

ITEM C NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR KING - SIGNAGE

Councillor King has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

I formally move that Wollongong City Council review its signage policy so it includes the local Indigenous language on signage such as suburbs, parks and significant landmarks such as Mt Keira the Lake to name an example.

Background provided by Councillor King:

The signage Wollongong City Council has at this time does not give the Indigenous meaning and at times is not even accurate in interpretations. An example is Dapto where it is suggested that a picture of a cedar tree be placed on the blade. Not only does this not give the meaning, it is wrong as Dapto means meeting place as I understand. Bulli has a bee, where Bulli means honey.

It is time we show respect to our first peoples heritage and language, and show in their language the name they have for the site and or its meaning.