

**DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM
NF8 AGENDA 12th April 2023**

1. **WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY** - Ian Fitzgibbon
“I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which this meeting takes place, and elders past & present and extend that respect to other aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people present.
2. **APOLOGIES:**
Cr. Dom Figliomeni;
3. **ATTENDING:**
Ian Fitzgibbon, Heather Boardman;
4. **MINUTES: 8th March 2023**
Moved :
Seconded:
5. **CORRESPONDENCE (SEE ATTACHMENTS)**
IN :
 - i) **Reply re NF8 request re Taxi Ranks from Tyson Perry (WCC) - 31.3.23**
(attached)
 - ii) **Replies re schooling from Ryan Park & Paul Scully (attached)**
 - iii) **Email from Alissa Tran (Engagement officer WCC) received 6.4.23**
Public Exhibition of Draft Delivery Program 2022-26 & Operational Plan 2023-24 (attached)
 - iv) **Email from Alissa Tran (Engagement Officer WCC) received 6.4.23**
Confirmation that WCCC staff will be attending April NF8
Elise - Corporate Strategy
Isabelle - Infrastructure
Jen- Engagement
 - iv) **Email from Jo Paige (WCC) confirming attendance at NF8 April**
meeting
 - v) **Emails from Steve McGartland & Romeo Cecchele** re issues of concern, especially particularly schools for NF8 to raise with local member of state parliament.
Email from Dennis Couley re issue to add to agenda
 - vi) **Email from Ron Cooper** - copy of response to West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment by local 10& 11 year olds (attached)

CORRESPONDENCE

OUT:

- i) Letter from NF8 to State Members of Parliament re Schooling-Sent 9.3.2023 (attached)
- ii) Notice of April Meeting emailed to all NF8 Contact list - Monday 10.4.23

6. PRESENTATION BY COUNCIL OFFICERS:

- # Elise - Corporate Strategy
- # Isabelle - Infrastructure
- # Jen- Engagement
- # Jo Paige

7. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:

8. GENERAL BUSINESS:

- I) Bong Bong Road - Station Street- signalling?
- II) Road Divider on West Dapto Road - unable to turn out of Raven Street onto West Dapto Road
- III) Pedestrian Access in West Dapto- crossings into Integral Energy Park- valuable social infrastructure not currently accessible by pedestrians.
- IV) Footpath bench seats outside Aldi require maintenance
- V) NF8 response to · Draft Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2023-2024

MEETING CLOSE:

NEXT MEETING: 7PM WEDNESDAY 10TH MAY 2023

ATTACHMENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE IN

i) Tyson Perry Mar 31, 2023

Hi Heather,

Apologies for the delay in getting to this point. Please see the attached letter in relation to proposed parking changes at Bong Bong Road, Dapto. Please note that I am happy to attend an NF8 meeting whenever it suits to discuss the proposal and answer any questions. It would be good to meet you all and introduce myself and other members of our Transport team

Thanks,



Tyson Perry | Senior Transport Planner/Engineer

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ii) From Alissa Tran (WCC)

1. On Monday night (3 April), Council endorsed the public exhibition of the draft Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2023-2024 (including attachments).

The Draft Delivery Program 2022-2026 and Operational Plan 2023-24 outline the big projects, and the day to day to items that Council is committed to delivering. They include what we're planning for our libraries and community centres; our pools; footpaths and cycleways; sports facilities and our investments in sustainability and climate action.

You can learn more, look at the documents and provide feedback at the [Our Wollongong engagement page](#). The documents available include:

- Draft Delivery Program 2022-26 and Operational Plan 2023-2024
- Attachment 1: Draft Budget 2023-2024
- Attachment 2: Draft Infrastructure Delivery Program 2023-2024 – 2026-2027
- Attachment 3: Draft Revenue Policy, Rates, Annual Charges & Fees 2023-2024

You can also view the Infrastructure Delivery Program by using [this interactive map](#), or searching [by suburb or project type](#).

Please share the above information with your members, and other networks. We want to hear your thoughts on what we're planning to deliver for our community in the next financial year, and the years ahead.

Feedback will be accepted until Tuesday 2 May 2023.

Regards

The Engagement Team

Alissa Tran | Engagement Officer
Part-time: Mon/Tues/Thurs



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iii) Response from Ryan Park re NF8 Letter about schools

Ryan P **From:** ElectorateOffice Keira
<ElectorateOffice.Keira@parliament.nsw.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 16 March 2023 3:29 PM
To: 'ian fitzgibbon' <ian.fitzgibbon@outlook.com>
Subject: RE: Neighbourhood Forum 8

Good afternoon Ian,

Thank you for your correspondence.
I am sure you are happy with today's announcement where a Minns Labor government has committed to starting work on new primary schools in Calderwood and West Dapto and a new high school in Flinders.

Yours sincerely

Ryan Park MP

Member for Keira

Shadow Minister for Health

Shadow Minister for Mental Health

Shadow Minister for the Illawarra and South Coast

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iii) Response from Paul Scully re NF8 Letter about schools



Paul Scully MP
MEMBER FOR WOLLONGONG



23 March 2023

Mr Ian Fitzgibbon
Convenor
Neighbourhood Forum 8
PO Box 717
DAPTO NSW 2530

Dear Mr Fitzgibbon

I acknowledge and thank you for the correspondence regarding new schools for West Dapto. I have taken note of your comments and regret the delay in responding to you.

NSW Labor announced on 16 March 2023 that, if we are elected to form the next government of New South Wales on March 25, we would commence the planning process for a new primary school at West Dapto.

An additional part of this commitment is to also commence the planning process for new schools at Calderwood and Flinders.

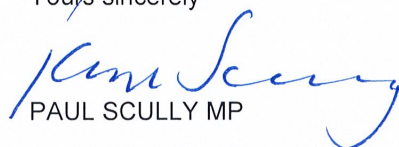
As you are aware these are all high population growth communities in the southern Illawarra region.

NSW Labor is prioritising the need to deliver community services, including new schools, in high population growth areas.

Along with my NSW Labor Parliamentary colleagues, Member for Keira, Ryan Park MP, and Member for Shellharbour, Anna Watson MP, I look forward to work with Neighbourhood Forum 8 in the future, as we plan this new education infrastructure for West Dapto.

I note no **CORRESPONDENCE OUT** commitment.

Yours sincerely


PAUL SCULLY MP

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CORRESPONDENCE OUT

1) Email from Ron Cooper.

Response to West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment Prepared by Chase Ramsay & Hendrix Candy

West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment

- ● We are a group of local children from Wongawilli.
- ● We love living in our area, which is continually growing with young and older families alike.
- ● Many families have connections to family from this area prior to urban development and have a great love and respect of the area.
- ● We have a great park but it's limited to younger children. The older kids require more sporting amenities which are not available in the Wongawilli precinct.
- ● We have two areas of open field play: one is Bankbook Park, provided by the developer and the other is the land beside the Wongawilli Hall, (which is to be upgraded to a Community Centre). Both areas are now swales for water retention.
- ● **An ideal solution would be for council to provide a basketball half court in one of these locations to provide a suitable sporting outlet for the local children. This should be included in the next 12 month budget.**
- ● We are currently looking at the cost of this and will forward this information to council once received
- ● We are prepared to assist council by seeking some sponsorship for this facility
- ● Included in the plan should be some seating for parents / career to supervise children.
- ● We currently have to travel some distance to find a suitable sporting ground location, along busy streets. The current bike path, while great, does not connect at the intersection of Wongawilli Rd, West Dapto Rd & Shone Ave.
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- ● The basketball court will provide local children with the ability to improve not only their basketball game but also improve teamwork and communication skills. Adults can also benefit from having a sporting facility close to home. A local 3 on 3 comp could start.
- ● In addition to shooting hoops or playing games of basketball, the court can be a platform for other workouts. From cone drills and sprints, yoga or soccer / hockey practice, individuals and families will always have a reliable, consistent surface to lead a healthy lifestyle.
- ● Community engagement would be lifted with Easter hunts and Christmas parties held near/on the court.
- ● A petition is currently being circulated amongst the local children for them to show their support. Email addresses will be approved by their parents.
- ● Once the local community engagement is complete we wish as a group of children to present this proposal at a Council meeting.

From Chase Ramsey - 11yrs old

Hendrix Candy - 10yrs old

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

i) NF8 Letter to State MPs including Paul Scully, Anna Watson, Ryan Park

NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM 8

REPRESENTING THE 2530 POSTCODE AREA

9th March 2023

Mr. Paul Scully

State Member for Wollongong

Via email:- wollongong@parliament.nsw.gov.au

Dear Paul,

On behalf of the Neighbourhood Forum 8, we would request prior to the date of the NSW election, your commitment to deliver the new school program for West Dapto.

The Neighbourhood Forum 8, representing the Dapto community, strongly supports the West Dapto Master Plan and the requisite infrastructure needed to be successful. A key component being the requirement for 5 new primary and 2 high schools in the region.

As you would be aware, West Dapto is one of the fastest growth corridors in the state of NSW, notwithstanding this, no land has been allocated, no funding secured and there appears to be void with respect to any timely planning.

We note with interest that Anna Watson MP previously raised this issue with the Minister of Education. See a copy of statement made below:

The screenshot shows a mobile browser view of the NSW Parliament website. At the top, the address bar displays 'parliament.nsw.gov.au'. Below it is a search bar with the placeholder text 'Enter Keyword(s)' and a 'GO' button. A 'Contact us' link is visible. The main navigation menu consists of four horizontal bars: 'LIVE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY', 'LIVE COMMITTEES', 'LIVE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL', and 'MENU'. Below the navigation is a breadcrumb trail: 'Home > Legislative Assembly > House Papers > Question and Answer Tracking Details'. The main heading is '5430 - WEST DAPTO RELEASE AREA DEVELOPMENT CONTROL PLAN'. The question is attributed to 'Watson, Anna to the Minister for Education'. The question text is as follows:

1. As the West Dapto Release Area Development Control Plan identifies the need for an additional six primary schools and two high schools to serve the West Dapto communities, can the Minister advise when the construction of educational infrastructure for West Dapto will commence?
2. Can the Minister advise as to whether the Department of Education has earmarked any new school sites in West Dapto yet?
 - a. If so, how many?
 - b. If so, where are these sites located?

We look forward to your timely response so we can share it with the Dapto community we represent prior to the election.

Regards

IAN FITZGIBBON

CONVENOR of Neighbourhood Form 8

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