



**Planning and Strategy
Committee of the Whole**

SUPPLEMENTARY

AGENDA

13 May 2020

Commencing at 5.30pm

**Council Chambers
253 Crawford St, Queanbeyan**

On-site Inspections - Nil

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

7.3 COVID-19 - Response and Recovery (Addendum)3

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS –

(Copies available from General Manager's Office on request)

Open Attachments

Item 7.3 COVID-19 - Response and Recovery (Addendum)

Attachment 1 COVID Roadmap (Under Separate Cover)

Attachment 2 ACT v NSW Restrictions (Under Separate Cover)

Attachment 3 Principles - Relaxation of Recreational Restrictions (Under Separate Cover)

Closed Attachments

Nil

7.3 COVID-19 - Response and Recovery (Addendum) (Ref: ; Author:
Tegart/Tegart)

File Reference: 45.4.1-02

Report

Following the report published on 6 May 2020, the National Cabinet and NSW Government have announced new measures to ease COVID-19 restrictions. This is an addendum report.

Testing

NSW Health have advised of efforts to increase the availability of testing across our region and have established a number of temporary/pop up COVID-19 Testing Clinics. <https://www.snswhd.health.nsw.gov.au/our-services/infectious-disease/covid-19>

The established clinics in Bega, Cooma, Queanbeyan, Moruya and Goulburn will continue to run 7 days per week.

Easing Restrictions

Further to the initial report, the QPRC Crisis Management Team met on 8 May and determined in relation to QPRC facilities and services, the following is proposed to reopen, resume or remain restricted – subject to NSW Government guidance. The CMT will consider resumption plans for those facilities and services on 15 May proposed to be phased to commence from end of May and end of June. The following attachments refer.

- Infographic of the Commonwealth Roadmap and the NSW stepped program to ease restrictions.
- Table comparing ACT v NSW cross border restrictions
- National Principles for the resumption of Sport and Recreation activities

Facilities

The following facilities are proposed to reopen by end June (subject to NSW Government guidance, and CMT consideration of relevant COVID-Safe plans):

- Libraries
- Customer centres
- Aquatic centre (QBN)
- Saleyards (BWD)
- Skateparks
- Dog parks
- Outdoor gyms
- Outdoor playgrounds
- Bushfire recovery centre (BWD)

Recreation reserves, parks and sporting fields remain open for private recreation and fitness of singles, couples and small groups (<10 in non-contact activity) in accord with the NSW Government guidance.

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(Continued)**

While many QPRC sporting fields are normally utilised for training and playing local competitions between the ACT and the local government area, any decisions about resumption of sport and recreation activities must take place with reference to the attached National Principles following close consultation with Federal, NSW/ACT and/or Southern Health Authorities.

If sporting organisations are seeking specific exemptions in order to recommence activity, particularly with regard to competitions, they are required to engage with, and where necessary seek approvals from, the respective NSW/ACT and/or Southern Health Authorities regarding additional measures to reduce the risk of COVID-19 spread.

Tourism related facilities (VIC, museums) and indoor places of gathering remain closed until travel restrictions are lifted by Government, and enhanced risk mitigation measures are in place. Opening of the libraries will also be guided by State Library.

COVID Safe plans for Council facilities are to include:

- Distancing > 1.5m
- Gathering < 10 people
- Space > 4m²/person
- Sanitisers
- Wipe down high touch areas
- Cashless payments

Services

Other than vulnerable staff, it is expected others will progressively return to office-based work. By agreement, some may continue with flexible work arrangements enabling work from home; a mix of days of week in office or home; and staggered hours (start/finish and breaks) to maintain the COVID-Safe workplace.

All other essential public services continue to be delivered:

- Roads, transport and buildings
- Water, sewer and waste
- Parks, reserves, weed controls
- Development and public health
- Cemeteries

Recommendation

That the report be received for information.

Attachments

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