

PUBLIC FORUM SESSION HELD 31 JULY 2019

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The Public Forum Session commenced at 6:15p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor D. Turley (Mayor) Councillor M. Browne (Deputy Mayor)
Councillors C. Adams, B. Algate, M. Clark, D. Gallagher, T. Kennedy,
B. Licul, J. Nolan and R. Page.

General Manager, Chief Operations Officer, Chief Financial Officer,
Director Corporate, Manager Communications, Governance Officer and
Executive Support Officer.

Media (3), Members of the Public (15).

APOLOGIES:

Nil.

The Mayor advised of the new format for Public Forum Sessions as per the recently adopted Code of Meeting Practice Policy.

The Mayor advised that members of the public who had registered to speak on items to be considered at the Council Meeting to commence at the conclusion of this Public Forum Session would take precedence, then members of the public who had registered to speak on general matters.

Then, if time permits, members of the public who had not registered could speak on items to be considered at the Council Meeting or on general matters.

The following members of the public addressed Council:

1. Mine Blastings

Mr Geoff Smith expressed concern regarding the severe mine blastings and outlined damaged caused to his and other properties and asked whether Council could take any action regarding this.

The Mayor advised that Council will write to the local mines advising of the community's concerns and suggested that Mr Smith raises his concerns with the Environment Protection Authority.

2. Entrance Signs for the City

Mr Peter Beven referred to the competition for the design of entrance signs to the City and advised that his preference would be for five different signs to be installed at each highway entrance to the City.

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The Mayor advised that one design was selected, and that the project was progressing with the Development Application lodged with Council's Planning Department, and a local firm has been engaged to manufacture the signs.

3. Development Application 38/2019 (BHCC Report No. 115/19)

Mr Danny Harris (owner of 89 Piper Street) addressed Council in support of Development Application No. 38/2019 for the demolition of existing outbuildings and construction of a new three car garage at 89 Piper Street. Mr Harris outlined the work undertaken so far to conserve the heritage building and thanked Council staff for their assistance with the development application process. Mr Harris urged Councillors to approve the development application.

No further members of the public addressed Council.

The Public Forum Session concluded at 6:30p.m.