

# **DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8 - NF8 MINUTES**

## **7.00PM WEDNESDAY 14th AUGUST 2024**

### **1. Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country – Ron Cooper**

We acknowledge the First Peoples who have been traditional Custodians of the lands where we work and live, the Dharawal people of the Wadi Wadi Nation. We celebrate the the diversity of Aboriginal peoples and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands and waters of NSW. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging and acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Islander people who have cared for these lands.

### **2. APOLOGIES:**

Liz Webster, Rob Cummins,

### **3. ATTENDING:**

Ron Cooper, Dennis Couley, Heather Boardman, Cr. Linda Campbell, Cr. Dom Figliomeni, Cr. Ann Martin, Warren Southwell, Ian Fitzgibbon, Stephen McGartland, Martin Whatman, Gail Whatman, Craig Dean, Steven O’Neill, Peter Small. Cathy Small, Luke Collins, Tim Peadon, Gavin Smith

### **4. MINUTES: - From 10th July 2024**

**Please note omission from attendees at July Minutes- Steven O’Neill was present.**

**Moved by: Martin Whatman**

**Seconded by: Dennis Couley**

### **8. COUNCILLORS REPORTS:**

Council in caretaker mode, leading up to elections.

**Dom Figliomeni-** this is last meeting as not standing again. **Council Elections - 14th September**

Dom expressed his appreciation for NF8 engagement in local issues relevant to council.

On behalf of Neighbourhood Forum 8 Convenor Ron Cooper thanked Cr. Figliomeni for his commitment to supporting our region and assisting NF8 in our engagement with issues of interest and concern.

### **Some current Council issues relevant to NF8:**

- A) Council is progressing towards planning signage at entrance to Wongawilli.
- B) Korrongulla Prime - local concern has been voiced regarding use of site by Mimosa.
- C) Traffic Management etc re Kully Bay Market
- D) Port Kembla Skate Park - cnr Quarry Street & Military Road.
- E) Allens Creek flood risk management study findings have been adopted
- F) Draft tourism & accomodation strategy
- G) Cleveland Road Planning moving forward.
- H) Dapto Square - Movie night ran well.

### **10. CORRESPONDENCE**

#### **Out:**

- a. July NF8 Minutes Emailed - 10.8.24
- b. Submission by Dapto NF8 on policy drafts on exhibition 12.8.24
  - 1. Draft Wollongong DCP. 2. Draft Planning Proposal Policy 2024

#### **In:**

- a. **Stephen McGartland - 19.7.24** - Submission by Dapto NF8 on policy drafts on exhibition.
- b. **Corey Stoneham - 9.8.24**
  - re\_ WCC CRO254973 - Removal of tree causing damage to property at rear of Home Kanahooka Road. (to Convenor) - uncertainty about ownership of land.
- c. **Dennis Couley Agenda Items - 12.8.24 as listed**
- d. **Wollongong City Council - Eliza Metcalfe 22.7.2024 re Barham Place**

## **e. Romeo Cecchele- 13.8.24 - Road Conditions & Abandoned Car**

### **9. CONVENORS REPORT :**

- a. Wollongong News - as distributed into residents letterboxes. Covers huge expenditure required to manage waterways & repair flood damage where properties impacted.
- b. Update to West Dapto Road work - Nathan McBriarty has indicated that new transport manager be appointed.
- c. Work has commenced on intersection of West Dapto Road, Stage 2 preliminary work has commenced. Also Corner work Shone Avenue & Wongawilli Rd is underway.
- d. Northcliffe Drive overpass planning well underway.
- e. West Dapto Road- Princes Highway- Reddalls Road in urgent need of attention. This has been noted in submission to Council Planning. This hill on Wylie Road is causing drainage issues as Storm Water flows cause problems on West Dapto Road.
- f. Freeway Access Report: Robert Cummins advised that report into freeway access will be ready in a few weeks.
- g. Darkes Road Closure - 10 weeks seems excessive. NF8 will write to planning re more consideration of need to limit disruption to local traffic.
- h. Bus Stop Shelter - WCC aiming to move Bus Stop to outside Aldi and seek to install bus shelter.
- i. Tallawarra B Power Station- 24.6. 24- commenced commercial operations. Minimising impacts on aviation by installation of plume dispersion equipment.
- j. Police Report - Lake Illawarra Command. Who To Call poster. (To be included in minutes)
- k. Community Battery concern - reply sent to resident raising concern. NF8 felt community battery to be positive . Linda Campbell raised at WCC the need for further consultation with residents .
- l. Letter R.Cecchele - re Road Issues - see attached
- m. Teams - trial of Teams at this meeting. Still seeking person to run Teams at regular meetings.
- n. Parking on Princes Highway- near Mount Brown. Causing risk to traffic - communication with Tyson Perry from WCC Traffic Committee, Robert Cummins & Police.

- o. Wongawilli Mine Meeting (Jindall Steel- Wollongong Steel): Closed pending decision as to future:- company has several options
  - i) Prefer sell with current approvals,
  - ii) Reopen on limited basis,
  - iii) Complete closure

## **11. GENERAL BUSINESS**

### **a. Darkes Road Recommendations from NF8**

- i. Recommendation that the speed limit on Darkes Rd be reduced from 80km to 60km
- ii. Recommendation that there be speed indication signs at the new roundabout and Summit Street, post type signs and also on the road.
- iii. Recommendation that there be a shared pathway down Darkes Road to
- iv. Integral Energy Park and the Car Museum, “no parking” signs and “shared pathway” signs
- v. A pedestrian crossing across Darkes Rd to Integral Energy Park from Summit Street or nearby.

### **b. Concern over tree causing damage to private land**

WCC CRO254973 - Removal of tree at rear of private property, (William Beach Rd) - uncertainty about ownership of land where tree is located. Ron Cooper has contacted Corey Stoneham to seek assistance

### **c. To Report Road condition issues** it was recommended that residents use **Snap, Send Solve app.**

### **d. Wollongong Council Website** could be more accessible with the addition of tags

### **e. Transport Oriented Development Program (TOD)**

It would be helpful to invite someone from Planning to address NF8 on the impacts & implications of TOD on our Dapto community.

**MEETING CLOSE: 9.35pm**

**NEXT MEETING  
7.00PM WEDNESDAY 11th SEPTEMBER 2024**