

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

3. **Deputations**

4. **Confirmation of Minutes 9 March 2017**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 9 March 2017 was distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 9 March 2017 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business Arising from Minutes – 9 March 2017**

(a) Bulwinkel Park

Cr Smith raised this matter at the 27 April 2017 Ordinary meeting when it was resolved as follows:

That Council approves the exhibition of the draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan document, as attached to this report, inclusive of any changes arising from this meeting, as follows:

- *Elizabeth Ann Brown Park, Alstonville – consideration of implementation of the masterplan with the focus on the plinth.*
- *Consideration of installation of BBQs at Missingham Beach/Shaws Bay and any other appropriate sites.*
- *Bulwinkle Park, Alstonville – that Council arrange a meeting with relevant stakeholders in relation to proposed improvements and if a plan of management is required, that consideration be given at the June meeting to the preparation and implementation of such a plan.*

(b) Tuckombil Quarry & Asphalt Plant – Tyrone McGillick

Tyrone McGillick submitted written questions about Boral Quarry. The questions were taken on notice and were referred to technical staff for response.

A response will be provided at the meeting.

(c) Johnsons Road Water Treatment Plant

The Committee asked about the current duck kill at the Johnsons Road Water Treatment Plant. The Committee asks what Council's procedures are for such occurrences and what mitigation actions it takes.

Council can confirm that a number of wild ducks had died on the site and that previous testing had indicated the cause to be Botulism.

Though Council doesn't have a direct procedure for the management of wild ducks on its Treatment Plant sites, the advised mitigation measures for Botulism in Ducks aligns closely with best practise guidelines for the management of the treatment facilities:

- ensuring good water quality
- keeping sites free of litter and food scraps
- minimising the presence of rotting vegetation
- controlling fly and pest populations, and
- promptly removing carcasses.

(d) Community Halls

Staff advise that building inspections have been completed in relation to Council owned community halls including the Wollongbar Hall. Council staff are currently reviewing the reporting information and it is envisaged that further information will be available following the completion of the review.

(e) Rous Mill Road

Steve Miller asked if the Council could revisit the flood repair work carried out some time ago to the road verge about 500m west from the Rous Mill Hall on the banks of Youngmans Creek.

The work has left the verge unsuitable for passing traffic due to it being very rough. The Committee would like to see it evened out / graded.

A response will be provided at the meeting.

(f) Management Plans Tosha Falls – Project Update

In response to the deputation by Mr Prendergast, Council staff advise as follows:

Council resolved in July 2016 to prepare management plans for Tosha Falls and Killen Falls to establish a framework for long term planning for the areas. MikeSvikis Planning has been engaged to prepare plans for both sites, which will consider potential opportunities for facilities, access and infrastructure relevant to the areas.

Council has written directly to immediate neighbours of Tosha Falls. Verbal and written feedback has been received from neighbouring landholders.

There are two landholders that directly adjoin the Tosha Falls land owned by Council. Council's project consultant met individually with both of these owners in January and their property was inspected (over approximately 2 hours each). Direct contact was also made with a land owner in Kim Court that has previously made representations to Council concerning access to Tosha Falls. All of these residents have made written submissions, which are being considered in preparing the management plan. Key issues raised to date include trespass and privacy, Johnstons Road and other access options, tracks and other infrastructure, environmental restoration, water quality, toilets and rubbish, cliff jumping, safety and risk.

As well as contacting neighbouring landholders, a community and user group survey was conducted online and a visitor count was undertaken on a weekend in January (school holidays). Survey responses have been collated and are being considered in drafting the plans.

Council is currently in the second stage of the process being to prepare draft management plans. It is expected that draft plans will be presented to the Council in May or June.

6. **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.

- **BSCPP 16 003 - Planning Proposal - Southern Cross Industrial Estate**, closing date 7 April 2017.
- **Ballina Marina Master Plan**, closing date 28 April 2017

The Ballina community has for many years expressed an interest in a greater range of marine infrastructure in Ballina. Council is now developing a Ballina Marina Master Plan to encourage and guide redevelopment of the area commonly known as the **Trawler Harbour site in West Ballina**.

Since early 2016, Council has been investigating the establishment of a marina and potential land uses such as, residential redevelopment, a public esplanade, dry storage for boats, commercial areas and open recreational spaces.

The aim of the project is to encourage Government and private interest to consider the site for investment and redevelopment.

The current project plans have drawn on previous plans, detailed site assessments and feedback from the community and stakeholders.

Council has now published a draft master plan that outlines a proposed approach to land redevelopment and an associated economic feasibility assessment.

Preparation of the master plan has been supported by funding from Transport for NSW under the Better Boating Program.

- **Draft Alstonville Planning and Environmental Study and Draft Strategic Plan 2017 - 2037**, closing date 12 May 2017.

Council has used the feedback and information the Alstonville community has provided and prepared a draft Alstonville Planning and Environmental Study and draft Strategic Plan 2017 – 2037.

The Alstonville community is encouraged to review the exhibition documents and the suggestions and ideas that they contain. Council looks forward to receiving comments and additional ideas.

- **Community Strategic Plan 2017 – 2027**, closing date 28 April 2017

The Community Strategic Plan (CSP) is a visionary document that provides the strategic direction for Ballina Shire Council. It outlines key outcomes that Council, other agencies and the community will work towards over the next ten years.

- **Part V 22.2017/6 – Boating Facilities comprising the construction of a boat ramp, on-ramp pontoon and piles, and associated car parking – Lot 1 DP 958042 River Drive, Keith Hall**, closing date 18 May 2017
- **Draft Policies as per below**, closing date 7 June 2017

Mobile Vending on Public Land Policy (New)

EEO Policy and Management Plan (Review)

Interaction Between Councillors and Staff Policy (Review)

Investments Policy (Review)

Community Events Signage Policy (Review)

Naming of Council Owned Facilities Policy (Review)

The above draft policies have been reviewed as part of Council's normal program of reviewing policies. The Mobile Vending on Public Land Policy is a new policy which seeks to identify the form of mobile vending permitted on public land and roads and establish a single system for the approval and management of such vending activities.

- **2018 Australia Day Award Nominations Are Now Open!** Nominations close 1 December 2017

The awards program brings the community together to recognise and celebrate the achievements of individuals and organisations that make an outstanding contribution to the Ballina Shire community.

There are six categories for nomination:

- Young Citizen of the Year (30 years or under)
- Senior Citizen of the Year (60 years or over)
- Volunteer of the Year

- Sports Award (individual or team)
- Arts/Cultural Award
- Community Event of the Year

The *Citizen of the Year* award will be selected by the Australia Day Committee from all of the nominees across the six categories.

Council is seeking nominations for persons or organisations in each category. All individual nominees must be Australian citizens and reside within the Ballina Shire local government area. Selection will be made in each category on the level of personal achievement or commitment to serving the community.

The winners of the awards will be announced at the official Australia Day ceremony at the Lennox Head Cultural and Community Centre.

Nomination forms are available on Council's website.

Soon to be exhibited

Draft 2017/18 Delivery Program and Operational Plan

Draft 2017/18 Fees and Charges

Draft 2017/18 to 2020/21 Workforce Plan

Draft 2017/18 Long Term Financial Plan

Public meetings will be held as follows:

Monday 29 May – 7.00 pm – Wardell Memorial Hall

Tuesday 30 May – 7.00 pm – Lennox Head Cultural and Community Centre

7. Items raised by members of the Committee

8. General Business

9. Next Meeting

Thursday 13 July 2017 at 5.00 pm

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1. Attendance and Apologies

Cr Ben Smith (Chair)
Cr Eoin Johnston
Cr David Wright (Mayor)
Cr Sharon Parry

Jane Gardiner – Alstonville Plateau Historical Society
Elva Fitzell - Alstonville Rotary Club
Malcolm Johnson - Ballina Environment Society
Doug Lipscomb – Wollongbar Progress Association
Les Wiles- Alstonville Lions Club
Steve Miller – Rous Mill Ratepayers
Tyrone McGillick – Alstonville Asphalt Watch
Mary Birch – Wollongbar Progress Association
Ron Birch - Wollongbar Progress Association
Richard Lutze – Alstonville/Wollongbar Chamber of Commerce
Russell Priddle - Alstonville & District Football Club
Wayne Garrard – Alstonville Cricket Club
Martin Hayden – Alstonville Asphalt Watch
Pat Carney – Wardell Progress Association

Others in Attendance

Terry Prendergast – Visitor
Jim Hahn – Visitor
Marilyn Hahn – Visitor
Helen Mc... - Visitor
Liz Voss – Visitor
Sharyne Price - Visitor

Staff in Attendance

Rod Willis – Group Manager Development and Environmental Health

Apologies

Lois Wright- Plateau Seniors

The apologies were accepted.

2. Welcome to New Member

The Committee welcomed the Alstonville Asphalt Watch Group represented by Tyrone McGillick as a new member organisation of the C Ward Committee.

3. Declarations of Interest

Nil.

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4. Deputations

a) Terry Prendergast – Tosha Falls

A deputation was made by Mr Terry Prendergast, resident of Alstonville about Tosha Falls.

Mr Prendergast was concerned that, in the preparation of Council's management plan for Tosha Falls the Council has not actively consulted with him or other interested residents/owners of land that is directly affected.

He considers that the most affected people should be directly consulted and engaged before any draft plan is prepared or committed to for exhibition.

He also considered that the pre-plan survey hasn't met the requirement for pre-plan preparation consultation.

5. Confirmation of Minutes 10 November 2016

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 November 2016 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

6. Business Arising from Minutes –10 November 2017

(a) Bulwinkel Park

Malcolm Johnson advised the Committee that:

- A mass planting was scheduled for the park.
- Council had provided 600 – 800 plants and this was great. Mr Johnson thanked the Council.
- Additionally the Council had put in drainage.
- Some neighbours would like the drainage extended as it had proven to be a great assistance.
- Landcare and the Lions Club had combined for this project and the Lions Club had donated \$10,000 towards it.
- The combined group now can't proceed until the Council has prepared an approved Plan in order that they can qualify for financing and to apply for grants. They have been waiting for two years for this and it is now urgent.
- The group request that Council reprioritise this plan preparation above other work. Cr Smith will raise this matter at the next Council Meeting.

(b) Portable Goal Posts

Noted.

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(c) Emergency Services Levy

Noted.

7. Council Documents on Exhibition

Noted.

Committee was advised of the forthcoming exhibition of the Alstonville Planning and Environmental Study and Draft Strategic Plan from 5 April 2017 to 12 May 2017.

8. Items raised by members of the Committee

Nil.

9. General Business

a) Tuckombil Quarry & Asphalt Plant – Tyrone McGillick

Tyrone McGillick submitted written questions about Boral Quarry. A copy is attached.

The questions were taken on notice and will be referred to technical staff for response.

b) Johnsons Road Water Treatment Plant

The Committee asked about the current duck kill at the Johnsons Road Water Treatment Plant. The Committee asks what Council's procedures are for such occurrences and what mitigation actions it takes.

c) Wollongbar Skate Park

Mary Birch asked what progress had been made on the Wollongbar Skate Park.

The Mayor advised that two consultancies had submitted two different plans for the Council to evaluate and that these would be reported to Council in the near future.

Doug Lipscombe asked for Cr Ben Smith's definition of a small age-appropriate skate park but this question was considered to not be appropriate for discussion in the forum of the Committee.

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d) Community Halls

Mary Birch sought information about the outcome of the recent inspections of the Shire's community halls.

e) Rous Mill Road

Steve Miller asked if the Council could revisit the flood repair work carried out some time ago to the road verge about 500m west from the Rous Mill Hall on the banks of Youngmans Creek.

The work has left the verge unsuitable for passing traffic due to it being very rough. The Committee would like to see it evened out / graded.

f) Wollongbar Sports Fields

Mary Birch asked about progress on the Wollongbar sports fields.

The Mayor updated the Committee.

g) Alstonville Main Street Festival

Richard Lutze advised the Committee the Main Street Festival would be held 28 May 2017.

h) Road Maintenance Levy

Tyrone McGillick asked whether Boral were paying a haulage road levy for laden vehicles being brought into the quarry.

This question was taken on notice.

i) Floor Levels / Floodplain Protection

Pat Carney asked about progress on the Floodplain Protection Filling of Land Policy.

The Mayor advised that a report would be prepared for the Council following further modelling work by Council's consultants.

j) Wollongbar Hall

Ron Birch advised that the additional carpark has been provided at Hall Court and congratulated the Council on completing the job.

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k) Richmond River Catchment

Malcolm Johnson handed out an extract copy of the 'Richmond River Catchment'. A copy is attached. He enquired about the use of rate levy funds and about what rate rises are expected.

The Mayor and the Chair explained the rating proposal and that the Richmond River County Council Plan is a separate document.

l) Alstonville Swimming Pool Project

The Committee was advised that there was a meeting scheduled after the Committee meeting at the Alstonville Bowling Club to provide updated information about the project.

10. Next Meeting

Thursday 11 May 2017 at 5.00 pm

Meeting Closure

6.10 pm

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Questions for Ballina Council...
9/3/17 - C Ward meeting

Tuckombil Quarry

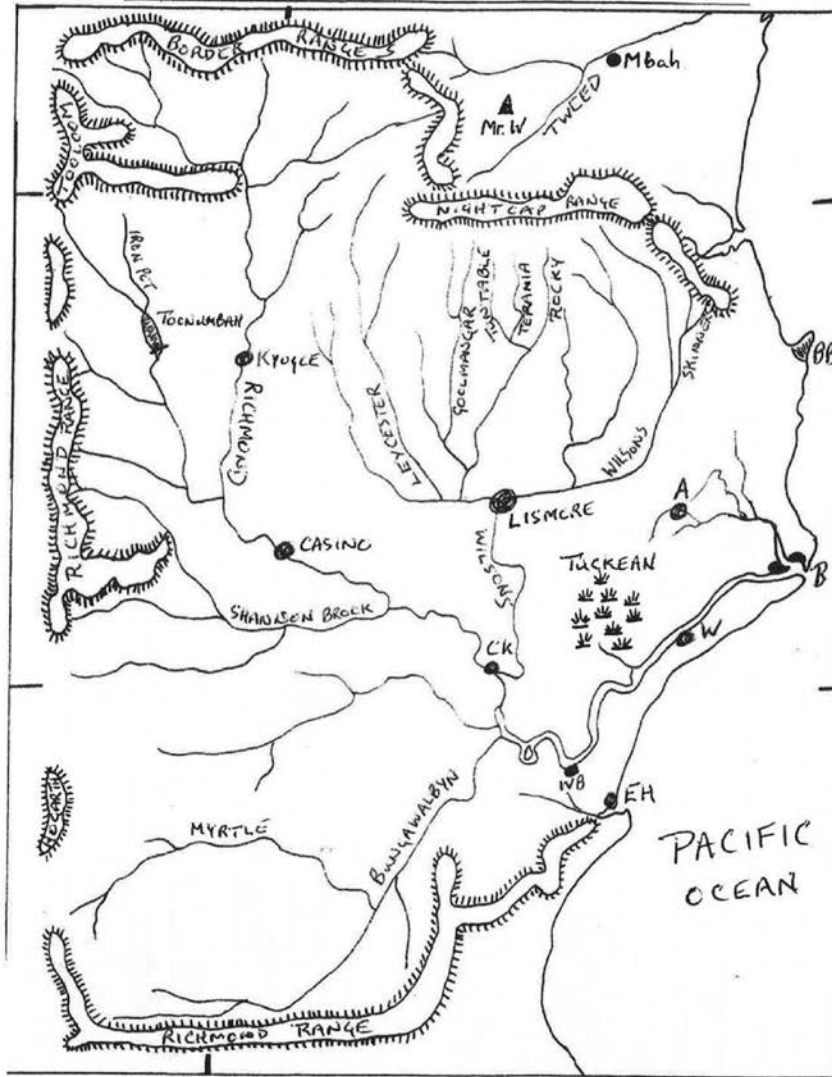
- What are council's plans for the Tuckombil quarry? Does it include an expansion of the current area, including the playing fields?
- What are councils plans for the management of the quarry, will it be managed by council or leased out to a 3rd party?
- What have been the annual financial returns to council from the quarry to date?
- How does the quarry fit in with council's future strategic plan for Alstonville?
- Are council aware expansion would result in review of environmental factors (EIS)?

Boral Asphalt plant (beside quarry)

- Will Boral be required to obtain materials from Tuckombil quarry primarily before obtaining it from other sites?
- Will there be traffic monitoring from the quarry gate that can differentiate between a Quarry trucks and Boral/Asphalt trucks?
- What have been the annual financial returns to council from Boral to date?

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RICHMOND RIVER CATCHMENT.



FEBRUARY 2011



COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE RICHMOND RIVER ESTUARY - IMPLEMENTATION PROGRAM

Table 11: CZMP Implementation Program (\$'000)

Action	Lead Organisation	Support Organisations	Management Zones	2013*	2014*	2015*	2016*	2017*	2018*	2019*	2020*	2021*	2022*
Strategy 1: Administration and Governance													
1.1 Review estuary governance and administration	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, DECCW, IRNSW, NRMA, UPMA	Estuary-wide	200	200								
Strategy 2: Climate Change													
2.1 Planning for sea level rise and climate change impacts	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, DECCW, IRNSW, NRMA, UPMA	Estuary-wide	100	35	5	6	5	5	5	5	5	5
Strategy 3: Monitoring and Evaluation													
3.1 Establish monitoring program	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, IRNSW, DECCW, NRMA, SCU	Estuary-wide	2000	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
3.2 Develop catchment/water quality modelling tool	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, IRNSW, DECCW, NRMA, SCU	Estuary-wide	45	30		5						
Strategy 4: Floodplain Infrastructure Management													
4.1 Identify priorities and options drains and levees	RRCC	BSC, LOC, RVC, DECCW, IRNSW, RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	1628	355	300	340	340	340	340	340	340	340
4.2 Review floodplain management protocols	RRCC	BSC, LOC, RVC, DECCW, IRNSW, RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	45	35								
Strategy 5: Wetland Management													
5.1 Wetland revegetation program	IRNSW	BSC, LOC, RVC, EMC, DECCW, RRCC, EMC	Zones 7, 10, 11	340	100	100							
5.2 Farm management planning	IRNSW	BSC, LOC, RVC, EMC, DECCW, RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	600	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500	500
5.3 Liaise with agriculture industry bodies to improve education and ensure estuary friendly practices are adopted	IRNSW	RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	90	30	30							
Strategy 6: Riparian Zone Management and Erosion													
6.1 Identify priority riparian areas and rehabilitate	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, NRMA, UPMA	Estuary-wide	2300	50	250	250	250	250	250	250	250	250
6.2 Riparian buffer establishment (planting)	BSC, LOC, RVC	NRMA	Estuary-wide	30	30								
Strategy 7: Vegetation Management													
7.1 Reclaim, rehabilitate and conserve existing native floodplain vegetation	BSC, LOC, RVC	RRCC, UPMA, NRMA, DECCW, RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	930	30	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
7.2 Riparian zone management	RRCC, UPMA, NRMA, DECCW, RRCC, EMC	RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	1600	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
7.3 Riparian zone management	RRCC, UPMA, NRMA, DECCW, RRCC, EMC	RRCC, EMC	Estuary-wide	600	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
Strategy 8: Estuary-wide community education and consultation program													
8.1 Develop strategy plan for estuary usage	EMC	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, DECCW, IRNSW, NRMA, UPMA	Estuary-wide	75									
8.2 Cost benefit analysis of dredging operations in lower estuary	BSC	BSC, LOC, RVC, NSW Marine, UPMA, DECCW, IRNSW, NRMA, DECCW, IRNSW, RRCC, EMC	Zones 1, 2	30			20						
Strategy 9: Wastewater Management													
9.1 Study dredging on-estuary sewage management inspections and improvements	DECCW	BSC, LOC, RVC	Estuary-wide	25	25								
Strategy 10: Urban Runoff													
10.1 Sewerage system risk assessment and prioritisation	BSC, LOC, RVC	DECCW	Estuary-wide	not estimated									
Strategy 11: Cultural Heritage													
11.1 Identification and recording of cultural sites available to council planners	DECCW	BSC, LOC, RVC	Estuary-wide	100			20	20	20	20	20	20	20
11.2 Cultural heritage management plans	DECCW	BSC, LOC, RVC	Estuary-wide	155			25	25	25	25	25	25	25
Strategy 12: Fisheries Management													
12.1 Ensure key research findings in the fishing and aquaculture sector are communicated to the public	IRNSW	BSC, LOC, RVC, RRCC, SCU	Estuary-wide	not estimated - included in Strategy 8									
12.2 Establish a research program in the estuary as a reliable oyster harvest closures	IRNSW	BSC	Zones 1, 2, 4	40			5	5	5	5	5	5	5
Totals				16,285	1,790	1,790	1,820	1,820	1,820	1,820	1,820	1,820	1,820

*Notional values based on 2011/12 financial year. **2013 to 2022 financial years. ***2013 to 2022 financial years. ****2013 to 2022 financial years. *****2013 to 2022 financial years.