
PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Geoffrey Hawkins (Chair)
Director Development and Environment (Melissa Watkins) (alt. Director)
Senior Landscape Architect (Craig Luff)
Jeffrey Gillespie (CBD Commercial Property Owner)
Adam Spencer (CBD Commercial Property Owner)
Simon Thresher (CBD Trader)
Kieren Dell (CBD Trader)
Anthony Thorne (Port Macquarie Chamber of Commerce Representative)
Janette Hyde (Greater Port Macquarie Tourism Representative)
Michelle Love (Community Member)
John McGuigan (Community Member)
Tony McNamara (Community Member)

Other Attendees:

Acting Group Manager Recreation and Buildings (Lucilla Marshall)
TCMP Project Manager / Co-ordinator (Michael Nunez)

The meeting opened at 8:01am.

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 26 August 2021 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Anthony Thorne declared a Non-Pecuniary - Less than Significant Interest in Item 06 - Parklet Trial Outcome Report, reason being he is a director of King and Campbell, who were the design consultants for the parklet in Horton Street, adjoining the Ritz Centre, being one of the parklets considered. He remained in the meeting.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee note the Business Arising From Previous Minutes schedule.

06 PARKLET TRIAL OUTCOME REPORT

Anthony Thorne declared a Non-Pecuniary - Less than Significant Interest in this Item and remained in the meeting.

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee:

1. Note the information contained within this report.
2. Recommend to Council that both existing parklets be offered the opportunity to renew their lease for their parklet based on Council's standard outdoor dining lease.
3. Recommend to Council that a policy for parklets be developed with input from the Sub-Committee to encourage low cost, short-term parklet installations that are easily relocatable (i.e. 1-2months) to further activate the Town Centre.

07 BICENTENNIAL WALKWAY UPDATE

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee note the information within the Bicentennial Walkway update report.

08 FORESHORE PROJECTS UPDATE

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee note the information contained within the Foreshore Projects update report.

09 GENERAL BUSINESS

09.01 CULTURAL PRECINCT PLAN

Director Development and Environment Melissa Watkins advised that Council has received a request from Cred Consulting to present to the Sub-Committee meeting in October 2021 on the Cultural Precinct Plan as they are looking to engage with all the major stakeholders.

09.02 FISH CLEANING TABLE AT FISHERMAN'S WHARF

Jeff Gillespie requested an update on the placement of a fish cleaning table at Fisherman's Wharf and at the rear of the Shelton fishing charter boat.

09.03 CATENARY LIGHTS

Tony McNamara requested an update on the Catenary lights.

09.04 LIFESAVING EQUIPMENT AT WHARVES

Tony McNamara asked whether lifesaving equipment is required to be provided at the 2 wharves where people are swimming.

09.05 TOWN GREEN / TOWN SQUARE - GENERAL MAINTENANCE

John McGuigan requested an update on general maintenance of the Town Centre/Town Square ie path cleaning, garden maintenance and trees (including alternate species to failing trees).

09.06 BRIDGE STREET BRIDGE DESIGN

John McGuigan requested an update on the Bridge Street bridge design.

09.07 PORT MACQUARIE BREAKWALL PROJECT

CONSENSUS:

That the Town Centre Master Plan Sub-Committee note having received an update from Transport for NSW/Maritime Infrastructure Delivery Office (Dave Hopper, Sian Nivison and Crystal Lenane) regarding the Port Macquarie Breakwall Project.

09.08 SIGNAGE KOOLONBUNG CREEK BRIDGE

Director Community, Planning and Environment to check signage to prevent kids jumping off Koolongbung Creek bridge.

The meeting closed at 9:33am.