

## **DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES**

14<sup>th</sup> December 2004

### **DSS13      QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE FILE: C18-28    KMT**

#### **SUMMARY:**

Reporting on Questions Without Notice from the Council meetings of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004, 14<sup>th</sup> September 2004 and 9<sup>th</sup> November 2004.



Responses to Councillors Questions Without Notice are listed for information.

#### **Extra Ordinary Meeting of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2004**

##### **Councillor E R Walker**

**File: R8-29**

**(Folio No. 281466)**

That the Director Engineering would raise with the RTA the possibility of installing cameras through the Kempsey CBD to deter speeding heavy vehicles.

***The RTA has reviewed its traffic movement strategy for the Highway through Kempsey and is satisfied that the recently revised speed zones is the appropriate method to control speeding heavy vehicles.***

##### **Councillor T Hunt**

**File: R Smith St**

**(Folio No. 281440)**

That the Director Engineering would raise with the RTA the left turn exit at the Traffic Lights exiting Woolworths in Smith Street and the need for this to also allow traffic to proceed across to Stuart Street.

***Recommendation from the LTC: That the RTA further investigate the operation of the traffic lights on the corner of Smith Street and Stuart Street and Smith Street and Belgrave Street – awaiting feedback.***

#### **Meeting of 14<sup>th</sup> September 2004**

##### **Councillor D F Saul**

**File: R7-1**

**(Folio No. 282576)**

That the Director Engineering would investigate the riverbank erosion near the property of 671 Summer Island Road.

***Matter being investigated.***

**Councillor R H McWilliam**

**File: R Maria River**

(Folio No. **282578**)

That the Director Engineering would write to Hastings Council to see if they would be willing to join Kempsey Shire Council in applying for R2R funding to seal Maria River Road and a bridge at Port Macquarie.

***Awaiting announcement of guidelines for Roads to Recovery Program.***

**Meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> October 2004**

**Councillor B R Sowter**

**File: P1-7**

(Folio No. **284157**)

That the Director Engineering would investigate the establishment of a better caravan parking area for Kempsey in the Forth Street area and arrange suitable signposting and advertising.

***Options being reviewed.***

**Councillor R McWilliam**

**File: R Gordon Young**

(Folio No. **284160**)

That the Director Engineering would investigate the need for leveling of the road pavement in Gordon Young Drive, South West Rocks at the beginning of the newly sealed section.

***Options being reviewed.***

**Councillor R McWilliam**

**File: L1-2**

(Folio No. **284433**)

That the Director Engineering had not as yet received a response from the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources regarding the access road to the Jewbite at South West Rocks.

***Meeting on-site with officers from Lands reviewed options for permanent closure of amenities and rearrangement of access options.***

**Councillor J Gribbin**

**File: T11-4**

(Folio No. **284166**)

That the Director Engineering would follow up a previous request to attend to some dead trees overhanging Phillip Drive at South West Rocks which are above the walkway/cycleway in some places.

***Quotations being assessed.***

**Meeting of 9<sup>th</sup> November 2004**

**Councillor J Bowell**

**File: D5-2**

(Folio No. **285708**)

1 What is Council's responsibility for disposal of stormwater from William Street, East Kempsey which runs through private property?

**Response:** The Director Engineering advised he is aware of this matter. The stormwater runs down the road into a natural watercourse. He will investigate situation.

***The natural watercourse is on 2 private properties and approval for any work would be required from the Department of Infrastructure Planning and Natural Resources.***

**Councillor J Howell**

**File: D5-2**

**(Folio No. 285724)**

- 2 Can the Director Engineering investigate the disposal of stormwater in Hopetoun Street, Kempsey.

**Response:** The Director Engineering will investigate.

**Councillor J Howell**

**File: LA 2442**

**(Folio No. 285726)**

- 3 What is the situation with the problems with the access to St Paul's College in Sea Street?

**Response:** The Director Engineering will investigate.

**Councillor J Howell**

**File: R Woolford Cres**

**(Folio No. 285730)**

- 5 Can the road surface at Woolford Crescent be checked?

**Response:** The Director Engineering will investigate.

**Councillor J Howell**

**File: R8-24**

**(Folio No. 285732)**

- 6 Has Country Energy provided a quote for lighting in the industrial area at South Kempsey?

**Response:** The Director Engineering advised he has not received a quote, which can take some time to be received back.

**Councillor J Howell**

**File: P6-2**

**(Folio No. 285732)**

- 7 Do Council garbage trucks get cleaned on a regular basis?

**Response:** The Director Business Enterprise advised that the staff clean the trucks after finish of the garbage runs.

**Councillor R McWilliam**

**File: R Plummers**

**(Folio No. 285746)**

- 1 Brought to my attention after the fatal accident on Plummers Lane that this is the third tragedy on the same bend over the past ten years. Could we approach the RTA or could our Engineering staff look at this section

of road to see if the camber is dangerous or possibly look at the need for a lesser speed limit in this area?

**Response:** The Director Engineering advised that he would check on the accident history at this site and report back to Council.

**Councillor B Sowter**

**File: H2-17A**

(Folio No. **285754**)

- 3 What is the situation with the storage of vehicles under the bridge at Smithtown?

**Response:** The Director Engineering advised that the area is a road reserve and he would investigate.

**REPORT IMPLICATIONS:**

- ***Environmental***

***Nil.***

- ***Social***

***Nil.***

- ***Economic (Financial)***

***Nil.***

- ***Policy or Statutory***

***Nil.***

- ***Director's Review***

***As per the report.***

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**That the information be noted.**

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