

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BALRANALD BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE HELD ON COMMENCING AT 7:15 PM 4th July 2018

PRESENT: Margie Van Zanten, Jill Bath, Mary Grisdale, Clint Jolliffe, Karen Norfolk, Steve O'Halloran, André Pretorius and Gavin Helgeland

APOLOGIES: Michael Kitzelmann (General Manager),

Business Arising:

1. 10 White Crepe Myrtles had died along the racetrack fence due to reticulation not working. Should be standard practice to replace perished trees – Works Manager to order plants and have plants installed with reticulation (by 2/5/2018).

Proposal is to have them replaced at Council's expense (urban trees budget). – FY18/19 tree budget.

2. Water filling stations. The DID suggested to install a watering station at the Lions Park and maybe at the school. EM presented examples as well as indicative costs of these filling stations. It was suggested that local businesses could place their business logos on the stations. Cost for the filling station and installation would come from the grant (\$10K), if other funds cannot be sourced.

2.1 Lions Park

1. Margie proposed a second BBQ be included with the upgrade of the Lions Park with water refilling station.
 2. Toilet facilities needs to be upgraded as well.
 3. To be considered under a scope of works for the Liquor & Gaming Grant.
 4. Engineering Manager to develop a briefing document and request quotations from landscape architects.
3. DID has engaged with the various Church denominations to form an agreement on maintenance of the cemetery grounds. There are three offensive trees that are encroaching on gravesites that will need to be removed soon. To be relayed to Works Manager to arrange an arborist to this work.

Cemetery Policy has been drafted. Provision has been made for Committee to work/improve cemetery gardens.

4. DID proposed that relevant NSW funding Grant opportunities be tabled for Committee consideration. DID also proposed an Project Register be included in the meeting minutes.

5. Market Street Revitalisation Project:

1. Committee endorses the idea raised by EM to commission a mural on the Eastern wall of the Theatre Royal building. EM to engage with Balranald Gallery to get feedback on a theme for the mural. Initial thoughts are an historic riverscape scene depicting a parked wool bale-laden bullock dray and driver against the Murrumbidgee River awaiting transfer of the load to a nearby barge. This is intended to speak to the Wooltrack heritage. Funding for this project will need to be sought once the scope and estimate has been established.

EM to compile and include as part of Stage 2 to of the Market Street Revitalisation Project. Karen indicated that she will assist the EM

6. Committee to consider location/scope for old council Traffic Control signs to be montaged/sculpted into public art. A suggestion was made to install it at the toilets at the footy oval or at the Scouts Hall.

Works Manager to do a stock-take of signs. An opportunity exists to approach other Councils and request in donation of signs.

7. Front fence at Cemetery: To be funded by Council or Grant opportunity
8. Jill asked for a thank you note to be placed on notice board at depot to thank Dave Unicomb, Matt Moore and Thomas Hines for their help in planting the trees in Cally Street and Mick Bax at the cemetery – **Karen to Action**
9. Committee would like to endorse that the name Lions Park be kept but a new sign is required. Steve suggested that Council pay for new sign (Like for Like). **DID to action**
10. Clint has been approached by Peter Blake to plant out the front corners of the Anglican section of cemetery with overflow of roses from lawn section. Very little expense will be involved in setting up as water is already there. Wood chips at back of lawn section can be used as mulch courtesy of Margie Vanzanten. Steve noted that draft plan for cemetery needs to be debated and reviewed by Council – **Completed**
11. When Market Street Revitalisation kicks off committee would like to take possession of the roses in Market Street and Senior Citizens to plant elsewhere. **Please refer to Attachment 1.**
12. Margie suggested a change in tip time Tuesday & Thursday from 3.30pm to 5.30 pm. **DID to follow up.**
13. Jill mentioned that there is no kerb access for people with walkers and wheelchairs etc to access the memorial walk along Court Street. **DID to review access requirements.**
14. Our achievements for year ended are:
 1. the planting of 13 Red Ficifolias Bank Street,
 2. 37 Chinese Elms Church Street,
 3. 11 Pink Ficifolias Cally Street, and
 4. Our beautiful Rose Garden at Lawn Cemetery [ongoing].**Gavin has proposed a Dinner to congratulate the Committee on our achievements**
15. Gavin informed us that he will be taking a step back from the committee as he has a new roll in Council. He will act as proxy to Andre and Michael when they are unavailable. Margie thanked Gavin on our behalf for a job well done.

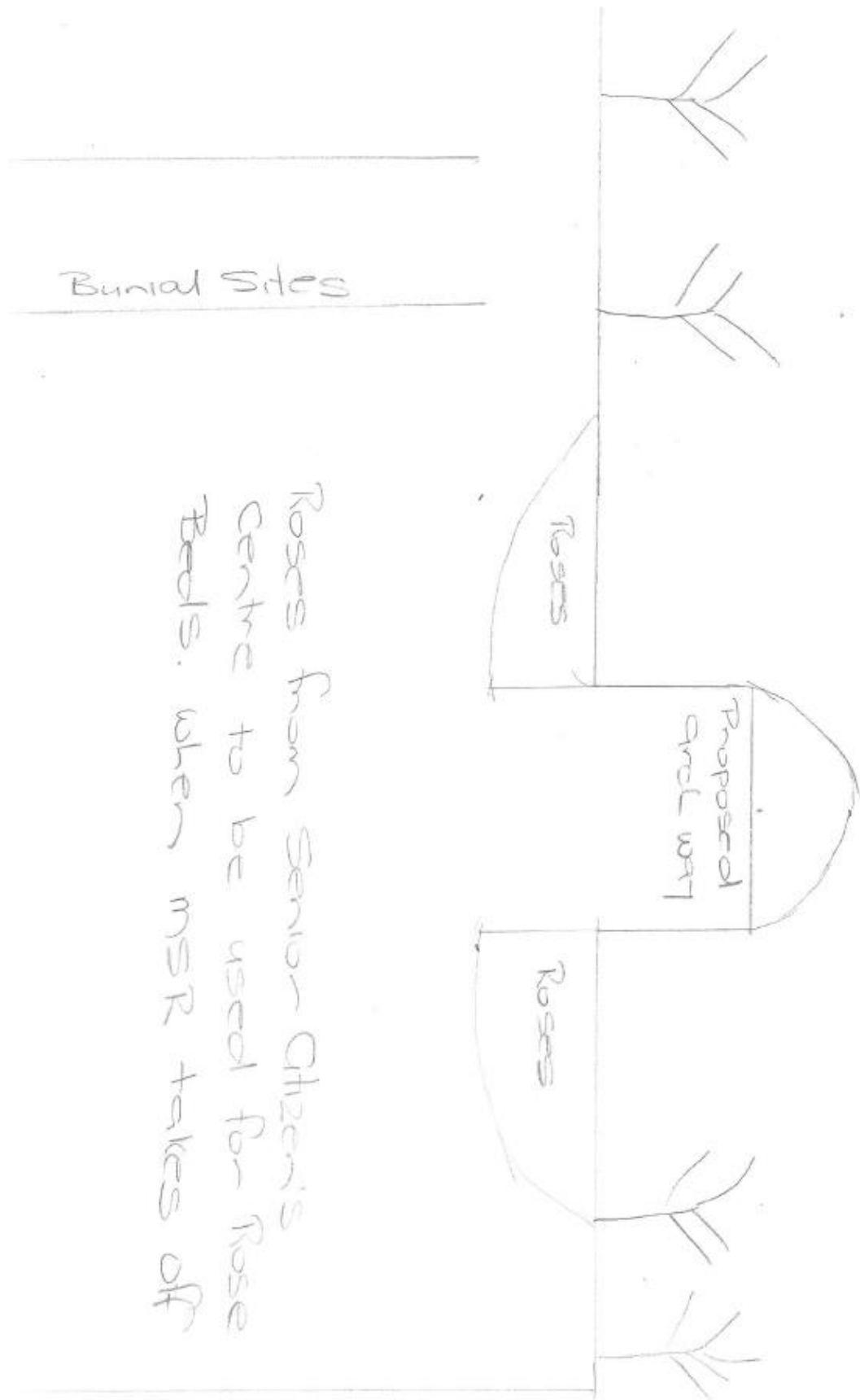
New Business

1. It was suggested to install some directional signs along the memorial walkway
2. It was proposed that the Committee take a bus trip and visit a neighbouring Shire. Committee to decide venue.
3. A request was made to place mulch at a central location at the cemetery. **DID to action with works manager.**
4. Margie and Steve thanked the Committee for working as a team.
5. Margie will be away for 5 weeks.

There being no further general business the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 1st August 2018.

Attachment 1



Roses from Senior Citizen's Centre to be used for Rose Beds. when MSR takes off