

MINUTES OF THE BARADINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD AT MEMORIAL HALL ON TUESDAY 26 MARCH 2019 COMMENCING AT 5:30PM

PRESENT: Irene Worrell, Daniella Gardener, Lesley Bergman, Ian McNaught, Nikela Stafford, Andrew Mitchell, Cllr Anne-Louise Capel, Patrick Lever, Nea Worrell, Phil West, Anne McConnaughty, Melissa Johnston, Roslyn Kildey, Lee Hall, Erin Pulham, Ted Hayman, Sandy Rees, Lauren Harris, Nicole Nielson, Tommy Nielson, Kim Canham, Celia Canham, Linda Buckley, Rick Crawley, Allan Olsen, Betty Olsen, Jean Henley, Gisela Froehlich, Lorraine Condon, Dot Skinner, Glenda Johnston, Mayor Denis Todd, Liz Cutts, Adrian Worrell, Beth Palmer, Roger Bailey (General Manager), Leeanne Ryan (Director Development Services), Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services), Claudia Westoby (Minutes)

APOLOGIES: Cllr Kodi Brady, Cllr Aniello Iannuzzi (Deputy Mayor), Cllr Fred Clancy, Cllr Ambrose Doolan, Cllr Wendy Hill, Cllr Ray Lewis

INTRODUCTION

Mayor Denis Todd welcomed attendees to the meeting and introduced the General Manager (GM), the Director Technical Services (DTS), the Director Environment and Development Services (DEDS).

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the Community Consultation Meeting held in Baradine on Tuesday, 30 October 2018 were discussed. Minutes were tabled at the December 2018 Council meeting and were sent out to attendees of the October meeting as well as being available on Council's website.

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Skate Park 2020

General update on project which has been funded through the Stronger Country Communities – Round Two funding. Introduction of the contractors who will be working on the Skate Park. Advised that the plans for the new skate park are on display for the community in the window of Yowie and Friends.

Director Environmental and Development Services (DEDS) advised that once the development application has been lodged and Council has gone through the process the development application will go out for public exhibition before getting approved which will give the community an opportunity to make comment on the new development.

Needle Bin

Request for needle bin at the public toilets in the Lions Park.

Action: Director Technical Services (DTS) advised that needle bins have been there and will be restored.

Ground Water Monitoring for Bores

Concerns around an article on ABC or SBS about Coonabarabran relying on groundwater and bores. Concerns with bore water not being reliable and water levels dropping over time.

Request for Council to be closely monitoring the bores and the hydrologist should be in contact. Manager of Warrumbungle Water (MWW) states that Council has got monitoring systems in place to assess and determine the supply and quality of these bores. New monitoring systems and levels will be installed at the Baradine bore.

Sewerage Connection to the Baradine Showground

Wanting an update and timeframe as to when the Baradine Showground will be able to connect to the sewer mains. MWW advised that Council has submitted a funding application for a scope and study of the upgrade of the Baradine Sewerage Scheme and Baradine showground connection will be included. The connect will only go to the boundary fence of the

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show ground and then it is up to the property owners to connect the sewerage on the show ground side of the boundary fence.

Rubbish Dump Generator

Why was the generator moved at the portable building from the tip? DEDS advised that because the generator was not being used there is no need for it to be situated at the depot.

Baradine Pool

Community members raised a number of items in relation to the Baradine Swimming Pool, including;

- Changes made to the pool opening hours. DTS advised that this is a trial and may be subject to change next season. The trial was put in place to extend swimming pools hours as requested by the community.
- Concerns around the paying for a season ticket and a swimming pool key when the pool is unable to be accessed, community requesting a refund.
- Children not being allowed to access the swimming pool on the key.
Action: DTS will investigate and revise the wavier for access to the swimming pool with a key.
- Shortage of lifeguards. DTS advised that a report will be going to Council in the off season regarding training for lifeguards.
- No access to the defibrillation machine if the swimming pool office is locked.
Action: DTS will investigate possibility of having a wall mounted Defibrillator at the swimming pool.
- Communication around the new pool hours trial, request to look into a text message alert for season ticket holders.
- Leaking Swimming Pool
- Shade at the Swimming Pool. DTS advised that there is a budget in place for the shade at the Baradine Swimming Pool and Council is working with the progress association to gain quotes before works commence.
- Temperature of the grand stand in summer.
Action: DTS will continue investigation.

Locality - Teridgeri

Concern raised around Teridgeri locality still being used. DTS advised that is has been changed to Baradine and no longer exists but google maps has not updated.

Action: DTS will look into contacting with other agencies regarding the locality change.

BARADINE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Oxley Crossing Rest Area Sign

Has already been replaced.

Road Maintenance

Community members raised a number of road which need maintenance, including;

- Pilliga to Gwabegar Road in Narrabri Shire Council. The Community is wanting Warrumbungle Shire Council to make representation to Narrabri Shire Council about the quality.
- Hotchkiss Road – Bitumen is corrugated and needs repair.
- Cumbil Road needs grading.
- Bogan Street repairs need to take place as the community has created a road next to the actual road because the surface is rough.

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- Ashby Road needs maintenance

Action: DTS will investigate all roads that need maintenance.

Disabled Parking

Request to relocated disabled parking to park to outside the IGA and establish a new disabled parking area outside the Baradine Pharmacy. Contact has been made to move the disabled parking. DTS advised that there is an existing disable parking to move it to the IGA is not possible as it has to be 20m from the pedestrian crossing.

Action: DTS notes that this matter needs to be raised at the traffic advisory again.

COUNCIL UPDATE INFORMATION

New Business Ideas Workshop

The DEEDS spoke about the New Business Ideas Workshop being held at Coonabarabran Council Chambers on Wednesday, 10 April 2019. The Workshop will discuss tendering and new projects. Speakers include a representative from Inland Rail to discuss business opportunities that will be available to the community, and the requirements of engagement, eg licenses and insurances.

Community Financial Assistance Donations

Round 2 of the 2018/19 Community Financial Assistance Donations is currently open. Application forms were circulated.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Radio Communication

Request to extend the community radio station from Coonabarabran to Baradine. Funds from the Mayors bush fund to get the radio connection. Rob Deans has been working on this and will be able to get it connected now for an emergency but is still working on getting the community radio to Baradine.

Aerodrome Road

Aerodrome Road comes up on google maps as Beverages Road, Baradine. DTS confirmed that it is Aerodrome Road on the mapping system.

Derelict Buildings

Community would like to see the derelict buildings cleaned up.

Action: DEEDS advised the community that regulatory services have taken lots of steps to get those blocks cleaned up and there is a process to go through. They are currently going through this process with multiple houses.

Weeds

Complaints regard the weeds have been forwarded to Castlereagh County Weeds.

Signage for rubbish dumping

Community is wanting signs regarding illegal rubbish dumping.

DEEDS advised that Council has the signs to be erected but is wanting community feedback as to where are the hot spots.

Action: DEEDS will get the signs erected in the hot spot positions.

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Fluoridation of the water

Wanting to know where the project it up to with fluoride in the town water. Manager Water advised that Council is working with NSW Health towards replacing the system but would consult with the community prior to switching the system back on.

Sewerage Treatment Plant

Sewerage Pump station is starting to smell bad again. Community member has been advised to contact Phil Hensby and he will contact Scott Stanley who will contact the EPA.

Pepper Corn Tree – Showground

There is a very large dead branch nears the grandstand. The community would like to request to remove the whole Pepper corn tree.

Hard Waste Pick Up

The community would like to know when the next hard waste pick up will be. DEDES advised that we will be having one around spring time and that it will be advertised in advance.

Street Drainage

Corner of Worrigal Street and Liverpool Street the road has drainage problems. DTS advised that it is not in the works program but will take it on notice.

MEETING CLOSED : 7:10PM