

PRESENT: Cr Peter Shinton (Mayor), Cr Denis Todd (Deputy Mayor), Cr Kodi Brady, Cr Anne-Louise Capel, Cr Fred Clancy, Cr Ambrose Doolan, Cr Aniello Iannuzzi, Cr Ray Lewis, Kevin Tighe (Director Technical Services), Leeanne Ryan (Director Development Services), Stefan Murru (Director Corporate & Community Services), Louise Johnson (Manager Children's & Community Services), Donna Burton, Michael Deep, Dianne Dow, Paul Downes, Lynne Estens, Max Estens, Kelly Hawker, Nicole Hunter, Bill Kelly, Peter Morrissey, Debbie Mukhas, John Sawyer, Julie Shinton, Peter Small, Stephen Turner, Juleen Young.

CHAIR: Steve Loane (General Manager)

APOLOGIES: Cr Wendy Hill.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDED: that the minutes of the Coonabarabran Community Consultation Meeting held on 29 March, 2016, be accepted.

BUSINESS ARISING

NBN

A number of concerns were raised about the introduction of the NBN in Coonabarabran. The question was asked whether Council could organise a meeting to advocate on this issue. It was determined that this issue would be raised at the December Council Meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS

Final Result 2015/16

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, provided an overview of Council's end of year result for the 2015/16 financial year.

End of Term Report

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, advised the meeting that Council's *End of Term Report* and *Annual Report* for 2015/16 were now available on Council's website.

Capital Program 2016/17

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, provided an overview of Council's capital program for 2016/17 and distributed booklets with further information on local works.

Property Addressing

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, provided an update on property addressing, which is a *Standing Item* on the *Agenda* for the *Community Consultation Meetings*.

Community Services Directory

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, showed the meeting a copy of the current *Community Services Directory* and advised it is available on Council's website. Council also advised that the *Directory* is currently being updated. Members of the community were encouraged to review the current *Directory* and advise Council of any changes. Changes are to be submitted to Manager Children's and Community Services, Louise Johnson.

Communications and Transparency

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, distributed a survey on Council's communication and advised that the survey is also available on Council's website.

Wind Farm

Director Development Services, Leeanne Ryan, advised the meeting of a wind farm being planned for near Coolah. A flyer regarding the *Wind Farm* was distributed.

Local Heritage Fund

General Manager, Steve Loane, distributed information and Application Forms for the Local Heritage Fund and advised the group that applications were now being sought.

Community Strategic Plan and Disability Inclusion Action Plan

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, advised the meeting that Council will soon be commencing a review of the *Community Strategic Plan*. The review will include community consultation via a range of methods. Council also advised that they are required to develop a *Disability Inclusion Action Plan*. Council has determined that the Disability Inclusion Action Plan will be integrated into the *Community Strategic Plan*.

Community Financial Assistance Donations

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, advised that the next round of Community Financial Assistance Donations would be released soon.

Contaminated Sites

General Manager, Steve Loane, provided a handout on contaminated sites. Members of the community were asked to review the information and provide feedback to Council on any contaminated sites they were aware of.

Emergency Services Levy

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, advised that from next year the *Emergency Services Levy* (ESL) will be added to rates notices. The ESL is currently included as part of insurance payments. Further information will be made available closer to implementation.

Australia Day Awards

Director Corporate and Community Services, Stefan Murru, provided attendees with information regarding the 2017 Australia Day Awards. Members of the community were encouraged to nominate someone for these awards.

Geo Park

Director Development Services, Leeanne Ryan, distributed a flyer regarding the Warrumbungle Pre-Aspiring UNESCO Global Geopark, a shared project of the Coonamble, Gilgandra and Warrumbungle Shires.

Regional Platters and Lifestyle Showcase

Director Development Services, Leeanne Ryan, distributed flyers regarding a couple of local tourism initiatives being supported by Council – the Regional Platters Workshops and Warrumbungle Lifestyle Showcase Weekend.

GENERAL BUSINESS

2357 Partnerships

Representatives of 2357 Partnerships introduced the new group and the Community Development Coordinator, Nicole Hunter.

Purlewaugh Road and Billy Kings Crossing

A request was made for Purlewaugh Road and Billy Kings Crossing to be cleaned out or fixed. Council advised that they have applied for funding through the Fixing Country Roads program but were unsuccessful. The project needs to be developed further and funding sought.

Local Environment Plan

A question was raised about whether or not tree changers were able to be accommodated in and around Coonabarabran. Council advised that this is being considered.

Footpath

Concerns were raised regarding the state of the footpath on Cassilis Street in front of the medical practices. Council to investigate.

Public Swimming Pools

A question was raised about the local swimming pool in relation to fees and opening times.

MEETING CLOSED AT 6:53PM