

**MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL & SUSTAINABILITY
COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
40 CHERRY STREET, BALLINA,
ON 2/12/15 AT 4.30 PM**

Attendance

Cr David Wright (Mayor - in the chair), Jeff Johnson, Sharon Cadwallader, Keith Williams, Susan Meehan, Ken Johnston, Paul Worth and Robyn Hordern.

Paul Hickey (General Manager), John Truman (Civil Services Group Manager), Matthew Wood (Strategic Planning Manager), Simon Scott (Strategic Planner) and Sandra Bailey (Secretary) were in attendance.

There were four people in the gallery at this time.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Crs Keith Johnson and Ben Smith.

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Robyn Hordern)

That such apologies be accepted.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Keith Johnson and Cr Ben Smith

2. Declarations of Interest

Nil

3. Deputations

- **Brett McLaren** – spoke in relation to Item 4.1 – Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy.
- **Julie Halvorsen** – spoke in relation to Item 4.1 – Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy.
- **Susan Hennessy** – spoke in relation to Item 4.1 – Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy.

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4. Committee Reports

4.1 Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Sharon Cadwallader/Cr Robyn Hordern)

1. That the Council notes the progress of the Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy project, the community engagement undertaken and the content of this report.
2. That the Council authorizes the draft Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy for public exhibition for a period of six weeks.
3. That the Council receive a report on funding options for the Ballina Major Regional Centre Strategy in conjunction with the reporting on the outcomes of the public exhibition undertaken in accordance with item 1.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Keith Johnson and Cr Ben Smith

4.2 Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 - Environmental Protection Zones

RECOMMENDATION

(Cr Keith Williams/Cr Sharon Cadwallader)

1. That the Council receives and notes the information regarding the NSW Department of Planning and Environment's Northern Councils E Zone Review contained in this report.
2. That the Council convene a briefing session concerning the Northern Councils E Zone Review to examine options to respond to the policy directives made by the Department of Planning and Environment.
3. That Ballina Shire Council send a delegation of staff and Councillors to speak face to face with the current Planning Minister, Local Government Minister and the NSW Premier to address Council's LEP issues and inconsistencies and its unique situation in the Northern Rivers Region.

FOR VOTE - All Councillors voted unanimously.

ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr Keith Johnson and Cr Ben Smith

MEETING CLOSURE

5.45 pm