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Submission to the Draft Management Plan 2010 - 2013

The following is what I wish identified to the Tweed Shire Council [TSC] in the next four years as part of the submission. These are:

Corporate values: If you have the General Manager [GM] as a director to the Repco Car Rally then the corporate values of; "Transparency, Customer Focus, Fairness, Reliability, Progressiveness, Value for Money and Collaboration" is not in the interest of, by and for the larger community views of the shire. The GM is to be fully focused on the running of the TSC and not be in a position whereby a 'conflict of interest' lies as a director for a car rally and the community of the shire. This must cease immediately or the TSC is in conflict with its purported; Vision, Mission and Corporate Values.

The TS Councillors need to consider a referendum at the next local council elections to allow a simple question being; *Do you want to choose at the time of the election a Lord and Deputy Mayor?* [Yes or No]. The idea of electing a sitting member by drawing out of a box is not democratic to the process of good governance. This needs to be given to the people of the shire, as a choice.

Priority rail/road projects to the future: Questions have to be raised as to why our council has not approached the state and federal governments to implement a 'Transport Strategic Plan' for the TSC in particular to elderly age and future trends in increased growth population? Our neighbouring state is preparing for a rail link from Brisbane to Coolangatta Airport [OOL] and at present there is no indication from N.S.W. that a rail service will join at OOL and continue down to the south. What a loss in generated tourism. Just think, if you had a light rail from OOL to Tweed Heads and onto Byron Bay the local and state economy would bolster from the returns in revenue at a very quick pace and if the rail service was to continue to Grafton, then the service would be available for a larger proportion of tourism rather than going direct to Brisbane via Casino where there is nothing there in-between. This is where TSC needs to be 'progressive' and employ its own TSC 'Mission'.

TSC has adamantly stated that South Tweed Shopping Centre [Tweed City] will be the hub of shopping for the greater shire community. Well it seems that the N.S.W. Road Traffic Authority [RTA] does not share the same viewpoint as our community or the TSC as it has now changed the plans of the Sexton Hill By-pass from the south for motorists wishing to exit towards Tweed City. The future growth rate from the south of Tweed City is a concern to the viability of choice to

shop at a densely industrial and shopping complex intersection being Minjumbul Drive and Industrial Drive. At present, it is coping, however in the next four years it will be a location that one will probably bypass South Tweed and continue driving to an easier access at Robina Shopping Centre. The major contributor to this intersection will be; poor road planning for the area and poor infrastructure [over or underpass] to the area of concern by road. Now if you had rail to the shopping complex from both directions, this would service the needs of all. At the other end of town, TSC is looking at vertical elevation for population growth, yet no systematic approach to public transport availability in your plans for the area of Tweed Heads especially for the elderly?

If you want growth for the TSC, you need to step up and create a viable transportation system that will cater for all sectors of the community, not just vehicle drivers. The baby boomers are on their way and they will demand a viable transport system for the future. It is now that you need to augment a plan for future transportation and the corresponding infrastructure to ensure good viable growth to align with your vision, mission and corporate values.

Priority stormwater projects to the future: Flooding is inevitable in many parts of the TSC and in particular to areas associated with the river and Broadwater. What is obvious in the past is that the rainfall on some occasions will exceed the diameter of the stormwater pipes to allow the passage of water from the homes, roads and open spaces to the outlet of the river or Broadwater. This needs to be addressed urgently, as all indicators seem to point to an increase in climate volatility and ocean water rise. What would be the sensible approach would be to harness 'all' rainwater from the property building rooftop to a dedicated pipeline and reservoir in local catchment areas for either filtration or for recycled water to toilets, gardens etc. This will reduce the need to increase the diameter of stormwater piping for future flooding and to reduce costs for the building of dams or saltwater desalination plant. The stormwater pipe would allow for runoff from open spaces to continue the food chain process necessary in the creeks, river and Broadwater. Remember that TSC has expressed an increase in population growth doubling in the next two decades and with increase in population comes more properties, more water runoff and nowhere to go if left unanswered to do nothing to the diameter of the pipeline at present. Insurance companies will not accept future risks that councils will not modify and implement upgraded infrastructure to meet with population demand. If this occurs, TSC will be liable for damage to property caused by flooding if proved to be due to poor infrastructure.

My Fingal Head as a resident: Fabulous that you have decided to make the Old Boat Harbour into an upgraded community picnic area as it is a perfect location for families and visitors alike that want a tranquil locality next to the river. As you're aware to the complexity of the Tweed area that we dramatically increase in population on the weekends and public/school holidays by as much as double or triple and at present the resources such as garbage waste management and toilet blocks do not seem to cope with the influx of the

population. We are in one of those locations where we have population diversity yet to cater for the extreme is what is paramount to the success of the community being able to give the visitor an experience that will make them return. These services need to cater for the extreme circumstances and not for the community needs alone. The future of our coastal community will depend upon the future planning by our council to meet the ever increasing 'transient' population needs. Thus, more garbage waste bins more toilets, more dedicated parking areas etc.

The reason why Fingal Head is such a popular tourist and local hotspot is we have a unique biodiversity of natural splendour in all aspects of fauna/flora and geomorphology. We are gifted with lakes, lagoons, inlet and a headland with an island and wonderful beaches either side of the headland. We are also very gifted that the only sign of population along the beachfront is in the distance to the south being Kingscliff and to the north the Sand Pumping Station except for a high rise building at Tweed Heads. People enjoy the splendour of our coastal community because of the 'natural' splendour of not being encroached by population. If TSC alters the skyline and includes major development of 25 storey buildings, this uniqueness will be lost and so will our tourist who will try and find 'that special spot'.

Unfortunately our beaches to the north of the headland are inundated with fallen trees due to constant sand erosion along the beachfront. This could be the doing of sand mining or climate change or illegal usage of 4WD cutting through the bushland and creating blowouts upon the fore dunes. Some form of barrier needs to be constructed to reduce the 4WD vehicles entering the TBLALC land and Letitia Road. This has been a great success to the south. Its either a barrier or the TSC needs to increase the resources for further employment of TSC Rangers to patrol more vigilantly and or request the state police to take a role in being pro-active to reduce 4WD and camping in the fore dunes upon Fingal Head Beach and Letitia Beach. The campers also add to the issue of lighting camp fires which brings about risk to the village of Fingal Head and the volunteers who devote their time in extinguishing the fire if it gets out of control. We have had one death last year from fire fighting in our locality and that is one too many to occur. TSC needs to step up to ensuring that 4WD and campers are not allowed to utilise the area and to increase higher fines to pay for the resources required by council to enact. Fingal Headland is used frequently by all walks of life and is slowly degrading with many foot tracks abound. It would be clever of TSC to permanently erect a dedicated foot track for the headland. Waste management is also a concern as many visitors leave there unwanted garbage upon the headland and in particular to the fishing community who dump their tackle and discarded bait/lunch etc. after a day out. Bins need to be in place for recycle and garbage waste. Either that, employ staff to clean up the locality as this will entice more people to enjoy the experience of our wonderful landmark.

A sign needs to be erected to advise dog walkers that the area of 'off-leash' is 500m to the south of the vehicle track from the quarry. At one time we use to have emergency beacon and off-leash signs on both sides of the headland, however due to storm surges/climate change, these have been washed away.

The signs need to be visible from the beach and appropriately located to ensure that future storm surges/climate change do not wash them away. Persons on the northern beaches of Fingal Headland have no regard to signage that the area to the south of the surf club is a 'no go' area for dogs and a leashed area for dogs to the north of the surf club. Again, greater vigilance needs to be enacted by TSC Rangers and or to implement greater fine amounts to ensure that persons obey the TSC by-laws. Some dogs are not controlled by the walker and at times could cause people who interact with the beach to feel frightened and intimidated. More vigilance is required by TSC to reduce this problem.

Fingal Road from the intersection of the roads to the quarry and Lagoon Road to Lighthouse Parade needs to be overhauled and re-aligned prior to the commencement of the proposed picnic area to the west. Overflow parking from the proposed picnic area will need to be aligned to ensure the safety of footpath and road users along Fingal Road and if necessary to incorporate the quarry area as overflow for parking to the proposed picnic area [as numbers explode as previously mentioned] TSC will need to consider a pedestrian crossing and also the parkland to the east of the proposed picnic area to include as an overflow picnic area with the facilities of the proposed picnic area.

Dedicated pedestrian steps need to be constructed for those that would like to ingress/egress the beach front dedicated vehicle parking bays and signage identifying the user that the area to visit the beach is at this locality on either roadside of Fingal Road and Letitia Road. Regrettably, along both roadways, no dedicated parking is available, nor any signage and pathway leading too/from the beach. This encouragement will reduce the damage of a mosaic of pathways and greater blow outs upon the dune area to the beach.

For your consideration.

Respectfully,

Roger Graf

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21 May 2010

From: Friends of Terranora
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22 May 2010

To: General Manager
Tweed Shire Council

Dear Sir,

Submission on Draft Budget 2010-2011.
Funding should be set aside for the following:

[1] Planning Reform –DCP/Sec. 94 Area E Terranora [developer funded]

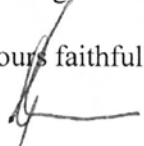
It is essential the remainder of Terranora outside of Area E be funded in tandem with Area E, as discussed with your planner Patria Dukes. TSC has already committed to [but not yet acted upon] a DCP/Masterplan for all of Terranora/Bungalora outside of Area E as a secondary priority to Area E [Refer TSC letter to us 4/9/03 by David Broyd –Ref: 125a06.doc]. A wholistic approach over all of Terranora is essential to counter ad hoc rezoning applications adjoining Area E. Our concerns are real- there are currently attempts to rezone rural land to urban along Terranora Rd north of Sunnycrest Drive. The role/s of all of Terranora in greater Tweed need to be resolved at the one time.

[2] Old chestnuts: [a] Concrete footpath along Terranora Rd from Mahers Lane to the public park in Azure Estate just east of McCauleys Rd. also a short section of footpath from east of the intersection of Terranora Rd and Sunnycrest Dr east to the row of Norfolk pines [Memorial Walk]. This creates a loop walk with stunning views enabling Terranora residents to walk to the Memorial Avenue of Pines/Azure residents to walk to Terranora retail precinct.

[b] Acquire Lookout site on Terranora Rd, north of [across road from] Sunnycrest Dr intersection and east of Nicholl's dam. The Shire's senior executive are familiar with the location- we have been seeking this superb site for years. Funding should have been provided by now for valuations.

[3] More frequent roadside mowing/ roadside litter collection Shire wide- the image of untidiness does nothing for local tourism. Graffiti cleanup on Shire property also needs renewal of funding.

Yours faithfully,


Greg Burgis
President

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General Manager
Tweed Shire Council
By Hand

21st may, 2010

Dear Mike,

Draft Management Plan and Budget 2010-2011

Over many years Council has supported surf life saving activities in the Shire, no doubt in recognition of the contribution made by surf life saving towards the social, economic and cultural life as well as the safety of the bathing public of the Tweed community. Fingal Rovers Surf Life Saving Club is most appreciative of this support, which is now particularly important to the endeavors of the Club to improve its Club house. To that end the Club requests that consideration be given to support us in the draft management Plan and Budget 2010-11 towards an up-grade of the clubhouse at Fingal Head.

Although the Club has a limited membership base, it is a very active club. The low membership base is, in part, considered to be due to the difficulty of attracting members to a run-down clubhouse compared to all other surf clubs in the Tweed Shire as well as SE Queensland. It has been identified Australia-wide that an upgraded Surf clubhouse enables a club to attract and retain more members.

The Clubhouse is the focus of the Club. It provides accommodation for equipment storage and maintenance; training; toilet and change facilities; overnight accommodation; and a first aid and dedicated local community meeting room. The internal condition of the clubhouse is deteriorating and the exterior of the building requires major repairs but club funds have been limited for the maintenance of the building. In addition it no longer provides the necessary layout, and accommodation for a contemporary surf life saving club. Moreover, whilst there is sufficient accommodation for some of the activities of the Club they are not in the right location within the building.

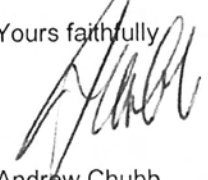
Past Council strategies have highlighted the plight of the club

- The TSC Surf Strategy 2020 acknowledges:
"Accommodation is a key requirement for success, with a primary concern being the availability of sufficient space to house all required equipment to provide the highest level of service." (Section 3.3).
- Tweed Shire Coastline Management Plan identifies the condition of the clubhouse in the following terms,
"Fingal Rovers clubhouse is dilapidated and aesthetically displeasing" It is currently the subject of planning for a new structure which will need to be located landward of the 50 year hazard zone." (para 3.13).

In short the clubhouse is in serious need of a makeover. The Club has made the first step towards achieving this with the grant of development approval by Council in December 2009 for alterations and additions to the clubhouse. The Club is now actively seeking funds to implement this approval. We acknowledge that Council has already made a significant contribution to the club with \$100,000 provided from S94 funds. This will only go a small way towards the anticipated costs of the development.

Having completed the Engineers drawings, we are currently having builders price the renovations and would appreciate not only your consideration for the budget this year as requested above, but also hope for as meeting with yourself and others when we have a price, so that we can make plans for the future to bring this to completion..

Yours faithfully


Andrew Chubb
President



Kingscliff Swimming Club Inc.

(Incorporated under the Association Incorporation Act, 1984) (Rule 3.03)

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21 May 2010.

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PARKING ZONES .
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Dear Sir,

2010/2011 Draft Budget Submission

The Kingscliff Swimming Club which has around 100 members has lodged a development application with Council for approval to construct a new clubhouse at the Kingscliff Swim Centre and I have been advised that the application will be determined in the near future.

The Club is seeking Council financial assistance towards the preparation of formal building plans to enable the lodgment of construction certificate, as it does not have the available funds.

The Club has estimated the total cost of the project at \$ 50,000, however until the formal building plans are prepared the final cost is unknown.

The Club is already sourcing grant funding for the project from a number of avenues for the project, as well, local suppliers and contractors have offered to assist the Club through provision of building materials and labour.

The Club could possibly be seeking other financial assistance from Council, such as a donation for any likely Section 64 contribution fees and other building fees and charges. A request for a donation of these fees and charges will be made after the total project cost has been established and taking into consideration any successful grants and in-kind donations.

The project was identified in the recently adopted Tweed Shire Council Strategic Business Model for Aquatic Facilities.

The project has a dual purpose:

- Providing a facility for the members to securely store swimming and training equipment, as well as having an appropriate area to consume principally breakfast after training. The facility will also be used to store club records.

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Cudgen Road, Kingscliff.
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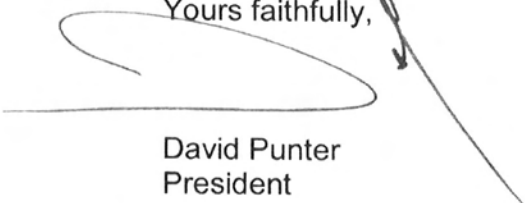
- Enabling Council to undertake a program of works to enhance the Swim Centre, as areas for enhancement are currently used by Swimming Club members.

The Club is concerned with the limited number of parking spaces at the Swim Centre. On Club nights, which are held on a Tuesday evening from October through to March, vehicles are not parked in accordance with relevant rules. Furthermore, the Club usually conducts at the Swim Centre two major activities, which greatly increases the parking problem, resulting in complaints from neighbours.

The Committee is suggesting that Council investigates constructing angular parking in front of the Swim Centre in Cudgen Road.

Should you require any further information, please contact myself on the above mentioned telephone number

Yours faithfully,



David Punter
President

TITLE: [CNR-EMT] Minutes of the Tweed River Art Gallery Advisory Committee Meeting held Wednesday 19 May 2010

FILE REFERENCE: Minutes; Art Gallery Advisory Committee

SUBMITTED BY:

Director Community and Natural Resources

RESPONSIBLE OFFICER: Anne Schardin

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the Executive Management Team notes the minutes of the Tweed River Art Gallery Advisory Committee held Wednesday 19 May 2010 and the following be included in the minutes to be endorsed by Council:-

Executive Management Team Comments:

GB1 Audience Development Officer

Nil.

Executive Management Team Recommendations:

GB1 Audience Development Officer

As per the Committee's recommendation being, that the Committee strongly recommends the appointment of a part time Audience Development Officer and that Council reconsider the matter on the grounds of:

- Increased participation and broad access to the arts through:
 - expanding the role of the arts in lifelong learning for children and adults
 - respond to changing modes and methods of arts delivery and participation
- The provision of an Education Officer at Tweed River Art Gallery would significantly enhance the Gallery's opportunities to meet the important criteria regarding education and lifelong learning as outlined in the NSW Government State Plan and the Arts NSW Strategic Plan 2007-2010; and alleviate staff shortages.
- Addressing these criteria will therefore increase the Gallery's chances of being granted more significant funding for the professional delivery of programs, and also enable the Gallery to be eligible to apply to the ConnectED Arts program. ConnectED Arts is a funding stream offered by Arts NSW which specifically links the arts and education through directed, programmed and targeted educational activities.

recently constructed shops to cater for a small commercial vehicle only.

2. The existing 'evenings only' loading zone be shortened to accommodate the daytime loading zone in (1) above.
3. "No Parking" signage be installed in the vehicle turnaround area in the unnamed lane off Coronation Avenue, Pottsville.

A2 (LTC) Prospero Street, South Murwillumbah

1. The existing Mail Zone located in Prospero Street, South Murwillumbah be amended by including the following hours of operation:-

"2.30pm - 4.30pm Monday - Friday"
2. The mail zone also be marked as 15 minute time limited parking 9.00am to 2.30pm Monday to Friday.

The Motion was **Carried**

FOR VOTE - Unanimous

50 [SUB-AAC] Minutes of the Tweed Shire Council Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 9 April 2010

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**Cr D Holdom
Cr P Youngblutt**

RESOLVED that the:-

1. Minutes of the Tweed Shire Council Aboriginal Advisory Committee Meeting held Friday 9 April 2010 be received and noted; and
2. Executive Management Team's recommendations be adopted as follows

AI2 4 Lot Industrial Subdivision – DA09/0006 Ozone St Chinderah

Council has determined DA09/006 and, while noting the Committee's concerns, it would be inappropriate to take any further action outside of the planning process.

AI4 Peter Boyd – CMA Heritage Studies

As per the Committee's recommendation, being that, that Council gives consideration to the inclusion of a Shire-wide Cultural Heritage study in its 2010/11 budget deliberations.

TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL : 2010/2013 DRAFT MANAGEMENT PLAN
SUBMISSION BY FRIENDS OF THE TWEED RIVER ART GALLERY

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The proposed Budget for Arts and Culture [C008] over the next three years is developed from the first of five Strategic Themes in the Draft Management Plan namely Supporting Community Life.

It is clear from the Key Performance Indicators that the Regional Art Gallery is the jewel in Council's community and cultural resources. An annual target of 50000 visitors with 15 exhibitions, 15 workshops, 22 public programs or events and 1500 school student visitors is indicated. These targets are currently being met and frequently exceeded and compare most favourably with similar regional galleries. It is most important that the Gallery continues to provide excellence to both the Tweed and wider community and further develops its cultural status and significance.

The creative industries fostered by the Regional Art Gallery are vital not just to community well being and cohesiveness but also in fostering regional economic and tourist growth. "Creative hubs" are a worldwide phenomenon which develop around human networks focussed on design, photography, painting, music, film, performance, digital arts and other "weightless economies". The Regional Art Gallery is at the centre of this process in the Tweed Shire and beyond. These industries must be nurtured and publicised for the Tweed Shire to tap into this growth.

Despite the significance of the current and on-going future role of the Regional Art Gallery Council's Draft Budget for the next three years shows an increase of only about 5% for Arts and Culture. This barely equates with CPI increases for wages much less on-going increases in insurance and electricity.

We request Council reconsider the funds to Arts and Culture in both the areas of staffing and programs to particularly enable the Regional Art gallery to further its education and marketing needs.

The Friends will continue to play their role in working with the staff as volunteers at the Gallery and to publicise, develop and fund an on-going range of activities and programs. BUT THIS IS NOT ENOUGH ! We are particularly concerned about the lack of any real increase in funding proposed over the next three years. We are also concerned that Council under-estimates the current and on-going significance of the Regional Art Gallery to the economic and cultural development of the region.

Regards,



Jo Nugent
President
Friends of the Tweed River Art Gallery

26 May 2010