



Neighbourhood
Forum 7
South East Suburbs

Berkeley, Cringila, Lake
Heights, Port Kembla,
Primbee, Spring Hill,
Warrawong, Windang.

Meeting opened 6.04pm by Peter Mayfield

1. Acknowledgement of Country -- Peter Maywald
2. Thank to Maria Di Carlo for providing the Berkeley Community Centre for this meeting.
Moved a motion to vary the Standing Orders to allow officers from Wollongong Council Officers to present information about Delivery Program and Operational Plan 2019. -- Peter Maywald
3. Welcome to Guests – Jenny Thompson, Manager Library and Community Services, and Andrew Carfield, Manager, Planning and Development – Wollongong Council Officers– Peter Maywald

Jenny Thompson introduced Andrew Carfield who discussed the planned operational and capitol works program. It is a 3-year Community Strategic Plan with 6 goals (Refer to Website for the complete details). Council is spending a lot of dollars (@ \$120 million in capitol works e.g. expanding capitol works, including footpaths, parks and outdoor fitness centres.

Jenny Thompson presented a spreadsheet (file attached) for the Neighbourhood Forum 7 area Capitol works plan for 2019.

She talked about other important programs i.e. Hill 60 carpark, Fred Finch park drainage works, which Andrew said would happen in this year's budget.

Presented the Forum with a set of the Printed program. (Available for loan – see Ronda)

Question from the floor:

“Why is the top half of Wollongong empty and dirty”? Maria Di Carlo

Jenny Thompson and Andrew Carfield talked about what the council is trying to do to rectify the problem.

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery: There is far too much retail space and retailing has left big holes of unused buildings in the Wollongong area. (nobody wants to buy Warrawong).

4. Attendance / Apologies
13 people in attendance
Apologies from: Rick Cheers, Cr Dom Figliomeni, Cr Vicki King, Julie Marlowe, Cr Ann Martin, Jules McCue,
- 5 **Minutes of the previous meeting:** Read and accepted. Moved: Pavla Stupkova Seconded: Maria Di Carlo
6. **Business arising from the minutes.**
 - **David Nicholson**—Does maintenance of Northcliff Drive come Council responsibility? There has been a large increase on truck movement along Northcliffe Drive. Can we find out who owns the trucks, and are they responsible for the subsidence along the Drive? Are they coming to or going from the Recycling Plant?
Lord Mayor, Cr Gordon Bradbery – responded – he will follow up (**See Email received 23/04/19**)

- Dix's Wharf – no firm plans to demolish but closed signs to remain.

7. Monthly Reports from Members of Parliament, Councillors and Council Officers in attendance.

Lord Mayor, Cr Gordon Bradbery

- Council has let tenders for beach management program for Port Kembla(re-Shaping), Woonona, Fairy Meadow and Towradgi. (See email 25/04/19)
- There is a continual development plan in place for Hill 60.
- An electricity company has asked for permission to remove current trees from under power lines and replace them with more suitable trees. This will help improve streets with “weird shaped” trees. (Liaison with Paul Treacy and his committee)
- Port Kembla Copper Site in Primbee -- Ownership of this land has reverted to the Indigenous people. There have been lots of studies into the site – issues are big and complex.
- There is a master plan for the Cringilla Hills. There have been property negotiations for the Centre. It too is a long, involved process and will take time.

8. Correspondence In / Correspondence- Out

23/04/19 – re Northcliff Drive subsidence issue--sent to members

23/04/19 – re Spreadsheet for Neighbourhood Forum 7 operational plans (Attached to minutes)

25/04/19 – re Reshaping Port Kembla beach – sent to members

9. General Business.

Christine: Kids are turning on the taps and leaving them running. What can we do to stop this waste of water?

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery: Replace the taps with self-turning off ones.

Maria Di Carlo: Park surrounding the Berkeley Community Centre requires a bubbler. Also needs a bigger Berkeley Community Centre Sign (current one very small and difficult to read) and a cigarette butt “bin” on the fence.

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery: Lodge a request.

Peter Maywald: Signs on the grass area above Port Kembla Surf Lifesaving club, indicate “No Parking” ! What can the Council do here to make parking more accessible? What strategy does council have in place?

Also, the parking in Church St, Port Kembla could it be sign posted for general parking?

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery and Cr Cameron Walters will follow up

Cr Cameron Walters: We can look for better places to park.

Questions re proposed Warrawong Library and Community centre:

What is the provision for parking? **Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery** – 70 -90 cars

Funding – **Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery** –council cannot fund this by themselves, will require State / Federal Government Assistance.

There have been some serious concerns about water control. Funding governs Council interventions. Run off into the lake is a big issue – soil, sediment and erosion.

Lord Mayor Cr Gordon Bradbery For issues of run-off, particularly sediment, ring the Private certifier as listed on the notice on the fence around the site.

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10. Next Meeting.

NF7 meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be held on 21st May 2017 at Windang Bowling Club.

11. Close of Meeting. 7.30 pm