

**MINUTES OF THE BINNAWAY COMMUNITY CONSULTATION MEETING HELD IN  
BINNAWAY BOWLING CLUB ON TUESDAY  
5 APRIL 2022 COMMENCING AT 5.30PM.**

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**PRESENT:** Cr Ambrose Doolan (Mayor), Cr Denis Todd, Cr Jason Newton, Cr Carlton Kopke, Cr Aniello Iannuzzi, Cr Kodi Brady, Roger Bailey (General Manager, GM), Gary Murphy (Director Technical Services, DTS), Shereena Tattersall (Minute Taker), Denise Leader, Tim Kemp, Bernie McBain, Pam Southwell, Larry Tolmie, Jim Larkin, Bill Tatt, Elizabeth (Jane) Simmons, Lyn Petherbridge

**APOLOGIES:** Cr Dale Hogden, Cr Zoe Holcombe, Cr Kathryn Rindfleish, Jane Phillips

**INTRODUCTION:**

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

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING MONDAY 25 OCTOBER 2021**

**BUSINESS ARISING**

**Item 1 Stormwater drainage at Binnaway Showground – Jim Larkin**

DTS advised since the inspection the project is in progress. Further investigations are needed to control runoff on road reserve and up stream. As mentioned previously an open drain will not be effective.

**COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**1. Condition of Leaders Road (Denise Leader) –**

Denise Leader advised there are holes in the road, the road is washed out and the wooden bridge has been eaten by white ants.

DTS advised an application has been processed through the Fix Timber Bridges Funding Project for Black Gully Bridge.

**ACTION:** DTS to investigate road condition of Woolshed Gully.

**2. Leaders Road – holes in centre of the road (Tim Kemp) –**

Dealt with in Item 1.

**3. New Mollyan Road – lines painted on the road (Tim Kemp) –**

DTS advised the line marking was done by a contractor, who ran out of paint. The contractor has not advised on a completion date.

**ACTION:** DTS to confirm completion date of line marking on New Mollyan Road.

**4. Tooraweenah/Mendooran Road – road to be tarred (Tim Kemp) –**

DTS advised funding has been received for sealing the 3.4km stretch of Tooraweenah Road within the Warrumbungle Shire Council. The design is to be finalised by 1 May 2022 and project completion by 30 June 2023.

**5. Reference given to form General Manager, Steve Loane (Bernie McBain) –**

GM advised he is not aware of any such document and advised Mr McBain of the

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process of a GIPA Application, which can be pursued if he was inclined.

**6. TRRRC – request for full brief on legal expenses and options on the old people’s home in Dunedoo (Bernie McBain) –**

GM advised the matter is attended to in Closed Council. Council is the Defendant in the case. Mediation between the two parties was not successful and the case is expected to go before the courts in early 2023.

GM advised the contract was terminated on the grounds of poor workmanship and should that not be successful the convenience and the legal bill is currently over \$2mil. A court appointed expert has inspected the site.

**7. Insurance on buildings located at the Binnaway Showground (Pam Southwell)**

GM advised buildings on Council property are covered by Council’s insurance provided they are listed on the policy. GM read out the list of buildings that are on Council’s policy and advised if any buildings were missing from the policy to email the list through to Manager Corporate Services.

GM advised insurance values are reviewed regularly.

**COUNCIL UPDATES AND INFORMATION**

**8. Budget**

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

**9. Community Strategic Plan**

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

**10. Public Lands Planning Proposal**

GM advised Council is preparing a proposal to rectify incorrectly identified Council owned land, Operational (works/depot) or Community (parks). Once the report has been finalised it will be placed on Public Exhibition to correct the errors.

**11. Illegal dumping**

GM advised to report illegal dumping around the Shire. A media release was circulated with contact details for the EPA, reporting through the site allows photos to be uploaded and GPS tagged.

**12. Update on the Storm Damage situation to the Council Road Network**

Regional Roads Update Flyer was handed out to all attendees. DTS explained that scheduled road maintenance is based on the hierarchy of roads as mentioned previously in the meeting. DTS is seeking funding from the State Government to help cover some of the maintenance costs. DTS advised that under the Natural Disaster Funding, roads need to be repaired to pre-flood damage levels. Council has engaged an independent company, BEC, to assess the damage and prepare a report to submit with the funding application. Community members are encouraged to notify Council of damaged roads via email with photographs to assist in the maintenance of roads.

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Jim Larkin requested clarification on the funding being delivered as a whole or in parts. DTS advised the application included packages of geographical location which, if successful, the funding allocation will be structured accordingly. Contractors may be engaged and the funding is limited to two (2) years.

Bernie McBain requested clarification as to the definition of pre-flood conditions. DTS advised the funding cannot be used to re-seal entire road networks. As the works are completed new photographs will be taken to document condition and improvements made to the road network. These photos, as well as, photos from the community will form the pre-flood conditions moving forward.

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

**13. Grading of roads (Bernie McBain) –**

Bernie McBain questioned why road crews were only completing half a job, when grading roads, for example Box Ridge Road.

DTS advised moving forward the programming of works will be allocated and completed on geographical location, therefore whole jobs will be completed. Also, community awareness is needed in relation to location of works.

**14. Sale of vacant land (Larry Tolmie) –**

Larry Tolmie was seeking clarification on what is required relating to waste water systems and requirement on vacant land which is for sale.

**ACTION:** DEEDS to call Larry and confirm the requirements relating to waste water systems on vacant land.

Cr Brady thanked everyone for their attendance.

**There being no further business, meeting was closed 6:20pm.**