

Planning and Development Committee

Agenda

Date: Wednesday 18 May 2022

**Venue: Civic Centre (Council Meeting Room)
13 Mair Street, Benalla**

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Chair	Councillor Danny Claridge	
Councillors	Councillor Peter Davis	
	Councillor Don Firth	
	Councillor Bernie Hearn (Mayor)	
	Councillor Punarji Hewa Gunaratne	
	Councillor Justin King	
	Councillor Gail O'Brien	
In attendance	Dom Testoni	Chief Executive Officer
	Robert Barber	General Manager Corporate
	Adrian Gasperoni	Manager Assets and Infrastructure
	Greg Robertson	Manager Facilities and Information Technology
	Nilesh Singh	Manager Development
	Ashley Bishop	Asset Management Coordinator
	Joel Ingham	Planning Coordinator
	Wayne Rich	Compliance Coordinator
	Jessica Beaton	Governance Coordinator

The meeting commenced at 5.30pm.

Acknowledgment of Country

The chair recited the following acknowledgment of country.

We, the Benalla Rural City Council, acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we are meeting. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and to Elders from other communities who may be here today.

Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Don Firth and Councillor Gail O'Brien.

Cr Davis / Cr Hearn:

That the apologies be accepted, and a leave of absence granted.

Carried

Confirmation of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were circulated to Councillors and posted on the Council website www.benalla.vic.gov.au pending confirmation at the meeting.

Cr Gunarante / Cr King:

That the Minutes of the Planning and Development Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 20 April 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Carried

Disclosures of Conflict of Interest

No conflicts of interest were disclosed to the meeting.

Business**1. Public Question Time**

No questions were submitted to the meeting.

2. Planning Application No. P0035/21 –To Use And Develop The Land For A Second Dwelling – 888 Tatong Tolmie Road, Tatong

The report assessed a planning application (P0035/21) received for the use and development of land for a second dwelling at 888 Tatong Tolmie Road, Tatong.

Cr Davis / Cr Hearn:

That standing orders be suspended to allow for further discussion.

Carried

Cr Davis / Cr Hearn:

That standing orders resume.

Carried

Cr Davis / Cr King:

That Council having caused notice of Planning Application No. P0035/21 to be given under Section 52 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* and having considered all the matters required under Section 60 of the *Planning and Environment Act 1987* decides to refuse to grant a permit under the provisions of the Benalla Planning Scheme in respect of the land known and described as 888 Tatong Tolmie Road, Tatong, for the use and development of a dwelling in accordance with the endorsed plans, with the application dated 18 March 2021 on the following grounds:

Grounds of Refusal Nos. 3 – 6 Required by the Country Fire Authority

- 1. The proposal does not direct development away from highest areas of risk.**
- 2. The proposal does not mitigate the bushfire risk to an acceptable level.**
- 3. The proposal does not prioritise the protection of human life over development of the land.**
- 4. The proposal does not ensure development is only permitted where there is risk to life and property from bushfire which can be reduced to an acceptable level.**

Carried

3. Petition: Declare Churchill Reserve an Off Leash Area

The report discussed a petition requesting that the Council declare Churchill Reserve as an area where dogs may be exercised off leash.

Cr King / Cr Gunarante:

1. That the report be noted.
2. That a report be presented to the Planning and Development Committee meeting on 22 June 2022, following consultation with the Churchill Reserve Committee of Management and surrounding Churchill Reserve residents.

Carried

4. Draft *Benalla Rural City Council Asset Plan 2022-2032*

The report discussed the draft *Benalla Rural City Council Asset Plan 2022-2032*.

Cr Davis / Cr Gunaratne:

That the Planning and Development Committee, acting under its delegated authority of the Council, resolve:

1. That the draft *Benalla Rural City Council Asset Plan 2022-2032* be endorsed for public exhibition.
2. That the draft *Benalla Rural City Council Asset Plan 2022-2032* be considered for adoption at the Planning and Development Committee on Wednesday 22 June 2022.

Carried

5. Building And Planning Approvals – April 2022

The report detailed planning permit applications and building approvals for April 2022.

Cr Hearn / Cr Davis:

That the report be noted.

Carried

6. Development Department Activity Report For The Quarter Ended 31 March 2022

The report presented the activities of the Development department for the quarter ended 31 March 2022.

Cr King / Cr Hearn:

That the report be noted.

Carried

7. Assets And Infrastructure Department Activity Report For The Quarter Ended 31 March 2022

The report presented the activities of the Assets and Infrastructure department for the quarter ended 31 March 2022.

Cr King / Cr Davis:

That the report be noted.

Carried

8. Facilities and Information Technology Department Activity Report For The Quarter Ended 31 March 2022

The report presented the activities of the Facilities and Information Technology department for the quarter ended 31 March 2022.

Cr King / Cr Hearn:

That the report be noted.

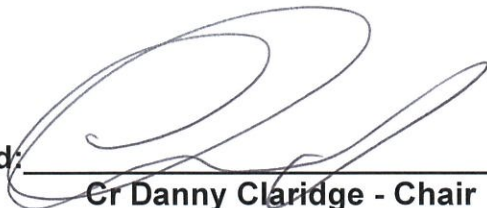
Carried

Closure of Meeting

The meeting closed at 6.41pm.

Confirmed this twenty second day of June 2022

Signed:



Cr Danny Claridge - Chair