

**COOLAH COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD IN THE COOLAH
COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 27 MARCH 2023 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

AGENDA – Coolah Community Consultation Meeting

27 March 2023 commencing at 5:30pm

Welcome: Ambrose Doolan (Mayor)

Apologies:

Confirmation of Minutes

Business Arising from the Minutes

Agenda Items

a) Community Matters

Bronwyn Drew

1. Disability Inclusion and Access Committee
Does the Council have a disability inclusion and access committee, if not why not?
If the council has a disability inclusion and access committee what percentage of the committee is made up of people living in the Warrumbungle Shire with lived experience?
What percentage of representation on the committee is made up of council employees, with lived and non lived experience?
Is there any representation from businesses within the Shire?
2. Disability Inclusion Action Plan
When is the council going to update the Disability Inclusion Action Plan?
What was the cost to ratepayers for the Face to-face focus group meetings held across the shire in mid 2021 to create the draft of the Disability Inclusion Action Plan to replace the Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2017 to 2021?
What is it going to cost the ratepayers to update it now, will face to focus groups be again done., As the information collected during the focus groups in 2021 may not still be relevant?

Greg Piper

3. Could council give a brief account of the VPA and the community enhancement fund, with regard Wind farm and solar farm developments.
The purpose of
And how council consults with the community regarding these developments.

Katie Burgess

4. Coolah Swimming Pool's Acting Pool Supervisor
Nigel Baker is doing an excellent job as acting supervisor. He is extremely willing to support and work with the Swimming Club, which is really appreciated.
5. Coolah Swimming Pool showers.
The current showers are dangerous with hot water only being accessed by a metal tool to turn the tap on and off. This tool needs to be picked up from the office.
Having a push button system, where the temperature is regulated, would be ideal.

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6. Crossings on Coolah Creek Rd up the Pandora Pass
What are the boundaries of the Shire and the plans for correcting, maintaining and upgrading the crossings to ensure safe passage over the Pass if there is a fire blocking Coolah Creek Road?
7. Upgrade of the access road from Coolah Creek Rd up to the Coolah National Parks.
What are the plans for this section of road?
8. Painting of the front of the Coolah Swimming Pool.
It would be great to freshen up the entrance of the pool and bringing life back to the original entrance building.
9. Public toilet facilities in Coolah.
For buses stopping at Coolah, McMaster Park has two toilets only, Bowen Oval toilets are locked and the toilets behind the Council building are not in an ideal area for buses to stop and for people to move around and play in a park.
What are plans to upgrade the facilities in Coolah to encourage tourists to stop and also for locals to be able to use the toilets, especially at Bowen Oval.
10. Coolah improvement for caravan and visitor access.
Currently caravans often miss the opportunity to visit the main shopping area of Coolah because they are directed down the bypass or down the side streets and end up on the bypass. There is limited parking for oversize vehicles and where this is, is unclear and confusing.
Can the signage please be reviewed so that it is clear where they are being directed.

Ted Miller

11. Inaccuracy of minute taking at the Coolah Community Consultation Meetings

b) Council Updates and Information

12. Budget
13. REZ
14. Inland Rail
15. Road / Natural Disaster Claims
16. TRRRC

General Business