

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), Steven Adams, Tracy Baron, Mark Baron, , Rick Cheers, Cr Campbell, Dom Figliomeni, Rita Glossop, Buster Jamieson, Dorothy Lucas, Annie Marlow, Julie Marlow, Kim Maywald, Cr Ann Martin, David Nicholson, Christine Okoniowski, Tracy Rosser, Heath Snoek, Milena Snoek, Cr Deidre Stuart, Charlie Owen, John Bridge, Rosemary Frezza

Apologies

Cerese Whitmore, Nigel Rosser, Miles Rosser, Cr Myers

3. Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the February meeting were approved by Charlie Owen and seconded by Steve Adams

4. Council Updates

4.1 Councillor Stuart

- Styrofoam is hard to dispose of and is very time consuming and at this point have said not to community bin but it can still be disposed of at Whytes Gully.
- The Port Kembla Skate Park – the Community constructed set up has been dismantled and the Council will construct a new one in the near future.
- The pine fencing at the entrance to the reserve known as 25-27 Grand View Parade is being removed and the Councillors anticipate that it will be replaced.

4.2 Councillor Martin advised

- They were 2/3 through workshops regarding budgets
- The Strategic Plan is being prepared
- Five Community Batteries are going into Dapto & Warrawong area. This is the beginning of a program so that people who do not have solar panels can access power more cheaply. More information is available on the Endeavor Energy Website

4.3 Councillor Campbell

- Councillors received a cycling update. There is a plan to make the cycleway go all the way around the lake and a lot of work is involved in making it come to fruition.
- There may be some artwork happening around the lake

5. General Business

5.1 Correspondence

- All Correspondence has been circulated

5.2 Items of Mention

- **Warrawong Parklands**

The next meeting is April 17 and will be represented by Kaye Adams in this instance. The planning is progressing a fair amount. .

- **Merinda Wharf**

The Convenor has had a phone call from a WCC officer advising there is a lot happening behind the scenes with various government agencies working to try and resolve the problem. It is apparent that WCC is reluctant to commit to enforcing a long-term problem. There is an understanding that Crown Lands will be erecting no camping signs. Cr Martin suggested one option was boom gates. Some members of the group suggested that a location should be considered for low-cost accommodation. It was reinforced that this issue had been brought to the attention of WCC & the State Govt some years ago and instead of finding solutions the matter has got worse.

- *Action Ward 3 Councillors to continue to campaign*
- *Action Peter Maywald to send an email to Paul Scully.*

- **Lake Illawarra CMP Implementation Group Representative Nominations**

Tracy Baron has nominated for the group. Members are yet to be finalised.

- **Warrawong Plaza Rezoning**

WCC will be the Consent Authority for each tower.

The individual plans will go on exhibition.

The shopping centre will continue to trade during construction.

- *Action – Forum to continue to monitor.*

5.3 Fishers on Bridge

- There has been some correspondence between Charlie Owen and various agencies. It is understood that signage is being organised and the following link is available to report any issues no matter how small.

TfNSW, Roads and Waterways contact us online

<https://www.nsw.gov.au/transport-for-nsw/contact-roads-waterways/online>.

- *Action Forum members to pass on information.*

5.4 Draft Delivery Program

- Members of the forum expressed frustration at how the feedback & consultation process involved in the allocation of projects. Councillor Martin advised that some things go into the Program & so some must go out..
- The forum discussed that they did not feel they were getting their list of concerns addressed. Cr Martin advised that there were some items which we would be unsuccessful with, and used toilets at MM Beach as an example that we would never get the toilets on MM due to Heritage matters. Cr Martin suggested changing the narrative to get the location changed to one of the businesses or the Port Authority Land.
- The Councillors advised that they start discussions about projects in November and that we should have our list to them at this time.
- The Draft Delivery Program will go before WCC on April 7 and on Exhibition on April 9 for a month. WCC representatives will be going through the Program & Budget documents with the forum on April 29 Meeting.
 - *Action – Kaye Adams to forward Draft Documents as they become available.*
 - *Action - Peter Maywald & Kaye Adams to schedule forum discussion regarding proposed project items for 2026/2027*

5.5 Proposed Jet ski Business out of IYC

- Some residents along Northcliffe Drive have received a letter from a business owner advising that a he is proposing a Jet ski business. There was some discussion with the letter seeming vague and lacking information.
 - *Action Kaye Adams to explore and advise DA details - Actioned*

5.6 Dogs on Beach

- Deferred until Mark Peterlin is present

5.7 Berkeley Community Centre/Park

- Kaye Adams advised, from a phone call received from WCC, there was interest in proposing park upgrades to be included in Play Strategy. This could include tables, play equipment, bubbler and bins. WCC staff member encouraged NF7 to obtain Ward 3 Councillor support
 - *No Action Required at this time*

6. Other Business

6.1 Berkely Boat Harbour .

- The masterplan was created some time ago and appear to have stalled
 - *Action Peter Maywald to follow up..*

6.2. Lake Illawarra CMP

- It was requested that we ask Trudy Costa, Coastal Environment Officer to attend an NF7 meeting to discuss all things Lake Illawarra CMP
 - *Peter Maywald & Kaye Adams to work to determine best timing and other matters that may fall under her jurisdiction.*

6.3 Cakes by Rach has submitted a DA to amend planning controls

- *Action Kaye Adams to forward details - Actioned*

Next Meeting - Held the last Tuesday of the Month

6pm -Tuesday April 29 2025-Illawarra Yacht Club