



# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COMMUNITY FORUM  
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The Community Forum commenced at 6.33pm 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 6.33pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer, Directors, Manager Governance, Integrity and Ethics 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, Brandstater, Hannan, Banasik, Briggs, and Spearpoint.

**Staff:** Chief Executive Officer, Director Shire Connections, Director Shire Futures, Director Shire Services, Chief Financial Officer, Manager of Governance, Integrity and Ethics, Manager Sustainable Growth, one Governance Officer and one IT Officer.

### APOLOGIES

There we no apologies.

## DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

## FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTER

There were no Formal Community Forum Matters.

### COMMUNITY QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

In line with the 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 Community Question/Statement Time is for matters that relate to items in Council's Ordinary Meeting Agenda. Reports are written by Council officers and reflect the views of the applicants' proposal, community views, legal aspects and where appropriate, comments.

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.

The Chairperson reinforced that Community Forums are to provide information and to allow comment and are not a debate night. The Chairperson asked that speakers address them and Councillors on all occasions, to stay on the subject matter and avoid making personal remarks about individuals.

The Chief Executive Officer or the appropriate Director provided an overview of the Council report for each agenda item discussed throughout the night.

#### CM 9456

Ques 1     Albert Pizzuto representing self  
Matter raised: 14.2 – South Wilton Precinct Site Plan Proposals  
Mr Pizzuto's submission was shared with Councillors directly.

#### CM 9456

Ques 2     Peter Jones representing self  
Matter raised: 14.2 -South Wilton Precinct Site Plan Proposals  
Mr Jones addressed the Forum.

#### CM 5520

Ques 3     Joanne Lawrence representing self  
Matter raised: 17.3 – Notice of Motion – Responsible Cat Ownership  
Ms Lawrence addressed the Forum.

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

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#### CM 1252-19

Ques 1 Chris Edwards representing Walk it Off (men's mental health initiative)

Matter raised: Mental Health Support in the Community

Mr Edwards addressed the Forum.

#### CM 8188

Ques 2 Sandra Harlor representing Warragamba Silverdale Sporting and Community Alliance

Matter raised: WestInvest Funding for Warragamba Masterplan

Ms Harlor addressed the Forum.

#### CM 13185

Ques 3 Janet Allbon representing self

Matter raised: Thirlmere Community Hall

Ms Allbon addressed the Forum.

## CONCLUSION AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

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

About 12 people present in person and 9 present online.

The Forum closed at 7.11pm.



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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 2024 are as follows:

- Tuesday 16 April 2024
- Tuesday 21 May 2024
- Tuesday 18 June 2024
- Tuesday 16 July 2024
- Tuesday 6 August 2024
- Tuesday 22 October 2024
- Tuesday 19 November 2024
- Tuesday 3 December 2024