



AGENDA

Ordinary Meeting of Council

11 August 2020

**ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MORUYA**

ON TUESDAY 11 AUGUST 2020

COMMENCING AT 11.00AM

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(Proceedings of this meeting will be recorded as per Eurobodalla Shire Council's Code of Meeting Practice)

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Nil</p> <p>2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
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GENERAL MANAGER**

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nature. Views and accessibility to Lions Park would increase with the higher deck of the new bridge and proposed removal of the boat ramp (Refer Map 2 Action 2).

- Building a new toilet and barbeque shelter to service the proposed youth central and extended playground (Refer Map 2 Action 4).
- Investigating the feasibility of upgrading the Old Punt Road boat ramp and to provide pontoon and/or jetty facilities to allow improved access to the Clyde River. Old Punt Road boat ramp will continue to be available when the Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement works are completed (Refer Pg 19 Action 2.3).

The draft Plan includes a fishing platform, opportunities for public art and interpretation and retaining the historic car ferry ramp, upgrading the jetty currently used by oyster farmers at Smoke Point and retaining the T-wharf. A floating pontoon is also proposed in the draft Plan (east of Smoke Point) which would be accessible for all people to use small boats, cruise ship tenders, charter boats and kayaks (Refer Map 2 Action 5).

What consultation has been undertaken with the key user groups, including the oyster farmers and the Batemans Bay Boaters Association?

Extensive stakeholder engagement has been undertaken throughout the development of the draft Plan, including Councillor briefings, as illustrated in Figure 1 and detailed in Table 1. Regular updates and feedback were also sought from Council’s Advisory Committees and Council’s website updated regularly.

The draft Plan has been prepared in the context of strategic goals to grow and diversify the visitor economy and local job opportunities identified in other relevant Council and NSW Government projects. The feedback received during their development, including: the Transport for NSW (TfNSW) Batemans Bay Bridge replacement project; MacKay Park Regional Aquatic, Arts and Leisure Centre; the NSW South Coast Marine Tourism Strategy; the NSW Maritime Infrastructure Plan; the Batemans Bay Vision and Growth Project; Eurobodalla’s Destination Action Plan; Eurobodalla’s Nature Based Tourism Feasibility Study; and Council’s Community Strategic Plan.

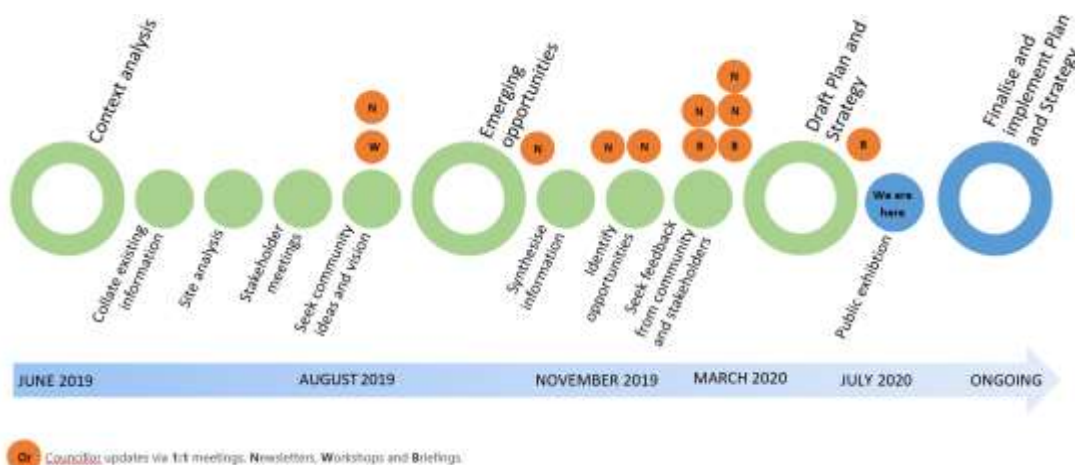


Figure 1: Overview of the engagement process to prepare the draft Batemans Bay Waterfront Masterplan and Activation Strategy.

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Table 1: Summary of engagement process that involved boaters, fishers and oyster growers.

Method and date	Stakeholders represented
August 2019: Listening to ideas – Walk and Talks along the waterfront and targeted stakeholder meetings	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General community; • Oyster farmer representatives; • Batemans Bay Boaters Association; • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Eurobodalla Fishing Association; • Local business owners and tourism operators; • TfNSW Foreshore Advisory Committee; • Government agencies
August 2019: Workshop and presentations with key stakeholder groups, delivered by specialist consultants Inspiring Place, Complete Streets and a trader from Tasmania that has experienced a similar activation process	<p>Invitations sent to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Local business owners and tourism operators; • Oyster farmer representatives
November 2019: Weekend of demonstrating activation and display of emerging concepts. Council staff and specialist consultants Inspiring Place discussed the guiding principles and emerging concepts and ideas with attendees and/or encouraged to record their comments on feedback forms.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General community; • Oyster farmer representatives; • Batemans Bay Boaters Association; • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Eurobodalla Fishing Association; • Local business owners and tourism operators; • TfNSW Foreshore Advisory Committee
November 2019: 1:1 meetings with interested stakeholders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batemans Bay Boaters Association; • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Eurobodalla Fishing Association; • Recreational Fishing Alliance; • Local businesses and tourism operators; • Government Agencies

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Method and date	Stakeholders represented
Emailed a summary of feedback received in November 2019 to all stakeholders and provided this on Council's website.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batemans Bay Boaters Association; • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Eurobodalla Fishing Association; • Recreational Fishing Alliance; • Local businesses and tourism operators; • General community that had provided comments to emerging concepts; • Oyster farmer representatives; • TfNSW Foreshore Advisory Committee; • Government Agencies
March 2020: Workshop for businesses delivered by specialist consultants Inspiring Place. This included reaching out to more businesses by inviting all relevant businesses with an ABN listed in Bateman Bay.	Invitations sent to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • Oyster farmer representatives • TfNSW Foreshore Advisory Committee
February/March 2020: 1:1 meetings to discuss a working draft Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Batemans Bay Boaters Association; • Eurobodalla Fishing Association; • Recreational Fishing Alliance; • Local business owners and tourism operators; • Batemans Bay Tourism and Business Chamber; • TfNSW

A summary of the outcome of the 1:1 meetings in November 2019 and early 2020 with boat and fishing group representatives have been provided to Councillors in a confidential attachment.

Five oyster farm representatives were invited via email to provide feedback throughout the masterplanning process between August 2019 and March 2020 and were directly notified that the draft Plan was on exhibition.

Notification that the draft Plan was on public exhibition included a media release, an update in Council's tourism news, public notification in local news, draft documents available on Council's website and emails to all stakeholders that have been engaged in the process. So far during the public exhibition period we have received submissions and/or corresponded with representatives of boaters, fishers and oyster farmers.

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Has Council previously provided assurances in 2018 that the Clyde St boat ramp would be retained? If so, what has subsequently changed resulting in the potential closure of this boat ramp?

At the Ordinary meeting of Council held on 12 December 2017 (Minute 17/406), Council resolved to send a submission to the proposed then Roads and Maritime Services Batemans Bay bridge replacement project. [Council's submission](#) stated that:

"Council wishes to retain the local boat ramp on the southern side of the Clyde River as it provides an important access point to the Clyde River. The changed traffic arrangements proposed by the RMS will require car and boat trailer combinations to travel through the CBD area. The number of traffic movements is readily managed on the local streets. The left turn off-ramp northbound from the Princes Highway as proposed by Council is a preferable outcome."

TfNSW Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement has committed to retaining the Clyde Street (increasing from 13 to 14 boat trailer spaces) and Old punt Road boat ramps as part of that project however access to Smoke point via a left turn off-ramp northbound from the Princes Highway has not been provided. Nevertheless, the traffic movements associated with the Clyde Street boat ramp are readily and safely able to be accommodated within North and Clyde Streets.

Council made a further [submission](#) to Transport for NSW on the proposed foreshore plans dated 12 July 2019 that included:

"Council acknowledges the inclusion of the existing boat ramp facilities in Clyde Street west and Old Punt Road consistent with Council's previous submissions on the Batemans Bay bridge."

Since 2018 Council gained a better understanding of how the Batemans Bay waterfront is being used and the vision our community has for it. Feedback from the TfNSW Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement [Foreshore Advisory Committee](#) further highlighted the growing support and need for a vision for the Batemans Bay waterfront and CBD.

Since that time as a result of developing the draft Plan, Council actively engaged more broadly across the community to ensure that all interests, community groups, the young and old, businesses as well as tourism operators and government stakeholders were able to have input into the vision and future of the Batemans Bay waterfront. With input from the broader community the vision for improving current uses and the vast potential for new future uses have emerged.

Council engaged expert placemakers, and tourism destination planning and urban design specialists to guide the process and to ensure best practice principles for planning and placemaking were supported in the draft Plan.

The boat ramp was seen by some as creating a barrier to an otherwise strong, attractive, safe and activated waterfront. While some boat users mentioned there are other boat ramps available for use including Hanging Rock and the Old Punt Road boat ramps, it was also clear some people want the existing Clyde Street boat ramp to be retained. The main reasons suggested were to allow convenient access for recreational fishing in the estuary and indicated that smaller boat users can have difficulty travelling upstream from Hanging Rock boat ramp, it

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was less convenient to go to the Old Punt Road boat ramp and that ramp suffers from sand build-up and that the facilities at Old Punt Road boat ramp were not adequate.

The draft Plan includes an action to investigate improvements to Old Punt boat ramp to address feedback that currently neither Clyde Street or Old Punt Road boat ramps are satisfactory facilities.

Council advocated to TfNSW and other relevant agencies to build a new NSW Government owned, operated and maintained floating pontoon on Batemans Bay foreshore. This advocacy was successful, including adjusting the design to align with emerging waterfront plans and will allow a range of watercraft in the Clyde River to be able tie up and access Batemans Bay's shops, services and entertainment.

Community feedback and best practice planning principles also support less traffic being directed down Clyde Street when the new bridge is completed. The traffic volumes in Clyde Street will be substantially less than occurs now due to the removal of the connection at the Princes Highway and Clyde Street intersection. The draft Plan therefore proposes to implement measures to reduce traffic speed, improve parking arrangements, raise pedestrian crossing points, remove barriers to pedestrian access, upgrade lighting and a minor extension of shared pathways on Clyde Street west.

Eurobodalla visitor research undertaken in summer and winter 2018 (available on [Council's website](#)) highlight the value of access to waterways and the natural environment to visitors but note that boating and fishing are not the only a way that visitors enjoy Eurobodalla's natural environment. It also suggests there remain opportunities to improve visitor experiences (and length of stay and spend), especially during the winter months. The draft Plan addresses these findings by proposing to encourage the quality and diversity of experiences available on the Batemans Bay waterfront.

The State Government's [Marine Infrastructure Plan](#) identifies Bateman Bay as a key investment location and suggests that the new Batemans Bay bridge may be an opportunity to open up new maritime infrastructure and foreshore opportunities to ensure the right *mix of maritime infrastructure and overall public amenity on the Batemans Bay foreshore*. The draft Plan aims to ensure the right mix of quality marine infrastructure is available in Batemans Bay as it continues to grow as a destination that works for locals, businesses and visitors.

There are opportunities and disadvantages associated with removing the Clyde Street boat ramp which continue to be carefully considered within the context of strategic goals, research and community feedback. Removal of Clyde Street boat ramp was recommended in the draft Plan because:

- It promotes year-round visitor appeal and strengthens Batemans Bay as a destination; and
- It aligns with adopted strategic directions by the State Government and Council to grow and diversify the visitor economy and opportunities for local jobs; and
- It aligns with principles for activating the waterfront as a safe and inviting place for people to enjoy more often and for longer leading to increased spending in the CBD; and

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- It reduces the traffic that would be directed down a more pedestrian focussed Clyde Street; and
- It would provide a continuous, safe, attractive pedestrian access along the foreshore linking Smoke Point to Beach road, and beyond; and
- It provides more space for youth central and nature play spaces; and
- Alternative marine infrastructure such as the floating pontoon and investigations to improve Old Punt Road boat ramp would still provide boat access to the Clyde River and reduce boat trailer movements and parking in the CBD.

Notwithstanding the building and related safety risks of the Bay bridge, can the current Clyde Street boat ramp be maintained for future use post the bridge build?

The TfNSW Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement project will retain the Clyde Street boat ramp.

The boat ramp can be retained, however the draft Plan recommends removing the Clyde Street boat ramp and upgrade or construct alternative marine infrastructure for the reasons outlined earlier.

Retaining the boat ramp was presented as an alternate option for the Batemans Bay Waterfront Masterplan and Activation Strategy during the activation weekend in November 2019. Feedback from people who use the boat ramp and represent boating and fishing groups has been clear people use the boat ramp and do not want it removed. Feedback from the wider community supports removing the boat ramp to make it safer, pedestrian focused and better connected, reduce traffic on Clyde Street and to increase the area available for play spaces.

The draft Plan was on exhibition until 28 July 2020. Council will be able to consider all views and feedback received during the exhibition period when the matter comes back to Council for consideration.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the response to the question regarding the future of the Batemans Bay Clyde Street Boat Ramp raised by Councillor Anthony Mayne be received and noted.

Map 2

Smoke Point Waterfront Concept Master Plan

1. Investigate options for a new future for the shed - restaurant/cafe, local tour ticket/booking outlet, interpretation point (e.g. oysters, timber milling), kayak/ bike hire etc . The beginning and end of the foreshore journey
2. Park and nature play space taking advantage of existing shelter, barbeque and the mature canopy of trees, the foreshore as backdrop - a place for children and their minds to connect with nature.
3. Reduce the width of the road and create additional foreshore parking and extension of the park.
4. Consider new toilet and barbeque shelter servicing park and Youth Central.
5. Youth Central - Explore the potential for a hard surfaced space under the new bridge with multiple play opportunities: skating, basketball, table tennis, etc. in a colourful setting by the sea. Potential future market space, interpretation point, art, seating and social space. Steps to waters edge. Available site would be reduced if boat ramp were to remain.
6. New nature walk linking the waterfront through to Mackay Park and town centre.
7. The promenade north. New, response to potential coastal hazards, pedestrian safe, continuous access along foreshore linking Smoke Point to Beach Road and beyond. Integrated lighting, furniture and pavements.
8. Future redevelopment opportunity for tourism and residential accommodation.
9. Car parking and fixed jetty retained. Potential use of car park for markets.



Redevelopment of the Smoke Point shed will create a new visitor and local hub with a restaurant/cafe, local tour ticket/booking office, interpretation and upgraded jetty for the oyster industry and recreational users. The development will also strengthen the interface with the Clyde River estuary.



Upgrading the park with a theme based on nature play and exploration of the marine environment will encourage children and young people to make their own discoveries on their own terms and at their own pace. Views and accessibility to the park will increase with the upgrading of the waterfront and new bridge.



Youth Central will activate the hard space around and under the new bridge to be a place for youth with a range of outdoor recreational facilities and activities. Youth Central will be a connecting element linking the whole of the waterfront as a stronger, more attractive and safer place for all.



The stories of the waterfront underpin the identity of Batemans Bay. Story-telling opportunities include those of the Aboriginal community, the oyster industry, timber milling, past crossings of the Clyde and the fishing industry. These stories may be presented as stand-alone elements or as integrated features within the street furniture.

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Responsible Officer: Lindsay Usher - Director, Planning and Sustainability Services
Attachments: Nil
Outcome: Protected and Valued Natural Environment
Focus Area: 3.2 Value, protect and enhance our natural environment and assets
Delivery Program Link: 3.2.2 Work in partnership to provide natural resource management
Operational Plan Link: 3.2.2.2 Plan and implement environmental protection and restoration program

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with the annual update on Council's Natural Resource Management (NRM) Program for the period July 2019 to June 2020. Included are updates on the Coast and Estuary Program, Landcare, Marine Debris initiatives and Flying-foxes.

Active grant funding consists of \$4,833,012 with \$460,839 being expended during 2019-2020 and Council annual budgets of \$123,376 contributed to programs. Grant funds have increased this year due to the additional assistance provided for Council to respond to the environmental impacts of the bushfires and drought. This includes the eight bushfire recovery grant funded projects to the value of \$1,882,660 as reported in the Natural Resource Management Bushfire Recovery Report (PRS20/0011) presented to the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 14 July 2020.

The projects are strategic and align with Council plans and directions, sustained by support from volunteers and landholders. Volunteers have committed just over 6,722 hours to NRM activities during 2019-2020 compared to 9,400 hours in 2018-2019 primarily due to bushfire impacts and COVID-19 restrictions.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council

1. Receive and note the 2019-2020 Natural Resource Management Status Report.
2. Thank Landcare volunteers for their contribution

BACKGROUND

Council operates in a diverse range of NRM areas. Activities are undertaken to:

- protect Eurobodalla's coasts and estuaries in line with the recommended actions in Coastal Management Programs
- protect and enhance bushland and Endangered Ecological Communities (EECs) and improve overall biodiversity
- monitor flying fox camps, implement actions from the Eurobodalla Flying-fox Management Plan and minimise the impacts of flying-foxes on residents
- reduce marine debris and implement source reduction plans to reduce further impacts on our coastal and marine environment

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- assist residential landholders to sustainably manage their gardens by providing plant swap opportunities and garden visits
- assist rural landholders to sustainably manage their properties, waterways and vegetation
- reduce the impacts and spread of invasive plants and animals
- involve and support the community and land managers in environmental works
- provide education and a control program for the invasive Indian Myna bird
- provide advice to landholders, other agencies and other sections of Council to reduce environmental impacts.

A range of government organisations and community groups are engaged to develop and implement partnership projects. Works occur across all land tenures to enable landscape-scale environmental outcomes.

Projects are developed and implemented based on delivering environmental outcomes that are supported by Council plans and processes, funding body objectives and the community and/or the land manager.

CONSIDERATIONS

Bushfire and COVID response

Most existing NRM projects have continued and are on track with some slight modifications due to bushfire impacts and COVID-19 restrictions.

In response to the bushfires and flood the following activities took place:

- Assessed damage to Eurobodalla's waterways and some immediate sediment and erosion control measures were implemented engaging the services of Local Aboriginal Land Councils and local bushland management contractors
- Worked with the Landcare, community and volunteers to support the needs of wildlife and other natural assets:
 - installation of water and food stations on council managed lands
 - supporting landholders and community groups to respond to wildlife issues
 - wildlife nest box program was initiated, and volunteer groups made and donated specialised nest boxes. They have since been installed by private landholders at strategic locations to assist wildlife, including threatened species, while nesting hollows are absent due to the fire impacts.
- Established vegetation monitoring sites to record the response of various vegetation types and weeds to the fires and assist with guiding weed control efforts
- Responded to an increase in calls from landholders asking for advice about vegetation and erosion management in burnt areas
- Developed new projects as bushfire recovery grant opportunities became available to assist Council and the community to manage the bushfire impacts on the environment

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- Released communications and media stories on Council environmental activities.

Legal

Projects are undertaken in accordance with relevant legislative requirements. Council works with the NSW Department of Planning, Investment and Environment – Biodiversity and Conservation Division to ensure projects align with NSW Government priorities and legislation.

New activities undertaken on Council managed lands are subject to an internal approval process and reported to Council as required. Works being undertaken by Landcare can be viewed in the report to the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 4 August 2020, Landcare Project Proposals 2020.

Environmental

1. Coast and Estuary Program

This program implements the recommended actions from Council's five Estuary Management Plans or the updated Coastal Management Programs (Clyde, Tomaga, Moruya, Tuross/Coila and Wagonga).

During 2019-2020, estuarine conservation works have been undertaken throughout approximately 700 hectares of Endangered Ecological Communities and high value estuarine areas across Eurobodalla. Works have included weed control, revegetation, foreshore bank stabilisation, community education and engagement.

These works will continue for another year while the new Coastal Waterway Bushfire Impact Mitigation grant will apply to burnt areas of estuarine foreshore, to ensure the bushfire impacts at priority waterways are restored.

2. Landcare Program

During 2019-2020 there were 24 Landcare groups volunteering in Eurobodalla, inclusive of the new Tuross Rivercare group which formed after seeing the environmental impact of the bushfires.

Eurobodalla Landcare has 300 regular members and approximately 1,000 individuals who participate in Landcare activities; many of whom were inspired to volunteer to assist with bushfire recovery programs.

Over 90% of Landcare weed control activities occur on Council owned or managed land contributing significantly to the maintenance of natural assets in the Eurobodalla. Together the groups form an incorporated network (Eurobodalla Landcare Network) and undertake their work with the assistance of the Landcare Coordinator whose part-time position is funded through Landcare NSW and hosted by Council. This Coordinator position was reduced in July 2019 from 0.4 Full Time Equivalent (FTE) to 0.25FTE, due to NSW Landcare funding constraints.

During 2019-2020, Landcare groups recorded over 6,722 hours of volunteer labour which was valued at \$268,880 (based on the Australian Bureau of Statistics rate of \$40/hour). The main on-ground activities were weed control and reducing the impacts of high risk and environmental weeds on native vegetation in reserves, wildlife feed stations post fire, building and erecting nest boxes and the Indian Myna control program.

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Many of the existing Landcare group working bees and extension work done with primary and secondary school students, have been adversely impacted by the bushfires and then by COVID.

3. Marine Debris Program

179 clean up events were completed in 2019-20 and information recorded on the National Marine Debris Initiative Database. The focus is on stopping the debris at the source.

Activities to reduce impacts on the coast and marine environments have included:

- Installed a further ten drain baskets installed in the Batemans Bay CBD catching litter from the streets before entry to the estuary (bringing the total to 20). The litter items are assessed and recorded on the national marine debris database.
- Investigations are continuing to develop an oyster industry plastic infrastructure recycling program and to date, multiple funding applications have been unsuccessful.
- Commenced 'Clyde' the Little Penguin project to educate and engage the community and school students in managing plastic waste to reduce impacts on the Little Penguin population at Snapper Island, Batemans Bay. This project also involves weed control on the island and installation of artificial nest boxes which the penguins have started to utilise.
- The annual schools' environmental calendar 2019 theme was 'It's our future'. The progress for the 2021 calendar 'avoid before recycle' is underway.

4. Flying-fox Program

Council continues to work within the framework of the Eurobodalla Flying-fox Management Plan to reduce impacts of flying-foxes on residents whilst conserving the ecosystem services that these species provides.

The 2019-2020 flying-fox season there were eight known active camps: Water Gardens, Catalina, Moruya Heads, Moruya Town, Tuross Head and Narooma, and two new ones (which may be temporary) at Broulee and Dalmeny.

Overall populations this season were lower than in previous years due to the adverse environmental conditions caused by drought and fire. Community concerns about impacts from the flying-foxes were low.

Council continued to work with the local community, as well as NSW and Australian Government agencies and other councils to share knowledge and information, and improve flying-fox management.

An odour neutralising trial commenced to determine whether the smell of a flying-fox camp can be mitigated using odour neutralising technology either in properties or at the camps. Results should be available later in 2020-2021.

Social Impact

The projects have a strong emphasis on community engagement and education, providing a range of opportunities for community participation. This occurs in ongoing Landcare group working bees, one-off community events and activities, and property visits with landholders.

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The NRM program builds the capacity of private landholders to recognise, maintain and improve their properties' natural assets and to sustainably manage their land for enhanced agricultural productivity and environmental benefits.

Eurobodalla residents and visitors value the natural settings and interactions with the environment that Eurobodalla provides. NRM works continue to protect and enhance the natural environment and provides volunteer opportunities for residents and visitors.

Landcare groups have recommenced work in June 2020 after reducing their hours due to bushfires and COVID restrictions. This is an important social interaction for volunteers providing both physical and mental benefits.

There is a strong community interest in supporting and assisting the natural environment recover following the bushfires and flood of 2020.

Economic Development Employment Potential

New grant funded projects will see an additional \$1.8 million invested in the local economy on top of ongoing program investment.

NRM projects utilise local businesses where possible to assist with implementation such as bush regenerators, fencing contractors, local produce stores, hardware purchases, earthwork machinery operations, printers, sign makers and caterers for community training events.

Projects also involve the engagement of local indigenous teams through the appropriate Local Aboriginal Land Council where suitable.

Financial

Most NRM projects are externally funded through grants. Council funds were used to: match external grants; purchase tools and equipment; utilise contractors for supporting high priority NRM works on Council lands where there was no external funding or source of volunteers.

Table 1 provides the project details and the grant total along with the funding expended in 2019/20.

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Project Title	Project status	Project Start Date	Project End Date	Grant Funding Total Project	Grant Funding 2019/20	Council Budget 2019/20
Cleaning up for Clyde, the Little Penguin	Active	06/01/2020	30/06/2020	\$ 20,000	\$ 2,098	
Protect and Enhance Moruya River LLS - Newstead Pond	Active	29/08/2019	31/05/2020	\$ 22,130	\$ 10,622	
Protecting 10.4 hectares of Saltmarsh	Active	27/05/2019	30/12/2020	\$ 10,000	\$ -	
Maintaining momentum and bridging the gaps on the HCVAE Deua River	Active	01/02/2019	01/12/2021	\$ 99,647	\$ 53,485	
Fighting ferals in EECs	Active	01/10/2018	20/12/2021	\$ 99,987	\$ 22,166	
Protect River Flat Eucalypt Forest on the Deua River and Burra Creek	Active	01/03/2018	30/06/2021	\$ 31,000	\$ 4,900	
Weeds Finder tool	Active	01/12/2018	30/12/2020	\$ 48,762	\$ 11,147	
Lantana control for Warty Zieria protection	Active	25/05/2016	31/01/2021	\$ 98,854	\$ 20,998	
Combating priority agricultural weeds in the Eurobodalla Shire Council (ESC) area	Active	1/07/2020	31/12/2021	\$ 249,880	\$ 108	
Eurobodalla coastal waterway bushfire impact mitigation project	Active	1/06/2020	30/06/2023	\$ 1,105,000	\$ 196	
South East catchment and waterways bushfire recovery plan*	Active	1/06/2020	30/12/2020	\$ 427,281		
Deua River Post fire regeneration project	Active	1/05/2020	31/12/2020	\$ 14,900	\$ 497	
Protecting Pretty Point post fire	Active	1/05/2020	31/12/2020	\$ 14,500	\$ 394	
Eurobodalla Landcare managing post fire weed growth	Active	1/06/2020	31/12/2020	\$ 7,000	\$ 3,530	
Wildlife Relief Eurobodalla Stage 1	Active	1/05/2020	30/12/2020	\$ 49,000	\$ 6,022	
Landcare coordinator	Active	1/08/2020	30/06/2024	\$ 107,832	\$ 30,314	
Flying fox management	Active	1/07/2016	30/08/2022	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 145,973	
Barling Beach VMP	Active	1/06/2020	31/05/2022	\$ 52,395	\$ -	
OEH/ESC estuary program	Active	01/07/2018	30/06/2021	\$ 300,000	\$ 100,000	\$ 65,403
Indian Myna control program	Active	15/03/2019	31/05/2019	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 10,000
Landcare works assistance	Active	1/07/2019	30/06/2020			\$ 37,073
Environmental protection	Active	1/07/2019	30/06/2020			\$ 10,900
Broulee bushfire affected biocert area	Active	1/07/2020	30/04/2021	\$ 15,000		
Biodiversity Conservation Trust Outreach	Completed	27/05/2019	30/06/2020	\$ 16,728	\$ 9,221	
Spiny rush mapping and control for saltmarsh protection	Completed	31/01/2019	31/01/2020	\$ 38,116	\$ 34,168	
TOTAL ACTIVE PROJECTS				\$ 4,833,012	\$ 460,839	\$ 123,376
Spiny rush control for saltmarsh protection, ongoing maintenance	Proposal			\$ 62,300		
Eurobodalla wildlife recovery monitoring project	Proposal			\$ 141,000		
Biodiversity bushfire recovery	Proposal			\$ 225,000		
Wildlife bushfire recovery	Proposal			\$ 20,000		
Nelligan restoration - Weed control and landholder education campaign	Unsuccessful			\$ 97,792		
Moruya River erosion site	Unsuccessful			\$ 37,324		
Eol EPA litter grants for oyster industry plastic recycling	Unsuccessful			\$ 70,000		

Table 1. 2019/20 NRM Projects and funding

*Regional project, funds are shared with Bega Valley and Shoalhaven Councils

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

Project development and submissions are undertaken in consultation with the affected landholders, land managers and volunteers involved in the deliverables. Project works on private lands are on a voluntary basis and conducted with the consent and involvement of the landowner.

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New project applications and grant submissions and announcements are provided in Councillors' newsletters.

The broader community is informed of project works by newspaper, radio, letter or in person dependent on the nature of the works program and the community interaction required at each locality.

A range of community education events allow staff to consult on projects and to engage the community and landholders. Such events allow for more approachable access to Council officers and advice. Consideration of COVID-19 restriction have impacted events since March 2020 and alternative methods of engagement are utilised.

Officers may also meet face to face with residents adjoining bushland reserves to discuss projects if appropriate.

CONCLUSION

Council managed natural areas along beaches, rivers and estuaries are a highly valued community asset and for Council to fulfil both legal responsibilities and meet community aspirations, these areas require appropriate management, maintenance and conservation for the use of the whole community.

The contribution of volunteers is substantial with 6,722 hours of volunteer labour and ongoing support from Council is vital to the continued delivery of NRM projects.

Council's contribution of \$123,376, with grant spending of \$460,839 and volunteer labour of \$268,880, funded and supported the NRM programs for 2019-2020.

Environmental bushfire recovery works will continue with implementation of grant funded waterway protection and weed control throughout the burnt catchments.

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Responsible Officer: Lindsay Usher - Director, Planning and Sustainability Services
Attachments: Nil
Outcome: Protected and Valued Natural Environment
Focus Area: 3.2 Value, protect and enhance our natural environment and assets
Delivery Program Link: 3.2.1 Provide education on and manage the impacts associated with invasive species
Operational Plan Link: 3.2.1.1 Undertake noxious weed program

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to detail the annual activities, expenditure and considerations related to invasive species management for the 2019-2020 period.

Invasive species management, inclusive of weeds and animal pests, is a crucial part of maintaining the biodiversity and agricultural values in Eurobodalla. Council undertakes activities associated with the South East Weeds Action Program as a Local Control Authority and in association with the NSW Government agencies. In addition, external grants have assisted in a variety of invasive species programs and complement other natural resource management works.

During 2019-2020, there were 1,972 biosecurity matter (weeds) inspections conducted across all tenures, with 100% compliance from private property owners. Outlier infestations of African Love Grass and Serrated Tussock were detected on several properties, otherwise most properties were free of serious weed threats.

The Invasive Species Program has been impacted by the bushfires and COVID-19. The scheduled property inspections for Surf Beach West, Sunshine Bay, Denhams Beach, Lilli Pilli and Malua Bay were cancelled with efforts refocussed to provide post-fire weed support to nearly 300 properties in the upper Tuross Valley.

Rabbit control was enacted in the northern section of the Eurobodalla as per the rabbit control schedule.

Additional weed control programs have been undertaken with grant funds for Bitou bush and Lantana and on Crown Lands.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council receive and note the 2019-2020 Invasive Species Status Report.

BACKGROUND

State investment through the South East Weeds Action Program 2015-2020 is based on the goals of the NSW Invasive Species Plan, which sets out the goals required to avoid or minimise the threat of invasive species in NSW.

The way in which enforcement is carried out aligns with the NSW *Biosecurity Act 2015 (Act)* under which Council's weed inspection program operates. The Act focusses on a practical, risk-based approach.

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CONSIDERATIONS

Bushfire and COVID response

Most existing invasive species projects and works have continued and are on track with some modifications due to bushfire impacts and COVID-19 restrictions.

In response to the drought and bushfire, the following activities have occurred:

- Property checks that had hay/fodder brought in checked for the spread of new and emerging weeds
- Assisting rural landholders in bushfire affected areas identify new and emerging weeds
- Property checks in the Tuross catchment area assisting landholders. Some isolated infestations of African Love Grass and Serrated Tussock were found in the Turlinjah area, otherwise no high threat weeds were detected in the Tuross Valley
- Monitoring sites established to record the response of weeds and feral animals to the fires and assist with guiding weed control efforts
- Responded to an increase in calls from landholders asking for advice about invasive species in burnt areas
- Applications for bushfire recovery grants supporting invasive species control
- Secured additional Australian Government funds of ~\$250 000 for combating priority agricultural weed
- Communications and media stories on Council invasive species activities
- Development of post-fire ID video of what plants to keep and what to remove, with Local Land Services
- Reduction in private property inspections Sunshine Bay and Denhams Beach (primarily looking for Salvinia), Surf Beach West, and new properties in the Lilli Pilli and Malua Bay area.

Invasive Species Programs

- Biosecurity Matter (weeds), environmental weeds and animal pests can cause major harm to private property, the environment, agriculture, and human and animal health, resulting in adverse economic impacts.

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Weeds (Biosecurity matters)

Regular and systematic weed control on high priority reserves and roadsides continues to be a major focus to reduce the threat of weed spread. High risk pathways are monitored for the presence of new weed threats. Containment of major weed infestations also reduces the threat of weed spread into agricultural land and areas of high biodiversity value.

Table 1: 2019-20 South East Weeds Action Program Activities

	Target	Actual
Inspect all high risk pathways	996	1055
Inspect all high risk sites	111	111
Inspect private properties*	862	698
Inspect public properties	90	90
Urban area inspections	16	16
Weed control compliance re-inspections #	149	2
<i>*The private property inspection figures above are composed of the following:</i>		
Buckenbowra		5
Bodalla		1
Garlandtown		1
Congo / Bergalia		3
Bingie		2
Moruya		16
Coila / Turlinjah		90
Dalmeny, Narooma to Corrunga (Wonga Rd)		173
Currowan, Runnyford, Nelligen		98
Cullendulla		36
Rural farm visits – Upper Tuross Valley (Cadgee, Nerrigundah and Belowra)		273
Total inspections (all)	2,224	1,972

Low numbers of compliance reinspections means that an initial property inspection report has been complied with.

Table 1 shows that 698 private property inspections were conducted over 2019-2020. Weed control compliance is very high with only two properties requiring re-inspection and no properties requiring a non-compliance notice. Strong emphasis has been on the provision of extension services during inspections, resulting in spending more time on each property and building positive relationships with our landholders.

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Historical data suggests that the majority of our weed incursions stem from urban areas or high risk sites such as roadsides, sale-yards and power line easements. Various weeds continue to be detected in trade through online mediums such as Facebook, Buy Swap Sell and Gumtree. Consequently, these sites are monitored regularly for illegal activity, sellers inspected and their plants confiscated. Nursery and market inspections reveal that our retail outlets are doing the right thing and complying with Council directions, such as withdrawing Cactus and Broom hybrid species from sale.

Table 2: Comparison of weed inspection data from 2015-16 to 2019-20

	2015-16	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-2020 ∞
Number of private properties inspected	1,535	2,017	1,241	931	698
Number of re-inspections	23	165 [^]	15	11	2
Notices Issued	7	6	1	0	0
Compliance from landholders*	99.4%	99.7%	99.9%	100%	100%

*Compliance is based on the percentage of inspections that have required the issue of notices to ensure biosecurity matter (weeds) have been controlled.

[^]This figure includes Lantana re-inspections for the grant funded Lantana Pushback Program.

∞ Drought, fires and COVID--19

As shown in Table 2, the number compliance has been high with minimal enforcement action required. Due to the fires, and then COVID-19, the targeted number of inspections was not met. However extension services were applied to post fire rural holdings to ensure services to ratepayers was directed to where it was needed the most.

Animal pests

Control of animal pests is carried out strategically and where appropriate, in consultation with our community. Fox control is carried out in conjunction with the National Parks and Wildlife Service and other key stakeholders to implement the Australian Government's Fox Threat Abatement Plan. Council will work with the relevant agencies to address pest animals within resources and capacity.

Rabbits continue to be a major concern amongst coastal communities, and control activities were conducted in the north of our Shire as per the Rabbit Control Schedule. Good control was achieved at the majority of sites. Monitoring shows extremely low numbers at South Durras with reports from the community indicating they may have been completely eradicated. Rabbit control works for 2020-2021 will focus on the central parts of the Eurobodalla from Moruya to Bodalla.

Many coastal urban areas remain highly problematic, with high numbers of non-targetable rabbit infestations in urban backyards. Current resources are insufficient to run a control program across the entire Eurobodalla on an annual basis and opportunities for additional grant funds will be pursued wherever possible.

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Legal

Council are authorised under the *Biosecurity Act 2015*. The legislation promotes biosecurity as a shared responsibility between government, industry and the community, who will work together to identify, prevent, eradicate, minimise, respond to and manage biosecurity risks.

Environmental

Invasive species are costly to the Australian economy and primary producers, and cause degradation of the native bushland environment. Weeds are acknowledged as the second most serious cause of biodiversity decline after habitat loss from land clearing.

Invasive animals such as rabbits, foxes and Indian Myna birds cause serious harm to biodiversity, agriculture and ratepayers' properties.

Asset

Council controls invasive plants and animals across much of its tenure within budgetary constraints. We work in partnership with other government agencies and land managers, where possible, to ensure consistent and efficient usage of resources.

Social Impact

Invasive species impact on agriculture, ecosystem services, tourism and recreation. They can have a physical, aesthetic, financial and social impact on property owners, tourists, recreationists and property managers.

Economic Development Employment Potential

Council's Invasive Species Control Program engages local contractors to assist in the delivery of services. The control and inspection programs also assists in supporting the agricultural sector and minimising the impact of weeds and pests on production. Similarly, the program assists in maintaining the value of our local environmental assets which underpin the tourism industry and amenity which our residents and visitors enjoy.

Financial

The NSW Department of Primary Industries provides grant funding assistance for coordination and inspections through the Weed Action Program. Various funding programs greatly contributed to the control of weeds and vertebrate pests.

This year the Local Lands Services funded weed control in natural areas and wetlands. The Australian Government continues to contribute to the control of high threat weeds in the Eurobodalla Shire, including Bitou Bush and Lantana.

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(A) Revenue	
1. South East Weeds Action Program funds	1. \$99,259
2. Other external funds (grants)	2. \$28,664
3. Weeds certificates	3. \$1,139
TOTAL REVENUE	\$129,062
(B) ESC/SEWAP expenditure	
1. Council/Weed Action Program	1. ESC vertebrate pests: \$14,719
	2. ESC/SEWAP weeds: \$284,124
TOTAL ESC/SEWAP EXPENDITURE	\$298,843
(C) Other external funds expenditure	\$28,664
TOTAL EXPENDITURE 2019-20 (B + C)	\$327,507

Council will continue to investigate grant opportunities to aid in the delivery of invasive species services. As reported to Council on 14 July 2020 Natural Resource Management Bushfire Recovery Report (PSR20/0011) Council received ~\$250 000 'Combating priority agricultural weeds in Eurobodalla' which will provide additional support to landholders in 2020-2021.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

Events and extension services are conducted to ensure the community is aware of our activities and to foster a greater level of support and engagement in invasive species control. Council frequently responds to enquiries about invasive species control, plant identification and land management advice. In place of face to face events this year, an informative video on post fire weed management was developed and has recently been distributed through landholder networks.

CONCLUSION

Invasive plants and animals continue to significantly impact upon ratepayers, biodiversity and agriculture in Eurobodalla Shire. Council managed its requirements as the Local Control Authority for the *Biosecurity Act 2015* in 2019-20 and has delivered a high level of expertise and input into local and regional invasive species management and in assisting landholders with bushfire recovery.

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Responsible Officer: Lindsay Usher - Director, Planning and Sustainability Services

Attachments: 1. Terms of Reference for Coast and Environment Management
Advisory Committee

Outcome: Collaborative and Engaged Community

Focus Area: 8.2 Provide opportunities for broad and meaningful engagement to
occur

Delivery Program Link: 8.2.2 Work in partnership with the community on key projects

Operational Plan Link: 8.2.2.1 Promote opportunities to join existing or new Council
committees

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement to reestablish the Coast and Environment Management Advisory Committee (CEMAC) through a call for Expressions of Interest (EOIs) to the community.

The CEMAC is an appointed panel of elected representatives from the community and a range of local, scientific and government stakeholder groups, as well as two elected councillors. The CEMAC provides a forum for these groups to provide advice to Council about coastal, environmental and flood management matters across Eurobodalla. The previous term for CEMAC and the appointed representatives expired in 2018. A call for EOIs for all positions should be issued and former members of the CEMAC who held attendance during their term will be encouraged to re-apply.

The reestablishment of the CEMAC has been postponed until the Coastal Management Program (CMP) recommenced. As Council are able to recommence the CMP, this report is seeking to reestablish the CEMAC as part of the process.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council advertise for Expressions of Interests to appointment a new CEMAC.

BACKGROUND

The CEMAC was established on 27 October 2015 and had a three-year term, thus the term finished in 2018 and required the Committee to be reviewed and reestablished.

At the Council Meeting on Tuesday 25 September 2018, the following was resolved:

18/283 MOTION Councillor Thomson/Councillor Pollock OAM:

THAT Council appoint the Mayor, Councillors Pat McGinlay and Jack Tait as its delegates on the Coastal and Environmental Management Advisory Committee, with the Mayor appointed as Chair.

Councillors were originally briefed on a call for EOIs for the CEMAC in November 2017. While Council received eligible nominees to fill vacancies, the CMP was delayed due to the establishment of a Government agency Taskforce to lead the CMP and subsequently the

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reestablishment of the CEMAC was postponed until the CMP reconvened. The term of the CEMAC lapsed in 2018.

CONSIDERATIONS

The role of the CEMAC is to provide a panel of community stakeholders with a broad range of experience and viewpoint to provide guidance to Council on preparing and implementing coastal and flood programs.

An immediate function of the CEMAC upon appointing members will be the review of the Batemans Bay Urban Creeks Flood Study (BBUCFS), which is currently in development. In accordance with the Floodplain Development Manual (the Manual), the BBUCFS requires councils to utilise a committee to verify any flood management plan.

In addition, the CEMAC will be instrumental in finalising the open coast CMP and future coastal and flood programs.

More specifically, the eligibility criteria outlined in the Terms of Reference sets a three-year term for representatives to provide regular opportunities for different groups to participate. The following table outlines the former membership and current vacancies from the last meeting held in September 2017.

Table 1: Structure and vacancies of the voting members of CEMAC as of the last meeting, September 2017.

Community interest groups (one of each)	Status	Comment
Aboriginal Heritage Advisory Committee	<i>Vacant</i>	Long term vacancy
Landcare	<i>Occupied</i>	Regular attendance
Primary Industry (eg oyster growers)	<i>Vacant</i>	Appointee but no attendance
Sport and Recreation (eg surf clubs, dive groups)	<i>Occupied</i>	Regular attendance
Business and Tourism	<i>Vacant</i>	Appointee but no attendance
Area representatives (one of each)		
North (North of Clyde River)	<i>Vacant</i>	Resigned
Batemans Bay (CBD to Malua Bay)	<i>Occupied</i>	Regular attendance
North Central (Rosedale to Broulee)	<i>Occupied</i>	Regular attendance
South Central (Moruya to Potato Point)	<i>Vacant</i>	Appointee but no attendance
South (Dalmeny to Akolele)	<i>Occupied</i>	Regular attendance

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Professional representatives		
Science (two)	<i>1 position vacant</i>	Resigned
Councillors (Mayor as Chair + 1 Councillor, unless otherwise resolved)		

Council have reviewed the Term of Reference and it is proposed that this committee structure remain unchanged, with a total of twelve (12) voting community members and two councillors (The Mayor + 1 Councillor).

Environmental

The CEMAC provides a point of contact with the community to discuss environmental issues such as the development of policies and plans, delivery of on-ground works and the preparation of submissions to the NSW Government on environmental issues. The CEMAC provides an important focus group on environmental issues in addition to providing Council with specialist knowledge and community views.

Policy

There is an obligation under the Floodplain Development Code for councils to establish, or utilise an existing management committee to review any new floodplain management plans. The CEMAC is an appropriate candidate to fill that role and to assist Eurobodalla Shire Council in any future flood studies in addition to the CMP and BBUCFS.

The Coastal Management Manual recommends the inclusion of a community-based committee during the preparation of a Coastal Management Program.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

The *Coastal Management Act 2016* requires community consultation as an activity during the preparation of a CMP and the reestablishment and operation of the CEMAC will help to fulfil this obligation. The committee is intended to provide fair and equal representation through engaging a range of community stakeholders.

CONCLUSION

As the previous Coast and Environment Management Advisory Committee (CEMAC) has reached its term, requiring Council reestablish the Committee and place a call out for Expressions of Interest. The CEMAC will fulfil the intended purpose of providing a means of critical community involvement during the final stages of preparing the Coastal Management Program and Batemans Bay Urban Creeks Flood Study, as well as any future coastal & flood studies and management plans.

Terms of Reference for the Coast and Environment Management Advisory Committee

The Coast and Environment Management Advisory Committee (the Committee) will assist Council to manage coastal assets of environmental, cultural and economic value. The Committee will provide a link to the local community that will seek to identify the environmental values held by the community and assist Council to balance these values with sustaining development that will accommodate growth of the local economy. The Committee may also serve to review flood related matters where the need arises.

Current projections for climate change indicate the impacts from natural hazards such as coastal erosion, flooding and bushfires will exacerbate and the over the next century. Biodiversity and other aspects of the natural environment will need to adapt to different conditions under climate change. The Coast and Environmental Management Advisory Committee will inform Eurobodalla Shire Council in the development of planning strategies that will progress climate change adaptation for the coast, floodplains, biodiversity and natural landscapes of the local area.

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Title and Delegations

The Committee shall be referred to as the Coast and Environmental Management Advisory Committee of Eurobodalla Shire Council.

The Committee will function as a non-delegated advisory and working group.

Objectives

Provide advice relating to the management of the coast, floodplains, biodiversity and natural landscapes of the Eurobodalla Shire.

Terms of Reference

The Terms of Reference for the Coast and Environmental Management Advisory Committee are:

- Advise on integrated planning and management of the coast, floodplains, biodiversity and natural landscapes.
- Provide advice in accordance to the principals of ecologically sustainable development and relevant Australian, NSW and local government policy and legislation.
- Inform the development and adoption of Coastal Zone Management and Floodplain Management Plans for the Eurobodalla Shire.
- Inform the development and review of natural resource management plans.
- Incorporate the latest knowledge of climate change into coastal, floodplain and natural landscape planning to assist Council with the integration of adaptation strategies into planning policies and instruments.
- Provide and review scientific advice and integrate this knowledge into the preparation and review of natural resource management plans.
- Facilitate broader community participation in coastal, floodplain and natural resource management through informing and liaising with member community groups.
- Foster opportunities for joint projects, information sharing and grant funding to facilitate comprehensive and cost effective coastal, floodplain and natural resource management
- Monitor NSW and Australian Government natural resource management direction and advise Council on appropriate response.
- Make recommendations for Council consideration.

Tenure of Committee

In the case of a councillor, as determined by Council each year in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

In the case of community representatives, the tenure of membership will be three years. Members may re-nominate for further terms.

A member absent from three consecutive meetings without acceptable apology will be replaced.

Composition

The Committee shall consist of the following voting community representatives:

- **The Mayor + 1 councillor** (unless otherwise resolved)
- **nine (9) community members** who have been nominated by a community or business group, preferably with wide membership (Appendix 1)
- **one (1)** representative forwarded by the **Aboriginal Heritage Advisory Committee**
- **two (2) science professionals**, preferably with a specialty in coastal geomorphology, flooding and climate change.

Council:

Staff from Council, NSW Government agencies and Bega Valley Shire Council will attend to provide technical advice and guidance. Council and agency staff will not have voting rights on the Committee.

Selection Criteria

Expressions of Interest to participate on the Coast and Environmental Management Advisory Committee will be called for through the Council notices posted in the local media and Council's website.

Nominations must be received in writing before the due date nominated within the Expression of Interest.

Nominations for membership of the Coast and Environmental Management Advisory Committee will be assessed against the following selection criteria:

- Community delegates must be nominated by a community group, consortium of community groups or a peak body preferably with wide membership or representation.
- Commercial delegates must be nominated by a peak body or a consortium of organisations preferably with a wide membership or representation.
- Community and commercial delegates must reside in the Eurobodalla.

- Key operation and membership of community and commercial groups must be within the Eurobodalla Shire.
- Scientific representatives must have a specialty in disciplines related to the coast, floodplains, biodiversity, natural resource management or climate change.
- Nominees must be willing to abide by the terms of reference for the Committee.

Final determination for appointment to the Committee shall be made by Council.

Committee Code of Conduct

- Give advice to the best of their knowledge and ability that will help achieve the objectives of the Committee.
- Facilitate in a timely way any tasks allocated to and accepted by them.
- Behave in a manner that respects the interests and viewpoints of other members.
- Declare any potential or actual conflicts of interests on matters that are brought before the Committee.
- All members will abide by Council's [Code of Conduct](#) and Council's Code of Conduct - Conduct Committee Guidelines and Council's [Code of Meeting Practice](#).
- A copy of the current Codes will be made available to each Committee member following any updates or amendments made by the Council.

Responsibilities of Council

- Council will provide secretarial support, including Minute taking and professional officer support as appropriate.
- Pertinent matters will be referred to the Committee for its consideration and information will be provided on actions arising from adopted Committee recommendations.
- The Committee's ongoing role will be reviewed annually.
- Council has the discretion to review the role, re-organise or disband the Committee.

General Meetings

The Chairperson will be the Mayor unless otherwise delegated. An attending councillor or a community representative nominated by the Committee at the meeting will Chair in the event of the Chairperson being absent.

The Committee will aim to meet four (4) times per year or on an as needs basis.

The Chairpersons of the Committee will be able to call special meetings of the Committee as necessary for the effective conduct of the Committee and establish limited working parties as required.

A quorum of the Committee shall be half plus one of the members with voting rights.

Replacement of members through resignation, expulsion or failure to attend meetings will be determined by the process outlined in the selection criteria.

If a member is no longer associated with their representative group they must resign from the Committee and be replaced by the process outlined in the selection criteria.

In the event of death, illness or unavoidable circumstances visited upon a member, the community group elected by Council to be represented on the Committee may forward another representative.

Each member is entitled to appoint another member of their group as proxy by notice given to the Chair no later than 24 hours before the time of the meeting to which the proxy is to be appointed.

Other interested individuals are welcome to attend meetings as observers but are recognised with the consent of the Chairperson and must not be in attendance for meetings considering confidential matters.

Pursuant to Section 10(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the Chairperson of the Committee can exercise the power of expulsion of persons not recognised as being entitled to be present at a meeting of the Committee.

Meeting rules and practice

Refer to the [Code of Meeting Practice](#) (10 September 2013).

Variation to the Terms of Reference

These 'Terms of Reference' may be added to, repealed or amended by resolution of the Council in consultation with the Committee.

Contact Officer

The contact officer for the Committee is the Coastal and Flood Management Planner.

Distribution of information

Media releases are prepared by Strategy and Sustainable Growth Services staff and approved by the relevant Director before being issued. All media releases are forwarded through Council's Media Officer. Individual Committee members may not issue a media release on behalf of the Committee without prior approval of the Committee and the General Manager.

Composition of Eurobodalla Coast and Environmental Management Committee

Voting Committee Members

Councillors: 2

Other: 12

- Aboriginal Heritage Advisory Committee: 1
- Natural Resource Management (Landcare): 1
- Business and Tourism
- Primary Industry: 1
- Recreation: 1
- North (North of Clyde River): 1
- Batemans Bay (CBD to Malua Bay): 1
- North Central (Rosedale to Moruya River): 1
- South Central (South Head to Potato Point): 1
- South (Dalmeny to Akolele): 1
- Science: 2

Non-Voting Members

Council staff: 3

- Strategic Planning
- Environmental Services
- Minute secretary
- Others as required

Agency representatives (as required): 11

- Environment Planning - Environment and Heritage
- Environment and Planning - Planning NSW
- Environment and Planning - National Parks and Wildlife
- Department of Primary Industries - Fisheries

- Department of Primary Industries - Marine Estate Management Authority
- Department of Primary Industries - Crown Lands Division
- Forestry Corporation of NSW
- Roads and Maritime Services
- South East Local Land Services
- Bega Valley Shire Council
- Shoalhaven City Council

Total: 28

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IR20/012 FIXING LOCAL ROADS GRANTS PROGRAM

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Responsible Officer: Warren Sharpe OAM - Director Infrastructure Services
Attachments: Nil
Outcome: Connected and Accessible Places
Focus Area: 7.1 Work in partnership to provide an integrated transport network
Delivery Program Link: 7.1.2 Provide a safe efficient and integrated transport network
Operational Plan Link: 7.1.2.1 Provide a safe efficient and integrated transport network

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council has been successful in securing grant funding of \$3,125,000 for 2020-21 under the NSW Government's \$500m Fixing Local Roads Program.

The grant has been formally accepted and this report seeks a resolution formally endorsing the actions taken.

As per the grant applications, matching funding is provided within the adopted 2020-21 budgets on the basis of a percentage of the total project costs being:

- urban roads (50% contribution)
- pavement rehabilitation (25% contribution)
- heavy patching (25% contribution).

The grants made available under the Fixing Local Roads Program provide a major boost to deal with the backlog of road works. These works will contribute to the safety and performance of the road network, as well as the amenity of our urban landscape.

These grant funds will contribute positively to the infrastructure renewal ratio assisting the sustainability of Council financially.

The grant funds will also provide a significant boost to local employment through the delivery of the works using a mix of Council teams, local contractors, suppliers, plant and labour hire, which is even more important in the light of the current COVID-19 impacts on our community.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

1. Council endorsed the actions taken to accept the grant funds offered under the NSW Government Fixing Local Roads Program as follows:
 - i) Urban sealed road reconstruction – Annett St Mogo \$112,500
 - ii) Urban sealed road reconstruction – Mulgowrie St Malua Bay \$295,000
 - iii) Urban Roads – Wave St Tuross Head \$167,500
 - iv) Pavement Rehabilitation – Beach Road at Miller St \$195,000
 - v) Pavement Rehabilitation – George Bass Drive at Joes Creek \$585,000
 - vi) Pavement Rehabilitation – North Head Drive Moruya \$690,000
 - vii) Pavement Rehabilitation – Litchfield Crescent Long Beach \$135,000

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| viii) | Pavement Rehabilitation – Bowerbird Place Malua Bay | \$270,000 |
| ix) | Eurobodalla sealed road pavement defects | \$675,000 |
2. Council note the matching funding as per the grant allocations of \$1,425,000 is funded from the 2020-21 urban roads, pavement rehabilitation and maintenance programs in the amounts specified in the grant applications as follows:
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| i) | Urban sealed road reconstruction – Annett St Mogo | \$112,500 |
| ii) | Urban sealed road reconstruction – Mulgowrie St Malua Bay | \$295,000 |
| iii) | Urban Roads – Wave St Tuross Head | \$167,500 |
| iv) | Pavement Rehabilitation – Beach Road at Miller St | \$65,000 |
| v) | Pavement Rehabilitation – George Bass Drive at Joes Creek | \$195,000 |
| vi) | Pavement Rehabilitation – North Head Drive Moruya | \$230,000 |
| vii) | Pavement Rehabilitation – Litchfield Crescent Long Beach | \$45,000 |
| viii) | Pavement Rehabilitation – Bowerbird Place Malua Bay | \$90,000 |
| ix) | Eurobodalla sealed road pavement defects - various | \$225,000 |
3. Letters of appreciation be sent to the Hon. Andrew Constance MP Member for Bega and Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, and the Hon Paul Toole MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads for their support in securing these grants for the Eurobodalla community.

BACKGROUND

Council advocated directly and through the NSW Roads & Transport Directorate for the creation of the \$500m Fixing Local Roads Program.

Applications under this program were submitted in 2 December 2020 and reported in the six monthly review of the Delivery Program and Operational Plan.

CONSIDERATIONS

The successful grants were announced by Minister for Transport Andrew Constance MP on 24 July 2020.

Applications for nine road projects were successfully secured under the NSW Government Fixing Local Roads Program.

The grant applications included matching contributions from Council from existing transport programs, being the urban roads reconstruction program, pavement rehabilitation program and maintenance program.

The table below outlines this funding.

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Project	Council	Grant	Total cost per project
Annett St Mogo	\$112,500	\$112,500	\$225,000
Mulgowrie St Malua Bay	\$295,000	\$295,000	\$590,000
Wave St Tuross Head	\$167,500	\$167,500	\$335,000
Beach Road at Miller St	\$65,000	\$195,000	\$260,000
North Head Drive Moruya	\$230,000	\$690,000	\$920,000
Litchfield Crescent Long Beach	\$45,000	\$135,000	\$180,000
George Bass Drive at Joes Creek	\$195,000	\$585,000	\$780,000
Bowerbird Place Malua Bay	\$90,000	\$270,000	\$360,000
Sealed Road Pavement Defects	\$225,000	\$675,000	\$900,000
Total Funds	\$1,425,000	\$3,125,000	\$4,550,000

These works will be delivered by 30 June 2021, along with the remainder of the transport program. There are sufficient resources available to complete these works using Council teams, local and regional sub-contractors, plant hire, labour hire and suppliers. This provides a significant boost to employment in the Eurobodalla.

Legal

These works contribute significantly to improving the road pavements across Eurobodalla. This improves road safety and lowers the risk of potential claims against Council.

Asset

These works relate to improving existing road pavements.

Social Impact

The projects will deliver safer roads for the community.

Economic Development Employment Potential

The funding for these works supports local employment during this difficult period of recovery and COVID-19. Where practicable, the work will be undertaken using local people, ensuring the benefit of the grant funding is circulated within the local economy.

The road and pathway upgrades in Annetts Street Mogo (Princes Highway to Charles Street) will assist support the businesses in this village.

Financial

Council has received \$3,125,000 in grant funding which will be match by \$1,425,000 in Council funds from existing adopted budgets.

These grant funded works are substantially pavement renewal and maintenance works. This expenditure will improve financial ratios reported to the Office of Local Government including the renewal and maintenance ratios, having a positive impact on Council's overall financial sustainability.

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Community and Stakeholder Engagement

The community will be informed through provision of information on Council's website; writing to residents, stakeholders, community groups; advertising on Council's noticeboard page in two local newspapers; and where road closures may be required, distributing a media release.

CONCLUSION

This report recommends that the actions taken to accept the nine grants funding offered under the NSW Government Fixing Local Roads Program be endorsed.

The on-going support of the Hon. Andrew Constance MP Member for Bega and Minister for Transport and Infrastructure, and the Hon Paul Toole MP, Minister for Regional Transport and Roads is appreciated.

**CCS20/028 LAND ACQUISITION FOR ROAD PURPOSES - GEORGE BASS DRIVE,
LILLI PILLI**

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Responsible Officer: Amanda Jones - Acting Director Corporate and Commercial Services

Attachments: Nil

Outcome: Innovative and Proactive Leadership

Focus Area: 9.2 Ensure financial sustainability and support the organisation in achieving efficient ongoing operations

Delivery Program Link: 9.2.2 Manage land under Council control to achieve a return for the community

Operational Plan Link: 9.2.2.2 Facilitate property sales and development

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is proposing to realign a section of George Bass Drive, Lilli Pilli as part of Council's Road Safety Plan. The project requires the acquisition of approximately 1.695 hectares of part Lot 1 DP 1151734 for road purposes.

Lot 1 DP 1151734 is Crown land. An application for compulsory acquisition of part Lot 1 will be submitted to Crown Lands following Council approval in accordance with the Crown's procedures and, Council will then apply to the Minister for Local Government to acquire the land.

All survey and legal costs associated with the land acquisition will be borne by Council as part of its contribution to the co-funded project.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT

1. Application be made to the Minister for Local Government to acquire part of Lot 1 DP 1151734 for public road purposes by compulsory process in accordance with Council's power under Section 177(1) of the *Roads Act 1993* and in accordance with the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act*.
2. If consent is granted, all necessary action be taken to finalise the acquisition of the land for public road purposes in accordance with the provisions of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*.
3. Once acquired, the land be dedicated as public road in accordance with the provisions of the *Roads Act 1993*.

BACKGROUND

George Bass Drive forms part of the road link along the coast between Batemans Bay and Moruya, and, is an alternative route to the Princes Highway.

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Council is proposing to realign the section of George Bass Drive commonly known as the Lilli Pilli bends at Grandfather's Gully. This length of road has a significant accident history. Council wishes to alleviate the poor driveability and improve the condition of this section of road.

The project will include improvements to the horizontal and vertical alignment, widen sealed shoulders and provide a wider clear zone and adhere to the Council's safe systems approach to our Road Safety Plan.

A funding application has been lodged with Transport NSW for the completion of this important road safety project. The acquisition of this land will help to ensure that the project is "shovel ready" once funding does become available.

CONSIDERATIONS



Lot 1 DP 1151734 – George Bass Drive, Lilli Pilli

Legal

The compulsory acquisition process requires application to be made to the Minister for Local Government to acquire part Lot 1 DP 1151734 of Crown land under Section 177(1) of the *Roads*

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Act 1993 following land owner's consent from the Crown. Once consent is granted by the Minister, the acquisition of the land for public road purposes will be finalised in accordance with the provisions of the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms Compensation) Act 1991*. Council will comply with any relevant legislation and procedures in relation to Native Title and Aboriginal land rights and interests to ensure a valid acquisition.

<https://legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/1993/30/historical2016-09-23/chap8/part1/sec187>

Policy

The acquisition of land for road purposes will proceed in accordance with Council's Land Acquisition and Disposal Policy.

<https://www.esc.nsw.gov.au/inside-council/council/council-policies/policies/Land-Acquisition-and-Disposal-Policy.pdf>

Asset

The project will include improvements to the horizontal and vertical alignment, widen sealed shoulders and provide a wider clear zone and adhere to the Council's safe systems approach to our Road Safety Plan.

Social Impact

The aim is to alleviate the poor driveability and improve the condition by realigning this section of George Bass Drive.

Financial

Compensation for the land will be determined in accordance with the *Land Acquisition (Just Terms) Compensation Act 1991*.

All costs associated with the acquisition to be borne by Council.

There is an ongoing budget allocation each year to cover required Land Acquisitions such as this. It is proposed to use part of this normal budget allocation towards this proposed acquisition and the costs associated with it.

This is a project planned to be co-funded by Council and the Transport NSW, subject to approval for grant funding. The acquisition of this portion of land will form part of Council's contribution to the project. The acquisition of this land will help to ensure that the project is "shovel ready" once funding does become available.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

An application for compulsory acquisition will be submitted to Crown Lands, as land owners, following Council approval in accordance with Crown Land's procedures.

CONCLUSION

Council is proposing to realign a section of George Bass Drive, Lilli Pilli as part of Council's Road Safety Plan. That will require compulsory acquisition of part Lot 1 DP 1151734 to be dedicated as public road.

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Responsible Officer: Kathy Arthur - Director Community, Arts and Recreation Services

Attachments: 1. Eurobodalla ROSS 2018 Appendix A
2. Eurobodalla ROSS 2018 - Appendix B

Outcome: Strong Communities, Desirable Lifestyle

Focus Area: 1.3 Encourage and enable healthy lifestyle choices

Delivery Program Link: 1.3.2 Plan for and provide a safe and accessible network of recreation and community facilities

Operational Plan Link: 1.3.2.2 Commence implementation of the Recreation and Open Space Strategy 2018

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Eurobodalla Recreation and Open Space Strategy (ROSS) was adopted in February 2018. The ROSS was produced after extensive internal and external consultation over the period 2016-2018.

Development of this document led to the establishment of the Recreation Services Division within the Community, Arts and Recreation Services Directorate in 2017, which subsequently has had primary carriage of implementing the ROSS.

The ROSS incorporates 85 actions, prioritised as high, medium and low and grouped as Eurobodalla-wide or from the northern, central or southern planning precincts.

As at the end of July 2020, 49 actions (58%) have been completed and a further 18 (21%) are underway, representing progress on 79% of all ROSS actions.

Three ROSS actions prescribed the completion of landscape masterplans for Captain Oldrey Park in Broulee, the Moruya Showground and Gundry Oval in Moruya. These plans were also completed and adopted in 2018, coming with an additional 95 actions. Of these, 31, or 33% have been completed or are currently underway.

ROSS and associated masterplan actions are funded from net proceeds from the sale of properties identified in current or previous iterations of the ROSS, as well as grants and annual capital budget allocations.

The table overleaf shows a summary of the status of all ROSS actions, listed with an abbreviated action description. A detailed status report of all ROSS actions is attached at Appendix A and a summary of the status of actions from the three masterplans is attached at Appendix B.

In the coming year, Recreation Services Division will be undertaking a review of recreation actions and priorities from all existing plans and ongoing community feedback to guide Division activities until the next iteration of the ROSS is produced.

This will ensure that all communities and open spaces across the Shire are being fairly assessed and prioritised for investment, and maintain the ROSS as a relevant, living document that reflects and supports the community.

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RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council notes the progress of the implementation of the 2018 Recreation and Open Space Strategy.

STRATEGY UPDATE

Development of the ROSS led to the establishment of the Recreation Services Division within the Community, Arts and Recreation Services Directorate in 2017, and the team is responsible for leading its implementation.

The ROSS incorporates 85 actions, allocated as Eurobodalla-wide (33 items) or from the northern (30 items), central (13 items) or southern planning precinct (9 items). The northern planning precinct incorporates towns from South Durras to Guerilla Bay, central includes Tomakin to Tuross Head and the southern planning precinct incorporates towns from Bodalla to Tilba.

ROSS actions are prioritised as high (55 items), medium (24 items) and low (6 items). Indicative timeframes for action completion were specified as 'within two years' for high priority items, 'within five years' for medium priority items, and in 'six to ten (or more) years' for low priority items.

As at the end of July 2020, 49 actions (58%) have been completed and a further 18 (21%) are underway, representing progress on 79% of all ROSS actions. Fifty of the high priority items (91%) and 17 of the medium priority items (71%) have been completed or are underway.

The table below provides a summary of the status of all ROSS actions, listed with an abbreviated action description and a traffic light system representing whether actions have been completed (green), are underway (amber) or not yet started (red).

A detailed status report of all ROSS actions is attached at Appendix A.

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ROSS Action status summary as at 30 June 2020

Priority	Action Short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed/ Ongoing
High	E1 - Develop and distribute a communication package for sports clubs			
High	E2 - Facilitate clubs to develop Club Development Plans	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	E3 - Undertake a feasibility study for a new indoor leisure centre.			
High	E4 - Continue engagement with schools regarding community use of school facilities.			
Medium	E5 - Consult with stakeholders and identify the preferred direction for athletics in Eurobodalla.			
Medium	E6 - Monitor the tennis club model and investigate alternative uses for facilities if required.			
High	E7 - Review the minimum inclusions for sporting amenities buildings and address as part of renewals and new constructions.			
High	E8 - Develop minimum standards for ancillary facilities at sporting fields.			
High	E9 - Develop sportsfield lighting guidelines.			
Medium	E10 - Install 'Smoking Prohibited' signs as per legislation at priority playgrounds and sportsgrounds.			
Medium	E11 - Undertake user satisfaction surveys at key recreation sites.			
Medium	E12 - Consult with stakeholders on key projects requiring outdoor recreation infrastructure within bushland reserves and foreshores.			
High	E13 - Develop an Adventure Trails Strategy.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
Various	E14 - Continue implementing Council's Pathways Strategy 2017.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
Various	E15 - Consider supporting infrastructure for new or upgraded pathways.			
High	E16 - Partner with and support external providers to facilitate increased outdoor recreation opportunities using existing facilities.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
Medium	E17 - Strengthen relationships with Local Aboriginal Land Councils, NPWS & State Forests to grow outdoor recreation activities/events.			
Medium	E18 - Ensure promotion of natural areas provides an understanding of conservation, traditional owners & facilities & services offered.			
Medium	E19 - Develop outdoor recreation and environmental interpretive programs.			
Medium	E20 - Review Strava data and heat maps to understand popular outdoor recreation routes.	# This information was not identified as a priority source of data by consultants for the Adventure Trails Strategy (E13) and will not be pursued further.		
Medium	E21 - Install directional and information signage consistent with the Tourism Wayfinding & Signage Strategy.			
High	E22 - Consider incorporating a wider range of features in future development or upgrade of skate parks.			
Low	E23 - Investigate the location and requirements for a mega park within the Shire.			
High	E24 - Develop an activation plan to increase use of community halls.			

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Priority	Action Short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed/ Ongoing
High	E25 - Support development of essential infrastructure at Community Gardens.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	E26 - Continue to facilitate community recreation programs and events.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	E27 - Run community skate/scooter events.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	E28 - Partner with agencies to develop recreation programs that support areas with high proportions of Aboriginal youth.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	E29 - Audit current and develop updated Plans of Management in accordance with the new Crown Land Management Act 2016.			
High	E30 - Review the procedure for renewal of parks and reserves.			
High	E31 - Consult with the community, early childhood services and schools as part of playground development.			
High	E32 - Work with stakeholders to establish a strategy for protecting vulnerable environments adjacent to Council land.			
High	E33 - Ensure native plants are used in landscaping where appropriate.			
Low	N1 - Reclassify South Durras Sporting Oval from a Local Sports Park into a Local Recreation Park.			
High	N2 - Upgrade Mogo Sporting Oval into a Local Recreation Park.			
High	N3 - Upgrade picnicking facilities and install multipurpose play elements at John Street Reserve in Mogo.			
Medium	N4 - Investigate potential future uses for the amenities building at South Durras recreation park.			
High	N5 - Renovate tennis court fencing and remove the sporting amenities building at Nelligen Recreation Reserve.			
Medium	N6 - Investigate 49 Banyandah Street, South Durras for reclassification, subdivision and sale.			
High	N7 - Promote the presence of the natural playground in the Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens.			
Medium	N8 - Upgrade Sandy Place Reserve, Long Beach, to a District Recreation Park, in consultation with the community.			
Medium	N9 - Decommission the playground equipment at Higgins Park, Long Beach.			
Medium	N10 - Renew picnic assets at Maloneys Beach and consult with the community about installing swings.			
Low	N11 - When population growth and demand warrants, upgrade Hibiscus Close Reserve, Maloneys Beach to District Recreation Park.			
Various	N12 - Retain Lot 1, DP 871237 (Blairs Road, Long Beach) for future recreation use.			
High	N13 - Retain community land on Mundarra Way, North Batemans Bay.			
Medium	N14 - Consult with the community regarding future design and maintenance of Albert Ryan and Rotary Parks in Batemans Bay.			
High	N15 - Continue planning and development of the Batemans Bay Regional Aquatic, Arts and Leisure Centre.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
High	N16 - Keep pedestrian gates at Mackay Park, Batemans Bay, open unless under a hire agreement.			

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Priority	Action Short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed/ Ongoing
High	N17 - Update the masterplan for the Hanging Rock Precinct.			
High	N18 - Support annual come and try days for youth and families at the BMX Park, Catalina.			
Medium	N19 - Investigate opportunities for inter-generational activities.			
High	N20 - Provide a fenced dog park in the northern planning precinct.			
High	N21 - Review and implement the masterplan for Corrigans Beach Reserve.			
Medium	N22 - Provide picnic tables at Wimbie Beach Reserve (south) in Surf Beach.			
High	N23 - Develop a masterplan for Observation Point Reserve, Batehaven.			
High	N24 - Plan for the Batemans Bay Coastal Headlands Walking Trail.			
High	N25 - Develop a masterplan for Malua Bay Beach Reserve.			
High	N26 - Upgrade the Malua Bay Community Centre and car park.			
High	N27 - Construct safe beach access to North Rosedale Beach and Nuns Beach in South Rosedale, subject to external funds.			
Medium	N28 - Develop a new local park in Rosedale as part of the new housing development.			
High	N29 - Categorise Burrewarra Point as bushland reserve and add appropriate new infrastructure after consultation with Landcare.			
High	N30 - Investigate 35-37 Illabunda Drive, Malua Bay for reclassification, subdivision and sale.			
Medium	C1 - Upgrade Jack Buckley Park, Tomakin, to a District Recreation Park in consultation with the community.			
High	C2 - Complete the masterplan for Captain Oldrey Park, Broulee			
Low	C3 - Respond to future skate park requirements in Broulee, with consideration of Action E22.			
High	C4 - Picnic table and landscaping upgrade to Heath Street Reserve, Broulee			
Medium	C5 - Identify suitable locations for the installation of barbecues along Coronation Drive, Broulee.			
High	C6 - Investigate 9 Moir Place, Broulee for reclassification, subdivision and sale.			
High	C7 - Complete the masterplan for Gundry Oval, Moruya, to upgrade it to regional facility standard.			
High	C8 - Complete the masterplan for Moruya Showground			
Low	C9 - Expand and upgrade the Moruya skate park, with consideration of Action E22.			
High	C10 - Install new playground in Congo			
Medium	C11 - Upgrade Evans Park, Tuross Head, to a District Recreation Park in consultation with the community.			

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Priority	Action Short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed/ Ongoing
Medium	C12 - Develop a masterplan for Kyla Park, Tuross Head.			
High	C13 - Identify youth-focussed activities for Tuross Head			
Medium	S1 - Identify youth-focussed activities for Dalmeny			
High	S2 - Provide further ancillary facilities at Dalmeny Oval.			
High	S3 - Develop a masterplan for Bill Smyth Oval, Narooma.		* grant funded wholly or in part	
High	S4 - Develop a feasibility study and business plan for the Narooma Swimming Centre.			
Low	S5 - Expand and upgrade the Narooma skate park, with consideration of Action E22.			
High	S6 - Promote the Narooma Leisure Centre as a location for a wide range of activities and events.			
High	S7 - Investigate ways to activate the Narooma Swimming Centre clubroom and Library HACCC Room for seniors.			
High	S8 - Consult with the Narooma community on options for Walker Park, Narooma.			
High	S9 - Install bench seats at NATA Oval.			

ROSS actions C2, C7 and C8 prescribed the completion of landscape masterplans for Captain Oldrey Park in Broulee, the Moruya Showground and Gundry Oval in Moruya. These plans were also completed and adopted in 2018, coming with an additional 95 actions. Of these, 31, or 33% have been completed or are currently underway. A summary of the status of actions from the three masterplans is attached at Appendix B.

Recreation Services is currently also developing plans of management for all Council-managed Crown land parcels (delivering ROSS actions E29, N17, N21, N23, and S3), which incorporate masterplan actions and objectives for recreation and open space developments and upgrades.

In the coming year, Recreation Services Division will be undertaking a review of recreation actions and priorities from all existing plans and ongoing community feedback to guide activities until the next iteration of the ROSS is produced. This will ensure that all communities and open spaces across the Shire are being fairly assessed and prioritised for investment, and maintain the ROSS is a relevant, living document.

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The new Long Beach Recreation Park (Action N8)



Skate park event (Action E27)



Mackay Park Plan of Management (Action E29)



The new Mogo playground (Action N2)



The new and upgraded playground at Evans Park in Tross Head (Action C11)



New signage installed consistent with the Tourism Wayfinding & Signage Strategy (Action E21)

CONSIDERATIONS

Financial

The ROSS and associated masterplans are funded from the proceeds from the sale of properties in the current and previous iterations of the ROSS, as well as grants and annual capital budget allocations.

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Council Motion 15/31 on 24 February 2015 states that:

‘Net proceeds from the sale of the properties identified in the Recreation and Open Space Strategy be restricted for expenditure on recreation facilities and the net proceeds from the sale of other properties listed be placed in Council’s Land Register.’

Reclassification and sale of identified community land pieces in each ROSS therefore assists to benefit the wider community. Realisation of these assets, identified and assessed as providing limited recreational use to the local community, goes on to provide multiple new playgrounds, sheltered picnic settings and barbecues, or substantial investment into other prioritised recreation assets across the Eurobodalla.

The ROSS 2018 recommended investigation of three land parcels for potential subdivision and sale for residential purposes. While the planning proposals for these three land parcels have been initiated by the Strategic Services team, they are currently on hold due to competing work priorities.

At least 12 ROSS actions and 13 masterplan actions are underway or completed wholly or in part by various grants. The Recreation and community Development teams have been successful in securing a number of grants for programs and infrastructure, supported in other applications by the Grants and Advocacy Coordinator, making funding of these applications a collaborative effort.

Community and Stakeholder Engagement

The ROSS was produced after extensive internal and external consultation over the period 2016-2018.

In adopting the ROSS in February 2018, Council specified in Motion 18/28 that:

‘Every recommendation that involves further community consultation or engagement involve the relevant Community/Resident Association or group.’

Recreation Services has had primary carriage of implementing the ROSS and has continued with the intent of the ROSS as a community driven document. Substantial consultation has taken place with community members, sporting clubs, schools, Community/Resident Associations, Business Chambers, businesses, Local Aboriginal Land Councils as well as relevant organisations or government departments in the delivery of ROSS actions. Other Council Divisions that are responsible for ROSS action implementation have also been active in consulting with the community for strategy, project or program design and development. Key examples include:

- **Masterplans and Plans of Management** (eg. for Moruya Showground, Narooma Sport and Leisure Precinct, Hanging Rock, Corrigans Beach and Observation Point Reserves) have involved street meets, workshops with identified stakeholders, surveys, onsite meetings as well as legislated public exhibition requirements.
- **Playground upgrades and renewals** (eg. in Mogo, Tuross Head, Long Beach) have involved onsite meetings, surveys, input into design, as well as community involvement in implementation, such as artwork or landscaping.

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- **Adventure Trail Strategy** has involved workshops and meetings with potential user groups, tourism and adventure sport businesses, land managers and owners.



Street meet for the Narooma Sport and Leisure Precinct Plan of Management (Actions E29)



Gathering community input for the Tuross Head Evans Park upgrade (Action C11)



Community meeting to discuss the future of Walker Park (Action S8)



Stakeholder meeting for the Bill Smyth Oval landscape masterplan (Action S3)

Asset

ROSS actions incorporate a number of upgrades to or new Council assets. The most significant of these have been major playgrounds upgrades in Tuross and Long Beach (\$200,000-\$250,000, a combination of annual playground renewal and ROSS budgets).

Plans of management and masterplan actions include substantially larger capital assets, such as sporting amenities buildings, which have asset values in the vicinity of \$500,000-\$1 million.

CONCLUSION

Since adoption in February 2018, 67 (or 79%) of the 85 actions included in the ROSS have been completed or are underway. Recreation Services continues to drive delivery of this strategy as well as flow-on planning documents and identified projects to ensure fair assessment and investment in recreation facilities, spaces, projects and programs throughout the Shire.

**STATUS OF EACH 2018 RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE STRATEGY (ROSS) ACTION ITEM
 AS AT JULY 2020**

The traffic light system in the priority column represents whether actions have been completed (green), are underway (amber) or not yet started (red).

Priority /status	Ref	Action	Detailed status as at June 2020
High	E1	Develop a communication package from Council to inform club office bearers of key Council contacts, responsibilities and processes. Distribute the package annually.	Complete and ongoing. The quarterly Recreation Matters newsletter was established in 2018. It currently has approximately 300 subscribers.
High	E2	Facilitate clubs to develop Club Development Plans. Club Development Plans to become a requirement within Community Infrastructure Guidelines.	Complete. A Club Development workshop series was undertaken in March to June 2019 and a Club Development conference is scheduled for October 2020.
High	E3	Undertake a feasibility study into the provision of a larger indoor multi-purpose 'dry' leisure centre to cater for a wide range of sports and community activities.	Not yet started.
High	E4	Continue communication with schools regarding continued community use of school facilities.	Underway and ongoing. Examples include liaison with St Peter's and Carroll Colleges in relation to supplementary playing fields in the Broulee area.
Medium	E5	Consult with interested stakeholders, including Little Athletics ACT, to identify the preferred direction for athletics in Eurobodalla.	Complete. Eurocoast Athletics was formed in September 2018 as a combined junior and senior club. The Club currently operates out of St Peter's College in Broulee.
Medium	E6	Where the self-management and self-funding model for tennis clubs does not result in sustainable rates of usage and facility upgrades, investigate alternative uses for the facility.	Complete and ongoing. ESC partnered with Tennis NSW to deliver Tennis Restart in June 2018, which included facility audits, operational health checks, and operational recommendations for each of Council's seven tennis facilities. A draft Eurobodalla Tennis Strategy was completed in January 2020.
High	E7	Review the minimum inclusions for sporting amenities and address as part of the required upgrade, renewal or reconfiguration of existing sporting amenities. Future minimum inclusions should incorporate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two change rooms (preferably with an ability to be converted to four smaller change rooms) • officials change area • public amenities • first aid area • canteen • significant storage. If clubs seek additional or alternate standards, such as social facilities, a partnership funding approach should be examined (as described in the Community Infrastructure Guidelines).	Complete and ongoing. The ROSS classification framework (Regional, District, Local) has been used to guide upgrades currently underway at Bill Smyth Oval in Narooma, Gundry Oval in Moruya and Captain Oldrey Park in Broulee.

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Priority /status	Ref	Action	Detailed status as at June 2020
High	E8	Develop a minimum standard of ancillary facility provision for sporting fields. Items for consideration include player and official's benches, dugouts, spectator seating and mounds and opportunities for shelter from the elements.	Not yet started.
High	E9	Develop sports field lighting guidelines for future standardised service provision. Preferably, each sporting facility should have at least one sports field lit to the relevant training standard. Winter season outdoor sports should have access to at least one shire wide, but preferably a competition standard lighting facility in each of the north, central and southern precincts of the shire.	Complete and ongoing. The ROSS classification framework (Regional, District, Local) has been used to guide masterplanning and grant-funded upgrades currently underway at Bill Smyth Oval in Narooma, Bodalla Oval and Gundry Oval in Moruya.
Medium	E10	Install 'Smoking Prohibited' notices as per legislation and as part of 'grouped' signage at priority playgrounds and sportsground spectator areas.	Complete.
Medium	E11	Undertake user satisfaction surveys at key outdoor recreation sites every two years to determine participation rates, user satisfaction and any supply gaps. Potential exists to use QR codes and other technologies at key facilities (such as trailheads) to access the survey.	Ongoing. There has been substantial user engagement and satisfaction assessments undertaken as part of consultation for the numerous ROSS projects undertaken and underway. A Sport & Recreation Survey is also undertaken with sporting clubs each year.
Medium	E12	Consult with relevant stakeholders to investigate key projects and investment needed for outdoor recreation infrastructure within bushland reserves and foreshores. Key projects include the Batemans Bay Coastal Headlands Walking Trail, North Batemans Bay 100km mountain bike track and Deep Creek Dam multi-discipline mountain bike park, Deua Valley wilderness trail, and an expansion of the existing kayaking routes.	Underway and ongoing. Stakeholder engagement is undertaken in accordance with Council's Community Engagement Framework, as demonstrated for Plans of Management and Masterplans (eg. E29, N21, N23) and Mogo Adventure Trails Hub Masterplan (eg. E13).
High	E13	Develop a shire wide Adventure Trails Strategy to identify opportunities to increase and enhance the trails and track-based activities (walking, horse riding and mountain bike riding) within the public areas for the local communities and visitors.	Complete. The draft Adventure Trails Strategy was briefed to Council in August 2019. Consultants 'Dirt Art' commenced the Mogo Adventure Trails Hub Masterplan in February 2020. This lays out the trail network in detail and identify infrastructure and facilities needed to open up event opportunities and encourage more visitors to the region. Community feedback and completion is planned for late 2020.
Various	E14	Continue the development of boardwalks, walking and cycle paths in accordance with Council's Pathway Strategy 2017.	Underway and ongoing.
Various	E15	Ensure new and/or upgrades to footpaths and shared paths consider supporting infrastructure such as seating, water bubblers, shade, lighting and signage.	Underway and ongoing.

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High	E16	Continue to partner with (and support) external providers (eg. scouts/girl guides, bicycle user groups, mountain bike and bushwalking clubs, canoe/kayak hire providers) to facilitate and promote increased outdoor recreation opportunities using existing facilities and human resources.	Underway and ongoing. A <i>Live Life Get Active</i> program has been funded in 20-21. There are ongoing partnerships with external providers for various programs and events through the Recreation, Community Development and Events teams.
Medium	E17	Seek opportunities to strengthen relations with Local Aboriginal Lands Councils, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service and State Forests with a view to investigating and enhancing opportunities to further grow outdoor recreation activities and events in Eurobodalla Shire.	Underway and ongoing. Council staff continue to work to build productive relationships with stakeholders for all projects to achieve outdoor recreation outcomes in the Shire. For example, relevant LALCs have been engaged for recreation projects (eg. Mogo Park upgrade (N2), Burrewarra Point (N29), Plans of Management (E29); relationships with NPWS have developed as part of the Maloneys Beach swings project (N10) and the adjoining trailhead for the Murramarang South Coast Walk; and State Forests have been engaged as a key stakeholder of the Adventure Trails Strategy (E13).
Medium	E18	Ensure the promotion of bushland reserves and waterways provides visitors (and residents) with an understanding of the focus for conservation management, traditional owner requirements, facilities and services offered.	Underway and ongoing. Development of the Plan of Management for Natural Areas (E29) will include management objectives in support of this. Interpretive signage in accordance with the Tourism Wayfinding & Signage Strategy is being incorporated into new projects (eg. Burrewarra Point (N29), Observation Point (N23)).
Medium	E19	Develop a suite of outdoor recreation and environmental interpretive programs within key bushland reserves (eg. outdoor classrooms at the Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens and at unused sporting amenities such as South Durras Sporting Oval).	Not yet started.
Medium	E20	Review Strava data (website and mobile app used to track athletic activity via satellite navigation) and heat maps for outdoor recreation to understand popular routes and routes in inappropriate locations.	This information was not identified as a priority source of data by consultants for the Adventure Trails Strategy (E13) and will not be pursued further.
Medium	E21	Consistent with the Eurobodalla Tourism Signage Strategy, audit and install appropriate directional and information signage at key points of interest, community facilities and service locations throughout the shire, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • key fishing areas • beach access points • canoe/kayak launching locations • playgrounds • sporting facilities • public toilets • distances. 	Underway and ongoing. Seventy directional signs have so far been installed along George Bass Drive providing direction to key points of interest consistent with recommendations of the Tourism Wayfinding and Signage Strategy.

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High	E22	In future development or upgrade of wheel actioned sports precincts (skate parks), give consideration to incorporation of features such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • areas for younger and less experienced riders • freerunning/parkour elements • new challenges or stimulation for regular users • water bubblers • shade structures • lighting and power • picnic tables and seats. 	Underway. Drafting of Guidelines for the development and upgrade of skate parks commenced in April 2020. Skate features have been incorporated into new playground design for Long Beach (see N8).
Low	E23	Investigate the location and development requirements of an appropriately sized mega park (refer p35) within the shire, giving consideration to current playground supply and community and tourism benefits.	Not yet started.
High	E24	Develop an activation plan to increase use of community halls. Where initiatives fail to achieve sustainable usage rates (and disposal is not considered practical), consider transferring management and maintenance of the facility to a community group under a management agreement.	Underway and ongoing. Council's Booking Office works with local community groups to increase activity at our facilities. In cases where patronage is particularly low, or it is commercially beneficial to do so, licenses are granted to community groups providing greater scope for regular activity. Examples include the Bodalla supper room and the Youth Cafe at the Batemans Bay Community Centre.
High	E25	Assess the need for essential infrastructure at Community Gardens and allocate resources and support grant applications to develop and manage a merit-based capital program and a program of recreation activities in partnership with the community.	Complete. Composting toilet and accessible path constructed at SAGE Community Garden in November 2018.
High	E26	Continue to initiate and facilitate physical activity programs (eg. Live Life Eurobodalla), community programs (eg. community garden projects), events (eg. Batemans Bay Paddle Challenge) and performing arts (eg. buskers) within the open space and halls network and seek appropriate funding opportunities.	Underway and ongoing. Live Life Eurobodalla continues to support volunteers to run programs which provide physical and social activities for seniors such as Scottish dancing and bridge lessons. The Community Development team work with the community to run community events such as the Seniors Week dance, Eurobodalla Farmers Dinner, all-ages music events and the Colour Run. Funding is regularly sought from various programs, such as NSW Youth Week and Seniors Week grants.
High	E27	Run skateboard/scooter events at community skate parks, in conjunction with the local community.	Underway and ongoing. Every year the Youth Services team host five skate events (one at each skate park). The events are spread throughout the year starting on national skate day in September and ending in Youth Week in April. These events are funded from the youth budget and community sponsorship.

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High	E28	Partner with the community, government and non-government agencies to develop recreation programs that support areas within the shire with high proportions of Aboriginal youth.	Underway and ongoing. A primary example is the Walawaani Garindja program for 10-17 year olds each Wednesday afternoons at the Gundry Oval clubhouse in Moruya that commenced in August 2018.
High	E29	Audit the existence and appropriateness of all current plans of management (POM) and seek funding to undertake the development of POM for all Council recreation, sport and open space land covered by the new Crown Land Acts 2016 where a POM does not currently exist. Higher order POM priorities will include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2007 Plan of Management for Riverside Park and Ryans Creek Reserve, Moruya. • 1997 Plan of Management for Natural Areas and Undeveloped Bushland Reserves. • Murramarang Beach Reserve and boat ramp 	Underway and ongoing. - Mackay Park POM adopted June 2019 - POMs currently at various stages of development: Moruya Showground and Golf Course Reserve; Narooma Sport and Leisure Precinct; Hanging Rock, Corrigans Beach and Observation Point Reserves; Developed Reserves and Facilities; and Natural Areas and Undeveloped Reserves - Not yet started: Moruya Riverside Reserve; awaiting advice regarding planned Moruya bypass.
High	E30	Review the procedure for renewal of parks and reserves to ensure that levels of use, asset condition and future opportunities are incorporated in the assessment and planning stages.	Underway. A draft Project Management Guide was prepared in August 2019 and is awaiting further development with the Parks Coordinator.
High	E31	Consult with the community, especially early childhood services and schools, prior to renewing or developing new playgrounds.	Underway and ongoing. Consultation took place with early childhood services and nearby schools for the FY18-19 and 19-20 Tuross Head, Mogo and Long Beach major playground upgrades and renewals in particular.
High	E32	Work with community, external and Council stakeholders to establish a strategy for protecting vulnerable environments adjacent to Council managed open space across the shire.	Underway and ongoing. Council works in partnership with the Eurobodalla Landcare Network to manage the threats to Endangered Ecological Communities on public reserves and our waterways by undertaking community and landholder education, weed control, restoration works, clean ups and access management. Programs such as plant swaps and the bush friendly garden pack engage landholders to further reduce threats to the natural environment. Council's Plans of Management also include actions for environmental management on Crown land managed by Council.
High	E33	Ensure that native drought-resistant plant species are used when renewing or developing new garden beds and landscaping where appropriate.	Underway and ongoing. Preferred species guidelines for the Parks Team developed in consultation with staff from the Botanic Gardens and Council's Sustainability Team. The Sustainability Team is engaged as part of new and upgrade projects.
Low	N1	Reclassify South Durras Sporting Oval from a Local Sports Park into a Local Recreation Park. Consult with the South Durras community on the design and layout of recreation assets.	Not yet started.

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High	N2	<p>Reclassify Mogo Sporting Oval into from a Local Sports Park into a Local Recreation Park. Consult with the Mogo community on the design and layout requirements of the following upgraded recreation assets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • playground equipment • toilets • barbecues • covered picnic tables. <p>Further investigate options for local community members to hold a key to allow more regular opening and closing of the toilets at Mogo Reserve.</p>	<p>Complete. The new Mogo Playground, with new picnic tables, shelter, barbecue and toilet block muralled by local Aboriginal artist was officially opened in August 2019.</p>
High	N3	<p>Upgrade picnicking facilities and investigate the design and installation of multipurpose play elements at John Street Reserve Mogo in consultation with the Mogo community. Consider heritage based designs and collaboration with local wood workers.</p>	<p>Complete. Supported by local consultation and engagement, new picnic tables were installed and the Eurobodalla Woodcraft Guild created an interactive woodwork feature crafted from timbers sourced locally and from the former Runnyford Bridge. This was installed in December 2019.</p>
Medium	N4	<p>Investigate potential future uses for the sporting amenities building at South Durras Sporting Oval. Consult with the South Durras community regarding possible uses, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • community garden operations • playgroup/local parent's club • partnership with local/nearby accommodation providers • toilets to support use of the park by the community. 	<p>Not yet started.</p>
High	N5	<p>Renovate tennis court fencing and remove the sporting amenities building at Nelligen Recreation Reserve. Retain the tennis court and rebound wall for informal use. Review condition and usage.</p>	<p>Complete. Works completed in July 2019.</p>
Medium	N6	<p>Rationalise Lot 84, DP 259212 (PIN 15857 between Banyandah Street and Village Road, South Durras) currently undeveloped open space zoned residential. Investigate the division of the land into two lots (approximately 600m2 each) and sale for residential purposes.</p>	<p>Underway. The planning proposal has been initiated by the Strategic Services team however is currently on hold due to competing work priorities.</p>
High	N7	<p>Promote the presence of the natural playground in the Eurobodalla Regional Botanic Gardens.</p>	<p>Underway and ongoing. This action will be revisited as part of the reconstruction, redevelopment and re-opening of the Botanic Gardens after the impact of the bushfires.</p>

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Medium	N8	Subject to a Review of Environmental Factors, reclassify Sandy Place Reserve, Long Beach, from a Local Recreation Park to a District Recreation Park. Upgrades to be discussed with the community include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • playground and outdoor gym equipment • skate elements • water bubbler • beach access • accessible pathway from the car park to the toilet 	Complete. Substantial community engagement was performed in 2019. Construction of the new landscaped recreation park, including playground, basketball half court, exercise equipment and scooter track took place June to August 2020.
Medium	N9	Decommission the playground equipment at Higgins Park, Long Beach, upon completion of the new playground at Sandy Place Reserve.	Underway. The playground is scheduled for removal now that the new Long Beach playground (N8) is complete.
Medium	N10	Consult with the Maloneys Beach community on the location and design of a set of swings and the renewal of covered picnicking assets at Maloneys Beach near the toilet block, noting that any new development is subject to a Review of Environmental Factors.	Complete. Picnic assets were renewed in early 2018 and consultation with the community about preferred location of swings undertaken in 19-20. After a Review of Environmental Factors showed the requirement for an Aboriginal Heritage Impact Permit with extensive archaeological and environmental assessment costs, the relatively low cost swings will not be installed as part of this action. To be reconsidered as part of Action N11.
Low	N11	When population growth and demand warrants, reclassify Hibiscus Close Reserve, Maloneys Beach, from a Local Recreation Park to a District Recreation Park. Upgrades to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • playground • accessible pathway from the car park to the toilet. 	Not yet started.
Various	N12	Retain Lot 1, DP 871237 (Blairs Road, Long Beach) for potential future multipurpose use, which could include a community hall, a northern community garden and sporting facilities.	Complete.
High	N13	Retain Lot 2, DP 1044536 adjacent to Surfside Sporting Fields and Batemans Bay Public School (Mundarra Way, North Batemans Bay).	Complete.
Medium	N14	Consult with the community about future design, layout and maintenance of Albert Ryan Park and Rotary Park in Batemans Bay.	Underway and ongoing. A new picnic table and shelter were installed in Albert Ryan Park in 2019, following input from the community.
High	N15	Continue the planning and development process for the provision of an indoor aquatic centre at the Mackay Park precinct that addresses community needs in an affordable manner, taking into consideration independent professional advice as to how best to achieve the desired project outcomes.	Complete and ongoing. The Southern Regional Planning Panel has approved Eurobodalla Council's development application for this facility. The new facility will replace the existing 50-metre outdoor pool at Mackay Park with an indoor multi-pool aquatic centre and a 350-seat performance space, joined by gallery walk that will also house visitor information.

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High	N16	Ensure the pedestrian gates at Mackay Park, Batemans Bay, remain open to the public when not in use under a hire agreement.	Complete and ongoing.
High	N17	Update the master plan for the Hanging Rock precinct once Mackay Park precinct development planning has been completed. Explore opportunities for the following Hanging Rock precinct facilities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • upgrade of the fields and amenities, with consideration of Action E7 • power to the remote control car club • spectator facilities across the site, with consideration of Action E8 • additional skate park facility, with consideration of Action E22, subject to the results of Action E3 • dog exercise area. 	Underway. The masterplan for Hanging Rock is incorporated into the Plan of Management for Hanging Rock Reserve currently under development (see E29).
High	N18	Continue to support annual come and try days for youth and families at the BMX Park, Catalina.	Underway and ongoing. The Batemans Bay BMX Club has an active program to encourage use of the BMX Park. Council works with this Club to support grant applications for approved improvements to the facilities to enable ongoing safe operations.
Medium	N19	Investigate opportunities for inter-generational activities within the Hanging Rock precinct.	Complete. During Seniors Week in February 2020, an intergenerational yoga workshop was run at Kyla Park, Tuross Head, followed by an additional workshop at the Dr Mackay Centre in Moruya. Staff limitations currently restrict further expansion of these activities.
High	N20	Provide a fenced dog park in the Northern planning precinct, as approved by Council, following the 2018 review of the Companion Animal Management Plan.	Not yet started.
High	N21	Review and implement the masterplan for Corrigans Beach Reserve.	Underway. The masterplan for Corrigans Beach Reserve is incorporated into the Plan of Management for Hanging Rock Reserve currently under development (see E29). Construction of the inclusive playground and surrounds has been ongoing.
Medium	N22	Provide picnic tables at Wimbie Beach Reserve (south), Newth Street Surf Beach.	Not yet started.
High	N23	Develop a master plan for Observation Point Reserve Batehaven. Include consideration for: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • two accessible viewing platforms • a connecting path from Corrigans Beach. 	Underway. The masterplan for Observation Point Reserve is incorporated into the Plan of Management for Hanging Rock Reserve currently under development (see E29). Stairs have been constructed providing a connection to Corrigans Beach.
High	N24	Plan for the Batemans Bay Coastal Headlands Walking Trail from Observation Point to McKenzies Beach.	Underway and ongoing. Several attempts have been made but funding has not yet been secured for the Coastal Headlands Walking Trail.

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High	N25	Develop a master plan for the Malua Bay Beach Reserve. Subject to a Review of Environmental Factors and community consultation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • upgrade picnicking facilities • install shade structures • provide an outdoor gym and skate elements. 	Not yet started.
High	N26	Enlarge and upgrade the Malua Bay Community Centre. Reconfigure the current car parking to provide for mobility parking permit holders.	Complete. Works completed in July 2018.
High	N27	Subject to external funds, construct safe beach access tracks and stairs at North Rosedale off Yowani Road and South Rosedale off the south Knowlman Road road reserve.	Underway. Beach access stairs in North Rosedale completed in November 2019 were destroyed by the bushfires and will be reconstructed. Budget has been allocated for South Rosedale beach access stairs in 20-21.
Medium	N28	Develop a new local park in the Rosedale area as part of the development of the new housing estates. Consult with the local community on the layout and content of the park and Council Planners in relation to Section 94 Developer contributions.	Not yet started.
High	N29	Recategorise Burrewarra Point Reserve from local recreation park to bushland reserve with a focus on low impact activities, public safety and preservation of the environment. Any new infrastructure will be installed after consultation with Landcare and relevant Council staff to ensure consolidated, clearly marked and designated walking trails that may offer interpretive signage and lead to a range of safe vantage points. All new infrastructure will be designed to minimise off-trail access, aiming for the preservation of the native vegetation and facilitating public safety, whilst contributing to a positive visitor experience.	Underway. Burrewarra Point will be categorised as part of the Natural Areas Plan of Management currently underway (see E29). Consultation and design for a viewing platform and interpretive signage has been completed and construction is anticipated to commence in August 2020.
High	N30	Rationalise Lot 1110, DP 236653 (35-37 Illabunda Drive, Malua Bay), currently undeveloped open space. Investigate reclassification, subdivision and sale for residential purposes.	Underway. The planning proposal has been initiated by the Strategic Services team however is currently on hold due to competing work priorities.

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Medium	C1	Reclassify Jack Buckley Park, Tomakin, from a Local Recreation Park to a District Recreation Park. Consult with the local community regarding content, layout and design. Upgrades to be explored include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shelters with picnic tables for larger groups • electric barbecues • upgraded amenities building • larger, more challenging play opportunities or outdoor gym (noting that the current playground was installed in 2013) • natural shade • lighting. 	Underway. Substantial community consultation has taken place and a \$50,000 grant has been obtained to complement Council's proposed allocation to this project. This project will be completed in 20-21.
High	C2	Finalise the master plan for Captain Oldrey Park. The master plan will ensure that as usage capacity is increased, in keeping with demonstrated demand, and native vegetation elements are retained and managed where practical. The following developments and safeguards are currently included in the draft master plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • upgrade layout, accessibility and undercover spaces at the existing amenities building • add two additional netball courts and upgrade to acrylic surfaces • improve vehicular traffic movements and the availability of set down and parking for public transport and private cars • develop a third rectangular playing field with lighting to training standard • add spectator seating parallel with western touchline of Field 1 and around netball courts • maintain and landscape selected areas of mature trees to provide a balance of uses (environmental preservation, recreation and passive surveillance) • continue to work with Broulee Public School, as a neighbouring property, regarding opportunities for shared recreation, parking and transport resources in the precinct. 	Complete. Masterplan adopted November 2018.
Low	C3	Subject to demonstrated demand and available budget, respond to future skate park requirements in Broulee, in consultation with the community, with consideration of Action E22.	Not yet started.

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High	C4	Upgrade picnicking facilities (two covered picnic tables, water bubbler) and playground equipment at Heath Street Reserve, Broulee. Add selective planting along the western boundary to provide privacy screening for caravan park patrons. Perform selective trimming and maintenance of the existing vegetation to improve casual surveillance and appeal of the site. Consult with the Broulee community in regard to the selection and siting of new designs and assets.	Complete. Landscaping, wheelchair accessible picnic settings and a new large shelter installed in June 2020.
Medium	C5	In conjunction with the local community, identify suitable sites along Coronation Drive, Broulee, for the installation of barbecues.	Not yet started.
High	C6	Investigate the subdivision of Lot 74, DP 776541 (9 Moir Place Broulee) to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • retain the section with utility infrastructure and community pathway, and • offer the remaining land at market rate to the owners of the adjoining properties, 7 Moir Place and 15 Banksia Street. 	Underway. The planning proposal has been initiated by the Strategic Services team however is currently on hold due to competing work priorities.
High	C7	Finalise the master plan for Gundry Oval to upgrade the sports park to a regional facility standard. The following developments will be considered as part of this master plan: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • additional lighting at an appropriate standard • new amenities to service isolated playing fields • additional car parking. 	Complete. Masterplan adopted October 2018.
High	C8	Finalise the master plan for the Moruya Showground. Consider the following potential developments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • roadworks, drainage upgrades and parking • new bar and amenities, new secretary's office, new cattle loading ramp • relocation of the old secretary's office (building with heritage value) • fenced dog activity yard • Ack Weyman Oval upgrades: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • covered player and spectator area on the north-west side of the field and more formalised parking. 	Complete. Masterplan adopted August 2018.
Low	C9	Expand and upgrade the Moruya skate park with consideration of Action E22.	Not yet started.
High	C10	Upgrade existing play opportunities and seating at Congo Reserve based on community consultation outcomes.	Complete. Community consultation undertaken during development and playground installed in September 2018.

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Medium	C11	Reclassify Evans Road Reserve, Tuross Head, from a Local Recreation Park to a District Recreation Park. Consult with the community regarding the location and design of facility upgrades including, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • covered picnic areas • barbecue facilities • water bubbler • playground equipment • skate elements. 	Complete. After substantial community engagement, a new, bigger playground was installed, complemented by additional undercover picnic tables and an accessible barbecue. The playground was completed in September 2019 and officially opened at the Tuross Village Fair in early October.
Medium	C12	Develop a master plan for Kyla Park, Tuross Head.	Not yet started.
High	C13	Consult with the Tuross Head community to identify the most appropriate response to providing additional youth-focused activities in the town.	Underway. Some consultation was undertaken as part of playground upgrade consultation in 2018, revealing strong and conflicting views from community members on preferred locations and type of possible youth infrastructure.
Medium	S1	Consult with the Dalmeny community to identify the most appropriate response to providing additional youth-focused activities in the township.	Not yet started.
High	S2	Provide further ancillary facilities at Dalmeny Oval with consideration of Action E7.	Complete. Grandstand seating was installed in June 2018 and additional storage provided in July 2019.
High	S3	Develop a master plan for Bill Smyth Oval, Narooma, incorporating consideration of the following developments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an additional lit rugby league field • enhance the functionality of the existing sporting amenities with consideration of Actions E7 and E8. • demand for increased tennis court lighting. 	Underway. The masterplan for Bill Smyth Oval is incorporated into the Plan of Management for the Narooma Sport and Leisure Precinct (see E29). The draft POM is currently awaiting endorsement by Crown Lands to enable final public exhibition prior to adoption.
High	S4	While undertaking Action S3, ensure community engagement occurs to inform the development of a master plan and business plan for the Narooma Swimming Centre, incorporating consideration of the following: feasibility study to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enhanced aquatic, community health and fitness facilities • food and beverage facilities to service pool patrons and surrounding parklands • opportunities to maximise community participation, including additional signage • heater pump and air treatment processes upgrades. 	Not yet started. Consultation undertaken as part of Action S3 and information incorporated into the Narooma Sport and Leisure Precinct Plan of Management will inform this project when it commences.
Low	S5	In association with local youth, expand and upgrade the Narooma skate park with consideration of Action E22.	Not yet started.

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High	S6	Investigate and implement ways to promote and activate the Sport and Leisure Centre as a location for a wide range of sport and recreation activities and community events.	Underway and ongoing. A range of new indoor sport and recreation activities are planned for Q4 2020. This includes a partnership with the Office of Sport, with Council becoming a registered 'Active Kids' provider.
High	S7	Investigate ways to promote and activate the Swimming Centre clubroom and HACC Room at the library as locations for low impact recreation activities for seniors and social interaction.	Complete. In June 2020 an agreement was entered into with the pool contractor to manage operation of the Narooma and Moruya pool club rooms. This agreement will see greater activation of these facilities through dry land fitness classes and no cost utilisation for school groups participating in swim carnivals and learn to swim classes. A decision was made to not promote these classes at the HACC room due to the Narooma Leisure Centre and Narooma pool club room being superior venues for these activities.
High	S8	Consult and work with the Narooma community on options for Walker Park, Narooma (Lot 558, DP 752155, corner of McMillan Road and Taylor Street). Options may include an 'edible garden', 'food forest' or status quo parkland uses.	Complete. After initial enthusiasm exploring options, in late 2018 community members engaged elected to retain the open space as status quo parkland.
High	S9	Install four bench seats in proximity to the shade trees on the northern side of NATA Oval.	Complete. Seating installed December 2018.

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In action numbering, ‘H’ indicates a high priority action, ‘M’ indicates medium priority and ‘L’ indicates a low priority action. The traffic light system represents whether actions have been completed (green), are underway (amber) or not yet started (red). Asterisks indicate that the project is funded wholly or in part by a grant/s.

Action short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed
H1. Engage a heritage architect to define design principles for all new and restored Showground structures.			
H2. Construct a new secretary’s office.			
H3. Relocate the original secretary’s office and renovate as a Showground memorabilia and display room.			
H4. Construct a gravel access road to the secretary’s office precinct and new facilities.			
H5. Continue the development of the rodeo arena, yards and Ack Weyman Oval.			
H6. Construct concrete slabs for portable grandstands at Ack Weyman Oval.			
H7. Construct a fenced and lit animal enclosure to the north-west of the show ring.			
H8. Construct a concrete floor in the Poultry Pavilion.			
H9. Construct a new feature entry structure and signage.			
H10. Install infrastructure for temporary shade structures near the all-access shelter.			
H11. Improve irrigation and upgrade the show ring.			
H12. Remove the existing loading ramp and replace with a realigned design.			
H13. Construct an animal wash bay facility adjacent to existing utility infrastructure and remove existing wash bays.			
H14. Construct a sewage dump point adjacent to existing utility infrastructure.			
H15. Design and construct a footpath on the Showground side of Albert Street.			
H16. Construct covered animal stalls and secure animal drug testing facility.			
H17. Develop camping infrastructure to support camping as required.			
M1. Renovate the grandstand.			
M2. Renovate the Exhibits Pavilion and adjoining buildings.			

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M3. Renovate the caretaker's cottage.			
M4. Design and construct a caretaker's residence with storage and garage underneath.			
M5. Remove the existing and construct a new shared maintenance facility.			
M6. Construct grass terrace seating in front of the all-access shelter.			
M7. Renew the internal post and rail fencing.			
M8. Replace the fencing fronting Albert Street.			
M9. Explore the possibility of expanding the Showground perimeter at the northern boundaries.			
M10. Replace perimeter fencing adjoining the golf course.			
M11. Develop an official's tower structure at Ack Weyman Oval.			
M12. Demolish existing amenities at the rear of the grandstand and design and construct a new amenities block.			
M13. Remove the bar, ticket booth and nearby amenities blocks.			
M14. Design and construct a new bar building consistent.			
M15. Design and construct a path network with directional and interpretive signage throughout the facility.			
M16. Develop a landscape plan and plant feature shade trees to line open green space and in key gathering areas.			
M17. Undertake road works to create a new vehicle link around the show ring.			
L1. Develop spectator mounding along the north-west side of Ack Weyman Oval, including slabs for portable grandstands.			
L2. Repurpose/renovate the multipurpose centre.			

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**GUNDARY OVAL REGIONAL SPORTS PARK LANDSCAPE MASTERPLAN
 SUMMARY STATUS – JUNE 2020**

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Action short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed
H1. Construct new sporting amenities building between Field 1 and Field 7.			* grant funded wholly or in part
H2. Plant shade trees between Field 1 and Field 7 and around the new sporting amenities building.			
H3. Construct a footpath along the western edge of the Evans Street car park connecting the playground to the criterium circuit.			
H4. Construct a footpath along the western side of Evans Street, connecting Campbell Street footpaths with the playground.			
H5. Construct entry and naming signage at the Campbell Street entries.			
H6. Install directional signage at the intersection of Vulcan and Campbell Streets.			
H7. Level and turf an area to the south east of Field 7 within the perimeter fencing for hockey warm-up and skills training.			
H8. Remove overhead netting from cricket practice nets and ensure their condition meets required standards into the future.			
H9. Refurbish the playing surfaces of Field 2 and Field 3 and improve drainage.			* grant funded wholly or in part
H10. Install a practical ball-stop net system for use alongside Fields 2, 3, 6 and 8.			
H11. Upgrade lighting to ensure uniform competition standard on Field 1 and training standard on Fields 2,3 and 4.			* grant funded wholly or in part
H12. Realign Field 4 to increase the size of the AFL oval and reduce incidents of ball runoff.			
H13. Erect a catch net system behind the northern goal posts of Field 4.			
H14. Construct a shelter over the slab next to the cricket practice nets.			
H15. Construct team and covered timekeepers benches on the eastern side of Field 4.			
H16. Install scoreboard posts on the western side of Field 4.			
H17. Investigate and implement drainage improvements across Gundry.			* grant funded wholly or in part
H18. Restore the synthetic cricket wicket on Field 4 (should active teams recommence use of the field).			
M1. Reconfigure or remove the existing sporting amenities building.			

Action short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed
M2. Replace existing fencing around the eastern and southern sides of Field 7 with a 1500mm fence with access points.			
M3. Construct a low fence around the perimeter of Field 1 with access points.			
M4. Install irrigation on Field 4.			
M5. Construct a second shade shelter at the skate park.			
M6. Install additional bench seating and covered seating alongside Fields 1, 2, 4 and 7.			
M7. Construct a car park on the former depot site on Campbell Street.			
M8. Expand and upgrade the skate park in accordance with ROSS 2018 Action E22.			
M9. Upgrade and improve the surface of the criterium circuit.			
M10. Investigate and implement options to promote and activate the criterium circuit.			
M11. Assess proposals for a sporting amenities building in the vicinity of Field 4 for suitability as a community asset/ability to meet required building standards.			
M12. Reclassify Gundry Oval as a Regional Sports Park within relevant Plan of Management.			
L1. Upgrade lighting infrastructure for Field 1 to enable 200 lux illumination.			
L2. Increase lighting to 100 lux on Fields 2, 3 and/or 4 should there be demonstrated ongoing demand.			
L3. Install lighting infrastructure to enable 50 lux illumination on Field 6, subject to ongoing demonstrated demand.			
L4. Commence discussions with land owner of Lot 2 DP 233466, the corner of Campbell and Thomas Streets, regarding potential land acquisition.^			
L5. Subject to feasibility study and future demand, design and construct a multipurpose indoor leisure centre on the corner of Campbell and Thomas			
L6. Subject to future demand, consider additional car park construction.^			

^ for future consideration

**CAPTAIN OLDREY DISTRICT SPORTS PARK LANDSCAPE MASTERPLAN
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Action short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed
H1. Identify and risk assess significant mature trees and mark them for retention where practical across the site.			
H2. Upgrade/replace the sporting amenities building.	*		
H3. Car parks Stage 1 - Expand road width and construct sealed car parking along both sides of the entry road.			
H4. Refurbish the playing surfaces of Field 2 and mini field 1.			
H5. Upgrade lighting across Fields 1 and 2.			
H6. Construct a fence along the southern perimeter of Fields 1 and 2.			
H7. Level the subsurface and replace the synthetic matting within the fenced area used by the playgroup.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
H8. Review and modify storage areas to better accommodate needs.			
H9. Install directional signage at the intersections of George Bass Drive and Train Street and Elizabeth and Frances Streets.			
M1. Replace the six current bitumen netball courts with eight acrylic courts.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
M2. Provide lighting for the netball courts.			
M3. Construct a high fence between the netball courts and any adjoining roads.			
M4. Install spectator seating around the netball courts and on the western side of Field 1.			
M5. Replace the synthetic pitch surface and upgrade the condition of the cricket practice nets.			
M6. Design and establish a compacted gravel accessible trail for education and recreation purposes through the trees.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
M7. Install bench seats in natural clearings alongside the nature trail and a picnic table where the trail adjoins the netball courts.	* grant funded wholly or in part		
L1. Construct a cover over two of the new netball courts adjacent to the sporting amenities building.			
L2. Car parks Stage 2 - Redesign central car park alongside sporting amenities building.			
L3. Car parks Stage 3 - Construct a road with sealed car parking on both sides and footpath access along the southern boundary and to the west of the sporting amenities building.	Netball courts will not be relocated as part of expansion, so this action will not be pursued further.		

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Action short title	Not Started	Underway	Completed
L4. Install Captain Oldrey entry signs on road frontages.			
L5. Replace synthetic cricket pitch (should active teams recommence use of the field).			
L6. Upgrade lighting across both fields, subject to demonstrated demand.			
L7. Subject to future demonstrated demand, investigate options for a third field to service the area.			

15. DEALING WITH MATTERS IN CLOSED SESSION

In accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, Council can exclude members of the public from the meeting and go into Closed Session to consider confidential matters, if those matters involve:

- (a) personnel matters concerning particular individuals; or
- (b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer; or
- (c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business; or
- (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed;
 - (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it, or
 - (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council, or
 - (iii) reveal a trade secret,
- (e) information that would, if disclosed, prejudice the maintenance of law; or
- (f) matters affecting the security of the council, councillors, council staff or council property; or
- (g) advice concerning litigation, or advice that would otherwise be privileged from production in legal proceedings on the ground of legal professional privilege or information concerning the nature and location of a place; or
- (h) an item of Aboriginal significance on community land.

and Council considers that discussion of the material in open session would be contrary to the public interest.

In accordance with Section 10A(4) of the Local Government Act 1993 the Chairperson will invite members of the public to make verbal representations to the Council on whether the meeting should be closed to consider confidential matters.

EUROBODALLA SHIRE COUNCIL

ETHICAL DECISION MAKING AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

A GUIDING CHECKLIST FOR COUNCILLORS, OFFICERS AND COMMUNITY COMMITTEES

ETHICAL DECISION MAKING

- Is the decision or conduct legal?
- Is it consistent with Government policy, Council's objectives and Code of Conduct?
- What will the outcome be for you, your colleagues, the Council, anyone else?
- Does it raise a conflict of interest?
- Do you stand to gain personally at public expense?
- Can the decision be justified in terms of public interest?
- Would it withstand public scrutiny?

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A conflict of interest is a clash between private interest and public duty. There are two types of conflict: Pecuniary – regulated by the *Local Government Act* and Department of Local Government; and Non-Pecuniary – regulated by Codes of Conduct and policy, ICAC, Ombudsman, Department of Local Government (advice only).

THE TEST FOR CONFLICT OF INTEREST

- Is it likely I could be influenced by personal interest in carrying out my public duty?
- Would a fair and reasonable person believe I could be so influenced?
- Conflict of interest is closely tied to the layperson's definition of "corruption" – using public office for private gain.
- Important to consider public perceptions of whether you have a conflict of interest.

IDENTIFYING PROBLEMS

- 1st** Do I have private interests affected by a matter I am officially involved in?
- 2nd** Is my official role one of influence or perceived influence over the matter?
- 3rd** Do my private interests conflict with my official role?

Whilst seeking advice is generally useful, the ultimate decision rests with the person concerned.

AGENCY ADVICE

Officers of the following agencies are available during office hours to discuss the obligations placed on Councillors, Officers and Community Committee members by various pieces of legislation, regulation and Codes.

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ICAC	8281 5999	icac@icac.nsw.gov.au	www.icac.nsw.gov.au
Local Government Department	4428 4100	dlg@dlg.nsw.gov.au	www.dlg.nsw.gov.au
NSW Ombudsman	8286 1000 Toll Free 1800 451 524	nswombo@ombo.nsw.gov.au	www.ombo.nsw.gov.au

Reports to Committee are presented generally by 'exception' - that is, only those items that do not comply with legislation or policy, or are the subject of objection, are discussed in a report.

Reports address areas of business risk to assist decision making. Those areas include legal, policy, environment, asset, economic, strategic and financial.

Reports may also include key planning or assessment phrases such as:

Setback Council's planning controls establish preferred standards of setback (eg 7.5m front; 1m side and rear);

Envelope taking into account the slope of a lot, defines the width and height of a building with preferred standard of 8.5m high;

Footprint the percentage of a lot taken up by a building on a site plan.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
ACR	Australian Capital Region	The political and strategic grouping of the ACT government and 17 adjacent councils.
AEP	Annual Exceedance Probability	For floods expressed as a % eg 1% = 1:100 year event. The NSW Flood Guidelines nominate types of development and controls.
AHD	Australian Height Datum	Floor levels for buildings set to remain at or above flood level (expressed as 'freeboard').
APZ	Asset Protection Zone	Area to be cleared and maintained around habitable buildings in bushfire prone areas.
AS	Australian Standard	Standards set by national body as minimum construction, service, system, planning or design requirements.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
BCA	Building Code of Australia	Prescribes minimum standards or performance base for building construction.
CAMP	Companion Animal Management Plan	Required by state law, plan nominating management of dogs and cats and areas for access for the exercise of dogs (eg beaches and reserves).
CC	Construction Certificate	Floor plans approved by council or private certifier in compliance with development conditions and BCA.
COPW	Condition of Public Works Report	Required by state law to define the condition of infrastructure assets, the cost to upgrade to defined standards, the current costs of maintenance and desired levels of maintenance.
CP	Cultural Plan	A cultural plan enables identification of cultural assets, identity and needs as well as providing a framework to develop cultural initiatives to increase opportunities for residents.
CSR	Complaint and Service Request	Requests received from public by phone, letter, email or Councillor to attend to certain works (eg pothole) or complain of certain service or offence (eg dogs barking).
DA	Development Application	Required by state law to assess suitability and impacts of a proposed development.
DAP	Disability Action Plan	Council plan outlining proposed works and services to upgrade facilities to progressively meet Disability Discrimination Act.
DCP	Development Control Plan	Local planning policy defining the characteristics sought in residential, commercial land.
DECCW	Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (formerly EPA, NPWS, DEC)	State agencies (former Environment Protection and National Parks), DNR managing state lands and natural resources and regulating council activity or advising on development applications.
DWE	Department of Water and Energy	State agency managing funding and approvals for town and country water and sewer services and State energy requirements.
DoP	Department of Planning	State agency managing state lands and regulating council activity or advising on development applications or strategic planning.
DLG	Department of Local Government	State agency responsible for regulating local government.
DoL	Department of Lands	State agency managing state lands and advising on development applications or crown land management.
DoC	Department of Commerce	State agency (formerly Public Works) managing state public water, sewer and buildings infrastructure and advising/supervising on council infrastructure construction.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
DoH	Department of Health	State agency responsible for oversight of health care (community and hospital) programs. Also responsible for public warning of reportable health risks.
DOTAR	Department of Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development and Local Government	Federal agency incorporating infrastructure, transport system, and assisting regions and local government.
EBP	Eurobodalla Bike Plan	Strategic Plan identifying priorities and localities for cycleways in the Shire.
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement	Required for designated and state developments researching and recommending solutions to social, economic and environmental impacts.
EMP	Estuary Management Plan	Community based plan, following scientific research of hydrology and hydraulics, recommending actions to preserve or enhance social, economic and environmental attributes of estuary
EMS	Environmental Management System	Plans prepared by council (such as waste management and strategic planning) around AS14000.
EOI	Expressions of Interest	Often called in advance of selecting tenders to ascertain capacity and cost of private sector performing tasks or projects on behalf of council.
EP&A	Environment Planning & Assessment Act	State law defining types of development on private and public lands, the assessment criteria and consent authorities.
ESC	Eurobodalla Shire Council	
ESD	Ecologically Sustainable Development	Global initiative recommending balance of social, economic and environmental values in accord with 7 ESD principles.
ESS	Eurobodalla Settlement Strategy	Council strategy prepared with assistance of government to identify best uses and re-uses of urban lands, the appropriate siting of private and public investment (eg institutions, employment areas or high density residential) based on current and planned infrastructure and land capacity.
ET	Equivalent Tenement	Basis of calculation of demand or impact of a single dwelling on water and sewer system.
FAG	Financial Assistance Grant	Federal general purpose grant direct to local government based on population and other 'disability' factors.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
FSR	Floor Space Ratio	A measure of bulk and scale, it is a calculation of the extent a building floor area takes up of an allotment.
GIS	Geographic Information System	Computer generated spatial mapping of land and attributes such as infrastructure, slope, zoning.
IPART	Independent Pricing & Regulatory Tribunal	State body that reviews statutory or government business regulatory frameworks and pricing levels.
IPWEA	Institute Public Works Engineers Australia	Professional association.
IWCMS	Integrated Water Cycle Management Strategy (or Plan)	Council plan identifying risk and social, economic and environmental benefit of proposed augmentation to water, sewer and stormwater systems.
IWMS	Integrated Waste Management (Minimisation) Strategy	Council plan identifying risk and social, economic and environmental benefit of proposed augmentation of waste (solids, effluent, contaminated, liquid trade waste).
LEP	Local Environment Plan	The statutory planning instrument defining the zones and objectives of urban and rural areas.
LGAct	Local Government Act	State law defining the role of Mayor, Councillors, staff, financing, approvals etc.
LGMA	Local Government Managers Australia	Professional association.
LGNSW	Local Government NSW	Representative advisory and advocacy group for councils in NSW.
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding	Agreement in principle between parties (eg council and agency) to achieve defined outcomes.
NPWS	National Parks & Wildlife Service	Now merged into DECCW.
NRM	Natural Resource Management	
NVC	Native Vegetation Act 2003	State law defining means of protection of threatened legislation and approval processes to clear land.
OC	Occupation Certificate	Issued by council or private certifier that building is safe to occupy and in compliance with development conditions and BCA.
OSMS	On site sewage management system	Includes septic tanks, aerated systems, biocycles etc.
PCA	Principal Certifying Authority	The person or organisation appointed by applicant to inspect and certify structures.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
PIA	Planning Institute of Australia	Professional association.
POEO	Protection of the Environment Operations Act	State law outlining standards for emissions and discharges and penalties for pollution.
PoM	Plan of Management (usually for community land)	Council plan nominating type of uses for community land and range of facilities progressively to be provided on land.
PPP	Public Private Partnerships	
PTS	Public Transport Strategy	Council strategy to initiate mechanisms to promote and facilitate public transport (bus, taxi, community transport, cycles) in design of subdivisions, developments and council works.
REF	Review of Environmental Factors	Council examination of risk and social, economic and environmental benefit of proposed works, assessed against state planning, environment and safety laws.
REP	Regional Environment Planning Policy	Outlines compulsory state planning objectives to be observed in development assessment and strategic planning.
RFS	Rural Fire Service	State agency responsible for providing equipment and training for volunteer firefighter brigades, and the assessment and approval of developments in bushfire prone lands.
RLF	Regional Leaders Forum	The group of mayors and general managers representing the councils in the ACR.
RMS	Roads & Maritime Service	State agency responsible for funding, construction and maintenance of state roads, the approval of council works on arterial roads and development applications.
S64	S64 Contributions Plan	Developer contributions plan to enable, with council and state funds, the augmentation of water, sewer and stormwater infrastructure.
S94 S94A	S94 Contributions Plan S94A Contributions Plan Levy Plan	Developer contributions to enable construction of public infrastructure and facilities such as roads, reserves, carparks, amenities etc.
SCG	Southern Councils Group	Political and strategic grouping of councils along the NSW south coast from Wollongong to the border, lobbying government for assistance (eg highways) and resourcing sharing initiatives.
SCRS	South Coast Regional Strategy	Regional Strategy prepared by DoP for ESC, BVSC and part SCC to guide new LEPs.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
SEA	Strategic Environment Assessment	Spatial assessment of environmental constraints of land considered in design and assessment of subdivision and infrastructure. Scientific research behind assessment of capacity of land and waterways in rural residential and urban expansion lands to sustain human settlement.
SEPP	State Environmental Planning Policy	Outlines compulsory state planning objectives.
SNSWLHD	Southern NSW Local Health Districts	State board commissioned with oversight of health care in Highlands, Monaro and Far South Coast.
SoER	State of the Environment Report	Required by state law, the comprehensive assessment (every four years) of the condition and the pressures on the social, economic and environmental features of the Shire and appropriate responses to address or preserve those issues.
SP	Social Plan	Required by state law, the comprehensive assessment (every four years) of the condition and the pressures on the social framework of the community, their services and facilities and economic interactions.
.....SP	Structure Plan	Plan promoting landuses and siting of infrastructure and facilities in towns (eg, BBSP – Batemans Bay Structure Plan).
SRCMA	Southern Rivers Catchment Management Authority	State agency commissioned with assessment and monitoring of health and qualities of catchments from Wollongong to the border, and determine directions and priorities for public and private investment or assistance with grants.
STP	Sewer Treatment Plant	Primary, secondary and part tertiary treatment of sewage collected from sewers before discharge into EPA approved water ways or irrigation onto land.
TAMS	Total Asset Management System	Computer aided system recording condition and maintenance profiles of infrastructure and building assets.
TBL	Triple Bottom Line	Commercial term coined to encourage business to consider and disclose social and environmental risk, benefit and costs in the conduct of business to guide investors as to the long term sustainability and ethics of a business. Taken up by Council to record the basis of prioritisation, the review of condition, the monitor of progress and the financial disclosure of preventative or maintenance investment in council based social and environmental activities.
ToR	Terms of Reference	
TSC	Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995	State law governing the protection of nominated species and relevant assessment and development controls.

Acronym	Meaning	Description
WCF	Water Cycle Fund	Combination of water, sewer and stormwater activities and their financing arrangements.
WSUD	Water Sensitive Urban Design	Principle behind the IWCMS and council development codes requiring new developments to reduce demand and waste on water resources through contemporary subdivision and building design.