



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COMMUNITY FORUM
TUESDAY 15 AUGUST 2023

The Community Forum commenced at 6.31pm and was held in the Council Chambers and remotely via audio visual link.

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OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson, Cr Rogers opened the Community Forum at 6.31 pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer, Directors and other staff to the Community Forum participants.

The Chairperson stated that the electronic recording of the Community Forum and the use of electronic media during the proceedings is not permitted including devices such as laptops, mobile phones, tape recorders and video cameras. The Chairperson requested that participants switch off their mobile phones.

WEBCAST NOTICE

Members of the public are advised that this meeting is Webcast live for public viewing on Council's website. Audio and video footage taken is of the elected body, senior staff, presenters and registered speakers only; your image and voice will not be recorded if you remain quietly within the public gallery. Submissions from registered speakers that do not want to be part of the Webcast will be read out by a Council representative.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chairperson acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of the Land:

I would like to pay my respect and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which this meeting takes place, and also pay respect to Elders both past and present.

PRESENT

Councillors: Gould (Mayor), Gibbs, Rogers, Deeth and Spearpoint.

Staff: Chief Executive Officer, Director Shire Connections, Director Shire Futures, Director Shire Services, Chief Financial Officer, Manager Governance, Integrity and Ethics and two Governance Officers.

APOLOGIES

Councillors: Brandstater, Banasik, Briggs and Hannan.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTERS

1. Community Safety

CM 1350

Representatives from Campbelltown and Camden Police Area Commands (PAC's) attended the forum and presented on crime data for the past quarter.

An apology from Nepean PAC was noted.

Participants were encouraged to continue to report crime. Questions were asked and answered on the night. The chairperson thanked the officers for their attendance.

COMMUNITY QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

There were no Community Questions received.

INFORMAL QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

In line with Council's Community Forum Guidelines matters must be submitted on the *Community Forum Question/Statement Form* in order to be addressed. The Record of Proceedings will only record the name of the person who raised the Question/Statement, who they represent and the topic discussed. Any additional documents handed in on the night will be noted. No verbal comments from the speaker will be documented.

A copy of all questions submitted by the cut off time is given to Councillors to consider regardless of whether they are addressed during the proceedings.

The Chairperson stated that this section of the Forum is for general issues which are not on the Council's current Ordinary Meeting Agenda.

All questions must be submitted in writing prior to 12pm on the day before the Forum. There will be a maximum of 2 speakers for and against a matter with each speaker limited to 5 minutes

CM 1252

- Ques 1 Sharon Robertson representing herself
Solar Panels
Ms Robertson addressed the Forum.
The Director Shire Futures responded on the night.

CM 13185

- Ques 2 Benn Banasik representing himself
Thirlmere hall
Mr Banasik addressed the Forum.

CM 723

- Ques 3 Noel Finianos representing Warragamba Wombats JRLFC
Warragamba Sportsground not up to standard
Mr Finianos addressed the Forum.
The Director Shire Services responded on the night.

CM 9725

Ques 4 Rowland Ware representing National Parks Association

Bargo – Nepean National Park Proposal

Mr Ware addressed the Forum.

The Chief Executive Officer responded on the night.

CONCLUSION AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

The Chairperson thanked those present for attending, for the feedback provided and interest shown in the matters discussed.

About 15 people present.

The Forum closed at 7.19pm.

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COMMUNITY FORUM DATES

Community Forums will generally be held on the third Tuesday of each month and will commence at 6.30pm either in the Council Chambers, Wollondilly Shire Hall 44-62 Menangle Street, Picton or at another specified location across the shire

Dates for the Community Forums for 2023 are as follows:

- Tuesday 20 September – Mt Hunter Community hall
- Tuesday 18 October - Council Chambers, Wollondilly Shire Hall
- Tuesday 15 November – TBA
- Tuesday 6 December- Council Chambers, Wollondilly Shire Hall