

# **QUEANBEYAN-PALERANG REGIONAL COUNCIL**

## **Council Meeting Attachment**

**23 OCTOBER 2019**

**ITEM 11.4 GREENWAYS S.355 COMMITTEE MEETINGS MINUTES**

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SEPTEMBER 2019**

## QPRC Greenways s.355 Committee

### General Meeting

*Tuesday 10 September 2019  
Bywong Community Hall  
Birriwa Road, Bywong*

## Minutes

Meeting opened at 20:00

### 1. Attendance

**Committee:** Pete Harrison (Secretary/Acting Chair) , Maria Taylor (Treasurer), Kathy Handel (Landcare), Bill Taylor

**Apologies:** Kerry Cox (GGPC), Peter Evans, Langdon Patrick

### 2. Minutes of Previous GM

#### a) Acceptance of the minutes from the GM of 11 June 2019

**Moved:** That the minutes be accepted

Moved/Seconded: KH/PH

Carried by all

#### b) Business arising from the minutes

**Action 5.1:** LP/BT to work Item 1 of the Greenways Works Program into an application for grant funding.

**Action – Ongoing**

**Action 5.2:** PH to establish any role the council grants officer might have in assisting with the application development process.

The Grants Officer can assist with the identification of relevant grants and provide advice on how to complete application and acquittal paperwork. The Grants Officer is not responsible for the completion of application or acquittal paperwork on behalf of an applicant.

**Action – Closed**

**Action 5.3:** PH to seek advice from council as to the status of phalaris in the context of any relevant vegetation management plan.

Control of phalaris is not included in any current vegetation management plan.

**Action – Closed**

Action 5.4: LP to consider including phalaris control measures in Strengthening Rural Communities Program grant application (cf. Action 5.1 above).

The main issue is that the phalaris, where it exists, competes with new plantings. Due to the dry weather, however, there have not been any new plantings. The dry weather has also meant that the phalaris, for the time being at least, is largely under control.

Action – **Closed**

### 3. Treasurer's Report

No expenditure since 11 June 2019 report. A nominal deposit was made in order to activate the account so that an EOFY statement could be issued.

Balance as of 11 June 2019:	\$2,009.91
Deposit	\$2.00
Balance as of 10 September 2019:	\$2,011.91

### 4. Greenways Information Signs

A number of options for signage were discussed noting the balance that may be needed between signs that, by their physical nature, are somewhat unobtrusive and integrated with the 'natural' state of the Greenways and those that clearly indicate a Greenways access point to the uninitiated.

**Action 4.1:** BT to collect relevant data on existing signs and the number of signs that will ultimately be required.

### 5. Works Update

It was noted that the committee has not been able to make the progress on activities in the Works Program that it would have liked. Part of the problem has been the recent dry weather, which makes it impractical to carry out new plantings. With the onset of the summer months, we will again encounter problems organising working bees when the local reptilian inhabitants (snakes) are more active.

Nonetheless, the removal of the failing timber bridge identified in the Works Program (Greenways Section 1, Item 2) is complete.

It was also noted that there is now a window of opportunity, before the fire season is declared locally, to undertake slashing on some Sections, notably the eastern end of Section 2 and Section 6.

**Action 5.1:** KH to schedule slashing with contractor.

6. Other Business

a) Biodiversity Corridors

In line with the Greenways objectives, it was noted that there is an opportunity to undertake a formal assessment of the condition of various parts of the Greenways through the Land for Wildlife initiative. The cost is minimal and can be covered with existing cash reserves.

**Action 6.1:** MT to contact Land for Wildlife to organise assessments.

7. Next Meeting

Tuesday, 10 December 2019

Meeting closed at 21:00