

# MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2020

# 1. Opening

The Public Forum commenced at 5.32pm.

## 2. Presentations relating to listed Items on the Council Agenda

The following written submissions were received:

	Name	Name Item Item description		For/
				Against
1	Ms Adele Julie Prater	11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For
2	Mr Peter Oslear	8.5	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	Against
3	Ms Margaret Roser	8.5	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	Against
4	Ms Jessica Gourlay	11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For
5	Mr Phillip Harvey	11.2	Bungendore High School Proposal	Against
6	Ms Sherridan Marsh	11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For
7	Ms Debra Parish	8.5	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	Against
8	Mr Simon Titmuss	11.2	Bungendore High School Proposal	For
9	Mr Toby Tames	8.5	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	Against
10	Mr William Marsh	11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For
11	Ms Cathy Preston	11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For
12	Mr Malcolm Leslie	8.1	DA.2020.1089 - Temporary Use of Rockley Oval for Event - 15 Rockley Parade, Googong	Against

The following presenters were heard via Zoom:

	Name	ltem no	Item description	For/ Against
1	Mr Phil Pridham	8.5	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	Against
2	Ms Jane Underwood	8.4	DA.2020.1236 - 22 Woodger Parade, Karabar - Construction of Dwelling House	Against
3 Mr Innes Fenton 11.1 Bung		11.1	Bungendore Carpark	For

4	Mr Peter Evans	Queanbeyan-Palerang Draft Comprehensive Local Environmental Plan 2020	For & Against
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## 3. Petitions

The following petition was tabled:

Received from	Petition title	Number of signatures	Action
Mr Simon Titmuss	Bungendore High School Proposal	168	The petition has been made available to Councillors and will be forwarded to responsible staff for action.

## 4. 'Questions on Notice' from the Public

Responses to the following 'Questions on Notice' received up to 2 September 2020 were provided and tabled at the meeting (see attached for responses):

Numbers	Received from	In relation to:		
1 to 10	Mr Mark Lintermans	Proposed Bungendore High School and the Sports Hub.		

## 5. Presentations by Invitation from the CEO/General Manager

There were no presentations.

#### 6. Closure

As there were no further matters, the Public Forum closed at 5.54pm.



# ATTACHMENT TO MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC FORUM HELD ON 9 September 2020

#### 4 'Questions on Notice' from the Public

Responses to the following 'Questions on Notice' received up to *Wednesday 2 September 2020* were provided and tabled at the meeting

## **Questions submitted by: Mark Lintermans**

1. On what date did the council first become aware of the proposal to site the proposed High school in the community recreation area bounded by Majara and Gibraltar Streets and Turallo Terrace?

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

NSW Department of Education discussed preliminary proposals with staff in mid-June 2020, and presented concepts for a high school in the Majara/Gibraltar precinct to a councillor briefing on 25 June. Further workshops were held with councillors on 1 July and 5 August. Council considered a report in closed session at its meeting on 8 July 2020 prior to the announcement by the Deputy Premier on 14 August. All discussions between Council and the Department of Education were commercial in confidence.

2. What alternative sites for a high school were investigated and why were they ruled out or considered of lower priority?

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

Council was not involved in the investigation of other sites, therefore this question has been forwarded to the Department of Education for response.

3. What is the justification for inserting a high school on historic green space in a residential area without public consultation (except for some sports clubs that use the facilities for relatively few hours per week)?

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

The proposal for a high school on the Mick Sherd/Gibraltar St precinct was developed by the Department of Education. This question has been forwarded to the Department of Education for response.

4. What are the future arrangements to allow the High Schools footprint to grow in future years without robbing the community of further green space

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

This question has been forwarded to the Department of Education for response.

5. Why are residents on the streets immediately adjacent to the proposed site not considered 'key stakeholders' and consequently were not consulted at all before the announcement?

**Response – CEO's Office** 

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6. Will the QPRC commit to traffic calming measures (lowered speed zone, speed humps, diversions of North Elmslea traffic onto Ashby Drive/Tarago Rd) on McCusker Drive/Turallo Terrace to deal with the increased volumes of traffic associated with the high school (student drop offs, closure of Majara St diverting southbound traffic along Turallo terrace; future increased volumes from North Elmslea)?

#### Response – CEO's Office

Should the proposal proceed, matters such as traffic impact will be considered during the development application phase. Council is unlikely to be the determining authority for this application which is likely to be approved at a State Government level. Council intends to work with the Department and to comment on traffic matters but ultimately the decision about traffic mitigation measures will be a matter for the determining authority. Any traffic calming measures required as part of the development would be the responsibility of the proponent (Department of Education).

# 7. Does the QPRC own the land on which the proposed Sports Hub is to be built (and which the swimming pool is to be relocated to)

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

Council has compulsorily acquired the land for the sports hub and is awaiting sign off by the NSW Governor and gazettal before gaining access to the site.

# 8. Does the council have full secure funding for the sports hub and swimming pool prior to the demolition of the existing pool?

#### Response – CEO's Office

Council has secured \$2.45 million in funding for the site acquisition and construction of the playing fields and courts at the Bungendore Sports hub, with use for competition from 2021. While included in the concept plan, development of a new Bungendore Pool is not included in stage 1. However should the high school proposal proceed Council will bring this project forward for construction in 2022. The NSW Government will share the cost of construction of a new eight-lane 25m covered and heated pool at the Hub. As reported, Council has signalled borrowing \$5 million (or grants if they become available) for the pool. Should the high school proposal proceed, Council will update its Long Term Financial Plan accordingly.

# 9. What compensation is QPRC proposing for residents directly impacted by the proposal (loss of amenity; traffic, noise (demolition and construction; ongoing), reduced housing values)?

#### **Response – CEO's Office**

There would be no compensation from Council. Council is not the proponent of the school and as such is not responsible for the impacts created by the development. If the proposal proceeds, the impact on neighbouring properties will be assessed during the development application phase and will be assessed by the State Government. However, compensation is not normally an outcome of any development consent.

# 10. Will the QPRC commit to not formally endorsing the Education precinct proposal until the results of the NSW Government consultation have been finalised and distributed to residents and other key stakeholders?

#### Response – CEO's Office

Council has provided in principle support for the proposal, and awaits the outcome of the Department of Education's consultation process and further workshop with the Department, before considering the proposal further.