

Minutes of Meeting

Arts and Creative Industries Advisory Committee Meeting

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 29 February 2024
Time	4.30pm



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Minutes of the Arts and Creative Industries Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 29 February 2024

File No: I2024/274

Councillors:	Cr Sarah Ndiaye	Present
	Cr Peter Westheimer	Present
	Cr Sama Balson	Audio-Visual
Community Representatives:	Lou Hodgson	Present
	Samantha Moss	Present
	Jack Dods	Audio-Visual
	Denise Napier	Present
	Gwenyth Broug	Audio-Visual
	Laurel Cohn	Present
	Rob Appo	Apology
Invited Members:	Jane Fuller (Arts Northern Rivers)	Audio-Visual
Staff:	Esmeralda Davis (Director Corporate & Community Services)	
	Melitta Firth (Arts & Culture Officer)	
	Emily Fajerman (Community & Cultural Development Coordinator)	
	Chris Larkin (Manager Sustainable Development)	
	Jim Roberts (A/Manager Open Space & Facilities)	
	Claire McGarry (Place Manager – Byron Bay)	
	Sharyn French (Manager Environmental and Economic Planning)	
	Storm Townsend (Minute Taker)	
Non-member Attendees:	Jason Dunn (JD Property Group – Item 4.1)	
	Alex Thom (Item 4.1)	
	Vanessa Wood (Byron Bay Rotary – Item 4.3 Audio Visual)	

Cr Ndiaye (Chair) opened the meeting at 4:36pm and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

ATTENDANCE VIA AUDIO-VISUAL LINK:

Cr Sama Balson, Jack Dods, Gwenyth Broug, Jane Fuller and Vanessa Wood attended by audio-visual link.

APOLOGIES:

An apology was received from Rob Appo.

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DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

Samantha Moss declared a pecuniary in Report 4.2. The nature of the interest being that she is the Director of Brunswick Nature Sculpture Walk, a Not for Profit associated community collective. Samantha Moss elected to leave the Meeting and not participate in discussion and the vote.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

**Report No. 3.1 Adoption of Minutes of the Arts and Creative Industries
Advisory Committee Meetings held 19 October 2023**
File No: I2024/68

Committee Recommendation:

**That the minutes of the Arts and Creative Industries Advisory Committee Meeting
held on 19 October 2023 be confirmed.** (Napier/Westheimer)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no business arising from previous minutes.

Lou Hodgson joined the Meeting at 4.45pm.

STAFF REPORTS - CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

**Report No. 4.1 DCP Public Art Plan Referral, 119 - 123 Jonson Street DA
2023.235.1**
File No: I2024/58

Committee Recommendation:

That the Arts and Creative Industries Advisory Committee:

- 1. Supports the proposed public art proposal for the development at 119-123 Jonson Street, Byron Bay DA 2023.235.1; and**
- 2. Provides feedback to Council's Assessment Officer that:**
 - a. There were a variety of opinions expressed by the Committee.**
 - b. There was a high level of support for the materials, location and scale.**
 - c. There was an appreciation for the landscaping and seating.**
 - d. There was a general desire for a more contemporary or courageous piece.**

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e. **There was some feedback around the potential objectification and controversy around the subject.**

f. **Recommend they explore the potential for increased curtilage.**

(Dods/Napier)

Jason Dunn and Alex Thom left the Meeting at 5.57pm and did not return.

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Gwenyth Broug and Lou Hodgson voted against Point 1.

All Members voted in favour of Point 2.

Chris Larkin left the Meeting at 6:12pm and did not return.

Samantha Moss left the Meeting in accordance with her pecuniary interest at 6.15pm.

Report No. 4.2 Updated Proposal: Brunswick Nature Sculpture Walk Triennial Event and Award 2024

File No: I2024/204

Committee Recommendation:

That Council supports a financial contribution for the Brunswick Nature Sculpture Walk Triennial Event and Award 2024 for:

1. \$10,000: Council-sponsored Award;

2. \$5,000: contribution to rental fees for 10-day installation of Hiromi Tango's artwork; and

3. \$5,000: for community workshops.

(Ndiaye/Fuller)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Samantha Moss returned to the Meeting at 6:29pm.

Vanessa Wood joined the Meeting 6:30pm.

Report No. 4.3 Byron Clock Tower - Public Art Proposal

File No: I2024/132

Committee Recommendation:

That the Committee does not support the proposal for public art on the Byron Bay clock tower and makes a recommendation to staff to review its maintenance plan.

(Westheimer/Cohn)

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Vanessa Wood left the Meeting at 6:41pm.

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Report No. 6.1 **Climate Conversations Outcomes Summary**
File No: I2024/195

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 6:45pm.