

MINUTES OF THE CEMETERIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 4 AUGUST 2020

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic this meeting was held via Zoom teleconference

PRESENT

Mayor Damien Ryan
Councillor Jamie de Brenni (Chairperson)
Councillor Glen Auricht
Councillor Jacinta Price
Ms Meredith Campbell
Mr David Hewitt

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mr Scott Allen - Director Technical Services
Mr Takudzwa Charlie - Manager Technical Services
Ms Stephanie Dominguez - Executive Assistant (Minutes)

13 th Alice Springs Town Council Cemeteries Advisory Committee (CAC) Meeting - Attendance List						
	10 Sep 19	1 Oct 19	4 Feb 20	7 Apr 20	2 Jun 20	4 Aug 20
Mayor Damien Ryan	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Glen Auricht	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Jamie de Brenni	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
Councillor Jacinta Price	--	--	--	✓	--	✓
Councillor Catherine Satour	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ms Meredith Campbell						✓
Mr David Hewitt	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Pastor Rod Holmes	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	A
Mr Mark Mossop	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A

- ✓ Attended
A Apology received
-- No attendance and no apology recorded
Not on the Committee at this time

The meeting opened at 12:30 pm with a quorum

The Chair welcomed Meredith Campbell to the Cemeteries Advisory Committee.

1. APOLOGIES

Pastor Rod Holmes
Mr Mark Mossop
Mr Ben Fitzgerald - Manager Works
Ms Kylie Jones - Senior Records Officer

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

3. CORRESPONDENCE

Nil

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 Minutes of the previous meeting held 2 June 2020

RESOLVED:

That the minutes from the Cemeteries Advisory Committee meeting held 2 June 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

Moved: Mayor Ryan

Seconded: Councillor Auricht

CARRIED

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 Under 20 Weeks - Alice Springs Garden Cemetery - Director Technical Services

RESOLVED:

That it be a recommendation to Council

That a Garden at the Alice Springs Garden Cemetery be named the “*Garden of Angels*” garden to remember babies lost before 20 weeks of gestation

Moved: Meredith Campbell

Seconded: Mayor Ryan

CARRIED

It was noted that 15 October is *International Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day* and that would be an appropriate day to ‘open’ the garden.

5.2 Conservation and Management Guidelines - Director Technical Services

The Committee received and noted the *Conservation and Management Guidelines* which were endorsed by Council at the July Ordinary Council Meeting.

The Chair asked that congratulations to Officers on the completion of these guidelines be recorded in the minutes.

Action:

Director Technical Services to investigate signage at the Alice Springs General Cemetery to notify visitors that the Cemetery is heritage listed and works are restricted.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Alice Springs General Cemetery - Unmarked Graves (Standing Item)

The Committee received and noted the Letter to the Christian Ministers Association dated 25 February, and deferred the item for discussion until Pastor Rod Holmes was able to provide an update on behalf of the Association.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Opening of Garden Cemetery Gates for Vehicle access - Mayor Ryan

It was noted that at the Ordinary Council Meeting held 27 July 2020, Council endorsed the following resolution:

“That Council allow vehicular access to the Garden Cemetery on special occasions”

Action:

That Officers open the vehicle access gates for Father’s Day and Mother’s Day each year.

7.2 “No Surrender” Rose Planting - Director Technical Services

The Director Technical Services advised that a “No Surrender” Rose Planting event was held on the 5 July 2020 at the Anzac Centenary Memorial at the Alice Springs Garden Cemetery to honour the Rats of Tobruk.

7.3 Mayor Ryan Resignation - Director Technical Services

The Director Technical Services advised the Committee that due to Mayor Ryan’s resignation to contest the Northern Territory Election, this would be his last Cemeteries Advisory Committee meeting and thanked him for his significant contributions to this Committee during his time on Council.

8. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 6 October 2020 at 2pm.

Details to be provided closer to the meeting date.

Meeting closed at 12:55 pm.