

1. Welcome & Acknowledgment of Country

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

2. Attendance

List of Attendees

Lucy Andrade (Minutes), Cr Linda Campbell, Rick Cheers, Cr Dom Figliomeni, Ronda Jones, Dorathy Lucas, Cr Ann Martin, Kim Maywald, Peter Maywald (Convenor), David Milnes, David Nicholson, Christine Okoniowski, Mark Peterlin, Deidre Stuart

Apologies

Steven Adams, Kaye Adams, Nigel Rosser, Tracey Rosser,

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved by David Nicholson & Seconded by Cr Ann Martin

4 Councillor Updates.

4.1 Korrongulla

- DA for the site was refused by Council and Applicant has now taken the matter to Land & Environment Court contesting the DA refusal and termination of license agreement

4.2 RSPCA

- RSPCA has now exited all pounds in NSW
- Interim solution for unwanted and stray animals: Ring Council and Dog Rangers will come and pick up the animal.
- Permanent solution: Council reviewing options - one option being considered is to share animal housing facilities with other councils.

4.3 Budget

- Council budget currently being worked on and will be made available for community consultation.

4.4 Port Kembla Skate Park

- Formal consultation to be held at Port Kembla Senior Citizens Centre on 8th April
- Engagement period from 27 March to 15th April

4.5 Mt Ousley

- Mt Ousley Interchange is now a live project - traffic delays expected as this project is underway

4.6 Port Kembla Beach Parking

- Parking Time trials continue at Port Kembla beach

4.7 Master Plan for Botanical Gardens

- Master Plan currently under review with Council/Councillors

4.8 Warrawong Library

- Assistance has been provided to 3 community organisations for temporary relocation while library is being constructed

4.9 WIN Grand Site Crown Street Wollongong

- Site has been sold to a developer with DA plans for the site already approved.

4.10 Whiteway Cinema site in Port Kembla

- Proposal to build a boarding house on the site (4 story's including rooftop). Councillors have already been having discussion with concerned Port Kembla/Wentworth Street residents.

4.11 Port Kembla Community Centre

- Peter Maywald enquired about the Port Kembla Community Centre DA. The DA includes a new office and public toilets. Public toilets will only be open during Centre's opening hours. Work to commence in 2025

5. Updates & General Business

5.1 ANZAC War Memorial Port Kembla provided by Mark Peterlin

- NSW Port Authority has rejected the current proposed location and scale of the proposed memorial.
- NSW Port Authority have suggested a new site location which was rejected by committee as unsuitable
- Scale down proposal of memorial to be submitted within the month

5.2 Windang Lake Entrance

- Email received by Joanne Page confirming that the Emergency works have been approved.
- Question raised as who would be funding the Emergency works. Advised by Councillor Martin that it would not be Council and that the permanent works would be funded via State and Federal funding
- Peter Maywald has written to Minister Kamper following up on the Lake Illawarra Coastal Plan timelines - response pending

5.3 Warrawong Markets

- Peter Maywald has written to Mark Adamson and Pier Panozzo with questions raised by NF7 regarding the Traffic management of the Warrawong Markets - response pending.

5.4 Master Plan for King Street

- Peter Maywald has written to Minister Paul Scully requesting an update on the progress of the Master Plan for the Crown land on King Street - response pending

5.5 Noise Cameras for Northern Suburbs

- Peter Maywald has written to Minister Paul Scully requesting inclusion of Northcliffe Drive and Windang Road as locations for Noise Cameras - response pending.

5.6 Fishing from Windang Bridge

- Tracey Baron has written to Fisheries NSW regarding fishing activities off Windang Bridge - response pending

5.7 Public Liability for Neighbourhood Forums (NF)

- Peter Maywald was present at a discussion between the Lord Mayor and Secretary of NF regarding Public Liability coverage.
- Cr Figliomeni advised that the NF are not run by Council and therefore not covered by Council's public liability insurance
- NF7 is held in the Illawarra Yacht Club and therefore NF7 would be covered under the Club's Public Liability insurance.

5.8 Cat Containment

- No updates from the review being undertaken by Minister Plibersek

5.9 Wood Fire heaters

- Last communication received by Council outlined actions that the Forum understood Council would take to educate the community on the impacts of wood fire heaters. There seems to be no indications those actions have been taken.
 - **Action** -*Lucy Andrade to review last response from Council and advise Peter Maywald and Councillors regarding what Council had agreed to action and what was still not actioned.*

5.10 Berkeley Community Centre water bubbler

- Christine enquired where the water bubbler would be in the Berkeley Community Centre grounds/park
 - **Action:** *Cr Martin to find out location from last communication received from Council*

5.11 Dix Garden Maintenance

- David Nicholson raised who was responsible for maintaining the Dix Garden area. The garden area currently contains a lot of weeds. Cr Martin advised that any lawn around that area was Council's responsibility to maintain however was unsure about the garden itself.
 - **Action:** *Cr Martin to follow up with Council on whose responsibility it is to maintain the garden.*

Meeting Closed 7.30 pm

Next Meeting - Held the last Tuesday of the Month

6pm -Tuesday April 30 2024-Illawarra Yacht Club