

**BALRANALD SHIRE COUNCIL EUSTON BEAUTIFICATION & TOURISM COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD AT THE EUSTON COURTHOUSE ON TUESDAY, 6TH
FEBRUARY, 2018, AT 9.00 A.M.**

Present: Ken Barnes (Chairman), Ian Sutton, Ian Bolt, Barry Watts, Andre Pretorius (DID), Bev Harbinson.

Apologies: Vicki Barnes, Enda Price.

Business Arising from last Minutes (5th December, 2017):

1. Anderson Park Barbeque:

Signs re: Cleaning of barbeque after use are in the process of being ordered.
(This item will be now removed from the Agenda.)

2. Avenue of Trees:

New trees have been ordered but there is a delivery issue; enough have been ordered so there are some spares. Trees cost approximately \$10-\$15 each, with a discount for a bulk order. Watering system appears to be working. There is still \$15,000 of Club money to be spent on the Avenue of Trees (the grant was for the 'Avenue of Trees'). How best to use this? Could the Cemetery road be planted with the same sort of trees? Could some be spent at Lake Benanee or Berrett Park?

Re: Berrett Park: There is still money left for that but Dale Milner still has work to do.

Andre is meeting with David Gee and the Club in two weeks; will check on Berrett Park. Has anyone knowledge of the "special" tree at Lake Benanee that was apparently fenced for protection?

3. 80 kph Signs:

This matter is with the Traffic Committee.

4. Euston Club and the Riverfront:

Ian Bolt advised that chairs, tables, barbeques, shade over tables, paving to boat ramp are all to go in; the \$50,000 must be spent this year.

5. Street Design:

Members are reminded about providing ideas suitable for Murray Terrace and Perry Streets so that a planner can come up with a design that we agree with. Bring ideas to the next meeting, please.

6. Lake Benanee:

Picnic table – has been ordered and should be at the Euston Depot. Agreed it should be placed under an existing shelter, which already has a concrete floor. A badge acknowledging it was bought with proceeds from the Honesty Box is to be attached.

Tree Suckers – need to be cleaned from the foreshore. It would be good to have a winch to pull them out. Who has control of the Lake – Parks or who? Andre will ask David Gee to have a look at the area and let us know who controls/maintains it.

7. Budget:

This will remain as an Agenda item.

8. Medley Park:

Cut-outs: Ken brought the cut-outs to the meeting; advised that they should be attached to the fence, removed and taken back for powder-coating. Ken's disappointed that the stockman and kangaroo are not life-sized, as they were supposed to be.

Members agreed that the cut-outs can have holes drilled by Dave and powder-coated (black), then be attached. Also agreed that we will have the stockman and kangaroo re-done in the size they should have been and keep the smaller ones.

Shade Sails: After discussion re: poles that Council has:

Moved: Barry Watts, Seconded: Ian Sutton:

That the Euston Beautification and Tourism Committee asks Balranald Shire Council that, if the poles on hand are suitable, can they be gifted to the Committee for use in Medley Park to hold shade sails. Carried.

Rubbish Bin: This matter has been attended to; there is a bin at the roadside.

9. Benanee/Korakee Storyboards:

To remain as an Agenda item.

10. Courthouse:

Bryon Neville has not yet been contacted re: submission of his final account. This will be attended to.

11. Berrett Park:

Dale Milner will start work on Berrett Park in the second week of February.

12. 'Euston' Town Entrance Signs:

Lights at the second sign are still working but the batteries, installed in 2010, may need replacing at both signs. Barry will take both batteries to Ashley to be checked. If they are okay, he will put them back and not worry about new ones at this stage.

13. Steve Leslie's Shed:

To remain as an Agenda item.

14. Euston War Memorial - Lights:

Barry bought in a sample bollard he has made to house the lights for the Cenotaph and explained how they will work. The solar guard was donated by Dougal Leslie. The wiring made of garden light cable (with no pipes), is already installed for three lights. One "sunset switch" will do all four lights. Barry explained that if one bollard also has holes to allow the light to shine from the back, it will light up the Lone Pine. All agreed that Barry can go ahead and make the other three bollards.

15. Euston Cemetery:

The draftsman will be at the Club shortly and will work on the Cemetery plan while he's here.

16. Euston Football Oval:

The Ground is looking good. It would be good if the entry gates could be upgraded. A committee has been formed to look after the Euston Football Ground, they would be the ones to do that and could apply for a Euston Club grant this year to help them.

17. Boat Ramp:

The Submission is to be followed up.

18. Budget:

Could we please have a statement from Council for our next meeting, showing our current balance, so we know how much we have to spend before year-end?

19. Water over Roads – Murray Terrace / Nixon Street:

The boys have cleaned out the drains and we need to wait for a rain to see if they still flood.
All manholes / sumps have been cleaned; there were no pollution traps found.
Eventually, upgrade works will have to be done.

New Business:

A. Pavement:

There is an untidy area of ground, opposite the Courthouse, where the children get off the School Bus. Would it be possible to have this high-traffic area be paved?

B. Tree in Medley Park:

Ian has been told that the big tree in Medley Park is rotten. Could this please be checked out? Andre advised that Council is having a Contractor look at trees in Balranald shortly and he could look at the Medley Park tree when he's here.

C. ANZAC Eve Commemorations, 2018

Discussion was held on the re-dedication of the Cenotaph, planned for Euston Memorial Park on ANZAC Eve (24th April), as part of the Robinvale-Euston Villers-Bretonneux Centenary commemorations. Questions asked by Mayor Byron (emailed to the Working Group secretary), will be answered by Bev.

an Bolt has arranged with Steve Leslie and Thommo to help him carry chairs to the Park on this day. Andre advised that a Traffic Management Plan has been lodged with Council but this could be for ANZAC Day, not ANZAC Eve. To be checked.

The Working Group Secretary will write to Sgt. Narelle Tucker, Balranald Police, to advise what's happening on ANZAC Eve.

Does the Working Group need to complete a Council Event Management Application?

(Please advise.)

Chairman Ken advised that it was an initiative of this Committee to relocate the Cenotaph to the new Park, following removal of the old Euston Memorial Hall.

Another 'wave' seat would be a good addition to Memorial Park. To be looked into.

D. Medley Park – Additional Art Work:

Quite some time ago, we talked about having small, 'solid', animal statues amongst the bushes in Medley Park.

Members are to bring ideas to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: of the Euston Beautification & Tourism Committee will be held at the Euston Courthouse on Tuesday, 6th March, 2018, commencing at 9.00 a.m.

Close: There was no further business and the Meeting was closed.