

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

3. **Deputations**

4. **Confirmation of Minutes – 14 November 2017**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 14 November 2017 was distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14 November 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business arising from Minutes – 14 November 2017**

Issues on South Ballina Beach

Attached is a letter of response from the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service regarding issues on South Ballina Beach, a letter has now been forwarded to the Department of Industry Lands and Forestry as per the advice from NPWS.

West Ballina Pedestrian Crossing – Investigations

Council's technical officers have consulted with the NSW Police and the RMS who both advise (as at 7 December 2017) there are no incidents or accident reports in relation to pedestrians using River Street in West Ballina.

In light of this information, Council staff do not propose to undertake any further actions in response to investigating the feedback about these incidents.

In respect of future pedestrian improvements, the Council has recently publically exhibited a draft update of its Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP). The table below is an extract from the draft PAMP describing the works program proposed for the West Ballina area. Further information regarding the PAMP is available from Council's website.

PAMP Delivery Plan (by Study Area) – Ballina West

PAMP Works ID	Total Value	Road Name	Project	Total Cost Footpath Project	Budget Years	PAMP Submission ID
BWW2	77	River St	Construct new 123m path (incl. across roundabout entrance/ exit at Bunnings)	\$24,240	2018-2019	96BW
BWW5	72	Kalinga St	Construct new 570m path, 1 x ramp, 1 x centre refuge	\$106,600	2018-2019	39BW
BWW7	71	River St	Combine River St projects to affect 2 good crossings 30m path, 2 ramps & a centre refuge (incl. crossing at Keppel St)	\$11,500	2018-2019	46BW
BWW7	70	River St	Combine River St projects to affect 2 good crossings 30m path, 2 ramps & a centre refuge (incl. crossing at Keppel St)	\$17,000	2018-2019	47BW
BWW7	67	River St	Combine River St projects to affect 2 good crossings 30m path, 2 ramps & a centre refuge (incl. crossing at Keppel St)	\$14,000	2018-2019	274BW
BWW7	56	River St	Combine River St projects to affect 2 good crossings 30m path, 2 ramps & a centre refuge (incl. crossing at Keppel St)	\$15,500	2018-2019	45BW
BWW22	62	Barlows Road	Construct new path 555m on eastern side of road, 2 crossings on either end, River St end to connect with existing path.	\$105,300	2019-2020	27BW
BWW42	55	Westland Dr	Construct new kerb ramp	\$2,250	2021-2022	88BW
BWW53	50	Horizon Drive	Construct new 392m path & 4 kerb ramps	\$79,460	2023-2024	33BW
BWW55	50	Westland Dr	Construct new 396m path & 2 x kerb ramps	\$73,280	2023-2024	89BW
BWW80	35	River St	Construct new 530m path	\$71,550	2026-2027	277BW
TOTAL COST				\$520,680		

In addition to the above, Council also proposes to continue to implement its Ballina Town Entry Landscape Masterplan. Under this plan there are projects that will upgrade the central median and road shoulders in River Street with new tree plantings and infrastructure. As well as enhancing the amenity of the area, the removal of the old vegetation will allow a new landscape scheme to be installed and this will be designed in accordance with current safety standards. Ultimately River Street will be expanded to four lanes and pedestrian facilities will be amended to suit the future function and capacity of this road.

Ferry – Line Marking

Staff advise that the line marking does still allow vehicles to park in front of the ferry cabin. One carpark has been reserved for cyclists when they are using the ferry.

Danns Lane – Sink Hole

Staff advise that the sinkhole was repaired on 21 November 2017.

River Drive – Bank Erosion

Council is currently in discussions with Crown Lands and DPI Fisheries regarding consent to undertake erosion repair works at a number of locations, including this location.

Start/Stop lights near 848 River Drive

Staff advise that the timing of the lights was changed on 12 December 2017.

6. **General Business**

Letter from Ballina Residents Association

Refer to the attached correspondence from the Ballina Residents Association for discussion.

7. **Council Documents on Exhibition**

The following is a list of recent documents that have been placed on exhibition in the period since the last meeting.

• **Draft Policies as per below**

- Code of Meeting Practice (review), closing date 17 January 2018.
- Community Consultation Policy (review), closing date 10 January 2018
- Companion Animals Management Plan (review), closing date 10 January 2018
- Dual Water Supply Plumbing Policy (review), closing date 10 January 2018
- Enforcement Policy (review), closing date 10 January 2018
- Rates and Charges Debt Recovery Policy (new), closing date 31 January 2018
- Financial Assistance (Hardship) – Rates and Charges Policy (Revised), closing date 31 January 2018
- Councillor Training and Development Policy (review), closing date 14 March 2018
- Councillor Expenses and Facilities Policy (review), closing date 14 March 2018

The above draft policies have been reviewed as part of Council's normal program of reviewing policies.

• **Part 5 Application - Assessment of the Environmental Impact of the Lake Ainsworth Foreshore Improvement Works, closing date 29 January 2018.**

Council, as the determining authority, has received an activity requiring environmental assessment under Part 5 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979.

Description of Proposed Activity: Lake Ainsworth Foreshore Improvement works including:

- a. Rehabilitating the Eastern Road by profiling the existing pavement and constructing a footpath
- b. Reconstruction of the existing intersection between Pacific Parade, the Eastern road and the southern road adjacent to the Lennox Head/Alstonville Surf Life Saving Club building with a new two-way

- intersection incorporating the termination point of the Eastern Road (open to emergency and maintenance vehicles only)
- c. Reconstruction and minor realignment of the Southern Road and formalising the adjoining car parking between Pacific Parade and Camp Drew Road
 - d. Environmental Management Works, Bank Stabilisation, Landscaping and Open space and Passive Recreation Embellishments.
- **Proposed Flat Rock Tent Park Fees and Charges 2018/19, closing date 19 January 2018**

The NSW Local Government Act requires councils to formally advertise and adopt their fees and charges prior to implementation. The majority of Council's fees are set each June as part of the annual Operational Plan, however Flat Rock Tent Park's fees are set for the twelve months from 1 February each year.

With Flat Rock Tent Park it is important that our regular guests are informed well in advance as to the fees for their next holiday during the following year and also enable fees and charges to be included in holiday and camping publications.

Council approval to advertise the fees was obtained at the December 2017 Ordinary meeting and were placed on public exhibition, with no submissions received. The fees were subsequently adopted at Council's January 2018 Ordinary meeting.

8. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 14 November 2017 at 4.00pm.



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Environment & Heritage**
NSW National Parks & Wildlife Service



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Your reference:
Doc 17/92142
Our
reference:DOC17/
565832-1
Contact:

Dear Sir

Re: Concerns of antisocial behaviour South Ballina Beach – Crown Reserve Area.

I refer to your letter dated 8th November 2017 in relation to the feedback Council has received from residents in the area.

I can only advise on areas relevant to the Richmond River Nature Reserve (see map enclosed), the coastline to the south of the reserve are managed by the Department of Industry Lands & Forestry.

Regarding the nature reserve, regular patrols and maintenance activities are undertaken commensurate with available resources and this is expected to continue. Rangers routinely liaise with local Police to undertake co-operative patrols to regulate inappropriate use of this popular coastal area and these efforts are reported to have had a positive effect in this regard. Local Police also undertake patrols routinely, particularly in relation to public safety & traffic related offences in the beach areas.

Thank you for communicating these concerns.

Any inquiries regarding this notice may be addressed to Ranger Brian McLachlan on 66270200

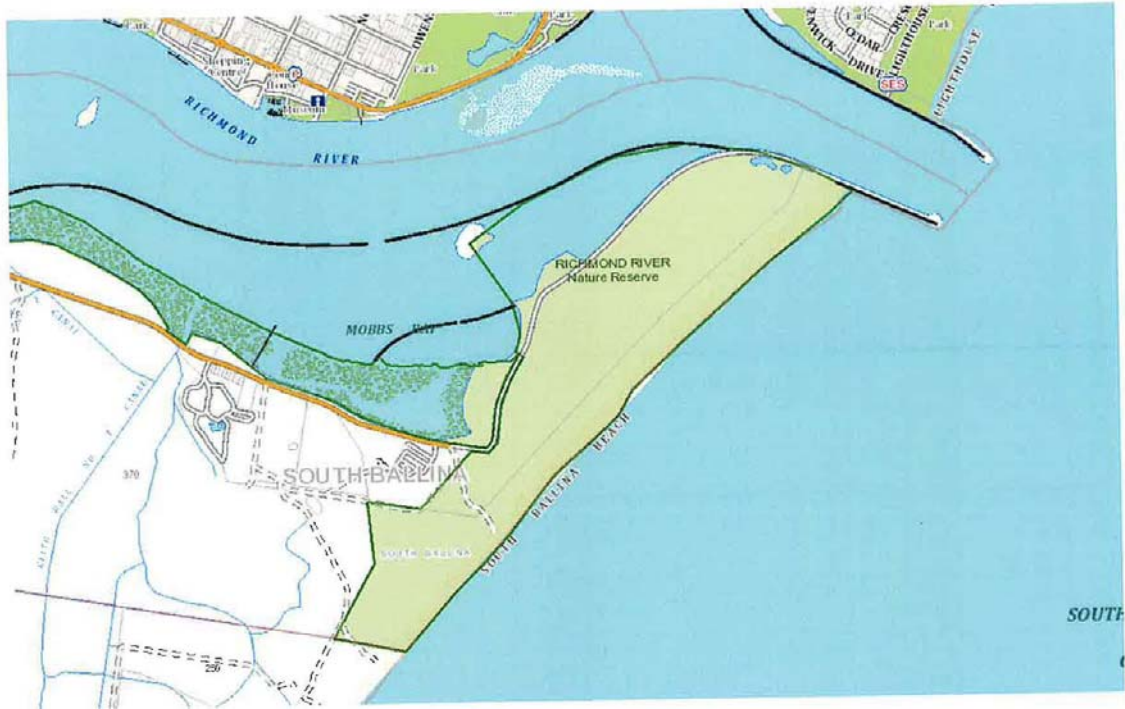
Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Pittavino".

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APPENDIX "A" (Minutes 17.02.2018)

Points to be raised at next A Ward Committee Meeting.

[1] Flooding an town and West Ballina during King tides. It was reported to our meeting that flood gates had been removed at the instruction of the Council's engineer. Is this true? and if so why? Is there any possibility of their being replaced?

[2] Western Arterial Road. A motion was passed unanimously that we ask a Councillor to table a notice of motion to ensure this matter is placed on the council agenda paper.

[3] I personally have been approached by quite a few local residents, who have objected to the foul language and consumption of alcohol in Porter Park, at the BBQ area provided by council for public use. Also drunken people [both male and female] seen urinating behind trees in this park. Mainly because the toilet blocks are permanently locked! There used to be "consumption of alcohol prohibited in Porter Park" signs But they have been cleverly removed.....by whom? If this continues, this Association requests that the BBQ facility be removed to another location where it will be used more responsibly. In any case we wish the No Consumption of alcohol signs be replaced, as Police have told us that they can do nothing until those signs are replaced. This bad behaviour has been reported to Police on several occasions.

[4] Lake Ainsworth It was decided unanimously to oppose councils plans to close the eastern road at Lake Ainsworth, as it was felt that this was the removal of an amenity that the area had enjoyed for over 60 years, also it was felt that the money that this would cost could be far better spent elsewhere in the Shire, and that this constituted a gross misdirection of ratepayers money.

[5] Clement Park, and Donald Park. A motion was carried to ask council at the next A Ward meeting why these 2 parks have been locked during school holidays, denying the general public the use of these areas. It was noted that we need to know whether these parks are under the purview of the BSC, or the Education Department or whoever. As Ballina Shire Council are so keen to create parkland in the Shire, we request that they assist us in progressing public access to these parks, even though they may be under the aegis of the Education Dept.

[6] Several of our members have complained of stinking drainage channels near their homes on North Creek Rd, and on The main road just before ALDI. When are these going to be attended to?

[7] A large section of the concrete footpath outside of No 143 Fox street has been completely removed for the purpose of placing storm water drainage pipes from that house to the gutter. Whoever did this, just tipped a wheelbarrow of crusher dust in the hole and left it. The fill has now settled and subsided leaving 2 dangerous trip points and a large hole near the gutter that a child could hide in. Also the gutter has been broken out with a sledge hammer and is badly damaged. This needs to be inspected and fixed ASAP. I cannot see why about 2 meters of pavement had to be removed to do this small job!