

**QUEANBEYAN BUSINESS COUNCIL  
DRAFT MINUTES  
DEVELOPMENT INDUSTRIAL SUB COMMITTEE MEETING  
QUEANBEYAN VISITOR INFORMATION CENTRE  
TUESDAY, 17 JUNE 2008 12.30 PM**

**Present:** Ian McNamee, Craig Harris, Andrew Cole, Simon Mitchell-Taverner

**Special Guest:** Cr. Sue Whelan,

**Apologies:** Paul Walshe, Lydia Teodorowych, Maurice McCormack, Michael Doherty, Loyd Perin, Ken Ineson, Peter Williams,

1. **Welcome from Chair** -. Ian McNamee welcomed attendees and especially Cr. Sue Whelan.
2. **Matters arising from Meeting 20 May –**

**Item 6 - Actew Pipeline Project** – Craig Harris is drafting letters to Minister Hon. Frank Sartor MP, Local Member Steve Whan MP and Mayor seeking guaranteed water for Queanbeyan as a requirement under any NSW Approval for this pipeline. **Resolved** that this letter be deferred until after Council approval of Googong subdivision expected on 2 July. **Further resolved** that Federal member Hon, Dr. Mike Kelly MP receive a copy.

**ACTION: CH**

3. **Roads Update** – Ian McNamee advised he had organised a meeting between himself and Council General Manager Gary Chapman and David Dawes of ACT Chief Minister's Department to discuss future negotiations between ACT Government senior public servants, Queanbeyan City Council and other stakeholders such as Defence and Canberra Airport regarding a regional road solution. **Resolved** that, with Ian's imminent leave plans, that president Bill Baker be asked to represent QBC at the future meeting with briefing from Craig Harris and Ken Ineson.

**ACTION: IMcN/ CH**

4. **Canberra Technology City Update** – QBC submission had been received by ACT Government. Downgrade and controversy were noted.
5. **Membership Renewals** – Simon Mitchell-Taverner advised that Membership renewals were sent out on Friday, 6 June reflecting the new rates.
6. **Canberra Times Supplement** – Ian McNamee has contacted Ernie Nicholls of Canberra Times concerned about lack of progress. Mr. Nicholls had told him advertising supported "currently less than 32

pages". QBC needed to keep pressure on to ensure a successful publication. Simon Mitchell-Taverner to contact Mr. Nicholls.

**ACTION: SMT**

Ian has arranged for a Canberra Times photographer to be at the VIC at 12.30 on 18 June (immediately prior to the Tourism Retail Committee Meeting). He asked that as many attend as were able.

Simon Mitchell-Taverner advised he has submitted copy and photographs for the VIC to Canberra Times and Bill Baker has submitted copy on behalf of QBC plus file photograph of the handover between Ian McNamee and Bill Baker. Simon also tabled copy of QBC's advertisement for approval.

**Resolved** Advertisement approved.

**ACTION: SMT**

**7. General Business –**

1. **VIC Reporting Criteria** – Simon Mitchell-Taverner outlined QCC staff recommendations to Council following submission of our six month report to 31 December 2007. Recommendation 3, which was apparently adopted by Council, requires a review of performance measures following a meeting between QCC officers and QBC. Suggested new performance criteria (a basis for discussion) were tabled and will be discussed by the Tourism Retail Committee on 18 June prior to being an Agenda item for the Executive meeting on 24 June.
2. **Googong Water transfer** - Canberra Times article today concerning Cr. Tim Overall's bid for Mayoral election stated that "negotiations over the Googong Dam are nearing completion and new arrangements are expected to be in place by early July".

The quote is attributed to a Spokeswoman for ACT Chief Minister Jon Stanhope as part of an article about Queanbeyan mayoral candidate Tim Overall. (page 3 – Enter the 'cooperation' candidate). **Resolved** that QBC write back to Federal Member Hon. Dr. Mike Kelly MP following his interim response received in May again seeking clarification.

**ACTION: SMT**

3. **Regional Sports Stadium** – Ian McNamee advised that previously proposed Regional sports facility was facing difficulties due to lack of available land. This facility could include a covered stadium, Little Athletics facilities and perhaps an Exhibition Centre. General discussion concerning quarantined land, which included most of the land previously suggested, including Hoover Road extension. Quarantining was required due to Government endangered species

bio-bank off-set requirements to compensate for future infrastructure development. Ian raised the possibility that the new Googong development may provide an opportunity for this facility.

4. **Business Card** – Craig Harris requested a supply of Business cards. Secretary to check if other Inner Executive members require cards.

**ACTION: SMT**

4. **Future Guests** – A Mayoral candidate to be invited to the next Committee Meeting.

**ACTION: SMT**

**Meeting closed 1.40 pm.**

**Next Committee meeting** – Tuesday, 22 July at 12.30 pm at VIC

**Next Executive Meeting** – Tuesday, 24 June at 12.30 pm at Australian Technical College, 88 Bayldon Road.