

Queen Mary Botanic Garden Advisory Committee,

Minutes of meeting held 3rd June 2026

Present: Dorothy Patton, Ros Small, Lyn Box, Dot Baldwin, Janelle Patching, Dee Freeman, Tina Baker (N.G.Shire), Nola Lloyd, Jo Hamilton, Brenda Proctor

Apologies Annette Driscoll, Karen Probst, Marg McCahon. Moved B.Proctor, Sec L.Box that the apologies be received.

Minutes from previous meeting – 01/04-2026

Moved Lyn Box sec. Dot Baldwin that the minutes of the meeting of 1st April 2026 are true and correct.

Matters arising from previous meeting

Children's Play Area – Plants have been put in around the pipe.

Silver Elm to be planted to provide shade (Jason will source it).

Janelle to contact council regarding logs.

Deirdre to cost Moduplay equipment.

A seat surrounding the elm could be supplied by council, but not until the tree is established.

Correspondence - nil

General Business

Art Installation – Tina Baker addressed the meeting regarding the proposed Art installation in the gardens.

Structure will be curved, 1.8m high on a concrete footing. Curved Stem to be apparent from Napier St.

The Friends of the Gardens will be involved in the planting out in the buddleia garden852, mostly low-growing plants such as salvias.

Concrete footing will need to be poured before structure can be put up.

Unveiling to take place about a month after the structure is put up. Media coverage will be done by the Council when it is installed.

Invitations to Mayor, Councillors, Garden Team, Friends members, CEO, Artist, Raillery Hub, and Gen.Public following publicity in the paper.

Next Meeting – 5th August 2026

Meeting closed 6.25pm