
Dear Mr May,

The matter of the Bowral East Masterplan is on the agenda for tomorrow's Ordinary Meeting of Council and we ask that due consideration be given to the attached letter.

Sincerely

Richard Krohn

Chair

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I'm sending you this email because it's a good time for me. I do not expect a response or action if outside your regular working hours.

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Mr Viv May
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Dear Mr May,

Re: Bowral South Masterplan Brief

I am writing on behalf of the WinZero Board regarding the agenda item on the Bowral South Master Plan brief. We are deeply concerned about the lack of attention given to the provision of a town centre with local services in the plan. With a projected population of 1500 homes a traditional town centre would be viable in this location. I

In this Shire it is imperative to move away from conventional subdivision with its typical lack of consideration for the social and economic wellbeing of future residents and deliver growth that will compliment the well established character of the Southern Highlands .

Moreover, the absence of references to walkability and genuine sustainability is alarming. The foundation of genuine sustainability is achieved through access to local goods and services. It is imperative to have the majority of people within walking distance, ideally 400-500 meters, from the centre. The provision of local services in the town centre enables an increased density in and near the centre and would significantly reduce the number of trips to Bowral town centre which is already choked with traffic.

We believe that the project control group should include two skilled citizens who are motivated in social, economic, and environmental sustainability. Without this there will be little achieved with public engagement. Innovation cannot be expected solely from Council staff and landowners.

It is a crucial moment for the Shire with such a landmark site to consider these opportunities, and a more refined analysis of road layouts and parks will not deliver the desired walkable neighbourhoods or town centres.



Furthermore, we believe that the brief should be revised to include the option of a town centre in the design. It is a major deficiency that no consideration has been given to this option. A town centre in this location would also advantage existing residents in East Bowral.

In conclusion, we request the Council to consider the importance of a town centre in the Bowral South Master Plan and arrange a meeting with WinZero representatives with yourself, the General Manager and the Strategic Planner to discuss this pressing and urgent matter. We are clear in our understanding that residents do not want more car dependent sprawl in our new greenfield development as outlined in the attached survey we conducted recently.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Richard Krohn
Chair

[On behalf of the WinZero Board]

Attachment: WinZero Survey on Alternatives to Urban Sprawl

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Sustainable Development in the Southern Highlands (copy 1)

All Responses

Question 1: How satisfied are you with the current state of urban development in your area? > Question 2: What are your main concerns about recent development? What are

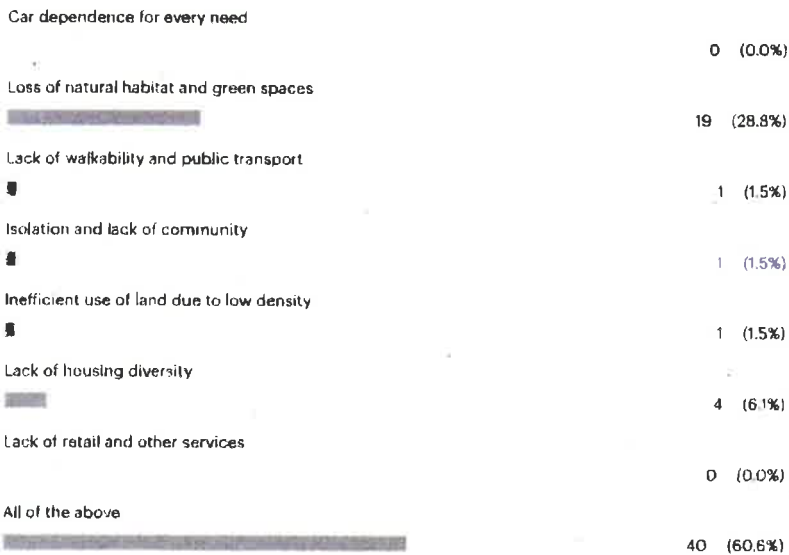
Question 1 has 67 answers (Radio Buttons)

“How satisfied are you with the current state of urban development in your area?”



Question 2 has 66 answers (Radio Buttons)

“What are your main concerns about recent development?”



Feedback

Question 3 has 50 answers (Radio Buttons)

“In your opinion, what are the most important factors to consider when designing sustainable towns for the future?”

Walkability and access to public transportation	2	(3.0%)
Affordable housing and mixed-income communities	1	(1.5%)
Preservation of natural habitats and green spaces	21	(31.8%)
Short walk to amenities and services	1	(1.5%)
Efficient use of available land area through higher density	2	(3.0%)
All of the above	39	(59.1%)

Question 4 has 67 answers (Radio Buttons)

“How familiar are you with the concept of Compact New Towns?”

Very familiar	9	(13.4%)
Somewhat familiar	29	(43.3%)
Neutral	6	(9.0%)
Not familiar	16	(23.9%)
Never heard of it	7	(10.4%)

Question 5 has 67 answers (Radio Buttons)

“How important is it for you to have social interaction in your community?”

Very important	39	(58.2%)
Somewhat important	18	(26.9%)
Neutral	6	(9.0%)
Somewhat unimportant	4	(6.0%)
Not important at all	0	(0.0%)

Question 6 has 67 answers (Radio Buttons)

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“How important is it for you to have access to walkable and bikeable streets in your community?”



Question 7 has 67 answers (Radio Buttons)

“How likely are you to volunteer to be part of a WinZero working group on urban planning.”

