plumber or Drainlayers plan to connect from an approve septic tank and to be signed by the owner.

Plumber/Drainlayer

Council has provided for a no fee application to connect to the drain system for a period of 12 months from the commencement of this system.

Council has also agreed to allow preparations to connect to the drain from January 2003 at a reduced fee

- (a) Replace an existing septic tank with a new 3000 litre tank.  
No fee
- (b) Replace drains and wastes from the dwelling and a new 3000 litre septic tank.  
\$144.25
- (c) Full application to replace the drains, wastes, septic tank and connect to the STED system

\$213.50

- (d) Connection fee from an approved septic tank to the STED system.  
No cost for 12 months  
\$144.25 fee after the 12 months

Note all fees quoted are valid until 30<sup>th</sup> June of each year and minor adjustments to the waste water controls schedule provided by the Department of Human Services will be added each 12 months.

Council is aware that some individual sites may have difficulty for the owners to connect a gravity drain from an existing septic tank and these applications will be assessed for an alteration to the normal gravity method. There is an alternative system that required special consideration and these issues will be dealt with on an individual basis.

Some land owners or occupiers may have financial difficulty in upgrading their existing systems and connecting to the STED system and provisions is made for a Council to allow the premise to NOT connect to the STED system for a period of time to be agreed by the land occupier and the Council, standard application form will be available from Council from September 2003 that individual owners will collect from Council and complete then submit this to Council with the information required.

To allow the STED system to operate as efficiently as possible the cleaning out of existing septic tanks must be arranged by the individual land owners to the satisfaction of Council prior to any connection be allowed to connect to the STED system.

A continual pumpout system for all septic tanks will be arranged by Council and each land occupier will be required to have the lids of septic tanks raised to the surface with a maximum cover of 150mm, Council will provide further information on dates of pump outs for all land occupiers.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Burgess seconded

- “1. Council authorize the printing and distribution of a newsletter to the land owners or occupiers of Port Broughton to include the points outlines in this report.*
- 2. The December report and the new points raised in this report be addressed by the Waste Management Committee.*
- 3. Appoint a panel of staff and contractors to be on a committee to manage the ongoing systems in accordance with the manuals to be provided by the Contractors.”*

CARRIED

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Theobald

*“that the meeting be adjourned at 8.10pm for the sitting of the Development Assessment Panel”.*

CARRIED

The Council meeting was recommenced at 9.40pm

## **ANIMAL AND PLANT CONTROL**

### 1. Bio Control Grant

I have been successful in obtaining a further Bio Control grant, to establish a horehound plume moth breeding site in the Hummocks. This project was hampered last year by the extremely dry conditions. Final details of the project will be organized at a meeting on June 5<sup>th</sup> with Commission Officers.

- Noted

### 2. Board Meeting

Delegates are advised that the next Board meeting will be held at Kadina on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2003. The date has been altered to avoid the School Holidays. Meeting notices will be forwarded shortly.

- Noted

### 3. Bridal Creeper Leaf Hoppers

I have organized supplies of leaf hoppers for the Bute and Alford Schools, who are ready to start breeding hoppers for this season. I am organizing Kathryn Bachelor from CSIRO in Perth to hold a workshop at Kadina on Monday August 11<sup>th</sup>, to demonstrate propagation and distribute bridal creeper rust. The local schools that are participating in the leaf hopper project will be invited to attend.

- Noted

## **FINANCE REPORT**

Cr. Schkabaryn moved Cr. Theobald seconded

*“the accounts totaling \$343,898.08 as paid on cheque numbers 8200 to 8279 including Salary Debits be passed for payment”.*

CARRIED

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Cr Rooney moved, Cr Simmons seconded

*“that the correspondence be received”*

CARRIED

1. Mr D. Turner

Seeking Council support for a joint arrangement to upgrade the fence between the Port Broughton Institute and the Post Office which is in a poor condition.

The total cost of new colourbond fence is \$2964.80 of which he is seeking Council contribution of 50% (\$1482.65).

Cr J. Aitchison moved, Cr Young seconded

*“the repairs as quoted be undertaken, along with the construction of gates between the Post Office and Institute”.*

CARRIED

2. Hon Wilson Tuckey – Minister of Regional Services

(a) Advising Council of its success in obtaining a grant of \$170,000 from the Regional Solutions Program for the upgrade of the Port Broughton Boat Ramp.

- Noted

(b) Forwarding information regarding the Federal Government’s contribution for Local Government for Financial Assistance Grants and Local Road Grants.

- Noted

3. Hon P. Holloway MLC Minister for Fisheries

Responding to our submission for removal of limits on the Yellowtail Kingfish and advising that scientific information does not support the removal of limits of this species of fish.

- Noted

4. Local Government Association

(a) Forwarding a report on the “benefits” to Council from the recent State Budget, including a letter from the Minister of Local government.

- Noted

(b) Advising of Council Member training programs that are available.

- Noted

(c) Forwarding copies of LGA Reports No 19 –22.

- Noted

5. Transport SA

Inviting Council to submit application for funding from the States 2003/2004 Bicycle Fund.

- Refer to Budget

6. Mr T. Windsor MHR (New England)

Encouraging Councils across Australia to push for the extension of the Roads to Recovery Program.

(NB: - We are currently participating in a program with the Local Government Association).

- Noted

7. Port Broughton Sailing and Boating Club

(a) Seeking funds from Council in the yearly budget to assist with the planning of the proposed boat shed and museum, or if possible waiving of any applicable building/planning fees.

Cr Daniel moved, Cr Rooney seconded

*“Council agree to waive any non statutory planning or building fees”.*

CARRIED

(b) Seeking to obtain sleepers from the Port Broughton Jetty to upgrade for use in their landscaping for their new museum and for at least one to be in the museum, with a suitably inscribed plaque.

Cr Rooney moved, Cr Simmons seconded

*“request for sleepers will be considered with other requests”.*

CARRIED

## CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

<b>LAND</b>	<b>SELLER</b>	<b>BUYER</b>
Sect 205, 206, 207S Hd Mundoora	DK & RD Fuller	SW & HM Tink
Sect 148, 149, 229 & 232 Hd Ninnes	KA Price	KA & CD Price
10 Trevally Rd, Fishermans Bay	HG & FP Riches	PG & J Stacey
Lots 10 & 12 McKay St, Pt Broughton	MW & AL Simounds	CB & KL Elsworthy
Lot 3 Casey Road, Pt Broughton	DW & SE Longdon	RJ & LE Talbot
Lot 1, Hd Tickera	Bews Pastoral Pty Ltd	PJ O’Dowd
Lot 1, Hd Wokurna	TJ & JH Ireland	M & A Damianakis
Sect 137, Hd Mundoora	MLJ Button	PG & MS Warner

## PETITIONS, MEMORIALS, NOTICES OF MOTION

A petition was tabled urging Council to purchase 240 litre wheelie bins, rather than 120 litre bins if the mobile bin system was initiated in the Port Broughton, Fishermans Bay and Mundoorra townships.

**(Refer District Managers Report, Page 4)**

## TENDERS

Nil

## GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Councillor Simmons raised the issues of pot holes in Martin Street, Bute and some untidy residential premises in Bute.
2. Councillor Theobald reported that it is proposed that the Administration of the Port Broughton Hospital is to be outsourced to Port Pirie.
3. Cr Theobald moved, Cr Burgess seconded

*“Council forward a letter of congratulations to the former Mayor of Port Pirie, Ken Madigan, on him being awarded an Order of Australia, in the Queen’s Birthday Honours List”.*

CARRIED

4. Councillor Schkabaryn inquired into the timing of the annual roads conference and when the new Port Broughton foreshore seating is to be installed.
5. Councillor Dolling raised the matter of the possible rejuvenation of the materials used at the Port Broughton recreational artificial reef.

## DEPUTATION

1. Mrs Mary Lill and Mr Roger Nottage of the Port Broughton Community School Library waited on Council, to press their request for Council to consider funding for the extensions to the current library building.

Cr Schkabaryn moved, Cr Rooney seconded

*“Request Port Broughton Area School retain their funding available and for the Library to investigate funding from other sources for the Port Broughton Community School Library development”.*

CARRIED

**CLOSURE**

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 10.45pm

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D.DOLLING  
CHAIRMAN