

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Resignations/Changes to Memberships**

Ballina Environment Society

The Ballina Environment Society has advised that Ms Fiona Folan will be their new representative.

2. **Declarations of Interest**

3. **Deputations**

4. **Confirmation of Minutes – 8 November, 2016**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 8 November, 2016 were distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 8 November, 2016 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business arising from Minutes – 8 November, 2016**

Lions Park - Path

Council's inspector rechecked the condition of the path on 1 February 2017 and found no immediate work required. It was noted that the path to the toilet block is cracked but the surface is still even.

This section of path between Canal and Burnet Streets is monitored as part of the inspector's three monthly programmed inspections. If a new defect is noticed or reported, an additional inspection will be undertaken.

Request from Mayor for Letter re Ballina high School Memorabilia

A copy of the letter sent to the Department of Planning and Environment is attached for the information of the Committee.

Issue on Coast Road near Angels Beach Drive Roundabout

Staff have investigated this issue and it has been repaired.

Request to remove "No Through Road" Sign in Webster Lane

Staff advised that this sign was removed on 12 December 2016.

6. General Business

Presentation – Proposal for Empire Vale Hall – Martin Burt and Zoe Walsh

7. Business Without Notice

8. 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.

- **Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012 Amendment, closing date 3 February 2017**

Council has prepared a draft amendment to the Ballina Shire Development Control Plan 2012 (the DCP).

The draft amendment proposes various changes to the DCP including the following:

- Inclusion of a new clause 3.22 Road Noise Mitigation contained within Chapter 2 – General and Environmental Considerations
- Adjustments in Part 5 of Chapter 3 – Urban Subdivision to ensure consistency with new draft clause 3.22 Road Noise Mitigation
- Inclusion of an equivalent zone provision in Chapter 1 – Administration to address the interpretation of deferred matters under Ballina LEP 2012
- Amendment of public notification provisions contained within Chapter 1 – Administration with regard to the notification requirements for group home proposals
- Adjustments within Chapter 2 – General and Environmental Considerations to improve the operation of public art and car access and manoeuvring provisions.

Further information regarding the draft DCP amendments may be obtained by downloading the documents below. Proposed amendments to development controls are highlighted in yellow.

- **Special Rate Variation, closing date 6 February 2017**

Council is consulting with the community to determine whether to apply to the State Government for a permanent increase in general rate income, above the standard rate pegging limit.

The income raised from this rate increase will fund two programs, an asset renewal program and a healthy waterways program. The additional income generated for the asset renewal program will ensure Council is financially sustainable as well as ensuring existing infrastructure is renewed in a timely manner. The healthy waterways program will address concerns in respect to the health of the Richmond River and other key water bodies such as Lake Ainsworth, Shaws Bay and our coastline.

The increase Council is seeking is 4.9% for 2017/18, 5.9% for 2018/19 and 5.9% for 2019/20.

- **Review of Community Strategic Plan - Survey, closing date 30 January 2017**

The newly elected Council is reviewing the 10-year Community Strategic Plan (CSP).

The CSP provides a broad overview of where we wish to head as a community, along with identifying the items that are important to us.

- **Killen Falls and Tosha Falls – Plans of Management, closing date 6 February 2017**

Council is preparing draft plans of management for Killen Falls north of Tintenbar and Tosha Falls at Alstonville and is seeking feedback from the local community, user groups and visitors.

“Ballina Shire is home to many beautiful natural areas which are valued by locals and visitors. In recent times Killen Falls has become a popular place to visit, so we need to consider the increased visitation as well as protect this natural attraction” said Mayor David Wright.

“Through the online survey Council hopes to obtain constructive feedback on what the community perceives to be the characteristics, positives and negatives of both locations. The outcomes of the survey will inform the draft plans of management, so I strongly encourage the community to provide feedback” said Mayor Wright.

There will be further community consultation once the draft plans of management have been prepared.

- **Ballina Shire Economic Development Strategy - Opportunity - Innovation – Activation, workshops held 27 Feb – 3 March 2017**

Council is commencing the preparation of an Economic Opportunity, Innovation and Activation Strategy. The purpose of the strategy will be to:

- identify the existing building blocks and strengths of Ballina Shire’s economy
- provide a strategic planning context for advancing the economic development of Ballina Shire
- identify actions that Council can take to encourage and promote opportunities for economic development in Ballina Shire

- identify opportunities to attract businesses that build on and/or complement Ballina Shire's strengths, lifestyle and environment
- articulate Council's existing economic development programs within a broader context
- encourage entrepreneurial and innovative business activity within Ballina Shire.

The development of the strategy will be based on consultation with local businesses and key industry groups initially through a series of workshops and an online survey. Once drafted, it is anticipated that the strategy will be placed on public exhibition for broader public consideration.

Council has prepared a discussion paper to provide information relevant to the development of the strategy and to encourage discussion to support the project.

Council has set up an online survey as a way for stakeholders and the community to provide input into the project.

- **Ocean Breeze Reserve - Master Plan and Community Survey, closing date Monday 20 March 2017**

Ballina Shire Council is preparing a Master Plan for the Ocean Breeze Reserve in Lennox Head. This reserve is on public land owned by Council. This project is known as the **Ocean Breeze Reserve Master Plan** and the purpose of the Master Plan is to guide future use of the site. Council is now seeking community feedback via an online community survey. This survey will assist Council in understanding the community's aspirations for this reserve.

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting of A Ward will be held on Tuesday 9 May 2017 at 4.00pm

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Cr David Wright

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30 January 2017

Ms Michelle Niles
Department of Planning & Environment
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Dear Ms Niles

Re: Ballina High School Redevelopment – EIS Exhibition, Application SSD 16_7742

On behalf of the Ballina High School Historical Society and the local community, Council is requesting that the Ballina High School memorabilia be safely stored on site during construction and that the memorabilia be displayed at the new school.

Due to the Clement Park building (also known as the 'C Block Classroom') remaining on site, the Ballina High School Historical Society has indicated that prior to demolition, the memorabilia from Ballina High School be safely transferred and stored within this building. Feedback from the local community via Council's "A" Ward Committee, also requested that the memorabilia be displayed appropriately within the new school.

In regard to the various plaques located within the current school grounds, the Ballina High School Historical Society has also recommended the following actions:

- All mounted plaques, signs and boards that are attached to walls are to be kept for the Ballina School Historical Society's collection.
- All memorial plaques and trees planted in honour of three deceased English staff be relocated appropriately on site.

Council is supportive of these recommendations, as they appear to be in the best interest of the community while showcasing the history of the local area.

If you have any enquiries in regard to this matter please contact me on 0415 965 403.

Yours faithfully

Cr David Wright
Mayor