



MINUTES

of the

COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

CHAIRMAN: Cr A Perrett

**Held in the Boardroom
Old Bank Building,
Cnr Nash & Channon Streets,
Gympie Qld 4570**

**On Wednesday, 8th April 2009, following the
General Meeting.**

**For Adoption at the
General Meeting
To be held on the 22nd April 2009**

Gympie Regional Council **COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
MEETING**
*Cr A Perrett (Chairman),
(Mayor) R Dyne, Crs D Neilson, I. Petersen, L Friske,
J Watt, G Engeman, J Walker, R Gâté.*

APPOINTMENTS etc.

10.30am Ken Meldrum – Cooloola Human Services Network

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Meeting opened at 10.07am.

PRESENT: Cr A Perrett (*Committee Chairman*), (Mayor) R Dyne, Crs D Neilson, I Petersen, G Engeman, Cr J Watt, Cr R Gâté, Mr K Mason (Chief Executive Officer), Mr M Grant (Director of Community Services), Mr I Wolff (Health & Community Services Co-ordinator), Mrs V Knight (Minutes Secretary).

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

G13/01/09 - That Cr Julie Walker be granted Leave of absence from all Council Meetings for the duration of her rehabilitation.

APOLOGIES

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

CS01/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté

Seconded: Cr L J Friske

That the Minutes of the Community & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on the 11 March 2009 be taken as read and confirmed.

Carried

SECTION 1: HEALTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

1/1 Health & Environmental Services Report - March 2009

Re: CS02/04/09 Health & Environmental Services Report - March 2009
From: Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator – Mr I Wolff
File: CG98/0014
Date: 31 March 2009

Report: (Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator – Mr I Wolff)

IMMUNISATIONS

Immunisation treatment is available at the Surgery of Council's Medical Officer of Health as follows:

General

Channon Street Medical Centre –Dr R Day - 12 Reef Street, Gympie
Injections: Each weekday 9.30am to 12.30pm and from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

These arrangements should ensure that residents have ready access to immunisation treatments.

School Immunisation Clinics

The first school immunisation clinics of 2009 have commenced at local secondary schools. Council's Medical Officer administered Human Papillomavirus (HPV) (Grades 8 females), Hepatitis B and Chicken Pox (Grade 8) and Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Grade 10), at the Goomeri State School on 26 March 2009 and the Kilkivan State School on 1 April 2009.

Immunisation clinics for secondary schools located in Gympie, Imbil and Tin Can Bay are scheduled to be conducted from 27 - 30 April 2009. Students will be inoculated against HPV (Grades 8 females), Hepatitis B and Chicken Pox (Grade 8) and Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis (Grade 10).

NOTIFIABLE DISEASES

Queensland Health has advised Council of the following case of notifiable disease currently being treated by local medical practitioners between 9 February and 15 March 2009.

<u>Disease</u>	<u>Location</u>
Barmah Forest Virus	Gympie (2 cases)
Campylobacter Enteritis	Gympie
Ross River Virus	Deep Creek
Ross River Virus	Gympie (2 cases)
Ross River Virus	Rainbow Beach
Pertussis	Gympie (3 cases)
Pertussis	Kilkivan
Salmonella, Specified	Gympie (2 cases)

WATER SAMPLES

The following water samples were forwarded to the Government Laboratory for microbiological analysis.

Location	Total
Gympie reticulated water supply	9
Imbil reticulated water supply	2

Kandanga reticulated water supply	2
Amamoor reticulated water supply	2
Rainbow Beach reticulated water supply	6
Tin Can Bay/Cooloola Cove reticulated water supply	8
Kilkivan reticulated water supply	2
Goomeri reticulated water supply	2
Gympie Memorial Swimming Pool	2
Tin Can Bay Swimming Pool	1
Kandanga Swimming Pool	1
Kilkivan Swimming Pool	1
Goomeri Swimming Pool	2

Gympie Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

The analytical results of one water sample is pending.

Mary Valley Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

Rainbow Beach Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

The analytical results of one water sample is pending.

Tin Can Bay/Cooloola Cove Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

The analytical results of one water sample is pending.

Kilkivan Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

Goomeri Reticulated Water Supply

Analysis results for all samples indicated satisfactory bacteriological quality in accordance with the *National Health and Medical Research Council Australian Drinking Water Guidelines 2004*.

Municipal Pools

All samples taken from municipal pools complied with the *Queensland Health Swimming and Spa Pool Water Quality and Operations Guidelines 2004*.

FOOD

(*Food Act 2006*)

Council's Environmental Health Officers conducted routine inspections of licensed food premises during March and continued to assist operators in achieving compliance with legislative standards specified in the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code.

During the month of March 2009 the Community Services Directorate issued Food Business Licences to two (2) new food businesses being conducted within the region.

As of 31 March 2009, there were 308 licensed food businesses operating in the Gympie Regional Council area.

During the month of March, Council's Community Services Directorate forwarded correspondence to food businesses licensed by Council whom are known to conduct catering operations (nine (9) businesses) and to one private hospital advising of the *Food Act 2006* requirement for all such food businesses to have a Food Safety Program in place. Council's Environmental Health Officers will assist these operators in achieving compliance with this legislative requirement.

STORAGE OF FLAMMABLE AND COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS

(*Dangerous Good Safety Management Regulation 2001*)

During the period Environmental Health Officers continued to assist operators in achieving compliance with the *Dangerous Goods Safety Management Regulation 2001*.

As of 31 March 2009, there were 56 premises in the Gympie Regional Council area licenced to store flammable and combustible liquids in accordance with the *Dangerous Goods Safety Management Regulation 2001*.

ENVIRONMENTALLY RELEVANT ACTIVITIES

(*Environmental Protection Act 1994*)

Environmental Health Officers continued to assist operators in achieving compliance with the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

As of 31 March 2009, there were 201 Environmentally Relevant Activities regulated by the Gympie Regional Council pursuant to the *Environmental Protection Act 1994*.

LICENSED PREMISES

Applications for the renewal of annual licences/permits will be forwarded to businesses licensed with Council pursuant to:

- *Food Act 2006*;
- *Dangerous Goods Safety Management Regulation 2001*;
- *Public Health (Infection Control for Personal Appearance Services) Act 2003*;
- *Environmental Protection Act 1994*; and
- *Local Government Act 1993* and Council's Local Laws.

Annual licensing of certain activities pursuant to this legislation is a statutory function conducted by Council's Community Services Department.

SWIMMING POOLS

The 2008/2009 swimming season is drawing to an end with all pools scheduled to close toward the end of April 2009.

Kandanga Swimming Pool

On Wednesday, 25 March 2009 there was an incident at the Kandanga Swimming Pool where the chlorine tank was overfilled by Council's supplier resulting in a quantity of chlorine spilling onto the floor in the plant room.

The spilt chlorine was contained within the bund which had been installed around the tank.

Cleanup efforts resulted in the temporary closure of this facility with the facility reopened to the public on the afternoon of the following day (Thursday, 26 March 2009).

Kilkivan Swimming Pool

The incumbent pool manager has written to Council advising that she will be withdrawing from the contracted position at the end of the 2008/2009 swimming season.

Accordingly, Council's Community Services Directorate has advertised tenders for the management of this swimming pool for community purposes for a term of three (3) years with an option of extension of two (2) years.

Tenderers must be experienced in the management and operation of a public swimming pool and competent in coaching and life saving techniques or be prepared to employ persons so qualified.

Further information and copies of the tender document can be obtained by contacting Council's Community Services Directorate.

Tenders close 2:00 pm on Tuesday, 28 April 2009.

MOSQUITOES

The ovitrap program for the detection of *Aedes Aegyptii* (the dengue mosquito) has now concluded. Six (6) sites were selected; three (3) in Gympie and three (3) in Goomeri. One site in Gympie had to be abandoned due to continued interference with the trap i.e. the trap kept being removed. Two (2) sites at Goomeri were positive for mosquito larvae detection. Queensland Health will identify the larvae concerned. This process has not been completed. No other sites were positive for mosquito larvae.

PUBLIC TOILETS

Mellor Street Mens Facility

Upgrade works at the Mellor Street – Mens Facility continued during March 2009.

To date works at this facility have included replacement of aged plumbing pipes and tiling of the floor.

The internal walls at this facility will be repainted in early April and the external walls and roof thoroughly cleaned.

Lake Alford (Brisbane Road side) Facility

As part of the upgrade of this aged facility, this toilet block has been painted both inside and out with the roof professionally cleaned.

Tiling of the floors within this facility is currently being undertaken with this work to be completed prior to Easter.

CEMETERIES

Council's Foreman (Cooloola Coast) has advised that the grave shoring has arrived to the Tin Can Bay Depot.

A specially designed trailer to transport this shoring is under construction at Council's John Street Depot and according to Council's Fleet Manager, the trailer will be completed in the near future.

WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITIES

Operations at Council's Waste Management Facilities continued satisfactorily during the period.

Shredding of Greenwaste

Shredding of greenwaste at Council's Southside, Bonnick Road and Tin Can Bay Waste Management Facilities was conducted in March 2009 resulting in the following volumes of mulch.

Southside	1 512.98 m ³
Bonnick Road –	2 735.03 m ³
Tin Can Bay	1 042.70 m ³

The resultant mulch will be used at these facilities for landscaping purposes at these facilities.

Removal of Tyres – Tin Can Bay and Bonnick Road

During March 2009, the following number of tyres were removed from Council's Tin Can Bay and Bonnick Road Waste Management Facilities by a commercial tyre recycling company.

	Tin Can Bay Waste Management Facility (06/03/2009)	Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility (13/03/2009 and 16/03/2009)
Passenger	402	831
Light Truck	134	329
Truck	39	152
Super Single	-	4
Tractor Large – 1m – 2m	1	-
Forklift Small – Up to 0.3m High		19
Earthmover Medium – 1m – 1.5m	9	-
Bobcat	4	9
TOTAL NUMBER OF TYRES REMOVED	589	1 344

Roadside Bin Sites

Servicing of Council's remaining roadside bin sites continued satisfactorily during the period.

This servicing continues to include the removal of bulky items that have been wrongfully deposited at these sites.

Groundwater monitoring at Waste Management Facilities

During the week commencing 30 March, Council's Environmental Consultant – Rolffe, Perry & Associates – conducted groundwater sampling at the following facilities:

- Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility
- Southside Waste Management Facility
- Mary Valley Waste Transfer Station
- Amamoor (Bulk Bin) Waste Management Facility
- Tin Can Bay Waste Management Facility
- Rainbow Beach Waste Management Facility.

Council's Environmental Consultant also conducted sampling of surface water comprising of run-off from Council's Southside Waste Management Facility.

Water quality monitoring at Council's Waste Management Facilities is a requirement of Council's Integrated Authority (approval from the Queensland Environmental Protection Agency to conduct landfilling activities) and is necessary in order to assess and manage environmental risk associated with Council's waste management facilities.

RECYCLABLE MATERIALS

The following weights of recyclable material were collected by Council's Cleansing Contractor for the former Cooloola Shire Council.

PRODUCT	DUAL BIN SYSTEM (Weight- kg)	
	01/03/09 - 31/03/09	2009
Aluminium	1,509	5,069
Glass – Clear	7,150	24,016
Glass – Coloured	12,254	41,162
HDPE	3,000	10,078
Plastic - Mixed	1,449	3,417
Paper/Cardboard – Mixed	93,707	314,771
P.E.T.	2,876	9,662
Steel	4,729	15,885
Glass Fines	53,067	178,256
Total Recoverables	179,740	603,764
Waste/Ceramics	42,540	142,896
Total including all Waste	222,280	746,660

CS02/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté

Seconded: Cr G Engeman

Recommend that Council receive the Health & Environmental Services Report for the month of March 2009.

Carried

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Kilkivan District Swimming Club Inc. – Erection of Shed

Re: **CS03/04/09** Kilkivan District Swimming Club Inc. – Erection of Shed
From: Secretary, Kilkivan District Swimming Club Inc., PO Box 33, KILKIVAN Qld 4600
File:
Date: 13 March 2009

“We are writing to you in regards to our previous conversation concerning the erection of a 6mtr x 3mtr shed at the Kilkivan Swimming Pool.

As we are not in possession of any firm quotes from the Gympie Regional Council in relation to costs involved in constructing the shed, we wish to advise that subject to ratification at a General Swimming Club Meeting we would be willing to contribute up to \$2000 towards the construction of the shed, allowing us access to a secured half of the shed for Swimming Club use.

Could you please advise at your earliest convenience if you are agreeable to this.”

Report: (Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator – Mr I Wolff)

The above correspondence has been received from the Kilkivan District Swimming Club Inc and relates to the erection of a new shed at the Kilkivan swimming pool.

In this correspondence, the club has indicated that they would be willing to contribute up to \$2 000.00 toward the construction of this shed subject to the club securing half of the shed once constructed for swimming club purposes.

The other half of the shed would be utilised by Council’s pool operator for storage purposes. The need for this additional storage space has been identified by Council’s pool operator.

An on-site meeting to discuss the proposal was held at the Kilkivan swimming pool on Tuesday, 10 February 2009. This meeting was attended by:

- Cr Tony Perrett (Gympie Regional Council);
- Mr Ian Wolff (Gympie Regional Council);
- Mr Rob West (Kilkivan District Swimming Club Inc); and
- Mrs Krystle Power (Pool Operator).

At this meeting, the necessary features of this shed were identified and it was agreed that this shed should contain:

- Two (2) roller doors;
- Roof ventilators;
- Insulation to ceiling and walls;
- A fixed divider in the middle of the shed; and
- A personal access door for the pool operator.

A proposed location for this shed was also identified.

CS03/04/09 Moved: Cr L J Friske

Seconded: Cr R Gâté

Recommend that the matter be referred to Council’s 2009/2010 draft budget meeting for further consideration and that the writer be advised accordingly.

Carried

1/3

Request from Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club to Erect Mural at Goomeri Public Swimming Pool

Re: **CS04/04/09** Request from Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club to Erect Mural at Goomeri Public Swimming Pool
 From: Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club, 32 Laird Street, Goomeri Qld 4601
 File: 2/4/4/5.3
 Date: 7 January 2009 and 2 February 2009

Letter dated 7 January 2009

“I am writing on behalf of “The Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club”. We have been heavily fundraising this swimming season in hope of being able to paint the brick entry way into the pool.

We have been very fortunate to find a local artist that has offered to design and paint the area, FREE of charge. We have raised enough fund to be able to prepare the brick work for the mural. We are wanting to paint the whole building white, the penguin mural to run across the front of the pools entry and black pin strips that will highlight the building. Also a couple of penguins decreasing in size on the side walls, so it doesn’t look bare.

Enclosed you will find the design we have chosen. (going with the Penguin theme of course) We think that this will only enhance the Goomeri Township and maybe even entice new swimmers into the club. We would love the swimming club kids to be involved in this project, so to get the ok before school goes back be will be a bonus.

So the Penguins will wait in anticipation for your reply. If you need more information please call me on 04 374 363 02”.

Gympie Regional Council

Letter dated 2 February 2009

“The Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club welcome any new and fresh ideas for the facilities at the Goomeri Pool. A mural has been chosen which includes a fun and colourful penguin theme for the front entrance of the pool building. Penguins were chosen for the theme because it is the “Home of the Goomeri Penguins Swimming Team”. This will only help the pool to look more inviting and encourage new swimmers to the facility”.

Report: (Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator – Mr I Wolff)

The above letters requesting Council approval for the installation of a mural at the front entrance to the Goomeri public swimming pool have been received from the local Goomeri swimming club – The Goomeri Penguins.

Photographs of the front entrance of the Goomeri public pool where the mural is proposed appear below.



The proposed penguin mural appears as Attachment 1 to this Agenda.

An on-site meeting to discuss the proposal was held on Friday, 30 January 2009 which was attended by:

- Cr Tony Perrett (Gympie Regional Council);
- Mr Ian Wolff (Gympie Regional Council);
- Ms Nicole Bastin (Pool Operator); and
- Ms Belinda Bowman (Goomeri Penguins) and others from the Goomeri Penguins.

At this meeting, it was recommended that the swimming club approach the local Chamber of Commerce in respect of the proposal.

It is understood that this approach was made and that the Chamber of Commerce supports the installation of the mural.

Should Council approve the proposed mural, it is reasonable to assume that ongoing maintenance costs associated with the upkeep of the mural will be borne by Council as no offer has been made by the swimming club in this regard.

CS04/04/09 Moved: Cr L J Friske

Seconded: Cr G Engeman

Recommend that the Director of Community Services write to the Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club and advise that Council supports their proposal for the painting of mural/s on boards which are to be attached to the front façade of the Goomeri Swimming Pool.

Further that an agreement be entered into between Council and the Goomeri Penguins Swimming Club regarding the provision of the mural/s.

Carried

1/4	Tender – Lease of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool
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Re: **CS05/04/09** Tender – Lease of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool
 From: Environmental Health Officer – Mr J MacPherson
 File: 2/2/14/0001
 Date: 31 March 2009

Report: (Environmental Health Officer– John MacPherson)

Tenders were called for the lease of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool for a three (3) year period commencing 1 July 2009, with the option of

extending the lease for a further two (2) years. The tender period closed at 2.00 p.m. Tuesday, 24 March 2009.

There were two tenders received as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Amount Offered</u>
Michael Winton	Tin Can Bay	\$5,500.00
JR & EM Manthey	Gympie	\$6,600.00

Mr & Mrs Manthey are the current lessees of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool. Mr Winton is the current lessee of the Tin Can Bay Swimming Pool.

Mr & Mrs Manthey requested that Council consider paying 100% of electricity consumed at the pool in lieu of the 75%-25% split as per the current lease. This would be an increase to Council's operating cost of approximately \$4,000.00 per season. On requesting advice if they would adjust their tender price if Council acceded to their request, Mrs Manthey stated the price would remain unchanged.

Note:- As Council has not received an electricity account from AGL since February 2008, this is an estimate only. Financial Services is currently addressing this situation with AGL.

Mr Winton was contacted with regard to this request to ascertain if he wished to vary his tender in accordance with Section 488 of the *Local Government Act 1993*. As a consequence of this discussion, Mr Winton realised he had overlooked Section 6 of the proposed lease that splits electricity charges 75%-25% between Council and lessee(s). The cost difference, should Council pay 100% of electricity charges, is \$1,100.00 per season, which in over all terms is a fairly insignificant amount. Mr Winton has since submitted a revised amount of \$9,500.00 to be paid to Council and requested that Council pay 100% of electricity charges.

Both tenderers have good references and excellent local rapport with Local Community and Swim Clubs. Mr & Mrs Manthey have been the lessees of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool for the past thirteen (13) years, while Mr Winton has been the lessee of the Tin Can Bay Swimming Pool for seven (7) years.

One aspect to consider is the heated pool that Mr & Mrs Manthey provided at the beginning of the current lease. Under the terms of the current lease, Mr & Mrs Manthey retain ownership of the heated pool and surrounding enclosure and are entitled to remove same if they do not succeed in renewing their lease.

Michael Grant left the meeting at 10.32am.

Michael Grant returned to the meeting at 10.35am.

CS05/04/09 Moved: Cr L J Friske

Seconded: Cr R Gâté

Council accept the tender submitted by Mr & Mrs Manthey for the lease of the Gympie War Memorial Swimming Pool for a three (3) year period commencing 1 July 2009 with the option of extending the lease for a further two (2) years, subject to satisfactory performance and adherence to the terms and conditions of the lease.

Payment to Council to be as follows.

Years	Period	Payment to Council for the Period (Including GST)
2009 / 2010	1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010	\$6,600.00
2010 / 2011	1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011	\$6,600.00
2011 / 2012	1 July 2011 to 30 June 2012	\$6,600.00

Further that Council resolves not to alter the lease and that Mr & Mrs Manthey will be responsible to pay 25% of all charges for gas, electricity, light, or any other energy services, levied in connection with the use, operation and treatment of the swimming pool.

Carried

Cr I T Petersen left meeting at 10.36am.

1/5	Request from Cooloola Coast Kart Club – Waiver of Fees to Dispose of Tyres at Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility
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Re: **CS06/04/09** Request from Cooloola Coast Kart Club – Waiver of Fees to Dispose of Tyres at Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility

From: Cooloola Coast Kart Club, PO Box 782, Gympie Qld 4570

File: 2/9/2/4

Date: 23 February 2009

“We are needing to dispose of tyres from our facilities. As the club is a non profit organisation we are seeking the approval to dispose of the tyres at our local dump on Bonnick Road at no charge to the club. We have approximately 100 tyres that are no longer any use.

We look forward to your reply regarding this matter.”

Report: (Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator – Mr I Wolff)

The above correspondence has been received from the Cooloola Coast Kart Club requesting a waiver of fees normally associated with the disposal of tyres at the Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility Gympie.

Gympie Regional Council

At its Community and Economic Development Committee meeting held in December 2008, Council considered a similar request from local “not-for-profit” organisation for the disposal of tyres and resolved as follows:

Council Minute CS04/12/08 refers:

RECOMMEND THAT COUNCIL REDUCE THE CAR TYRE DISPOSAL FEE TO \$2.00 PER TYRE UP TO 300 TYRES FOR THE ENDEAVOUR FOUNDATION ON A ONE OFF BASIS. FURTHER THAT COUNCIL MAKE REPRESENTATION TO THE DISPOSAL CONTRACTOR SEEKING A REDUCTION IN THEIR CHARGES DUE TO THE FACT THAT THIS IS A CHARITABLE ORGANISATION.

The disposal of car tyres at Council’s Bonnick Road Waste Management Facility for non-domestic disposal circumstances attracts a fee of \$4.00 per tyre. Larger tyres attract a higher disposal fee.

CS06/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté Seconded: Cr G Engeman

Recommend that Council reduce the car tyre disposal fee to \$2.00 per tyre for up to 100 tyres for the Cooloola Coast Kart Club on a one off basis.

Carried

Cr I T Petersen returned to the meeting at 10.37am.

Cr I T Petersen left the meeting at 10.40am.

Cr I T Petersen returned to the meeting at 10.44am.

Mr I Wolff, Health & Environmental Services Co-ordinator left the meeting at 10.44am.

Sandra Ross from the Gympie Regional Gallery together with Robin Hines entered the meeting to allow Councillors to view the “Q150 tiles” that had been designed by Mr Hines at 10.44am.

The tiles are to form a large mosaic at the Ekka site in Brisbane. Each Council in Queensland was asked to be a part of the project for the Q150 celebrations. The two tiles have been created; one to represent the past and one to represent the future.

The past tile includes images to represent:

- The wood industry;
- Wagon wheels;
- The gold wealth of the region.

The future tile includes images to represent:

- Backgrounded by an image of the dairy industry;
- Mary River turtle;
- Lungfish
- Water

Sandra Ross and Robin Hines left the meeting at 10.49am..

Cr I T Petersen left the meeting at 10.49am.

Cr I Petersen returned to the meeting at 10.52am.

Ken Meldrum, CHSN, entered the meeting at 10.50am. to give his presentation.

Gave a brief outline of the history of Community Human Services Network (CHSN) and the current innovations being implemented in relation to the running of CHSN.

The Shed project, teaching carpentry skills, has been a great success.

Plans underway for a “female” shed project as a “training centre” to help females re/enter the workforce.

CHSN now have a display van on which different groups have agreed to display their logos. This display van is mobile and able to visit different areas of the region.

Generally advised the meeting of other roles of CHSN i.e. auspicing of various outside groups.

Cr I T Petersen left the meeting at 10.59am.

Ken Meldrum’s presentation concluded at 11.03am.

Compliance & Local Disaster Co-ordinator, Mr R Potter entered the meeting at 11.03am.

SECTION 2: COMPLIANCE & LOCAL DISASTER

2/1	Compliance & Local Disaster Report - March 2009
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Re: **CS07/04/09** Compliance & Local Disaster Report - March 2009
 From: Compliance & Local Disaster Co-ordinator – Mr R Potter
 File: CG98/00141
 Date:

Report: (Compliance & Local Disaster Co-ordinator - Mr R Potter)

Cr J Watt left the meeting at 11.04am.

OVERGROWNS

Inspections for overgrown land throughout the Gympie, Curra, Goomeri and Kilkivan areas has continued. Subsequently notices were issued for compliance and works orders served on property that did not comply with the notices.

ANIMAL CONTROL – (dog complaint nuisance dogs)

Complaints were routinely dealt with in relation to animal control including nuisance animals and particularly barking nuisances and permits were issued for the keeping of more than two (2) dogs.

Cr I T Petersen returned to the meeting at 11.05am.

Legal Proceedings

On the 5th March 2009, one (1) case was dealt with in the Magistrate's Court in relation to two (2) charges as follows:

1. (Former) Cooloola Shire Council Local Law No 2 Clause 27 (b) (ii) where the dog attacks or worries another person, animal or thing the owner of the dog shall be guilty of an offence. 17 November 2008.
2. (Former) Cooloola Shire Council Local Law No 2 Clause 25 (a) (ii) Ensure the animal is kept within the enclosure at all times on 17 November 2008.

The dog owner appeared in Court and was subsequently found guilty and fined \$450.00 for the offences with a conviction recorded and also ordered to pay professional costs of \$386.00 and court costs of \$71.70 being a total of \$907.70.

Pound Figures

Council's animal control operation resulted in the impounding of the following animals: Dogs – (43), Cats – (49).

Twelve (12) dogs and one (1) cat were released to their owners, subject to payment of fees.

Ten (10) dogs and one (1) cat were taken by the RSPCA.

Ten (10) dogs and thirty eight (38) cats were euthanased.

Eleven (11) dogs and nine (9) cats are held in the pound from March.

CS07/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté

Seconded: Cr L J Friske

Recommend that Council receive the Compliance & Local Disaster Report for the month of March 2009.

Carried

Compliance & Local Disaster Co-ordinator, Mr R Potter left the meeting at 11.05am.

Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator, Mrs H Kelly entered the meeting at 11.05am.

SECTION 3: COMMUNITY FACILITIES & SERVICES

3/1 Community Facilities & Services Report - March 2009

Re: **CS08/04/09** Community Facilities & Services Report - March 2009
 From: Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator – Mrs H Kelly
 File:
 Date: 1 April 2009

YOUTH & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Report: (Youth Development Officer – Mrs P Kuhn)

National Youth Week

Friday, 27th March 2009 – Battle of the Bands in Nelson Reserve.

Almost 200 young people watched the sixteen (16) entrants “battle” it out for prizes at the 2009 Battle of the Bands. The crowd was treated to an enjoyable mix of genre’s which included country, pop, jazz and ballads. Redskins Youth Chaplaincy provided pre-show entertainment.

Saturday, 28th March 2009 – Skate and BMX Competition at Nelson Reserve

Due to the inclement weather the skate competition has been postponed to the 18th April 2009.

Youth Arts Project

The first day of the project saw six (6) young people enjoy David Lovegrove’s workshop in the Gympie Library. The students were able to transfer their artworks onto canvas and then start the painting process. The works will be

completed by the end of April and will be displayed throughout the Regions Libraries.

Youth Council

Youth Council are continuing to work on their event committees. I was invited out to Goomeri P-10 to present the Youth Councillors with their badges as they were unable to attend the last meeting. Several Youth Councillors participated in the Mary River Festival enthraling the crowd with their circus skills. The next meeting will be on the 22nd April 2009.

Lions Youth of the Year

I was fortunate enough to be asked to judge the Gympie South Lions Youth Representative. Seven (7) Year 12 students from various schools faced a round of general knowledge questions at a day time interview then presented a prepared speech and gave two impromptu speeches at an evening dinner. The calibre of entrant was excellent and I found the experience very rewarding.

2009 Careers Expo

On Wednesday, 4th March 2009 I spoke at the Chamber of Commerce breakfast giving an outline of the Careers Expo and the benefits of the business community's involvement at this event. Invitations to local business's and education providers will be sent out in early May.

Imbil Youth Group

A series of circus workshops have been conducted for the Imbil Youth Group. The circus workshops proved to be very popular with an average of 20 young people attending each Friday night over the six (6) weeks that the workshops were run. It is hoped that the skills that were learned may be adapted into a performance later on in the year.

Nelson Reserve Skate Park Upgrade

On the 7th March 2009 I took four (4) young people to the Gold Coast to 'surface test' the Rhino skate equipment that the committee had been considering for the Nelson Reserve Skate Park. Whilst the surface was deemed to be 'too slippery' for the riders, it is hoped that the company may be able to provide an alternative. Work on this project will continue in conjunction with Parks Manager, Ed French.

The Noise

Issue 20 of The Noise magazine has been distributed to the schools and network providers throughout the region. Issue 21 will be out in June.

Meetings Attended

Redskins – Street Chaplaincy Australia;
 Cooloola Youth Service;
 2009 Careers Expo;
 Chamber of Commerce Meeting;
 Schools Cluster;
 Imbil Youth Group.

Report: (Community Development Officer – Ms K Peters)Gympie Regional Council Cultural Plan

The Community Development Officer is continuing to assist with the development of a regional Cultural Plan for Council. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 8th April 2009.

Cooloola Human Services Network (CHSN)

The Community Development Officer is continuing to assist with the development of a Community Development Plan for the Gympie Region and the development of structured policies for the organisation.

Community Training

“Tangle Free Finance”

A short, three (3) hour workshop which aims to help community groups "untangle" the many financial obligations they are faced with: How to keep good financial records, understanding regulations, compliance, governance, audits and acquittals. The workshop will provide easy to use, clear and appropriate tools that make it easy to keep efficient, simple financial records.

- 15th April 2009 at the Gympie Civic Centre, 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm
- 22nd April 2009 at the Kilkivan Hall, 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm
- 2nd May 2009 at the Tin Can Bay RSL Hall, 9.00 am – 12.00 noon
- 13th May 2009 at the Imbil RSL Hall, 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm

Event Coordination and Chocolate

Trying to organise a community event? Do you need help getting organised and making it happen? This full day workshop will help community groups at all stages of event planning, whether you're just starting out or have established, well known events. The workshop tackles common issues associated with event coordination, innovative solutions and how to make it a happy, inclusive experience for all involved!

- 9th May 2009 – Gympie Civic Centre, 9 am to 4.00 pm
- 30th May 2009 – Kilkivan Hall, 9 am to 4.00 pm

Gympie Regional Council

Fundraising Workshop

This three (3) hour workshop aims to help groups with strategies and ideas for fundraising. It is a great chance to refresh and get reinvigorated for your upcoming fundraising activities.

- 28th April 2009 at the Gympie Civic Centre, 6.30 pm – 9.30 pm

These workshops have received good response from the community and places are filling fast.

Parents to the Future Program

The Community Development Officer attended the Parents to the Future Program in Bauple on the 18th March 2009. This session was well received by attendees.

Q150

The Community Development Officer is assisting with the coordination of the Gympie Regional Council's Q150 events throughout the region. Events to date have been a great success. Events have been held as follows:

Day	Place	Event
Saturday 14 th March 2009	Gympie Showgrounds and Recreation Reserve	Community Race Day Wollemi Pine Planting
Sunday 15 th March 2009	Tin Can Bay Foreshore	Community commemorative tree planting on foreshore at Tin Can Bay and at Mullins Creek, Cooloola Cove
Sunday 15 th March 2009	Cooloola Cove	
Monday 16 th March 2009	Widgee State School	School Performance, Wollemi Pine Planting and Morning tea at Widgee State School.
Tuesday 17 th March 2009	Kilkivan and District Historical Society Museum	Open Morning at Museum Tree Planting in the Lions Park.
Wednesday 18 th March 2009	Mary Valley Rattler	A select number of primary school students were invited to accompany able residents from aged care facilities on a steam train journey to Imbil with stops at Dagon and Kandanga. Wollemi Pines were planted at each stop.

Thursday 19 th March 2009	Curra – Curra Country Club	“Then and Now” display, Morning Tea and Tree Planting at Curra Country Club,
Friday 20 th March 2009	Gympie – Memorial Park Rotunda Community Orchestra	Lunch time performance of Community Orchestra.

Bigger ‘den Us Workshop

The Community Development Officer attended the Wide Bay Human Services Network (WBBHSWG), Bigger ‘den Us - Community Services Sector Forum held in Biggenden. The aims of the forum:

- To map NGO sector networks and evaluate their capacity for influencing planning processes
- To encourage cross-sectoral discussion and debate to enhance regional co-ordination within the Community Services Sector in addition to highlighting pathways, opportunities and potential strategies; and
- To explore opportunities and capacity for Community Services Sector in Wide Bay Burnett to have input into regional planning processes (ie WBBHSWG)

Forum Outcomes

Outcome 1: Produce and widely distribute Bigger den Us Forum report

Outcome 2: Portal

Outcome 3: Spatial Representation of Regional Networks

Outcome 4: Promotion of Wide Bay Burnett Human Services Working Group

Outcome 5: Review and implement refined structure of NGO Sector input to WBBHSWG

Outcome 6: Review representation of WBBHSWG

Outcome 7: Restructure Regional Interagency Networks

Outcome 8: Regional Sector Development Workers

Outcome 9: Annual NGO engagement opportunity

Outcome 10: NGO Professional Development /capacity building

The forum was attended by over sixty (60) participants travelling from throughout the region and as far a field as Rockhampton and Brisbane.

Curra Country Club Constitution Workshop

The Community Development Officer coordinated the Constitution Workshop for the Curra Country Club. This workshop was designed to produce a suitable rewrite of the Club’s Constitution.

Meetings Attended

CHSN – Management Meeting
 Mary River Festival
 CHSN – Networking Meeting
 Gympie Communications and Electronics Group
 Tin Can Bay RSL
 CHSN AGM
 Suicide Prevention Meeting
 Red Cross Emergency Service Volunteers
 Curra Country Club

Community Groups Funding Meetings Held

Gympie Senior Citizens Centre
 Gympie Communications and Electronics Group
 Supporting Chemotherapy in Cooloola
 Gunalda and District Campdraft Association

LIBRARY REPORT**Report: (Libraries Manager – Mrs L Day-Wilson)**March 2009Circulation - (Number of items borrowed)

Gympie	27 284
Tin Can Bay	4 691
Rainbow Beach	990
Imbil	925
Kilkivan	851
Goomeri	617
Total	35 338

Membership - (Active Borrowers from: 29 July 2003 onwards)

Gympie	21 871
Tin Can Bay	3 232
Rainbow Beach	1 160
Imbil	984
Kilkivan	610
Goomeri	498
Total	28 355

Total Number of New Members this month: 314

Branch Breakdown:

Gympie	236
Tin Can Bay	48
Rainbow Beach	9

Imbil	8
Kilkivan	5
Goomeri	8

Stock - (including magazines)

Gympie	70 366
Tin Can Bay	12 177
Rainbow Beach	5 695
Imbil	6 545
Kilkivan	6 529
Goomeri	4 536
Stack	191
Total	106 039

Visits to the Library - (no. of people through the door)

Gympie	16 079
Tin Can Bay	3 675
Rainbow Beach	1 824
Imbil	917
Kilkivan	651
Goomeri	713
Total	23 859

Virtual Visits to the Library

(i.e. no. of times the Library Web Page was accessed this month): Total =4689

GENERAL

The Friends of Gympie Regional Libraries held their Annual Book Sale of discarded library items on Thursday, 19th March 2009 in the Gympie Library foyer. Funds raised totalled \$1,350.

The Friends will donate the funding to the library service for the purchase of additional large print and audio visual materials.

Staff Development Reviews for library staff, which this year also included adult casuals, have served to:

- re-enforce staff morale re: their dedicated work efforts and achievements;
- identify desired training needs; and
- assist staff in prioritising their work related goals for the next twelve month period.

CLIENT SERVICES

Internet Services

In order to satisfy increasing demand for Internet access for Gympie Regional Library patrons, two computers previously used only for Office Applications (e.g. Microsoft Word, Publisher, Excel) have been modified to allow easy access to the World Wide Web. This is already proving very popular with regular patrons and visitors to the region during times of peak demand.

Internet Demonstration

Another successful Internet demonstration was held in the Gympie Library foyer on Wednesday, 25th March 2009. Via the use of a large screen projector, members of the public were shown how to access information through a variety of on-line resources.

E-mail technology was also demonstrated to those who are unfamiliar with electronic communication.

INFORMATION SERVICES

The Information Services Desk was again a busy outlet throughout March, with the following queries being attended to:

Reference Queries	2 660
Inter-Library Loans requests	129
Local History Enquiries	70

Gympie Region Then and Now (GRTN) – Part II

Further historical images from the Gympie region have been sourced for inclusion in the GRTN website. The photographer will visit Kilkivan and Goomeri in the coming weeks to take the “Now” images. A static display of images from the Gympie Region Then and Now website is now able to be borrowed by schools and community groups.

Q150 “Gympie Gold Mining History” Book Progress

Editing of the book written by Dr Elaine Brown and Dr John Ferguson is currently in process. The contents are aimed at shedding further light on Gympie’s gold mining history. The final chapters are taking shape as the project continues to move forward.

Library Brochure

New Library Brochures have arrived. The new design incorporates the colours found in the library logo. See Attachment 2.

Toastmasters Display

The Gympie Gold Diggers Toastmasters Club mounted a display in Gympie Library this month. The club aims to provide members with the skills to improve their confidence in public speaking as well as their listening and leadership skills.

Your Tutor

The use of this free online resource continues to grow. Feedback from the public has been highly positive, as indicated below:

Year 11 student: “What had taken a week for me to grasp, took “yourtutor” about 20 minutes to help me completely understand. Fantastic!”

Year 4 student: “As a parent, I just wanted to “check it out”. The tutor was very helpful and we’ll definitely be back.”

Year 8 student: “This is helping me a lot thanks.”

The BIG Book Club

Gympie Regional Libraries are proud to support the BIG Book Club. This national campaign sponsored in Queensland by the Courier Mail promotes reading, the discussion of books and Australian authors. Information advertising how people can be part of the club is available from all service points or by visiting www.thebigbookclub.com.au. This month’s selection was “Dog Boy” by Eva Hornung.

CHILDREN’S & YOUNG ADULTS’ SERVICES

Attendance at 26 sessions throughout the month of March, across the library service’s six (6) service points, totalled 747 children and their carers.

Events/Visits

There were a number of school visits to the library this month. Woolooga State School have become regular visitors on Mondays and classes from Victory College, Jones Hill and Gympie West also visited the library for introductory tours and instruction in basic research techniques re: the use of library resources, this month.

It’s Up 2U (Edmund Rice Foundation - group of young adults)

Approximately seven (7) teenagers have become regular visitors to the library every Wednesday as a result of attending this program. The students are instructed in the use of the library and its numerous and varied resources. A short session, “Safety on the Internet”, aimed at this age group, was conducted this month.

Youth Space Artworks @ the Library

The David Lovegrove workshops commenced on 31st March 2009. The four day event was part of the Gympie Regional Libraries contribution to Youth Week Celebrations. Partial funding was obtained from a Regional Arts Fund Quick Response Grant, enabling the implementation of combined ideas and input from Council's Youth Development, Library and Art Gallery staff. The idea for these workshops originated from staff discussions on how to "jazz up" the Youth Space at Gympie Library to make it more attractive to teenagers, thus enticing them to visit the library more often.

Questacon Science Play is a free program developed for 2 to 5 year-olds to encourage them and their parents to engage in simple science activities in their home environment. The program has proved very successful in capturing the children's interest in science from an early age. The teachers from Questacon relayed and read stories as well as organising the simple experiments used. Parents and teachers demonstrated their definite interest by booking out all of the twenty (20) places available at the six (6) sessions held at the Gympie and Tin Can Bay Libraries.

National Playgroup Week – 23rd to 28th March 2009 was celebrated with displays, storytime and the Questacon Science Play sessions.

National Youth Week – 28th March to 4th April 2009 was celebrated in partnership with Youth & Community Development and The Gallery. Art Workshops for youth within the region showcased the talent of our young people. Additional details of the ongoing success of this event will be included in the April Monthly Report.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Contributed 326 hours to the library service this month. The hours were spent in Local History, home library service selection and delivery, sheet music, deletion of worn and out-of-date stock for FOL book sales and FOL Executive meetings.

PUBLIC GALLERY REPORT

Report: (Gallery Co-ordinator – Ms J Gibbs)

Exhibitions

The Gympie Times Exhibition Space - 24th February – 4th April 2009 - "Native Pods" – a creative interpretation curated by Sam Keane. This exhibition was timed to coincide with the Mary River Festival, theme of 'seedpods'.

Hugo Du Rietz Gallery - 22nd March – 4th April 2009 - Bernadette Tuffley jewellery

Hugo Du Rietz Gallery - 24th February – 21st March 2009 - “Shibori Unbound” by Sunshine Coast fibre artist Margaret Barnett.

Gallery Three - 27th February – 21st March 2009 “Intimate Transactions” by Transmute Collective - interactive new media installation toured by Museums and Gallery Services Queensland.

Gallery Three - 22nd March – 4th April 2009 - The sculptural and puppet results from the workshops for “Seedpods” from Mary River Festival.

Public Programs for month of February

- Lunchtime Lecture – Wednesday, 4th March 2009 at 2pm - Margaret Turner with “Making Meaning On-Line”.
- FOGlets – Saturday, 7th March 2009 with the theme of seedpods. Spent time in “Native Pods” exhibition.
- Margaret Barnett Shibori dyeing workshop – Saturday, 7th & Sunday 8th March 2009 - 10am – 4pm.
- School Visit - Gympie Central School Grade 2 visit to “Native Pod” exhibition.
- Opening of Bernadette Tuffley exhibition – Friday, 27th March 2009 5pm – Jewellery

Visitor Numbers for March: 1,179

Gallery Focus Group

Meeting held on Thursday, 12th March 2009 Heather, Julie and Joolie will meet to review the Sponsorship Package and the Collection Strategy. The first business function hiring the upstairs gallery space was held on 11th March 2009 with Think Technology having a Wine Appreciation evening. Due to the decrease in the Gold Rush Art Competition prize money, the Gallery Focus Group are seeking sponsorship from other sources.

Regional Arts Development Fund (RADF)

General RADF brochures, posters and banners have been printed and are ready for use.

The next round of funding submissions closed on 15th March 2009 and there was a lot of interaction with the public and the RADF Liaison Officer as well as information sessions around the region. The Bidding Sheet and the Annual Report are being worked on to be submitted before 7th April 2009. Arts Queensland RADF team held a training session for all shires from Moreton Bay to Bundaberg and west to North Burnett at the Cooroy Butter Factory on

6th March 2009. Joolie, Eva John and Sam Keane attended this training session. The RADF will be part of the Creative Regions project.

Workshops, Rentals/Room usage

Regulars

Friends of the Gallery painting group every Tuesday;
 U3A classes – Creative Writing, Book Club, Book Ends, French for Beginners,
 Spanish for Beginners, Memoir Writing;
 Cooloola Arts Society, every Wednesday;
 Gympie Camera Club;
 Gympie Field Naturalists;
 Gympie Greens Party;
 Cooloola Heritage and Tourism Inc.- first Monday of month;
 Cooloola Community Arts Council - second Tuesday of month;
 QCWA Younger set - second and fourth Saturday of month;
 Soul Sisters Choir.

Others

Gympie Library workshop with David Lovegrove, 31st March 2009;
 Mary River Festival meetings weekly through March;
 Gold Rush Festival meeting;
 Women's Health Group workshop – Friday, 6th March 2009;
 Think Technology - Wine appreciation evening Wednesday, 11th March 2009
 at 5pm;
 United Synergies Art workshop with At Risk Youth – Friday, 27th March
 (cancelled);
 Exhibition Selection Committee - 25th March 2009.

Friends of the Gallery

The Friends have no special report for this month other than their continued support for the Gallery. They catered for the opening of the Bernadette Tuffley exhibition and installation day (\$80).

Volunteers

Approximate Hours for month of March

Front Desk	294
Catering events	6
Installation approx.	62
Volunteer Office assistance	40
Education and Public Programs	4
Gardening	0
Desk Volunteer Coordinator	10
Intimate Transactions Tech operators and ushers	33
Total	449

Other happenings and Gallery Staff

The gallery is organizing sessions with Rod Ainsworth from Creative Regions who will be doing a Pilot Project with our community on Community Arts and Cultural Development on Monday, 20th April 2009.

The veranda renovations started on 3rd March 2009 and we are coping with the changes.

I was honoured by being selected as Juror for the Heart of Gold Film Festival.

CIVIC CENTRE REPORT**Report: (Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator – Mrs H Kelly)**Civic Centre Usage March 2009

Area	Hirer	Function
Fossickers Room	Weddings Inclusive Gympie Times Wide Bay Swimming Assoc Youth Development Unit GRC Youth Development Unit MRCCC Financial Service Aust Heart of Gold Qld Teacher's Union	Bridal Expo Presentations Meeting Meeting Community Info Night Youth Council Reptile Meeting Seminar Film Festival x 5 Meeting
Prospectors Hall	Weddings Inclusive Qld Health Gympie & District Sportsman Gympie Blue Light Heart of Gold	Bridal Expo Tai Chi x 3 Function Disco Film Festival x 5
Heritage Theatre	Zodiac Players Lifeline GRC Heart of Gold	Oliver Rehearsals x 8 Brigadoon Play Patti Allen Show Film Festival x 5
Miner's Court	Gympie & District Sportsman Heart of Gold GRC	Function Film Festival x 5 Patti Allen Show
Kitchen	Gympie Times Gympie & District Sportsman Heart of Gold	Presentations Function Film Festival x 5

CS08/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté Seconded: Cr R Dyne

Recommend that Council receive the Community Facilities & Services Report for the month of March 2009.

Carried

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Woodworks Steering Committee Charter

Re: **CS09/04/09** Woodworks Steering Committee Charter
 From: Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator – Mrs H Kelly
 File:
 Date: 31 March 2009

Report: (Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator - Mrs H Kelly)

Unconfirmed Council Minute CS09/03/09

~~RECOMMEND THAT COUNCIL ENDORSE THE WOODWORKS STEERING COMMITTEE CHARTER AS AMENDED.~~

Council Minute G35/03/09 refers:

THAT RECOMMENDATION CS09/03/09 OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 11 MARCH 2009 BE DELETED AND REFERRED TO A FUTURE COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION.

At a meeting of the Woodworks Steering Committee held on the 23 March 2009 it was requested that the draft Charter be further amended before being formally adopted by Council. A copy of the amended Charter, with amendments/additions underlined, appears in Attachment 3 of this Agenda.

*Cr L J Friske left the meeting at 11.19am.
 Cr L J Friske returned to the meeting at 11.22am.*

~~**CS09/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté Seconded: Cr J Watt**~~

~~**Recommend that Council endorse the Woodworks Steering Committee as amended.**~~

Carried

WITHDRAWN & AMENDED MINUTE G23/04/09 REFERS

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Bicentennial National Trail (BNT) - Kilkivan

Re: **CS10/04/09** Bicentennial National Trail (BNT) - Kilkivan
From: Dave McLeod, Director Bicentennial National Trail Board
File:
Date: Email received 29 January 2009

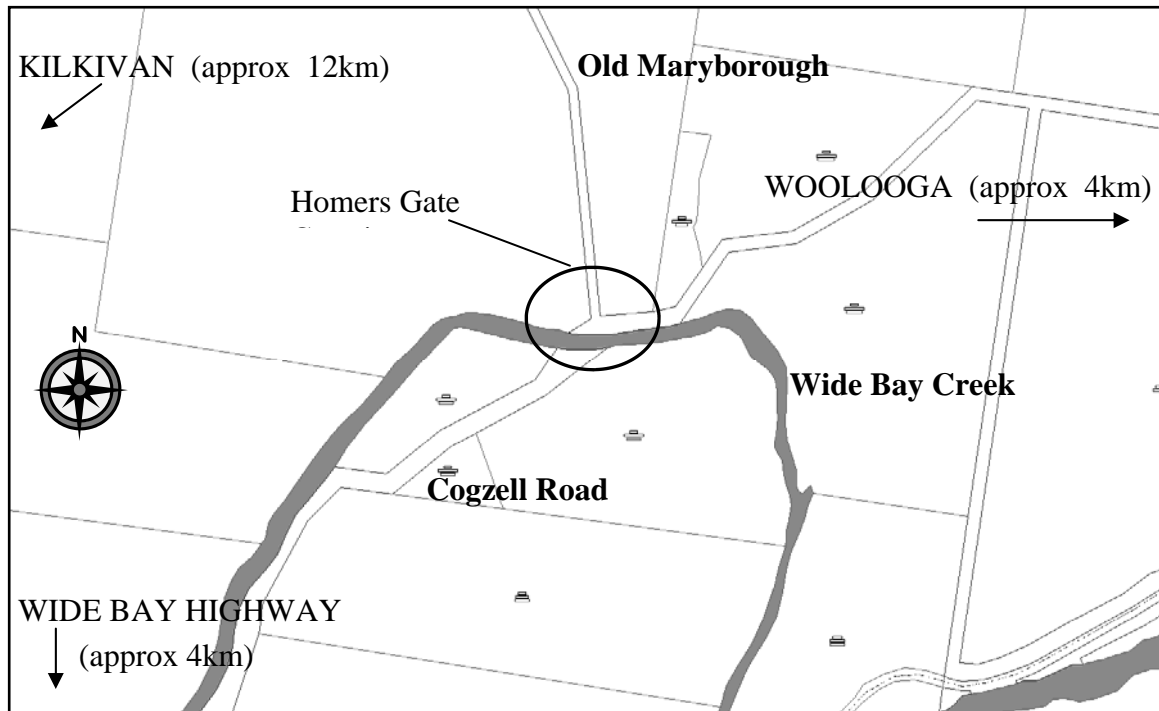
“.....I was intrigued to read some time ago of the Kilkivan-Maryborough Cobb and Co coach overturning on the crossing where the Old Maryborough Rd fords Wide Bay Creek in Nov 1864. No one was lost but the coach rolled downstream, horses and passengers swam free and a Gympie mail bag was lost. This spot is also a BNT campsite and we thought it would be fitting if a plaque were to be erected there commemorating the event. I am about to investigate costs/designs of such a plaque but if Gympie Council was agreeable and willing to erect the plaque for us then perhaps sponsors could be found to pay for the plaque.

Tony we would be most appreciative if you could take our suggestion re the plaque to Council asking if they would support the idea in principle and mount the plaque for us.....”

Report: (Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator - Mrs H Kelly)

The BNT Board initially contacted Council seeking support in principle and assistance in mounting a plaque at what is now known as Homers Gate Crossing, identifying the site where a Cobb and Co. Coach was swept off the flooded crossing.

The site is located on a gazetted road approximately 12 km northeast of Kilkivan.



Since this initial contact the BNT have submitted an application for this project to Council via the Financial Assistance Grants and have further contacted Council asking that the matter be brought before the Council requesting support.

The BNT Board have consulted with the Cobb and Co Museum regarding potential wording on the requested plaque. The proposal also includes both BNT and Council logos.

Cooloola Trophies and Engraving have estimated the cost of making the plaque to be in the vicinity of \$500. Mr Michael Webb, Council's Natural Resource Manager is familiar with the site and estimates the cost of mounting the sign to be between \$300 and \$1000 dependent upon the mounting system required.

CS10/04/09 Moved: Cr L J Friske

Seconded: Cr R Gâté

Recommend that Council write to the Bicentennial National Trail (BNT) Board advising that their application for financial assistance has been received and that the matter will be considered during Council's Financial Assistance Grants deliberations for 2009/10.

Carried

Community Facilities & Services Co-ordinator, Mrs H Kelly left the meeting at 11.42am.

Acting General Manager, Cooloola Regional Development Bureau, Mrs A LePeilbet entered the meeting at 11.42am.

SECTION 4: REGIONAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

4/1 Cooloola Regional Development Bureau Report - March 2009

Re: CS11/04/09 Cooloola Regional Development Bureau Report - March 2009
From: Cooloola Regional Development Bureau – Acting General Manager – Mrs A LePeilbet
Date: 1 April 2009

Report: (Cooloola Regional Development Bureau – Acting General Manager – Ms A LePeilbet)

Economic & Community Development Initiatives

- Discussions with Centro Shopping Centre Management regarding major commercial developments in the region.
- Major project list supplied to two developers.
- Attendance at Welcome Fraser Coast course in Tiaro – customer service workshop. Discussions are taking place with regard to a Welcome Gympie Region course.
- Woodworks Museum – preparation, planning and meetings related to CRDB management of the facility as an information centre. To date the CRDB team has arranged for the building to be cleaned, the artifacts to be restored, set up of the information centre and accreditation of the centre by Tourism Queensland, purchasing stock, IT set up, training of new volunteers (woodworkers) and cross training of existing tourism volunteers. The team has also had preliminary discussions regarding marketing of the centre.

Tourism and Promotion Initiatives

Rainbow Beach Networking Night – CRDB held a successful networking event on 2nd March 2009 at the new Rainbow Beach Hotel with 35 guests attending. Guest speakers included the new CEO of Tourism Sunshine Coast, Russell Mason, Member for Gympie, David Gibson and President of Rainbow Beach Commerce and Tourism, Scott Elms.

Web site content, design and layout – a complete overhaul of the web site is taking place to coincide with the restructure and rebranding. An extensive site

map has been created and the layout and graphic design for each page is currently being constructed. We have endeavoured to incorporate an eco “green friendly” design with a focus on the natural attractions in our area.

Cr G Engeman left the meeting at 11.44am.

A series of logo designs have been developed in-house and presented to the CRDB Board.

The new edition of the Tin Can Bay Directory has now been printed and distributed to advertisers and Information Centres.

24/7 Must Do’s in the Mary Valley Self Drive Tour (Draft).

An ad has been designed for the Jason’s Travel Directory promoting the Gympie Region. An ad for the Woodworks was also included in the Directory.

Press releases

- ✓ Calendar of Event (April) Cooloola Bay Bulletin, Rainbow Beach
- ✓ Media Release – Over the Rainbow about Tourism (Networking Night)
- ✓ Media Release – Show ‘n’ Shine Gympie (Opportunity to showcase Gympie via Events)
- ✓ Coastline News – Mary Valley Things to see and do, and events up till June
- ✓ Heart of Gold Sunshine Coast representation, Information about region for (Sunday Mail)

Invitation to Channel 7 to film “Intimate Transactions” at Gympie Regional Gallery.

Kilkivan Great Horse Ride uploaded on Tourism Queensland event listing.

Electronic CRDB Web Events Listing Form sent to Council to be handed to Civic Centre and Pavilion hirers to encourage wider promotions of events.

Regional tourism briefing to TQ’s new regional director, Lynne Banford.

South Burnett Tourism Advisory Group (TAG) meeting

Tourism Sunshine Coast’s Marketing, Events and PR forum – full day workshop with tourism bodies and industry operators (40 attendees) to discuss marketing ideas and initiatives for the region. The overall purpose was to provide a forum where the regions’ marketing programs proposed and executed can be discussed, planned and reviewed. The following are some of the items that were discussed:

- ✓ Domestic and international analysis and strategy development
- ✓ Media, digital, and events strategy development
- ✓ Industry development discussions
- ✓ Conference / business events analysis and development

Ekka expression of interest completed for exhibition space.

Great Sandy Biosphere – discussions with BMRG (Burnett Mary Regional Group) Chairman Russell Stewart, Director Darryl Stewart and CEO David Brown.

Discussions regarding Mary Valley initiatives with Kaili Parker Price.

Radio promotions – an ad was produced to promote the Mary River Festival. The regional branding ad was also aired throughout the month.

Discussions with Bruce Hurley from the Left Bank regarding CRDB promotions for Kilkivan and Goomeri region.

Backpackers Forum at Noosa Surf Life Saving Club – update on the industry, statistics and future outlook on the backpacker market.

General Business

LTO business plan, marketing schedule and budget.

Mary Street information centre removal.

Insurance for Volunteers over 80 years.

Telecommunications – installation of new handsets and VOIP system.

CS11/04/09 Moved: Cr R Gâté

Seconded: Cr J Watt

Recommend that Council receive the Cooloola Regional Development Bureau Report for the month of March 2009.

Carried

Acting General Manager, Cooloola Regional Development Bureau, Mrs A LePeilbet left the meeting at 11.49am.

SECTION 5: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES
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5/1	Policy PRCS124 “Kilkivan Collection Policy” (Kilkivan Shire Council)
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Re: CS12/04/09 Policy PRCS124 “Kilkivan Collection Policy (Kilkivan Shire Council)
 From: Director of Community Services – Mr M Grant
 File:
 Date: 1 April 2009

Report: (Director of Community Services – Mr M Grant)

The Community Services Directorate has commenced a review of Council Policies from the former Cooloola Shire, Kilkivan Shire and Division 3 of Tiaro Shire.

In 2004 Kilkivan Shire Council adopted a Policy relating to the collections of the Kilkivan Museum. As this museum operates separately from Council the Collections Policy is not a matter for Council and it is recommended that this Policy be archived. Council’s Systems & Risk Management Co-ordinator advises that a Council resolution to archive the Policy is required prior to the Policy being deleted.

CS12/04/09 Moved: Cr D Neilson

Seconded: Cr L J Friske

Recommend that Council authorise the Director of Community Services to archive Policy PRCS124 “Kilkivan Collection Policy” (former Kilkivan Shire Council) as it is not a matter for the Gympie Regional Council.

Carried

SECTION 6: GENERAL BUSINESS

6/1	Tourism Sunshine Coast – February Board Report
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Re: CS13/04/09 Tourism Sunshine Coast – February Board Report
 From: Russell Mason, Chief Executive Officer, Tourism Sunshine Coast
 File:
 Date: Email received 30 March 2009 and 2 April 2009

“During the Tourism Sunshine Coast Board Meeting, held Monday 9 March, the Board of TSC resolved to provide the monthly CEO Report to our key stakeholders. I am pleased to attach the February report for your information.

