
**GRIFFITH PIONEER PARK MUSEUM COMMITTEE
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON
MONDAY, 18 MARCH 2024 COMMENCING AT 4:31 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor Doug Curran (Chair), Councillor Anne Napoli, Denis Couch (Community Representative), Michael Rohan (Community Representative), Maria Searl (Community Representative), Peter Taylor (Community Representative), Jenna Thomas (Community Representative), John Nikolic (Community Representative)

Quorum = 3

STAFF

Acting Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services, Max Turner, Griffith Pioneer Park Museum Manager, Jenny O'Donnell and Minute Taker, Joanne Bollen

1 APOLOGIES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Councillor Anne Napoli and Peter Taylor that apologies be received from Eddy Mardon (Community Representative).

Absent: Jeff Dance (Community Representative).

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Denis Couch and Jenna Thomas that the minutes of the previous meeting held on 15 January 2024, having first been circulated amongst all members, be confirmed.

3 BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 The Welcome Experience

Denis Couch advised that The Welcome Experience has commenced and nominated families will receive their passes to the Griffith Pioneer Park Museum.

3.2 Southern NSW Regional Heritage Group

A meeting of the Southern NSW Regional Heritage Group was held at the Museum on 29 February. The meeting went well and the feedback received has been positive.

3.3 Audio-Visual Display in Post Office

Griffith Pioneer Park Museum Manager, Jenny O'Donnell to obtain a quote on a videographer.

4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

Less Than Significant Non-Pecuniary Interests

There were no significant non-pecuniary interests declared.

5 ITEMS OF BUSINESS

CL01 GRIFFITH PIONEER PARK MUSEUM OPERATIONAL UPDATE FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2024

Ms O'Donnell was absent from the meeting until 4:52pm and in her absence the Committee reviewed the operational update.

Acting Director Business, Cultural & Financial Services, Max Turner advised that he would ask Ms O'Donnell to provide the Committee with an update on Action Day via email.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of John Nikolic and Jenna Thomas that the Committee note the report.

CL02 AGENDA ITEMS RAISED BY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

A number of agenda items were raised by Committee members. These items included the below:

- Action Day – Mr Turner will ask Ms O'Donnell to provide the Committee with an update via email.
- The Italian Museum and Cultural Centre Inc. has received numerous requests to increase ticket numbers to the annual Salami Festival. The Griffith Italian Museum Committee proposes the expansion of the lawn area to connect the Bynya Homestead (reception area) and Myall Park Hall. The Committee noted the request and although it will not be an option for the 2024 event, it may be an option in the future.
- The children's playground equipment at the Museum has been identified as a WHS issue. Mr Turner suggested that he speak to the Urban Design team to identify if there are any funding opportunities for new playgroup equipment.
- A grant application has been submitted for a proposed new entrance garden and pathway. It is suggested that the Committee work with staff to formulate a plan to execute the project.
- The rollout of security cameras and a fob access system at the Museum was raised. Mr Turner advised that he will speak to Council's IT Department and explore the costs involved with the implementation of such systems.

RECOMMENDED on the motion of Michael Rohan and Peter Taylor that the information be received.

6 OUTSTANDING ACTION REPORT

The report was noted.

7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Electric Gates

Jenna Thomas and John Nikolic requested that Denis Couch, and his work on the installation of an electronic gate at Griffith Pioneer Park Museum be recognised formally in the minutes.

8 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Griffith Pioneer Park Museum Committee is to be held on Monday, 20 May 2024 at 4:30pm.

There being no further business the meeting terminated at 5:40pm.