

5 April 2018

Extension plans for Hutley Drive, Lennox Head

As urban development continues to expand within the Lennox Head area, Ballina Shire Council has been looking at various options to extend Hutley Drive to service current and future residential developments.

“Council’s traffic modelling has identified for many years that Hutley Drive should be extended in the north to The Coast Road/Byron Bay Road and in the south to North Creek Road. By extending Hutley Drive to the south and north will ensure that vehicles will move more efficiently through this location,” explained Mr John Truman, Group Manager Civil Services.

“The northern extension will provide a safer connection to major roads, and reduce vehicle traffic in residential areas that are currently used to access arterial roads. Extending Hutley Drive will also improve access to the proposed shopping centre development in the Epiq Lennox Estate and new sporting fields in this estate.”

Mr Truman said that Council has considered various options for the northern extension of Hutley Drive. “Council recently purchased 9 Byron Bay Road. This has presented an easier and more cost effective linkage option from Hutley Drive to Byron Bay Road by extending Hutley Drive to the north and connecting the new roundabout on Byron Bay Road; north of the existing Coast Road roundabout.”

“Other options we’ve looked at include connecting Hutley Drive to a new roundabout on a realigned North Creek Road. Another option scoped was to connect Hutley Drive to the existing Coast Road roundabout. Unfortunately these proposals were cost prohibitive or did not meet contemporary engineering and traffic standards.”


“Council staff have commenced community consultation with residents who live adjacent to 9 Byron Bay Road and we are now preparing the engineering design and will seek regulatory approval for the project,” clarified Mr Truman.

The extension is identified in Ballina Shire Council Road’s Contribution Plan, with staged commencement to be by the end of 2019. The initial cost estimate for the project is \$4 million (including land acquisition) with the majority of costs to be met by development contributions. Council has also applied for federal and state government grant funding to assist in funding the project.

A factsheet explaining the Hutley Drive extension can be found on Council’s website **ballina.nsw.gov.au** (search Hutley Drive).

| | | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|---|
| Authorised By | Paul Hickey General Manager | Media Spokesperson | John Truman Group Manager – Civil Services 1300 864 444 |
| Distribution | Local Media | | |



| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-----|------|----|--------------|-----|--|--|--------------------|--|-----------------------|----|--|---|
| | | A | | | For Revision | | SURVEY Reservoir Hill North Creek Road | | DESIGNED | | BALLINA SHIRE COUNCIL | | |  |
| | | | | | | | DATE 01/2018 | | DRAWN MNF | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | F.B. L.B. | | CHECKED | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | DATUM AHD | | APPROVED | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | DRAWING Hutley Dr Ocean Breeze Reserve.dwg | | | | | | | |
| | | No. | Date | By | Change | X'd | Sheet 1 Of 1 Sheets | | Scale NOT TO SCALE | | Plan No. | A1 | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |