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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TUMUT DISTRICT COMMUNITY TRANSPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# HELD IN THE MEETING ROOM, COMMUNITY SUPPORT BUILDING, 81 CAPPER STREET, TUMUT ON TUESDAY 13 APRIL 2021 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM.

Meeting Opened: 10.05am

Welcome: Chairperson - Margaret Davies welcomed all present.

#### Present:

Margaret Davies (Chair), Lorraine Oliver, John Dickeson, Jaen Dickeson, Kaye Sturt, Anita Killelea, Richard Pylak, Sue Cross, Suzanne Post, Cate Cross (Councillor Representative, SVC), Tracy Wiggins (Manager Community Services), Catherine Cusack (Co-ordinator, TDCT).

Apologies: Nil

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: The Minutes of the meeting of 9 February 2021 were accepted as read.

BUSINESS ARISING: Future Direction of TDCT Advisory Committee

This matter was discussed at the meeting of 9 February and it was decided to hold an extraordinary meeting on 15 March. At the extraordinary meeting it was decided that the committee would gather informally to discuss its future following the discussion at both the extraordinary meeting and the meeting of 9 February.

Margaret Davies advised that this was a good meeting as there was open discussion about the future of the committee.

From the extraordinary meeting Manager, Community Services had been asked to establish the amount of money which had been contributed through fundraising and where it had been spent.

Manager, Community Services advised that according to hard copy records from the fund raising committee a total of \$83,960.27 had been raised since 1998. This money had been spent on uniforms, volunteer reimbursement and subsidizing the brokerage trips. It was also likely that the money had been

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spent on ancillary items such as the air conditioner for the office, blinds, the old photocopier and a laptop.

Margaret Davies then raised the future of the committee and it was agreed that there was not enough reason to keep going.

Margaret then read the motion: "After considered discussion, the Tumut District Community Advisory Committee regretfully decided to dissolve. The committee would like to thank all past and present committee members, volunteers and the communities of Talbingo, Tumut, Batlow and Adelong for their endless support over the years. The committee wishes the service the best for the future in ensuring to provide the necessary transport for the community."

Margaret asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the motion. There was no comment.

Consequently, the motion was moved by John Dickeson and seconded by Sue Post. It was voted for unanimously.

Margaret declared the motion carried and it was agreed that it would take effect from the close of business today, 13 April, 2021.

Jaen Dickeson expressed her thanks to the committee for their help and support to the community over many years.

### REPORTS:

**Co-ordinator's Report:** The Co-ordinator advised that she had been involved in submitting an application for funding for a mobile activities service for isolated seniors. This has been a very positive process and she hoped that the funding of \$60,000 was approved.

The two buses had also been examined by RMS inspectors and had been passed without any rectifications which was a very good outcome.

The drivers were very busy leading up to Easter and it had been a bit quieter over the week since, however, it is normal for fluctuations in needs to occur. The co-ordinator also advised she is looking to do smaller trips for clients of the service in order to keep the costs down and had been working with a client on some ideas for one-day, low-cost trips.

The Co-ordinator also expressed her thanks to the committee for their support, especially when she was new to the position in October and November.

Financial Report: Attached. Not available at meeting.

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#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Manager, Community suggested that the Co-ordinator organize a bi-monthly coffee and cake session with former committee members, clients, drivers and the community in general in order to get feedback about the service and how it could be improved. Some present thought this was a possibility, others advised they would contact Co-ordinator with feedback as needed, others did not believe this was of any use.

After some discussion, the Chair declared the meeting closed at 10.55am and morning tea was provided as a thank you to the current committee for all their work.

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