

Record of Proceedings



Community Forum Monday 14 November 2016

The Community Forum commenced at 6.31pm 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 Briggs opened the Community Forum at 6.31pm. The Chairperson welcomed all those in attendance at the Community Forum. The Chairperson introduced the Mayor, Cr Hannan; Councillors, the General Manager, 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 such devices as laptops, mobile phones, tape recorders and video cameras. The Chairperson requested that participants switch off their mobile phones.

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, Banasik, Briggs, Khan, Deeth, Law and Lowry.

ALSO PRESENT

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

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cr Deeth declared a Pecuniary Interest in relation to Item PE3 – Stilton Lane Planning Proposal report contained in the Council Meeting Agenda for Monday 21 November 2016. Cr Deeth advised that the nature of this interest is a relationship between himself and others that is particularly close, being his parents who own a property within, what is known as the PTTAG rezoning directly adjacent to the Stilton Lane Planning Proposal. Cr Deeth advised that he would leave the meeting during discussions on this matter.

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FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTERS

COMMUNITY

TRIM 1350

1. **Community Safety**

Police officers from two of the three Local Area Commands (LAC's) covering Wollondilly presented information to the community on current community safety issues within the Shire as follows:

Inspector Tara Norton, Customer Service Duty Officer, Campbelltown Local Area Command opened the presentation and provided the following statistics for Appin for the three months from August 2016 to October 2016.

- 1 – Assault
- 1 – Breach of AVO
- 1 – Break and Enter
- 1 – Business inspection conducted
- 2 – Incidents requiring crowd control
- 3 – Domestic violence incidents (no arrests)
- 1 – Drug detection
- 1 – Fire
- 1 – Firearms inspection
- 1 – Fraud
- 7 – Licencing breaches
- 3 – Cases of property located (finds)
- 1 – Stolen vehicles located
- 1 – Malicious damage
- 4 – Mental health incidents
- 2 – Minor traffic collisions
- 1 – Domestic violence arrest
- 17 – Move on orders
- 38 – Persons searched (various reasons)
- 32 – Vehicle searches
- 11 – Stealing incidents
- 128 – Traffic infringements.

The inspector stated that all the statistics are down on previous periods except for assaults. In relation to the assaults she explained that 6 of the 9 occurred on the one same day following a sporting presentation function at the Appin Hotel so alcohol was likely involved.

Several questions were asked and answered on the night.

Inspector Norton handed over to Chief Inspector Steve Parry, of Camden LAC.

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Chief Inspector Parry referred the participants to the 10 year trend statistics covering the whole local government area of Wollondilly that had been distributed earlier. He stated that he had worked in the area since 2007 and that most areas had been trending down which was pleasing to see.

Inspector Parry highlighted parts of the document advising that the steal from motor vehicle numbers had dropped which had been an area of concern. He credited this in part to enhancements in motor vehicle technology. He also noted the fraud statistics which had risen noting that these figures were due to petrol thefts from service stations.

The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research data is available on their website using the crime trends tool:

<http://bocd.lawlink.nsw.gov.au/bocd/cmd/crimetrends/Init>

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The Chairperson thanked presenters not only for their time tonight but on behalf of the Wollondilly community for their service to Wollondilly.

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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.

Cr Deeth left the meeting at 6.53pm due to a previously declared Conflict of Interest in Item PE3.

TRIM 7142

Ques 1 David Laing representing self as consultant to the owner Alan Kent and developer Fountaindale Group
Matter raised – PE3 Stilton Lane Planning Proposal

Mr Laing addressed the Forum.

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Community Question/Statement Time

TRIM 7142

Ques 2 Mark Fisher representing self/neighbours
Matter raised – PE3 Stilton Lane Planning Proposal

Mr Fisher addressed the Forum.

The Director Planning responded on the night.

TRIM 7142

Ques 3 Yvonne Visser representing self and husband Jan Visser
Matter raised – PE3 Stilton Lane Planning Proposal

Mrs Visser addressed the Forum.

Cr Deeth returned to the meeting at 7.03pm.

Two other speakers for this section of the forum were called but not present on the night. A copy of their questions was provided to all councillors.

Community
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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.

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Informal Question
/Statement Time

TRIM 4333

Ques 1 Rowland Ware representing National Parks Association
Matter raised – Bargo Nepean National Park Proposal

Mr Ware addressed the Forum.

TRIM 8529

Ques 2 John Gay representing Help Save Appin
Matter raised – Appin in General

Mr Gay addressed the Forum.

Additional documentation was handed in on the night.

The General Manager, Director Infrastructure and Environment and Director Planning responded 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 7.28pm.

About 20 people present.

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Community Forum Dates

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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 2016 are as follows:

- Monday 12 December 2016