

**REPLIES TO GENERAL BUSINESS QUESTIONS
COUNCIL MEETING WEDNESDAY,
28 FEBRUARY 2018**



1. NEIGHBOUR NOTIFICATION

17/1822, 5804/6

Clr G McLaughlin asked about neighbour notification, and particularly in relation to the OLSH development in Bowral. He asked if the exhibition period could be extended for a further three weeks.

REPLY FROM GROUP MANAGER PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES

In accordance with Council's Community Engagement and Neighbour Notification Policy the proposal was publically exhibited during the period 24 January 2018 until 23 February 2018. The notification period was extended by one week between 23 February 2018 and 2 March 2018 in order to accommodate a correction to the notification plans provided. Whilst a formal extension to the notification period is not supported on this occasion, Council will accept and consider any submissions that it receives from members of the community in relation to the proposal up until the time in which the assessment is finalised and a report is prepared for the consideration by the Joint Regional Planning Panel (Southern Region).

2. REAL ESTATE SIGNS

5613

Clr G M Turland referred to two real estate agents signs, one in Mittagong for Smyth Real Estate and one in Bowral for One Agency, and asked if these signs complied with Council's Sign Code.

REPLY FROM GROUP MANAGER PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATORY SERVICES

Council Staff are currently investigating the compliance of the signs in question and will provide further information once the investigation is completed.

3. SITE INSPECTION – 14 DUKE STREET, BOWRAL

PN456400

Clr G M Turland asked for a site inspection of 14 Duke Street, Bowral, at the earliest possible time.

REPLY FROM GENERAL MANAGER'S PA

An inspection has been arranged for Wednesday, 14 March 2018.

4. WHITES CREEK MOSS VALE

5457/5

Clr T D Gair referred to his question asked at the last Meeting about an inspection of Whites Creek from the Central Hotel down to St Paul's College. He advised that he was speaking with a ratepayer today who advised him that he had circulated a letter to all Councillors in relation to Whites Creek. Clr Gair advised that he had not yet seen this letter. He asked if a site inspection can be undertaken from the Central Hotel to the Moss Vale Sewerage Works because of the concerns with overgrowth and blockages in the creek.

REPLY FROM GENERAL MANAGER'S PA

An inspection has been arranged for Wednesday, 14 March 2018.

5. NSW CABINET MEETING

203/6, 1415

Clr L A C Whipper advised that he heard that there was a NSW Cabinet Meeting being held this week and asked if Council had received notification or an invitation to that Cabinet Meeting.

The General Manager advised that she and the Mayor had been invited to attend a meeting tomorrow at Goulburn and they will be attending.

Clr L A C Whipper advised that this could be an ideal opportunity for Council to ask questions of the Minister for Planning on Council's enquiries in relation to Chelsea Gardens/Coomungie have been ignored. Clr Whipper asked for some further information on the Cabinet Meeting.

The General Manager advised she does not have any further details about the Meeting, only that she and the Mayor had been invited.

RESPONSE PROVIDED AT THE MEETING

6. FOLLOW UP ON QUESTIONS ASKED AT THE DECEMBER MEETING

105/1, 101/15

Clr I M Scandrett advised that in relation to a question asked by Clr Turland at the December Meeting about whether he had Bruce Robertson handing out [electoral material] for him at the Exeter booth at the 2016 [Council] election, he indicated at the time that he did not believe so. Clr Scandrett advised that he had checked with his electoral staff and Mr Robertson did hand out [electoral material] for a short period that morning.

7. PUBLIC MEETING BY THE MINISTER FOR ROADS

600/8, 203/6, 7457

Clr T D Gair advised that the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight [the Hon Melinda Pavey, MP] is attending a meeting at the Scottish Arms on Sunday, and that it is going to cost anyone who attends \$50. He advised that this is an opportune time for Council to send a representative from the staff and for a Councillor to represent Council to put our position forward in relation to further funding for Stages 1 and 2 (if required) of the Bowral Bypass and the Moss Vale Overpass or detour. He asked if the \$100 could be paid by Council for these attendances.

Clr G M Turland advised that he would be attending and that he had paid the \$50 but he did not wish this to be refunded. He advised that he would like to take some information to pass onto the Minister for Roads, Maritime and Freight.

The Mayor Clr K J Halstead advised that this will be taken on notice. He advised that he will be making direct representations to Melinda Pavey.

Clr I M Scandrett asked if it is appropriate for a Councillor to attend a paid political function to make a lobbying point when the Cabinet is meeting tomorrow morning. He advised that he is uncomfortable with Council going to a paid political function to do official lobbying and that it is more appropriate to send a delegation up to Minister Pavey or to see her tomorrow.

The Mayor advised that he is not too sure what opportunity will arise tomorrow to address any issues with the Cabinet Ministers.
