

# **DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8**

## **AGENDA**

**7pm WEDNESDAY 8th December 2021**

**In-Person Meeting @ Scribbly Gum Room, Ribbonwood Centre**

### **1. WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY: Ian Fitzgibbon:**

I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Land on which this meeting takes place, and Elders past and Present, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present.

### **2. ATTENDING:**

Ian Fitzgibbon, Heather Boardman, Dennis Couley, Dom Figliomeni, Nathan McBriarty (WCC), Isabelle-Ghetti (WCC), Ron Cooper, Romeo Cecchele, Stephen McGartland,

### **3. APOLOGIES:**

Ann Martin, Corey Stoneham (WCC)

### **4. MINUTES - received for Wednesday 10th November 2021.**

Amendment to minutes from NF8 10.11.21:

General Business Pt 5 : Council Elections were held on 4th December (Not November as incorrectly recorded in minutes)

Moved by: Ron Cooper

Seconded by: Romeo Cecchele

### **5. CORRESPONDENCE:**

#### **IN: See Attachments**

(I) Corey Stoneham - Notes from November meeting presentation

(II) Corey Stoneham - Actions taken following up questions raised at November Meeting

(III) Romeo Cecchele - 3 roads issues raised

(iv) AnnMartin - WCC response re William beach Park Upgrade

(V) Tom McColl- Wongawilli Update

**OUT:** November Minutes Distributed by email 2.12.2021

## 6. WCC PRESENTATION

### Nathan McBriarty (Traffic & transport Unit Leader) & Isabelle Ghatti

Transport is a major focus for Council -and is defined as all mode users on networks, including pedestrians. Details of WCC transport projects can be found on Council website.

Council responses to community feedback & questions:

- (a) A Roundabout will be constructed at the intersection of Rainbird Drive & West Dapto Road
- (b) Intersection of Shone Avenue & West Dapto/Wongawilli Road to be reconstructed.
- (c) Intersections of West Dapto & Sheaffes Roads - West Dapto & Darkes Road - are challenging to redevelop due to complexity of extensive underground services.

## 7. General Business

(a) Ron raised concerns regarding safety risks of current road conditions at West Dapto Road intersections.

- Dom suggested a slip lane be constructed for traffic accessing West Dapto Road from Darkes Road.
- Romeo also raised concerns re water build-up and damage to roads caused by development works traffic at the West Dapto Road Intersections.
- Stephen requested follow up on written requests to WCC for Risk Assessment & on-site meeting regarding Darkes Road-West Dapto Road Intersection.
- Romeo requested WCC follow up with their responses following the initial site meeting.
- *# Isabelle Ghatti & Nathan McBriarty agreed to organise on-site meeting.*

(b) Dennis requested information regarding the planned Bong Bong Road- Station Street intersection redevelopment.

WCC are waiting on response from Sydney trains to progress this work.

(c) Romeo noted traffic delays caused by build up of traffic at Bong Bong Road rail crossing boom gates.

*# NF8 is to send letter requesting information re traffic delays at boom gates.*

(d) Ron noted the need for pedestrian & cycle pathways connections throughout the area.

# Nathan McBriarty will share WCC Cycleway plans with NF8 at next meeting.

(e) Stephen reported on McDonald's V WCC hearing re Wongawilli McDonald's DA.

**Meeting Close: 9pm**

**NEXT MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY 9TH FEBRUARY**

**& SCRIBBLYGUM ROOM**

**RIBBONWOOD CENTRE**

## **Correspondence 1**

### **Corey Stoneham**

The entire work crew and Council team would like to extend a big thank you to all the residents in Wongawilli for their cooperation and patience during the reconstruction of Wongawilli Road. We are impressed and very appreciative of how residents have handled the changed traffic and parking conditions over this time.

The final Asphalt sealing of Wongawilli Road between Shone Avenue and Smiths Lane was completed on Saturday 13 November.

Now the final seal is completed, it will need up to two weeks to cure before line marking of all travel lanes and parking lanes can take place.

Work taking place:

- Council staff have started formalising the Smiths Lane intersection pedestrian access with construction of a concrete shared path and pedestrian ramp
- Staff will also continue the construction of the concrete shared path on the east bound kerb side
- Street tree planting will commence next week for property owners, with further landscaping to take place as the concrete shared path progresses

Please note:

- Traffic control will be in place to enable the safe construction of the shared path on the east bound kerb side

**Additionally;**

- Asphalt patching on Darkes Rd near the Integral Energy Park has been undertaken in recent weeks to address issues raised by NF8.
- Reconstruction of Marshall Mount Rd and Yallah Rd is booked for December.

I've included some information below in regards to questions raised at this weeks meeting;

- I've asked for a copy of the current design for the Shone Ave intersection. I'll provide this once received.
- I've asked Nathan McBriarty – Council's Traffic Unit Leader to attend the next meeting with me to discuss some of the traffic questions. Can you please send Nathan a meeting invite.
- We are about to commence the shared path along Wongawilli Rd and will spend the next 5 weeks working on it with both crews. We are hoping to have it completed just after New Year. This includes the landscaping as well as the kerb ramps and shared path at Smiths Lane intersection.
- After New Year we will be commencing construction of the traffic islands (x8) including kerb ramps/island crossing x 2 in the Smiths Lane to Shone Ave section. Below is a snip of the typical design blister treatment around the power poles.

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## **Correspondence 2: Corey Stoneham- Action regarding Issues raised at November NF8**

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## **Correspondence 3 - Romeo Cecchele**

Here are three issues that need to be addressed by council staff and our councillors:

1. First 500 meters of West Dapto Road urgent upgrade-having received correspondence that says from WCC that this very dangerous stretch of road that 8000 drivers have been using in recent heavy rains on a daily basis, is not going to be upgraded any year soon, THEN we need to know 1) How much funding there is in the coffer for the Northcliffe Drive Extension and 2) When is work going to actually start on it???
2. Fairwater Drive between Lucas and Highcroft Drives-I have received recent correspondence from WCC that said upgrade work would not start for another 2 years!! This is not acceptable as there are dozens of old potholes that have opened up in the last 4 weeks which I have put a new complaint in to council about!! CR0100100.QRX
3. Bong Bong Road Railway Crossing Boom Gates-last Saturday at 12.15pm I pulled up behind a car on Osborne Street trying to turn right into Bong Bong Road to go to Horsley but was stuck there for 5 full minutes while two trains went through Dapto Railway Station and the inconsiderate staff of Dapto Train Station left the boom gates down the whole time!!! It took another full 2 minutes for the traffic on Bong Bong Road to diminish before I could move onto it!! That is 7 minutes that Dapto CBD was at a virtual standstill!! WCC should have built an Overpass over the railway line before Fowlers Road Bridge Extension was built!! Complaint to NSW Transport-01363733.