

**CONFIRMED MINUTES  
OF THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING OF PENRITH CITY  
COUNCIL HELD IN THE PASSADENA ROOM, PENRITH  
ON MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2012 AT 7:04PM**

**PRESENT**

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Mark Davies, Deputy Mayor, Councillor Ross Fowler OAM and Councillors Jim Aitken OAM, Bernard Bratusa, Prue Car, Marcus Cornish, Greg Davies, Maurice Giroto, Ben Goldfinch, Jackie Greenow, Tricia Hitchen, Karen McKeown, John Thain and Michelle Tormey.

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

November 2012 to 17 November 2012 inclusive.

**APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES - Policy Review Committee Meeting - 8 October 2012**

PRC 81 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jim Aitken OAM seconded Councillor Marcus Cornish that the minutes of the Policy Review Committee Meeting of 8 October 2012 be confirmed.

**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Mark Davies declared a Pecuniary Interest in Item 5 - *Public Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for Concept Plan for Mixed-Use Development Proposal and Stage 1 Project Application for Masters Home Improvement Store at Parkview Site, 164 Station Street, Penrith* as he has a commercial agreement with the Masters organisation. The Mayor indicated he would leave the room and vacate the chair for consideration of this item.

Councillor Jim Aitken OAM declared a Non-Pecuniary Conflict of Interest – Less than Significant in Item 3 - *Planning Proposal for Penrith City-wide Local Environmental Plan* as he owns properties in the vicinity of the area subject to the report.

Councillor Ross Fowler OAM declared a Non-Pecuniary Conflict of Interest – Less than Significant in Item 3 - *Planning Proposal for Penrith City-wide Local Environmental Plan* as he is a Director, Auditor or Accountant of some properties in the area subject to the report.

## ADDRESSING THE MEETING

### Ms Caroline Volkiene

#### *Item 7 - Options to Provide Suitable Cover for Housing Council's Bennett Wagons*

Ms Volkiene, Interested Citizen and President of the St Marys & District Historical Society Inc addressed Council outlining the important history of St Marys and the historical significance of the Bennett Wagons. Ms Volkiene indicated that she would only support the placement of the Bennett Wagons at South Creek Park.

### Mrs Norma Thorburn

#### *Item 7 - Options to Provide Suitable Cover for Housing Council's Bennett Wagons*

Mrs Norma Thorburn, Interested Citizen representing the St Marys & District Historical Society Inc addressed Council and raised concerns surrounding the proposed location for display of the Bennett Wagons, Mrs Thorburn acknowledged that her preferred site of South Creek Park has some passive surveillance issues, however stated these could be addressed by the reduction of the introduced trees and that she is not aware of any vandalism occurring in the past.

Mrs Thorburn claimed that she has never seen the South Creek Park site flood, and that she believes the Mamre site is too far away for tours that she runs and that access to the site would only be when the Mamre site is open to the public. Mrs Thorburn concluded by raising concerns the effect of moving the Wagons will have on the St Marys Spring festival and was also disappointed that the Historical Society had not been contacted concerning this matter.

## DELIVERY PROGRAM REPORTS

### A LIVEABLE CITY

#### 7 [Options to Provide Suitable Cover for Housing Council's Bennett Wagons](#)

PRC 82 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Ross Fowler OAM seconded Councillor Jackie Greenow

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Options to Provide Suitable Cover for Housing Council's Bennett Wagons be received.
2. A report revisiting the proposal for a Historical Park as noted in the appendix to the report be prepared.
3. The Bennett Wagons be housed in the South Creek Park in an enclosure in sympathy to the current structure.
4. A funding solution be formulated and if necessary using Voted Works.
5. Investigations be made into addressing the surveillance concerns in relation

to the density of the trees and shrubs on site.

6. The St Marys District Historical Society be thanked for their address to Council and in maintaining and promoting the heritage of St Marys.

## A CITY OF OPPORTUNITIES

### 4 [Access Committee - End of Term Highlights 2010-12](#)

Councillor Jackie Greenow introduced the report and invited Denise Heath, Community Member of the Access Committee to give a presentation.

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Mark Davies presented awards to the community members of the Access Committee recognising their efforts, contributions and achievements over the Committee's last term.

PRC 83 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jackie Greenow seconded Councillor Prue Car

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Access Committee - End of Term Highlights 2010-12 be received.
2. The community members of the Access Committee be thanked for their contributions to these achievements.

### 5 [Public Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for Concept Plan for Mixed-Use Development Proposal and Stage 1 Project Application for Masters Home Improvement Store at Parkview Site, 164 Station Street, Penrith](#)

Having previously declared a Pecuniary Interest in this item, His Worship the Mayor Councillor, Mark Davies, vacated the chair and left the room the time being 7:45pm.

The Deputy Mayor, Councillor Ross Fowler OAM took the chair the time being 7:45pm.

Development Services Manager, Paul Lemm introduced the report and gave a presentation.

PRC 84 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jim Aitken OAM seconded Councillor Greg Davies

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Public Exhibition of Environmental Assessment for Concept Plan for Mixed-Use Development Proposal and Stage 1 Project Application for Masters Home Improvement Store at Parkview Site, 164 Station Street, Penrith be received.
2. Council make a submission to the Department of Planning strongly objecting to the Concept Plan and Stage 1 Project applications for the reasons outlined in this report.
3. Council objects to the proposal being dealt with under the former Part 3A of

the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act as it does not fit the criteria required.

4. Council write to the Local Members advising them of the outcome of the Council meeting.

In accordance with Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993, a DIVISION was then called with the following result:

<b>For</b>	<b>Against</b>
Councillor Prue Car	
Councillor Greg Davies	
Councillor John Thain	
Councillor Karen McKeown	
Councillor Michelle Tormey	
Councillor Jackie Greenow	
Councillor Maurice Giroto	
Councillor Jim Aitken OAM	
Councillor Ross Fowler OAM	
Councillor Ben Goldfinch	
Councillor Tricia Hitchen	
Councillor Bernard Bratusa	
Councillor Marcus Cornish	

His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Mark Davies returned to the room and took the chair, the time being 8:17pm.

## **A LEADING CITY**

### **1 [National Growth Areas Alliance - Status Report](#)**

Craig Butler, Director introduced the report and gave a brief overview.

PRC 85 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Ben Goldfinch seconded Councillor Karen McKeown

That:

1. The information contained in the report on National Growth Areas Alliance - Status Report be received.
2. Council continue to engage with and seek the support of local Members of Parliament, at both the Federal and the State level, for the outcomes the NGAA is seeking for growth area councils.

### **2 [Council Forums and Working Parties](#)**

PRC 86 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor John Thain seconded Councillor Bernard Bratusa

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Council Forums and Working Parties be received.

2. The content of the information in the report be the basis for the development of the Council's 2013 meeting calendar.
3. The Committee representatives to the four working parties be:
  - a) The Finance Working Party:  
Councillors Ross Fowler OAM, John Thain and Jim Aitken OAM
  - b) Stadium Precinct Working Party:  
Councillors Greg Davies, Ben Goldfinch, Ross Fowler OAM, Jim Aitken OAM
  - c) Recreation Working Party:  
All available Councillors
  - d) Economic Opportunities Working Party:  
The Mayor, Councillor Mark Davies and Councillors John Thain, Jim Aitken OAM, Ross Fowler OAM, Greg Davies and Bernard Bratusa
4. The Advertising Working Party not be disbanded and meetings of the Working Party be held at least bi annually.
5. All meetings to commence at 7.30pm.

### **3 Planning Proposal for Penrith City-wide Local Environmental Plan**

PRC 87 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor John Thain seconded Councillor Marcus Cornish

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Planning Proposal for Penrith City-wide Local Environmental Plan (LEP) be received.
2. The report be submitted to the next Ordinary Council meeting.

In accordance with Section 375A of the Local Government Act 1993, a DIVISION was then called with the following result:

**For**

**Against**

Councillor Prue Car  
Councillor Greg Davies  
Councillor John Thain  
Councillor Karen McKeown  
Councillor Michelle Tormey  
Councillor Jackie Greenow  
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Councillor Jim Aitken OAM  
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Councillor Ben Goldfinch  
Councillor Tricia Hitchen  
Councillor Bernard Bratusa  
Councillor Marcus Cornish  
Councillor Mark Davies

**A GREEN CITY**

**6 Penrith Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) Project**

Group Manager - City Infrastructure, Wayne Mitchell introduced the report.

PRC 88 RESOLVED on the MOTION of Councillor Jim Aitken OAM seconded Councillor Marcus Cornish

That:

1. The information contained in the report on Penrith Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR) Project be received.
2. Council not proceed with the Managed Aquifer Recharge project at this time.
3. The government funding authorities be thanked for their interest in the project and any unspent funds be returned to them.
4. The MAR project be reviewed on an annual basis and Council Officers be thanked for their efforts on this project.
5. That all Local Federal and State Members be advised of the reasons for Council's decision.

**REQUESTS FOR REPORTS AND MEMORANDUMS**

**RR 1 Update on Pathways - Cranebrook**

Councillor Greg Davies requested a memo update on the previously discussed pathway links between Cranebrook and St Marys.

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed the time being 9:00pm.

I certify that these 6 pages are the Confirmed Minutes of the Policy Review Committee Meeting of Penrith City Council held on 12 November 2012.

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Chairperson

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Date