

PRESENT: Cr Peter Shinton (Mayor), Cr Gary Andrews, Cr Anne Louise Capel, Cr Fred Clancy, Cr Denis Todd, Steve Loane (General Manager), Stefan Murru (Director Corporate & Community Services), Leeanne Ryan (Director Development Services), Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services), Louise Johnson (Manager Children's & Community Services), Gloria Chilstone, Lauren Craig, Liz Cutts, Alison Eastburn, Kevin Eastburn, Judith Hadfield, Ted Hayman, Jennifer Hotchkiss, Cathy Johnston, Roslyn Kidley, Moy Lane, Patrick Lever, Robyn Mayall, Laura Purdy, Senior Constable Brenton Rosier and Irene Worrell.

APOLOGIES: Cr Victor Schmidt, Cr Chris Sullivan, Nea Worrell, Glenda Johnson, David Maher

CHAIR: Steve Loane (General Manager)

MINUTES: Louise Johnson (Manager Children's and Community Services)

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED that the Minutes of the Baradine Community Consultation Meeting, held on 23 March 2015 be accepted.

Cr Todd/T Hayman

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Sewerage Pumping Station

The meeting discussed problems with the Sewerage Treatment works. Odour had improved but seems to have returned. Works have been completed to rectify the problem. Draining will be taking place each week.

Contacting Key Council Personnel

If people have trouble contacting Directors, please contact the General Manager, Steve Loane.

Shade Structure, Baradine Pool

Shade structure funding to be followed up by the Director Technical Services.

AGENDA ITEMS

Fit for the Future

The General Manager provided an overview of the Fit for the Future process and current challenges being faced by Council. The meeting discussed the proposals put forward by Council. If any of the proposals outlined in the Extraordinary Business Paper were to be implemented then consultation would be undertaken with the community.

2015/16 Budget

The Director Corporate and Community Services distributed a document providing an overview of Councils' 2015/16 budget, including items specific to Baradine. This information, as well as information for other towns, will be available on Council's website.

Customer Service Charter

The Director Corporate and Community Services distributed Councils new Customer Service Charter and provided an overview of the process as well as the Charter. Residents were asked to review the Charter and provide feedback.

Electronic Housing Code

The Director Development Services distributed information on the Electronic Housing Code. This, and further information is available on Council's website.

Comprehensive Property Addressing System Program

Council distributed information on the Comprehensive Property Addressing System Program. Residents were asked to provide feedback on the map and also experiences with addressing.

Boundary Adjustments

Residents noted issues around locality boundaries, such as residents who live in the locality of Terridgerie but have an address in Baradine. It was noted that this issue will hopefully be dealt with through the Comprehensive Property Addressing System Program.

Sewerage Connection, Baradine Showground

Residents noted that the Baradine Showground Trust would like sewerage connected to the Showground. The Trust would like Council to complete 600 metres and the Trust will seek funding for the rest. Discussion needs to occur between the Trust and Council regarding this proposal.

Baradine Park

The meeting discussed access to the Public Toilets in Baradine Park, in particular for people with a disability as well as safety issues within the park. These items will be followed up and considered further by Council.

Lions Park – Shade Cover

Residents raised the issue that the shade cover over the play equipment has been damaged. Council advised the meeting that Council was aware of the damage and the relevant Manager is following up with the provider/manufacture.

Baradine Pool

Various matters were raised in regard to the Baradine pool including hours of operation, pool testing, pool entry fees and the possibility of fees being waived for swimming lessons.

Tennis Courts

Dead tree near tennis courts, tree to be pruned and removed in the near future.

Asbestos Issue

Residents raised concerns regarding an ongoing issue with a property that has asbestos.

Wellington Street trees

Residents raised concerns regarding trees that were funded by local residents that were to be planted in the main street.

Kenebri Properties – Fire Hazard

Residents raised concerns regarding a number of properties in Kenebri which pose a fire risk.

CWA Hall

Residents noted ongoing issues with water forming in front of the CWA Hall.

Bogan Street

Residents raised concerns regarding traffic and safety issues with Bogan Street.

Baradine Central School Ag Plot

Residents raised concerns regarding the number of cattle in the Ag Plot, and the odour emanating from the cattle. If further issues arise residents to contact Director Development Services.

GENERAL BUSINESS

PAMP

Meeting was advised works had commenced in other towns, works have been scheduled for Baradine.

Water & Sewer Access – Private Property

A resident raised their concerns regarding water and sewer access to their property. Meeting advised the resident to contact Council to discuss this problem.

Insurance

Residents noted that some people were having trouble getting insurance due to living on a flood plain. Council advised the meeting the Insurance Council of Australia should be contacted to assist with these issues.

Road to Tip

Residents raised concerns regarding items on the road to the tip. Council advised the meeting that these concerns have been noted.

Weeds

Residents raised concerns regarding weeds around town. Council advised the meeting the Castlereagh Macquarie County Council (CMCC) are responsible for weeds and matters should be reported directly to the CMCC.

Piggery

Residents enquired regarding roadworks for the new piggery.

Meeting Closed: 6.45pm