

### 13.1 Questions without Notice

1. Councillor Oates referred to the sound barriers that are being installed by the RMS along Moore Oxley Bypass, Campbelltown and noted that as part of this process it is proposed that 38 trees will be removed.

Councillor Oates asked the General Manager if notification had been received to identify which trees will be removed, exactly where the sound barriers will be installed and if the sound barriers will protect the residents of the high rise apartment buildings in Tyler Street, Campbelltown.

The General Manager advised that Council's Manager Technical Services will investigate the matter and advise Councillor Oates by way of a memo.

2. Councillor Kolkman asked the General Manager if the proposed sound barriers along Moore Oxley Bypass will be installed in close proximity to the traffic lights on the corner of Moore Oxley Bypass and Chamberlain Street, Campbelltown as there is a continuous flow of traffic which stops and starts due to the operations of the traffic lights and generates excessive noise through braking and acceleration.

The General Manager advised that Council's Manager Technical Services will investigate the matter and advise Councillor Kolkman by way of a memo.

3. Councillor Lound congratulated all staff involved for their decision to include local Men's Shed in the Indian Myna Bird initiative.
4. Councillor Borg noted that along the northern end of Minto Road in close proximity to Cumberland Road, Ingleburn, there is a large tree appears to be dead and that it has branches over hanging the roadway and asked if staff could investigate the potential for its removal.

The Acting Director City Works advised that he will investigate the matter and make any necessary arrangements.

5. Councillor Borg noted that he had met with residents from the Macarthur Retirement Village regarding concerns for their safety when attempting to traverse from the village to Macarthur Square. Councillor Borg advised that residents feel it is unsafe to attempt to cross the roadways due to traffic flows and asked if urgent consideration could be given to the installation of traffic lights within the vicinity.

Council's Acting Director Planning and Environment advised that as part of the Lend Lease expansion of Macarthur Square it is proposed that there will be an internal connection from the retirement village directly to Macarthur Square and that discussions will be held with representatives from the RMS regarding the possibility of installing traffic lights at this intersection.

6. Councillor Lake asked the General Manager if there was an update regarding the letter forwarded to the Minister Roads, Duncan Gay regarding Spring Farm Parkway.

The General Manager advised that he will investigate if a response letter has been received and will advise Councillor Lake.

7. Councillor Lake asked the Director Business Services if he is aware that there is currently a grant available for the restoration of bridges.

The Director Business Services advised that he is aware of the grants available for this purpose.

8. Councillor Lake asked the Director Business Services if Council will be putting in a submission for a grant for bridge restoration works at the Cambridge Avenue Bridge, Glenfield.

The Director Business Services advised that he will investigate the potential for grant funding.

9. Councillor Lake noted that he represented the Mayor over the weekend at the State Netball competition and further noted that a number of positive comments were made regarding Council's state of the art netball facilities. Councillor Lake noted that by providing quality facilities the area attracts first class competitions which also generates employment within the Local Government Area.

10. Councillor Greiss asked if he could be advised as to the current status of the Ingleburn DCP.

The Director Planning and Environment advised that consultants have been engaged and it is anticipated that the Ingleburn DCP will be finalised by the end of 2014.

11. Councillor Greiss referred to the establishment of the Economic Development Working Group and asked the General Manager if the committee had met and if any reports have been prepared.

The General Manager advised that the committee has met on one occasion and following the creation of the strategic role for the Director Planning and Environment the committee will meet in the near future.

12. Councillor Greiss asked if he could be provided with an update regarding the status of Council's Section 355 committee's.

The Director Business Services advised that all of Council's Section 355 committee's have been disbanded and that a report will be presented to Council in the near future.

13. Councillor Rowell asked the Acting Director City Works if it was possible to increase the rangers presence in the Park Central area as it would appear that many parking spaces are being used as long term parking which contravenes the purpose of installing additional short term parking within the area.

The General Manager advised the discussions had been held with businesses within the area, the construction workers from the hospital and others regarding the restrictions on parking within Park Central. Warning notices have been issued and now Council staff are issuing infringement notices.

14. Councillor Rowell asked if Council is considering establishing additional disabled parking spaces within the Park Central district.

The Acting Director City Works advised that additional spaces will be allocated in the near future.

15. Councillor Hawker asked the General Manager the following questions regarding the construction of a memorial rose garden at Ingleburn.

- are you aware of the recent notification of the construction of a rose garden at Ingleburn
- who authorised the construction of the garden
- when was it authorised
- did council seek prior approval to construct the garden on Crown Land
- how was it funded and by whom
- how was the funding obtained through the club
  - a) who sought the funding
  - b) who was it authorised by
  - c) was it authorised under the Council Seal
- did any of the following take place prior to commencement of construction
  - a) approval from the full Council for construction to commence
  - b) any delegated authority by Council officers for construction to commence
  - c) approval from the full Council for official naming of the garden
  - d) approval from the full Council or any other Council official for any person to seek private/outside community funding for the project
- what steps will you take to ensure that the Council is not put in a position where is has to retrospectively authorise conduct that has already occurred
- will you ensure that a full report is circulated to Councillors regarding this matter

The General Manager advised that he will provide a response to Councillors by way of a memo.

16. Councillor Borg asked the Acting Director Planning and Environment for an update regarding the child care centre in Denham Court.

The Acting Director Planning and Environment advised Councillor Borg that he would provide a response by way of a memo.

17. Councillor Borg referred to the traffic history on Appin Road noting that there has been 30 deaths since 1996. Councillor Borg also noted that many meetings have been held with all authorities involved yet no plans for improvements have been proposed.

Councillor Borg asked if the Mayor would consider arranging a meeting with the Minister for Roads, RMS, Campbelltown, Wollondilly and Wollongong Council representatives to urgently discuss the future of this thoroughfare.

Councillor Borg also asked if such a meeting is arranged could he be also invited to attend.

The General Manager advised that he and the Director Planning and Environment are meeting with senior representatives from RMS regarding the overall control of Appin Road and will recommend that the control of the road be placed under the complete control of Sydney RMS office rather than being shared between the Sydney and Wollongong offices as it is at the moment.

The General Manager also advised that the issues raised by Councillor Borg will be addressed at this meeting.

18. Councillor Thompson asked if Council's Parking Rangers provide any time leeway for drivers prior to issuing an infringement notice.

The Acting Director Planning and Environment advised that the Rangers enforce the parking restrictions according to the regulations however there is a level of discretion available to the officer in carrying out parking enforcement duties.

19. Councillor Hawker noted that he had received complaints regarding drivers parking all day in time allocated parking spaces within the Ingleburn CBD and the vicinity of Campbelltown Hospital.

The General Manager advised that the issue of timed parking across the Local Government Area will be included on the agenda at the next Councillors Strategic Planning Day.

20. Councillor Oates asked the Acting Director Planning and Environment if Council has a Clothing Bin Policy and noted that in the last month four clothing bins had been placed adjacent to Aldi at Minto by a non-charitable organisation.

Councillor Oates also noted that large piles of rubbish have been placed adjacent to the clothing bins and asked if the placement of these bins could be investigated to ensure that they comply.

The Acting Director Planning and Environment advised that he will investigate the matter and will provide a response to Councillor Oates.

21. Councillor Mead referred to a media release issued 19 June 2014 regarding political signage on Campbelltown Road, Denham Court and asked to be provided with an update regarding the proposed removal of the signage.

The Acting Director Planning and Environment advised that Council has received legal advice regarding this issue and details of the current status would be provided by way of a memo.