



RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

COMMUNITY FORUM
TUESDAY 20 FEBRUARY
2024



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The Community Forum commenced at 6.32pm and was held in the Council Chambers and remotely via audio visual link.

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OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson, Cr Hannan opened the Community Forum at 6.32pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Councillors, the Chief Executive Officer, Directors, Chief Financial Officer 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: 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, two Governance Officers and two IT Officers.

APOLOGIES

Councillor: Mayor Matt Gould

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Councillor Banasik declared a Non-Pecuniary, less than significant Conflict of Interest in Item 17.1 – Notice of Motion – Naming of the Thirlmere Hall due to a family member registered to speak on this matter. Councillor Banasik advised he would remain in the Forum during this item.

Councillor Banasik declared a Non-Pecuniary, significant Conflict of Interest in Item 17.2 – Notice of Motion – Investigate the naming of an appropriate Council asset, such as a stand or pavilion, in honor of Councilor Michael Banasik due to the item being in relation to himself. Councillor Banasik advised he would leave the Forum during this item.

Councillors Deeth, Hannan, Gibbs, Rogers, Spearpoint, Briggs and Brandstater declared a Non-Pecuniary, less than significant Conflict of Interest in Item 17.2 – Notice of Motion – Investigate the naming of an appropriate Council asset, such as a stand or pavilion, in honor of Councilor Michael Banasik due to the item being in relation to a current sitting Councillor. Councillors advised they would remain in the Forum during this item.

Councillor Banasik declared a Pecuniary Conflict of Interest on topic – acoustic reports in low density residential areas due to his daughter owning multiple child care centres in the LGA. Councillor Banasik advised he would leave the Forum during this item.



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FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTERS

1. Community Safety

CM 1350

Representative from Camden Police Area Command (PAC) attended the forum and present on crime data for the past quarter.

An apology from Nepean and Campbelltown PAC were noted.

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 11797

Ques 1 Brian Williams representing Wilton Action Group

Matter raised: 14.4 – Draft submission to NSW Government changes to create low and mid-rise housing (proposed mid-rise housing SEPP)

Mr Williams addressed the Forum.

CM 13185

Ques 2 Benn Banasik representing self

Matter raised: 17.1 – Notice of Motion – Naming of the Thirlmere Hall

The Director Shire Connections addressed the Forum on behalf of Mr Banasik.

CM 1252

Ques 3 Tia Veech representing self

Matter raised: 17.2 – Notice of Motion – Investigate the naming of an appropriate Council asset, such as a stand or pavilion, in honour of Councillor Michael Banasik.

The Director Shire Connections addressed the Forum on behalf of Ms Veech.



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CM 6112

Ques 4 Troy Bolwell representing Picton Magpies old boys club

Matter raised: 17.3 – Notice of Motion – Victoria Park Master Plan

Mr Bolwell addressed the Forum.

INFORMAL QUESTION/STATEMENT TIME

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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

Ques 1 Kevin Shaw representing self

Matter raised: Acoustic reports for large childcare centres in low density residential areas.

Mr Shaw addressed the Forum.



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CONCLUSION AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

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

About 30 people present.

The Forum closed at 7.09pm.



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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 52 Menangle Street, Picton or at another specified location across the shire

Dates for the Community Forums for 2024 are as follows:

- Tuesday 19 March 2024
- 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