

DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8

MINUTES

Wednesday 11th NOVEMBER 2020

(COVID PROTOCOLS FOLLOWED)

Welcome - Ian Fitzgibbon.

1. Acknowledgement of Country,

I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the Land on which this meeting takes place, and Elders past and present, and extend that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present.

3. APOLOGIES:

Cr. Cameron Walters, Romeo Cecchelle, Amy Beck, Rob Kirkwood, Andrew Knowlson, Warren Southwell, Liz Webster.

4. MINUTES - received for 14th October 2020

Moved by: Ron Cooper

Seconded by: Dennis Couley

5. CORRESPONDENCE:

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OUT:

1. As resolved at the October Meeting requests for information have been sent to WCC concerning:

a) Urban Greening Focus for Dapto; Lake Jetties & Tallawarra Cycle Path Bridge.

b) Wongawilli Road Access, Flood Status of land in 2530 area, West Dapto & Darkes Road.

c) Kanahooka Rd ramps; Fowlers Rd Bridge, Bong Bong & Cleveland Rds, Darkes Rd & Shone Ave.

6. REPORTS / UPDATES FROM ENGAGEMENT TEAM:

Halimah Simpson (Engagement Officer)

a) Wollongong City Council Website - Ongoing Projects - West Dapto Projects Page now shows current project plans.

NF8 will promote the above page so that residents are informed.

Residents are encouraged to sign up to receive updates on the Wongawilli site page.

As recommended by Cr. Martin the West Dapto Access Strategy is now linked to Neighbourhood Forum page.

Halimah also addressed issues raised by NF8 regarding various issues around Dapto:

b) Urban Greening:

Rotary has reached agreement with Wollongong City Council that mass tree planting will be undertaken near the Bong Bong Road Skate Park.

Transitional planting will be undertaken throughout Dapto.

c) **FOGO Bins** are currently being distributed to homes throughout the area.

d) Wongawilli / West Dapto Road Access:

NF8 requests attention to West Dapto Road with specific attention to safety.

NF8 Requests a traffic count and risk assessment be undertaken on West Dapto Road to identify specific needs for maintenance, drainage & street lighting.

Cr. Martin & Cr. Figliomeni acknowledged concerns and expressed their intention to support this request.

Councillors recommend that issues of concern be logged on Councils web page under "Report an Issue".

7. GUEST SPEAKER: -

Corey Stoneham (Manager City Works)

Corey addressed the meeting regarding Wongawilli Access Project.

Corey spoke about the West Dapto Project as presented on WCC web site. Of special mention were improvements including temporary drainage to enable more efficient drainage of the site should there be further heavy rain incidents.

Two-way traffic has been reinstated on the Shone Ave - Wongawilli Rd intersection.

There has also been a redesign of the Smith's Lane intersection.

Corey acknowledged that there have been problems with initial design and implementation.

The project team has now brought in a second crew to speed up construction - the aim is for completion of storm water installation by the end of November.

Kerb & Gutter on the southern side of Wongawilli Road is booked for mid December. Vehicle entries will also be completed by mid December. Culverts to be installed in January 2021.

NF8 supported a request proposed by Stephen McGartland that a chart with summarised overall project plan be produced. This chart to include milestones, monthly updates and estimated completion dates pertaining to the Wongawilli Access Project.

It was requested that this chart be circulated through NF8 and Wongawilli Residents social media group. Corey agreed to follow through on this.

NF8 request that WCC Subdivision Team provide information regarding a second access road planned for installation into Smith's Lane from Sheaffes Road.

Ann Martin recommended development information signage be erected on West Dapto Rd and Darkes Rd.

It was noted that State Infrastructure Contribution Plan funding has only recently become available to WCC.

8. General Business:

a) New West Dapto Suburb Names:

NF8 Recommended Sandra Etryk-Glauveski, Melissa Cicero & Paul Croft be included in addition to Amy Beck & Ron Cooper as participating residents in West Dapto Naming Working Group. This group also includes: Nina Kent, David Fitzgibbon & Emma Struys (Council Project Team), Diana Saunderson & Michelle Toms (Council Engagement Officers).

b) Cr. Dom Figliomeni:

i) Ongoing issue with proposed Boarding House on Avondale Road. Dennis Couley thanked Councillors for their support and noted that this issue is about to come before the court.

ii) Wollongong City Council is currently formulating 2021-2022 budget.

It is important to raise issues of concern now for consideration by Council.

iii) Ron Cooper:

Raised concern about confusion caused by renumbering of original residences along Wongawilli Road.

Ron requested that if possible Wollongong City Council communicate concerns with NBN and National Register for Electricity Supply.

iv) Cr. Ann Martin.

Recommended residents of new areas utilise the **Connecting Neighbours Grants** to build connection within neighbourhoods.

Lake Jetties: \$1.3m has been allocated for restoration of jetties. Any concerns regarding Jetties on Lake Illawarra should be addressed to Minister Pavey. Areas surrounding Lake Illawarra are Crown Land . This includes the shared Pedestrian-Cycle Path Bridge at Tallawarra.

Lake Illawarra Estuary Management Plan (CMP) - has been approved. This is the 1st Estuary Management Plan to be approved with funding to be made available. The NSW state government to provide 2:1 with local councils.

Ian Fitzgibbon:

Ian noted that he is following up concerns that have been raised regarding the need for additional freeway Exit Ramps. Anna Watson is also looking into this matter.

Meeting Closed: 8.35pm

NEXT MEETING:

7.00PM WEDNESDAY 9th DECEMBER 2020

SCRIBBLY GUM ROOM, RIBBONWOOD CENTRE.