The meeting opened at 6.09pm.

1. **APOLOGIES:**
   
   Councillor M. Banks – Recreational leave

2. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
   
   Nil

3. **DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST - OPEN:**

   Mayor Ryan declared a conflict of interest with item 9.4
   Deputy Mayor De Brenni declared a conflict of interest with item 9.4
   Councillor Cocking declared a conflict of interest with item 9.4

4. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING - OPEN:**

   4.1 Minutes of Meeting held 24 July 2017

   That the minutes of the Open Section of the Corporate and Community Services Committee meeting held on 24 July 2017 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

   (6264ccs)

   4.2 Business Arising

   Nil

5. **IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - OPEN:**

   5.1 Identification of items for discussion

   The following items were withdrawn for discussion:

   Items 9.1, 9.4, 9.5, 10.1, 10.3, 10.4
5.2 Identification of items to be raised in General Business by Elected Members and Officers

Nil

6. DEPUTATIONS:

6.1 NT Police Presentation – Acting Assistant Commissioner Daniel Bacon and Commander Michael White

Acting Assistant Commissioner Danny Bacon reported on the current status about crimes and anti-social behavior committed in Alice Springs:

- Popular opinion says most crimes and anti-social behavior committed in Alice Springs are by young people and most of them come from out of town, but there is also a large percentage of adult crime reported
- NT Police statistics are indicating that most of the crimes are by Alice Springs residents
- Lack of police - vacancies that are challenging to fill are being covered by short-term relief
- Territory Families' new Youth Outreach and Re-Engagement Team (YORET) – When young people from remote communities get into trouble, police engage with that particular community and they are referred to YORET and/or other agencies
- Police at bottle shop strategies known as POSIs and TBLs – significant downturn in assaults when comprehensively applied, with police at every takeaway outlet; (TBL - temporary beat location; POSI - point of sale identification system)

Acting Assistant Commissioner Danny Bacon is moving to Darwin to head up the police Professional Standards command. David Proctor will take over from 25 October and Commander Michael White has been promoted to the commander position for Southern Command.

Questions and answers followed with Elected Members.

The Chair thanked Acting Assistant Commissioner Daniel Bacon and Commander Michael White for their presentation.

7. PETITIONS

Nil

8. NOTICES OF MOTION:

8.1 Councillor Catherine Satour – Australia Day Celebrations

Moved: Councillor Satour
Seconded: Mayor Ryan

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Alice Springs Towns Council:
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A. Includes the reconciliation action plan for Australia day celebrations, in line with The National Australia Day Council Reconciliation Action Plan.

B. Introduces “smoking ceremony alongside a welcome to Country” as part of a healing initiative during the celebrations held to commemorate Australia Day held each January 26.

UNANIMOUS (6265ccs)

Discussion ensued regarding the draft reconciliation action plan, working group developing the plan and smoking ceremonies.

9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

9.1 Directorate Update
Report No. 152/17ccs (DCCS)

This report provides an update of current Corporate and Community Services projects, programs and events.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the report be received and noted.

(6266ccs)

Discussion ensued regarding the Strategic Plan being extended until 31 March 2018. The recommendation under item 1.4 was not supported by all Elected Members.

Discussion ensued regarding Rangers report and cycling within the Todd Mall. Discussion ensued regarding the refurbishment of public toilets at the Hartley Street School, the draft Reconciliation Action Plan and the technical errors with the Civica system. The Director of Finance provided an overview of the Civica programme, issues Council has already overcome and the reporting processes.

Councillor Melky expressed his disappointment with the Civica system and the reporting process. Deputy Mayor De Brenni also expressed his disappointment with this system. Councillor Cocking enquired if the Council solicitor could review the terms and conditions for this system.

The Director Technical Services left the Chamber at 6.58pm
The Director Technical Services returned to Chamber at 6.59pm

9.1.1 Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan

During the 31 July 2017 Ordinary Council meeting, Council resolved to extend the current Alice Springs Town Council Strategic Plan 2013 - 2017, until 30 September 2017 (resolution 19255). This action was intended to enable the incoming 13th Council to undertake planning, engagement and ownership over any new overarching strategic document.

There was a caretaker period during August 2017. Additionally, a Corporate and Community Services Committee meeting did not occur during September. As
such, the recommendation is being provided for Council’s consideration as soon as practicable, after the existing extension date.

It is anticipated that the existing and draft strategic plan documents be presented at the 16 October Council forum, then suitably adapted and updated to reflect collected Elected Members aspirations, before being represented for Council, then going out for public consultation, in keeping with the Council’s Community Consultation policy, 106.

RESOLVED: That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the current Strategic Plan be extended for a further period until 31 March 2018.

This recommendation is not supported by Council.

9.2 Christmas Period Arrangements
Report No. 154/17ccs (DCCS)

Council is requested to approve meeting arrangements and community facility opening times for December 2017, the festive season; and the January 2018 period.

RESOLVED: That it be a recommendation to Council:

A. That a December Ordinary Council meeting be held the second Monday of the month, 11 December 2017.

B. That meetings of the three Standing Committees for December 2017 be cancelled, with routine reports going directly to the December Ordinary Council meeting.

C. That the January Ordinary Council meeting be held Monday 29 January 2018.

D. That the meeting of the Standing Committees for January 2018 be cancelled, with routine reports going directly to the January Ordinary Council meeting.

E. That the depot, Civic Centre and library be closed to the public after 12:00pm Friday 22 December 2017 and reopen Tuesday 2 January 2018, as per Council Policy no. 104 (see attachment A).

F. That the Alice Springs Public Library be closed to the public 23, 24, 25 and 26 December 2017, with service hours during the Christmas and New Year period from 10:00am to 2:00pm on 27, 28 and 29 December 2017.

G. That the Aquatic and Leisure Centre be closed Christmas day, 25 December 2017 only.

H. That the Regional Waste Management Facility be closed from 12:00pm Friday 22 December, Christmas day, 25 December 2017 and New Year’s day, 1 January 2018.

(6268ccs)
9.3 Application for Material Alterations — Gillen Club Inc.
Report No. 155/17ccs (DCCS)

Licensing NT has written to Council seeking comments about an application for material alterations to liquor licence from Gillen Club located at 57 Milner Road, Alice Springs.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council does not object to the application for material alterations to liquor licence from Gillen Club Inc, located at 57 Milner Road, Alice Springs.

9.4 Alice Springs Regional Economic Development Committee — Business Sharks Event
Report No. 156/17ccs (DCCS)

Mayor Ryan, Deputy Mayor De Brenni and Councillor Cocking left the Chamber at 7.08pm declaring a conflict of interest with this item.

Alice Springs Regional Economic Development Committee has requested five thousand dollars ($5,000.00) sponsorship from Alice Springs Town Council, for a Business Sharks event, to be held 20 October 2017.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council provide direction.

Discussion ensued regarding the costs, funding from the Todd Mall promotions budget and the timeframes allocated.

The Director of Finance advised that he could investigate alternate budget lines which could be used.

Mayor Ryan, Deputy Mayor De Brenni and Councillor Cocking returned to the Chamber at 7.21pm

9.5 Alice Springs Town Council — Flying of Flags
Report No. 157/17ccs (DCCS)

Discussion and community consultation has previously occurred in regard to flying Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags, at Anzac Hill. Council has two flag policies: 102A Anzac Hill Flags; and 103 Civic Centre — Flags. Preliminary discussion has also occurred with regard to the prospect of flying a large scale Aboriginal flag, near The Gap, at an elevated point, on the West MacDonnell Ranges.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council provide direction.
The new Elected Members would like to discuss more within the community before a decision is made.

10. REPORTS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEES:

10.1 Minutes and Recommendations from the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held 19 July 2017

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held 19 July 2017 be received and recommendations adopted.

10.1.1 NBN Information Session for Seniors

The NBN interactive vehicle was in Alice Springs for a special information session for seniors, held 6 July.

Discussion ensued about NBN installation and connection problems, lodging complaints and concerns about landline continuity. The Committee agreed to invite representatives from NBN and Telstra to the Seniors Coordinating Committee meeting to clarify some issues regarding installation of NBN and service providers.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That NBN and Telstra be invited to address the Seniors Coordinating Committee meeting to clarify issues regarding NBN installation and service providers.

10.2 Minutes and Recommendations from the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held 20 September 2017

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Seniors Coordinating Committee Meeting held 20 September 2017 be received and recommendations adopted.

10.2.1 Seniors Month

The national seniors month events were very successful. There were many activities in the library including educating the seniors about different technologies. Seniors were introduced to robots and drones. The Youth Action Group taught seniors how to take pictures, edit and share shots on smartphones.

Council's 'Still Got Talent' event is growing and may need to relocate next year. More than 120 people were in attendance.
Feedback from seniors:

- Activities in the library with online booking – suggestion for registration of events to have the option of phone booking or form to fill out for people who do not have technology know how.
- Seniors Print Calendar
  - Kathleen Nitschke enquired how the calendar for seniors was distributed this year. Seniors expressed dissatisfaction with the calendar and its dissemination this year.
  - Jenny Mostran noted that production of calendar needs cut-off date.

Discussion ensued regarding seniors calendar. It was suggested that distribution of calendar can occur via the Seniors Coordinating Committee network.

**RESOLVED:**
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council officers enquire as to what methods were adopted with the calendar for the recent seniors month event.

10.3 Minutes and Recommendations from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held 27 July 2017

**RESOLVED:**
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held 27 July 2017 be received and recommendations adopted.

Discussion ensued regarding the budget line allocated for this Committee.

10.4 Minutes and Recommendations from the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held 28 September 2017

**RESOLVED:**
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the minutes of the Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee Meeting held 28 September 2017 be received and recommendations adopted.

Meeting minutes need to be amended to reflect that former Councillor Dave Douglas was not a Councillor when this meeting occurred, so would not be recorded as an apology.

10.4.1 Sponsorship Request – FOCAS – The Unity Day Concert

The Director Corporate and Community Services overviewed the financial application from Karina Akarana for The Unity Concert event which has been proposed for Saturday 4 November 2017 on Anzac Oval. The proposed date clashes with a booked Rugby Union event. The sponsorship sought is $7,500 plus in-kind support. The applicant has no public liability insurance, no permit application, no grants or cash donations and funding in hand.
Discussion ensued. The Committee considered the application and agreed not to support the application due to unresolved components of the proposal.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the sponsorship application from FOCAS to assist with The Unity Concert event not be supported.

(6278ccs)

10.4.2 Sponsorship Request – Tourism Central Australia – Introducing the #RedCentreNT

Cy Starkman declared a conflict of interest as he is a member of the TCA Board.

Tourism Central Australia is requesting $10,400 + GST for the creation of a program of mini events. These mini events will inform travellers on the many activities and attractions available in the region, to encourage them to stay longer and spend more in Alice Springs and the surrounding areas.

Discussion ensued about the application.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That the funding request from Tourism Central Australia for the creation of a program of mini events not be supported.

(6279ccs)

10.4.3 Committee Membership Enquiry

Council Officer received an email dated Monday 4 September 2017 from Rebecca Watling, Business Development Manager Alice Springs Convention Centre, enquiring about the prospect of being a committee member of the Tourism, Events and Promotions Advisory Committee. There is no additional information to accompany Rebecca Watling’s application.

The TEPC Charter has provision for two community members. At present, there is only one community member, Steve Shearer.

Discussion ensued about the application from Rebecca Watling and the Council’s process of recruiting membership to Advisory Committee.

RESOLVED:
That it be a recommendation to Council:

That Council place an expression of interest ad in the Advocate for Tourism, Events and Promotions Committee general membership.

(6280ccs)

11. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil
12. **NEXT MEETING:** 13 November 2017

The meeting stands adjourned and resumes in the Confidential Section.

The meeting adjourned at 7.37pm

Confirmed on ____________________

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CHAIRMAN

Date ____________________________