

HMAS Sydney II Memorial Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	HMAS Sydney II Memorial Advisory Committee	Meeting No.	3/2021
Meeting Date	Tuesday, 14 September 2021	Meeting Time:	4.00pm
Venue	City of Greater Geraldton Civic Centre, The Greenough Room		
Committee Members:	Cr Natasha Colliver Councillor Chair Don Rolston Warden Spike Jones Deputy Warden Trevor Beaver Rotary Trevor Ralph Geraldton Volunteer Tour Guides April Herbert RSL Robert Mosel Rotary (Proxy) Ross Davies RSL (Proxy) Chris Lee Director Infrastructure Services Maya Engstrom (Minutes) City of Greater Geraldton Support Staff		
Apologies:	David Emery CGG Sally Elphick Councillor Bob Hall Councillor Simon Keemink Councillor Ian Holthouse Naval Association		
By Invitation			

1. WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Meeting opened at 15:59 Cr Colliver welcomed all present and noted apologies as above. The Minute secretary confirmed a quorum was present.

Councillor Colliver reminded committee members that there is a code of conduct and terms of reference, that all members must abide by pursuant to the **Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021**.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the HMAS Sydney II Memorial Advisory Committee meeting held on 8 June 2021 be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings SUBJECT to the following amendments being made:

- Ian Holthouse is the Naval Association member not Proxy;
- Trevor Beaver to be added as attendee of that meeting;
- Under General Business in the last point the word RSL needs to be replaced by Rotary.

**MOVED T Beaver SECONDED D Rolston
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY CONSENSUS**

3. REVIEW AND UPDATE OF ACTION REGISTER

HMAS – 037 – Ongoing

HMAS – 062 - Completed

4. 2021 MEMORIAL SERVICE – Don Rolston

- Update was given in that with regards to latest hard border restrictions which will impact interstate visitors an online presentation by the Chief of Navy will be prerecorded and streamed;
- Contact has been made with the HSK Kormoran’s surviving surgeon’s son in the hope that he can record a presentation for the service.

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

IN:

- 5.1 *Warren S Nathan* - Historical Accuracy of HMAS Sydney II Memorial Plaques
- 5.2 *David l’Anson* - Corvette Plaque - Plaque City of Geraldton Greenough
- 5.3 *Mike Noonan, Chief of Navy response to Don Rolston* – Fly the Australian White Ensign at the HMAS Sydney II Memorial in Geraldton
- 5.4. *Commander Pilbeam (Navy) to Don Rolston*: Australian White Ensigns:
- 5.5 *Captain Scull-O’Shea (Navy) to Don Rolston.* - Approval to purchase and Fly the Australian White Ensign.

April to check whether she has received Navy emails.

OUT:

Acknowledgement Email from Chair to members on correspondence re HMAS-037

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

- The Chair would like to formally thank the City’s Events team for their effort in organising the 2021 Memorial Service
- April Herbert (RSL) advised that some funding from the City has been provided to the RSL to host a function after the 2021 Memorial Service
- Trevor Beaver tabled a letter from Mr Ian Heberle re Minutes from previous HMAS committee meeting dated 14 March 2017 with reference to the ‘Corvettes’ plaque.

7. NEXT MEETING - TBA

8. CLOSE OF MEETING:

Meeting closed at: 16:40

HMAS Sydney II Memorial Advisory Committee - Action Register

Log #	Meeting Date	Agenda Item #	Action	Resp. Party	Status
HMAS-037	14-Mar-17	6. General Business	<p>14/09/2021 08/06/2021 All correspondence to be collated in relation to the Corvettes Plaque and Spike Jones to address to the Naval Association for directive. As per the Committee meeting direction from the Chair.</p> <p>6/10/2020 - Committee would like to honour the group 'Corvettes' request to develop and install a plaque at the HMAS Sydney II Memorial Site, this plaque would be placed next to existing plaque. SB to liaise with group.</p> <p>16/05/2019 - RSL was requested to follow up the status of this item and provide an update to the Chair at the next meeting.</p> <p>09/09/2019 - S. Butler is no longer President of the RSL. RSL representative to investigate and locate initial correspondence received from the Corvettes. Warden, Don Rolston advised copy of advice received from Corvettes will be required to progress this Action.</p>	RSL	Ongoing
HMAS-062	10-Feb-20	7.3 2021 Memorial Services	2021 Memorial Service to be discussed at Council Concept Forum. Added to November Concept Forum Agenda.	Chair	Complete

