

Ordinary Council

MAYORAL MINUTES

Business Paper

date of meeting: Thursday 19 May 2022

location: Council Chambers

Port Macquarie-Hastings Council

17 Burrawan Street

Port Macquarie

time: 10:00am

Community Vision

A sustainable high quality of life for all

Community Mission

Building the future together

People Place Health Education Technology

Council's Corporate Values

★ Sustainability

★ Excellence in Service Delivery

★ Consultation and Communication

★ Openness and Accountability

★ Community Advocacy

Community Themes

★ Leadership and Governance

★ Your Community Life

★ Your Business and Industry

★ Your Natural and Built Environment



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Item: 7.01

Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE - CLIMATE CHANGE RESPONSE POLICY

Mayor, Peta Pinson

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Note the State Member for Port Macquarie's assertion (as noted in the NSW State Parliament Hansard dated Thursday, 12 May 2022, attached to this Mayoral Minute) that in part, suggests that 'the Port Macquarie Hastings community is well past debating whether Climate Change exists; and that the community is well past who is responsible' [for Climate Change].
- 2. Note there is no directive through Legislation that explicitly specifies what impacts a Council must mitigate in regard to Climate Change.
- 3. Note there is no legislative requirement for Council to have a Climate Change Response Policy.
- 4. Note there is no NSW State Government funding specifically for the resourcing of a Climate Change Response Policy.
- 5. Include in July/August of 2022, through the upcoming Micromex Community Satisfaction Survey, the specific question "Which of the following statements do you agree with? (Please indicate (a), (b) or (c)):
 - (a) I support Port Macquarie-Hastings Council taking the approach to allocating ratepayer money into fixing pot holes, road maintenance, stormwater infrastructure and maintenance, sewer infrastructure and maintenance and water security assets or;
 - (b) I support Port Macquarie-Hastings Council taking the approach to allocating ratepayer money to Climate Change initiatives; or
 - (c) I support Port Macquarie-Hastings Council taking the approach to allocating ratepayer money to fixing pot holes, road maintenance, stormwater infrastructure and maintenance, sewer infrastructure and maintenance and water security assets, as well as Climate Change initiatives.
- 5. Defer the decision on the rescission of Council's Climate Change Response Policy until after the Micromex Community Satisfaction Survey response is reported to Council.
- 6. Request the Chief Executive Officer provide a report to the September 2022 Council Meeting on the Micromex Community Satisfaction Survey results in conjunction with a report on the Rescission or otherwise of the Climate Change Response Policy.

Discussion

Nil.

Attachments

1. Legislative Assembly Hansard - 12 May 2022 - Hon Leslie Williams MP

Item: 7.02

Subject: MAYORAL MINUTE - LOCAL ROADS COMMUNITY

INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM FUNDING ROUND 2 - NORTH SHORE

Mayor, Peta Pinson

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Request an extension of the LRCI (Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program) Funding Round 2 in the amount of \$960,000 to be carried forward to the 2022-2023 and 2023-2024 Operational Plan years in order to support Council in delivery of road rehabilitation works on the North Shore (Option 1A Shoreline Drive).
- 2. Request the Chief Executive Officer to proceed with detailed design and costings for the road rehabilitation works on the North Shore and include those costs in the 2022-2023 Operational budget.
- 3. Consider additional funding to support the budget shortfall between the LRCI funding and the costs of works for road rehabilitation on the North Shore with finalisation of the draft Operational Plan/budget for 2022-2023.

Discussion

This Mayoral Minute is submitted to ensure that the roads on the North Shore are rehabilitated within a timely manner in line with community expectations.

The North Shore community has been requesting works to be done on their road for a number of years and given the road sealing works that are imminent on Maria River Road this increased traffic will only lead to additional impact on the North Shore community. Using the Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program (LRCI) will alleviate some of the costs impediment on Council funds.

Attachments

Nil