



TWEED
SHIRE COUNCIL

Mayor: Cr G Bagnall

Councillors: P Youngblutt (Deputy Mayor)
M Armstrong
C Byrne
B Longland
K Milne
W Polglase

Agenda

Ordinary Council Meeting Thursday 7 May 2015

held at Murwillumbah Cultural and Civic Centre
commencing at 5.00pm

COUNCIL'S CHARTER

Tweed Shire Council's charter comprises a set of principles that are to guide Council in the carrying out of its functions, in accordance with Section 8 of the Local Government Act, 1993.

Tweed Shire Council has the following charter:

- to provide directly or on behalf of other levels of government, after due consultation, adequate, equitable and appropriate services and facilities for the community and to ensure that those services and facilities are managed efficiently and effectively;
- to exercise community leadership;
- to exercise its functions in a manner that is consistent with and actively promotes the principles of multiculturalism;
- to promote and to provide and plan for the needs of children;
- to properly manage, develop, protect, restore, enhance and conserve the environment of the area for which it is responsible, in a manner that is consistent with and promotes the principles of ecologically sustainable development;
- to have regard to the long term and cumulative effects of its decisions;
- to bear in mind that it is the custodian and trustee of public assets and to effectively account for and manage the assets for which it is responsible;
- to facilitate the involvement of councillors, members of the public, users of facilities and services and council staff in the development, improvement and co-ordination of local government;
- to raise funds for local purposes by the fair imposition of rates, charges and fees, by income earned from investments and, when appropriate, by borrowings and grants;
- to keep the local community and the State government (and through it, the wider community) informed about its activities;
- to ensure that, in the exercise of its regulatory functions, it acts consistently and without bias, particularly where an activity of the council is affected;
- to be a responsible employer.

Items for Consideration of Council:

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CONFIRMATION OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MINUTES

- 1 [CONMIN] Adoption of the Recommendations of the Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 7 May 2015

SUBMITTED BY: Corporate Governance



Civic Leadership

LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 1 Civic Leadership
1.2 Improve decision making by engaging stakeholders and taking into account community input
1.2.2 Decisions made relating to the allocation of priorities will be in the long-term interests of the community
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SUMMARY OF REPORT:

The recommendations of the Ordinary Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 7 May 2015 require their adoption by Council for the resolutions to be acted upon.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the recommendations of the Ordinary Planning Committee Meeting held Thursday 7 May 2015 be adopted.

REPORT:

As per Summary.

COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:

a. Policy:

Code of Meeting Practice Version 2.5.

b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:

Not applicable.

c. Legal:

Not Applicable.

d. Communication/Engagement:

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UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:

*To view any "**non confidential**" attachments listed below, access the meetings link on Council's website www.tweed.nsw.gov.au or visit Council's offices at Tweed Heads or Murwillumbah (from Friday the week before the meeting) or Council's libraries (from Monday the week of the meeting).*

Nil.

REPORTS THROUGH THE GENERAL MANAGER

REPORTS FROM THE DIRECTOR ENGINEERING

- 2 [E-CM] The City Slider Event on Boundary Street, Tweed Heads - Response to Council requests for information from Meeting held 16 April 2015

SUBMITTED BY: Director

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Supporting Community Life



Strengthening the Economy

LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 2 Supporting Community Life
- 2.1 Foster strong, cohesive, cooperative, healthy and safe communities
- 3 Strengthening the Economy
- 3.1 Expand employment, tourism and education opportunities

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

Council resolved at its meeting held 16 April 2015 that:

"Council determines if it supports the application to hold the event subject to the conditions provided by the Local Traffic Committee which met on 16 April 2015."

The applicants of the City Slider Event have provided additional details on the emergency procedures to apply if an evacuation of residents would be required. This information has been provided to the members of the Local Traffic Committee, who in turn provide it to Council:

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This report has been brought back to Council for its approval or otherwise to temporarily close Boundary Street, Tweed Heads to facilitate The City Slider Event on 16 May 2015.

Including set up and pack up of the event, Boundary Street Tweed Heads would be temporarily closed from 10.00pm Friday 15 May to 4.00am Sunday 17 May 2015.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council approves the temporary closure of Boundary Street, Tweed Heads for The City Slider event from 10.00pm Friday 15 May to 4.00am Sunday 17 May 2015 including the following conditions:

- 1. NSW Police approval being obtained**
- 2. Conformance with a Traffic Management Plan and associated Traffic Control Plans installed and controlled by approved persons**
- 3. Community and affected business consultation and any raised concern addressed**
- 4. The event organiser notifies Tweed residents of the impact of their event by advertising in the Tweed Link at their expense a minimum of one week prior to the operational impacts taking effect. The advertising must include the event name, specifics of any traffic impacts or road closures and times, alternative route arrangements, event organiser, a personal contact name and a telephone number for all event related enquiries or complaints**
- 5. Consultation with bus and taxi operators and arrangements made for provision of services during conduct of the event**
- 6. Adequate public liability insurance being held by the event organiser**
- 7. All signage erected for the event to not cause a hazard for motorists or pedestrians and be removed immediately following the completion of the event**
- 8. Consultation with emergency services particularly Tweed Heads Police, Fire Brigade and Ambulance**
- 9. Arrangements made for private property access and egress affected by the event**
- 10. Variable Message Sign installed on Boundary Street at least one week prior to the event advising residents of the proposed event and including an event contact in the message.**

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Members of the Local Traffic Committee who were provided with the subsequent emergency management information from the applicant were not unanimous in their support of the event and in particular, Mr Rod Bates, representing the Member for Tweed, Mr Geoff Provest voiced his concern with the disruption caused by the temporary road closure. Other members indicated their support on the basis that NSW Police supports the closure.

While advice has not been received from the NSW Police representative on the Local Traffic Committee, who is currently on leave, verbal advice from another representative from NSW Police is that Council does not require Police approval to temporarily close a road for an event such as The City Slider.

Below is further advice received from the applicant detailing the Emergency Access Plan.



EMERGENCY ACCESS PLAN BOUNDARY STREET, TWEED HEADS

Access for emergency services at The City Slider event on Boundary Street, Tweed Heads will be maintained at all times.

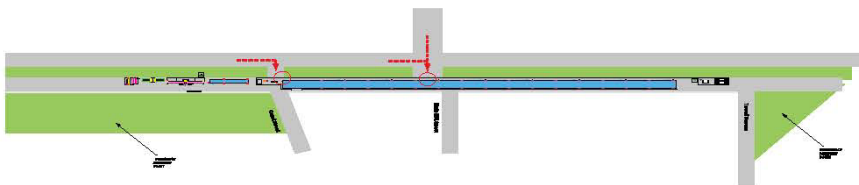
Due to the congested road conditions around the event, we have made the following arrangements:

- Road access at the top and bottom of the slide will have a 3m lane kept clear for emergency access only.
- Side street access will have crowd control barriers placed across each street to guide pedestrian movements, however these barriers are not bolted together and can easily be cleared in the event emergency access is required.
- Public Address system located along the slide will be used to make announcements to clear all participants and the general public towards meeting points away from the emergency area.
- Designation of our site manager on the day Matt Elmer as the contact point for all emergency situations. Matt will have staff trained and assigned to the following:
 - o Removal of crowd barriers at emergency access points
 - o Slide deflation and clearing at emergency access points
- All remaining slide equipment along the length of the slide (cables and hoses) are soft and flexible and do not pose any barriers to access.

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Should the clearing of the slide from the roadway be required, our team will be ready to remove any section or sections from the affected area within minutes. The material is simply pulled back and placed out of the way.

We would like to emphasise that the safety of our participants, the general public and the residential units along Boundary Street is of utmost importance and we will not do anything to jeopardise their safety.



OPTIONS:

That Council:

1. Supports the application to hold The City Slider event on 16 May 2015.
2. Does not support the application to hold The City Slider event on 16 May 2015.

CONCLUSION:

As the applicant has provided a satisfactory response to the concerns regarding emergency evacuation the officers recommend that Council approve the temporary road closure of Boundary Street, Tweed Heads.

COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:

a. Policy:

Corporate Policy Not Applicable.

b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:

Fees for road closure and water use/disposal as per the Fees and Charges Schedule.

c. Legal:

Not Applicable.

d. Communication/Engagement:

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UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:

Attachment 1. Feedback from LTC members following further information from applicant (ECM 3657201).

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