MINUTES OF THE BARADINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD IN THE BARADINE BOWLING CLUB ON TUESDAY 29 MARCH 2022 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.

PRESENT: Cr Ambrose Doolan (Mayor), Cr Denis Todd, Cr Kodi Brady, Cr Jason Newton, Cr Zoe Holcombe, Cr Aniello Iannuzzi, Roger Bailey (General Manager, GM), Gary Murphy (Director Technical Services DTS), Leeanne Ryan (Director Environment and Development Services DEDS), Shereena Tattersall (Minute Taker), Bethany Palmer, Liz Cutts, Rick Crawley, Jennifer Hotchkiss, Evelyn Hampton, Irene Worrell, Mark Rogers, Susan Munns, Adrian Worrell, Peter Munns, Elaine Chapman-Smith

APOLOGIES: Cr Kathy Rindfleish, Cr Carlton Kopke, Cr Dale Hogden

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Ambrose Doolan welcomed attendees to the meeting and thanked them for attending the meeting. Mayor Doolan introduced Cr Holcombe to open the meeting. Cr Holcombe introduced the Councillors in attendance, General Manager (GM), Director Technical Services (DTS), Director Environment and Development Services (DEDS) and the Minute Taker and outlined how the meeting will be run.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING TUESDAY 26 OCTOBER 2021

BUSINESS ARISING

COMMUNITY MATTERS

Program.

 Update play equipment and fixing soft fall at the town park. Including gates on the entry areas to keep kids safe (Bethany Palmer) –
GM advised no funding in the current budget to update the town and park, however encouraged residents making a submission for the upcoming Budget and Delivery

DTS advised the soft fall at the park required meeting Australian Standards at time of installation. In regards to a gate being installed, a risk assessment would need undertaking.

Irene Worrell stated there is no fence at the rear of the park near the tennis courts.

ACTION: Inspect soft fall area and investigate the cause of the water pooling, investigate grant funding options for updating park and commence risk assessment on installation of gate.

2. Leaking Water Hydrant , issue of continually leaking water hydrant outside the IGA Supermarket (Liz Cutts) –

DEDS advised temporary repair was completed prior to meeting. EDS staff are waiting on parts to arrive for a more permanent fix.

Peter Munns advised the hydrant on Darling Street and Lachlan Street are leaking.

ACTION: DEDS to investigate leaking hydrants on Darling Street and Lachlan Street

3. Baradine Waste Depot, issue of flooding and long grass and weeds making it difficult to access the out-ot-hours waste deposit hatches (Liz Cutts) –

DEDS advised the weeds are maintained regularly.

ACTION: DEDS and DTS to discuss the maintenance of the table drain

4. Impact of storms – what work has been done or can be done to reduce the impact of storms in Baradine (Rick Crawley) –

DTS advised Public Works have completed a draft audit on levy banks. DTS advised he has requested for funds to be set aside in the budget for levy maintenance and improvements.

Elaine Chapman-Smith questioned why a temporary levy was erected during the last major flooding event which resulted in homes being flooded. DTS advised is was a staff judgment call at the time to protect properties.

COUNCIL UPDATES AND INFORMATION

5. Budget

GM advised on Public Exhibition and written submissions close April 19, 2022.

6. Community Strategic Plan

GM advised on Public Exhibition and written submissions close April 19, 2022.

7. Public Lands Planning Proposal

DEDS advised Council is proposing to re-classify the Baradine Aerodrome and Baradine Sewerage Treatment Plant from Community and Operational land. A report will be prepared and placed on Public Exhibition and a Public Forum will be held.

8. Illegal dumping

DEDS advised to report illegal dumping via RID Online. Reporting through the site allows for photos to be uploaded and GPS tagged.

GENERAL BUSINESS

9. Broken Tap Covers Baradine Oval (Adrian Worrell)

Advised there are two (2) broken tap covers at Baradine Oval. One is near the light switch box and the other is behind the goal post.

ACTION: DTS to investigate and rectify broken tap covers at the Baradine Oval.

10. Duncan Heads Lane, Gwabegar (Adrian Worrell)

Requested Duncan Heads Lane, Gwabegar to be graded.

ACTION: DTS to investigate if the road is in the Warrumbungle Shire.

11. Disabled Toilet – Baradine Oval (Adrian Worrell)

Requested for a disabled toilet to be installed at Baradine Oval.

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ACTION: DTS to investigate funding for installation of a disabled toilet at Baradine Oval.

12. CWA Conference May 2022 (Irene Worrell)

Advised there will be a CWA Conference held in Baradine in May, and the members will be making representation to the State Government to legislate for hygiene bins to be placed in all toilets.

13. Item 1 in Previous Minutes – Request for a Give Way sign at the Baradine Waste Depot (Peter Munns)

Seeking clarification on the action item regarding the installation of a give way sign at the Waste Depot. DEDS advised the sign would need to be placed inside the gate at the Waste Depot.

Rick Crawley suggested squaring the entrance onto the road for safety reasons.

ACTION: DEDS and DTS to investigate altering the entrance to the Baradine Transfer Station to make it safer.

14. Roads to be graded (Mark Rogers)

Johns Crossing and Number 1 Break Road are damaged and in need of repair/grading.

DTS handed out Rural Roads Flyer and advised the hierarchy of roads, which is used to identify the order of repairs.

DTS advised a claim has been submitted to the State Government for funding to repair the damaged roads. Council have hired an independent company to assess the damage and prepare a report to submit with the funding application.

Cr Holcombe thanked everyone for their attendance.

There being no further business, meeting was closed 6:24pm.