

Record of Proceedings



Community Forum Monday 13 March 2017

The Community Forum commenced at 6.35pm and was held in the Council Foyer,
62-64 Menangle Street, Picton 2571.

WOLLONDILLY SHIRE COUNCIL

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OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson, Cr Landow opened the Community Forum at 6.35 pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Cr Hannan; Councillors, the General Manager, Directors and 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 such devices as laptops, mobile phones, tape recorders and video cameras. The Chairperson requested that participants place their mobile phones on silent.

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: Landow, Hannan (Mayor), Gould, Deeth, Law and Lowry

ALSO PRESENT

General Manager, Executive Director Community Services and Corporate Support, Director Planning, Director Infrastructure and Environment, Manager Growth and Strategic Planning, and One Administration Officer.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Briggs, Banasik and Khan

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cr Lowry declared a Non-Pecuniary (Significant) Conflict of Interest in Item PE3 relating to a Planning Proposal at Darley St, Thirlmere. Cr Lowry stated that one of the property owners are regular customers of his wife's business and his daughter's employers. Cr Lowry advised that he would leave the meeting during this matter.

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Cr Deeth declared a Perceived Non-Pecuniary (less than significant) Conflict of Interest in Item PE3 relating to a Planning Proposal at Darley St, Thirlmere. Cr Deeth advised that land holders in the application are acquaintances of his. He advised that he would remain at the meeting for this item.

Cr Law declared a Non-Pecuniary Conflict of Interest in relation to Item 8 of IN1 – Recommendations of the Local Traffic Committee as he is the Chairman of the Picton ANZAC Day Committee who has sought the road closure. Cr Law stated that he has no personal benefit to gain and that the Committee is a not for profit organisation and there is no personal gain to any committee member. He advised that he would remain at the meeting for this item.

The Director Planning, Chris Stewart advised he has a Non-Pecuniary Conflict of Interest in Item PE3 relating to a Planning Proposal at Darley St, Thirlmere. He stated that the one of the property owners is an acquaintance. The Director stated that he would leave the room during this Item and the Manager Growth and Strategic Planning would take any questions on this matter.

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Formal Community Forum Matters

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There were no Formal Community Forum Matters.

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Community Question/Statement Time

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A copy of all questions submitted by the cut off time is given to Councillors for their consideration regardless of whether they are addressed during the night's proceedings.

The Chairperson announced the next part of the Community Forum is Community Question/Statement Time. 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 by 12 noon on the day of the Forum and there will be 2 speakers for and against a matter with a maximum of 5 minutes for each speaker.

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 the Chairperson and Councillors on all occasions, confine remarks to the subject matter and avoid casting personal reflections on individuals.

The Chairperson announced that the General Manager, Mr Luke Johnson would outline each Agenda item from the Executive Summary within Council's current business paper to assist in helping those present understand matters raised throughout the proceedings.

TRIM 4985-1

Ques 1 Gerry Beasley representing Walker Corporation
Matter raised: PE1 – Draft Planning Agreement for Macquariedale Road, South Appin

Mr Beasley addressed the Forum.

The Director Planning and Cr Lowry left the Forum at 6:44pm due to previously declared Conflicts of Interest in the next item.

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Community Question/Statement Time

TRIM 9362

Ques 2 Glen McPhee representing Mr Jeff Bulfin
Matter raised: PE3 – Draft Planning Proposal – Darley Street Residential, Thirlmere

Mr McPhee addressed the Forum.

TRIM 9362

Ques 3 Robert Karolis representing Self
Matter raised: PE3 – Draft Planning Proposal – Darley Street Residential, Thirlmere

Mr Karolis addressed the Forum.

The Director Planning and Cr Lowry returned to the meeting at 6:57pm.

TRIM 8897 & 2370

Ques 4 Kelli Meldru representing Self
Matter raised: GO3 – Adoption of the Customer Service Policy Charter

Ms Meldru addressed the Forum.

TRIM 8897 & 106

Ques 5 Kelli Meldru representing Self
Matter raised: GO4 – Review of the Code of Meeting Practice

Ms Meldru addressed the Forum.

TRIM 8897 & 861

Ques 6 Kelli Meldru representing Self
Matter raised: GO5 – Revocation of Local Policy

Ms Meldru addressed the Forum.

Additional documentation was handed in by Ms Meldru on the night.

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

The Chairperson announced that all Questions must be submitted in writing by 12 noon on the day of the Forum and there will be 2 speakers for and 2 against a matter with a maximum of 5 minutes for each speaker.

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Informal Question
/Statement Time

TRIM 4985 & 1125

The Chairperson advised that the next speaker could have additional time to address the Forum if required.

Ques 1

John Gay representing Help Save Appin Inc.
Matter raised: Various issues relating to Appin

Mr Gay addressed the Forum.

Additional documentation was handed in by Mr Gay on the night.

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Conclusion and Informal Discussions

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The Chairperson thanked those present for participating in the Community Forum, for the feedback provided and for the interest shown in the matters discussed. The Chairperson invited everyone to partake in tea and coffee and to speak openly to Councillors about any matter they wish to raise.

The Community Forum closed at 7:23pm.

About 22 people present.

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Community Forum Dates

COMMUNITY FORUM DATES

Community Forums will generally be held on the second Monday of each month and will commence at 6.30pm except in the case of a public holiday when it will be held on the second Tuesday.

Dates for upcoming Community Forums in 2017 are as follows:

- Monday 10 April 2017
- Monday 8 May 2017
- Tuesday 13 June 2017
- Monday 10 July 2017
- Monday 14 August 2017
- Monday 11 September 2017
- Monday 9 October 2017
- Monday 13 November 2017
- Monday 4 December 2017