

Record of Proceedings



Community Forum Tuesday 12 May 2020

The Community Forum commenced at 6.30pm and was held online via zoom webinar:

WOLLONDILLY SHIRE COUNCIL

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OPENING BY THE CHAIRPERSON

The Chairperson, Cr Judith Hannan opened the Community Forum at 6.30pm. 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.

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, Council Staff and Presenters only. Submissions from registered speakers 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: Deeth (Mayor), Hannan, Banasik, Briggs, Khan, and Lowry

ALSO PRESENT

Chief Executive Officer, Acting Executive Director Community and Corporate, Director Planning, Director Infrastructure and Environment, Manager Development Services, Manager Strategic Planning, Developer Contributions Planning Coordinator and one Administration Officer.

APOLOGIES

Councillor: Gould, Landow and Smith

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DECLARATION OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

FORMAL COMMUNITY FORUM MATTERS

CM 1350

1. Community Safety

Chief Inspector Sonya Tabor, Nepean Police Area Command (PAC) opened the Community Safety Presentation and provided an overview of recent crime statistics relevant to the Warragamba Sector.

The two major crimes noted were stolen vehicles and steal from motor vehicles in public areas. The two locations of note were Norton and Bents Basin Roads. Unfortunately no CCTV was available.

The message to the public was to not leave valuables in your vehicle and to please lock up your vehicles in an attempt to lower these types of opportunistic crimes.

The Inspector advised the community to be mindful that the theft of Number Plates is another ongoing concern. The Number Plates being stolen for the purpose of committing other crimes such as fuel drive offs at service stations.

Message from the Command:

- All information you can provide to police is valuable and appreciated. Report all crime and suspicious behaviour. This can be reported via:
 - The online Community Portal
 - Police Assistance Line 131 444
 - Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000
 - Call to Nepean Police Area Command.

Additional documentation on Nepean Crime Statistics were submitted to Council for the Community Forum.

Inspector Paul Kremer of Campbelltown PAC joined the meeting and presented Crime Statistics for the Appin area.

Inspector Kremer noted a robbery from the Mobil Service Station that occurred last month where the assailants terrorised the employee and made off with cash. He advised that this incident appears to be linked to other incidents in Campbelltown and this line of investigation is being looked into.

Also of note were 2 Break and Enters from February and March. One relating to Delta Force Paintball where an offender has since been charged. The other relating to 2 trail bikes which were recovered with no charges laid.

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Formal Community Forum Matters

The Inspector echoed comments made by his counterpart from Nepean PAC after a spate of steal from motor vehicle offences in the area. Groups have targeted unlocked vehicles and the community were reminded that their personal security is important to try and curb these types of offences.

The community were advised that it is important to maintain contact with Police and to consider their FaceBook Pages where you can obtain information about not only crime but events. Noted was that it has been very different of late with regard to Covid-19 adding that all our areas have been very good with isolation requirements and social distancing. The Inspector highlighted the importance of keeping an eye on government websites including police websites during this time for up to date information.

Questions were asked and answered or stated they will be looked into on the night.

Additional documentation on Crime Statistics was submitted to Council for the Community Forum.

Inspector Tim James – Campbelltown and Camden PAC was an apology.

The Chairperson thanked the police for their time in joining the meeting.

Community Question/Statement Time

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 by 12 noon on the day of 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.

TRIM 10113

Ques 1

Geoff O'Brien representing BradCorp
Matter raised: Item 11.2 - Wollondilly Contributions Plan

The Acting Executive Director Community and Corporate read out Mr O'Brien's address.

The Developer Contributions Planning Coordinator thanked Mr O'Brien for his question and responded on the night.

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Ques 2 Stephen McMahon representing Governor's Hill, Primary landowner in Willton Town Centre Precinct
Matter raised: Item 11.2 - Wollondilly Contributions Plan

The Acting Executive Director Community and Corporate read out Mr McMahon's address.

The Developer Contributions Planning Coordinator thanked Mr McMahon for his question and responded on the night.

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Informal Question/Statement Time

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There were no informal questions/statements.

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Conclusion and Informal Discussions

CONCLUSION AND INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS

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

The meeting was hosted remotely via zoom webinar. View the recording via:

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/2MNVHbHu3EZlbq_tnuHS-kzR4Hdaaa81XAZ_aEEmBqbVowhjQOEChrYT7gr02DY

The Forum closed at 6.51pm.

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Community Forum Dates

COMMUNITY FORUM DATES

Community Forums will generally be held on the second Tuesday of each month and will commence at 6.30pm.

Dates for upcoming Community Forums in 2020 are as follows:

- Tuesday 9 June
- Tuesday 14 July
- Tuesday 11 August
- Tuesday 8 September
- Tuesday 13 October
- Tuesday 10 November
- Tuesday 8 December