

1. Attendance and Apologies

Members

Cr David Wright (Mayor)
Cr Sharon Cadwallader (Chair)

Monica Wilcox, Lennox Head Residents Association
Marshall Chang, Ballina Heights Residences Action Group
Brad Pollard, Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce
Jim Gilchrist, Preserve Lake Ainsworth
Lyn Walker, Ballina Environment Society
Fran Byrne, Ballina Coastcare
Darel Vidler, Lennox Head Combined Sports Association
Lorraine Leuckel, Marine Rescue Ballina
Shaun Eastment, Lennox Head Landcare
Jason Dwyer, Sport and Recreation Centre
David Griffiths, Ballina Coastcare

Observers

Henrietta Chang, Ballina Heights Residences Action Group

Council Staff

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

Apologies

Nil

2. Declarations of Interest

3. Confirmation of Minutes

RECOMMENDATION

That the Minutes of the "B" Ward Committee held 17 September 2018 be taken as read and confirmed (Ms Leuckel/Mr Chang).

4. Deputations

Nil

5. Presentation by Member of Council's Senior Leadership Team

Vince Hunt, Manager Building Services within Council's Development and Environmental Health Group, provided Committee members with a comprehensive overview of the key roles and responsibilities of his team.

6. Outstanding Business

(a) Ballina Marine Rescue – Trimming of Trees in Coastal Reserve

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

(b) Ballina Marine Rescue – Water Charges

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

7. Business with Notice from Members

Nil

8. Council Documents on Exhibition

The list of Council documents which have recently been exhibited for community feedback was noted, with some clarification by staff concerning individual items.

9. Nominations for 2019 Australia Day Awards

Members were encouraged to discuss potential nominations for these awards within their respective community organisations.

10. Business Without Notice

(a) Lennox Head Combined Sports Association

Mr Vidler raised concerns regarding activities within parts of Williams Reserve involving itinerant persons. This generated some discussion about a review of the vegetation management arrangements relating to the western part of the reserve.

Mr Vidler reiterated the importance of the installation of upgraded lighting within Williams Reserve. He also enquired about the timing for activation of the Epiq Estate playing fields and finalisation of the design and construction of the associated sportsground amenities.

Members were also reminded that Christmas Carols are scheduled to occur on Williams Reserve on Sunday 2 December.

(b) Lennox Head Residents Association

Ms Wilcox acknowledged the improvement works presently being undertaken within the public reserve adjacent to Lake Ainsworth. She also questioned the timing for reinstatement of the pedestrian access ways between the reserve and Seven Mile Beach.

Ms Wilcox noted there is some discussion within the Lennox Head community regarding the timing and duration of the proposed one way traffic management trial associated with the planned village centre improvement project.

(c) Preserve Lake Ainsworth

Mr Gilchrist spoke about the importance of providing conveniently located and accessible disabled car parking spaces within the Lennox Head village centre.

Mr Truman indicated this will be considered in the context of the village centre improvement project.

(d) NSW Sport and Recreation

Mr Dwyer enquired about progress of his Department's Development Application to enable the construction of alternative vehicular access to the Lake Ainsworth Centre.

Mr Dwyer also appreciated receiving advice that arrangements for a Police presence within the Lake Ainsworth public reserve during Australia Day 2019 are planned to be the same as last year.

(e) Lennox Head Chamber of Commerce

Mr Pollard enquired about the process for selection of the direction of one way traffic flow for the proposed Lennox Head village centre improvement program. Further, he sought feedback on the design for the proposed two way/one way interface within Park Lane.

It was indicated that clarification relating to these matters will be provided in the explanatory material to be distributed by Council leading up to and during the traffic management trial.

(f) Ballina Coastcare

Ms Byrne noted advice from Mr Truman that the waste receptacle removed by Council from the car parking area adjacent to Angels Beach is not to be replaced.

Ms Byrne prompted discussion about recycling within the Shire. Mr Truman provided a brief overview of Council's processes and its commitment to recycling. He foreshadowed that an announcement from Council regarding changed arrangements for household recycling is imminent.

Ms Byrne raised concerns about the state of the site of the former Shelly Beach Café following the recent fire.

(g) Ballina Environment Society

Dr Walker indicated that she and other community members will welcome discussion with Council regarding formalisation of pedestrian access from the corner of Ross Street and Gibbon Street to the Lake Ainsworth foreshore.

Dr Walker suggested it is timely, leading up to the NSW State election in 2019, for Council to identify key planning issues affecting the Shire which it might raise to ascertain policy positions from respective election candidates.

(h) Ballina Heights Residences Action Group

Mr Chang advised the meeting that the organisation he represents is proposing to convert its status from a community group to an incorporated association, and is contemplating a name change. He noted membership of the organisation is continuing to increase.

Mr Chang noted that some members of his Group remain highly concerned that a hazard for motorists exists at the intersection of Tamarind Drive and Deadmans Creek Road, particularly during adverse weather conditions, due to inadequate lighting.

Mr Truman noted that this matter is scheduled for discussion at the next meeting of Council's Local Traffic Committee.

Mr Chang indicated that members of his group continue to make representations to Government regarding inadequate telecommunication services to and within Ballina Heights Estate.

(i) Ballina Surf Club Building

The Mayor, Cr Wright advised members that completion of Building B at the Ballina Surf Club is imminent.

He noted also that usage of the new Ballina Memorial Pool is extremely high. It is hoped that installation of a new shade shelter at the pool will occur prior to Christmas.

11. Reporting of Safety Related Matters

The information contained in the agenda was noted.

Members were reminded that there is no need to wait for meetings of the Committee to raise matters of general concern from participating community groups.

Enquiries or customer requests can be lodged with Council at any time for staff follow up.

12. Next Meeting

Monday 18 March 2019 at 4.30 pm

13. Meeting Closure

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 6.35 pm.