

Colyton Community Committee Meeting Minutes

16th July 6.30pm at the Colyton Hall

Meeting Start 6.33pm

Present Cam Dyer, Lara Blackmore, Matt Martin, Neil Steven, Shelley Dyer, Laurie Bradbury, Kaye Bradbury, Colin Worthington, Stu Bradbury, Cr Colin Dyer (MDC), Steve Barr (Colyton Bunnythorpe Lions)

Apologies

Michael Ford

Previous minutes and matters arising

- Nil

Guest Speaker

Steve Barr (Former President of Colyton Lions) – regarding the possibility of Lions holding any funds that might be raised for the projects we have. Not something that Lions could do without changing the Trust Deed, given the charitable status they hold. There is an option to become a branch of the Lions Colyton Bunnythorpe Lions Club Branch to hold the funds in a separate account with different signatories.

Action: Cr Colin Dyer will check in with Council about how the approach might be considered.

Correspondence

- Incoming:
 - MDC - Confirmation of the application for both the Project Fund and Contestable Fund.

Financials

- \$20,000 for specific beautification plans.
- Entire balance of 2025/26 has been committed.
- Awaiting confirmation of future funding.

Projects

Beautification plan and signage

- Reviewed the possible signage, choose two for public engagement via a Facebook post. The most popular design will be the one that is used.
- Spraying to kill off the grass has started.

Walkway/cycleway

- Finished down to the Good Berry Farm.
- Stockpiled metal to be crushed for the next phase.
- Some members of the community have committed \$15,000 to the project.

Tidying up the mural

- Lara and Cam met with Joe McMenamin and got quotes for both sides of the Hall. Have applied for funding in the Contestable Fund to do one side with the other side to follow.

Sign

- Gave Cam feedback on the latest designs
- Will do a poll on the Facebook page when we have some to share

More projects to consider

- Committee felt that focusing on the beautification and walkway was sufficient for now. Both are big projects.

Sharing Shelf

- Needs a clean-up.

Council Updates

- From Cr Colin Dyer
 - Amalgamation update as signalled by Central Government. Discussed timeframe.
 - Feilding Town Centre Refresh and public engagement (closes Friday 14th August) on the following:
 - to cover market square
 - trial a one-way system for some streets in town
 - changing some of the look and feel of some features in town

General Business

- Funding expo run by PNCC, Thursday 23rd July, Palmy Conference Centre, Session 1 – What funders look for is a funding application 11:30am – 1pm. Session 2 – Using AI for funding applications and reporting 2pm – 3.30pm
- Stacey McLaughlin has started at Council in role of Community and Youth Coordinator.

Next Schedule Meeting

Committee meeting – 6.30pm Thursday 17th September 2026, venue to be confirmed

Meeting closed 7.45pm