

LATE ITEMS HEALTH & COMPLIANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

AGENDA

4 MARCH 2014

Your attendance is required at a meeting of the Health & Compliance Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton on 4 March 2014 commencing at 12:30pm for transaction of the enclosed business.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

28 February 2014

Next Meeting Date: 01.04.14

Please note:

In accordance with the *Local Government Regulation 2012*, please be advised that all discussion held during the meeting is recorded for the purpose of verifying the minutes. This will include any discussion involving a Councillor, staff member or a member of the public.

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7 PUBLIC FORUMS/DEPUTATIONS

7.1 DEPUTATION - WADE OESTREICH AND NICK WEINERT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE PROTECTION - FLYING-FOX ROOST MANAGEMENT

File No: 3247
Attachments: Nil

Responsible Officer: Michael Rowe - General Manager Community Services

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SUMMARY

Wade Oestreich and Nick Weinert of the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection will attend the meeting at 12.30pm to address Council on new State Government Legislation in the management of Flying-Fox Roosts.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the deputation from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection regarding the management of Flying-Fox roosts be 'received'.

BACKGROUND

In November 2013, the Queensland Government introduced a new approach to Flying-Fox roost management that empowers Local Governments to make decisions about how to best manage individual flying-fox roosts in urban areas and authorises them to act on these decisions without the need for a permit under the Nature Conservation Act 1992.

Essentially, Local Governments are now authorised as-of-right to manage, including disperse, flying-fox roosts in defined urban areas – referred to as urban flying-fox management areas (UFFMA) – with the as-of-right management activities limited to non-lethal methods taken in accordance with a Code of Practice – Ecologically Sustainable Management of Flying-Fox Roosts

Wade Oestreich and Nick Weinert of the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection will attend the meeting to outline the basic ecology and legal framework of the Flying-Fox management in Queensland with the objective of providing a realistic understanding of the legislative role and ecological impact of managing flying-foxes in Queensland in general and urban areas specifically.