

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Declarations of Interest**

3. **Deputations**

NA

4. **Confirmation of Minutes – 12 March 2018**

A copy of the minutes of the previous meeting held 12 March 2019 was distributed.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12 March 2019 be accepted as a true and correct record.

5. **Business arising from Minutes – 12 March 2019**

Boat Harbour Road Bicycle Linemarking – River Street to Sunnybank Drive

The bicycle track line marking was completed on 26 April 2019.

Ferry Fender

A guard or fender will be installed at the rear of the tender where it rests against the railing.

6. **General Business**

Ballina Town Centre Upgrade - Stage 4

Council has begun planning the next stage of the Ballina CBD beautification upgrade along River Street between Moon Street and Grant Street.

Works will include widening and paving of the footpaths, reconstruction of the road pavement, planting of street trees and landscaping, stormwater, lighting improvements, undergrounding of the electricity on the southern side of River Street. Works are due to commence after Easter.

This upgrade will be consistent with other River Street stages previously completed by Council.

To minimise inconveniences the footpath works will be undertaken at night to ensure access to all businesses will be restored during the day. Council understands that this work will cause inconveniences during construction and will endeavour to minimise disruptions. Refer attached Factsheet.



7. Staff Presentation

Bridget Walker, Manager Water and Wastewater will provide an overview of current activities within Council’s Water and Wastewater section.

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.

New Policies as per below

- Farmland Rating Policy, closing date 5 June 2019

Under Section 514 of the Local Government Act, 1993, (LGA), Council is required to categorise all rateable land as one of the following categories:

- Farmland
- Residential
- Business
- Mining

The purpose behind the categorisation of land is to allow councils to determine a fair and equitable distribution of ordinary rates.

Council does not have a policy in regard to categorisation of land for farmland rating. Decisions are made by staff using internal guidelines, with reference to the Local Government Act (LGA), guidance provided by the Office of Local Government (OLG), industry data and precedents from the Land and Environment Court.

This new policy provides ratepayers with clarity around Council's approach.

- **Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 - Planning Proposal BSCPP 18/001 – Residential Flat Buildings and Activated Frontages within part of the B3 Zone (Ballina CBD)**, closing date 17 May 2019

Council has prepared a planning proposal to amend the Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 in respect to certain land located within the Ballina business area (B3 Commercial Core zone).

The planning proposal seeks to permit residential flat buildings on certain land located within the B3 zone as well as introducing a requirement for property frontage activation.

Council has been given delegation by the Department of Planning and Environment to undertake the processes for finalisation of the planning proposal (should it proceed to completion).

- **Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 - Planning Proposal BSCPP 18/003 – Attached Dual Occupancy Development at Wardell**, closing date 17 May 2019

Council has prepared a planning proposal to amend the Ballina Local Environmental Plan 2012 so as to permit attached dual occupancy development on certain R2 zoned lots at Wardell.

Council has been given delegation by the Department of Planning and Environment to undertake the processes for finalisation of the planning proposal (should it proceed to completion).

Soon to be advertised

- **Draft Delivery Program and Operational Plan – 2019/20 to 2022/23**, closing date 12 June 2019

Council has prepared its draft Delivery Program for the four year period from 2019/20 to 2022/23. This document, which includes the draft Operational Plan for 2019/20, outlines items such as:

- the services and key actions planned by Council for 2019/20 to 2022/23
- a summary of the major capital works planned for 2019/20 to 2022/23
- our long term financial plan for 2019/20 to 2028/29 and
- the rates, charges and fees proposed for 2019/20.

Forecast movements in our main rates and charges are:

- CPI increases for the wastewater and waste annual charges
- No increase for the water access and stormwater annual charges
- A change in the charging structure for water access charges for multi-tenancy properties, which is now based on the number of occupancies, rather than meter size.
- The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) approved a special rate variation for Council of 5.9% for 2019/20. The additional funding from this special rate variation is expended on increased infrastructure renewal works.

In addition to our recurrent capital works for roads, footpaths, storm water parks and sporting fields the major community infrastructure projects planned for 2019/20 are:

- Coastal Walk and Coastal Shared Path – completion of these two projects
- Lennox Head Cultural and Community Centre - major refurbishment
- Extension of Hutley Drive to Byron Bay Road, Lennox Head
- Completion of the Ballina Indoor Sports Centre.

The draft documents are now on exhibition and the public are encouraged to inspect the documents and make submissions to Council during the exhibition period. As part of the exhibition process Council will hold four public meetings. The dates and venues for these meetings are as follows.

7pm Tuesday 21 May 2019	Wardell War Memorial Hall
7pm Wednesday 22 May 2019	Ballina Shire Council Chambers
7pm Tuesday 28 May 2019	Lennox Community Centre (Park Lane Theatre)
7pm Wednesday 29 May 2019	Alstonville Leisure & Entertainment Centre (ALEC)

- **2019/20 – Community Donations Programs**, closing date 7 June 2019

The draft 2019/20 Operational Plan provides funding through our donations program to assist community based groups deliver services to our residents.

Applications are now being sought for the following donation programs for 2019/20 period:

- **Donations – Financial Assistance for Community Groups**
Enquiries: Jay Ellis, Administration Officer, Ph 1300 864 444.

- **Donations –Capital Works Assistance for Community Sporting Groups**

Enquiries: Luke Marshall, Open Spaces Development Officer, Ph 1300 864 444.

For guidelines on how financial assistance is provided refer to the Council's donation policies available on the website ***ballina.nsw.gov.au*** (search Your Council/Policy Documents).

To be eligible for financial assistance the relevant form must be completed and returned to Council. The forms are available on Council's website ***ballina.nsw.gov.au*** (*search Your Council/Council Forms*).

9. Next Meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 9 July 2019 at 4.00pm.

Meeting dates for 2019 are as follows:

Tuesday 10 September 2019

Tuesday 12 November 2019

»» *Ballina Town Centre upgrade - stage 4*

April 2019 - Project update 2



»» *What are we doing?*

Council is committed to renewing the infrastructure in our town centres to enhance the public amenity and help deliver improved economic outcomes for our local business community.

Ballina Shire Council has allocated \$2.7 million to complete Stage 4 of the Ballina Town Centre upgrade of River Street, between Grant Street and Moon Street.

The works will include:

- reconstructed road and stormwater infrastructure
- wider and paved footpaths
- new street trees and landscaping
- updated street furniture
- modern lighting
- improved footpath accessibility
- undergrounding of electricity (south side)
- reinstated pedestrian crossing

This upgrade will be consistent with other River Street stages previously completed by Council.

»» *Schedule of works*

Council is now in the final planning stages and anticipate works to commence late May 2019 and be completed within six months, weather permitting.

To minimise the impact to motorists, pedestrians and businesses Council has divided the project into four zones, which will be completed one stage at a time (see attached map).

There will also be a combination of night and day works to ensure pedestrian access is maintained.

»» *Traffic changes*

Reconstruction of the road, kerb and gutter

To complete these works, Council will need to close one lane of River Street a section at a time.

This means motorists may experience detours via Tamar Street, but this will depend on the project stage and direction of travel.

Traffic control will be in place during these works and Council is consulting directly with businesses whose driveway access is impacted by these works.

Footpath works

The widening and paving of the footpath will be mostly completed at night to ensure business access is restored for daytime trading.

Council will also install pedestrian signage to help encourage and maintain foot traffic along River Street.

»» *More information*

Business information session

Council will be holding an information session for River Street business operators. Event details will be sent directly to business operators.

Project updates

You can join Council's eNews mailing list to receive specific project updates. To subscribe please email council@ballina.nsw.gov.au

»» *If you have any questions or concerns please contact:*

Council's Engineering Works section, Ph 1300 864 444.



Zone 1
 Roadworks and footpath works
 27 May 2019 to 13 August 2019

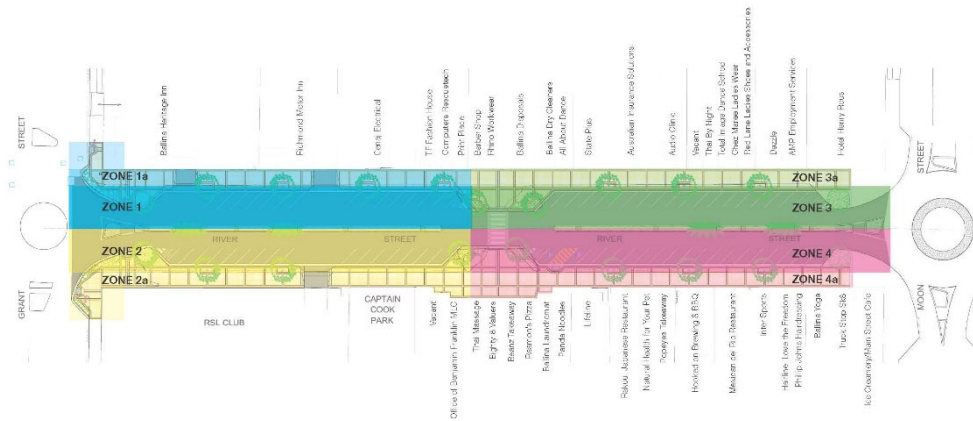
Zone 3
 Roadworks and footpath works
 18 July to 4 October 2019

Holiday periods
 Following business operator feedback, Council has adjusted the timing of these works to further minimise construction impacts during school holiday periods.

Zone 2
 Roadworks and footpath works
 21 June to 6 September 2019

Zone 4
 Roadworks and footpath works
 14 August to 30 November 2019

Based on the current works schedule, Council anticipates retailers in Zone 3 and 4 will only be impacted for one school holidays period. Please note: these dates are subject to change and weather dependent.



Invitation



Ballina Shire Council
invites you to the upcoming

Ballina Town Centre Upgrade *business information session*

Monday 13 May 2019

Time: 5.30pm - 6.15pm

Location: Spinnakers Function Room,
Ballina RSL, 1 Grant Street, Ballina

Light refreshments provided.

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