

Future Nillumbik Committee

held at the Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough on Tuesday 14 February 2017.

Minutes

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Nillumbik Shire Council

Minutes of the Future Nillumbik Committee Meeting held Tuesday 14 February 2017.

The meeting commenced at 7pm.

Councillors present:

Cr Peter Clarke Wingrove Ward (Mayor)

Cr Grant Brooker
Cr Karen Egan
Cr John Dumaresq
Cr Peter Perkins
Cr Jane Ashton

Blue Lake Ward
Bunjil Ward
Edendale Ward
Ellis Ward
Sugarloaf Ward

Cr Bruce Ranken Swipers Gully Ward

Officers in attendance:

Mark Stoermer Acting Chief Executive Officer

Pauline Gordon General Manager Community and Leisure Andrew Port General Manager Corporate Services

Ransce Salan General Manager Environment and Planning
Conal Creedon General Manager Infrastructure Services
Allison Watt Manager Governance and Communication

Lisa Pittle Manager Infrastructure Maintenance

1. Welcome and apologies

The Mayor, Cr Peter Clarke, as Chair, welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the Future Nillumbik Committee.

There were no apologies.

2. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

Nil

3. Confirmation of minutes

Nil

4. Officers reports

To facilitate the smooth running of the meeting, the order of reports was altered and report FN.002/17 Request to alter the existing locality boundaries of Yarrambat and Plenty, was considered first and chaired by Cr Peter Clarke as the Councillor responsible for the Finance and Governance Portfolio.

FN.001/17 Road Management Plan Review

Distribution: Public

Manager: Conal Creedon, General Manager Infrastructure Services

Author: Joseph Emmanuel, Coordinator Road and Drainage Maintenance

Portfolio: Infrastructure

Cr John Dumaresq assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the one report from officers in relation to the Infrastructure Portfolio.

Summary

The main purpose of the Road Management Plan (RMP) is to document a level of service and frequency of Council inspections of its roads and footpaths for defects, what Council defines as a defect and within what timeframe will Council rectify that defect.

In accordance with section 301(3) of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2005, Council is required to have prepared and approve a review of its RMP within the period of six months after each general election or by the next 30 June, whichever is the later.

This is a 'two-step' process with Council required to firstly advertise its intention to review the existing RMP and, following consideration of submissions, subsequently advertise its draft RMP for further public comment.

Council received five submissions in response to advertising its intention to conduct the review of the RMP. This report considers these submissions prior to preparing an updated draft Road Management Plan for Council consideration and further public consultation.

Speaker

Sergio Rizzi addressed the Committee with respect to the item.

Motion	

Cr Peter Clarke Cr Bruce Ranken

That the Committee (acting under delegation from Council):

- 1. Notes the submissions received following the advertising of Council's intention to review its Road Management Plan.
- 2. Notes that no amendments are required to the Road Management Plan as a result of the first round of community consultation as indicated in the response to the submissions shown in Attachment 1.
- 3. Receives a further report to consider the draft Road Management Plan 2017.
- 4. Thanks all submitters and advises them of the further steps to conclude the review of the Road Management Plan.

FN.002/17 Request to alter the existing locality boundaries of Yarrambat and

Plenty

Distribution: Public

Manager: Andrew Port, General Manager Corporate Services

Author: Allison Watt, Manager Governance and Communications

Portfolio: Finance and Governance

This item was considered first and chaired by the Mayor, Cr Peter Clarke as the Councillor responsible for the Finance and Governance Portfolio.

Summary

Council has received a request to change a property address from 9 Thornbill Drive, Yarrambat to 9 Thornbill Drive, Plenty. Both Yarrambat and Plenty are two separate localities, or suburbs, with a common boundary.

Currently, the property is located within the locality of Yarrambat. The majority of the eastern boundary of the property abuts the western boundary of the Plenty locality. The property owner is requesting that the boundary of the Plenty locality be extended to include his property, with his property's address to be then known as 9 Thornbill Drive, Plenty. (Attachment 1)

Requests to change locality boundaries must meet the mandatory requirements set out by the State Government in the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 (Version 2). In this case the applicant has not complied with Section 3 of the guidelines, nor provided information on public consultation that has taken place or demonstrated that the proposal has the support of neighbouring property owners.

While a change to the locality boundary which affects one property in isolation (as in this case) is not supported, the applicant could be advised that Council would be prepared to consider a boundary change that involved a number of properties and had the support of those property owners. Any such proposal would need to demonstrate consistency with the guidelines.

Motion

Cr Grant Brooker Cr John Dumaresq

That the Committee (acting under delegation from Council):

- Notes the request from the owner of the property at 9 Thornbill Drive, Yarrambat to change the locality boundary so that the property falls within the locality of Plenty.
- 2. Notes that the request does not meet the mandatory requirements set by the State Government in Section 3 of the Guidelines for Geographic Names 2010 (Version 2.
- 3. Does not approve the request to change the Yarrambat/Plenty locality boundary.
- 4. Requests officers to advise the applicant accordingly and suggest that Council would consider a more comprehensive application that had the support of multiple property owners and complied with the guidelines.

FN.003/17 Eltham Major Activity Centre Structure Plan: Implementation Plan

2013-2020 Update

Distribution: Public

Manager: Ransce Salan, General Manager Environment and Planning

Author: Paul Fyffe, Senior Strategic Planner

Chad Griffiths, Manager Strategic and Economic Planning

Portfolio: Economic Development

Cr Karen Egan assumed the role of Chair for the Committee to consider the two reports from officers in relation to the Economic Development Portfolio.

Summary

This report provides an update on the implementation of the Eltham Major Activity Centre (MAC) Structure Plan.

The Eltham MAC Structure Plan was adopted by Council in August 2004 for the purpose of guiding development of the Eltham MAC until 2024. Council adopted an implementation Plan for the structure plan in May 2006. In August 2013 Council adopted a revised implementation plan, which was modified to remove completed and obsolete actions and also to reflect Council's current projects.

Council has received a number of progress updates on implementation of the Eltham MAC Structure Plan since 2006, with the last being in August 2015.

Key achievements since August 2015 include:

- The Eltham Leisure Centre Aquatic Redevelopment project commenced in August 2016 and it is anticipated that the facility will open in late 2017. The \$19.35 million project will deliver a designated pool to assist with aquatic education, leisure space for children's aquatic play, a warm water pool to support rehabilitation and therapy programs and a 25m x 8 lane pool for recreational swimmers.
- The Eltham Town Square project has been completed and the café/restaurant is now operational.
- The installation of two significant pieces of art work from the Nillumbik Shire Public Art Collection in the Eltham Town Square.
- Ongoing advocacy by Council regarding the status of Bolton Street has resulted in the State Government announcing its intention to declare the road an arterial road. Declaring the road an arterial road will improve safety and reduce Council's expenditure on road maintenance.
- Amendment C106 which applies the Activity Centre Zoning to Eltham town centre
 has been completed, with a view to requesting authorisation to apply the same
 zoning to the Bridge Street Business Area (BSBA) in the near future. The zoning
 allows Council to fine-tune provisions to the needs of a particular centre.
- Design and consultation conducted for Stage 2 of the Precincts 3 and 4 Project.

FN.003/17 Eltham Major Activity Centre Structure Plan: Implementation Plan 2013-2020 Update

A further matter discussed in the report is that the Structure Plan, which is now 13 years old, is in need of a review to ensure the document remains current in relation to such matters as the data and analysis underpinning the document, current best planning practice, development which has occurred in the activity centre since 2004 and changes in state and local planning policy.

Motion	

Cr Peter Clarke Cr John Dumaresq

That Council:

- 1. Receives and notes the progress made since the previous report.
- 2. Requests a further annual update on the implementation of the Eltham Major Activity Centre Structure Plan in February 2018.
- 3. Considers a review and update of the Eltham Major Activity Centre Structure Plan as a new initiative within the 2017-2018 Council budget.

FN.004/17 Diamond Creek Major Activity Centre and Leisure Facilities Plan

Annual Update

Distribution: Public

Manager: Chad Griffiths, Manager Strategic and Economic Planning

Author: Alison Fowler, Senior Strategic Planner

Portfolio: Economic Development

Summary

Council adopted the Diamond Creek twenty20 Structure Plan and Leisure Facilities Plan in September 2006. This Plan sets out a comprehensive strategy for developing the Diamond Creek Major Activity Centre and adjoining areas to 2020. It also incorporates a Leisure Facilities Plan for Diamond Creek over the same period of time.

On 23 January 2007, Council adopted the Diamond Creek twenty20 Implementation Plan (the Plan). This Plan sets out a timeframe for the implementation of actions contained within the Structure Plan.

Since adoption of the Implementation Plan Council has received an annual update on the actions completed. As of 30 July 2013, approximately 72 per cent of the actions contained in the Plan were completed.

On 30 July 2013, Council resolved that the remaining actions should be consolidated into 11 broader actions and that a new implementation plan be adopted for the period 2013-2020.

The key actions delivered during 2015-2016 include: economic improvement initiatives at the Diamond Creek Plaza, application of the Activity Centre Zone to the centre, commenced construction of a bus interchange and improved car parking at the Diamond Creek Station, construction of a pedestrian bridge between Campbell St Reserve and the former horse and pony club land, construction of an updated playground at Rotary Park and commencement of a public consultation process by VicRoads to discuss altering the speed limit in Chute Street.

This report provides an update on the progress of a number of actions since the last annual update in 2015.

Speakers

The following people addressed the Committee with respect to the item:

- 1. Esther Caspi on behalf of Gila Schnapp
- 2. Ester Caspi

Motion	
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Cr Peter Perkins
Cr Peter Clarke

That Council:

1. Receives and note the progress made on the actions in the Diamond Creek Activity Centre Implementation Plan 2013-2020.

FN.005/17 Diamond Creek Major Activity Centre and Leisure Facilities Plan Annual Update

- 2. Requests a further annual update on the implementation of the Diamond Creek Major Activity Centre Structure Plan in February 2018.
- 3. Considers a review and update of the Diamond Creek Major Activity Centre Structure Plan as a new initiative within the 2017-2018 Council budget.

5. Supplementary and urgent business
Nil

6. Confidential reports
Nil
The meeting closed at 7.46pm.

Confirmed:
Cr Peter Clarke, Mayor