

Council Report to NRDCAA Meeting 15th May 2017.

There were four meetings of Council since the March Report, 28th of March, Ordinary Meeting, 10th of April, Extraordinary Meeting, 11th of April, Ordinary Meeting and 9th of May 2017, Ordinary Meeting.

The report covers main issues as the author sees it, or could be a matter of public interest.

This report should not be relied upon by residents and ratepayers. The Reports, motions and resolutions are mostly truncated.

Council Business Papers and Minutes of each meeting are available on the Council website.

Council Meeting 28 March 2017 .

Item: 60 Hawkesbury Community Strategic Plan 2017-2036 (HCSP).

Council adopted the HCSP which sits at the top of all other Plans and policies.

There was extensive consultation with the Community

The NRDCAA made a detailed submission thanks to Margaret and Bryan Smith.

Item: 61 Permissibility of Detached Dual Occupancy within HLGA.

Council resolved to advocate for the release of the Hawkesbury-Nepean flood Risk Management Strategy (HNFRMS), Council consider the inclusion of regional flood issues in its submission to the Greater Sydney Commission regarding the Draft West Regional Plan and on the release of the HNFRMS and Council then reconsider the Detached Dual Occupancy question.

Item: 64: Windsor Bridge Replacement Project.

There were two speakers against the staff recommendation.

Council did not support the proposal put up by the two speakers from CAWB.

Council resolved to write to the RMS and the Minister for Roads, Maritime etc, and the Minister for Planning that further reports are to follow from

Authorities, and forward a qualified submission on the draft Urban Design and Landscape Plan including advice received from Council's Heritage Advisor.

Reports of Committees (ROC)

Local Traffic Committee (LTC): that the minutes of the LTC held on the 13 March 2017 be adopted.

Questions: Councillors, Calvert 3, Reynolds 1, Rasmussen 2.

The meeting closed at 9.32pm .

Extra Ordinary Meeting of Council 10th of April 2017.

Item: 68 Draft Resourcing Strategy 2017-2027, Draft Delivery Program 2017-2021 and Draft Operational Plan 2017/2018.

For those interested in the Long Term Financial Planning, Workforce Management Planning and Asset Management Planning the Business Paper and the attachments to the BP are essential reading.

Of special note is the allocation of \$100,000 for a traffic study.

The Report estimates a total income of \$74.63 million. The biggest component is rates at \$30.53 million followed by Annual Charges \$21.39 million which includes Waste Chargers, Sewer, Stormwater Management and Sullage.

Employee costs are the biggest component of expected expenditure at \$26.88 million followed by Material and Contracts at \$17.29 million.

For interest sake the HLGAs has 23,521 Residential rated Properties.

Rates will increase by 1.5% approximately, Waste Management by 3.5%, Sewer Management Charges by 9.5% and Sullage Charges by 3%.

Sullage Charges are \$2,026.16 PA for fortnightly services, \$4,052.32 PA for a weekly service.

Please note concession on rates and charges are available to eligible pensioners.

The Council resolved to adopt all three proposal for exhibition purposes and hold an Extra Ordinary Meeting of Council on the 13th of June 2017 to consider

public submissions and adoption of the Draft Resourcing Strategy 2017-2027, Draft Delivery Program 2017-2021 and Draft Operational Plan 2017/2018.

The Meeting closed at 7.56pm.

Council Meeting 11 April 2017.

Apologies: Councillors, Garrow, Richards and Tree.

Items 69 and 70 Voluntary Planning Agreements (VPA)

VPA's were approved for 1420 Kurmond Rd Kurmond and 431 and 431A Greggs Road Kurrajong.

Item 71: Planning Proposal for 631 BLoR Kurrajong,

There was one speaker against the staff recommendation.

The PP was to create 10 large residential lots and one road lot. There is no extra transport infrastructure being provided in this proposal, except for a VPA that will provide \$30,000 per lot as they are sold. That money cannot be spent on BLoR.

It is also of interest that Council policy identifies "Roads" as a major constraint. Major is identified in the policy as..... **is so significant that development should not occur until a solution has been identified and delivery mechanism achieved.**

Councillors Reynolds moved and Rasmussen seconded to defer the matter pending the results of the Comprehensive Traffic Study.

Councillors Conolly moved and Councillor Zamprogno seconded an amendment (staff recommendation) to approve.

Councillors in support, Calvert, Conolly, Kotlash and Zamprogno.

Councillors opposed, Rasmussen, Reynolds, Ross, Wheeler and Lyons-Buckett.

The original motion was put to "defer".

Councillors in support, Rasmussen, Reynolds, Ross, Wheeler, Zamprogno and Lyons-Buckett.

Councillors opposed Calvert, Conolly and Kotlash.

Reports of Committees (ROC).

Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC).

The minutes of the SAC held on the 9th of March be received with two amendments which are to be referred back to the SAC.

Notices of motion NOM.

1) Councillors Wheeler moved, Reynolds seconded, that Council oppose the world's largest waste to energy incinerator at Eastern Creek. Notes it will pose a risk to air quality throughout Western Sydney including HLGA.

Council write to the Department of Planning indicating Councils opposition and the Local Member Mr Perrottet be advised. **Carried.**

2) Councillors Wheeler moved, Rasmussen seconded that Council advise the Heritage Advisory Committee that their input and expertise is valued and welcomed and they are encouraged to provide information on Thompson Square and any other heritage matter relevant to Council. **Carried.**

Questions: Councillors, Ross 1, Reynolds 1, Wheeler 2, Zamprogno 4.

Meeting closed at 8.52 pm.

Council Meeting 9th Of May 2017.

Apologies: Councillors, Conolly and Tree.

Item: 78 Onsite Wastewater Treatment System (OWTS) (Duck Processing Facility) Tennyson.

On the 31 May 2016, approved the duck processing facility but the OWTS is to be considered subsequently by Council.

Council resolved to defer the decision pending a Briefing Session and a site inspection.

Councillors, Calvert, Garrow, Kotlash, Lyons-Buckett, Rasmussen, Reynolds, Richards, Ross, Wheeler and Zamprogno in support.

Item 79: Draft Circus Policy.

There were two speakers in support.

Council adopted the Draft Circus Policy with three amendments to make the policy clearer on its intent.

Item 81: Review of Liquid Trade Waste Policy (LTWP).

There were two speakers against the staff recommendation.

The LTWP was reviewed to allow Council to better meet its EPA licence compliance requirements.

The two speakers expressed alarm at not being notified of the proposed changes, which if adopted by Council would lead to a closure of a Manufacturer, about 200 employees and loss of jobs at another.

Council resolved to defer the introduction of the policy and consult with key stakeholders, further review the Community Engagement Policy to ensure all effected stakeholders are consulted when relevant.

Item: 84 Development of draft Reconciliation Action Plan.

There was one speaker in support of the staff recommendation.

Council resolved to establish a Reconciliation Action Plan Working Group, nominated Councillor Garrow as Council's representatives and the group develop a Reconciliation Action Plan for Council's consideration.

Reports of Committee (ROC).

Hawkesbury Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee (HA&IAC): Council resolved that the minutes of the HA&IAC held on the 23 February 2017 be received.

Audit Committee: Council resolved that the minutes of the audit committee held in the 15th of March 2017 be received.

Hawkesbury Tourism Advisory Committee (HTAC) : Council resolved that the minutes of the HTAC held on the 3rd of April 2017 be received.

Waste Management Advisory Committee (WMAC): Council resolved that the minutes of the WMAC held on the 5th of April 2017 be received.

Local Traffic Committee (LTC): Council resolved that the minutes of the LTC on the 10th of April 2017 be adopted.

Notice of Motions.

1) Bilpin Signage Policy—there were three speakers in support.

Councillors Zamprogno moved and Richards seconded that Council urgently review its commercial signage policy, approach enforcement policy with the greatest of care and an educative approach, provide interim advice to Bilpin businesses so they can promote their business, a briefing session be held and a further report be provided to Council.

2) Stormwater Discharges- Localised Flooding--Agnes Banks.

Councillors Ross moved and Reynolds seconded that a report be prepared detailing a number of issues in relation to the above with regards to, in the vicinity of 22 Price Lane Agnes Banks and brought to a Councillor briefing session.

3) Consultative Protocols with Government Departments and Agencies.

Councillors Ross moved and Reynolds seconded that a report detailing the current consultation and decision making protocols for matters involving Government Departments and agencies and clarifying the role of Council and staff.

4) Amplification of Colonial Drive-George Street Intersection.

Councillors Ross moved and Reynolds seconded that a report be prepared in relation to the operation of the intersections of George Street and Rifle Range Road, and George St and Colonial Drive. Traffic movements should be measured and detailed, levels of service and options/financial responsibility for the upgrades of these intersection.

Consideration be given to the use of the flood evacuation route that connects to The Northern Road.

5) Withdrawn.

6) Elf Mushroom Composting Facility.

There were three speakers for the NoM and one against.

Moved Councillors Ross and seconded Wheeler that Staff prepare a report with regards to ELF Mushroom Composting Facilities.

The report should cover Council's role in the current construction on the site as a result of the fire on site a few months ago and details associated with the fire and whether the facility is operating within the terms of its EPA licence.

An amendment was moved by Councillors Zamprogno and Richards. This was defeated.

An Amendment was moved by Councillors Calvert and Kotlash which was acceptable.

The amendment included a site visit, Council liaise with EPA to reduce pollution, Council ascertain if Elf is operating in accordance with licence and Planning conditions and provides technical advice from professionals regarding health effects on residents.

7) Review of Hawkesbury Companion Animal Shelter (HCAS).

Moved Councillors, Wheeler and seconded Reynolds that a wide ranging urgent review of the HCAS and make recommendations that meets or exceeds best practice guidelines for the animals and the facilities.

Questions: Councillors, Rasmussen 2, Garrow 1, Reynolds 2, Wheeler 3, Calvert 1, Kotlash 1, Zamprogno 4, Richards 1,

Meeting closed 12.05 am 10 May 2017.

Authorised by the NRDCAA CoM 15 May 2017.

