

Community Consultation Meetings Action List

Round 2 – 2017

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Meeting Date: 30 October 2017

Minute / Action Required	Directorate	Progress
Town Water – Cemetery Residents sought an update as to whether or not the request to install a town water tap in the Anglican section of the cemetery had been completed. Council indicated that it would investigate whether or not this had been completed.	TS	A/DTS – Will be completed week ending 26 January 2018 (if not already).
Stump 133 Coolah District Historical Society have secured a grant, with the assistance of Council’s Heritage Advisor. A plaque has been purchased but is yet to be mounted.	DDS	A/DDS – A plaque has been purchased but is yet to be mounted.
Vinegaroy Road Residents enquired as to when works on Vinegaroy Road would commence. Council indicated that signs were to be erected this week and preliminary works would commence soon after.	TS	A/DTS – Complete.
Coolah Library – Security It was advised that Pandora Gallery has received funding for security cameras. The cameras are yet to be installed.	DS	A/DDS – Referred to relevant Manager for consideration.
Update on Shared Bike Path Residents sought an update on the shared bike path. Council indicated that they don’t have funds to complete this work at this stage and any further work would be subject to funding. Council indicated that they will consider improvements to the dirt section. A request was made to Council to consider allocating a small amount of funding to assist with funding applications.	TS	In progress. Funding request to be considered for new financial year budget.
Water Quality – Drinking Water Concerns were again raised regarding the quality of the drinking water in the town. Council indicated that investigations can be undertaken in to this, however indicated that the water meets water quality standards.	TS	Have approached Hunter Water for high level cost options report for investigation.
Main Street Trees There was extensive discussion around the trees in the main street. Council indicated that professional advice has been sought in relation to the trees. Residents indicated that they felt that if trees were removed that they should be replaced. Council indicated that the stump cannot be removed until it rots a bit more, otherwise it will disturb the road pavement. Residents requested that a report be sent to the local paper to let the community know what is happening with these trees.	TS	A/DTS – Trees are okay, not being removed.

<p>Parking – Long Vehicles Residents indicated that requests have been made previously for signage as to where long vehicles can park in Coolah. The request relates to signage to indicate to people with long vehicles where it is most appropriate for them to park. It was indicated that people feel that tourists / visitors with long vehicles are either parking in inappropriate areas or are not stopping in the town.</p>	TS	In progress. Require more information on parking location.
<p>Snake Safety Workshop A resident raised concerns about parents who are concerned about snakes and enquired about whether or not a workshop could be held for parents and children about snake safety.</p>	DDS	A/DDS – Council advised that this matter should be addressed to National Parks & Wildlife.
<p>Goddard Street An update was requested on works in Goddard Street. Council indicated that the works are progressing now and they hope to be finished by Christmas.</p>	TS	A/DTS – Kerb & Guttering and footpath completed. Roadworks completed by mid-march.
<p>Sir Ivan Fire Recovery Council enquired as to how people are going following the Sir Ivan Fire and asked whether or not there is anything Council can provide assistance with at this time. Discussion around local events to say thank you and a local event around recovery and art. Concerns raised regarding mobile phone coverage both during and after the fire, including in relation to the BlazeAid volunteers working on properties with no mobile phone coverage. Residents indicated that anonymous letters were still being sent to people affected by the fire, and those who have provided assistance to those affected by the fire. Residents raised a number of concerns for Council to follow up with the Rural Fire Service and NSW Police.</p>	CCS	<p>DCCS - This enquiry has been passed on to the Mayor's Bushfire Appeal Advisory Committee who are overseeing the allocation of funds collected and who act as one of the focal points for recovery efforts.</p> <p>With regards to concerns regarding the anonymous letters, police are actively investigating. Anyone with information is encouraged to see your local police. Closed – no further action.</p>
<p>Learn to Ride Track Coolah District Development Group (CDDG) has established a Sub-Committee to work on the establishment of a multipurpose park, including Learn to Ride bike track, skate park, basketball court, playground equipment and BBQ facilities. Further discussion to occur with Council regarding this.</p>	CCS	DCCS – Suggest funding be sourced and obtained.
<p>Uarbry Concerns regarding Uarbry were tabled via an email received from a local resident. Concerns raised in the email will be dealt with via Council and also the Sir Ivan Fire Recovery Committee.</p>	CCS	DCCS – These concerns have been passed on to the Mayor's Bushfire Appeal Advisory Committee. Closed – no further action.
<p>Footpaths Concerns were raised regarding the state of some of the footpaths in Coolah. This will be investigated and rectified as appropriate.</p>	TS	A/DTS – Referred for investigation.
<p>Coolah Home Base Multiple concerns were raised regarding Coolah Home</p>	DS	A/DDS – Coolah Home Base to contact Government

Base, including drainage, fire risk and the Coolaburragundy River. Council to investigate further and work with relevant Departments and Services to address these issues, where appropriate.		agencies. Council has issued relevant planning approvals.
Bowen Oval – Playground Equipment Residents requested that the playground equipment at Bowen Oval have lights installed to provide light in the playground at night. Residents indicated that they believed there was regulation and standards that required lighting of covered play equipment. Council indicated this will be investigated and appropriate action taken.	TS	In progress. Will check regulations and standards.
Lack of Communication – Removal of General Manager Residents indicated that the community feel that they haven't been given an explanation as to why Council's General Manager was removed. Residents indicated that the community would like an explanation and felt that they deserved one. Council indicated that they were not in a position to provide this explanation but that this request would be passed on to Mayor Peter Shinton.	ES	A/GM - Referred to the Mayor.
Go To Place – Community and Government Services Members of the community suggested a 'go to place' to help people access and navigate community and government services.	ES	A/GM - Most services are available online, but Council acknowledges that many residents do not use the internet. This is a matter for State Government.
Local Infrastructure Residents indicated their desire to focus on getting existing and planned local infrastructure sorted. The group indicated that a number of plans have been developed specifically for Coolah.	TS	A/GM – Acknowledged that prior plans should be followed where possible.
Large Items Pick Up Day Enquiries were made as to when the next large items pick up day would be held. Council indicated that this will be scheduled for December.	DS	A/DDS - Completed in South. North - February 2018.
Meeting Follow Up Residents enquired as to how will people know about what happened at, and as a result of, this meeting. Council indicated that this will be discussed and considered by Manex as Council agreed that it is too long before the next meeting, in terms of providing updates and reporting back.	CCS	DCCS – This document is the response to this query. Manex and Council will be working through a media / communications plan as an ongoing process. Ongoing.