



ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS

To be held at 5pm on

Tuesday 18 September 2018

Council Chambers

11 Manning Street, KIAMA NSW 2533

Members

His Worship the Mayor

Councillor M Honey

Councillor K Rice

Deputy Mayor

Councillor M Brown

Councillor N Reilly

Councillor A Sloan

Councillor W Steel

Councillor D Watson

Councillor M Way

Councillor M Westhoff

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16 ADDENDUM TO REPORTS

15.1 200 Anniversary of Aboriginal people on Minnamurra River

Responsible Director: Environmental Services

In September 2017, a report was submitted to Council in regards to the upcoming bicentenary of the massacre of Aboriginal people that occurred on the Minnamurra River on 1 October 1818. The report informed Council of the request by the Gerroa Environment Protection Society for Council to consult with local Aboriginal about the most appropriate way to recognise the bicentenary.

This consultation has been taking place with plans to host a small gathering near the site of the massacre to mark the bicentenary. At the gathering, some culturally appropriate activities will take place including a smoking ceremony, Aboriginal dancing & singing, and some short speeches.

The anniversary of the massacre is on 1 October and is planned to take place on the Minnamurra River opposite Trevethan Reserve, on Riverside Drive at 10:30am just before the bridge crossing of the river.

Council may wish to consider how the massacre could be more permanently acknowledged in the future, by looking for opportunities to install interpretive signage and potentially some Aboriginal sculpture at the location above, which is at the northern end of the proposed Minnamurra Boardwalk.

Communication/Community Engagement

Event to be promoted with a flier distributed through Council networks, posts to Facebook, a media release and promotion on Council's website.

Reports for Information

15.2 Minutes: North Kiama Community Forum - 8 August 2018

Responsible Director: Office of the General Manager

Attached for Councillor information are the minutes of the North Kiama Community Forum meeting held on 8 August 2018.

Communication/Community Engagement

Councillors and staff attend meetings when required.

Attachments

- 1 Minutes North Kiama Community Forum 08/08/18 [↓](#)

Item 15.2

Minutes of the North Kiama Community Forum Meeting

Held on Wednesday 8th August 2018 at North Kiama Neighbourhood Centre

From 7.30pm

Attendance; as per attendance book (10)

Apologies; Kathy Rice, Nat Allen

Guests; Andrew Sweeny, Group Captain covering this area from Rural Fire Service

Meeting opened, 7.30pm

Chair;

Mark Yutzuss was away so Sharon Parker welcomed everyone to the meeting of the North Kiama Community Forum (North Precinct) and Sharon Parker would be taking minutes

Welcome to country – Acknowledgment of the traditional owners of this land that we all meet on and we pay our respects to the past, present and future owners.

Mark stated that for the next few meeting speakers have been asked to attend and then in November 2018 an AGM will be held to fill positions on the board,

Positions would be,

President/chairperson

Vice president

Secretary/public officer

Treasurer

Talks coordinator

The meeting will follow the Kiama Municipal Council Precinct system operational guidelines of 6th July 2015

Guest Speaker – Andrew Sweeny, Group Captain covering this area from Rural Fire Service

1. Andrew gave an over view of his career of 28 years, with 18 years in the Illawarra area
2. Spoke about the local fire season outlook, and that the whole of NSW has been placed into Extreme danger rating already (start of September 2018). Our area hasn't seen good rain for 18months and same areas haven't seen fires since 1965/67 along the mountain escarpment so there is lots of fuel on the ground. This area also has very high winds and this also takes the fire many kilometres in front of the oncoming fire front and causes major problems for fire fighters to get under control.
3. Andrew went through why everyone should have a bush fire survival plan – **Prepare. Act. Survive.** Everyone can download this from www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/plan
4. Andrew took us all through the bush fire information sheets and spoke especially around

- Leaving Early or defending your property, places of last resort
 - Bush fire alerts, fire danger ratings, total fire bans and what these mean
 - Took us through some bush fire myths and how grass fires react
 - Bush fires for campers, caravaners, bushwalkers and safety for pets
5. Andrew then took questions
 6. Andrew was thanked by all present for the great and informative overview

Confirmation of Minutes;

Moved by all present

Business Arising;

Nil

Correspondence IN;

Nil

Council Papers;

Ordinary meeting of council Tuesday 18th September 2018.

– items of interest, these can be accessed on the Kiama municipal website-www.kiama.nsw.gov.au -
go into section, Your Council and Business Papers

Correspondence OUT;

Flyer for Kiama Downs Community Forum Meeting

General Business;

- setup Facebook page
- put into Bugle local paper
- put into Kiama Municipal Community Directory page

Meeting Closed; 8.45pm

Next meeting; Wednesday 3rd October 2018 from 7.30pm

**Gareth Ward State MP will speck about the Kiama Downs area and take
Question on the night**