### Neighbourhood Forum 5

# Wollongong's Heartland



Coniston, Figtree,
Gwynneville, Keiraville,
Mangerton, Mount
Keira, Mount St
Thomas, North
Wollongong, West
Wollongong,
Wollongong City.

#### Minutes of meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2022 by email

- 1 Presentation None possible
- 2 Apologies None necessary
- 3 Minutes of meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> February were confirmed with the matter arising

addressed in item 6.1

- 4 Comments incorporated into the relevant items.
- 5 Responses **5.1 Food Van on c/o Gipps and Braeside, Keiraville:** non-response noted.
  - 5.2 Council's web site: noted

#### 5.3 Footpath on Braeside Avenue, Keiraville

It was agreed to advise the Director of residents' disappointment that construction of Braeside Avenue footpath is not planned before the UCI event and request that an alternative with a constructed footpath be used for the route eg Eastern Avenue.

#### 6 Reports **6.1 Minutes of meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> February**:

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting of 2<sup>nd</sup> February be adopted with the objection to DA 2021/1467 81-85 Keira Street Wollongong

6.2 Disabled Access to Wollongong Harbour:

It was agreed that Council be requested to review arrangements for disabled access to Wollongong Harbour.

#### **6.3** Development Assessment Manager:

It was agreed that Mark Adamson be congratulated on his appointment as Development Assessment Manager.

**Current active membership of Neighbourhood Forum 5: 411 households** 

#### 6.4 UK Highway Code:

It was agreed that changes to the UK Highway Code be drawn to the attention of Council with the request that they pursue and discuss the opportunities presented with Transport for NSW.

#### **6.5** Connecting Neighbours Grants: noted

#### **6.6** NSW Government Priorities: noted

#### 6.7 Changes to the DCP - Advertising and Signage:

It was agreed that:

- I a submission of support be made for changes to the DCP Advertising and Signage controls
- 2 Council again be requested to amend the Community Participation Plan to require notices of Development Applications to posted on site.

#### 6.8 Changes to the DCP – Disabled Access:

It was agreed that a submission of support be made for changes to the DCP Access for People with a Disability controls.

#### **6.9** Changes to Planning Proposals Policy:

It was agreed that a submission of support be made for changes to the Planning proposals Policy with the request that Council consider the inclusion of measures to assess community initiated Planning Proposals.

#### **6.10** Changes to Business and Industrial Zones:

It was agreed that:

- 1 Members interested be invited to join the executive in a detail review of the current proposals;
- 2 Council be requested to invite those affected to contribute to the proposals rather than just respond to them;
- this be drawn to the attention of Ward Councillors and the Lord Mayor;
- 4 Council again be requested to re-constitute the City Centre Advisory Committee;
- 5 Council be requested to consider incorporating consequential changes to the DCP at the same time to ensure that local considerations are used to modify or influence the new zone controls.

#### 6.11 BlueScope's Responsible Steel Certificate:

It was agreed that BlueScope be congratulated on this Certification.

#### **6.12 Inside Industry Tours:** noted

#### **6.13** Wollongong Botanic Gardens: noted

#### **6.14 Requests Tracking System:**

It was agreed that Council be thanked for changes made to the Request Tracking System

#### 7 Priorities

- 7.1 Livibility: noted
- 7.2 City Centre: noted
- **7.3 Stormwater:** noted

#### **7.4** Priorites for 2022:

It was agreed that priorities for 2022 would be:

Liveability; City Centre; Active transport.

#### 8 Planning

- 8.2 DA 2022/14 18 stories 68 units 24-30 Kenny St W'gong It was agreed to endorse the submission of support.
- 8.3 DA 2022/20 Dual Occ 38 Abercrombie St W. W'gong It was agreed to endorse the decision not make a submission.
- 8.4 DA 2022/146 Dual Occ 21 Jutland Ave W'gong It was agreed to endorse the submission of objection.
- 8.5 DA-2019/980 four storey Dual Occ 82A Cliff Rd W'gong It was agreed to endorse the submission of strong objection.
- 8.6 DA-2022/123 Dual Occ 253 Mt Keira Rd, Mount Keira It was agreed to lodge a submission of objection.
- 8.7 DA-2021/34 3 Town Houses 328 Gipps Rd Keiraville It was agreed that the Forum be represented at the Panel meeting of 8<sup>th</sup> March.
- **8.8 DA determinations:** noted

## 9 General Business

#### 9.1 Mount Ousley Interchange Project

The NSW government has commenced a procurement process leading to submission of tenders and ultimately awarding a contract to design and construct the Mount Ousley Interchange to replace the existing intersection of the Princes Motorway and Mount Ousley Road and include a new northern access to UoW.

The first step is that submissions will be received by 25 March from suitably experienced and qualified organisations to preregister their interest in being invited to submit a registration of interest.

Applications will be evaluated and a short list of applicants will be invited to submit tenders to deliver the project on the basis of collaborative Design and Construct contract model, subject to allocation of adequate funds and timeframes to be advised. The TfNSW website advises the Australian Government has committed \$240 million and the NSW Government has committed \$60 million to build the interchange, plus \$21 million form NSW for preparation work including detailed design, utility service investigations, further environmental assessment and property acquisition. A Review of Environmental Factors was publicly exhibited in late 2017 and a submissions report is available on the website which includes some design changes. The project link is: <a href="https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/m1-princes-motorway/m1-interchange/index.html">https://roads-waterways.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/m1-princes-motorway/m1-interchange/index.html</a>

It was agreed that Council be requested to seek the formalisation of an effective consultative process with TfNSW, WCC, UOW and community representatives (eg – NF5, iBUG & KRAG) to participate in reviewing and completing the design and to ensure that measures are implemented which include:

- I. an active transport plan to connect suburbs to the interchange;
- 2. an urgent review of the traffic impact on neighbouring suburbs:
- 3. the maintenance of safety and avoidance of disruption to residents by potential increases in traffic through the area (rat runs);
- 4. minimising disruption during construction for residents in neighbouring suburbs.

### 9.2 DA 2022/136 5 stories seniors living 79 Bellevue Rd Figtree 8 Mar

This is a proposal for a 102 bed Residential Care Facility, 22 new Independent Living Units on the site of the Croatian Catholic Church and Community Hall. A new community public square, 150 on-site parking spaces and various ancillary uses such as a gym, wellness centre, club house, café, chapel, Seniors Day Care Centre, Mens' Shed, multipurpose cinema room are included.



Unfortunately, it significantly exceeds the height limit, overlooks adjoining houses and is nearly twice the floor space limit.

It was agreed that Council be advised of:

- I support for the range of uses proposed;
- 2 strong objection to the precedent which would be set by such large variations from standards;
- objection to the scale of overlooking by the units of the adjoining houses;
- 4 concern about the flooding effects; and
- 5 if Council is sympathetic to the proposal, revised plans be sought and it consider re-zoning the land for an Additional Permitted Use to accommodate the proposal.
- 10 Snippets Noted

Details of next meeting Wednesday 6th April 2022 to be determined.