

MINUTES OF MEETING



BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABILITY PANEL MEETING

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 29 June 2017
Time	11.30am

Minutes of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Panel Meeting held on Thursday, 29 June 2017

File No: I2017/913

PRESENT: Cr A Hunter, Cr J Martin

Staff: Sharyn French (Manager Environmental and Economic Planning)
Clare Manning (Biodiversity Officer)
Alana Barry (Sustainability Officer)

Community Members: Joanna Immig, Luke McConnell, Chris Sanderson, Peter Westheimer

Cr Martin (Chair) opened the meeting at 11.40am and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

APOLOGIES:

Samala Heart, James Mayson, Kate Smillie, Cr S Richardson (Mayor).

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

There were no declarations of interest.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Quorum for the Panel Meeting held on 27 April 2017 was not met.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no business arising from previous minutes.

STAFF REPORTS - SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Report No. 4.1 Community engagement on sustainability education
File No: I2017/574

RECOMMENDATION:

1. **That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Panel note recent changes to Council's sustainability education and engagement program to create a more effective and community-focused strategy.**

2. **That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Panel note the following actions:**
 - a) **The Sustainability Seminar Series have ceased in their previous form;**
 - b) **Targeted sustainability workshops will replace the seminar series;**
 - c) **Resources for participation in World Environment Day have been adapted to World Water Day 2017 and Renew Fest 2017;**
 - d) **Council is considering a request to support the 'Green my Grid' project; and**
 - e) **Community engagement through the existing sustainability e-newsletter will continue.**

3. **That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Panel's invite Zero Emissions Byron to attend**

the next meeting to discuss the development of an household/business template to calculate emissions.

Report No. 4.2 Draft Byron Shire Flying-fox Camp Management Plan

File No: I2017/783

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Panel:

- 1. note the report**
- 2. note the draft Plan will be electronically circulated to Panel members at the end of June 2017 and any comments received prior to 12 July will be included in the report to Council.**
- 3. members be invited to make a written submission on the draft Byron Shire Flying-fox Camp Management Plan by 1 September 2017.**

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 1.27pm.
