MINUTES OF THE BINNAWAY COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD AT THE BINNAWAY MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM

PRESENT: Mayor Ambrose Doolan, Cr Peter Shinton, Cr Denis Todd, Cr Wendy Hill, Cr Fred Clancy, Cr Ray Lewis, Roger Bailey (General Manager), Kim Parker (Director Corporate and Community Services), Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services) Cornelia Wiebels (Manager Warrumbungle Water), Dr Margaret Anderson (Manager Community Services), Kira Alexander (minutes), Emma McDonald (COVID-Marshall), Bernie McBain, Jim Larkin, Tim Kemp

APOLOGIES

Cr Kodi Brady, Cr Aniello Iannuzzi (Deputy Mayor), Cr Anne-Louise Capel, Margaret Haley, George Haley, Sally Edwards.

INTRODUCTION

Mayor Ambrose Doolan welcomed attendees and introduced the Councillors, the General Manager (GM), Director of Corporate and Community Services (DCCS), Director Technical Services (DTS), Manager Community Services (MCommS), Manager Warrumbungle Water (MWW), Minute taker and COVID-Marshall.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING WEDNESDAY 11 MARCH 2020 BUSINESS ARISING

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Binnaway Showgrounds - storm water runoff from Cypress Street
Jim Larkin indicated the storm water issue exits at the North East corner of the ground on Cypress Street (showed a map) where water drains

Action: DTS to get levels taken and look at what can be done to address the issue

2. Binnaway Tennis Court drainage and resurfacing in eastern part of court GM advised that the water main has been disconnected so no longer a problem.

DTS stated that there is currently no budget funding available but it's good to know there is an active club as it may help with future funding submissions.

Action: DTS to meet with Tennis club committee to discuss options.

3. Council's management of grants timeframes and processes

Action: GM to check timeframes for DA on shed and get back to Tim Kemp.

Action: DEDS to investigate informing communities about Development Application rules and timelines so community groups know what is involved.

4. Further information regarding recycling initiatives carried out by WSC. Marg Haley originally listed to speak but unable to attend.

GM advised that Council works with Net Waste, currently looking at milk bottles and a steel program with a selling partner - getting \$151 around per tonne at the moment.

COUNCIL UPDATES AND INFORMATION

1. Evacuation Centres

DTS advised that when there is an emergency and a need for evacuation of residents the nominated centres in Binnaway are the Binnaway Bowling club, Golf club, Central School and possibly the Binnaway Hall. The centre utilized will depend on the emergency at the time. LEMC are currently reassessing the capacity due to COVID

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restrictions

2. Rural Addressing and difficulty for emergency vehicles to locate properties

DTS stated that this issue comes up regularly at LEMC, finding a property address can be an issue.

Action: DTS to follow up on Rural addressing of 499 Mendooran Rd

3. Libraries

MCommS advised that she is currently preparing a business paper for Council as part of review of Libraries. There are three models available being regional, independent and cooperative. Please fill out a survey for us to gain insight on what users need and want from the service.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Council processes and attitude affecting business wanting to work in the shire

GM advised that it is not always straightforward for Council either, as other authorities affect what Council would like to do e.g. RFS, RMS and heritage related issues.

Action: GM to obtain name of the builder advises that he won't work in Warrumbungle and follow them up.

2. Dunedoo Retirement Village Update (Three Rivers Regional Retirement Community)

GM advised that DEDS gave a briefing on that meeting and please refer media 16 October 2020 as is available on the website.

3. No notice of Closure of gravel quarry

DTS advised notice was on the website and in the paper. Council still has a lease in place with Boral but expires 30 November 2020.

4. Sewerage update

MWW gave an update stating that they have:

- The odour assessment for the preferred site has been finalised, showing odour issues there, which is likely to require to move to the next preferred site
- Once the updated options study is finalised a report is intended to be presented to Council, after which the community consultation can begin prior to tendering for the concept design.
- A Business Paper report had been prepared for the September Council meeting advising that further funding for the Binnaway Sewage Scheme through the Safe and Secure Water Program (SSWP) is not going to be provided due to the low risk rating; Council resolved to continue to lobby for funding for this scheme.
- Once the concept design is complete, the project would be considered 'shovel ready', which could open doors to other funding opportunities as they arise

Mayor Ambrose Doolan thanked residents and staff for their attendance, and encouraged their involvement at the next Binnaway community consultation.

Meeting Closed 6.50pm