

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by Tracey Baron and seconded by Cerese Whitmore

4. Councillor Updates

Apologies from Cr Ann Martin and Cr Linda Campbell

Councillor update provided by Cr Dom Figliomeni

4.1 Infrastructure Delivery Program

- Program was approved Monday 24/5/2024 by Councillors
- 4 main themes arose from the program discussions and community feedback:
 1. Transport
 2. Flood Management
 3. Footpath and Cycleways
 4. Sport fields and Recreation
- NF7 Feedback on delays in the delivery of the Squid was raised as an example of expected delivery vs delayed delivery of the Program
- \$1.06 million of expenditure for delivery of the Program
- Kaye Adams communicated Council's response on the NF7 feedback submission to the Infrastructure Delivery program.

Action: Kaye Adams to forward the Council feedback to Forum members.

4.2 Wollongong City Centre Plan

Paper to be produced due to concerns raised in community feedback regarding the CBD such as lack of parking and traffic congestion

4.3 Warrawong Library and Community Centre

Funding was expected from State and Federal Government for the new build however this funding has not occurred. Council still progressing on development of new Warrawong Library and Community Centre

4.4 Port Kembla Skate park

New skate park to be developed where the current basketball courts are located. The basketball court will be moved to the other side of the skate park and will only be a half court.

4.5 Port Kembla Surf Club

Some new amenities have been added including bubblers

4.6 Hill 60

More parking has been added

4.7 Other ongoing Council discussions

Other items that were discussed in Council including

- School use of public pools
- West Dapto Master Plan
- Crown Street Mall Activities
- Alcohol free zones
- Port Kembla Pools - ie parking
- Camping - consideration that some of the campers are homeless
- State government introducing a Cemetary Internment Scheme and Levy ie. fees for burial, cremation etc.

5 Communication Updates

5.1 Cat Containment

Minister Scully provided a communication that a Committee was being created to look into the issue and there would be an opportunity for community feedback

5.2 Fishing on Windang Bridge

Response from Fiona McLachlan still pending

5.3 Warrawong Markets

Response on Traffic Management plan for DA still pending. Forum members have noticed that the traffic management is not occurring with cars ignoring any markers and traffic attendant not directing the traffic

5.4 King Street Master Plan

Response still pending on what the process will be for community engagement on the Master Plan

6 General Business

6.1 Windang Lake Entrance and Erosion

Tracy Baron questioned why only half the playground was removed and if Council was regularly inspecting the site as the erosion was continuing and more areas along the foreshore were at a high risk of an incident occurring.

Action: Cr Dom Figliomeni to see if there is an update on the stabilisation project for the Windang forshore

6.2 Warrawong Plaza

- Cr Dom Figliomeni advised that Council's position is that the proposed plan is overdeveloped for the site.
- Concern raised by forum members on the scale of the development
- Feedback Submissions on the Warrawong PLaza plan are due by 19th July.
- Forum members agreed to a NF7 Forum Submission - main concerns:
 1. Flooding - the area in and around the Plaza is flood prone. Flooding currently occurs in the road around the plaza and the plaza carpark
 2. Height and size of development
 - current height and scale of development is too big for the area.
 - current height and scale sets precedent for future developments which may

not be conducive to the area

- State Government should consider Council's height restrictions as Council know the local area and current local issues

3. Infrastructure

- due to the size of the development and the volume of new residents, additional infrastructure required to support the new residents. These include but are not limited to more police, fire services, medical services such as doctors and hospital, schools, daycare centres etc.

- upgrade of dated general utilities required to support additional residential growth

4. Transport and Parking

- more public transport needed to reduce congestion and support additional residents. Due to size of development there will be more car movements on an already congested road. Increase need for parking to support residents and shoppers.

6.3 Amenities along Port Kembla Promenade

On previous communications Council feedback was to use the public toilets at top of the Hill and that consideration for any additional facilities would be covered in the Public Toilet Strategy

Kay Adams raised concern that there was no public toilet facilities for people with a disability and that it was unacceptable to expect a person with a disability to make their way up a hill to access any facilities and the current facilities were not disability friendly

Action: Peter Maywald to respond to Council requesting disability toilet facilities to be provided along the promenade

6.4 Wood Fire heaters

Lucy Andrade raised that Council has not taken any action to educate the community on the health implications of wood fire heater emissions which are becoming more present in the Wollongong Council area. The State Government has left the duty of education with local councils along with emissions abatement and wood fire heater installation approval. The request is for Council to utilise communication channels currently used by Council to educate the community on the wood fire heater emissions. Current communication channels used by Council include Council's E-newsletter/newsletter, Facebook and Council website

Action: Peter Maywald to respond to Council's previous response, requesting Council provide education on wood fire heaters utilising Council's current communication channels/social media channels.

6.5 Flooding in Chisolm and Jane Avenue

Residents are experiencing flooding due to stormwater blockages from debris that is entering through main stormwater drain opening on Council/public land. As the blockage is in the pipes under private property, Council will not be taking any action on clearing the blockage.

Action: Cr Dom Figliomeni to raise a request to Council to place a grate on the entrance of the storm water drain to hold back the debris that comes from public land and roads.