

ITEM 14 NOTICE OF MOTION - COUNCILLOR TANIA BROWN - WANIORA POINT RESERVE

Councillor Tania Brown has submitted the following Notice of Motion –

“Recognising the uncertainty expressed by residents surrounding Waniora Point Reserve (R72614) regarding future use of land adjacent to the Bulli Cemetery, I formally move that –

- 1 Council write to the NSW State Government seeking confirmation of any plans to extend the Bulli Cemetery on adjacent land, at the corner of Owen and Carrington Streets, Bulli.
- 2 A briefing be arranged outlining mechanisms to preserve this reserve, and include whether a Plan of Management is suitable for this site, which would include a public consultation process.”

Background provided by Councillor Tania Brown:

Residents have raised their concerns at the possible sale of the land adjacent to the Bulli Cemetery, which they believe had been earmarked as a cemetery. Community members were concerned that if the site was no longer being retained for additional burial grounds, that it would become a target for residential development.

They sought assurance from Council as to the future of the site and are strongly of the view that it should be retained as public open land, if not developed as a future cemetery as there are few sites left for this purpose in the northern suburbs.

Staff have advised that the subject land forms part of Waniora Point Reserve (R72614) which is devolved Crown Land. This means that the land is owned by the NSW State Government and managed by Council in accordance with section 48 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW). Waniora Point Reserve is land reserved for the future extension of Bulli Cemetery.