

# Survey Report

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PROJECT: Our Plan 2019/20

**Your Say Byron Shire**

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May 9 2019 To Byron Shire Council Re: Projects for Consideration within the 2019-20 Operational Plan To whom it may, The following documents describes six projects that we would like to have considered, to be added to Byron Shire Council's operational plan 2019-20. These projects emerged from the Mullumbimby Masterplan process. They were considered as projects that could begin a renewal process in our town because: 1. They can largely be run by the local community with a light hand from council; 2. They can begin within the limited financial resources allocated to the Mullumbimby master plan within the Council's S94 contributions plan; 3. None requires major infrastructure upgrades or significant cost within early phases. 4. They are all projects that would be able to attract grant funds and sponsorship from other sources. These projects received significant support from the Masterplan guidance group process and now a number of people and local community organisations they represent. We are confident they have wider community support and are happy to organise further consultation if council supports them. Regards Jenelle Stanford - Local business owner President of the Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce [REDACTED] President of Brunswick Valley Historical Society Treasurer of Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce Member of Mullumbimby Masterplan Guidance Group Malcolm Price President of Creative Mullumbimby Executive Member of Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce Member of Mullumbimby Masterplan Guidance Group [REDACTED] - Architect Member of Mullumbimby Masterplan Guidance Group [REDACTED] - Architect Secretary of Creative Mullumbimby [REDACTED] - Sculptor, public artist, potter Treasurer Creative Mullumbimby Project Initiator, Mullum Sculpture Walk Member of Mullumbimby Masterplan Guidance Group Mullumbimby Projects: Summary Byron Bay has its endorsed Masterplan. One for Bangalow is nearing completion. While a Masterplan is not a statutory document it is a type of social contract, which actively engages a community with its future. But a Masterplan starts to lose value after two or three years and a complete loss of value within six or seven if nothing has been achieved. This is now the case with a Masterplan for Mullumbimby, the major service centre for Byron Shire. Since establishment of a Reference Group for Mullumbimby's Masterplan in March 2016, substantial amounts of community representative and Council officer time have been invested. Some have been involved far longer, reassured by Council that a planned deliberative process would achieve the best outcome. But over that time Mullumbimby has changed and not necessarily for the better. No civic improvement projects of substance have been undertaken and none are listed in current operational plans, that we are aware of. This has real implications when external grant opportunities are available. The results of Council inaction are disenchantment, frustration and murmurings of random project proposals with no relationship to Masterplan elements considered and endorsed by the Guidance Group. This

could undercut the whole Masterplan process and render it pointless. The Guidance Group, what is left of it, is now seriously disillusioned about the process, the possible outcomes and whether it will clearly engage with broader State and local residential and employment strategies. Sadly, interested members of the wider community may now only be vaguely aware something called a Mullumbimby Masterplan might emerge sometime in the future. The Masterplan is supposed to be in draft form by the end of June. This means any actions may only appear in an operational plan by late 2020. On this basis the Masterplan may have little or no value by the time Council formally endorses its reality. The Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, Creative Mullumbimby and other individuals are willing to help. We have been engaged, respectful and patient. But, while we attend meetings, seem to be heard, and thanked for our input, we get no further feedback or no action occurs. Our experience is that squeaky wheels get attention in Byron Shire. This proposal aims to break that cycle by immediately commencing six priority projects. The objective is to restore faith in the Masterplan process and reinvigorate community interest in the town's future. Project funding is based on a dramatically reduced \$200,000 in the current s94 Plan not the \$660,000 listed in mid-2014. The Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, Creative Mullumbimby and other individuals have the expertise to write applications, consult with the community, negotiate with key stakeholders, design and project manage each of these projects. The six projects are:

- Place Making Activation Project
- Stuart Street Tree & Artscape Project
- Changing traffic priorities on Tincogan Street.
- Argyle Street Gateway Rezoning, Park and Car Parking
- Mullumbimby Story Trail
- Dalley Street Civic and Ceremonial Precinct

These are detailed on the following pages.

Mullumbimby Projects: Details Attached are six community projects that have been part of the Mullumbimby Masterplan discussions and development. The first three projects were specifically endorsed in the final Mullumbimby Guidance Group meeting in February this year. These priority projects could commence immediately using the existing \$200,000 S94 funding allocated to the Mullumbimby Town Masterplan project.

- 1) Place Making Activation Project
- 2) Stuart Street Tree & Artscape Project
- 3) Changing traffic priorities on Tincogan Street.

The fourth project should be the next high priority as the unplanned surplus railway lands in Mullumbimby's centre are under threat of subdivision and sale by Transport for NSW. The railway lands were the subject of a Council resolution in February 2018. Subsequent conceptual work was undertaken by Malcom Price, Steve Drake and David Brown and presented to senior Council officers in October 2018. No further action appears to have been undertaken and their future remains solely in the hands of TfNSW rather than the Mullumbimby community through Council.

- 4) Argyle Street Gateway Rezoning, Park and Car Parking

The fifth project does not require specific resourcing. It is a project linking many existing elements around Mullumbimby and would lay the ground to stimulate for many new community projects. The final project is potentially the most traditional.

- 5) Mullumbimby Story Trail
- 6) Dalley Street Civic Precinct Project

Except for Project 6 there are no major funding implications. It is believed the

allocated \$200,000 within the current Town Centre Masterplan budget could cover the projects as framed in the following sections.

1) PLACE MAKING ACTIVATION PROJECT This is a one off project similar to the Byron Bay Place Making project of several years ago. However, it seeks to form a policy framework for a clear long term, simple and enabling process for community generated projects that would receive timely responses of YES, NO, MORE INFORMATION, or could be forwarded to be part of Council's operational plan for the following year. These small discreet projects are of two types:

1) Community projects: a. Garden beds and landscape features; b. Public art; c. Street furniture and community amenity infrastructure; and d. Combinations of the three

2) Commercial partnership projects: a. Proposals by businesses to use public space for commercial purposes in return for proscribed types of community benefit, a partnered community project and a financial return to council. The most obvious example might be a street blister dining area, around which a community project that might includes a themed food garden, street furniture or public art.

Rationale. This project has a number of precedents in Byron Shire:

- The Byron Bay place activation and public art projects program that ran in the early stages of the Byron Bay Masterplan process;
- The establishment of street dining processes including Brunswick Heads and Patch Café in Mullumbimby; and
- Small community amenity and street furniture projects such as the drinking fountain outside of Santos and the current bicycle racks project in Mullumbimby.

Additionally, many Council's have created similar committees with small discretionary funding for civic improvements with names such as livability committees and Community Chests.

Solution Framework. Core components of the projects process could be:

- Community setting clear guidance of the principles to guide projects approvals. This could be accomplished through an existing mechanism such as the Guidance Group, a community meeting or a combination of the two.
- A one-off allocation from S94 Town Master Plan project of between \$30,000 & \$50,000.
- An annual commitment either from S94 contributions or core funds to support new projects (\$10-20,000).
- Projects up to an approved Council allocation (\$10,000) could proceed within the existing Council committee structure such the Masterplan Guidance (or an Implementation) Group, the PAAP or a new Council committee. Anything larger would need to be within the Masterplan or framed as a new project to be approved by the whole council.
- Each project should have a Council staff member overseeing, but not managing, as a community proponent's ability to manage a project could be a key selection criteria. (The current Mullumbimby Gateway project is a potential model of a good cooperative management process.)
- The proponent's ability to contribute in-kind or direct financial contributions to match or exceed Council funds to enhance a project's value for money.
- A Council policy to create a clear simple and enabling process for the community to propose projects that can receive timely responses of YES, NO, MORE INFORMATION, or will be forwarded to be part of council's operational plan for the following year.

Actions:

1) Council staff extract this project from the draft Masterplan, prepare a clear brief based on this description and put it up to Council as an individual project.

2) Seek

endorsement by Council of this project in the near future with an attached budget allocation of \$30,000-\$50,000 from the S94 Masterplan project (currently has \$200,000 within S94 plan). 2) STUART STREET TREE & ARTSCAPE PROJECT This project focuses on the two blocks of Stuart Street either side of Burringbar Street. Rationale. This project was agreed by the Masterplan Guidance Group as a priority for four simple reasons: 1. The change of street tree planting on this barren section of an important street in the middle of town need not be expensive, complex and could be quickly achieved, within the existing S94 budget, with obvious results. Note the sooner trees are planted the sooner they will begin to grow. (An alternative would be Dalley Street but it would be a larger, more complex project.) 2. It is unlikely the street has complex and expensive underground or overhead infrastructure issues to deal with and there is unlikely to be a need to change major infrastructure like drainage. 3. As a street it is highly suitable for the type of incremental and partnership based process this project proposes. 4. Finally, it fits within a larger aspirational project, which is the linking through town of an avenue of trees from Heritage Park to the Museum. Background. Before there was a Masterplan group and before The Mullumbimby Big Picture Show in 2014, the Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce proposed that Stuart Street should be a precinct for focused attention in a December 2013 letter. It was then proposed as a project during discussions and mapping by the Masterplan Guidance Group and became a priority project in the last Guidance Group meeting in February 2019. The Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce is broadly supportive of this project as long as there is consultation with businesses on Stuart Street. Creative Mullumbimby Inc. as part of a recent funding application to Create NSW has sought \$15,000 to fund community consultation and design of the precinct. Solution Framework. This project proposes a living street design framework, where the key stakeholders are engaged, from the outset, in a community mapping process that identifies key constraint and opportunities. Living street design is opposite to the typical expensive consultant top down approach. It is more incremental and seeks changes through time and allows for flexibility of use. The obvious first step, and only contradiction to this flexibility, is the establishment of properly located and cared for street trees. Around this would be a planned but changeable access and mobility infrastructure of functional bike paths, a bus stop and taxi ramp. All should look to future changes in transport infrastructure. This might need flexibility in the near future to accommodate ride sharing and driverless vehicles where the line between private and public vehicle use becomes blurred, and permanent car parking is needed less. It would also be an artscape precinct allowing for the exploration of art in the public realm but within a transitory framework integrated into an artistic, inventive, revitalised streetscape. It is envisaged the street revitalisation would use the tactile landscape to frame and reference explicit and transitory spaces, a gathering and utilised format for all community and interest groups to exhibit, explore and corroborate. This is an enabling framework similar to the development application that established the Mullumbimby Sculpture Walk in Palm Park. It also allows ephemeral

events such the Ingenuity Public Art Festival without having to continually return to Council for permission. The plan would have an events through time strategy with small physical changes allowing the street to be closed for temporary festivals and events within the heart of Mullumbimby, without the need to for ugly road closed infrastructure and complex road closure plans. (The Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce is already planning for a small food festival event and possibly a reintroduction of its Medieval Banquet.) Associated Place Activation Partnership Projects would be smaller projects such as blister dining areas, community garden beds, street furniture, public art. They might include commercial uses of public spaces and will be included on the basis of expressions of interested by community or commercial partners. All projects will need to fit with a framework of design principles established in the community mapping design process. There are two broad categories of project, community and commercial, both will need community and partners. Commercial projects will have to demonstrate clear community benefits, financial and other. Actions: 1) Council staff extract this project from the draft Masterplan, prepare a clear brief based on this description and put it up to Council as an individual project. 2) Seek endorsement by Council of this project in the near future with an attached budget allocation of \$60,000-\$80,000 from the S94 Masterplan (currently has \$200,000 within S94 plan) 3) Council establishes design project partnership team, with Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce and Creative Mullumbimby. This could use a similar framework to the existing Mullumbimby Gateway project, where Council manages the finances and some staff skills are available. (CM and MCoC would both contribute in-kind and financial contributions.) 4) This project be put forward in the Our Community projects program.

3) CHANGING TRAFFIC PRIORITIES ON TINCOGAN STREET

This project seeks to urgently resolve access and mobility issues at the Dalley/Tincogan and Stuart/Tincogan Street intersections. Rationale. Traffic that flows into Mullumbimby via Tincogan Street, Dalley Street and Station from every direction is recognized as being extremely dangerous to the extent it negatively affects people walking or riding into town, particularly children. Background. In initiating the Access and Mobility study in 2017, the Guidance Group identified the two intersections of Dalley/Tincogan and Stuart/Tincogan as priorities to change car movements that tend to be both dangerous and illogical. It was further identified in February 2019 as a Masterplan priority issue. There appears to have been no follow up action and nothing has been feed back to the Guidance Group or community. Possible Actions: Starting with the more dangerous Dalley/Tincogan intersection these intersections should be made a priority for the Council's Traffic committee. Short and long-term design solutions must be implemented that: 1. Make it safer for pedestrians and cyclists to move to and from town, 2. Change car priority so that traffic moving from the quieter Northern ends of Dalley and Stuart Streets do not have right of way. A longer term option for the Dalley/Tincogan Street intersection may be a landscaping solution that is part of a precinct plan that: 3. Makes the whole intersection smaller with only a single lane from each direction with short bike and pedestrian crossings

around the whole intersection, and 4. Links the intersection to a landscape design and tree planting project on Dalley Street in front of the Civic Hall. 4) ARGYLE ST GATEWAY REZONING, PARK AND CAR PARKING This is the approximately 1.2 hectare paddock on the North side of Argyle St, opposite Apex Park and on railway surplus land East of Woolworths. It is owned by the State government and demands urgent negotiations with TfNSW. Consideration of this land must be part of a broader planning and rezoning exercise encompassing all TfNSW land in Mullumbimby. Rationale. This is a key site at the gateway to the Mullumbimby Town Centre that is still in government hands. Significant and beneficial development opportunities were identified by the Masterplan Guidance Group and in the Price/Drake/Brown studies. Furthermore, there is the treat that if sold into private hands a massive opportunity would be missed and inappropriate development outcomes would be forced on the town. Potential uses of the Gateway site, and the remaining TfNSW sites, could create considerable community amenity. Background. There are three parts to the urgency to act on this project. 1. John Holland acting for TfNSW stated its intent to subdivide but not rezone the land to be sold in early 2018. Council approved a Mayoral Minute to begin urgent negotiation with TforNSW about its future in late February 2018. 2. The Gateway site was seen by the Masterplan Guidance Group as a location for overflow town car parking but has yet to be subject to broader long and short-term access and financial feasibility tests. 3. The TfNSW sites are ideal for low-rise medium density affordable housing as well as work-from-home and small commercial uses. 4. The Gateway site also presents opportunities to meet other community priorities raised in various consultations including: • A Gateway Park/Entrance Statement connection to Apex Park, • Safe car parking refuge in times of flooding, • Becoming part of a revitalized Northern Rivers multimodal transport route, • Incorporation into a local trail and regeneration project around the Mullumbimby township - the Mullumbimby Story Trail discussed below, and • Alternative car crossing at the end of Tincogan Street, through Woolworths Car park, Solution Framework. The framing of this project could be simple. Council would seek to be given, or have placed into Crown Reserve, a 2.0 hectare portion of TfNSW land for a combination of park and car parking. In exchange Council would support the rezoning of the paddock, and other TfNSW land, as housing. TfNSW would achieve higher sale values as their land would have zoning. The community would benefit from a statement Gateway Park, car parking, an agreement to run a pedestrian and cycle path within the multimodal transport corridor, and substantial s94 contributions to support community infrastructure. Broader Opportunities. This project could include elements such as a sculptural totem type entrance statement, an organic food mandala, a flood safe car parking area partially covered to create a storm shelter, and even a niche opportunity like a night food market. Actions: 1) Council to present to the local state MP and government ministers the opportunity to provide a mutually beneficial social and economic outcome for the community and the State. 2) Undertake detailed concept planning to identify optimal development, zoning and financial outcomes for all the

TfNSW lands. 3) Council to begin negotiations with TfNSW to have part of the railway land to be either owned or put into a reserve trust for community use. 4) Council to specifically endorse other TfNSW parcels of land as suitable for low rise medium density within their Residential Strategy. 5) MULLUMBIMBY STORY TRAIL This project creates a series of trail focused on one that circumscribes our town, the main links a range of historical projects beginning at the Enter Here sculpture at the Scout Hall, follows Palm Park and the Sculpture Walk, Heritage Park, the Ross Industrial Estate, the Railway Line, Saltwater Creek, Community Garden, Museum, Drill Hall, Swimming Pool and back to the Scout Hall. Linked to this are a number sub projects including: • An historical buildings interpretative walk • A Significant tree walk; and • An Indigenous Story Trail The project involves slow refurbishment and extension of existing features and new features such as an Indigenous story trail and sand circle. Importantly it frames opportunities for small innovative place making projects such is happening on the Palm Park Sculpture Walk by a variety community groups. It is believed these might offer the community activities or elements it could design, fund and manage without major input from Council. Rationale. This project links many high priority projects identified during Masterplan consultations and provides the opportunity to: • Unite many of Mullumbimby's river and creek features with its centre, • Revitalise old projects like Heritage Park and the Rainforest Arboretum, • Enhance and extend new features such the Sculpture Walk and the Bush Food Trail, • Coherently connect a range of existing civic features such as the Museum, Drill Hall, Swimming Pool, Community Garden, Council Chambers and the Post Office, • Act as a hub in connecting pedestrian, bicycle and other future personal transport from outside the town centre, • Provide opportunities for reimagining existing features such as the railway corridor, • Dream of new features such as an Indigenous Story Trail or Ceremonial Sand Circle, • Identify European heritage features and buildings, and • Tell the whole Mullumbimby story. • Creates a coherent new visitor and locals experience Actions: 1) Council to acknowledge the trail as a project within its operational plan, in which it will support community sub-projects. If it is acknowledged as a project then community groups can seek external grant funding for a council endorsed project. 2) Council allocates a staff member to initiate discussions. 3) Have a community meeting to discuss its future, including specific invitations existing stakeholders. Note the initial financial allocation could be minimal around \$5,000, if framed cleverly it is a could potential receive grant support from a variety of sources including tourism, arts and culture, heritage and sport and recreation. 6) DALLEY STREET CIVIC AND CEREMONIAL PRECINCT PROJECT A precinct plan to activate Dalley Street between the Memorial Hall and Ex-Services Club. Rationale. Dalley Street from Tincogan Street running South is a barren stretch of street, lacking street trees and a civic presence. At present it serves cars and little else. Like Stuart Street, street tree planting and realigning safe bicycle paths should be a priority. However, a higher priority should be to plan and create a Civic and Ceremonial Precinct between the existing Memorial Park, Memorial Hall, and the Neighbourhood Centre on the



	<p>Western side of the street and the Ex-Services club on the other. This precinct is the civic and ceremonial hub of the town. It is the setting for the largest traditional Anzac Day ceremonial services, the centre of the Mullumbimby Music Festival, and plays an important role in events like the Chincogan Charge. The street between the buildings poorly serves these events. Additionally, activation of this space may provide opportunities for permanent stakeholders of the space such as the Neighbourhood Centre and Ex Services Club to be more outward looking. Finally a properly conducted consultation and design process of this space could be a unifying process of the old and new parts of the Mullumbimby community. Background. Recent projects around this precinct include renovation of the Cenotaph, creation of a venue at the Ex-Services Club, renovation of the Civic Hall Courtyard and renovation of the Civic Hall itself. But no action to link these separate element has been taken or even contemplated. Action: 1) Allocate \$20,000 - \$40,000 to consult the community and prepare a landscape precinct plan. 2) Allocate funding for the simple less expensive elements of the plan such as planting street trees. 3) Slowly develop funding through new S94 contributions for more substantial makeover of the precinct.</p> <p>We request to include \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison Officers.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/14/2019 07:39 AM</p>	
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/14/2019 08:11 AM</p>	<p>We request that is included in the funding for homeless bins \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public space liaison officers</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/14/2019 09:11 AM</p>	<p>We request to include \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison Officers. This issue is not only something that those experiencing homelessness in Byron Bay want and would benefit greatly from, by having a safe, dry and secure location to store personal belongings, but it also will assist the community to help keep our footpaths clear.</p> <p>We request to include \$115,000 for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison officers</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/15/2019 10:11 AM</p>	
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/15/2019 05:09 PM</p>	<p>We request to include \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison Officers</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/16/2019 09:43 PM</p>	<p>We request to include \$115K for 2X 0.6 FTE Public Liaison Officers.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/20/2019 01:33 PM</p>	<p>Byron Bay is a unique town with unique requirements and issues. We request to include \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison Officers.</p>
<p>Anonymous</p> <p>5/21/2019 07:42 AM</p>	<p>Byron Shire Council – Budget Exhibition (Detailed Budget 2019 -2020) Community Service – Community Development Budget Item – Section 356 Donations and Activities (Contribution - NAIDOC week) To Whom It May Concern, Byron Shire Council currently supports the Arakwal Community Cultural Family Day event during NAIDOC Week. This event has grown and become a significant community event with numbers in excess of 500 people from the wider community joining Arakwal in celebration. In acknowledgement of the increased costs and community attending to support this important</p>

Anonymous

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community event, Arakwal is seeking an increase to the Council contribution from \$1000 to \$2000 ongoing. The Corporation offers the community a great cultural experience with dancing, singing, artwork, children's activities and a BBQ serving kangaroo sausages ect. Throughout this day we employ some local Aboriginal people to assist with stalls, activities and performances. We have appreciated the kind assistance from Byron Shire Council to date, and would most appreciate Byron Shire Council being able to continually support this Annual Community event with an increase in your contribution. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] General Manager Bundjalung of Byron Bay Aboriginal Corporation (Arakwal)

Kerb and guttering and drainage at Strand Avenue New Brighton. Have seen in your budget plans that you will be repairing kerb and guttering to prevent flooding of properties at 44 Kingsley lane. We have been requesting the same repair at Strand Avenue but was told there is no plans or budget to repair the awful problem that Council has caused with an incomplete gutter. This problem has been exacerbated by the resealing of the road The Esplanade and gutter improvements which has actually directed all the storm water straight to a few properties on Strand Avenue. There is now a continual cesspit of sand, dirt and water pooling from the road to the incomplete guttering. It stinks and is now a very big pile of mud and sand and the occasional rubbish that runs off from The Esplanade. This needs to be fixed urgently with repairs to the guttering and allowing the water to flow under the footpath into the storm water drain situated in the corner of Strand Ave and North Head Road. At the moment it has been directed to flow onto grass and residents properties. We have asked for this to be fixed several years ago with photo evidence but have had no one come onsite to discuss the problem. We would appreciate if funds and plans could be allocated to fix this problem. Please give us the same consideration as you have done for other towns in the shire.

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5/28/2019 10:50 AM

We request to include \$115k for 2 x 0.6 FTE Public Space Liaison Officers.

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Alternate flow path Byron Bay STP treated effluent Allocate funds to complete design with relevant approvals and start construction in 2019 2020

Anonymous

5/30/2019 04:05 PM

Please include a \$10 urgency fee for Sewer Location Plans (Sewer Diagrams) which has not been included in the exhibited copy. This is the second year that this was requested, but seems to have missed the updates again? In addition, please include the following in brackets next to Sewer Location Plan "(Sewer Service Diagram, Drainage Diagram)" and remove the wording "With 10.7 certificate" because everyone who wants a sewer location plan should be paying for it. Thanks and regards.

Anonymous

5/30/2019 08:44 PM

Would be great to see Byron adopt a PBN [principle bicycle network] in all structure plans, similar to A.C.T. & Geelong. Any road changes, upgrades maintenance etc.. has an engineer whose specific portfolio is to also integrate

bike useability-safety into every road works planned; short & long term. This integrated design provides a much better outcome for other regions. Byron shire can benefit so much from cycle tourism; i'm happy to help anytime you need public assistance. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
6/05/2019 04:42 PM

I would like to see affirmative action on the following issues in Broken Head  
1. An annual budget and management plan for key biodiversity values in the Broken Head area. 2. Locality Plan for Broken Head Reserve Road. To include roadworks, parking, cycleway and signage. In particular a complete repair of Broken Head Reserve Road up to Seven Mile Road. Creation of sealed parking bays where there is currently gravel. Explicit signage and monitoring of illegal and dangerous parking and camping. I would support paid parking meters or the like to help with ongoing costs. 3. Seven Mile Beach Road. Investigate how best to mitigate increased usage, dust and run off.

[REDACTED]  
6/05/2019 04:48 PM

I suggest the following. 1. Council deem 90 days maximum for holiday lets in Residential Zones. All other zones can operate Holiday Lets - pending Council acceptance. 2. Council impose a 'voluntary' bed tax. 3. For Holiday Let properties that abide by Council's rules, Council could provide a 'tick' of approval to these properties - that they can advertise as such. 4. Council help educate and inform local residents that a controlled amount of tourism which helps pay for upkeep of local infrastructure, is vital to allow the Shire to flourish, provide work to locals and keep the local economy running.

Anonymous  
6/05/2019 05:19 PM

Why don't you fix the shocking roads first

Anonymous  
6/05/2019 09:47 PM

Re Water and sewer budget, please action the alternate flow path as per the agreement. That would include design completed, approvals completed and construction started during the 2019/2020 financial year.

Anonymous  
6/06/2019 10:01 AM

Place all nonessential expenditures (libraries, parks & reserves, Cavanbah centre, group donations on care & maintenance ONLY until backlog of dangerous public infrastructure (roads, drainage, & bridges etc) are at a SAFE level!

Anonymous  
6/06/2019 12:36 PM

I would like to remind Council of the dreadful state of our roads in east Suffolk Park. Particularly Clifford and Alcorn streets. Patching will not fix this problem, we are desperate to have our roads attended to. The bus company should take some blame for the destruction, the roads were not built for such heavy constant traffic.

Anonymous  
6/06/2019 01:33 PM

considering the appalling state on most of our local roads, and toll this has on our safety, our mental well-being , not to mention our vehicles, the budget allocated is entirely inadequate. I sometimes wonder why i am paying rates.

Anonymous  
6/06/2019 01:46 PM

SUBMISSION ON THE BSC DRAFT 2019/20 OPERATIONAL PLAN 1.

Introduction The Mullumbimby Chamber of Commerce, Creative Byron, the Brunswick Valley Historical Society and individual community members have been thinking about the future physical, cultural and social character of Mullumbimby for many years. This began crystallising when the Chamber of Commerce established a place making and public art committee in November

2013. Around 300 people attended and participated in workshops on key issues at the May 2014 Mullumbimby Big Picture Show. In June 2014 Council allocated funds for a Mullumbimby Masterplan resulting in establishment of a masterplan Reference Group and finally a formal Guidance Group. The Guidance Group worked through to December 2018, their work essentially concluding with a comprehensive 41 page record of a Workshop held in early October 2017. Little happened until an early December 2018 meeting when a 'new' Council master planning team was introduced and the Guidance Group informed that a draft Mullumbimby Masterplan would go to Council in early to mid 2019. This deadline has passed. The 12 October 2017 Workshop Record was a comprehensive and valuable summary of the work undertaken to that date. Its seven Precinct drawings offered a good guide to the Guidance Group's thinking at that time although:

1. The potential of Council's Lot 22 and the privately owned 1B Ann Street, 75 New City Road, 1660 Coolamon Scenic Drive had not been considered;
2. No attention was drawn to the potential and future of Mullumbimby's TfNSW Railway Lands despite the voluntary conceptual work undertaken in response to a March 2018 Mayoral Minute;
3. The old Mullumbimby Hospital site, its future uses and how it will be integrated into the town's fabric had not been addressed;
4. Similarly, the value and potential of vacant undeveloped land west of Tallowood, on Main Arm Road, and on Garden Avenue as change agents in the Mullumbimby housing typology mix had not been considered;
5. The likely impact of the new Low Rise Medium Density Code was not raised; and
6. Scepticism about the value and recommendations of the MRCagney Movement Strategy continued.

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Mullumbimby Masterplan is at Items 4.1.1.2 of the Operational Plan. No mention is made of follow-up activities. This submission on the Draft Operational Plan aims to break a cycle of delay by recommending the immediate commencement of four priority projects. The objective is to restore faith in the Masterplan process and reinvigorate community interest in the town's future by requiring Council to embed these projects in the 2019-2020 Plan. It is believed up to \$200,000 should be allocated to these projects in 2019-2020. Some should be from the anticipated \$18.5 million Sustainable Environment and Economy and Corporate and Community Services operating expenditure budgets and some should be from existing s94 funds.

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Byron Bypass

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Fix the bloody potholes in Suffolk Park. How long do we have to wait! Lower the Tallow Creek!

Anonymous

6/07/2019 08:32 AM

It's good to see the council spending money on our much potholed roads. But what about bikepaths. the bridge over Tallow Creek has become dysfunctional with it now having been surrounded by floodwater for about three months. I understand we can't clear the blockage to the ocean for fear of fish kills. But wasn't this supposed to happen "naturally" anyway. So if its going to be flooded every time it rains how about liftin the level of the bike/walk path on the approaches to the bridge. Riding bikes through this water is guaranteed to ruin the bicycles involved (even if you could ride through). How much longer are school children going to be forced to ride along Broken Head road with virtually no bike path in places? And what's happening to the bike path that was supposed to be built along Broken Head Road anyway? This is poor form for a shire that boasts green credentials. Burn fat not oil!

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SUBMISSION ON THE BSC DRAFT 2019/20 OPERATIONAL PLAN 1.

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IN SUPPORT FOR CR. JAN HACKETT'S CALL FOR FUNDING FOR AN ARTS AND CULTURAL POLICY I write in response to the fact that Byron Shire Council does not have an Arts and Cultural Policy and has not engaged with the local art community regarding Council funding for the arts, to develop such a policy. At present the development of an Arts and Cultural Policy, and reviewing and implementing of the current Public Art Strategy remain unfunded in the coming year. Council has assessed that an experienced Art Industry Consultant would need to be engaged to complete this work. Along with additional budget considerations for consultation and strategic planning it estimated that financial resourcing be between \$60,000 - \$100,000. I hereby support Cr. Jan Hackett in calling BSC to seriously engage with and fund the arts. I ask for the budgetary inclusion; previously promised in the 2019-2020 Operational Plan and Budget to the tune of \$60,000 - \$100,000, to develop an Arts and Cultural Policy and Strategic Plan over the upcoming financial year. [REDACTED]

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Please allocate repairs and maintenance funds to fixing POTHOLEs. if fixed early, it is cheaper being less materials and less labour time. But they are left until they are getting huge and very deep, damaging vehicles and causing swerving and unsafe avoidance measures. Please respond to our requests to fix potholes quickly. Saves Council funds and stops unnecessary wear and tear on our vehicles. Thanks...we DO support you guys, just this area is becoming impossible

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please please fix the potholes. This shire is a disgrace!!!! AND Please do something about the public toilets in Brunswick Heads. THEY are disgusting

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and an embarrassment for all !!!!!

The Arts in various forms and ways chronicles and helps to define a culture. I walk in Byron, a town that I have lived near since the 50's and all I see is a scene of gross consumerism. There is no artistic feel. Council, please in your funding make a significant contribution to the artistic heart.

(36 responses, 0 skipped)



Age Group	Should Take Action (%)	Should Not Take Action (%)
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70+	85	15

7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Mark

## Operational Plan Priorities

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#### **Butler Street Community Network**

1. Preservation and remediation of our Butler Street Crown Recreation Reserve.

#### **Mullumbimby Resident's Association**

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#### **South Golden Beach Community Association Inc.**

1. Repave Redgate Road Bike Path which has deteriorated to such an extent that cyclists are choosing to cycle on the road instead.
2. Upgrade Kolora Way Bridge and link bike path from Old New Brighton road to Redgate Road.
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#### **Suffolk Park Progress Association**

1. Resurface of Clifford St, Suffolk Park
2. Intersection upgrade at Broken Head Rd and Clifford St
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#### **Tyagarah Community Association**

1. Upgrade of Grays Lane. Increased traffic from tourists due to the clothing optional beach has exacerbated the deterioration of the road. Maintenance is long overdue.
2. Clearer road markings at several intersection hot spots along Grays Lane.



## **Budget Priorities**

### **Shire-Wide**

1. Plan for Climate Change Mitigation
2. Plan for Climate Change Adaptation
3. Increased protection of Wildlife Corridors
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5. Funding to continue the assessment and planning to:
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### **Conservation of North Ocean Shores**

1. Funds to be made available for monitoring North Byron Parklands consent conditions.

### **Tyagarah Community Association**

1. Funds that are currently being used to support the Clothing Optional Beach area (lifeguards and cameras and Council staff time) to be better invested in the area. Ranger presence would be of assistance.

Thank you for your consideration of CABS' recommended priorities.

Kind regards

Angela Dunlop on behalf of CABS Executive



Chairperson, Denise Napier  
Lone Goat Gallery 355 Committee  
Library building Lawson st  
BYRON BAY NSW

1 May 2019

General Manager  
Byron Shire Council  
PO Box 219  
MULLUMBIMBY NSW 2482

To Mark Arnold, **Re: Library foyer rental fee charged to LONE GOAT GALLERY**

In April 2016 there had been an agreement between the original 355 Committee of the Gallery and Council that the gallery to pay a \$50 weekly fee for the use of the foyer after it proved not viable to rent the space (coffee cart failure).

This payment has been re-instated by council.

Currently the foyer wall is used to display work by the feature artist exhibiting in the gallery and as a spill-out area during opening functions once monthly for 2 hrs.

The foyer display provided by the Lone Goat Gallery performs three functions beneficial to Council.

- A "free" corporate art rental to council, a commercial art rental could require equivalent funds of \$250/mth.
- identification of the Library & Gallery as a cultural centre with benefits to the community and tourism
- Alerting the community to the existence of the gallery and the current exhibition stimulating interest and engagement and demonstrating council support

Further to the practicalities of the foyer use

- The architectural intention of the foyer wall was, of course, the display of artwork.
- The space is not suited to small business operations as it is a thoroughfare for persons entering the library, accessing the gallery, toilets and Arakwal room
- Previous attempts at renting the space have been unsuccessful
- The artist is responsible for insurance and risk management in regard to showing the work in a public space. Risks include theft, damage and vandalism.

Therefore we request that council rescind this rental fee at the earliest convenience.

Kind regards



**Denise Napier**  
**Chairperson**  
For the 355 Committee/  
Board of the Lone Goat Gallery

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20<sup>th</sup> May 2019



General Manager  
BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL  
P.O. BOX 219  
MULLUMBIMBY NSW 2482

Re: Submission to Budget

Dear Sir:

The Bangalow Historical Society will be taking a lease on Heritage House in the near future, we have a problems with the restrictions of use.

I have been advised by Paula Telford to have the Plan of Management amended.

The Plan of Management has several restrictions constraining the use of the facility and on the Heritage House section of the Byron Shire Council's website it doesn't have these restrictions.

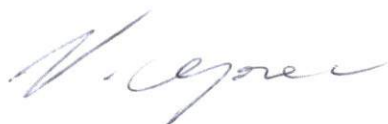
As the Bangalow Historical Society will be responsible for the maintenance of this building (which is 94 years old) and grounds and the work needed on the house as per the present Development Application and Grant application over the next five years, we want to be able to hire the facility as per the website.

We also need asap to have Solar fitted to the building and a concrete pad put at the bottom on the new stairs to stop mud being walked into the new section.

We also need a storage facility on site (as at present we are using a members garage who is 85years old) in the form of an old fashion garage to stay with the character of the building.

These are achievable with grants and the hiring of the building with restrictions lifted

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'V. Gorec', written in a cursive style.

Vivienne Gorec  
Bangalow Historical Society

CC Basil Cameron

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 5 June 2019 1:54 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** OS Community Centre

Hi [REDACTED],

Last night we had our committee meeting and thought we'd let you know about the Fees and Charges change we are making. We would like to change the charge for the Kitchen from \$20 p/ hr to \$15 for regular hirers and \$18 for casual hirers per hour.

We are happy with all other fees and charges at the hall.

I will type up the minutes in the next 7 days and send it to you.

Cheers,

[REDACTED]  
Ocean Shores Community Centre



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Mullumbimby Residents Association

*Submission from Mullumbimby Residents  
Association  
for  
The Byron Shire Council Draft 2019/2020  
Operational Plan.*

*Contact details:  
Dr. Sonia Laverty*



**PROPOSED POOL UPGRADE**  
**Petria Thomas Olympic pool.**  
Jubilee Avenue. Mullumbimby.

Within Byron Shire, a majority of residents from the northern hinterland and northern coastal areas use Mullumbimby as their sporting and recreational centre.

The terrain and location of Mullumbimby offers a lifestyle that includes walking and swimming as primary and preferred exercise. Obstacles to the take-up of these activities, for some residents, include the rather poorly maintained footpaths and roads and their inability to enter and exit the 50m pool with ease at the Petria Thomas swimming pool.

The opportunity to participate in physical activity often diminishes with age as a consequence of cost, lack of opportunity and or availability. This is an important consideration as population predictions for Byron Shire are that growth over the next 20 years will be of people aged 65 years and over. Improving the health and wellbeing of the community is what all levels of government strive for and the proposed project will make a significant contribution to the improved health and wellbeing of the residents of Mullumbimby and surrounding areas of the shire.

Mullumbimby pool serves as a focal point for socializing and exercise within the wider community, but is currently restricted to seasonal operation of approximately 7 months of the year during the warmer months.

It is recognized there is a need to upgrade the existing facilities to provide year round operation which would encourage the community to pursue a more active and healthy lifestyle. In addition, the proposed improvements will enhance the use of the pool for socialising for people of all ages and extend the possibilities for broad social inclusion in the community.

This can be achieved by the following means;

1. Provision of heating to the main pool via the installation of a solar panel heating system. This would allow year round access for people wishing to continue their regular exercise by swimming laps as well as the wider community engaging in social activities.  
The heating system would be roof mounted at the southern end of the pool.  
It should be noted that provision of solar heating and solar power has many cost and environmental benefits. Such provision would reduce operating costs for running of the pool. Currently, maintenance costs continue during the period when the pool is closed, thereby imposing a financial burden on council.  
Solar power would reduce or almost eliminate operating and maintenance costs, while providing employment opportunities for the local community during the installation phase, as well as the day to day operation of the pool.
2. Upgrading the existing 50 metre pool to provide people with a physical disability or temporary injuries, access at the shallow end. It will allow any less mobile person year round access for recreation and exercise.
3. Provision of a new covered 'Hydrotherapy pool' which would serve the public by providing exercise, physiotherapy and rehabilitation services to the wider community. This also includes provision of heating to the pool via the installation of a solar panel heating system, which will be mounted on the northern side of the roof. Once again, operating & maintenance costs would be reduced.
4. A rigid gable roof structure over "the kids' pool" so that youngsters can learn to swim and play protected from the sun at any time of day at a period of increasing heat and fierce UV levels which on most days in summer are 'extreme'.
5. The installation of a zero depth splash pad area with a new shade structure for water play, targeted /focused on younger children.

Upgrading Mullumbimby pool provides advantages;

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**PROPOSED POOL UPGRADE**  
**Petria Thomas Olympic Pool**  
**Jubilee Avenue, Mullumbimby**

- 1 'Available open space' is already in existence and unused at the contained [fenced] Mullumbimby pool complex.
2. The proposed works take account of the needs of different age clusters in the community and the physical requirements of different cohorts.
3. Consideration should be given to distance of travel, limited public transport and limited opportunity for good traffic management on key roads in and around Byron Bay. Mullumbimby already has some [albeit, inadequate and limited] public transport networks that can service the community, There is currently ample parking in and near the pool complex.

**SUMMARY OF BENEFITS OF PROPOSAL**

This proposal has many benefits for the community in the immediate and longer term;

- \* A **staged** series of additions could be undertaken in consultation with key stakeholders.
- \* the proposal can be funded via council's health, recreation and social inclusion budget.
- \* council can apply for funds to achieve installation of all the proposed additions from various government grants.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Sonia Laverty  
Convenor - Mullumbimby Residents Association  
Wayne Thompson.  
Sandra Kessler.

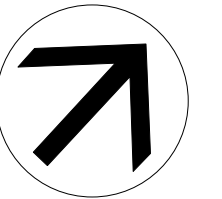


## MULLUMBIMBY AQUATIC CENTRE PETRIA THOMAS POOL

### Concept Master Plan

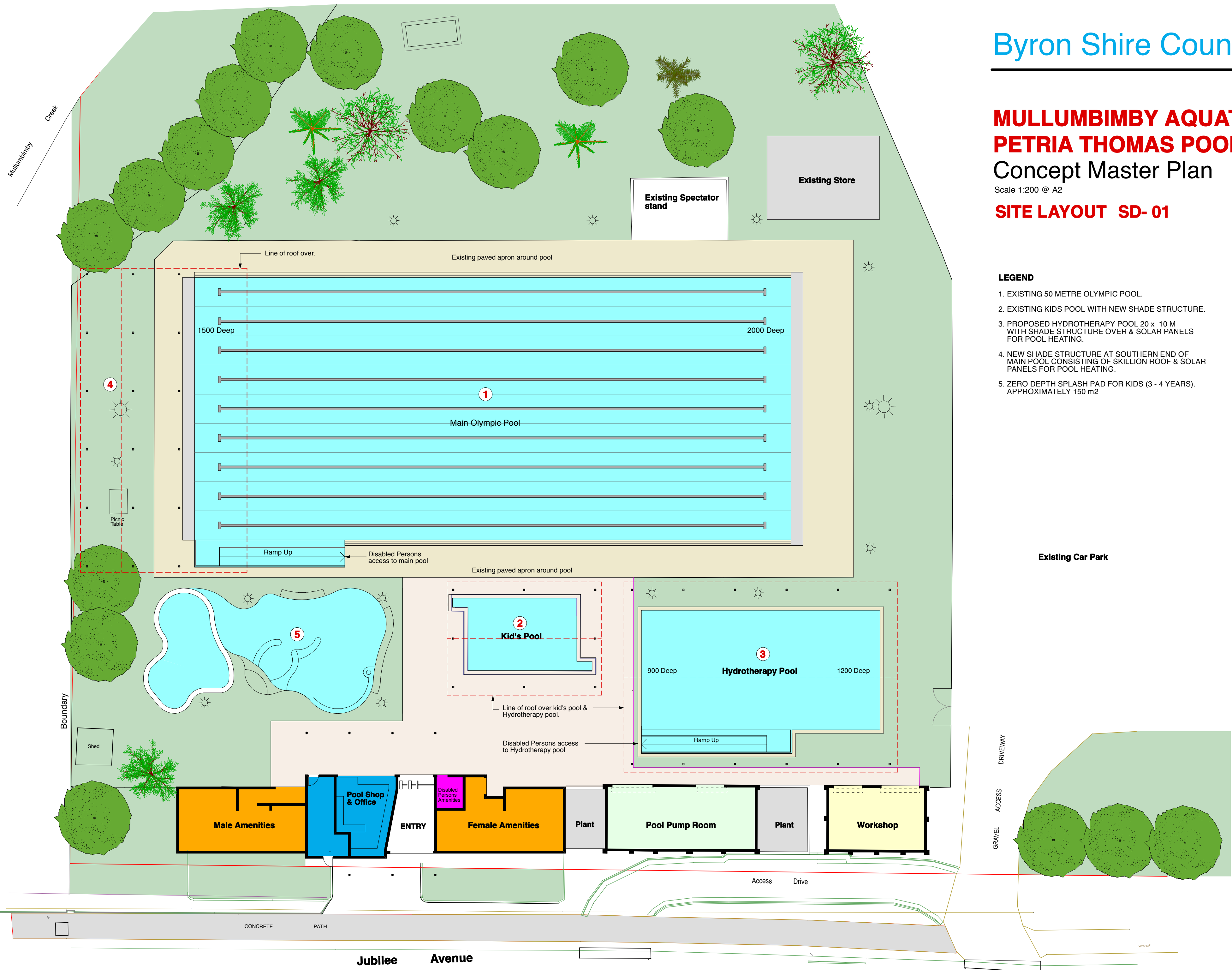
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### SITE LAYOUT SD- 01



#### LEGEND

1. EXISTING 50 METRE OLYMPIC POOL.
2. EXISTING KIDS POOL WITH NEW SHADE STRUCTURE.
3. PROPOSED HYDROTHERAPY POOL 20 x 10 M WITH SHADE STRUCTURE OVER & SOLAR PANELS FOR POOL HEATING.
4. NEW SHADE STRUCTURE AT SOUTHERN END OF MAIN POOL CONSISTING OF SKILLION ROOF & SOLAR PANELS FOR POOL HEATING.
5. ZERO DEPTH SPLASH PAD FOR KIDS (3 - 4 YEARS). APPROXIMATELY 150 m2



## **Long Term Car Park for Mullumbimby.**

The results of a recent parking survey identified Mullumbimby being at saturation point regarding parking. Residents, and those who visit Mullumbimby for a variety of reasons, have known this for some time. Parking in Mullum CBD has become a premium with various suggestions for improvement made including paid parking and the introduction of meters and improved conditions for bike riders. Mullumbimby Residents Association supports these options but their introduction should be in conjunction with the provision of long term car parking adjacent to Mullumbimby CBD.

Mullumbimby was established as a 'service' centre' and continues to function as such for the north of the Shire. Over time it has also become a focus for socialisation with numerous restaurants, education opportunities, and a proliferation of retail outlets. On any day of the week long queues of cars are in the main street trying to find parking.

MRA would like to see available land adjacent to the old Railway Station utilised for long term car parking. This would provide parking opportunities for workers in the CBD and visitors, shoppers and those wanting to 'socialise over a long lunch. A visitors Information Centre, using the old Station building would be an additional asset.

Currently, the green verges in Stuart and Dalley Streets are used for Long Day parking. The ad hoc parking arrangements that result often pose serious safety risk to through traffic.

Additionally council, in negotiations with State Rail on obtaining unused land for parking, might be able to encourage them to provide an improved environment for those using the interstate Bus Stop which is adjacent to the proposed Long Day Car Park. Currently, there is a Bus Stop sign only which does little to protect travellers in poor weather. Lighting is also very inadequate.

## **Recognising the Village Core while managing traffic.**

It can be argued that the physical 'core' of Mullumbimby Village is the intersection of Burringbar and Stuart Streets. It is understood that this intersection has come under scrutiny at various times in relation to traffic and pedestrian management but so far no improvements have been made. Safety for users of electric wheelchairs is also an issue.

MRA suggests that core principles are adopted by council that will guide 'experts' engaged to identify changes necessary for achieving agreed outcomes. One such principle could be to 'Make the village core an appealing, social, recreational and creative hub for the local community while also attracting visitors to experience the qualities of a rural village lifestyle' (Tharwa Village Plan 2017;p2). An additional objective could be to protect and enhance Mullumbimby's history, including Aboriginal and European history and its unique natural environment (Ditto)

We are concerned that traffic management and pedestrian safety are improved in the CBD of Mullumbimby while at the same time contributing to and recognising the historical and cultural history of the village.

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, 7 June 2019 4:01 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Have your say on our budget plans for 19/20

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 6 June 2019 8:11 AM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Have your say on our budget plans for 19/20

To road planner

I invite you to drive on Friday Hut Road from Bangalow to Lismore Road to Mullumbimby to see how dangerous the experience can be. There are clusters of potholes so drivers concentrate so hard on avoiding potholes, not one pot hole but number of pot holes together, that they cross on the wrong side of the already narrow road. It is especially dangerous around the bends when you can not see approaching car until last second and there is nowhere to go to avoid it.

I normally do not take that route but when I drove that way just on one journey I had two near misses, it is accident or death waiting to happen especially when tourists are taking scenic drive and are not familiar with avoiding pot holes and staying alive but it is not just the tourist but also the locals.

You might think that I am exaggerating so I urge you to come and experience and see for yourself just how bad and dangerous is drive on Friday Hut Road.

I did not see in your budget any plans to fix the pot holes on Friday Hut Road and that really concerns me because I have experienced myself just how dangerous that can be.

Regards,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Community Conversation

12-2pm

## Submission Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are referring to a specific item in the Operational Plan, please state the reference number (###.###):

Details of your submission:

\* Electric Cars & fleet vehicles.

Request that Council staff & officials extensively investigate opportunities in this field.

What infrastructure does council need to provide & support in the future to accommodate these technologies.

Battery storage technologies @ a community level.

## Submission Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are referring to a specific item in the Operational Plan, please state the reference number (##.##.##):

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Details of your submission:

Support for the flying fox management plan & projects

- prevent the spread of disease
- Ebola.

- Can't we just move them on?

- public health issue

Emergency management

- mass vaccination @ Ocean Shores if required

Public health issue due to lack of vaccination

## Submission Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are referring to a specific item in the Operational Plan, please state the reference number (###.###):

Details of your submission:

Pay parking - across the Shire. encourages residents to pay the annual fee

- residents permit
- educate people on the benefits
- improve business turnover in smaller villages
- manage overstays
- parking management

# Submission Form



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

If you are referring to a specific item in the Operational Plan, please state the reference number (###.###):

Details of your submission:

Remove Rail tracks and put in a  
bike track ASAP. Amazing opportunity  
you are missing. I originate from UK  
where this is common place. National  
cycle network.



# Submission Form



Name: Anonymous

Email: —

If you are referring to a specific item in the Operational Plan, please state the reference number (###.###):

Details of your submission:

You Guys are doing a great job.  
Customer Service IS Amazing and  
need to be treated!



# Byron Shire Council Meeting Notes

**Name of Group:** ACWG – Meeting to comment on Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) for 2019-2020

Doc #2019/0040329

<b>Date:</b> Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> May 2019	<b>Time:</b> 2.00-3.30pm	<b>Venue:</b> Brunswick Valley Community Centre
<b>Chairperson:</b> Emily Fajerman, BSC		<b>Note Taker:</b> Cynthia McDermott, BSC

<b>Attendees:</b>	Andy Cook (new member); Lyn Kemp (new member); Max Brown; Anna Bisset (Social Futures); Gunela Astbrink; Bec Brewin; Heather Sills (BSC); Emily Fajerman (BSC); Cynthia McDermott (BSC)
<b>Apologies:</b>	Craig Scanlan; Kelly Banister
<b>Absent:</b>	Richard Hill

	Item	Speaker	Action
<b>1.</b>	<b>Background to Operational Plan development</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council's Operational Plan sets out in detail what Council aims to achieve over the next 12 months (financial year).</li> <li>- The draft 2019/2020 Plan is currently on exhibition on Council's website and is open for submissions and comments from the public.</li> <li>- Council will respond and make adjustments to the draft plan, based on comments and submissions.</li> <li>- Council also directly engages with a variety of community groups, seeking advice and comments on the plan.</li> <li>- Council's Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) is integrated into the overall Operational Plan and Council welcomes the ACWG comments on this today.</li> <li>- Ideally, the ACWG will be contacted earlier in the calendar year in future. Council would also like to touch base during the life of plan, to report back and hear back from the group.</li> </ul>	Heather Sills (BSC)	ACWG are welcome to comment/view further details on Council plans and activities via the website: see the Your Say link on the home page.
<b>2.</b>	<b>Group general comments</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Pot holes: a major issue in the Shire; road repair methods to be improved</li> <li>- Paid parking: comments and questions re distribution of funds raised through paid parking.</li> </ul>		Heather Sills: To forward Council's report on paid parking for distribution to ACWG.
<b>3.</b>	<b>Group comments on Council draft Operational Plan</b>		
	<p>General Discussion:</p> <p>Council phone number is needed so the public can report access problems.</p> <p>A list was previously provided to Council re access issues; they still have not been addressed.</p> <p>Emily confirmed that issues can be reported to Council's general phone number.</p> <p>Council needs to also provide feedback when repairs are complete.</p> <p>Discussion re footpaths needing attention.</p>		<p>Max has previously provided a list of specific priority access issues to be addressed in this plan eg CBD area. This can be added to specific measures when Council is reporting back on the plan.</p> <p>Emily to distribute the PAM (Pedestrian Access Management plan) so the group can see which pedestrian issues were previously identified.</p> <p>Council's Open Spaces team will be invited to</p>

	Item	Speaker	Action
	<p><i>1.1.3.5 Upgrade access ramps and footpaths</i></p> <p>What priority areas are being planned for upgrade? Is there a list? Can this list be used as a measure when reporting? Can the ACWG be informed of progress?</p> <p><i>1.2.4.1 Deliver adopted projects from the beach accessible program</i> Could this be more specific? Torakina and Main Beach are priority areas for ACWG, as is the ability to access dog walking beaches for people in wheelchairs and/or mobility scooters. Could the plan be more detailed? Could the ACWG be consulted on development of beach accessibility projects?</p> <p><i>1.2.4.2 Develop Public Open Space accessibility program</i> This is abstract. Can this please be more specific and include consultation with the ACWG as a measure? Can inclusive play and recreation areas for children be developed as there are currently none in the shire?</p> <p><i>1.2.4.3 Deliver Stage 1 of Public Open Spaces Accessibility Program</i> This is abstract. Can this please be more specific and consultation with the ACWG as a measure?</p> <p><i>1.2.5.1 Complete the Open Space Asset Management Plan incorporating Disability Inclusion Action Planning Objectives</i> What are these? Can the ACWG be provided with a copy?</p> <p><i>1.2.5.6 Deliver maintenance works programs for inclusive swimming pools</i> What are the planned maintenance works? The wording is vague, what does it mean? There is no accessible carpark at Mullumbimby pool, the only accessible pool (with a lift) in the Byron Shire. Can this be changed? Will lifts be installed at other public pools to ensure accessibility? We often use Murwillumbah pool which is a great example of an accessible pool.</p> <p><i>1.2.9.2 Review public toilet level of service including disabled accessibility</i> Toilets are filthy; can they be cleaned more regularly? Brunswick Heads toilets are particularly dirty and need an upgrade.</p> <p><i>1.6.1.1 Implement Parking Management Strategies</i> Can New Brighton please be added to the list of areas? There are currently no accessible carparks in New Brighton; no disabled access point; signage is not clear; parking is confusing.</p> <p>Discussion: The entire parking area will be re-done as part of this new plan- however, this issue will still be raised.</p> <p><i>2.2.2.2 Support children with additional needs to learn and participate alongside their peers.</i> Is there an opportunity for capacity building (access and inclusion) to occur across the region and/or at other centres? ie. building stronger networks</p>		<p>ACWG to discuss further.</p> <p>Emily and Heather will add all ACWG comments to the submission process for Council to address in the final Operational Plan for 2019-2020.</p>

	Item	Speaker	Action
	<p><i>2.3.2.1 Develop and implement building maintenance and major work schedule for community buildings that is informed by access requirements</i>  What are the priorities? How are they decided?  Will there be opportunities for ACWG to comment?</p> <p><i>5.1.1.6 Develop and implement centralised stakeholder management system that incorporates inclusion strategies.</i>  This is vague – can this please be more specific? And could consultation with the ACWG be included as a measure?</p> <p><i>5.1.2.3 Develop Engagement Toolkit</i>  Will this be in Plain English? Can the ACWG be involved? How will you measure staff reporting use of the toolkit? What will be measured as a success rate?</p> <p><i>5.1.3.1 Make available Council's Ordinary Meeting business papers; enable business papers to be accessed by persons using assistive technology.</i>  Can the measure be 100% of business papers accessible to screen readers and text readers? And the measure needs to refer to the WCAG 2.1 (updated guidelines)</p> <p><i>5.1.3.5 Facilitate and promote online opportunities for community access and make community access opportunities accessible to people using assistive technology.</i>  Can the measure also include that they will meet the <i>updated</i> Website Accessibility Guidelines - WCAG 2.1?  Entire website needs to be accessible.</p> <p><i>5.2.1.6 Publish GIPA open access information online</i>  Can the measure also include that they meet the <i>updated</i> Website Accessibility Guidelines - WCAG 2.1?</p> <p><i>5.2.1.8 Ensure published information meets Disability Inclusion Accessibility requirements.</i>  Measure does not include updated Website Accessibility Guidelines - WCAG 2.1</p> <p><i>5.2.1.9 Develop online information that promotes inclusive recreation opportunities in the Shire consistent with the Open Spaces and Recreation Plan including open space accessibility.</i>  There is hardly anything to promote.  There are no inclusive play areas.  Can this activity also be extended to include accessible tourism information? This information doesn't exist anywhere.</p> <p><i>5.2.1.10 Develop information package to support understanding and use of the Open Spaces framework and hierarchy consistent with the Open Space and Recreation Plan.</i>  Can consultation with the ACWG be included as a measure? Can the access related items be reported to ACWG?</p> <p><i>5.2.3.4 Update and publish Council's policies online.</i>  The website accessibility guidelines have been updated and should state – WCAG 2.1</p> <p><i>5.3.1.3 Implement inclusive and accessible Customer Service Strategy with Charter.</i>  Can this measure also include consultation with ACWG?</p>		

	Item	Speaker	Action
	<p><i>5.3.1.4 Implement customer service training program focused on quality and service excellence.</i> Can this measure include consultation with ACWG?</p> <p><i>5.3.2.2 Provide customer enquiry statistics/business intelligence data to inform strategic decision-making.</i> Can an overview of access and inclusion enquiries be reported to ACWG regularly? If possible, could it detail the appropriate responses taken to address the enquiries?</p> <p><i>5.4.5.3 Review recruitment practices to ensure they are inclusive and identify partners to promote job opportunities for people with disability across the Byron Shire.</i> Discussion: How many staff at Council identify as having disabilities? Are there practices in place to support them? Are Council's current recruitment practices working for people with disability?</p> <p><i>5.5.2.3 Ensure Council revenue billing and payments are available in an accessible format.</i> Can a large print version be offered for those that require it? If so, this information will need to be communicated appropriately. The website accessibility guidelines have been updated and should state – WCAG 2.1</p> <p><i>5.5.2.8 Implementation of sundry debtor invoices via email</i> Can large print version be made available for those that request so? Could this be an option for all written documents provided by council?</p> <p><i>5.5.2.8 Implementation of sundry debtor invoices via email</i> Can large print version be made available for those that request so? Could this be an option for all written documents provided by council?</p>		Emily to follow up with Council HR area re recruitment practices and number of staff identifying as having a disability.
<b>4.</b>	<b>Assistance Dogs</b>		
	<p>Discussion: Dog behaviour- awareness of Assistance Dogs.</p> <p>The number of Assistance Dogs for people with disability is increasing in the Shire; other dog owners, the general public, business owners etc are not well informed about the role, purpose and compliance requirements for these dogs. Council could take a role in raising awareness of assistance dogs eg talk to cafes/restaurants.</p>		Heather will investigate possibilities of Council raising awareness of Assistance Dogs in the Shire.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Further comments on draft Council plan</b>		
	Any further items can be added after this meeting- by 7 <sup>th</sup> June 2019		
<b>6.</b>	<b>Information for new ACWG members</b>		
	Max Brown invited Andy Cook and Lyn Kemp to attend this meeting as possible new members. Andy and Lyn are welcome to join the ACWG if they wish.		Emily will forward ACWG Terms of Reference and other information to Andy and Lyn who will then notify Emily if they wish to join the group.

<b>Next Meeting Time and Venue:</b>	2:00-3:30pm Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> June	Brunswick Valley Community Centre
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