

**DAPTO NEIGHBOURHOOD FORUM  
NF8 MINUTES 8TH FEBRUARY 2023**

**1. WELCOME & ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY - Ian Fitzgibbon**

"I would like to show my respect and acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land on which this meeting takes place, and elders past & present and extend that respect to other aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander people present.

**2. APOLOGIES:** Liz Webster, Cr Dom. Figliomeni

**3. ATTENDING:** David Fitzgibbon (WCC); Rebekah Cox (WCC), Alissa Tran (WCC); Cr. Anne Martin; Cr. Linda Campbell; Ian Fitzgibbon; Heather Boardman; Dennis Couley; Steve McGartland; Warren Southwell; Ron Cooper; Peter Northey

**4. MINUTES: 13th December 2022**

**Moved :** Dennis Couley

**Seconded:** Steve McGartland

**5. CORRESPONDENCE (SEE ATTACHMENTS)**

**IN :**

- i) **Taxi Rank** - WCC Response to letter from NF8: from **Sile Crowe** on behalf of Isabelle Ghetti, Manager Infrastructure, Strategy & Planning (Acting) WCC
- ii) **West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment -**
  - a) from **Alissa Tran, Engagement Officer, WCC- general info**
  - b) from **Dom Figliomeni** - forwarded from Chris Stewart, Manager City Strategy, WCC - Council resolutions & the following link to public exhibition of material on Council's website:  
<https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/west-dapto-social-infrastructure-needs-assessment>

**OUT:**

- i) **December NF8 Minutes emailed Tuesday 7.2.2023**

**6. COUNCIL OFFICERS UPDATE:**

**RE WEST DAPTO SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECT:**

**For detailed information please see :**

<https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/west-dapto-social-infrastructure-needs-assessment>  
David Fitzgibbon (Urban Release manager) and Rebekah Cox ( Strategic Project Officer) - Spoke at length and very informatively about the project. Following the presentation there was extensive discussion and the council officers were able to answer many questions from the meeting participants.

Arising out of this presentation and extensive discussion NF8 noted several priorities to be pursued:

## Request for Walking & Bike Infrastructure linking to parks & community facilities

## Attention be drawn to Pony Club & Baseball facilities(on the ridge Tallawarra)

## Forum Submission by 28th

### Social Infrastructure delivery being prioritised as shared to facilitate implementation of plan

## **7. COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS:**

**Councillors Martin And Campbell noted that Council Budget meeting is scheduled for 18th February**

## **8. GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Tom McColl has resigned.

2. No longer an individual engagement officer per forum

3. Taxi Rank- looking into options

4. Follow up on traffic Lights cnr Station Street & Bong Bong Road.

5. Dennis Couley: questioned the proposed construction of Dapto Dogs facility on Bong Bong Road. Dennis highlighted concerns over the need for roads & infrastructure and flood safe facilities. It was noted that there had been no preliminary consultation w Council and no DA yet submitted prior to the recent public announcement.

6. Ron Cooper- raised the importance to setting up zoom access to the NF8 meetings to enable a higher level of community resident participation. Need to work w Alissa to implement zoom or other online participation. Ron will progress implementation of zoom ( or other ) for meetings.

7. Ron Cooper also expressed thanks to the elected officers who have always supported residents

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8. Wongawilli Infrastructure: Progress continues slowly. There is a need to follow up on completion of Wongawilli Road. Advice was given that it is best to need to submit an email request for information

**MEETING CLOSE: 8.45pm**

**NEXT MEETING: 7PM WEDNESDAY 8TH MARCH 2023**

## **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED - ATTACHMENTS;**

### **I) Correspondence**

**From:** Alissa Tran <[atran@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:atran@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 24 January 2023 11:29 AM

**To:** [ian.fitzgibbon@outlook.com](mailto:ian.fitzgibbon@outlook.com)

**Subject:** West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment opening 30 January

Dear Ian

Hope you are well and have enjoyed a start to the new year.

I wanted to get in touch to let you know ahead of time about an engagement we have opening on 30 January for the **West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment**.

Council has been planning for social infrastructure needs for West Dapto for many years. Social infrastructure means the places and spaces in a community that help people connect, be active, create and learn. It includes community and cultural facilities such as libraries and community centres, and open spaces and recreation.

We recently coordinated a needs assessment to review what the growing community in West Dapto will need in the future and will be inviting community feedback.

The documents will all be ready to view on 30 January and will be open for feedback until 28 February. I understand you're the first NF8 meeting for the year will be 8 February. If it is of interest to your members, and there is room on the Agenda, Council staff may be able to come and provide a short presentation on this for this meeting. (Either in person or online is fine depending on how you are convening currently).

Alternatively, as always we will make sure that you have access to all the appropriate information. Please let me know at your earliest convenience so I can make the necessary arrangements.

Thanks very much

Alissa

### **II) Correspondence**

**From:** Cr Dom Figliomeni <[cr.DFigliomeni@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cr.DFigliomeni@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 25 January 2023 7:02 AM

**To:** Ian FITZGIBBON <[ian.fitzgibbon@outlook.com](mailto:ian.fitzgibbon@outlook.com)>; Heather Boardman

<[hhboardman@gmail.com](mailto:hhboardman@gmail.com)> **Subject:** FW: Public exhibition - West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment.

Hi Ian and Heather

For your info if not aware of the advertising

Regards

Dom ( see next page)

**From:** Chris Stewart <[cstewart@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cstewart@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>

**Sent:** Tuesday, 24 January 2023 1:29 PM

**To:** Councillors - All <[Councillors\\_All@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:Councillors_All@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>

**Cc:** David Fitzgibbon <[DFitzgibbon@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:DFitzgibbon@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>; Sue Trevisi

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**Subject:** Public exhibition - West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment.

Dear Lord Mayor and Councillors

Council staff have been working with a consultancy team on the long-term social infrastructure needs for the growing community at West Dapto. This includes ensuring there are places and spaces for people to meet, connect, be active and learn.

Once finalised, the West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment will inform ongoing and future work including a review of the West Dapto Development Contributions Plan.

On 28 November 2022, Council resolved that -

- 1 *Council support public exhibition of the draft West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment for a minimum of 28 days.*
- 2 *Council exhibition material to clearly outline that delivering the Social Infrastructure Needs of West Dapto is reliant on a co-ordinated, equitable contribution from Council, other levels of Government and private sector.*
- 3 *Following exhibition staff report back to Council –*
  - a *A final West Dapto Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment with an engagement report explaining issues raised in submissions and how they were considered; and*
  - b *Detail further steps required to ensure delivery of the Social Infrastructure recommended in the final needs assessment.*

Public exhibition of the draft needs assessment, will be published on Council's website on **Monday 30 January 2023** and will run until **Tuesday 28 February 2023**. Exhibition material will be available from that time through the following link:

<https://our.wollongong.nsw.gov.au/west-dapto-social-infrastructure-needs-assessment>

If you have any questions, please reach out to me.

Regards

Chris Stewart, Manager City Strategy . Email: [cstewart@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:cstewart@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)

**iii) Correspondence From:** Tom McColl <[tmccoll@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:tmccoll@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 3 February 2023 4:24 PM  
**Cc:** Dzenet Tinjak <[dtinjak@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:dtinjak@wollongong.nsw.gov.au)>  
**Subject:** Youth Week- Wollongong Youth Awards- Wollongong Youth Services

Dear Neighbourhood Forums,

Sharing some exciting stuff happening at Wollongong Youth Services/Wollongong City Council for Youth Week.

Our very first *Wollongong Youth Awards* has launched! A fantastic, diverse panel of young people have spent some time planning this project and today it goes live!

***What is the Wollongong Youth Awards?***

The Wollongong Youth Awards acknowledge and highlight the achievements and efforts of young people in the Wollongong Local Government Area. Young people in the Wollongong LGA can be nominated to receive an award out of 8 categories. Anyone can nominate a young person including; teachers, parents, mentors, community workers etc.

The following **link** is where you can find the application criteria, further information and the nomination form. Applications are open until Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April.

[Wollongong Youth Week Awards 2023 | Wollongong City Council \(nsw.gov.au\)](#)

Award finalists will be notified and invited to attend an award ceremony and receive their certificate and prize (this will be in Youth Week).

It would be great if you could share this information with your networks and of course young people... and if you're feeling passionate, you can nominate a young person yourself!!


If you have any questions, please get in touch with Dzenet via details below. A flyer is attached for reference.

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Kind regards,  
Tom

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# WOLLONGONG YOUTH AWARDS 2023

Wollongong Youth Awards acknowledge and highlight the achievements and efforts of young people in Wollongong.

Do you know someone who deserves an award? Submit an application today! Scan QR code or check out [wollongong.nsw.gov.au/nyw-awards](https://wollongong.nsw.gov.au/nyw-awards)

Criteria:

- 12 - 24 years old
- Live, work or attends school in the Wollongong LGA

Applications due by 7 April 2023.

The invites to Wollongong Youth Awards Ceremony will be emailed to finalists and will be held in Youth Week 2023.



For more info, DM our socials, email [youthservices@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:youthservices@wollongong.nsw.gov.au) or call 4227 8222

