

## Eastern District Forum – Meeting Notes

**Date:** 24 August 2020

**Chairperson:** Councillor Karress Rhodes

**Convenors:** Javeria Hoda, David Belic

**Venue:** Online via Microsoft Teams

**Quorum:** Achieved

| Agenda Item                                      | Discussion (key points)   | Questions / Outcomes / Actions |
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| <b>1. Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country</b> | <p>Councillor Karress Rhodes opened the meeting at 6:15pm, conducted the Acknowledgement to Country and welcomed all in attendance. Attendees were reminded the meeting is recorded for note taking purposes and how to ask questions using the Microsoft Teams 'raise hand' function.</p> <p>In attendance: Mayor Wendy Waller, Councillor Geoff Shelton, Councillor Charisma Kaliyanda and Councillor Karress Rhodes.</p> <p>12 Council staff and 5 residents were in attendance.</p>   |                                |
| <b>2. Business Arising from Previous Forum</b>   | <p>The following responses to actions were shared at the meeting:</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council's Traffic and Transport Team to provide the design on improved Heathcote Road and Bardia Parade, Wattle Grove intersection at future forum.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> A copy will be provided at future forums. The design has been presented to the Liverpool Pedestrian Active Transport and Traffic Committee and subsequently to Council. Local residents close to the intersection will also receive a letter with a summary of the design features.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council's Traffic and Transport Team to liaise with police regarding speeding at problem areas and request police patrol of the area.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> The police will be requested to include sections of Wattle Grove Drive, Australis Avenue and Delfin Drive in their speed enforcement.</p> |                                |

**Action:** Council's Traffic and Transport Team to consult the Liverpool Access Committee regarding accessible parking at parks.

**Response:** The Traffic and Transport Team will liaise with the Liverpool Access Committee to discuss locations where accessible parking is required (in Wattle Grove).

**Action:** Council's Traffic and Transport Team to investigate bus bays as potential pick up/drop off zones.

**Response:** Appropriate bus stops/bays at schools will be investigated to assess whether signposting can be installed to permit pick-up and set-down (when buses are not using the bays).

**Action:** Council's Traffic and Transport Team to discuss road safety concerns with the school.

**Response:** Council's Traffic and Transport Team will continue discussions with the local schools in the eastern district to improve road safety conditions.

**Action:** Council's Community Development and Planning Team to provide detailed instructions on how to join the online forums.

**Response:** A guide on 'Joining Forums' has been circulated to residents via email. This guide will now be attached to all online forum invitations.

**Action:** Council's City Presentation Team to update residents at the next forum on plans to address the mosquito issue and update on actions taken.

**Response:** Liverpool City Council has participated in the NSW Arbovirus Surveillance and Mosquito Monitoring Program that was initiated by the NSW Department of Health in 2019/2020 season. Two treatments of Bacillus Thuringiensis Israelensis (BTI) were applied to wetland areas in Lieutenant Cantello Reserve when mosquito larvae numbers were high. BTI is eaten by the mosquito larvae, the BTI produces toxins that kill the insects. These treatments were very successful and mosquito numbers in the Liverpool Local Government Area were low for the 2019/2020 season as compared to other Local Government Areas along the Georges River. Liverpool City Council will continue to collaborate with NSW Health and be an active participant in the NSW Arbovirus Surveillance and Mosquito Monitoring Program and under the guidance and expertise of NSW Health will carry out further BTI treatments when conditions are favourable for the 2020/2021 season.

**Action:** Council's Waste and Cleansing Team to make use of its boat to clean the shoreline of waste and rubbish and provide an update at the next forum.

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|                                   | <p><b>Response:</b> The Georges River is maintained by the Georges River Keeper. More details can be found on the website <a href="https://georgesriver.org.au/about-us">https://georgesriver.org.au/about-us</a>. If residents find any specific areas of concern not being attended, Council is able to activate the inhouse boat to retrieve small concentrations of waste that is of concern. The best course of action for these requests is to contact the Customer Service Team and send through photographs of problem areas.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council’s DA team to circulate the fact sheet on Development Assessment to residents and making it available to residents who don’t have access to online information.</p> <p><b>Response:</b> A Development Assessment Fact Sheet has been circulated to residents. Copies can be supplied by emailing <a href="mailto:lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au">lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au</a></p>   |  |
| <p><b>3. General Business</b></p> | <p>1. Raffaele Catanzariti provided an update on the Duck Feeding Campaign at Wattle Grove Lakes:</p> <p>The presentation can be found on Liverpool Listens website under District Forums.<br/> <a href="https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums">https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums</a></p> <p>The following question was raised:<br/> <b>Question:</b> What can the community feed the ducks instead of bread?<br/> <b>Answer:</b> Residents can feed the ducks shredded lettuce and carrots. Council will be placing signage informing residents what they can feed the ducks instead of bread.</p> <p>2. Chris Guthrie provide an update on the Liverpool Employment Strategy:</p> <p>The presentation can be found on Liverpool Listens website under District Forums.<br/> <a href="https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums">https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums</a></p> <p>The following questions were raised:<br/> <b>Question:</b> What role will TAFE play in the strategy?<br/> <b>Answer:</b> Council has a great relationship with TAFE. They are building a Construction Skills Training Centre at the Aerotropolis. This will be a good opportunity for Council to link locally skilled people to jobs in the Aerotropolis.</p> |  |

**Question:** A resident asked about Council's commitment to bush management and progress towards making riverbanks safer. It was suggested that a management program for waterways might be a good opportunity for future jobs.

**Answer:** There is a lot of work currently being undertaken by Council in this regard with upcoming job opportunities.

Councillor Rhodes noted the residents concern regarding riverbank management and explained that erosion of riverbanks is an issue that has been noted by Council and will be discussed in depth in the upcoming forums.

3. Nada Mardini provided an update on the Out of Office Compliance Officers:

The trial of the after-hours service was held on 29 April 2020. Following Council's resolution, three options were considered, and these would be included in a report to Council next month to determine which one is the most adequate:

- 2x shifts to roster staff between hours of 7am to 10pm in a morning shift and afternoon shift.
- Afternoon shift for 3 days a week, while continuing with the day shift.
- An on-call rostered service that covers all matters relating to noise, parking and other compliance issues. Staff can go out at any time in a 24-hour period, 7 days a week.

The following questions were raised:

**Question:** With the on-call option, will officers still go out even if it is 3am in the morning?

**Answer:** Yes, as Council has the after-hours service; whoever is rostered on will take the call. There will be two officers responding to the call-out together.

**Question:** Under the 24-hour call-out program, what is Council's response to illegal dumping at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning? This is occurring at the corner of Lyn Parade and Enterprise Circuit, Prestons. If the Council doesn't receive a call about this during the shift, will they still patrol other areas for dumped rubbish?

**Answer:** Anna Kypriotis informed residents there was previously a camera at Lyn Parade and Enterprise Circuit, but due to trucks parking and blocking the view, it had to be moved. Relocating a camera back to this site can be reviewed. There is also a 24-hour call service for reporting illegal dumping which is taken seriously and responded to in a timely manner.

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|  | <p>Councillor Rhodes asked to move a motion for Lyn Parade and Enterprise Circuit as a camera site to monitor illegal rubbish dumping.</p> <p>4. Rithy Poch provided an update about the Hammondville Park redevelopment:</p> <p>In April 2019, Council resolved to submit the draft Amendment 54, Local Environment 2008 to the Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI). At this stage, Council is still awaiting the approval of that gateway process. Council is now looking to confirm a common vision with some of the major stakeholders.</p> <p>The following questions were raised:</p> <p><b>Question:</b> Councillor Rhodes passed on residents' concerns that the community feel they are losing sporting fields in Hammondville, leaving the area over-commercialised, with a social loss to the community. Other residents are concerned Hammondville Park will become an operational land, with supermarkets and large shopping stores. Some are afraid that Council will eventually sell it off and lose the parks in their area.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The area the Council is looking to rezone or reclassify doesn't involve the sporting fields, only the underutilised car parking spaces.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident asked to define the parameters of Hammondville Park.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The precinct is located between Heathcote Rd and Harris Creek Oval, and east to the residential side. It consists of approximately 21 hectares and was previously defence land. There are also five large sporting clubs with established sporting groups.</p> <p>5. Charles Wiafe provided an update and presentation on Heathcote Road / Bardia Parade / Walder Road intersection.</p> <p>A detailed design of the intersection works was presented to the forum. This presentation can be found on Liverpool Listens website under District Forums (<a href="https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums">https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums</a>)</p> | <p><b>Action:</b> Council to re-consider a camera site to monitor illegal rubbish dumping at Lyn Parade and Enterprise Circuit.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council to share the Heathcote Road/ Bardia Parade/ Walder Road intersection design with forum members.</p> |
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|  | <p>Following approval of the Review of Environmental Factors (REF), and review of design by Transport for NSW, Council will finalise the design for construction. Council invites residents to view the design and provide feedback on the proposed intersection upgrade works before 7 September 2020. Councillor Rhodes requested the design be sent to all registered and regular members of the forum for their perusal in order to provide them the opportunity to provide comment.</p> <p>Residents raised the following questions:</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident brought up the roundabout at Village Way and Australis Avenue, St Mark’s School opposite the loading bay. A lot of cars past 2:30pm are there to pick up their children and are parked on the edge onto the roundabout, making it difficult for the buses to get by.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Most of the roundabouts have no stopping. Councils Traffic and Transport Team will reach out to the police for enforcement in this problematic area.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident asked whether the tree near the slip-road on Heathcote Road will be removed.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Yes. The design configuration does not allow for this tree to remain. However, three new trees will be replanted in the road reserve in the space in that area. They will be slightly bigger native trees that can easily be transplanted and survive in hot weather.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident raised a query regarding the new 3-tonne thoroughfare and 40km limit marking on the pavement on the corner of Alfred Road and Governor Macquarie Drive. Does Council have this change documented somewhere in case there are any future queries.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Councillor Rhodes and Charles Wiafe sit on the Traffic Committee, where this issue was raised twice. Additionally, there are records of this approval, so if there is a replacement needed at some point in the future, there is a good record of where it is to be placed.</p> <p>Regarding the 40km hour limit, the issue has been raised with Transport NSW. They did not want to introduce it elsewhere, but they have since agreed to place it on pavement in the city centre. Council will bring this up with Transport NSW once more.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident raised concern regarding work being done in the evening and the lack of accurate information that is distributed to residents regarding the length of the disruptions. Works are being done all night without breaks, causing distress to residents.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Normally, a notification would have been issued in accordance with EPA guidelines, so this is an issue with the delivery teams.</p> | <p><b>Action:</b> Council to reach out to local Police to patrol Village Way and Australis Avenue roundabout as vehicles park in ‘no Stopping’ areas during school pick/drop hours.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council to talk with Transport NSW regarding the placement of the 40km speed limit sign on the pavement in the city centre.</p> |
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|  | <p><b>Question:</b> A resident expressed concern about rain flooding laneways near No. 2 and No. 6 Manning Street, Warwick Farm as there is currently no drainage. The laneways are currently a mud pit and require a road base to enable deliveries and horses to walk through.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Charles Wiafe will inform Maintenance crew to have a look at it and send resident an update.</p> <p>6. Luke Oste provided a status update on the Moorebank Intermodal infrastructure project, and new amendments.</p> <p>This presentation can be found on Liverpool Listens website under District Forums (<a href="https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums">https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums</a>)</p> <p>The following questions were raised:</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident questioned the potential bushland on the eastern side of the proposed site.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> This is bushland that is being preserved, as well as that south to the site. The buffer between Wattle Grove and the Intermodal will remain.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> Will the area opposite the East Hill railway line is to be developed?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> Council advised it still under assessment.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> Will there be an Environmental Impact Statement on the area?</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> This has been lodged on the Department of Planning's website. The applicant has lodged a series of different environment studies that have been looked at by the State Government.</p> <p><b>Question:</b> A resident asked about the conservation along the Georges River.</p> <p><b>Answer:</b> The Department of Planning is responsible for bank stabilisation in relation to the recent high water caused by heavy rainfall. Council to follow up with Department of Planning and inform residents at the next forum.</p> <p>Luke Oste provided an update on the vacant site near Holsworthy station at 2 MacArthur Drive, Holsworthy. This presentation can be found on Liverpool Listens website under District Forums (<a href="https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums">https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums</a>)</p> | <p><b>Action:</b> Council to investigate flooding and road base at laneways near No. 2 and No. 6 Manning Street, Warwick Farm.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Council to follow up with Department of Planning regarding the conservation along the Georges River.</p> |
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The following questions were raised:

**Question:** The proposed community park on the outer side of the railway line should be kept for future multi-storey car parking as it is difficult to find parking at the best of time.

**Answer:** There are no proposals for the other side of the railway line. It is all Commonwealth land and therefore cannot be developed on. One of the terms of the proposal was that there would be enough parking and not impact the train station.

Councillor Rhodes and Mayor Waller reiterated that car parking facilities is a state government issue with little involvement from local government. Councillors have been lobbying for changes to state planning and allowing local governments to be more involved.

**Question:** Councillor Rhodes asked if the presentations from this forum can made available on Council's website under Eastern Forum with an email sent to residents.

**Answer:** Yes. Council can place presentations on Liverpool Listens under District Forums. <https://listens.liverpool.nsw.gov.au/liverpool-district-forums>

Future developments for Eastern District:

#### 1. Moorebank Planning proposals

Half a dozen planning proposals that are on initial exhibition in Moorebank are in the eastern portions of Liverpool. These can be found on the Council website (Have Your Say on home page – click on public exhibitions – to notices – will take you to Public Exhibitions and Notices).

These planning proposals have not yet been endorsed by Council. They are being exhibited in order to obtain preliminary community feedback in accordance with the Liverpool Community Participation Plan 2019. Written submissions are to be addressed to the CEO and can be sent to Locked Bag 764, Liverpool BC NSW 1871 or [lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lcc@liverpool.nsw.gov.au)

Submissions can also be made online through the public exhibitions and notices webpage. Submissions must be received by 10 September 2020, outlining the relevant application number.

#### 2. Moore Point



Located in the most north-western portion of Moorebank:

- Number of sites totalling 38.5 hectares.
- Currently zoned Light Industrial (IN2).
- Future urban renewal area.

### 3. Joint Landowner Group Proposal RZ-6/2015

A joint landowner group, comprising of Leamac Property Group and Coronation Property, collectively own the majority of the Moore Point precinct of 32 hectares.

The proposal:

- Facilitate future development of mixed-use town centre;
- Rezone the site from IN2 (Light Industrial) to B4 (Mixed Use) and B6 (Enterprise Corridor);
- Increase the maximum floor space ratio to 4.2:1 and 3.5:1;
- Increase the maximum height of buildings from 18m and 15m to RL 16 and RL 108; and
- Introduce into the LEP site specific development controls for the site including design excellence, sun access controls, and requirements or preparation of a site-specific development control plan.

Approximate Scale of Future Development:

- 14,750 dwellings;
- 344,500sqm mixed use employment floor space; and
- Delivered in a staged manner over a 30 to 40-year period.

### 4. Rose Group/Fortis (RZ-4/2018)

- Two lots at 335-349 Newbridge Road; and
- New proposal lodged in June 2019 after acquiring an additional lot.

The proposal:

- Facilitate future development of mixed-use town centre;
- Rezone the site from IN2 (Light Industrial) to B4 (Mixed Use);
- Adopt a non-residential floor space ratio of 0.4:1;
- Increase the maximum floor space ratio to 3.2:1; and
- Increase the maximum height of buildings to 60m.

Approximate scale of future development:

- 536 dwellings; and
- 6,300sqm commercial floor space.

#### 5. Moorebank East Precinct

- Site A – Georges Cove Village (RZ-9/2017);
- Site B – Flower Power (RZ-4/2017);
- Site C – Georges Cove (RZ-1/2019 and various DA's);
- Site D – Georges Cove Marina (RZ-5/2018); and
- Site E – EQ Riverside (RZ-2/2020).

The following questions were raised:

**Question:** Councillor Rhodes asked if the Georges Cove Marina is developing after a series of stalls.

**Answer:** Yes, the Georges Cove Marina will continue its development.

**Question:** A resident inquired about Site B and D; is there going to be a loss of significant bushland for Site B and D, respectively.

**Answer:** Site B has little to no bushland and site D is a previous sand extraction site, so there is little biodiversity significance left on that site.

**Question:** A resident asked if there was environmental protection in place for Site E.

**Answer:** To the west of Site E is the Wurrungwuri Reserve which is Council-owned with high quality bushland. Additionally, on the banks of the actual site itself along the eastern edge there is significant bushland, as well as wetlands. Council is working with the applicant on any concerns.

**Question:** A resident asked if comments can be made about these site proposals on LCC website.

**Answer:** Yes, residents are encouraged to do so in order to gain as much community feedback possible.

**Question:** A resident raised issues about the developments of Georges Cove, Moore Point and the Moorebank Intermodal. If site levels need to be raised by minimum of 3 metres, this will put additional stress on the river. Therefore, has Council considered the planning of floodplains?

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|                                      | <p><b>Answer:</b> Council has a policy that there can be no net loss of flood storage, so if a site is raised by x amount of metres, Council has to drop a site by that same amount elsewhere.</p> <p>7. Lina Kakish provided an update on a series of CBD Development Applications:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. DA-886/2018 – 22-24 Elizabeth Street, Liverpool<br/>Construction of a 34-storey mixed use development over four levels of basement car parking approved by SWCPP on 9 June 2020.</li> <li>2. DA-82/2020 – 167 Northumberland Street, Liverpool<br/>Concept DA to establish building envelopes for the future development of the site for mixed-use purposes; 32-storey tower with retail/commercial floorspace and 2 levels of basement parking.</li> <li>3. DA-926/2018 – Westfields Shopping Centre – 25 George Street, Liverpool<br/>Construction of a commercial tower and a new entertainment and leisure precinct (ELP) at the existing Westfield Shopping Centre.</li> </ol> <p>Councillor Rhodes suggested to have these plans put up on Council website, so people can comment accordingly. These plans should also be shared with Eastern Forum members.</p> | <p><b>Action:</b> Council to upload Liverpool CBD development plans to the Council Website and distribute to Forum residents.</p> |
| <p><b>Close and next Meeting</b></p> | <p>Councillor Rhodes closed the meeting at 8.42pm.</p> <p>The next Eastern District Forum is scheduled for 20 October 2020</p>  |   |