

1. Welcome & Acknowledgment of Country

The Convenor acknowledged the traditional custodians of the land upon which the meeting was held. As part of the world's oldest surviving culture, respect was paid to elders past, present and emerging.

2. Attendance

List of Attendees

Ron Arnts, Tracy Baron (Acting Secretary), Gordon Bradbery, Rick Cheers, Maria DiCarlo, Dom Figliomeni, Rita Glossop, Buster Jamieson, Dorathy Lucas, Julie Marlow, Kim Maywald, Peter Maywald (Convenor), David Nicholson, Christine Okoniowski, Charlie Owen, Mark Peterlin.

Apologies

Kaye Adams, Steve Adams, Lucy Andrade, Mark Baron, Marie Davidson, Annie Marlow, Cr Ann Martin, Cr Deidre Stuart.

3. Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting was Chaired by Dom Figliomeni.

- 3.1 The positions of Convenor and Co Convenor / Secretary were declared vacant.
- 3.2 Nominations were called for the position of Convenor. Peter Maywald was nominated by David Nicholson. Peter's nomination was seconded by Buster Jamieson. No further nominations were received. That being the case, Peter Maywald was elected unopposed to the position of Convenor.
- 3.3 Nominations were called for the position of Co Convenor / Secretary Convenor. Kaye Adams was nominated by Kim Maywald. Kaye's nomination was seconded by Christine Okoniowski. No further nominations were received. That being the case, Kaye Adams was elected unopposed to the position of Co Convenor / Secretary.
- 3.4 Peter Maywald thanked Forum members for their nomination and continued support. He also thanked Kaye Adams in her absence for her hard work and dedication throughout the year.

4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday 28 October 2025 were adopted as a true record of the meeting. Moved Rita Glossop, Seconded Buster Jamieson.

5. General Business

5.1 Infrastructure Delivery Program.

The Forum noted the advice attached to the agenda regarding the timing of Council's consideration of NF7's submission to the 2026 Infrastructure Delivery Program.

5.2 Cat Containment.

The Forum noted the advice attached to the Agenda regarding Council's engagement with the NSW Government Parliamentary inquiry into the management of cat populations. The Forum was reminded that they currently had the opportunity to lodge submissions via the Greens in relation to Cat Containment. David Nicholson advised that the Bill had been read but not yet been voted on. Current Community support for the bill was around 80%.

5.3 Warrawong Plaza Bus Stops.

The Forum noted the advice from Council which clarified responsibility for cleaning of the Warrawong Plaza bus stops. Buster Jamieson was advised that any further issues relating to the cleaning of these facilities would need to be raised with Warrawong Plaza.

5.4 Vehicles parked within the Korrungulla Wetlands and camping activity near Kully Bay and Windang.

- The Forum noted the advice from Council regarding Vehicles parked within the Korrungulla Wetlands and camping activity near Kully Bay and Windang.
- In response to Council's advice on Korrungulla Wetlands, Charlie Owen was requested to report to council and provide evidence of any further illegal activity.
- Tracy Baron advised it was disappointing that Council are treating the illegal camper opposite Windang Bowling club as a parking issue. This person has resided on the roadway now for more than 6 months with items stored below the trailer and on footpath with the boat also permanently located on the foreshore. No further reference or update has been provided on the other illegal camper near Windang Surf Club who has been there now for almost 5 years.
- Dom Figliomeni advised that there are limitations on the amount of time a vehicle can be parked on the roadway.

5.5 Deterioration of the gabion baskets used to support the edge of the Lake Illawarra Cycleway.

The Forum noted the advice from Council regarding deterioration of the gabion baskets used to support the edge of the Lake Illawarra Cycleway which indicated that Council has inspected the gabion baskets and the issue has been referred for technical advice from the internal structural engineering team regarding replacement/maintenance.

5.6 Marine Estate Champions Program.

The Forum noted the invitation for Community members to participate in the Marine Estate Champions Program.

5.7 Lake Illawarra Shared Path Plan Workshops.

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6. Other Business

6.1 BlueScope Community Consultative Committee.

Forum members were invited to nominate to stand in for Peter Maywald at the BlueScope Community Consultative Committee meeting to be held on Thursday 4 December 2025.

6.2 Port Kembla Harbour Environment Group.

Forum members were advised that there may be an opportunity for a Forum nominee to attend 2026 meetings of the Port Kembla Harbour Environment Group.

6.3 Lake Illawarra Cycleway Trees.

Christine Okonowski expressed concern regarding of several trees which have fallen over due to erosion along the foreshore near the new jetty towards Warrawong.

6.4 Coastal Management Plan (CMP).

Tracy Baron provided an update on the CMP meeting in relation to Lake Illawarra options study. The Report on the short-term protection work at Windang will hopefully be completed early December however there is no timeframe for any works to commence. Interim discussions have commenced with the relevant stakeholders. It is hopeful that an update will be available for the Let's Chat Windang Thursday 11th December – Windang Senior Citizens Centre 3:30pm – 6pm.

Meeting Closed 6.38pm

Next Meeting - Held the last Tuesday of the Month

6pm - Tuesday February 24 2026 -Venue to be Confirmed