

## MINUTES

Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee of Public Works held in Room A17, Parliament House on Friday, 7th July 1989 at 8.30 a.m.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mr. A.C. McPhie (Chairman), Mr. H. Palaszczuk (Deputy Chairman), Messrs L.A. Ardill, D.E. Beanland, C.J. Berghofer, T.S. Hynd and D.J. Slack MM.L.A.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the previous meeting, having been previously distributed, were taken as read. On the motion of Mr. Slack, seconded by Mr. Beanland the minutes were adopted as a true and accurate record of the previous meeting.

- BUSINESS ARISING:**
1. The Chairman reported that the Parliamentary Service Commission had agreed to the provision of Room 5.04A, and the Committee Room adjoining, for the use of the Parliamentary Committee of Public Works. However, the Chairman had approached the new Speaker in respect of Room 5.04 which the Speaker agreed to consider.
  2. The proposed visit to Adelaide was discussed and it was agreed the Committee visit Adelaide from 31 July to 2 August. The Secretary to write to the South Australian Secretary to advise of the proposed itinerary.
  3. The Secretary advised that the Secretary of the Public Accounts Committee had assisted in the correct procedure in regard to press releases.
  4. The Chairman advised that he had tabled the first Annual Report of the Committee in Parliament on 6 July, which was ordered to be printed.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Outward

1. To the Commissioner for Water Resources, the Commissioner for Transport, the Secretary, Brisbane and Area Water Board, Registrar, Queensland University,

Department of Transport and Communications, the Director-General, Premier's Department, Town Clerk, Brisbane and Area Water Board and the Secretary to Cabinet acknowledging provision of reports, files, information etc.

2. To The Clerk of the Parliament expressing dissatisfaction with the lack of provision of permanent accommodation.
3. To the Acting Solicitor-General seeking a legal opinion in relation to S.18 of the Public Works Committee Act 1989.

Inward

1. From the Secretary of the South Australian Public Works Standing Committee re our Committees proposed visit to Adelaide.
2. From Mr. Ardill regarding a request from Mr. Casey for the Committee to investigate the Mackay Railway Deviation.
3. From The Clerk of the Parliament regarding permanent staff and accommodation for the Committee.
4. From The Clerk of the Parliament regarding the appointment of expert staff.

On the motion of Mr. Beanland, seconded by Mr. Slack the inward correspondence was received and the outward correspondence confirmed. Carried

KINGARROY AIRPORT:

The Chairman tabled a summary of the South Burnett Regional Airport Study Report in relation to the need to upgrade the airport.

A discussion proceeded dealing with claims in the media that the airport was not used to the extent that upgrading was required and in relation to the priority given to other similar undertakings in Queensland.

1. Resolved that a map of Queensland be

obtained marking other airports comparable in size to Kingaroy or larger.

2. Resolved that the contents of the Kingaroy Shire Council submission for Federal funding be ascertained.
3. Resolved to write to the Director-General, Premier's Department to ascertain what Queensland Government funding has been provided for airport construction in other areas of the State.

GOLD COAST  
MONORAIL:

Agreed that further discussion on this project be held over until the Acting Solicitor-General provides his opinion in relation to the Committee's powers in relation to whether, in fact the \$2,000,00 can be in "cash" or "kind".

WACOL PRISON:

The Chairman referred to the decision to alter the siting of the proposed new womens' prison at Wacol.

That in view of the Government's decision to relocate the proposed new prison development at Wacol, the Committee agrees that no further action be taken in this matter as referred. Moved by Mr. Hynd, seconded by Mr. Beanland. Carried

Letter to be sent to Mr. Bartley detailing the Committee's decision.

WOLFFDENE DAM:

The Chairman reported that he and the Deputy Chairman had visited the area on Sunday, 2 July and had discussions with Mr. David Milligan and others associated with the Albert Valley Progress Association Inc. (Citizens Against the Wolffdene Dam).

Resolved that a private hearing be held on Monday, 24 July to question a representative from the Brisbane and Area Water Board, the Water Resources Commission, the Brisbane City Council and Dr. Trevor Grigg from the Management Department of the Queensland University and Mr. G. Cossins in relation to the need for a new dam in the south-east

region. Also, to employ a consultant for the hearing to assist the Committee in assessing and evaluating answers.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. A brief discussion took place in relation to the request to investigate the Mackay Railway Deviation.

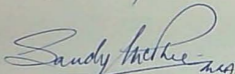
Resolved that the Minister for Transport be requested to provide brief details, including maps and costing estimates, for the proposed realignment of the railway line at Mackay.

2. The Committee agreed that referrals to the Committee other than by Order in Council or Resolution of Parliament, be deemed to be private referrals.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, 24 July 1989.

CONFIRMED this *24th* day of *July* 1989.

  
CHAIRMAN