# DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8 - NF8 AGENDA

# 7.00PM WEDNESDAY 12th JUNE 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:

#### 3. ATTENDING:

4. MINUTES: - From 10th April 2024

Moved by:

Seconded by:

# 6. CONVENORS REPORT

- 1. Nathan McBriarty Update
- 2. 2. Creative Wollongong
- 3. Parking on Princes Hwy near Mount Brown
- 4. Bus Stop Dapto
- 5. Dolan Building
- 6. Teams

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

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Out: Minutes Emailed 8.5.2024

**In:** (included at the end of this Agenda)

- 1. 9.5.2024 New Skatepark Engagement Update Sophie McCrae
- 2. 15.5.2024 WCC Draft Integrated Transport Strategy Emma Bedwin
- 3. 23.5.2024 Update from Nathan McBriarty
- 4. 28.5.2024 Sile Crow & Ron Cooper Letter of Support for WCC Funding

**Application** for State Government Voluntary Planning Agreement Funding Program to deliver Stage 2 of the Darkes District Sporting & Community Hub.

- 8. COUNCILLORS REPORTS:
- 9. GENERAL BUSINESS:

MEETING CLOSE: pm

NEXT MEETING
DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8
7.00PM WEDNESDAY 12th June 2024

Please see attached correspondence

# 1. 9.5.2024 New Skatepark Engagement Update - Sophie McCrae

NF8 Correspondence 9.5.2024 Sophie McCrea Subject: Engagement Update - Designing new skateparks in Wollongong City Centre and Thirroul

Hi everyone,

Back in March I contacted you regarding our new projects related to skateparks. We had an extremely successful launch of the conversation "Let's Talk Skateparks", with over 1.4k people viewing the engagement page. We had 430 people engaging directly with Council to tell us about themselves, how they skate and what they want us to consider when delivering our new skateparks.

Now we have moved into the next stage of designing our new skateparks in Wollongong City Centre and Thirroul. We have teamed up with CONVIC, a renowned skatepark designer to help us bring our community's skatepark vision to life. We have created a 'Pre-design Survey' for each of the parks, where the community can provide more detailed input into what they want to see in our new skate spaces.

We are still working through locations for both Wollongong City Centre and Thirroul. Hosting these surveys for each location will give us more of an idea of what the community wants and will help support us in choosing the most appropriate site.

You can find the media release we have issued here - We need your help to design two new skateparks | City of Wollongong (nsw.gov.au)

You can find links to the surveys below:

Wollongong City Centre Skate Park | Our Wollongong (nsw.gov.au)

Thirroul Skate Park | Our Wollongong (nsw.gov.au)

Feedback for these surveys close Friday 24 May 2024.

Warm regards, Sophie

2. 15.5.2024 WCC Draft Integrated Transport Strategy - Emma Bedwin

From: Emma Bedwin <ebedwin@wollongong.nsw.gov.au>

Date: Wed, May 15, 2024 at 5:51 PM

Subject: Reminder: Community Drop-In Sessions on draft Integrated Transport

Strategy tomorrow in Wollongong and next Thursday in Thirrou

# Re: inviting feedback on **Council's draft Wollongong Integrated Transport Strategy**

Just sending out a quick reminder that the draft Integrated Transport Strategy is currently on public exhibition and we are seeking community feedback. To access the draft strategy please visit our website at <a href="https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/draft-wollongong-integrated-transport-strategy">our.wollongong-integrated-transport-strategy</a>.

As part of our engagement, we are running Community Drop-In sessions and invite you to attend, any time between **3 - 6pm** at the following locations:

- Wollongong on Thursday 16 May 2024 Wollongong Library Theatrette, Ground Floor, 41 Burelli St, Wollongong
- Thirroul on Thursday 23 May 2024 Escarpment Room, Thirroul Community Centre, 352/358 Lawrence Hargrave Dr, Thirroul

The draft Wollongong Integrated Transport Strategy (draft strategy) will lead transport planning and investment across the Wollongong Local Government Area over the next 10 years. The draft strategy outlines Council's vision, guiding principles, and goals to improve the way we move around our city into the future and the actions we'll take to achieve them. Until now, we've considered transport planning and delivery in a site-specific or transport-specific way through documents like the Cycling Strategy 2030, the Wollongong Pedestrian Plan and various Town Centre Masterplans. The draft strategy takes a more overarching view of the city and lays out what steps we, Transport for NSW, and our community can take to ensure sustainable, accessible, and affordable transport options are available for our growing and diverse community.

The public exhibition closes on **Monday 27 May 2024** so please come along to a Drop-in Session, or fill in a survey online or in person at any of our local libraries,

Many thanks, Emma

# 3. 23.5.2024 Update from Nathan McBriarty

# NF8 Correspondence In Nathan McBriarty 23.5.24

Below is an update on projects in the NF8 area. The end of financial year update will look like my previous email.

Then each quarter we will add a column to each committed project.

I'm also attaching some information about the Draft Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2024-25 which is currently on exhibition.

#### Cleveland Rd Upgrade

Further design work is continuing around the Fowlers/Cleveland intersection.

# **Bong Bong Rd -Station St traffic lights**

Rail signal interface design is ongoing.

# **Bong Bong Rd/Shone Ave Intersection Concept Design**

Scope is finalised and issued to Council's design team. Work to commence shortly.

# **Shone Ave Shared Path missing link**

Tenders have closed. Tenders are going to the Council meeting in May. Construction is expected to start in June and be completed by Sept/Oct.

#### **Darkes Town Centre Sporting Facilities**

Scope of works for design tender is continuing.

#### Marshall Mount Road and Connecting Roads Upgrade

80% design submission is expected shortly from the consultant. Council review period to then commence.

# **Bus Shelters - West Dapto**

A standard drawing is being prepared to have developers install to our standard. Next project is to advocate for a service plan from Transport for NSW so we can locate them in the right locations.

#### Concept Design- Sheaffes Road to Existing Northcliffe Drive

Consultant is currently working on 95% concept design submission.

# West Dapto Rd - Stage 1A

All service authority approvals have been sought. Tender preparation expected to commence soon.

# West Dapto Rd - Stage 1B

Remaining electrical works scheduled to be completed later in the year.

# West Dapto Rd – Yard St to Shone Ave (Stages 2-5)

Some service approvals received. Working to finalise design before tender.

# West Dapto Rd/Sheaffes Rd/Darkes Rd Upgrade

Concept design complete.

# West Dapto Rd/Wongawilli Rd/bridge upgrade

Construction complete.

Regards Nathan



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# 4. 28.5.2024 Sile Crow & Ron Cooper Letter of Support for WCC Funding Applicat'n.

# **NF8 Correspondence In**

NF8 Correspondence **From:** Sile Crowe

Sent: Tuesday, May 28, 2024 2:04 PM

To: Ron Cooper < rondcooper1275@gmail.com >

**Subject:** Letter of Support Good afternoon Ron

Thank you for your time today. As discussed, please could you provide a letter of support for Wollongong City Council's funding application and send to me – attached is a draft. The application closes tomorrow.

Additionally, Nathan suggested I book in a time also with you prior to your next NF 8 meeting – would the morning of Friday 7 June be suitable?

# Kind regards



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#### Dear State VPA Program Manager,

Neighbourhood Forum 8 strongly supports Wollongong City Council's decision to apply to the State Government's State Voluntary Planning Agreement Funding Program to deliver Stage 2 of the Darkes District Sporting and Community Hub.

This project is strongly aligned to the program objective of "assist with demands created by new development for new public infrastructure, amenities and services".

The Darkes Sporting and Community Hub Precinct will provide vital social and recreation infrastructure to the rapidly expanding West Dapto Urban Release Area (WDURA). The WDURA is the largest greenfield urban release precinct in the Illawarra-Shoalhaven Region and will be home to approximately 50,000 residents across 19,500 new dwellings.

The need for this project was first identified in 2007 through the Social, Cultural and Recreation Needs Study for the West Dapto New Release Area. Currently there are no sporting facilities in this area and the only community facility is at Wongawilli which is small and aged and will not be adequate to service the planned growth in the West Dapto community. This area is growing rapidly with new homes, a large percentage of are young families with children. The Darkes District Sporting and Community Hub will allow children to access sporting facilities without the need to travel long distances, helping to reduce the load on existing road infrastructure.

We wish Council every success with their submission and hope that funding is secured for this much needed project.

Yours sincerely

Ron Cooper

Convenor, Neighbourhood Forum