

## BBTCMP Meeting – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019

4:00pm

Claire McGarry, Mark Arnold, Rob Van Iersel, Michael Matthews, Andy Erskine, Cr Jan Hackett, Dan Plummer, Donald Maughan, Helen Buckley, David Michie, Gail Fuller, Denzil Lloyd, Anthony Pangallo, Lyn Leger, Jack Dods, Melissa Pleiter, Vicki Henricks, Peggy O'Neill, Mark 'Mono' Stewart, Charlie Wilson, Troy Eady,

Apologies: Ben Gordon, Anne Leitch, Chris Hanley

Chair: Donald Maughan

### Updates

- Railway Park to construction has commenced – site fencing is up.
- Support services for the homeless living in the park have been on site over the past month. Some have gone back to family. All have been offered temporary accommodation.
- Railway building being used as Project Office for the bypass. Is intended for social enterprise ultimately.
- BEC rotunda will be relocated next week – two BEC representatives will be on site on the day to oversee relocation.

### Open Space Service Review

Michael Matthews – BSC Open Space and Resource Recovery

Andy Erskine – BSC Technical Officer Open Space – Horticulture

Open space service review. Town Centre Planting Guide. Byron Rec Grounds POM.

Align levels of service, planning guides and planting back to MasterPlan values.

Picturesque v Gardenesque: P. is overall view and G. is plant/individual focused.

Looking at allocation of resources:- what can be done within current budget and where can they get funds from as well as better allocation of capital expenditure versus maintenance. Review is still ascertaining the 'tipping point' where it is better to ease on the maintenance and increase capital expenditure and work toward future picturesque goals.

Apex Park:- currently 1000sqm turf laid with remainder hopefully the end of this week.

Behind schedule (was to be completed 3 weeks prior to Easter). Protection measures are in place for next turf. Analysis proved pop ups were better irrigation than underlying outlets.

System is fully automated. Same system will be used in Denning Park and Railway Park.

Lawson St roundabouts and Browning St refurbished. Jonson St median planting done.

- Action: notation regarding fencing and planting on southern approach to pedestrian crossing that is currently being upgraded. Vision is currently obscured. BSC staff to take vision into consideration when completing project.

## Town Centre Planting Guide

Mix of native and exotic species of complimentary textures. Native hybrids have improved flowering, longevity. Large variety available that are adapted to conditions – windy, long dry periods, heat. Can also be used for other duties i.e. drainage.

Copy of reference document for Guidance Group – workshop details at a later date.

## Recreation Grounds Plan of Management

Change from Sports Ground to Sports Ground and General Community use.

BSC working with sporting groups. Positive response received so far – moving toward a result. Concerns that grounds would be open to commercial use have been allayed with users of the site.

## Sandhills

Concept plans being developed for Skate Park, Wetlands and boardwalk areas.

BSC and Crown doing interim works. Working with Police for access tracks and doing bush regeneration under Environmental Licence

Skate Park is part funded.

Wetlands work will be done by Water and Utilities.

Full concepts will be used to apply for grant funding for the full precinct.

July meeting will see concepts for discussion.

## Bus Interchange

Transport Minister has asked TfNSW to do additional consultation prior to construction. Still projected to begin construction in July. Group will be updated once Council knows what consultation / information TfNSW plan to distribute.

By-Pass and Interchange being constructed concurrently was not planned by is a convenient coincidence which will see disruption period minimised.

## Rails Carpark

TfNSW still waiting on internal funding and are aware of timing issue with other projects, including Railway Park. BSC to look at lobbying on a Ministerial level.

It is part of the Interchange project but is a separable portion. This separation would not be a good result.

Guidance Group has no comment on By-Pass as had no involvement in process. Members aware due to its linkage to other MasterPlan Projects.

### Foreshore

Tenders for design of Jonson Street protection works are out. The time frame for the final detail is long. Three months to review already completed research. Then 12 months for the plan, model, budget and cost/benefit analysis. Then to the Guidance Group for a workshop before 6 months of detailed design..

Is this time frame too late for inclusion of the Guidance Group? The recent workshop was not modelling specific to Byron Bay i.e. east/west beaches. The reason this group are not consulted before the modelling is done is because there is no further info to share until we have accurate modelling on all options.

Does the Guidance Group continue with pool, carpark, Apex Park while assuming the alignment closest to the town or wait until the alignment is determined? Concept discussions for the back areas i.e. traffic flows, pool, engagements, must haves etc can be discussed in the meantime.

Group will continue to work on developing concept plans for Apex park, pool, car park etc. Landscape architect brief will include options for different alignments.

### Next Focus Project

Sandhills precinct. Background foreshore work as above. Rail corridor.

### Market Relocation

Farmers Market going to Cavanbah Centre for six months. BSC to provide \$85K in infrastructure, advertising and cash.

BSC meeting 23/5/19 will determine Monthly Market relocation. Options provided to Community Market Management for them to carry out due diligence and they will come back with preferred option.

### Parking Changes

Traffic counts done in Butler Street to determine average Number of users = 200 per day

Simultaneous study of vacant car spaces in town determined this amount can be accommodated.

## Mercato

Final product not as per artists impressions.

BSC advised Fire Hydrant Box was meant to be partially below ground however Mercato need to provided unimpeded access to the fire hydrant – there were limits in how this could be achieved.

BSC advised surface treatment for the entrance was dictated by Northern Rivers Local Government Design and Construction Code which is adopted by local councils.

BSC advised landscaping detail is not complete as yet.

**New DA:** BSC report to Joint Regional Planning Panel.

Meeting Closed 6:10pm