
PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Geoffrey Hawkins (Chair)
Director Development and Environment (Melissa Watkins)
Landscape Architect (Craig Luff)
Access Committee Representative (Sharon Beard)
CBD Landowner (Jeff Gillespie)
CBD Landowner (Robert Sagolj)
CBD Trader (Geraldine Haigh)
Chamber of Commerce Representative (Tony Thorne)
Community Member (Michelle Love)
Community Representative (John McGuigan)

Other Attendees:

Councillor Rob Turner
Group Manager Recreation Property and Buildings (Liam Bulley)
TCMP Project Manager / Co-ordinator (Michael Nunez)

The meeting opened at 8:00am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

02 APOLOGIES

Nil.

03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Minutes of the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee Meeting held on 25 June 2020 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

The Business Arising Schedule was noted with the following additional information:

Item 08 - 28 May 2020: Historical Rating Comparisons and Business Rate Impacts: Technically, the *TCMP* rate is not a levy but has been absorbed into the business rate (this occurred about 20 years ago). It is noted that whilst the *TCMP* was originally levied separately as per the above, the rate was amalgamated into the Port Macquarie CBD business sub-category rate in May 1999. It was noted at that time that the amalgamation would not affect the yield of the rate to be devoted to the CBD works and indeed the relevant portion of the rate is transferred to the distinct *TCMP* reserve for use on CBD works.

The CBD rate (which contains the *TCMP*) in the current year is 2.35042 cents for every dollar of valuation. The *TCMP* component is 37.28% of the total CBD rate that is levied. There are currently 276 CBD assessments within this rating category.

Rates are reviewed annually by Council. In relation to Council's business rating categories, at the 17 June 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council resolved to review all rating categories and their applicable base rates and ad valorem rates across the LGA during the 2020-2021 financial year, with proposed changes to be incorporated into 2021-2022 Operational Plan. This will include a review of the Port Macquarie CBD business sub-category rate.

CONSENSUS NOT REACHED: ROBERT SAGOLI VOTED AGAINST

06 RECOGNITION OF PREVIOUS MAYORS IN THE LGA

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee support the request to recognise former Mayor Mr Bob Woodlands in principle.
 2. That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee request further information be provided outlining what Council is undertaking in respect of a development of a framework and policy for the recognition people who have made a significant contribution to the Local Government Area.
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**07 PORT MACQUARIE HISTORIC COURTHOUSE CURTILAGE - POLICE
CONSTABLES COTTAGE AND LOCKUP**

CONSENSUS:

That the Committee note the information contained within the report.

08 SPECIAL ENCLAVE PLACE ENTRY SIGN - CLARENCE PLACE

CONSENSUS:

1. That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee concur with the proposed funding source for the supply and installation of the Clarence Place entry sign.
2. That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee approve the sign design as presented excluding the Council logo.

09 TOWN CENTRE FORESHORE PROJECT UPDATE

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee note the information contained in the Town Centre Foreshore Project Update Report.

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

The meeting closed at 9:26am.