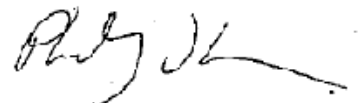


Responses to Questions on Notice

Received at the 13 December 2018
Ordinary Meeting of Council



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BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL
ORDINARY MEETING

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	Question with Notice No. 13.1	Bus Transit Station - Consultation with Butler Street Community Network
5	File No:	I2018/2401

At Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 13 December 2018, Paul Jones asked the following question which was taken on notice:

The proposed bus transit station is now being located and designed on the rail corridor in the approximate location our community organisation identified and lobbied for. We are immediate neighbours to the proposal and have made formal requests to the Council and Transport NSW to be consulted on the design development. We have now received the plans shown here without any notice or involvement. Contrary to our proposal on the rail corridor this plan implies serious impacts on our neighbourhood, including noise, air pollution, vibration and light pollution not to mention heritage impacts. The heritage water tower is almost circled, and you can see the heritage water tower there. The heritage water tower is almost circled by buses right adjacent to it, potential for a park like setting for this landmark is ruined and the proximity of buses circling will cause vibration impacts and render the area inhospitable. Buses will circle at a 1m raised embankment opposite residential homes; this will greatly exacerbate noise and pollution. Due to the proximity and limited opportunity vegetation screen will have little effect. Obviously our community also wants the bypass on the rail corridor but this should not rule out our involvement for potential for flexible design solution. Butler Street Community Network has asked a question of Council, how can we be engaged in this process?

Response General Manager:

The proposed Byron transport interchange is a Transport for NSW project. It is not a Council project.

The Byron Bay community will be able to provide feedback to Transport for NSW through the NSW Heritage website when designs go on exhibition on 17 January 2019.

To promote community ability to consider the designs and provide feedback the plans for the interchange will be available for public viewing at the Council office the same day exhibition opens.

NSW Heritage will commence advertising on 17 January 2019 and exhibition will run for four weeks until COB 14 February 2019.