

**MENDOORAN COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD IN THE
MEMORIAL CLUB, MENDOORAN ON 4 APRIL 2022 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM**

AGENDA – Mendooran Community Consultation Meeting
4 April 2022 commencing at 5:30pm

Welcome: Ambrose Doolan (Mayor)

Apologies:

Confirmation of Minutes

Business Arising from the Minutes

Agenda Items

a) Community Matters

Scott Sciberras

1. 70 Bandulla Street Mendooran is deteriorating and is becoming dangerous for foot traffic. This particular section of the footpath has become busier due to the popularity of the cafe next door.

Clem Chapman.

2. Frances Street Mendooran, road conditions and water.

Bev Bush

3. The “dip” as locals call it- Merrygoen Creek crossing has been closed to traffic for some time. There have been rumours that it is because of the discovery of a “frog”. If so, could it be further investigated so that the crossing may be open again as it is very inconvenient for travellers, including a school bus run, particularly with the cost of fuel at present. Also, if it is a “frog”, why aren’t there signs informing people?
4. The footpath going to the local school and the greenery in the middle of the road (Brambil St) are not maintained very well by the council. Instead, Mr Waters, a school employee has to do it in order that the children are safer.
5. Is it possible for the lane between Cobra Street and Benewa Street from Brambil Street to Napier street be repaired as the potholes are a problem. Quite a few householders use it as an access to their homes.

Jenny Lloyd

6. Mendooran water loan for the new water treatment station etc
When will the residents have the loan paid in full?
What will the Mendooran water rates be once the loan has been extinguished?
Would it be possible to have a written explanation for the attendees as well as the relevant Director’s oral explanation please?
7. Update on the noxious weeds control situation which I had on the agenda at a previous meeting in 2021-Peter Shinton received my very basic map of the African boxthorn sites in Mendooran

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Dianne Mulligan

8. Follow-up from April meeting 2021, Mr Kevin Tighe, DTS, talked about completing sealing of the Tooraweenah Road. Is this complete or in the budget?
9. Beautification of Mendooran: including Mainstream; Seating; the Park replacing BBQ structure; the Cemetery; damaged and removal of white cement barriers around trees in mainstreet and question damage trees have caused to the road or water mains; etc. Update please.
10. Damage to the road in the mainstreet is of concern. It is a dangerous situation, an accident waiting to happen. Many people have stumbled as they cross the road, this is the main pedestrian thoroughfare in town. It is also a heavy traffic area being the Castlereagh Highway and the main route from the west of the state to Newcastle Harbour with heavy haulage trucks.
11. The northern end of Brambil street: the bitumen area needs to be extended past the school buses zone. It is used as the teacher parking area and the Sporting Oval parking area as well. The road is not maintained nor is River Street at the Brambil Street intersection. River Street needs grading and proper connections at each intersection with Brambil Street, Napier Street, Farnell Street, Abbott Street and Dalglish Street.
12. Sealing of Abbott Street on the northern side of the mainstreet. There is a section between Cobra Street and Benewa Street not sealed then there is bitumen part way down to a tree where Abbott Street becomes divided and not maintained.
13. River Street being graded and maintained provides a pleasurable walk for locals, visitors and tourists along our beautiful river area. Which in turn adds to the Beautification of Mendooran. A walking/cycling trail? Seats could then be added in the future.

Lynette Sciberras

14. Cycling signage in the Mendooran area

b) Council Updates and Information

15. Budget
16. Community Strategic Plan
17. Public Lands Planning Proposal
18. Illegal dumping
19. Update on the Storm Damage situation to the Council Road Network

General Business