

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

Members

Cr David Wright (Mayor)
Cr Sharon Cadwallader (Chair)
Cr Keith Williams
Cr Jeff Johnson

Alan Veacock, Ballina Heights Residences Action Group
Lyn Walker, Ballina Environment Society
Neil Kennedy, Lennox Head Surf Life Saving Club
Kelly Saunderson, Lennox Head Landcare
Malcolm Milner, Lennox Head Residents Association
Sheila Aveling, Tintenbar Community
Debbie Smith, Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce
Fran Byrne, Coastcare
Lorraine Leuckel, Marine Rescue Ballina
Jason Dwyer, Centre Manager, NSW Office of Sport, Lennox Head
Ian Duncan, Knockrow Newrybar Residents Group
Jim Gilchrist, Lennox Head resident (observer)

Council Staff

Steve Barnier, Group Manager Strategic and Community Facilities
John Truman, Group Manager Civil Services

Apologies

Nil

2. **Declarations of Interest**

Nil

3. **Confirmation of Minutes**

That the Minutes of the "B" Ward Committee held on 21 September 2015 be taken as read and confirmed. (Alan Veacock/Lorraine Leuckel)

4. **Deputations**

Nil

5. **Outstanding Business**

(a) **On-going operation of Lennox Markets on Williams Reserve**

The information provided in the report was noted.

(b) **Shelter Structure on Megan Crescent Fields**

The information provided in the report was noted.

6. **Business with Notice from Members**

Nil

7. **Council Documents on Exhibition**

The list of Council documents which have recently been exhibited for public comment was noted.

8. **Business Without Notice**

(a) **Fran Byrne – Coastal Recreational Path**

Ms Byrne raised concern about aspects of the current application to modify the alignment of the approved pathway adjacent to Flat Rock Tent Park, particularly in relation to the extent of vegetation disturbance which would be required and potential de-stabilisation of the dunal system.

Ms Byrne requested that the letter she presented at the meeting be considered as a submission to the current public exhibition process.

(b) **Fran Byrne – Drinking Fountains**

Ms Byrne commended the Council on the recent provision of drinking fountains in certain locations along shared pathways.

(c) **Lyn Walker – New Lake Ainsworth Carpark**

Dr Walker commended the Council for its construction of the new car parking area within the reserve adjacent to Lake Ainsworth.

(d) **Lyn Walker – Coastal Recreational Path**

Dr Walker raised concerns in relation to material contained within the current application to amend the approved route of the pathway adjacent to Flat Rock Tent Park. She is of the view that anomalies exist within the Blackwood Consultant's report regarding the extent of vegetation disturbance to accommodate the alternative route.

(e) **Ian Duncan – Newrybar Matters**

Mr Duncan briefly informed the Committee of actions being taken by some landowners within the village to investigate further potential development opportunities.

(f) **Sheila Aveling – Tintenbar Matters**

Ms Aveling reported that everything is "fine" in Tintenbar. Further, she outlined proposals for minor modifications to Tintenbar Hall which are currently being considered.

(g) **Debbie Smith – Lennox Head Matters**

Ms Smith reported on the recent election of a new executive for the Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce. Matters currently under consideration by the Chamber include:

- Christmas Carols in Williams Reserve on 6 December
- Planning for the next Love Lennox Festival, scheduled for June 2016
- Actively participating with Council to review options for the potential embellishment of the Lennox Head business area

(h) **Neil Kennedy – Risk Management Initiatives**

Mr Kennedy reported on the activities of his Club in response to recently reported surf hazards. The Club has experienced a modest reduction in Nipper numbers, though adult membership levels have been maintained. Mr Kennedy also promoted the idea of a steering committee, comprising members of the Club and representatives from other authorities, to establish protocols for monitoring and reporting hazard incidents for the forthcoming summer period.

(i) **Neil Kennedy – Kings Court Reserve**

Mr Kennedy sought clarification on the timing for the additional embellishment work on Kings Court Reserve, including the installation of children's play equipment. Mr Truman briefly outlined the planned works program.

(j) **Kelly Saunderson – Lake Ainsworth**

Ms Saunderson outlined the work being undertaken by her Group to arrest the spread of water hyacinth in Lake Ainsworth.

(k) **Malcolm Milner – Lake Ainsworth Car Park**

Mr Milner congratulated Council on the recent construction of the new car park in the reserve adjacent to Lake Ainsworth.

(l) **Malcolm Milner – Coastal Shared Pathway**

Mr Milner congratulated Council on the completion of the pathway and noted its increasing level of usage.

(m) **Malcolm Milner – Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Facility**

Mr Milner advised that he is aware of community interest in the proposal for construction of a prominent training facility within the centre at Lake Ainsworth.

(n) **Lorraine Leuckel – Marine Rescue Infrastructure**

Ms Leuckel thanked the Council for its support in securing funds to enable the new facility to be built (subject to the outcomes of the tender process).

Ms Leuckel requested that the training room above the existing amenities building on the reserve be retained for future use. She also enquired about the provision of hot water to the training room. Mr Truman is to make enquiries about that.

Ms Leuckel enquired about the timing for the proposed dredging of the bar, which had recently been announced. It was confirmed this is a State Government project which will be the subject of various regulatory processes before work could physically commence.

(o) **Alan Veacock – Ballina Heights Matters**

Mr Veacock reported that the key issues currently under consideration by his Group are:

- Road safety issues within the estate
- Community access and usage of the clubhouse at Ballina Heights playing fields, and the provision of covered children's play equipment.
- Advocating for a south-facing access ramp onto the Ballina Bypass at Cumbalum.

9. **Next Meeting**

Monday 21 March 2016 at 4.30 pm

MEETING CLOSURE

6.10 pm