Neighbourhood Forum 5

Wollongong's Heartland



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

Agenda for meeting on1st December 2021 by email

1	Presentation	None possible			
2	Apologies	None necessary			
3	Minutes	of meeting of 3 rd November and matters arising; see pp. 14-17			
4	Comments	If you wish to comment on, or object to, any of the recommendations in this agenda, please respond before the meeting date.			
5	Responses	 5.1 Major Developments – Port Kembla Harbour: see p.2 5.2 Gipps Road and Robsons Road Roundabout: see p.2 5.3 City Centre "Access and Movement for People" study: see p.2 5.4 Slow Speed Roads: see p.3 5.5 Stuart Park and Foreshore Parking: see p.3 5.6 Keiraville Gwynneville Access and Movement: see p.4 5.7 Cycleway at Smith Street Wollongong: see p.5 5.8 Foley's Road: see p.6 5.9 Access and Parking Issues: see rec p.6 5.10 MaCabe Park: see rec p.6 			
6	Reports	 Election Responses to NF 5 Issues: see rec p.7 & attachment Policy on Sale or Lease of Public land see rec p.8 Stuart Park Master Plan: see p.8 & rec p.9 & attachment Pruning under Power lines: see rec p.9 Director of Infrastructure and Works: see rec p.9 			
7 8	Priorities Planning	7.1-7.3 see p.89 8.2-8 DAs: see recs pp.9-11 DA determinations: see pp.11-12			
9 10	General Busin Snippets				

5 Responses. 5.1 Major Developments – Port Kembla Harbour

We raised the proposed Manildra Ethanol Storage Facility and the Simosa Bitumen Storage Facility in the November agenda.

"I can advise that the complying development certificates submitted to Council in relation to the two projects in question were returned to the applicant via the Portal on Monday 15 November 2021. This is because of amendments made to the 3 Ports SEPP which removed both of these proposals as complying development with no savings provisions. This means that any future such proposals will likely result in development applications being lodged with Council."

Manager Development Assessment

5.2 Gipps Road and Robsons Road Roundabout.

"Council is committed to the implementation of Keiraville Gwynneville Access and Movement Study Action Plan. Whilst many of the initiatives remain unfunded, opportunities in this plan are considered annually for inclusion in Council's Delivery Program and Operational Plan. This involves a rigorous planning and prioritisation process and allocation of limited finances, people, and assets in accordance with our Resourcing Strategy. At this stage the actions to improve the intersection are identified as a medium priority in the action plan, and therefore it has not been included in our current Delivery Program, however, it will be considered for inclusion in future years."

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

It is very disappointing that no timeframe has been provided for improvements at this accident-prone intersection.

5.3 City Centre "Access and Movement for People" study

We asked for this to be expedited for completion by June 2021 to prevent delays to consideration of the City Centre Planning Strategy documents.

"The Forum's request is noted. Technical information and data to inform the study has been collated and due for completion later this financial year. Teams across Council are working on projects associated with Covid recovery that affect the movement and place functions of the City Centre. The City Centre Access and Movement for People Study will, at a high level, integrate and support these projects and will consider changes associated with large scale developments, such as the WIN Grand. Such developments significantly affect the road user movements and the function of key places in our CBD.

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

The ongoing delay in the development of this study is of concern because it will delay Council's consideration of the City Centre Planning documents following Council's resolution in December 2020. Meanwhikle new Das for major developments affecting the City Centre regularly continue to be submitted.

5.4 Slow Speed Roads

"We requested Council to liaise with Transport New South Wales to reduce speed limits in selected streets of the City Centre area to 30 km/h within the context of a circulation study and hierarchy of an overall street framework.

"This request will be considered in the context of the "Access and Movement for People" study referenced above. As you may be aware Council is working with Transport for NSW on a 30km/hr speed zone in Helensburgh. Commencement of the speed zone will align with completion of the road safety and traffic management infrastructure works underway in Helensburgh. This speed zone along with others around NSW will inform potential changes to the NSW Speed Zoning Guidelines which may lead to 30km/hr speed zones being deployed more widely across the State".

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

It seems obvious that a circulation study and hierarchy of an overall street framework in the City Centre is essential. However, it is not clear from the response whether this will happen, if so the process (including community involvement) or timeframes.

5.5 Stuart Park and Foreshore Parking

We asked Council to:

- advise how and when the community can be involved in discussing options for providing adequate parking for residents and visitors in the Blue Mile, Stuart Park and nearby residential areas.
- ii. advise the process for the long overdue review of the 2008 Blue Mile Masterplan, so that collaborative community engagement is achieved in accordance with Council's Policy.
- iii. allocate adequate funds in FY2021/22 to implement Foreshore Parking Strategy implications.

"The Forum's requests can be provided below:

- i. Consultation on the Stuart Park Masterplan is open until 22 November 2021.
- ii. Visit https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/stuart-park-master-plan for details.
- iii. At present there is no process or timing identified for the review of the 2008 Blue Mile Masterplan.
- iv. Allocation of funding relating to Foreshore Parking Strategy will occur subsequent to its endorsement by Council which is anticipated to occur in the first quarter of 2022."

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

It is most encouraging that the Stuart Park Masterplan is being developed, whereas there is "no process or timing" to review the 13 year old Blue Mile Master Plan, which stated its projects would be completed within 5 years. However, many of its uncompleted projects are in Stuart Park and Northbeach areas, so presumably the new Stuart Park Masterplan will take precedence.

It is welcome to hear that the Foreshore Parking Strategy prepared in 2018 is expected to be endorsed early in 2022. It is hoped adequate funding for implementation will be included in Council's 2022-23 Delivery Program.

5.6 Keiraville Gwynneville Access and Movement

We advised Council of our disappointment at the lack of progress of this Plan and the apparent lack of willingness to connect with the community especially given the huge amount of time and effort the community put into developing the strategy in the first place.

"The Keiraville Gwynneville Access and Movement Study is one of various strategic documents that assist in the development of the Traffic and Transport elements Infrastructure Delivery Program (IDP) and the Operational Delivery Program (ODP).

The following projects recommended in the Study are currently listed on Council's 4-year IDP program:

- i New footpath Braeside Avenue between Murphys Avenue and Gipps Road
- ii New shared path Reserve Street between Robson Road and Acacia Avenue
- iii New shared path Gipps Road between Robson Road and Foley Street
- iv New shared path Fairy Creek Shared Path between Reserve Street and Foley Street via Gilmore Street

v Road resurfacing (including traffic calming) – Robson Road between Murphys Avenue and Gipps Road

Council will engage directly with the Forum in relation to the progress of the overall study and well as engaging directly both with the Forum and the broader community on individual projects such as those listed above.

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

The Study'y Implementation Plan has very limited information, and no costs or timeframes othe than High, Medium or Low Priority, whatever that means. The projects above were not listeds. There is an urgent need for a steering committee of key stakeholders, including representation from NF 5, whichwould help identify projects, clarify priorities and tiomeframes and assist in monitoring progress.

5.7 Cycleway at Smith Street Wollongong

We asked Council to "negotiate with TfNSW to implement reducing the speed limit in the one-way Smith St between Keira and Harbour Streets to 30km/h to improve safety, and to implement intersection upgrades to improve safety for pedestrians and cyclists as soon as possible. "Council is actively collaborating with Transport for NSW on a number of intersection improvements along the Wollongong pop-up cycleway routes to facilitate safer more convenient outcomes for road users. Furthermore, Council is liaising with Transport for NSW on the potential for speed zone reductions along a number of the Wollongong pop-up cycleway routes. Council will liaise with the forum and the broader community as soon as we have an indication that this option could be supported by TfNSW and further progressed. Council and TfNSW have recently re-established a working group between the two organisations, we have been working collaboratively on a number of projects which will help support the progression of items of interest to the Neighbourhood Forum 5. We would be welcoming the opportunity to present at future forums on some of these items when there is enough information available so that the valuable input and feedback from the Forum can be maximised."

Manager Infrastructure Strategy and Planning

Comment

It is helpful that a copy of Council's Risk Safety Assessment carried out in June 2021 has been provided, and it identified issues similar to the iBUG audit done a week earlier. It is hoped that intersection improvements will occur in the near future. NF 5 looks forward to further liaison with Council.

5.8 Foleys Road

Details awaited

5.9 Access and Parking Issues

Recommendation

Council be thanked for their responses to these issues.

5.10 MacCabe Park

"Preparing a master plan for MacCabe Park and Feasibility Study is an action of A City for People. Council staff are currently reviewing Supporting Document actions for inclusion in the current business planning cycle and future draft Delivery Plan. The draft 4 year Delivery Plan and Annual Operational Plan is planned for public exhibition in April 2022 seeking comment."

Recreation Policy and Planning Officer

Comment

For many years NF5 has requested Council develop a Management Plan for MacCabe Park most recently in November. There have been many references to the importance of the park in various planning documents, many plans have been done, but none finalised. The latest response refers to A City for People Report which includes: MacCabe Park is a premier city park offering a range of activities for all ages. MacCabe Park will be celebrated as a lively high quality urban park supporting a balanced lifestyle for city residents and workers. A place of pride fr the city supported by activities (large scale events and festivals), cafes and public facilities. It will be an active space connected to the City Centre."

The Report also includes: 5.3 MacCabe Park Master Plan + Feasibility Investigations. Revisit and finalise a MacCabe Park Master Plan including Park Activation and feasibility of regeneration for MacCabe Park and surrounding opportunity sites; Built form review to investigate optimal development to support and complement the park and guide appropriate residential intensity around the edge of the park. Target Project Year 2017/18 & 2018/19."

Recommendation

Given the importance of MacCabe Park to the City Centre Council is again requested to provide funding in 2022/23 budget to develop a Master Plan in conjunction with the community.

6 Reports 6.1 Election Responses to NF 5 Issues

At the November meeting it was agreed a questionnaire be sent to group lead candidates for Ward 2 in the upcoming local government election with a request that they respond before 23rd November. Questionnaires were sent via "Survey Monkey" to the five lead candidates with group tickets. There were two independents whose contact details were unavailable.

All the candidates committed to each the issues, albeit some with reservations. Some asked for proposals from the Forum on how to tackle some of the issues.

The results are attached separately.

Recommendations: that:

- the General Manager be advised of the commitments made by those candidates who are elected and to consider how they will be able to meet their commitments
- the executive prepare proposals on how the issues can be tackled for submission to Ward Councillors before the first Council meeting.

6.2 Policy on Sale or Lease of Public land

It would seem necessary to clarify the wording in one section of our Policy on Sale or Lease of Public land relating to its commercial use.

Currently it is "2 - No community land should be used for the exclusive use of any organisation, other than Council, unless the use is of short duration for a very limited period, and the cumulative impact is acceptable, or the land is to be leased for a commercial venture serving principally users of the park."

Recommendation

The ultimate phrase in section 2 of the Policy on Sale or Lease of Public land be clarified by a change to "..., or the land is to be leased for a commercial venture, such as kiosks, bike or surfboard hire, serving principally those using the park for informal activities."

6.3 Stuart Park Master Plan

A major submission on issues and opportunities with the proposed Master Plan incorporating feedback from a variety of residents has been submitted and is attached separately. It points out that only about 30% of the park's area is available for changes and/or additional activities due to existing constraints, buildings and infrastructure.

Basically it sets out a wide range of suggested improvements within the context of a "Peoples Park" for passive recreation, cultural, social, educational activities and casual games.

It identifies the park's many precincts that have different uses eg Galvin Park east of the access road is a picnic area; the western end is a play area for children including a poposed allabilites playground; the south-west is a nature-based area linking through to the playground and Puckeys; the Illawarra Live Steamers area west of Squies Way is expected to remain; the central area needs more picnic shelters and facilities; and the oval is the previously adopted "village green" available for passive recreation and small events.

A challenge is the need to provide 35% urban canopy cover as determined by Council in the Urban Greening Strategy. The Steamers area is well covered and the tall perimeter trees provide a "refuge' from residential areas. It is expected access and parking will be addressed in the Foreshore Parking Strategy due for release in early 2022, but it is realised it is not feasible to provide enough parking within the park at peak periods.

A major consideration is to ensure co-ordination of management responsilites involving various sections of Council and competing priorities for activities within the park. NF5 submission suggest ways to address this, including the need ongoing involnent of key stakeholders including community representatives.

Recommendation

That the submission be endorsed.

6.4 Pruning under Power lines

This is an issue we raised before. Recently a Newcastle group called on their local MP to request the Legislative Assembly call on the Minister for Energy and Environment to direct Ausgrid to undertake an urgent review of their vegetation management policies and pruning practices, investigate the installation of aerial bundled cables in the tree lined streets of Newcastle, review how often trees are pruned with a view to increasing the frequency so such harsh pruning is not required, and engage and consult with the Newcastle community.

We have exactly the same problem with the devastation perpetrated by Endevour Energy. However, it would seem that a more concerted effort is required for the State Government and their monopolised agencies to take action.

Recommendation

That Council be requested to raise this issue with the Local Government Association and generate a State-wide protest.

6.5 Director of Infrastructure and Works

Joanne Page has been appointed Director which is most welcome and well-earned, given her wide experience and proven capabilities with successful large companies and her much-appreciated communication skills whilst at Council in recent years.

Recommendation

That Joanne Page be congratulated on her appointment and that we look forward to continuing to work with her and staff in the best interests of the community.

7 Priorities 7.1 Liveability

We still have no response from the Director.

7.2 City Centre

We still have no response from the Director.

7.3 Stormwater

Nothing more.

8 Planning 8.1

Please note that whilst this review, and the recommendation based on it has been prepared with all due care and objectivity, no legal responsibility is accepted for errors, omissions or inadvertent misrepresentations, nor for any outcomes which might result from the assessments. As this review has only been made with the information available, members are encouraged to make their own submissions with any additional comments to the Secretary of NF5 well before the closing date.

8.2 DA 2021/1218 dual occupancy 107 Walang Ave Figtree

15 Nov

This is a proposal to subdivide for building a second house. This does not comply with stories on a battleaxe lot, access off a driveway, lot size, rear setback, character of the area nor impact on neighbours. It is over 2 km from Figtree Grove and so does not comply with our Locality Plan for Figtree.



Recommendation

That the submission of objection be endorsed.

8.3 DA 2021/1231 10 stories, 9 units. 3-5 Ocean St Wollongong

15 Nov

This is a proposal for a 10 storey building, with 9 units and basement parking. It does not comply with building seoaration, setback or sunlight to the adjoining property. The design is out of chatacter with the streetscape and does not comply with our City Centre Resodential Policy.



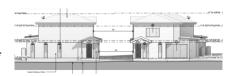
Recommendation

That the submission of objection be endorsed.

8.4 DA 2021/1310 8 dwellings. 14-16 Acacia Ave Gwynneville

2 Dec

This is a second proposal for 8 dwellings on this site following the refusal of the first to which we objected. There have been significant changes to the design and dwellings are now of 3 not 4 bedrooms each but the streetscape still leaves much to be desired. It is in a relatively remote location.



Recommendation

That a submission of objection be lodged

8.5 DA 2021/1273 Dual Occ, 12 Dallas St Keiraville

1 Dec

This is a proposal to demolish a house and erect two dual occupancies. They do not comply with rear setbacks, number of stories in setback, lot depth, driveway location, retaining wall height, overshadowing or potential over looking. It does not fit the streetscape, has stack parking, and quadruples densities in a remaote location.



Recommendation

That the submission of objection be endorsed.

8.6 DA 2021/1309 4 dwellings 3 Keira Mine Road Keiraville

3rd Dec

This is a proposal for four dwellings on a house lot. It does not comply with setbacks, location of car parking, overshadowing, height of retaining walls, and quadruples densities in a remaote location. It is completel; yout of character with the street and is in a remote location.



Recommendation

That a submission of objection be lodged

8.7 DA 2021/1308 5 stories, 13 units. 30 Bourke St N. W'gong

2 Dec

This is a proposal for the redevelopment of the Normandie Hotel with a five storey building over 2 floors of basement parking. It seems to comply with all Council requirements.



Recommendation

That the submission of support be lodged.

8.8 DA determinations

DA no.	Suburb	Address	Proposal	Forum	Result
20/			_	Rec	Authority
20/1490	W'gong	37-39 Burelli	14 storey hotel	Support	Approved
			241 rooms		Panel
20/622	W'gong	102/3 Springhill Rd	Major events	Support	Approved
					Panel
20/614	W'gong	16-18 Market Pl	4 storey units	Object	Refused
					Panel
21/45	Gwynnevl	12 Gwynne St	Boarding House	Object	Refused
					Delegated
20/1159	W'gong	197-199 Keira St	Regent Theatre	Support	Approved
			additions		Delegated
20/1465	W'gong	15-19 Crown St	Mixed use 13	Support	Approved
			stories		Panel
20/1458	W'gong	6-8 Dudley St	6 storeys, 28 dw	Support	Approved
20/1466	N. 'Gong	42 Bourke St	5 storeys, 23 dw	Support	Approved
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19/96	N. 'Gong	Novatel	Extra floor	Object	Refused
21/95	Mangertn	24 Elizabeth St	Dual Occ	Support	Approved
21/308	Keiraville	119 Mt, Keira Rd	Dual Occ	Support	Approved

21/459	W'gong	Keira St	3 units	Object	Approved
21/45	Gwynnevl	12 Gwynne St	Boarding House	Object	Refused
21/58	W'gong	130 Church St	Mixed Development	Object	Approved
20/614	W'gong	16-18 Market St	5 storey	Object	Refused
19/1356	W'gong	9-11 Park St	8 storeys,14 dw	Object	Approved
21/890	W'gong	245 Gladstone Ave	9 storey, 94 dw	Support	Approved
21/858	W'gong	19 Northcote St	Dual Occ	Object	Approved
21/705	Gwynnevl	32 Foleys St	Homeless hsg	Support	Approved
21/615	Mangertn	23 Kirala St	Dual Occ	Support	Withdrawn
Re- zoning	Figtree	Terrie Ave	Subdivision	Object	Withdrawn
20/645	W. 'Gong	39 Rosemount St	Dual Occupancy	Support	Approved Delegated

Not yet determined

21/901	W'gong	2-8 Belmore St	15 storey, 63 dw	Object
21/845	Keiraville	42 Robsons Rd.	Dual Occ	Object
19/728	W'gong	27 Kenny St	15 storey	Object
21/74	Gwynnevi	20 Paulsgrove	Dual Occ	Object
21/609	W.Wgong	23 Henley Ave	Dual Occ	Object
21/615	Mangertn	23 Kiralo St	Dual Occ	Support
21/570	W'gong	414 Crown St	Multi unit	Support
21/1117	W'gong	1-3 Church St	9 storeys, 12 dw	Support
21/1060	W'gong	2, Lexton Ave	Dual Occ	Object
21/1059	Figtree	5-7 Trusscott	4 Town houses	Object
21/1037	Keiraville	12-14 Gipps	10 stories, 11 dw	Support
21/1000	W'gong	23-43 Flinders	9 stories, 201 dw	Support
21/957	W'gong	WIN	Mixed	Support
21/1218	Figtree	107 Walang Ave	Dual Occ	Object
21/1231	W'gong	3-5 Ocean St	10 stories, 9 dw	Object
21/1310	Gwn'ville	14-16 Acacia Ave	8 dwellings.	Object
21/1273	Keiraville	12 Dallas St	4 dwellings	Object
21/1309	Keiraville	3 Keira Mine Road	4 dwellings	Object
21/1308	N W'gong	30 Bourke St	5 stories, 13 dw	Support

9 General Business

10 Snippets Parklet Restaurants

The COVID pandemic is leaving its mark on US cities — boarded-up shop fronts, the absence of crowds in downtowns, reduced traffic, street closures for pedestrian use, crippled public transit, and evictions of tenants no longer able to pay their rent — but nothing may be longer lasting or more significant for commercial neighbourhoods than the proliferation of parklet restaurants. These structures, constructed with wooden frames covered with plywood and roofi ng materials, were built on street parking spaces as restaurants attempted to off set pandemic restrictions that effectively prohibited indoor dining.

Nonetheless, it is clear that parklets do raise some real issues of regulation and urban design. Will there be urban design standards? How will safety be ensured? What will happen if a restaurant closes? Meanwhile, we shall see whether the appeal of the parklet experience will outweigh the pleasure of dining in a restaurant. The question remains open, but not, perhaps, for much longer.

Mike Teitz



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Minutes of meeting on 3rd November 2021 by email

- 1 Presentation None possible
- 2 Apologies None necessary
- 3 Minutes of meeting of 6th October were confirmed with no matters arising;
- 4 Comments Comments incorporated into the relevant items.
- 5 Responses 5.1 Details on Foleys Road; noted

5.2 MacCabe Park Master Plan:

It was agreed that, given recent and anticipated major redevelopments near the park, Council be requested to include the MacCabe Park Master Plan in the 2022-23 Delivery program.

6 Reports

6.1 Sportsgrounds and Sporting Facilities Strategy

It was agreed to request Members review the strategy and make submissions direct to Council by 15th November.

6.2 Princes H'way Fairy Meadow Shared Path

It was agreed to request Members review the design and make submissions direct to Council by 15th November.

6.3 Stuart Park Master Plan:

It was agreed that:

22nd November

- Council be advised that the proposed Master Plan for Stuart & Galvin Parks North Wollongong is most welcome;
- Council be requested urgently to establish a working party with key stakeholders including NF 5 and community representatives to ensure the masterplanning process is effective, and will provide a case study for involvement and collaboration on similar engagements;

Current active membership of Neighbourhood Forum 5: 407 households

- the Forum emphasise that the legislated core objectives for public use of the park must apply (ie including for passive recreation, cultural, social, educational activities and casual games), and it is of great concern that unrestricted public access is excluded from about 30% of the available open land by a commercial activity for private profit on this Crown Land dedicated 136 years ago as a public park for the people of NSW to enjoy;
- 4 the executive be authorised to make an appropriate submission and that members also respond.

6.4 Major Developments – Port Kembla Harbour

It was agreed:

- 1 that the executive be empowered to make a submission as appropriate;
- to endorse the presentation of a community viewpoint to the Council meeting on 1st November by a representative of NF 5;
- 3 to make representations to local MPs;
- to note and support Council's resolution on this issue on Monday 1st November;
- 5 to request Council to undertake, require or identify:
 - i the routes that trucks must use and specifically prohibit those through residential neighbourhoods;
 - ii regular surveys to monitor truck movements associated both the proposed developments and other existing Port operations
 - iii the proportion of trucks using Mount Ousley going to or from Port Kembla:
 - iv the potential for the use of existing rail infrastructure as an alternate to road transport.
 - v the levy to be applied for road upgrades and repairs if rail cannot be used
- 6 to continue to liaise with NF 7 on these issues.

6.5 Mt Ousley Interchange:

It was agreed that

- Council be requested to implement safe active transport links to north to coincide with the opening of the interchange; and
- 2 Ryan Park, MP be asked to make further representations for this to be expedited.

6.6 Commitments from Candidates

It was agreed that the questionnaire be sent to group lead candidates for Ward 2 in the upcoming local government election with a request that they respond before 23^{rd} November.

6.7 Appreciation of Ward Councillors

It was agreed that Ward 2 Councillors be thanked for their support during the current term of Council.

- 7 Priorities
- 7.1-7.3 noted
- 8 Planning
- 8.2 DA 2021/1059 5-7 Truscott Place Figtree

It was agreed that the submission of objection be endorsed.

- 8.3 DA 2021/1060 Dual Occupancy 2 Lexburn Ave W. W'gong It was agreed that the submission of objection be endorsed.
- **8.4 DA 2019/980 Dual Occupancy 82A Cliff Road W'gong** It was agreed that a submission of strong objection be lodged
- **8.5 DA 2021/1000 201 units 9 stories, 35-43 Flinders St W'gong** It was agreed that a submission of support be lodged
- **8.6 DA 2021/1037 11 units 10 stories, 12-14 Gipps St W'gong** It was agreed that the submission of support be endorsed.
- **8.7 DA 2021/1117 12 units 9 stories, 1-3 Church St W'gong** It was agreed that the submission of objection be endorsed.
- 8.8 DA 2022/4 47 dwellings, 14 Cosgrove Ave Keiraville
 It was agreed that Council be thanked for their opposition to this proposal and requested initiate the re-zoning of 14
 Cosgrove Ave to safeguard the escarpment and prevent overdevelopment of the site.
- **8.9 DA determinations**: noted
- 9 General Business
- 9.1 University Liaison

The executive has met virtually with the University.

There was another presentation on the Health and Wellbeing Project at the Innovation Campus outlining modifications to the plans. It is expected that the project will be used to forward research into retirement and the needs, circumstances and requirements of the elderly.

UOW has been working collaboratively with Wollongong City Council on the next steps for the delivery of the Voluntary Planning Agreement. Due to the financial impact of Covid 19 on the University, the Kooloobong Ovals project has been deferred in consultation with Wollongong City Council, not least because of concerns about the adverse impacts of synthetic turf.

The University and Council have been in discussion in terms of the specifics around several of the other projects including the ones to be delivered within 2021. The University and Council want to ensure that what is delivered is appropriate for the neighbourhood.

These projects have been delayed due to other operational considerations within both the Council and University, mainly related to those around pandemic recovery planning.

9.2 Retail and Business Centres Study

Council are working on long term plans for town and village centres and are keen to hear from the community about where they go to shop, why they go there, and what they like about these places. Survey information will be used to inform a Retail and Business Centres Study. This Study will help to understand the current and future retail, business and office space needs of the centres. The information will be used to make changes to planning controls (LEP and DCP) to enable these places to meet the future needs of the community.

It was agreed that members be asked to visit Council's web site and fill out the survey by 17 November 2021.

10 Snippets noted

Next Meeting/Agenda: on Wed 1st December 2021.