

**MINUTES OF THE B WARD COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
40 CHERRY STREET, BALLINA,
ON 16/03/26 AT 4:30 PM**

1. Acknowledgment of Country

In opening the meeting, the Chair, Councillor Kiri Dicker provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

2. Attendance and Apologies (including updates/changes in membership)

Members

Cr Kiri Dicker (Chair)
Cr Sharon Cadwallader (Mayor)
Cr Eva Ramsey
Cr Michelle Bailey

Darel Vidler - Lennox Head Combined Sports Association
Narissa Phelps - Lennox Head Residents' Association
Steve Nichols – NSW Sport & Recreation
Graham Bond – Lennox Community Gardens Incorporated
Sarah King – Ballina Environment Society
Sharon Clark – Marine Rescue Ballina

Council Staff

Matthew Wood - Director Development and Environmental Health Division
Nikki Cheney - Executive Support Officer

Observers

Geoff Wegg - Lennox Head Residents' Association

Apologies

Lennox Head Landcare
Colin Riches – Tuckombil Landcare
Alexander Sharkey – Business Lennox Head
Jim Gilchrist – Lennox Head Chess Club Incorporated
Neil Kennedy – Lennox Head-Alstonville Surf Life Saving Club

3. Declarations of Interest

Nil.

4. Presentations

Nil.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

Minutes of the B Ward Committee Meeting held on Monday 17 November 2025 were confirmed.

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6. Business Arising from Minutes

6.1 Business Arising from Minutes of 17 November 2025 - Lennox Head Residents' Association - Shared Zone Sign Northern End of Rayner Lane

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

Lennox Head Residents' Association further discussed whether it was possible to add additional signage to the right hand turn in Rayner Lane adjacent to Ross Park, further to the existing shared zone signs at each end of the Lane.

Action: To be referred to Engineering Works section to review request for additional shared zone signage.

7. General Business

7.1 Raising Items Prior to Meetings and Reporting Safety Matters

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

4.36pm Mayor Sharon Cadwallader joined the meeting.

8. Business With Notice

8.1 Business With Notice - Increase in Plane Traffic over Lennox Head

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

8.2 Business With Notice - Camping on Pacific Parade and Park Lane

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

8.3 Business With Notice - Pacific Parade Amenities and Waste Collection - Holiday Period

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

Post meeting note: Public place waste bin collection services are consistently monitored and increased during peak visitation periods. We are aware of some capacity issues that occurred over the summer peak period last Christmas/New Year period, and will continue to monitor and amend our servicing schedule to ensure an appropriate service level is implemented to minimise overflowing public bins.

The committee discussed the possibility of Reflections Lennox Head becoming members of B Ward Committee.

Action: Council to write to Reflections Holidays Lennox Head to invite them to participate in B Ward Committee.

Post meeting note: Letter prepared and issued to Reflections Holidays Lennox Head inviting an application to join B Ward Committee.

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8.4 Business With Notice - Off-Leash Dogs along Pacific Parade

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

8.5 Business With Notice - Concrete Cleaning at Lennox Head Cultural Centre

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

9. Business Without Notice

9.1 Additional Lighting Request – Megan Crescent Sportsground, Lennox Head

Lennox Head Combined Sports Association queried whether additional lighting could be installed to the Megan Crescent Sportsground. Matthew Wood advised a submission to Council would be required for consideration in relation to the Delivery Program and Operational Plan (DPOP) and Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP).

9.2 Retaining Wall at Megan Crescent in Disrepair

Lennox Head Combined Sports Association raised concerns with the structural integrity of the timber retaining wall adjacent to the NPWS Aboriginal Cultural site at Megan Crescent Sportsground.

Action: Refer to Open Spaces team to ascertain whether location of retaining wall is on Council land or Crown Land and arrange remediation as required.

Post Meeting Note: Although the wall appears to be the responsibility of the NPWS, Council has engaged with Aboriginal stakeholders to develop a remediation plan involving battering of the area. Consideration being given to funding.

9.3 New Rescue Vessel Update - Ballina Marine Rescue

Sharon Clark from Marine Rescue Ballina provided an update on the new replacement rescue vessel that is now in operation. She expressed thanks to Council for the assistance provided.

9.4 Gratitude – Glass Window Replacement Marine Rescue Ballina

Sharon Clark from Marine Rescue Ballina thanked Council for the window replacement scheduled at the Marine Rescue tower.

9.5 Program Update – Reduce Single Use Ballina

Ballina Environment Society requested an update on the progress of the programmed phase out of single use plastics in Ballina Shire. Matthew Wood advised progress is occurring within the organisation in relation to this initiative.

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9.6 Ballina War Memorial Pool Facility Improvement – Dishwasher

Ballina Environment Society raised that the Ballina War Memorial Pool managers have identified the need for a dishwasher at the facility. It was suggested this matter be forwarded to Council's grants team to provide information on applicable grant funding opportunities available.

Action: Refer to Council's Manager Facilities and Services to review provision of a dishwasher at the Ballina War Memorial Pool.

9.7 Connecting Lake Ainsworth and Pacific Parade

Discussion occurred around the connection of Lake Ainsworth and the Lennox Head Village centre via a new pathway. Matthew Wood advised there have been preliminary considerations regarding a shared pathway and that to progress this a detailed concept design would be required in consultation with Reflections Holidays Lennox Head and other stakeholders.

10. Council Documents on Exhibition

10.1 Council Documents on Exhibition

The list of Council documents available for public comment was noted.

11. Next Meeting/Future meeting Dates

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday 18 May 2026 at 4:30pm.

Monday 20 July 2026 at 4.30pm

Monday 21 September 2026 at 4.30pm

Monday 16 November 2026 at 4.30pm

MEETING CLOSURE

Meeting closed 4.48pm.