

**MINUTES OF THE KATHERINE SPORTSGROUNDS AND SHOWGROUNDS ADVISORY
COMMITTEES JOINT MEETING HELD AT THE KATHERINE CIVIC CENTRE THURSDAY 10
DECEMBER 2015 AT 5.30PM**

1. WELCOME

Meeting opened at 5.30pm.

In Attendance:

Anna Kerwin	Katherine District Show Society / Australian Stock Horse Society
Suzanne Sinclair	Katherine District Show Society
Jai Hunt	Katherine Model Aero Club
Lee Hunt	Katherine Model Aero Club
Jason Hillier	Big Rivers BMX
Jill Kelly	Member of the Public - Katherine Tigers Rugby League
Rosemary Jennings	KTC Community Support Officer / Katherine Netball
Eamon Rice	AFL NT
Deputy Mayor Higgins	KTC Elected Member (SPG Chair)
David Moore	KTC Operations Manager
Cheriece Fry	KTC Works Administration Officer (Minute Taker)

2. APOLOGIES

2.1 SPG (Sportsgrounds):

Ralph Bobardt	Katherine Tennis Club Inc.
Nicole Simmonds	Katherine Athletics Club

2.2 SHG (Showgrounds):

Alderman Phillips	KTC Elected Member (SHG Chair)
David Flood	Blue Eagle Muay Thai
Vicki Williams	NT Appaloosa & Western Performance Club
Sam Tapp	Member of the Australian Campdraft Association

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES - 9 JUNE 2015

3.1a SPG - 9 June 2015:

Moved: Rosemary Jennings / Jason Hillier

That the minutes from the Katherine Sportsgrounds Advisory Committee meeting held on the 9 June 2015 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried: 8 / 0

3.1b SPG - 30 June 2015 - Special Meeting:

No representatives from this meeting were in attendance to confirm minutes.

3.1c SPG - 13 October 2015:

No representatives from this meeting were in attendance to confirm minutes.

3.2 SHG - 22 October 2015:

Moved: Jai Hunt / Anna Kerwin

That the minutes from the Katherine Showgrounds Advisory Committee meeting held on the 22 October 2015 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried: 8 / 0

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1a SPG - Katherine Football Club Storage:

Completed - Council representative confirmed that the Katherine Football Club has secure adequate storage at the Don Dale Centre.

4.1b SPG - Funding Application x 2 - Adventure Play Park and Skate Park:

Ongoing - letters of support forwarded to relevant groups - applications submitted - awaiting outcome.

4.1c SPG - Southbound Traffic Signage:

Ongoing - still awaiting approval from relevant NTG Departments.

4.1d SPG - Katherine Athletics Club:

Completed - damage occurring to PA system from possums has been rectified (rodent control measures undertaken), also included an alarm being installed in Room H.

4.2a SHG - Funding Application x 2 - Electrical Upgrades and Automatic Gates:

Ongoing - letters of support forwarded to relevant groups - applications submitted - awaiting outcome.

4.2b SHG - Speedway Fence:

Ongoing - contact to be made with relevant representative in the New Year.

4.2c SHG - 240l Wheelie Bins:

Ongoing - item will be revisited in the New Year pending caretaker arrangements.

4.2d SHG - Aero Club Internal Signage:

Ongoing - item will be revisited once outcome of automatic gate funding application received.

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

5.1 SPG - Come & Try Sports Day:

Council's Community Support Officer, Rosemary Jennings, spoke to the group about the up and coming annual Come & Try Sports Day.

It is proposed that the event will take place on Saturday 20 February 2016, 9am to 12 noon at the Sportsgrounds or YMCA complex.

Members were asked to register their interest by the 15 January and indicate whether the proposed day suits; rosemary.jennings@ktc.nt.gov.au

5.2a SHG - Caretaker:

Caretaker resigned as of 1st December 2015 - as a result new security measures will be put in place and reviewed monthly, these are as follows:

1. Main Entry (vehicle) - to remain locked - No Entry - lock already changed
2. Main Entry (pedestrian) - to remain unlocked for access to dog exercise area
3. Rodeo Entry (vehicle) - to remain locked - No Entry - lock to be changed
4. Ticket Box Entry (vehicle) - to remain locked - No Entry - lock to be changed
5. Rear Entry (vehicle) - combo lock - access on request - code to be changed bimonthly
6. Rear Entry (vehicle) - bi-lock - access to current hirers via key - lock to be installed

5.2b SHG - Gate Access:

Council representative advised that an email had been received from Blue Eagle Muay Thai requesting access to the main gate to allow their members to park close to the venue during the wet season.

Request denied - all present agreed that the current arrangements were to stay in place.

5.2c SHG - Turf Club Building and Development:

Council representative advised that the Turf Club marque was damaged in a recent storm event.

As the marque is beyond economical repair the Turf Club have decided to submit an application to build a multi-purpose building - toilets, bar, cool room etc.

5.2d SHG - Possible Name Change:

Consultant Sharyn Innes has requested Council and members of the Showgrounds Advisory Committee take into consideration a possible name change of the facility to allow for easier access to grant monies.

5.3 Flag Trax:

Council representative advised all present that Council have installed 14 flag trax systems along Katherine Terrace; the new systems allow for flags to be changed at ground level.

Members asked if groups will be permitted to use the new equipment to promote community events i.e. Katherine Show / Festival of the Dry etc.

Council will look into implementing a booking system similar to the one currently used for banners; flag designs will need to be pre-approved by Council before purchase.

Council hopes to install more of these systems in the future.

5.4 Commercial Master Planning Consultant:

As a result of the NTG Sport and Active Recreation Master Plan Focus Group meeting held in October Council requested a quote from Otium Planning (consultants) for a combined Master Plan of the Sportsgrounds and Showgrounds.

Quote came back at \$50,000 excl. GST and travel expenses.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Big Rivers BMX:

Big Rivers BMX representative advised that work continues.

6.2 Katherine District Show Society:

KDSS representative advised there will be a meeting this Saturday at the proposed Rodeo/Campdraft site.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

7.1 SPG:

Tuesday 16 February 2016 at 5.30pm

7.2 SHG:

Thursday 11 February 2016 at 5.30pm

8. MEETING CLOSED

Alderman Higgins thanked everyone for their participation throughout the year and hoped all present have a Merry Christmas.

Meeting closed at 6.21pm.

TO BE CONFIRMED