

Parkhurst Community Conversation Meeting

Date: 25 September 2018

Location: Rockhampton Heritage Village, Shearing Shed

Meeting commenced at 7pm. Introductions by Acting Senior Executive Business & Economic Development.

Mayor Strelow welcomed and addressed the attendees.

Cr Rose Swadling welcomed the attendees and gave an overview as Divisional Councillor.

Meeting notes:

Regional Services (Delivered by General Manager Regional Services)

1. Works completed
 - Brosnan Crescent (cul-de-sac x 2) - Reseal – 350m - \$37,100
 - Jones Street – Reseal - 335m - \$35,000
 - Birbeck Drive – Reseal - 800m - \$38,362
 - Bush Crescent – Reseal - 700m - \$32,727
 - German Street – Footpath
 - Jones Street – New road construction
 - North Rockhampton Boat Ramp – Opened August 2018
2. Works underway
 - Col Crescent – Reseal - 375m - \$27,000
 - Mason Avenue – Road Reconstruction - 210m - \$1,050,000
 - Jones Street – Road Reconstruction - 120m - \$700,000
 - Webber Park – Drainage Upgrade - \$1,600,000
3. Future planned project
 - Mason Avenue – Footpath at school will be extended to Norman Road
 - Webber Park – Drainage upgrade
 - Rose Swadling Park - Draft Concept Plan – Off-street car park. Access via Norman Road – 6 parking bays.

Communities (Delivered by General Manager Communities)

1. On your doorstep at Rocky
 - Capri at the zoo
 - 10,000 people at Capricon
 - Riverbank
 - Kershaw Gardens
2. Works completed
 - Lyle Albert Dobbs Park – Park named in honour of Mr Lyle Albert Dobbs
 - Lyle Albert Dobbs Park – Additional playground equipment
 - Rose Swadling Park – Additional playground equipment
3. Rockhampton Heritage Village
 - Horses Helping Humans program
 - Oral history workshops

- Extension to Vintage Vehicle Display Room

Advance Rockhampton (Delivered by Acting General Manager Advance Rockhampton)

- Resources
- Water security & agribusiness
- Defence
- CBD Development
- Tourism & events
- International relations & trade

QFES (Delivered by Inspector, Manager Community Safety Operations, Central Region)

- A powerpoint presentation was delivered by Inspector, Manager Community Safety Operations, Central Region giving an update on fire effects on the Berserker ranges including Mt Archer.

Open Discussion / Questions

The following topics were covered:

- A resident from Norman Gardens – Is Council going to expand German Street from Rosewood Drive to Norman Road on the right hand side? (see PW#546178)
- A resident said thank you for the Jones Street work and asked when it will be connected to Norman Road. Also, will Norman Road be re-bitumened? Response from General Manager Regional Services – Yes.
- Olive Street traffic spots - Issues with Yaamba Road (this is a DTMR issue and they need to provide an update). Boundary Road. Mason Street – will that be worked upon. Response from General Manager Regional Services – Yes. Bus stop has been placed in as well but Sunbus does not want to use it.
- The local bus stop does not have a cover (near the shopping centre). This is needed. (See PW #546147). There seems to be an issue with bus ability to turn around at the Parkhurst Shopping Centre. Can this please be investigated? (See PW #546149)
- There are safety issues along Yaamba Road. This information needs to be provided to DTMR. (See PW #546157)
- Norman Road, Newton and Mason Avenue – there is a safety issue – an accident waiting to happen. Manager Regional Services to provide an answer. (See PW #546159)
- Mayor Strelow provided information on how Council spends money on roads and infrastructure to keep a good standard. She also provided information on discipline required on the budget.
- New water pipeline on Norman Road – There was some work done to complete this. Manager Regional Services provided an overview that DTMR is responsible for the majority of the work. A resident indicated that there have been some reports from DTMR.
- A Glendale resident said they feel they are part of RRC. Is there any progress of getting Glendale and Glenlee to come over to RRC? Mayor Strelow addressed this matter and advised RRC is still working hard to get this moving, including negotiations with Livingstone Shire Council. The State Government has a new platform that makes sense to the community. Minister has visited for discussions, the department has provided details on referral to the Boundary Commission and LSC has raised issues. Council will continue to try and make this happen.
- Bill Neven Park – Will there be a shade cover. Response from General Manager Communities – Yes, it will happen, and generally they are hard structures.

- Mason Avenue resident – What is the future planning behind the caravan park for water drainage? General Manager Regional Services takes on notice. CEO indicated that work is being undertaken in this space.
- A waste question – recycling changes. Resident is a builder by trade. General Manager Regional Services provided an overview. Cr Fisher provided information regarding recycling material – all glass bottles are crushed to sand and used in Council areas on roads. Council are looking at other alternatives for recycling.
- A resident from the Parkhurst industrial area had a kerb and channelling request. (See PW #546165). Also a request for better signage to promote the industrial area. (See PW #546172). With a ring road, a down ramp into the area is required. (See PW #546176)
- A resident questioned the number of white collar workers vs the number of blue collar workers. Response was 940 full time employees, 60% are internal staff. But when including external contractors, the ratio is 50/50.
- A resident questioned the direction the airport is going. Cr Fisher provided an overview of the airport to address this matter.

Resident Satisfaction & Importance Surveys

- Resident Satisfaction & Importance Surveys were handed out to all attendees for completion.

Cr. Swadling thanked everyone for their time.

The meeting closed at 8.06pm.