NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 7 | February 28 2023

1. Welcome & Acknowledgment of Country

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

2. Attendance

List of Attendees

Peter Maywald (Convenor), Kaye Adams (Secretary), Cr Ann Martin, Cr Elisha Aitken, Cr Dom Figliomeni, Steve Adams, Lucy Andrade, Tracey Baron, Rick Cheers, Ronda Jones, Annie Marlow, Julie Marlow, David Nicholson, Christine Okiniowski, Buster Jameson, Dorothy Lucas, Ash Castro

Apologies

Lord Mayor Gordon Bradbury, Cr Linda Campbell, Paul Scully MP, Kim Maywald

3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved. Moved by Cr. Ann Martin Seconded by Buster Jameson

4. Monthly Reports

Cr Martin-

- The Lake Illawarra Estuary Management committee has been allocated funding for communications advising the community of the Management Program and answering any questions in the community.
- Korrungulla It appears the owner does not hold a legal DA for the clearing of the land and there are currently investigations from WCC, EPA & the Biodiversity Conservation Trust

Cr Figliomeni

- PK Investment Fund has been finalized and \$500,00 has been allocated to the skate park WCC is working with the local community for a suitable location.
- WCC Housing Strategy went to Council and one of the key components is for every development of 100 units there must be 10% affordable housing. There is a lot of fine tuning required.
- Cat Containment Review still needs more work. (Add to next months Agenda)
- Old Port Kembla School Zoning changed to B3 Medium Density Plans to go to the State and if approved WCC will put out for exhibition in the community

5. Business Arising from Previous Meetings

5.1 NSW Election - Candidate Statement

- There was discussion about the items put up and it was agreed to send the Request For Candidate Statement to the Cath Blakey (Greens Candidate) & Paul Scully MP (Labour Candidate). We will wait until after candidate closure for Liberal Candidate advice
 - o Action Kaye Adams to email document & circulate responses.

6. General Business & Updates

6.1 Former Port Kembla School DA

- Refer.Cr Figliomeni Update
 - Action No Action Required

6.2 King Street REOI Update

- Leave on for ongoing monitoring
 - Action No Action Required

6.3 Dix's Jetty

- Peter Maywald reported that the work on the Jetty has been progressing very well.
- There was a query raised to track down the plaque from Dixies Jetty
 - o Action Cr Martin to query Crown Lands Rep from LIEM Committee to try & locate placque

6.3 Northcliffe Drive Traffic Survey

- Peter Maywald reported that the survey had been conducted and clarification of the figures would be supplied
 - Action Peter Maywald to follow up

6.4 Windang Foreshore

- Tracey Baron advised that the RMS has made attempts to tidy up their compound. Councillors have advised that they would push to have it removed after the work on the bridge has finished in March Action – Ward 3 Councillors to follow up
- Tracey Baron advised that the fence is not high enough as people are fishing on the bridge. An
 incident occurred where a boater was hooked in the neck.

Action - Ward 3 Councillors to follow up with RMS

 Tracey Baron also brought up that there are many people camping illegally on the foreshore at Windang. This is to be referred to in New Business - 7.4 for Action.

Action – Cr Martin lodged a Council Request for rangers to follow up. Cr Martin also lodged a request for "No Camping" signs for the eastern foreshore area.

6.5 Barina Park Precinct -

Transferred to March Agenda for mention

7. New & Other Business

7.1 Korrungulla Swamp Primbee

- Refer Cr Martins Report (4.1)
 - Action Wait for advice from the 3 agencies involved

7.2 Heritage Park

- The park opposite the driving range is currently undergoing a revamp and boardwalks repaired. It has also been identified as a significant aboriginal heritage site.
 - Action No action required.

7.3 Gross Pollutant Trap, Boronia Park Windang

- A service request was lodged for the trap to be cleaned. The Forum has been advised by WCC that
 these are cleaned on an as needed basis.
 - o Action No action required.

7.4 King Street/Berkeley Boat Harbour Free Camping & Windang Illegal Camping

- The Forum is concerned that there is an abundance of campers in sites particularly those owned by the State Government. The Forum and Council acknowledge that there needs to be a middle ground to cater for the homeless members of the community. Of particular concern is King St -there only appears to be 2 rubbish bins on the site, no water and no dump site for the RVs & motorhomes attracted to the site. At the very least temporary facilities need to be put in place to cater for the problem.
 - Action Peter Maywald to send a letter to Paul Scully MP & the relevant Council Department asking for assistance in this area and noting the sensitivity of the homeless community
 - Action Forum members to advise of any other locations in question

7.5 Warrawong Residents Forum - Displacement

- Ash Castro advised the Forum that due to the knock down of the Warrawong Community Centre that his organization would be displaced and was in drastic need of a location in the Warrawong area.
 - Action Cr Martin suggested that there may be an opportunity for discussions with various contacts and gave Ash her contact details

8 Other Business

No Other Business - Meeting Closed 7.25pm

Next Meeting (Last Tuesday of the Month)

6pm -Tuesday 28 March2023 Illawarra Yatch Club