



NOTICE OF FRIENDS OF TUMUT WETLANDS COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Friends of Tumut Wetlands Committee Meeting of Snowy Valleys Council will be held at the Wetlands, located on the edge of Tumut township at the junction of Snowy Mountains Highway and Gocup Road, Tumut on, **Tuesday, 17 September, 2019**, commencing at **4:00 PM**.

Distribution: 10	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Clr Geoff Pritchard (Delegate)			
Coordinator Open Space & Facilities Officer – Andrew Burke			
Ken Stubbs			
Sharon Stacy			
Gary Bilton			
Bob Erskine			
Athol Price			
Simon Quinnell			
Information only			
Acting Director of Engineering Services – Heinz Kausche			
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M Hyde
General Manager



FRIENDS OF TUMUT WETLANDS COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA

Tuesday, 17 September, 2019, commencing at 4:00 PM.

APOLOGIES

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GENERAL BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting date is scheduled to be held in early 2020.

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MEETING COMMENCEMENT: 4:08PM

PRESENT:

Participants:	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Clr Geoff Pritchard (Delegate)	x		
Facilities & Open Space Technical Officer Andrew Kinsey	x		
Ken Stubbs			x
Sharon Stacy			x
Gary Bilton			x
Bob Erskine	x		
Athol Price	x		
Simon Quinnell	x		

APOLOGIES:

Nil

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

FOTW.01 RESOLVED that the minutes of the Friends of Tumut Wetlands held on 18-September-2018 be accepted as read.

Bob Erskine/Clr Geoff Pritchard

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REPORTABLE POLITICAL DONATIONS:

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Want a new format in the previous minutes – No suggestions were received.

Friends of Tumut Wetlands Committee - Matters for March 2019 (.)

- The committee would like a copy of the Janet Mackay Wetlands Plan and the 10 year Management Plan for the Wetlands.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.
- The committee would like a copy of the Pesticide Management Statement of requirements for the Wetlands.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.
- The committee would like the mowing/slashing service rate clarified for the TSR/horse shoe track.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.
- The committee would like an update on the status of the Brochure.
ACTION: Council is still waiting on quotes from Gary Bilton.

- The committee wants an update on the status of the Elm Tree Management Plan.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.
- The committee has requested the plans to extend the walking are not to be pursued.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. The committee would like to know what the budget is for the Wetlands.
ACTION: The committee will be informed of the budget once this has been passed by council.
2. The committee would like clarification on whether dogs are permitted within the Wetlands and under what conditions.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.
3. Coordinator Open Spaces and Facilities (COS&F) would like the Friends of the Tumut Wetlands Committee meeting to be held every 6 months. The committee agreed with the meetings to be held in Autumn and Spring and the Committee requested the September meeting be held at the Wetlands.
ACTION: Change the Terms of reference to reflect 2 meetings per annum.
4. (COS&F) has asked if Simon Quinnell and Ken Stubbs are able to continue mowing in light of Phil Barton's resignation as a volunteer. Simon Quinnell agreed to continue if his time permits and has asked if Snowy Valleys Council (SVC) can maintain the area around the caravan park.
ACTION: Council Staff have picked up the additional maintenance and budgeted for the next financial year.
5. The Committee requested that the fate of the wood pile near the TSR entrance be decided at next meeting at the Wetlands.
ACTION: Council officers have liaised with RFS NSW of burning of the stockpile is being arranged.
6. The Committee would like SVC to investigate the possibility of including pedestrian crossings at the traffic lights near Gocup Road and Adelong Road as part of the traffic light upgrades undertaken by RMS, to link the Walking Track to the pedestrian path and allow for safer pedestrian access to and from the Wetlands.
ACTION: Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on TBA

CLOSED:

The meeting closed at 4:47PM.

REPORT NUMBER: FTW1
SUBJECT: Friends of Tumut Wetlands Committee Meeting
17/09/2019 (.)
REPORT AUTHOR: Andrew Burke
RESPONSIBLE MANAGER: Glen McGrath

PURPOSE OF REPORT: To inform the Committee of strategic matters concerning the Friends of Tumut Wetlands Committee

KEY ISSUES

1. The Janet Mackay Wetlands Plan and the 10 year Management Plan for the Wetlands
2. The Pesticide Management Statement of requirements for the Wetlands
3. The mowing/slashing service rate for the TSR/horse shoe track
4. The status of the Tumut Wetlands Brochure
5. The Elm Tree Management Plan
6. Council officers to liaise with RFS NSW regarding the burning of the stockpile
7. The committee would like to know what the budget is for the Tumut Wetlands
8. The committee would like clarification on whether dogs are permitted within the Wetlands and under what conditions?
9. Coordinator Open Space and Facilities has asked if Simon Quinnell and Ken Stubbs are able to continue mowing in light of Phil Barton's resignation as a volunteer. Simon Quinnell agreed to continue if his time permits and has asked if Snowy Valleys Council (SVC) can maintain the area around the caravan park
10. The Committee requested that the fate of the wood pile near the TSR entrance be decided at next meeting at the Wetlands
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Walking Track to the pedestrian path and allow for safer pedestrian access to and from the Wetlands

COMMENTS

1. The Janet Mackay Wetlands Plan and the 10 year Management Plan for the Wetlands.

The Coordinator Open Space and Facilities will provide a copy of this to the Committee.

2. The Pesticide Management Statement of requirements for the Wetlands.

The Coordinator for Open Space and Facilities will find a copy of this and provide a copy to the Committee.

3. The mowing/slashing service rate for the TSR/horse shoe track.

The Coordinator for Open Space and Facilities will meet with those still looking to work in the wetlands and work on a works schedule for 2019/2020 in coordination with the Infrastructure Works Department.

4. The status of the Tumut Wetlands Brochure.

The Coordinator Open Space and Facilities is still waiting for minimum two quotes from Gary Bilton so that a purchase order can be raised.

5. The Elm Tree Management Plan.

The Coordinator Open Space and Facilities will be looking to update the Elm Tree Management plan in the 2019/2020 financial year.

6. Council officers to liaise with RFS NSW regarding the burning of the stockpile.

The Coordinator Open Space and Facilities has organised for RFS to burn the stockpile during the winter of 2019. RFS has also asked again that no more stockpiling take place in the Tumut Wetlands.

7. The Committee would like to know what the budget is for the Tumut Wetlands.

The allocated budget for 2018/2019 is \$12,000. As at 14th May 2019 the expenditure is \$6,154.62 being 51% of the budget.

Upcoming items include but limited to tree removal and weed control within the wetlands undertaken by Snowy Valleys Council staff and sub-contractors.

8. The Committee would like clarification on whether dogs are permitted within the Wetlands and under what conditions?

There are no signs saying dogs are not allowed in the wetlands so under these terms this means dogs are permitted in the wetlands.

- 9. Coordinator Open Space and Facilities has asked if Simon Quinnell and Ken Stubbs are able to continue mowing in light of Phil Barton's resignation as a volunteer. Simon Quinnell agreed to continue if his time permits and has asked if SVC can maintain the area around the caravan park.**

Council staff have picked up the additional maintenance and budgeted for the next financial year.

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Council will look at talking with RMS to see if this can be facilitated.

Information will be provided at the next committee meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

For the Committee to adopt and recommend any keys issues to Council.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil