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ATTACHMENTS

Tuesday, 16 July 2024

UNDER SEPARATE COVER

Ordinary Council Meeting

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**Ordinary Council Meeting
25 June 2024**

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**MINUTES OF RICHMOND VALLEY COUNCIL
ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 10 GRAHAM PLACE, CASINO
ON TUESDAY, 25 JUNE 2024 AT 6PM**

Please note: these minutes are subject to confirmation at the next Council Meeting. Decisions recorded in the draft minutes are subject to the Council's Code of Meeting Practice in relation to rescinding decisions.

PRESENT: Cr Robert Mustow (Mayor), Cr Stephen Morrissey (Deputy Mayor), Cr Sam Cornish, Cr Robert Hayes, Cr Sandra Humphrys, Cr Patrick Deegan.

IN ATTENDANCE: Vaughan Macdonald (General Manager), Angela Jones (Director Community Service Delivery), Ryan Gaiter (Director Organisational Services), Ben Zeller (Director Projects & Business Development), Jenna Hazelwood (Chief of Staff), Julie Clark (Personal Assistant to the General Manager and Mayor), Simon Breeze (IT Support Coordinator)

1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Mayor provided an Acknowledgement of Country by reading the following statement on behalf of Council:

"Richmond Valley Council recognises the people of the Bundjalung Nations as Custodians and Traditional Owners of this land and we value and appreciate the continuing cultural connection to lands, their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region in the past, present and future."

2 PRAYER

The meeting opened with a prayer by the General Manager.

3 PUBLIC ACCESS

Nil

4 APOLOGIES

RESOLUTION 250624/1

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Robert Hayes

That the apology received from Cr Debra McGillan be accepted and leave of absence granted.

CARRIED

5 MAYORAL MINUTES

Nil

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6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**6.1 MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING HELD 21 MAY 2024****RESOLUTION 250624/2**

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council confirms the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on 21 May 2024.

CARRIED**7 MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

Nil

8 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cr Robert Mustow declared a pecuniary interest in relation to Item 15.1 Richmond Valley Regional Jobs Precinct – Finalisation of Master Plan, due to being the owner of land located within the Richmond Valley Job Precinct.

Cr Robert Mustow declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 15.3 Overheight Industrial Building at 35 Cassino Drive, Casino, due to a relative working for the applicant.

Cr Sandra Humphrys declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Item 15.1 Richmond Valley Regional Jobs Precinct – Finalisation of Master Plan, due to being a member of COWFM which is located within the Richmond Valley Job Precinct.

9 PETITIONS

Nil

10 NOTICE OF MOTION**10.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR STEPHEN MORRISSEY - CENTRE STREET, CASINO ROUNDABOUT****RESOLUTION 250624/3**

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council writes to the Minister for Regional Transport and Roads the Hon. Jenny Aitchison MP, State Member Richie Williamson MP and Federal Member Kevin Hogan MP to reiterate the community's ongoing serious concerns with traffic and pedestrian safety along Centre Street (Bruxner Highway) at the Richmond and Canterbury Street intersections, and request that roundabouts and/or traffic lights be provided at these two intersections, and a safer pedestrian crossing facility at the Centre/Barker Street intersection, as a matter of urgency.

CARRIED

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11 MAYOR'S REPORT**11.1 MAYORAL ATTENDANCE REPORT 13 MAY - 15 JUNE 2024****RESOLUTION 250624/4**

Moved: Cr Robert Mustow
Seconded: Cr Stephen Morrissey

That Council receives and notes the Mayoral Attendance Report for the period 13 May – 15 June 2024.

CARRIED**12 DELEGATES' REPORTS**

Nil

13 MATTERS DETERMINED WITHOUT DEBATE**13.1 MATTERS TO BE DETERMINED WITHOUT DEBATE****RESOLUTION 250624/5**

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey
Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That items 17.1, 17.2, 17.4, 17.6 identified be determined without debate.

CARRIED**14 GENERAL MANAGER**

Nil

At 6:13 pm, Cr Robert Mustow left the meeting, vacating the Chair, having declared an interest in Item 15.1.

Deputy Mayor Cr Stephen Morrissey chaired the meeting for this item.

15 COMMUNITY SERVICE DELIVERY**15.1 RICHMOND VALLEY REGIONAL JOBS PRECINCT - FINALISATION OF MASTER PLAN****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has been working in partnership with Department of Regional NSW and Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure to deliver a Master Plan for the Richmond Valley Regional Job Precinct and associated amendments to the Richmond Valley Local Environmental Plan 2012 (RVLEP).

The aim is to create a regional employment hub that will facilitate the growth of industry, agribusiness and manufacturing in Casino and the North Coast region.

Regional Job Precincts are focused on providing local councils with planning support to drive investment, diversify economies and create new jobs in regional NSW.

The NSW Government has led the master planning for the RJPs, with the Department of Regional NSW and Department of Planning, Housing, and Infrastructure conducting the public exhibition of the draft Master Plan, technical studies, and Discussion Paper from 12 February to 24 March 2024.

Sixty-three (63) written submissions were received during the exhibition and have been reviewed by DRNSW and DPHI, in consultation with Council staff. The purpose of this report is to provide a summary of the public exhibition and a review of submissions for consideration by Council, prior to finalisation of the Master Plan and proposed amendments to Richmond Valley LEP 2012 by the NSW Government.

RESOLUTION 250624/6

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Robert Hayes

That Council:

1. Notes the outcomes of community consultation of the Richmond Valley Regional Job Precinct draft Master Plan, technical studies, and discussion paper and the proposed amendments to the documents in the Response to Submissions report.
2. Provides a letter of support to the NSW Minister for Planning and Public Spaces endorsing the finalisation of the Draft Richmond Valley Regional Job Precinct Master Plan and Associated amendments to the Richmond Valley Local Environmental Plan 2012.

CARRIED

At 6:32 pm, Cr Robert Mustow returned to the meeting and resumed the position of Chair.

15.2 DRAFT SECTION 7.12 CONTRIBUTIONS PLAN (AS AMENDED)**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has undertaken a review of its current Section 94A Contributions Plan to ensure consistency with statutory requirements and updates to legislation. This includes updating the title of the plan and replacing the schedule of works to enable delivery and maintenance of local infrastructure and facilities for the next 10 years.

The Draft Richmond Valley Council Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (As Amended) (the Draft Plan) was presented to Council's April Ordinary Meeting where it was endorsed for public exhibition. The Draft Plan was subsequently exhibited in accordance with the Richmond Valley Council Community Participation Plan 2020 for a minimum of 28 days, with no written submissions being received. As a result, the Plan has now been finalised and is presented to Council for consideration.

RESOLUTION 250624/7

Moved: Cr Sandra Humphrys

Seconded: Cr Robert Hayes

That Council adopts the Richmond Valley Council Section 7.12 Contributions Plan (As Amended).

CARRIED

15.3 OVERHEIGHT INDUSTRIAL BUILDING AT 35 CASSINO DRIVE, CASINO**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has received a development application seeking consent for a proposed Transport Depot, Warehouse (cold storage) and Distribution Centre, and Signage at 35 Cassino Drive, Casino.

The proposal provides a variation to the height of building development standard of 8.5 metres applying to the site in accordance with the Richmond Valley Local Environmental Plan 2012 (LEP).

The development has a proposed maximum building height of 12.3 metres, exceeding the development standard by 3.8 metres, or 44.7%. As the proposed exceedance of the height standard is greater than 10%, it must be referred to Council for determination.

The subject site of the proposed development is located within an established industrial area, is of similar bulk and scale compatible with industrial development and is therefore considered to be consistent with the established character of land zoning and locality.

In addition, the site is identified within the Regional Job Precinct (RJP) and is included within the Richmond Valley RJP Draft Master Plan (Draft Plan) which proposes to remove the building height limit in this precinct.

RESOLUTION 250624/8

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sandra Humphrys

That Council, pursuant to Clause 4.6 of the Richmond Valley Local Environmental Plan 2012, approves a variation in respect of Clause 4.3 Height of buildings for DA2024/0158, as outlined in this report.

CARRIED

16 PROJECTS & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Nil

17 ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES**17.1 REVIEW OF DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST PROCEDURE****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

In accordance with Council's Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interest Procedure, councillors and designated persons are required to lodge their completed disclosure of interest returns for the period ending 30 June 2024, by 30 September 2024. Disclosure forms will be issued to designated persons on 1 July 2024, with a further report to be presented to Council once all returns have been received.

In order to facilitate this process, a review of Council's Disclosure of Interest Procedure has been carried out, with minor amendments proposed to the list of designated persons to reflect the current organisational structure.

RESOLUTION 250624/9

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That Council adopts the revised Disclosure of Interest Procedure, noting the amendments to Annexure A – List of Designated Persons, including addition of the new designated person position of Manager Invest and Live RV.

CARRIED

17.2 COUNCILLOR REMUNERATION 2024/2025**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Each financial year, the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal determines the minimum and maximum remuneration payable to Mayors and Councillors for carrying out their duties. The determination by the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal is pursuant to Sections 239 and 241 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Council has received notification that the Local Government Remuneration Tribunal has determined that the Mayoral and Councillor Fees are to increase 3.75% for the 2024/2025 financial year.

RESOLUTION 250624/10

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That Council:

1. Sets the Mayoral Allowance for the 2024/2025 financial year effective from 1 July 2024 at

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\$49,200 per annum or \$4,100 per month.

2. Sets the Councillor Fee for the 2024/2025 financial year effective from 1 July 2024 at \$22,540 per annum or \$1,878.33 per month.

CARRIED

17.3 ELECTION PERIOD PROCUREMENT ARRANGEMENTS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council is progressing well with its flood recovery and improvement works and currently has a number of major infrastructure projects that are ready to progress to tender. These projects include works such as repairs to the Broadwater Bridge, restoration works at the Bentley Road rock fall, replacement of the twin Tatham Bridges and completion of two sports clubhouses funded through government grants. The works are all time-critical, to meet the requirements of government funding deeds, or minimise disruption to local industry and sporting clubs. However, the up-coming local government elections, and associated Caretaker requirements, may impact on Council's capacity to deliver these projects in a timely manner.

Council has a number of options to manage its procurement schedule during the election period to ensure these essential works can progress. These options are outlined in more detail within this report.

RESOLUTION 250624/11

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That Council:

1. Notes the progress on flood recovery and improvement works and the number of major projects currently scheduled to progress to tender.
2. Applies Option 3, as outlined in this report, to manage its procurement schedule during the Local Government Election Period.
3. Delegates authority to the General Manager, under s377 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, to accept tenders and award relevant contracts subject to: The requirements of the Caretaker Period; the limitations of s377 regarding the application of the delegation, and the following conditions:
 - i) Tenders must be for projects previously approved by Council;
 - ii) The successful tender must be within the approved budget and agreed scope for the project;
 - iii) Contracts awarded to successful tenders must align with the requirements of the relevant funding deed, if applicable.

CARRIED

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17.4 REVIEW OF PURCHASING POLICY**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

Council has undertaken a review of its current Purchasing Policy to reflect changes to the *Local Government Act 1993* regarding tendering delegations, reinforce Council's commitment to supporting local providers and socially beneficial employers, such as Aboriginal owned enterprises and Australian Disability Enterprises, and encourage improved environmental outcomes.

RESOLUTION 250624/12

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That Council adopts the revised Purchasing Policy.

CARRIED**17.5 DRAFT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2024/2025 (INCLUDING DRAFT FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2024/2028), DRAFT REVENUE POLICY 2024/2025 AND DRAFT LONG TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2024/2034****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At its Ordinary Meeting on 21 May 2024, Council resolved to place the Draft Operational Plan (including Financial Estimates), Draft Revenue Policy and Draft Long-Term Financial Plan on public exhibition.

This report provides information regarding public submissions received by Council during the exhibition period and details minor amendments that have been made to the Draft Financial Estimates.

RESOLUTION 250624/13

Moved: Cr Robert Mustow

Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That:

1. Council adopts the Draft Operational Plan 2024/2025 (including Financial Estimates 2024/2028), Revenue Policy 2024/2025 and Long-Term Financial Plan 2024/2034, the subject of this report;
2. In respect to the general land rates contained in the 2024/2025 Draft Revenue Policy, Council in accordance with Sections 535 and 537 of the *Local Government Act 1993* makes the following General Rates for the 2024/2025 financial year:

Rating Category	Base Amount	% yield from base amount	Rate in Dollar (ad valorem)
Residential	\$310.00	23.88%	\$0.00351
Rural Residential (sub-category)	\$310.00	27.10%	\$0.00245
Business	\$360.00	9.28%	\$0.01147
Farmland	\$360.00	17.37%	\$0.00271

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3. In relation to interest on overdue rates and charges, Council makes and imposes the maximum charge for interest, as determined by the Minister for Local Government and in accordance with Section 566 (3) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, as follows:
- (i) for the 2024/2025 financial year, 10.5% per annum;
4. In respect of annual charges and user charges for Waste Management, Water, Sewerage and Stormwater Management Service Charges, in accordance with Section 535 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council makes these charges as detailed in the 2024/2025 Draft Revenue Policy to apply to the 2024/2025 financial year.

CARRIED**17.6 FINANCIAL ANALYSIS REPORT - MAY 2024****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to inform Council of the status and performance of its cash and investment portfolio in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1993* s.625, Local Government (General) Regulation 2021 cl.212, Australian Accounting Standard (AASB 9) and Council's Investment Policy.

The value of Council's cash and investments at 31 May 2024 is shown below:

Bank Accounts	Term Deposits	Floating Rate Notes	Fixed Rate Bonds	TCorp IM Funds	Total
\$21,092,079	\$31,000,000	\$6,750,390	\$4,500,000	\$16,370,112	\$79,712,581

The weighted average rate of return on Council's cash and investments at 31 May 2024 was 5.69% which was above the Bloomberg AusBond Bank Bill Index for May of 0.37%, which is Council's benchmark.

RESOLUTION 250624/14

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey
 Seconded: Cr Sam Cornish

That Council adopts the Financial Analysis Report detailing the performance of its cash and investments for the month of May 2024.

CARRIED**18 GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

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19 MATTERS FOR INFORMATION

RESOLUTION 250624/15

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish
Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

Recommended that the following reports submitted for information be received and noted.

CARRIED

19.1 GRANT APPLICATION INFORMATION REPORT - MAY 2024

RESOLUTION 250624/16

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish
Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council receives and notes the Grant Application Information Report for the month of May 2024.

CARRIED

19.2 AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

RESOLUTION 250624/17

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish
Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council receives and notes the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee held on 29 May 2024.

CARRIED

19.3 COMPLETION OF NAMMOONA RESOURCE & RECOVERY CELL 6 PROJECT

RESOLUTION 250624/18

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish
Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council notes the completion of the Nammoona Resource and Recovery Cell 6 Project.

CARRIED

19.4 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER THE ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT FOR THE PERIOD 1 MAY 2024 - 31 MAY 2024

RESOLUTION 250624/19

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish
Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council receives and notes the Development Application report for the period 1 May 2024 to 31 May 2024.

CARRIED

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19.5 TOWN ENTRY AND BOUNDARY SIGNS PROJECT UPDATE**RESOLUTION 250624/20**

Moved: Cr Sam Cornish

Seconded: Cr Patrick Deegan

That Council receives and notes the Town Entry and Boundary Signs project update.

CARRIED

20 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil

21 QUESTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING (IN WRITING)

Nil

22 MATTERS REFERRED TO CLOSED COUNCIL

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 10A(2) of the Local Government Act 1993:

22.1 Tender VP407583 - Design & Construct Upper Cherry Tree Road Landslip

This matter relates to (d)(i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

22.2 Tender VP408338 - Design and Construct Upper Mongogarie Road Landslip

This matter relates to (d)(i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

22.3 Tender VP408552 - Design and Construct MR145 Landslip

This matter relates to (d)(i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

22.4 Tender VP406817 - Supply and Delivery of Bitumen Surfacing, Stabilisation and Asphalt Services 2024-2025

This matter relates to (d)(i) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.

The above listed matters are considered to be confidential under Section 10A(2) - (a) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than councillors).

RESOLUTION 250624/21

Moved: Cr Stephen Morrissey

Seconded: Cr Sandra Humphrys

That:

1. Council enters Closed Council to consider the business identified in Item 22, together with any late reported tabled at the meeting.
2. Pursuant to section 10A(2) of the *Local Government Act 1993*, the media and public be excluded from the meeting on the basis the business to be discussed is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10(2) as outlined above.
3. The correspondence and reports relevant to the subject business be withheld from access to the media and public as required by section 11(2) *Local Government Act 1993*

CARRIED

The General Manager reported that no written representations had been received in respect of the items listed for consideration in Closed Council.

The Chair called for representations from the gallery.

There were no verbal representations from the gallery in respect of this item.

The Chair advised that under section 10A *Local Government Act 1993*, the media and public are to be excluded from the meeting on the basis that the business to be discussed is classified confidential under the provisions of section 10(2) as outlined above.

Council closed its meeting to the public at 7.03 pm.

The Open Council meeting resumed at 7.12 pm.

The resolutions of the Closed Council meeting were read by the Director Projects & Business Development (Items 22.1, 22.2, 22.3) and the Director Organisational Services (Item 22.4).

23 RESOLUTIONS OF CLOSED COUNCIL**22.1 Tender VP407583 - Design & Construct Upper Cherry Tree Road Landslip**

That:

1. Council accepts the tender from The Trustee for Santin Trust for the Upper Cherry Tree Landslip remediation works, which represents the best value at \$1,028,098 (exclusive of GST) following the execution of the total upper limit approval funding deed from TfNSW; and
2. The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and finalise the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement, in line with the content of this report and the available budget and affixing the seal of Council where necessary.

22.2 Tender VP408338 - Design and Construct Upper Mongogarie Road Landslip

That:

1. Council accepts the tender from The Trustee for Santin Trust for the Upper Mongogarie Landslip remediation works, which represents the best value at \$485,106 (exclusive of GST); following the execution of the total upper limit approval funding deed from TfNSW; and

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2. The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and finalise the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement, in line with the content of this report and the available budget and affixing the seal of Council where necessary.

22.3 Tender VP408552 - Design and Construct MR145 Landslip

That:

1. Council accepts the tender from SEE CIVIL Pty Ltd for the MR145 Landslips Remediation, which represents the best value at \$898,929.82 (exclusive of GST) following the execution of the total upper limit approval funding deed from TfNSW; and
2. Council contributes \$28,209.64 (excl of GST) towards the Betterment component of this project to improve the base rock armouring of the impacted sites; and
3. The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and finalise the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement, in line with the content of this report and the available budget and affixing the seal of Council where necessary.

22.4 Tender VP406817 - Supply and Delivery of Bitumen Surfacing, Stabilisation and Asphalt Services 2024-2025

That Council:

1. Appoints the 9 successful tenderers for VP406817 – Supply and Delivery of Bitumen Surfacing, Stabilizations & Asphalt Services 2024-2025 to its panel of suppliers, accepting the rates tendered to provide various materials for works up to the value of \$149,999 (including GST) for the period 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025; and
2. The General Manager be authorised to negotiate and finalise the terms and conditions of any contract or agreement, in line with the content of this report and the available budget and affixing the seal of Council where necessary.

The Meeting closed at 7.16pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 16 July 2024.

.....
CHAIRPERSON



**MID RICHMOND
PLACE PLANS**

**ENGAGEMENT
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REPORT**

JULY 2024

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We respectfully acknowledge the Traditional Country across our Region. We also acknowledge and pay our respects to the people of the Bundjalung Nation as custodians and traditional owners of the land, and their elders past, present and emerging.



PROJECT CONTEXT

Working in close collaboration with Council and the project team, Place Design Group & Meridian Urban have been appointed to develop Place Plans for Evans Head, Woodburn, Broadwater, Rileys Hill and Coraki. The team has undertaken community engagement to inform the Mid Richmond Place Plans including a range of engagement activities ensure each local community is provided the opportunity to reimagine place and input into the future of their villages. This report summarises the feedback and outcomes documented during the engagement period.

The place plans will include future options for housing, economic development and community facilities, such as parks, sports fields and public spaces in your village. They will also explore opportunities to build resilience against future flooding and adapt to a changing climate. Council is partnering with the NSW Reconstruction Authority to pilot a combined approach to place planning and adaptation planning for this project. This will help to ensure that these communities can remain safe and sustainable into the future.

HOW WE ENGAGED

Working in close collaboration with Council and the project team, Place Design Group & Meridian Urban delivered a robust, highly interactive and far-reaching approach to engagement.

Strategic, targeted consultation with stakeholders was conducted in an integrated fashion, with an online survey and ideas board acting as the broader sweeping, generator of overall community insights.

The findings within this report have been collated from all the feedback received across a broad range of activities, summarised on the following page.

The engagement strategy's approach worked to successfully achieve the following engagement objectives:

- Building trust and stronger relationships with the community and stakeholders.
- Building community capacity to understand place making and associated opportunities and pathways for growth and development.
- Providing opportunities for the community to share their ideas, concerns, and aspirations to influence and inform the direction of the places where they live, work and play.
- Seeking solutions, where they be innovative or not, for place making challenges.
- Making informed and better decisions about place making and the way forward to support resilient future growth and the needs of the community.

The community insights obtained through this engagement from each of the villages will be utilised to inform the development of the Place Plans.



WHEN WE ENGAGED

A highly interactive and far-reaching approach to engagement was delivered from December 2023 through to June 2024. This timeline illustrates the dates, activities and towns/villages reached at each touch point.

During the public exhibition period, the project team with Council conducted further engagement with the Woodburn community.

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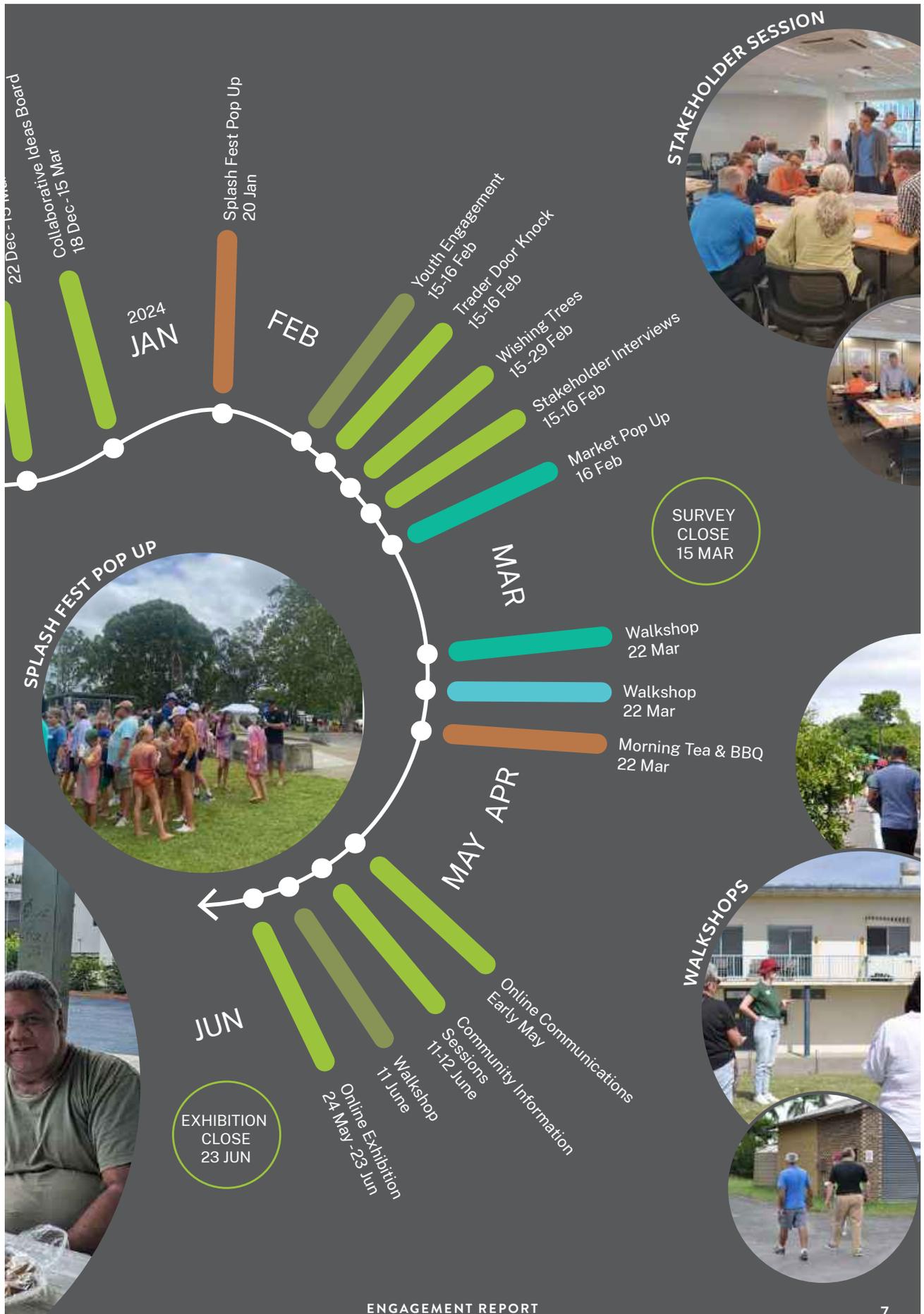
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Online Communications

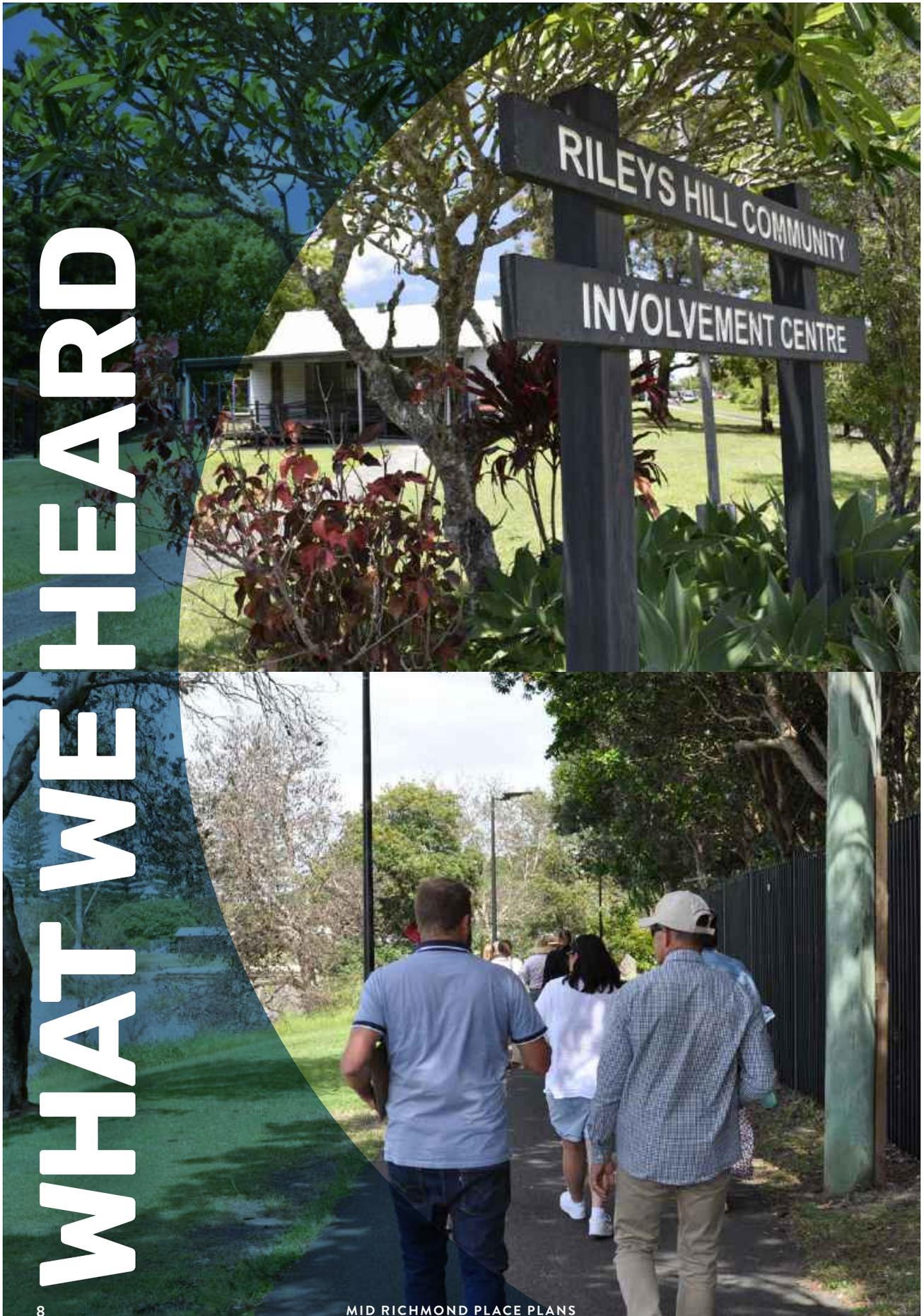
MORNING TEA & BBQ



- Region wide
- Coraki
- Woodburn
- Broadwater and Riley's Hill
- Evans Head



WHAT WE HEARD



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MID RICHMOND PLACE PLANS

The engagement plan comprised of a diverse mix of engagement activities that focused on a wide reaching approach that was locally targeted for Coraki, Woodburn, Evans Head, Broadwater and Rileys Hill. The following pages summarise the key insights and themes from what we heard from community members and stakeholders.

The detailed responses and feedback are included in the Appendix.



ONLINE SURVEY

An interactive, online survey was developed in close collaboration with Council, to reach far and wide across the region – accessible for all abilities and ages. It was designed to capture broader local community insights around the project, while also being location specific so that responses could be related to the relevant town or village. This location information will enable place-based community knowledge, ideas, and feedback to grow the conversation. The Place Plan survey was in market for a timeframe of 3 months, from December 2023 to March 2024.

The survey received a total of 81 responses, not just from people within the Region but who also consider themselves as users or visitors to the region. The following pages provide a snapshot of the key insights and selected comments, with the full responses provided in the Appendix A.

Participation rates were generated by a robust and highly visible, Council led distribution strategy, promoting the survey and other ways to become involved including:

- Social Media promotion via Council channels
- A dedicated project page on Council’s website
- Promotion via Council networks
- Promotional postcard
- Cross promotion through all other engagement methods and touchpoints

- LOCATION**
Richmond Valley
- DATE**
Dec 2023 – Mar 2024
- PARTICIPANTS**
Community & Stakeholders

KEY STATS



81
RESPONSES



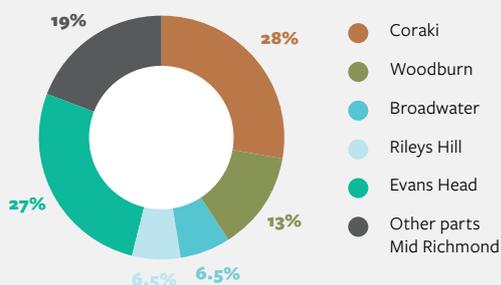
81%
OF RESPONDENTS WERE WITHIN THE PLACE PLAN VILLAGES*

19%
OF RESPONDENTS WERE OUTSIDE OF THE PLACE PLAN VILLAGES*

* The Place Plan villages comprise of Coraki, Woodburn, Broadwater, Rileys Hill and Evans Head

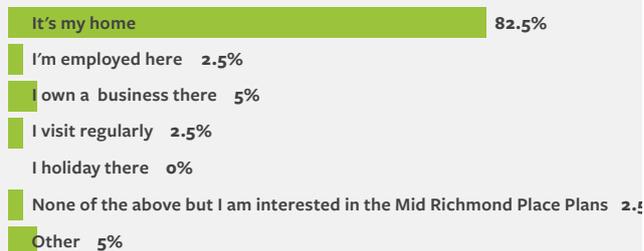
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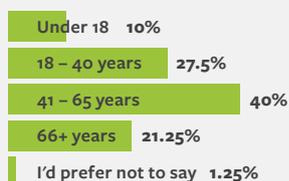
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How would you describe your relationship with this town/village?



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What is your age?



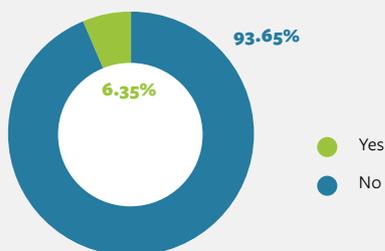
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What things make your town/village unique and a great place to live/visit?



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Do you identify as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander person?



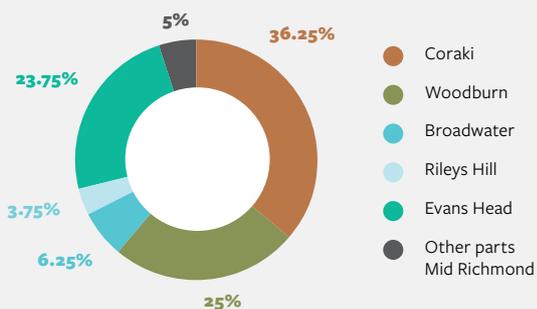
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What most concerns you about your town/village at the moment?



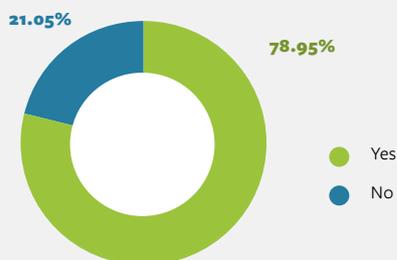
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What village/ town does your feedback relate to?



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Do you expect that you will be living or working in the Mid Richmond in 10 years' time?



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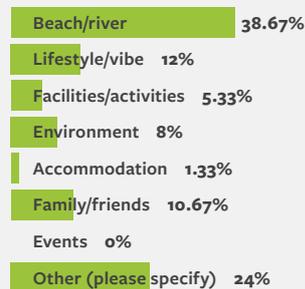
What would influence your decision to stay or what are some of the reasons you might decide to leave?

I'll stay as I've lived here for 71yrs (mostly) my children & grandchildren love the house & Woodburn.

If no expansion in this region that supports us as a young family we will move to QLD where our children have better opportunities and access to services. Would be very disappointing to have to leave a beautiful coastal lifestyle however this is where our priorities need to be.

11

What do you think attracts tourists and visitors to your town/village?



12

Is there anything else that is needed for tourists/visitors?

More appealing Main Street area. So much opportunity around the river surrounding the co-op too. It is beautiful, yet totally inaccessible.

Attractions on the river e.g. kayaks for hire. A few more options among the shops. More organised, but beautified, parking facilities.

A visually recognizable place. Cater to many diverse community interests. A place with lots to see and do and other history of the area including the historical use of the river and its future use for locals and travellers and visitors

10

What would make your town/village an even better place?

Affordable suitable housing. Green spaces with facilities to utilise for all ages.

Improved community facilities, especially for young people. Availability of more buildable land in the immediate area.

A more connected community culture, career opportunities, greater health care/allied health services, more energy and entertainment opportunities, improved community facilities, basic services available to locals.

13

What do you think is the great challenge for your town/village in the future?

Maintaining the unique village feel in the face of progress and changing demographic due to housing affordability.

Future Flood threat without sufficient planning = Lack of investment = loss of housing = decline in business = loss of long term sustainability.

Limited useable outdoor spaces for sports. Schools even travel to Lismore for sports carnivals!

14

What would you like your town/village to be like in 10 years' time? Please share three words or ideas

NUMBER 1 RESPONSE =



Housing

NUMBER 2 RESPONSE =



Amenities & Infrastructure

NUMBER 3 RESPONSE =



Services & Facilities

The word cloud below is a collection of words and ideas extracted from the responses in Question 14.



15

Is there anything we have missed? Please note down anything else we need to know as part of the place plan process.



Nothing to do for kids and teenager activities More things/events at the river and skate park.

Safe pedestrian access for all including wheelchairs, mobility scooters and those using walking aids without having to share streets / roads with motor vehicles.

More business opportunities/initiatives, employment for youth, The arts - Music, art, performing, indigenous and non-indigenous art.

The temporary housed should be moved on to their better future place, offered community work paid or in lieu of housing if struggling getting back on their feet.

The peace and quiet of the village is wonderful but to encourage people to stay short and long term is important for the businesses. Health facilities are important for the current aging population and young families moving into the area.



STAKEHOLDER SESSIONS

The initial engagement activity involved workshop sessions that allowed targeted stakeholders to provide feedback through discussion and interactive activities. There were two workshops held, the first on 5 December in Evans Head with Councillors and the second on 6 December in Casino with internal stakeholders.



LOCATION

Casino
Evans Head



DATE

5 – 6 Dec 2023



PARTICIPANTS

Councillors

Internal Stakeholders



20+

INTERNAL
STAKEHOLDERS
CONSULTED

The stakeholder group was asked to consider strengths, weaknesses, threats and opportunities for each village. Some of the key issues raised are included for each village.

Coraki

OPPORTUNITIES

- Natural beauty - river, rural, heritage buildings
- Richmond Terrace - placemaking
- Central location to major towns
- Bike way links along foreshore and Windsor Park
- Low cost housing

CHALLENGES

- The river floods
- Isolation during flood
- Youth crime/boredom
- High social housing + high social dependency
- High unemployment rate





Woodburn

Proximity to Pacific Highway

Changing village vibe - different types of shops in town

Hub for transportation links

Most "prime" potential industrial land

Access to river

Reduction in population reduces the village viability

Retail centre in decline

The river floods

No land available for future growth

Broadwater & Rileys Hill

Sugar Mill

Proximity to Ballina and Pacific Highway

Addition to Mill - Rum factory for jobs and tourism

Link to Broadwater Beach

Eco tourism - koalas

Lack of flood - free land

No obvious town centre

One major employer

Planning constraints

School closure

Evans Head

Location and lifestyle - beach, river, lookout, cultural history

Reflections caravan park - State Government owned/run

Medium density for Woodburn St

National parks - Cultural and eco tourism

Land locked settlement - surrounded by National Parks

Ageing population

Limited short term accommodation

Conflicting local views on development

Sea level rising and coastal erosion



SPLASHFEST POP-UP

LOCATION
Coraki

DATE
20 Jan 2024
11pm – 4pm

PARTICIPANTS
Community & Stakeholders

This engagement activity involved an open invite pop-up during the day that allowed community to provide feedback through digital means via the online survey or physical through interactive pop-up activities and conversations. This pop-up was held during SplashFest at Coraki’s Windsor Park on 20 January 2024 from 11am to 4pm.

A summary of the key insights that were heard during the event is summarised below, alongside the key themes noted for Coraki.

KEY STATS



800+
PEOPLE AT EVENT



20
HARD COPY SURVEYS
COMPLETED



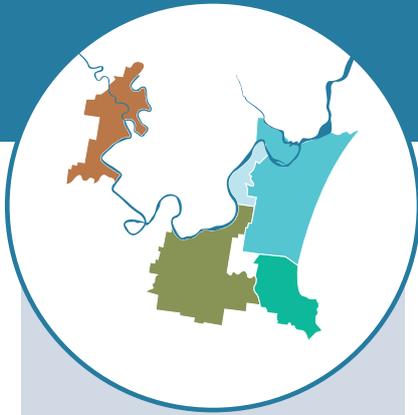
80
POSTCARDS
HANDLED OUT

KEY FEEDBACK INSIGHTS

- Increased housing opportunities
- Increased business opportunities
- Need for more doctors and health services
- More education around floods
- Shaded areas in parks and recreational facilities
- Facilities for sporting
- Arts, culture, and entertainment events
- Community services and facilities
- Greater communication shared to local community
- Environmental care



It was a huge event turn out, lots of people to chat to, many ideas collected, and the stall was full of great conversations.”



TRADER DOOR KNOCKS

LOCATION

Coraki
Woodburn
Broadwater &
Rileys Hill
Evans Head

DATE

15 & 16 Feb 2024
All day

PARTICIPANTS

Local Business

Trader door knocks were carried out in Evans Head, Woodburn, Broadwater, Rileys Hill and Coraki. These door knocks allowed local businesses to be introduced to the project, meet members of the project team and be invited to share any early questions. These were conducted by Council officers and project team members over the 15 and 16 February 2024.

A summary of the feedback heard throughout the trader door knocks is outlined for each village. Following the two days and where requested, some traders were followed up with individual conversations.



Coraki

An idea was raised that the POD village could be independent living as it adjacent to the nursing home with required health services

Social living doesn't work in a cluster due to social issues

Coraki historically had a strong sporting focus, more sporting facilities are required

More social community facilities are required

More youth spaces are required

Woodburn

Residents want certainty on the future of the town

General preference towards adaptation rather than buy backs

Community wants to stay if that direction is confirmed by the Reconstruction Authority

The IGA and petrol station need to reopen to support local business and residents



Broadwater & Rileys Hill

Attract more visitors back to the town post highway bypass

Public realm improvements along main streets

Need for dog parks

Need for tourist information about the Koala Reserve at Broadwater

Evans Head

More policing and CCTV required

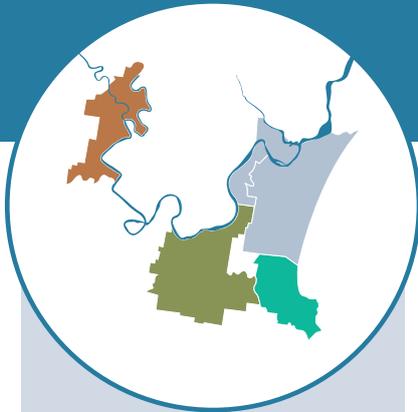
General public realm improvements including cleaner streets, more trees and stormwater drainage improvements

Support further tourism opportunities including free camping in designated areas and music/arts festivals

Housing affordability is a key issue, influenced by the large proportion of short term accommodation

Need to support growth in an appropriate gentle density in certain locations





YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

LOCATION
Coraki
Woodburn
Evans Head

DATE
Feb 2024

PARTICIPANTS
Woodburn Public School
Evans River K - 12 School
Coraki Public School

Various local schools were provided with wishing trees, printed surveys and activity sheets. Targeted stakeholder interviews were offered with all school principals and were undertaken with Woodburn Public School and Evans River K-12 principals in February 2024.

A summary of the wishing trees is provided overleaf. Additional quotes from students were taken from the Richmond Valley Council Community Strategic Plan engagement vox pop videos from 2022.



Bigger parks for children



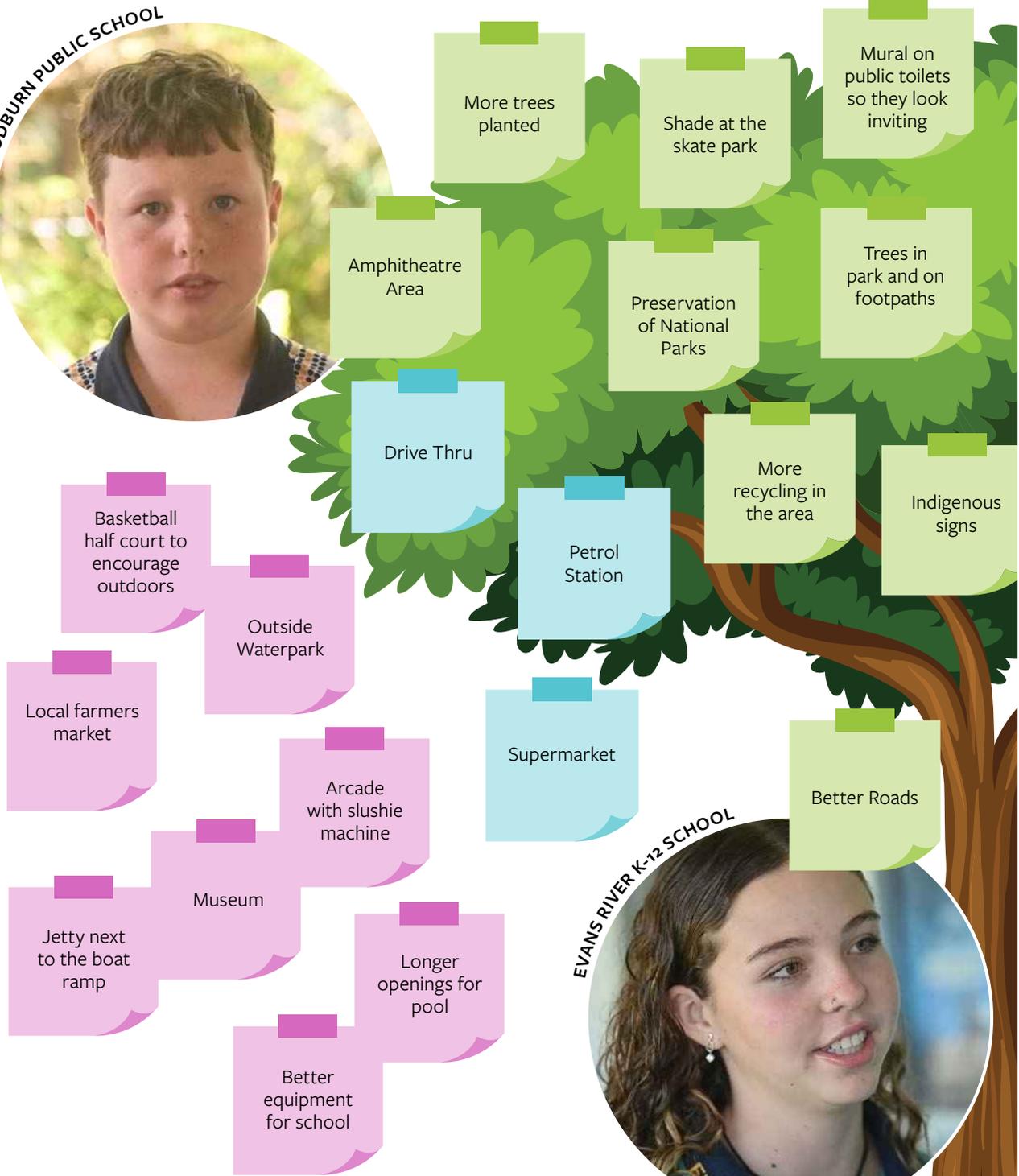
Active public community activities: encouraging people to connect with each other

It's important to get out and be active instead of isolating at home.



RECREATION LOCAL BUSINESS PUBLIC REALM AND AMENITIES KEY THEMES

WOODBURN PUBLIC SCHOOL



EVANS RIVER K-12 SCHOOL



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IDEAS BOARD

A feature-rich interactive ideas board that enables community knowledge, ideas, and feedback to grow the conversation was accessible via Council’s webpage. The board was live from the 11 December 2023 to the 15 March 2024.

The online board functioned as a collaborative board where the community could see (moderated) comments from each other and either ‘like’ the comments to express their agreement or submit another comment. A total of 40 ideas were generated through this board with 186 likes in support.

-  **LOCATION**
Richmond Valley
-  **DATE**
11 Dec 2023 – 15 Mar 2024
-  **PARTICIPANTS**
Community & Stakeholders

KEY STATS


40
IDEAS


186
LIKES IN SUPPORT



TRANSPORT NETWORKS



PUBLIC REALM AND AMENITIES



RECREATION

KEY THEMES

Top 6 Community Ideas

18

REGION WIDE

Community access to the river

Betty Archer

Construct a river access so the whole community can enjoy our river. Boat ramp, pontoon, walkway, fish cleaning sink, picnic table, somewhere to leave the car on the village side. Use our best asset.

12

REGION WIDE

Bike/walking track linking Coraki to Evans Head

Steve

A bike/walking track linking Coraki to Woodburn to Evans Head to connect up with the existing path from Evans Head to Doonbah.

11

CORAKI

Lighting

Christine Dean

Urgent upgrade and more of street lighting in all streets in Coraki

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BROADWATER

Broadwater community

Barry Bryant

Broadwater is the only community along this part of the Richmond River that does not have a river front park with a jetty and safe boat ramp. This proposed park could have toilets and showers.

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CORAKI

Mobility Access

Paula Starkey

Provision of Wheelchair / Walker / Mobility Scooter access to and from Coraki Campbell HealthOne and BaptistCare Mid-Richmond Aged Care Facility. Roads are currently shared with motor vehicles

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EVANS HEAD

Boardwalk

Christine Thompson

I'd love to see a boardwalk constructed through the tea tree rainforest land at Evans Head north of the surf club accessible for all abilities explore the natural surroundings noting the native species



ABORIGINAL ENGAGEMENT

The traditional custodians of Coraki, Evans Head, Woodburn, Broadwater and Rileys Hill are the Bundjalung people who are made up of an estimated 20 different language groups. The place plans are to be informed by stakeholder and community engagement, with a focus on engagement with the Aboriginal communities in Coraki and the Coraki Pod Village.

The Aboriginal engagement was held over three sessions including SplashFest Pop-Up, targeted engagement and morning tea and BBQ lunch in Coraki during the consultation period.

LOCATION
Coraki

DATE
20 Jan 2024
SplashFest Pop-up
15-16 Feb 2024
Engagement Session

22 Mar 2024
Morning Tea & BBQ Lunch

PARTICIPANTS
Coraki residents
Coraki youth
Bogal Local Aboriginal Land Council member
Kurrachee Co-Operative member

KEY FEEDBACK INSIGHTS

Caring for our Land and Waters

The river's significance as a cultural and communal space, with suggestions for better amenities for elders and kids. Desire for educational activities like farming skills and Caring for Country skills for the youth and potential for cultural tours.

Cultural Recognition

Upgrades to the cemetery with cultural markers and facilities for elders. Recognition of Box Ridge as part of the Coraki community and its historical and cultural significance.

Social Challenges and Solutions

Addressing issues like youth crime and the need for structured, positive activities for the youth. Need to address the community's experience of racism, especially in housing and during emergencies.

Community Connectivity and Accessibility

A bus service for elders for shopping trips to Lismore or Casino. A call for community-led initiatives and the importance of respecting and supporting elders. Potential for services for elders run by younger community members.

The river is and has always been a crucial meeting spot for our communities, it’s a place for gathering, fishing, playgroups, activities, and family events. ”



Youth and Children’s Facilities

More facilities and activities for youth and kids was a considered a high priority. This may include a youth centre with open-minded operators and diverse activities to engage the youth. Enhancements to children’s playgrounds, a new playground near the skate park or river, and full basketball court.

Recreational and Cultural Spaces

Upgrading and adding parks, including a bigger BBQ space by the river and better park at Box Ridge. Suggestions for a men’s shed, women’s shed, and combined workshops for art and woodwork. A yarning circle near the football oval to foster community discussions and cultural sharing.

Flood Mitigation and Diverse Housing Options

Renovating homes with flood mitigation measures such as building homes on higher grounds, away from flood-prone areas. Need for more housing at Box Ridge and potentially using pod space for new housing for young people and singles.

Improved community Infrastructure

Requests for better infrastructural support, including solar lights along the river walkway, and improved sewage treatment and separation to nearby houses. New large infrastructure developments (e.g. roads) should consult the community and consider impact on community and Country.

Community Engagement and Action

Need for more active participation and fewer leaders in community projects. Emphasis on following through with proposed plans and engaging the community in decision-making.

“Planning for our future is planning for our kids.”

Strong emphasis in building for kids and request that promises be kept.



VISION WALKSHOPS

LOCATION

**Broadwater & Rileys Hill
Evans Head**

DATE

**22 Mar 2024
Morning & Afternoon Session**

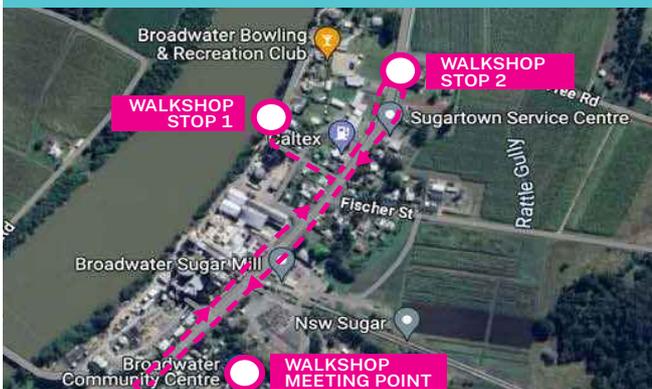
PARTICIPANTS

Targeted Stakeholders

A “walkshop” activity was conducted as part of the engagement, which allowed key stakeholders to participate in a guided walking tour of their village. Activity sheets were completed by participants to collate ideas as the vision was discussed in context to key areas visited. Walkshops were carried out for Evans Head, Broadwater and Rileys Hill on 22 March 2024.

A summary of the feedback and key themes collected through the walkshop activity is outlined for each village.

BROADWATER & RILEYS HILL



OPPORTUNITIES

- Boat ramp Access - potential sites on Rileys Hill Road or other end of the town

- Need to rebuild local school

- Broadwater Beach access

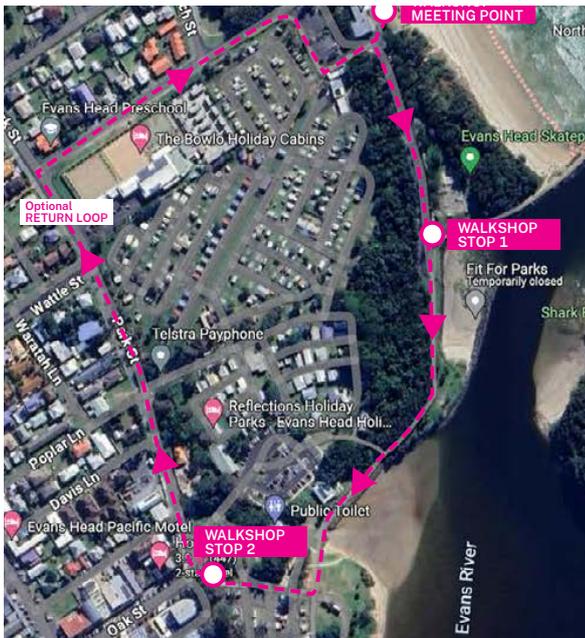
- Tours of the Sugar Mill

- Cycleway between Broadwater & Rileys Hill (concrete surface track along the road)

- Activate riverfront -> more amenities needed

- Connectivity for pedestrian with footpath, lighting, safety

- Shopping centres for groceries



EVANS HEAD

OPPORTUNITIES

- Short term accommodation demand is high
- Biking tracks
- Eco tours / headlands walk
- Long term parking for staffs
- Affordable supermarkets
- Extension of town centre along Woodburn St
- Time limits on Alrbnb properties
- Shop top accommodation
- Support greater density
- Unlicensed youth spaces
- Mental health services
- A loop bus service operating between each village

CHALLENGES

- Lack of staff accommodation
- Park facilities have limited opening times
- Need more public toilets
- Housing affordability
- Council regulations
- Lack of youth services
- Parking at holiday times
- Streetscaping
- Allocation of appropriate land + infrastructure
- Lack of resources and services in Health Hub
- Lack of multiple sporting facilities to accommodate a range of sports



CHALLENGES

- Lack of accommodation for Sugar Mill employees
- The roads are damaged by the trucks from the highways
- Cost and DA approval for local school
- 4WDS on Evans Head - speeding and ignoring natural floral and fauna
- Plans to revitalise the church, once operated as a restaurant/a cafe
- High cost to repair Bowling Greens





PLACE PLAN WALKSHOP

LOCATION
Woodburn

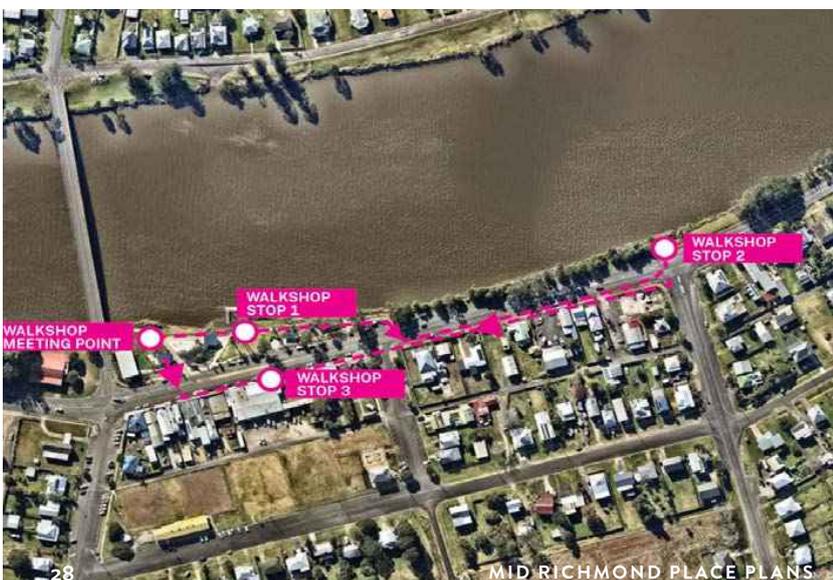
DATE
11 June 2024
Morning Session

PARTICIPANTS
Targeted Stakeholders

NSW Reconstruction Authority

The project team with Council conducted further engagement with the Woodburn community during the public exhibition period. This included a “walkshop” activity, which allowed key stakeholders to participate in a guided walking tour of their village. Activity sheets were completed by participants as well as facilitated discussions on the future of the village and ideas in the Draft Place Plan.

A summary of the opportunities and challenges collected through the walkshop activity is outlined overleaf.



We need to build confidence for residents, businesses and service providers to invest in the village ”

WOODBURN

OPPORTUNITIES

- Insurability will enable home purchases, population growth, service growth and will sustain the community
- Need local recovery and temporary housing centre
- Bypass didn't negatively impact tourism as Riverside park is now a destination for people to stop
- Service station opening was a godsend, helps to keep people in town
- Formalised camping/ caravan overnight parking would help attract tourism
- Expand park infrastructure up to Alfred Street
- Maintain jetties as they are good for flood operations and tourism

CHALLENGES

- There are no houses for rent and increased rental overflow demand from Evans Head
- There isn't plan for certainty next flood event
- River maintenance - dredge/ clean up debris post flood
- Closure of IGA leaks trade to Lismore and Ballina Shire
- Housing buybacks are reducing the population
- The village doesn't have problem attracting people, its hard to keep them
- Insurance is a barrier, need to link building standards to insurance levels





COMMUNITY INFORMATION SESSIONS



LOCATION

Woodburn
Coraki
Broadwater
Evans Head



DATE

11 June 2024
Woodburn
9am-3pm

12 June 2024
Coraki
Broadwater
9am -12noon

Evans Head
1pm- 4pm



PARTICIPANTS

Community & Stakeholders

Local business

During the public exhibition period, the team held a series of community drop-in information sessions in each village including Woodburn, Coraki, Broadwater and Evans Head. The draft place plans were publicly exhibited both at the information sessions and on council’s website from Friday, 24 May, until Sunday, 23 June. Community were encouraged to provide written submissions with their ideas or feedback on the draft place plans.

Following this period, the submissions will be collated and the draft place plans will be finalised.





RURAL PLACE PLAN

Coraki is an important legacy of the old Riverfront project and its character qualities is important. Working with the local community and commercial stakeholders to enhance the village qualities while enhancing the environment for future investment in the future, more quality and sustainable of River Street will improve connectivity between the village and the visitor information centre, more walking opportunities and people with the water along River Street's exposed riverfrontage.

KEY INSIGHTS

Village character
Community engagement and the role of public planning in the development of a village character.

Water and environment
The importance of water and the environment in the development of a village character.

Community
The importance of community in the development of a village character.

RURAL PLACE PLAN

Coraki is characterized by its intimate village scale, expansive riverfrontage, expansive riverfrontage and the sense of place created by its surrounding rural landscape. Its village form and character is a successful river front and built form as a result of the surrounding community. Coraki has a significant Aboriginal population, with the people having a continuous relationship with the land over thousands of years. The Place Plan acknowledges this connection and encourages learning and knowledge with Aboriginal people to ensure the planning, design and delivery of projects and support the health and wellbeing of Coraki.

KEY INSIGHTS

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PLACE PLAN SUBMISSIONS

LOCATION
Richmond Valley

PUBLIC EXHIBITION DATES
27 May - 23 June 2024

TOTAL SUBMISSIONS
20

SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FROM
16 individuals
2 businesses
1 community group

The Mid Richmond Place Plans were placed on public exhibition for 28 days from 27 May to 23 June 2024. During this time, stakeholders, businesses and the wider community were invited to provide submissions on the exhibited place plans.

There were a total of 20 submissions received, with a large number of submissions regarding key issues on flood recovery and resilience following the recent 2022 flood event.

The submissions summary of the key issues are included on the page overleaf with the full response table provided in Appendix B.



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MID RICHMOND PLACE PLANS





SUBMISSION SUMMARY OF KEY ISSUES/ FEEDBACK

WOODBURN

- Concerns on the evacuation point at Evans Head for future events
- Barage (Fabri Dam) Rocky Mouth Creek/Evans River
- Limited scope of place plans
- IGA Woodburn
- Proposed development impact
- Flood strategy and mitigation
- Planning approval process
- Medical services
- Government funding
- Opposition to walking/cycling plans
- Future village viability and infrastructure integrity
- Community and sporting facilities repair/maintenance
- Improving Liveability and Community Engagement

BROADWATER & RILEYS HILL

- Traffic noise impacts
- Stormwater infrastructure improvements
- River access and community infrastructure improvements
- Post-flood maintenance
- Heavy vehicle traffic
- 4WD beach access
- Bushland rehabilitation
- Walking tracks
- Local school to be maintained
- Current construction of subdivision
- Suggestions to develop place plan directions
- Infrastructure maintenance and upgrades
- Education and reopening of school

CORAKI

- Re-zoning of land for short-term accommodation
- Development guidelines addressing flood events and event evacuation management
- Flood-free property to be included in Growth Management Strategy urban growth area
- Opposition to re-zoning of land at The Glebe

EVANS HEAD

- Planning provisions for land use, buildings and car parking
- Re-zoning of land
- Working with National Parks for more walking tracks
- Sport Precinct
- Community health and wellbeing



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VILLAGE SUMMARY





REGION WIDE



Overall the communities in Mid Richmond are intrinsically connected, with a great sense of belonging through vast connections that tie the towns and villages together. Many residents expressed that they would not want to live anywhere else and show a great sense of pride of the region. Key opportunities mentioned were to focus on affordable housing, attracting younger families stay in the region and delivering better connected transport networks between the towns and villages.

Key Insights

Deliver the "Three Villages" cycleway

Attracting younger families to move to the region

KEY THEMES



GROWTH MANAGEMENT



FLOOD RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE



HOUSING



TRANSPORT



More seating in the streets for community members

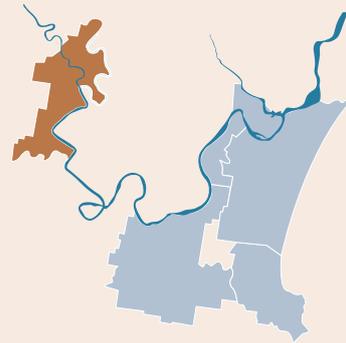
Affordable housing

Better access to shops for disabled community members and more disabled parking

Youth friendly activities



CORAKI



The locals love Coraki for being a close, community-minded and beautiful village in which to live, operate businesses and attract tourists. Further opportunities to enhance the public realm would only increase the popularity for the riverfront, as it a big draw card for visitors and residents. Key concerns for residents were the increase of crime, in particular youth crime, and the lack of opportunities and things to do for kids and young people.

Key Insights

- Support sporting and youth focus
- POD village opportunity to be independent living
- Public realm improvements along riverfront and Richmond Terrace

KEY THEMES



PUBLIC REALM AND AMENITIES



HEALTH SERVICES



SAFETY



HOUSING



Sporting fields repaired and maintained

There is no GP, only a health hub, we need more health services for families

The biggest challenge is crime, particularly youth crime

New playground in Windsor Park and Splash pool for little kids, as there is not much for school kids



WOODBURN



Despite the residents of Woodburn going through uncertainty post-flood, the community resonated a strong desire to stay due to strong community connections, schools and local businesses that are considered valuable to their village. Key concerns around the closed down services such as the IGA and service station were highlighted.

KEY THEMES

Key Insights

Wants certainty on its future - community wants to stay if that direction is confirmed by the RA

General preference towards adaptation rather than buy backs

Need for local supermarket and service station



FLOOD RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE



PUBLIC REALM AND AMENITIES



LOCAL BUSINESS

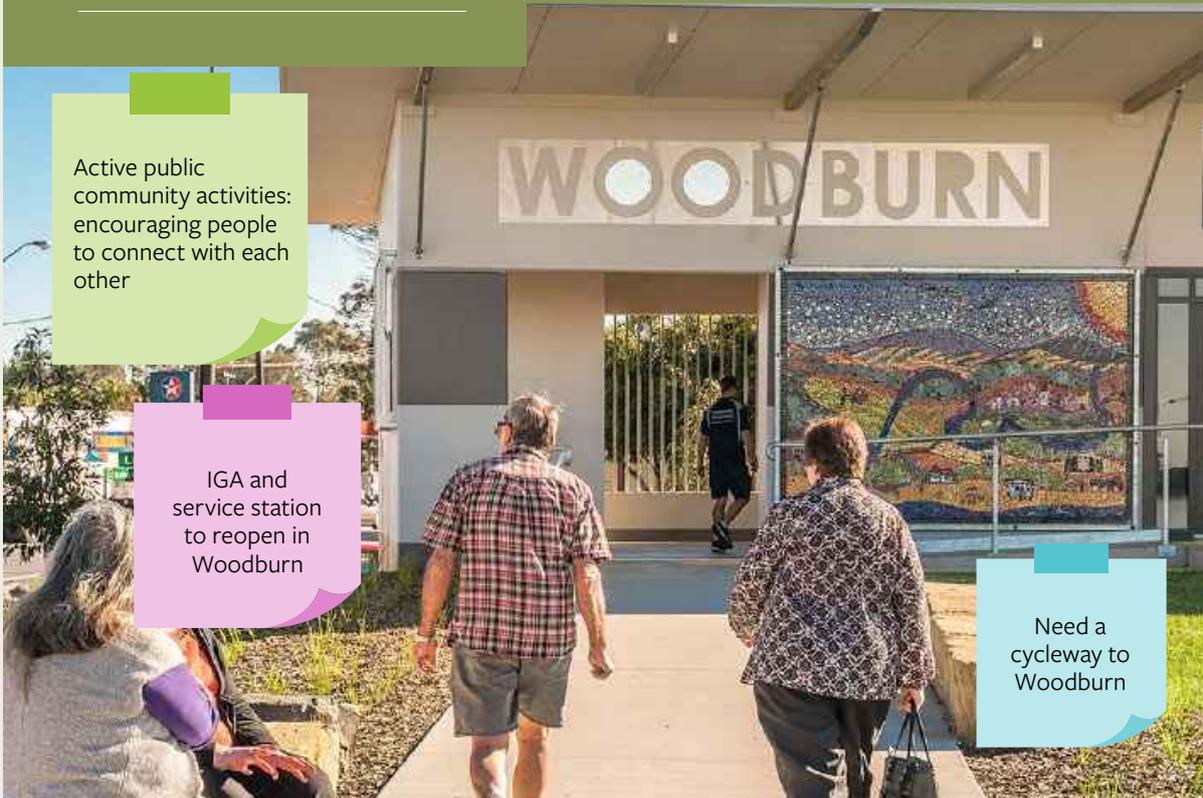


HOUSING

Active public community activities: encouraging people to connect with each other

IGA and service station to reopen in Woodburn

Need a cycleway to Woodburn





BROADWATER & RILEYS HILL



The close knit community at Broadwater and Rileys Hill love their villages and believe there is great potential to build destinational appeal for tourism, to capitalise on the close proximity of the beach and accommodation options at Evans Head. Key concerns were limited housing options for key workers, lack of footpath connectivity and closed down services such as the school, bowling green and cafe.

Key Insights

Provision of footpaths and public realm improvements along main streets of Rileys Hill Road and Pacific Highway

New boat ramps at Rileys Hill Road or other end of town

Activation of riverfront to attract visitors

Explore and identify opportunities around new and unique offering to attract visitors whether that be a rum distillery, tours of the mill, fishing tours etc

KEY THEMES



HOUSING



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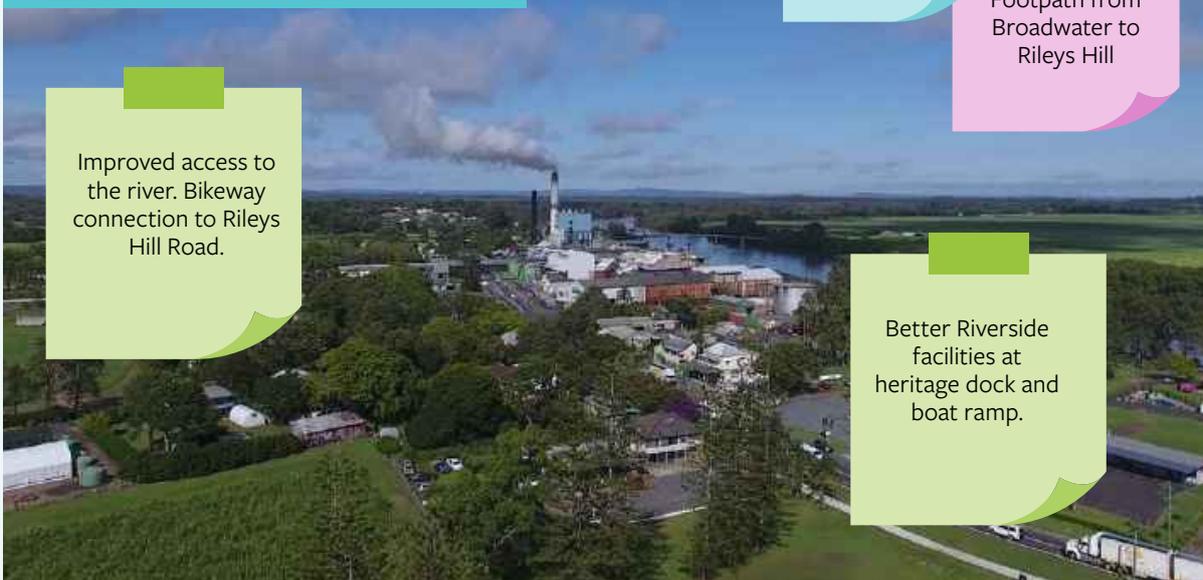
TOURISM

Improved access to the river. Bikeway connection to Rileys Hill Road.

A waterpark or park on the river

Footpath from Broadwater to Rileys Hill

Better Riverside facilities at heritage dock and boat ramp.





EVANS HEAD



The residents and locals in Evans Head love their town for the coastal scenery and amazing beaches that help drive tourism, but also provide many recreational opportunities. Key concerns were around limited affordable housing due to increased holiday rentals, lack of services or retail and recreation spots for youth.

KEY THEMES

Key Insights

Management of population growth in an appropriate gentle density in certain locations

Need to support further tourism opportunities such as river cruises and kayak tours

Bowls Club and Fishing Co-op are potential key opportunity sites



GROWTH
MANAGEMENT



TOURISM

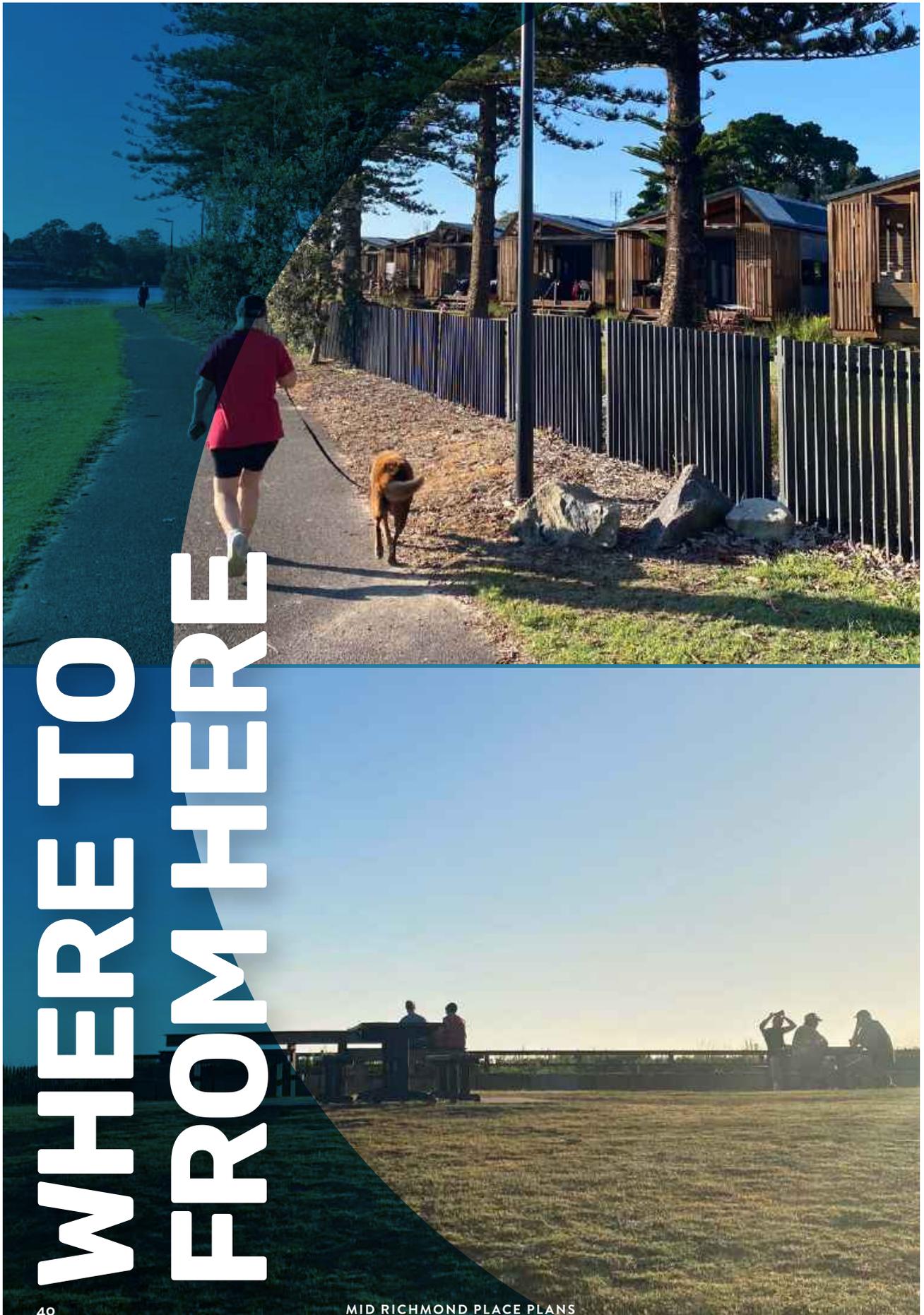


HOUSING



SOCIAL FACILITIES
AND SERVICES





WHERE TO FROM HERE

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MID RICHMOND PLACE PLANS

KEY THEMES

The team have compiled all the outcomes and feedback received during the consultation period and distilled the insights into a set of key themes.

These key themes and outcomes will help inform the next phase of the Mid Richmond Place Plans development. The next round of engagement will be conducted during Public Exhibition of the Draft Place Plans at the end of May 2024.

SETTLEMENT PLANNING



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



GROWTH MANAGEMENT

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT



PROTECTING NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

BUILT ENVIRONMENT AND INFRASTRUCTURE



FLOOD RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE



PUBLIC REALM AND AMENITIES



RECREATION



TRANSPORT NETWORKS

SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT



HOUSING



SOCIAL FACILITIES AND SERVICES



SAFETY



HEALTH SERVICES

ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT



LOCAL BUSINESS



TOURISM

APPENDIX ONLINE SURVEY RESULTS

The following information shows the full responses from the online survey to all free text questions.

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What would influence your decision to stay or what are some of the reasons you might decide to leave?

- » Reasons to stay would be the beach and community. Reasons to leave would be educational opportunities for my children, or employment for my children or myself/husband.
- » I'll stay as I've lived here for 71yrs (mostly) my children & grandchildren love the house & Woodburn.
- » Sense of belonging, school, pub
- » Would move for family reasons
- » Lack of services eg. hospital, doctor, police, youth workers, supermarkets, shops, community activities, high crime rate, lack of RVC personnel to attend to illegal rubbish, increasing weed invasion of Richmond River, unkept resident's properties, limited banking options, inadequate recognition of Coraki.
- » If no expansion in this region that supports us as a young family we will move to QLD where our children have better opportunities and access to services. Would be very disappointing to have to leave a beautiful coastal lifestyle however this is where our priorities need to be
- » Housing affordability or unaffordability and too high rent prices
- » Travel - but this was always be our home base regardless.
- » The erosion of the unique small town character of Evans Head in the name of 'progress' would be a reason to leave
- » There needs to be some serious thought into how we prepare for future flooding events. With the frequency of extreme weather events expected to increase without some planning and help for residents to prepare it is quite likely a similar flooding event could occur. Lack of planning for such an event will see me look to sell my business and move on. I expect to continue to reside in Evans Head though
- » To stay; community, a sense of belonging, friends and family live here or close by. Location amongst the gum trees and wildlife
- » Reason to leave; sea level rise or unsustainable over development
- » My children will grow up here, hoping the natural environment remains pristine and accessible
- » This is my community. I love it here
- » Investment in retail services (service station/grocery

store)

- » Waterpark/play area so that families who can't afford pool entry don't resort to swimming in the river
- » Safety and work
- » A more connected community culture, more energy and entertainment opportunities, improved community facilities, more parks or green space
- » Climate change, more huge floods, other natural disasters (eg severely storms), the high cost of insurance
- » The price and availability of housing suitable for our family. We can not afford the rent not can we save and buy a place of our own due to the exorbitantly high prices of the area
- » I do not want to have to move anywhere else
- » Council's commitment to sustaining and growing Woodburn as a village
- » Lack of services
- » Stay - Maintaining the rural feel (large lots, roadside trees) of Rileys Hill and connection to the river and ocean
- » Leave - Slow growth of surrounding towns, with no upgrade of facilities and no population growth
- » Slow flood recovery and town not being brought back to pre-flood standard
- » New housing estates taking too long to develop
- » I would struggle continuing living in Coraki, with the current aesthetically unattractive and unappealing aspects of the town
- » The riverbank is a gem and we're fortunate having it however it is being destroyed by erosion caused mostly by uninformed and uneducated water/leisure craft users who view the river as a resource for their pleasure only, without understanding the consequences of their actions. The banks are eroding rapidly from misuse, tree and native vegetation loss and lack of local, state and federal resources. The high soil load in the river, the massive amounts of tree debris and man made rubbish in the river had resulted in the Richmond River being one of the unhealthiest and at-risk river in the Northern Rivers
- » A lack of funding and on the ground personnel and practical support for people to participate in repairing/restoring the river are staggering and shocking. There is no advocacy for the river; the river needs our attention!!
- » The town is ugly, littered with abandoned vehicles, overgrown river banks along the park, house yards jam-packed with old caravans, cars and shipping containers
- » This lack of care of property, lowers the standards of the town; ppl become despondent and ultimately give up on the possibility of Coraki becoming a beautiful village in which to live, operate businesses and attract tourists. We need RVC to process complaints about rubbish/litter and waste issues. People are already depressed and disparaging about the possibility of

a welcoming, tidy and beautiful place to live; RVC needs to be brave, courageous and work with the community, listen to us and do something about improving the ambience of the town and improve the economic health of the town and the mental health of the residents.

- » We need travellers and tourists to come here, spend money and spread the word about how great is the Coraki experience
- » We also need the police to be more visible and help us feel safe
- » Coming into town from Lismore or Casino, is a disgrace; a yard filled to the brim with wrecked cars, few trees, a council depot without any trees/vegetation and piles of soil and industrial sheds all scream slum town. RVC needs leadership to make decisions and show strength and commitment in helping residents beautify the town
- » Increase it as a destination and create enthusiasm
- » Have lived here for 28 years and still even though we lost that home we owned in the local caravan park, we purchased a house and fixed it up after the big flood. As we raised 3 children here and didn't want to move away
- » Better health services, including GP
- » Stay - improved sporting infrastructure such as indoor sports venue
- » Leave - lack of investment in flood impacted towns creating a low socioeconomic communities
- » Would leave maybe in retirement...or if we win powerball/lotto
- » Stay because close to family
- » Go to university, experience somewhere different - have a career outside northern rivers
- » Few health services at "Hospital"
- » Missing police presence, the pound (stray dogs are a big problem)
- » Business opportunities
- » No responsibility/seduction/understanding by jet skiers/wake boats/bass boats, etc.
- » Not enough shops
- » Flood mitigation
- » Excessive council rates not value for money
- » Stay - it's where I live. If I left, I would blame the council, not dredging the river, not making us flood safe.
- » Community facilities
- » I would like more money to be spent in Coraki especially for Community facilities
- » Woodburn has been left devastated after the 2022 floods. With no grocery store or even a service station, it cannot sustain any passing trade or provide even the minimum requirements for a community of 500+ people. Even smaller towns like Broadwater have been able to get their businesses back. And buy outs will literally kill the town

- » Employment opportunities and housing/rental prices
- » Housing affordability and availability
- » A peaceful life, with an engaged community that values the local environment will keep me here
- » Poorly planned over development, destruction of the village lifestyle and damage to river, beach and natural reserves would incline me to leave
- » HEALTH
- » Community engagement, safe pedestrian access, medical facilities, regular public transport to Lismore, Ballina and Casino
- » Safety and sense of community

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What would make your town/village an even better place?

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- » I'm tired of seeing so many trees cut down, I have seen some new ones planted lately, though, so that's good. I would like more shade, fruit trees, more awareness of the community garden and the neighbourhood centre. I would like to be able to plant out the nature strip - less for us to mow, and to utilise the space for fruit/veg
 - » Ongoing maintenance with mowing etc, keeping it clean & planting more greenery
 - » A petrol station & foodstore
 - » More young people & families
 - » Improved community facilities, more supermarkets and basics available
 - » A more connected community culture, career opportunities, greater health care/allied health services, more energy and entertainment opportunities, improved community facilities, basic services available to locals
 - » At the moment a new service station and supermarket...
 - » A more connected community culture, career opportunities, greater healthcare/allied health services, good schools, more energy and entertainment opportunities, improved community facilities, more parks or green spaces, more trees along streets especially Elizabeth Drive.
 - » A shopping centre (westfield or stocklands) with main street more stylish upper class and historical character shops boutique stores and cafes
 - » Updating the street scape with clean garden spaces, focal points similar to Sawtell
 - » To finish the bike track between Woodburn and Evans Head so my children to be able to ride to school each

day from Doonbah (mid way between both towns)

- » The Main Street needs a major revamp - some new outdoor seating, gardens, palms.
- » Revitalisation of business in the CBD, encourage eateries & entertainment
- » Tree planting in the residential streets
- » Protecting what is left of cultural heritage - both Aboriginal and European (no more carving up of the aerodrome)
- » Restrictions on short-term accommodation to free up housing.
- » Filling in the Tuckombil Canal to protect the health and water quality of the Evans River
- » Wide footpaths throughout the town.
- » A footpath from Woodburn to Evans Head would be great.
- » The town desperately needs some new business investment - The service Station, The IGA would be a start
- » Additional parking for the town would also be beneficial as would more events such as the recent one that took place
- » The streetscape could use a tidy up - the opportunity presented to capitalise on the river frontage is also significant but would take significant investment
- » A decent road to get to my house and visit family without disappearing down a pot hole. Hill Road has deteriorated since the flood and continues to do so
- » Support of the Hall Committee to support local families.
- » A safer Evans Head-Broadwater Road.
- » Better infrastructure, more varied dining, aged care facility
- » Continued foreshore development. NO IRON GATES
- » More for children/young people to do
- » A store that sells fuel and necessities such as bread/milk
- » Make safe
- » Community support
- » More involvement in community groups and greater volunteerism
- » Affordable suitable housing
- » Green spaces with facilities to utilise for all ages
- » Improved community facilities, especially for young people
- » Availability of more buildable land in the immediate area
- » Main street upgrade, supermarket, petrol station, utalization of river for sporting events, residential streetscaping, working/fitness track incorporating river-soccer field-rocky mouth creek, pool improvements and heating
- » Footpath connection to Broadwater
- » Better facilities at the riverside especially at the Dry

Dock

- » Promotion of the amazing national park walks.
- » Better footpath connections, street trees and improved access to river, including natural forested areas
- » Clean streets, tree lined streets, police service, on site doctor, strict control of dumped rubbish cars, eradicating invasive trees and weeds, planting many more native trees, riparian care, cleaning out drains, encouraging people to use bins effectively, issuing fines for houses surrounded by dumped cars caravans and rubbish. Raising the standards will improve the liveability of the town, people will want to be here and take pride in the town. Currently the town is dominated by negativity and a sense of hopelessness that it won't change. It can change with focused effort, leadership and commitment. Liaise with other LGAs-what are they doing to improve their towns?? We need 2 hard rubbish pick ups a year, yes that might increase rates a bit however when council is forced to clean up dangerous/untidy properties, ultimately ratepayers foot that cost. Dump fees need to be cheaper. We also need vouchers for at least one free trip to the dump. This are all basic, common sense, doable strategies
- » Our town is slowly growing and getting back to its normal with Caltex and the pub now open up, which is so great, the only thing we need is as I say a nice area for along the river, floating pontoon, boat ramp, table and chairs little swimming area. these things also support our children if they are accessible by bike or walking. Woodburn has a great setup down there maybe just a very small version of that
- » Implement part or all of the Healthy Towns plan
- » Increase in variety of housing and commercial, tourist offering
- » I would rezone the core of Evans Head (Oaks St/ Woodburn St area) to 10 storeys to encourage renewal of housing and improve commercial centre
- » More accommodation for visitors
- » Better police enforcement
- » A more connected community culture
- » Better health care
- » Career opportunities
- » Greater health care
- » Good schools - haven't heard good things about the pubic schools
- » More energy and entertainment opportunities
- » Phone signal very poor
- » Improved community facilities
- » Greater health care, not to be concerned regarding crime
- » A footpath on all streets, bubbler in the pool, an actual police presence, a basketball court and a playground beside the skatepark
- » Good drainage in town + clearing of drains

- » *More connected community*
- » *Careers*
- » *Better health care*
- » *Good schools*
- » *Improved facilities*
- » *Career opportunities, Better Health services, Good schools, more energy and entertainment, improved community facilities*
- » *Greater Health Care*
- » *Improved community facilities*
- » *Dog Park*
- » *Fancy training ground*
- » *Inclusion in Reef + Beef by having Dog trials in Windsor Park*
- » *A big swimming pool open at all times*
- » *Greater Health care/allied health services*
- » *Improved community facilities*
- » *More parks or green space*
- » *Links to the rivers for use other than speed boats, jet skis, and tinny boats*
- » *River*
- » *Tables in parks with roofs*
- » *Greater health care /allied health services*
- » *More investment infrastructural town lighting*
- » *Greater Health Care /allied health services*
- » *Good schools*
- » *Improved community facilities*
- » *Solar powered motion sensor security lights installed along Richmond Terrace*
- » *Health services , fix local roads*
- » *Flood free , street lights. drainage*
- » *Spaces where the community can gather together*
- » *More foot paths and trees*
- » *There is a strong sense of community in Woodburn, but it does need at least a service station to entice travellers off the freeway*
- » *I do like the number of events that are being held in Woodburn but this will need to be sustained at a level that keep people interested without it becoming 'expected'*
- » *Perhaps markets although even Evans Head cannot maintain markets in their area. Woodburn is also competing against the likes of Evans Head and Lismore etc for spare cash*
- » *It would be great to entice great restaurant /chef etc to the area to make it a 'destination' like Brunswick Heads etc*
- » *Being able to swim in the river or get the boat in can be hard too but a nice option. The park in Woodburn is great but parking is now harder and no where to park trailers etc if people were to use the river to launch boats etc*
- » *More affordable rentals and more community*

- development and attracting new people to our community*
- » *More affordable rentals*
- » *Community development that is mindful of environmental factors*
- » *Better planning of non-car transport linkages (eg wider paths to accommodate mobility vehicles and bikes)*
- » *Clear and urgent efforts to improve water quality in Evans River*
- » *Better building standards that fit with village landscape*
- » *Bike path along Evans Head Broadwater Road*
- » *Improved linkage between new Reflections Amphitheatre across the canal/drain*
- » *Sensitive and appropriate urban infill to accommodate current slow rate of growth, rather than poorly located developments on green fields sites*
- » *Keeping a functional airfield to match future regional needs*
- » *Community engagement supported and funded to a greater extent*
- » *Better and greater use of Health First site*
- » *Better balance in expensive Evans Head Rates compared to other parts of Richmond Valley Council*
- » *Greater relief for people on fixed incomes (eg pensioners whose income does not keep pace with Rate level increases)*
- » *Slow, well thought out development and scenic development to please current residents and attract visitors and new residents and health facilities*
- » *More trees along the footpaths, extra bicycle parking racks*
- » *Replace weed infested hedge near caravan park, with sandstone blocks, continuity of front street view - less maintenance, long term*

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Is there anything else that is needed for tourists/visitors?



- » No, they come for the river or beach
- » More shops & maintain the river side etc
- » IGA (supermarket), petrol station, eating/dining options
- » Local services, IGA, petrol station, affordable housing that is flood proofed as much as can be, employment opportunity, before/after school care
- » Petrol, groceries, more diverse Cafes and shops
- » Change the messy appearance of buildings, homes, dumped cars, mowers, junk etc
- » Make Coraki a visually recognisable place, universally accessible to all, a place that recognises local indigenous culture, knitted into the surrounding neighbourhood, welcoming, a place that locals love and people want to visit, facilitate greater connects within the community, cater to many diverse community interests, accessible/inclusive, a place with lots to see and do, energised and activated
- » Better access roads into Evans Head. Those pot holes particularly on Broadwater to Evans Road would deter so many caravaners. We broke our trailer on this road and are scared to drive with the car especially after rain and on dark
- » Alternative accommodation options open up, such as camping at a more affordable rate
- » More events for teens and pre-teens put on by the MRNC
- » More appealing Main Street area
- » So much opportunity around the river surrounding the co-op too - It is beautiful, yet totally inaccessible
- » More access points to the river
- » Boardwalks - one north of the Surf Club and one along the south bank of the river
- » Wet weather activities/entertainment
- » Woodburn would benefit greatly from a stop over tourist park particularly if it could be in the town and or close to the river (Buledelah is a great example of a similar township)
- » Currently there is a lack of accommodation suitable for tourists and visitors. The hotel has some but it is basic and does not suit stays that are longer than a couple of days. I do have ideas of building such a park myself but this is dependant on appropriate land becoming available. I do have a block earmarked for this but it is currently not for sale
- » Some covered seating at the Hall to allow visitors to sit and enjoy lunch and a cuppa, love the BBQ area, thank you
- » Many have said that accommodation is too expensive
- » Improved dining options

- » More parking
- » More infrastructure. Good paths from Kalimna to Chinaman's. Bike path from Woodburn to Evans Head.
- » Food and beverage outlets
- » Better access to goods (like groceries), more restaurants, more activities like concerts, rodeos, fairs
- » Better parking, somewhere for them to stay
- » Attractions on the river e.g. kayaks for hire
- » A few more options among the shops
- » More organised, but beautified, parking facilities
- » Fuel station, supermarket, attractive cafes, unique shops
- » Footpath from Broadwater to Rileys Hill
- » Better Riverside facilities at heritage dock and boat ramp
- » Improved access to the river
- » Bikeway connection to Rileys Hill Road
- » Trees, trees, trees - beautification, more playground equipment at Coraki from northern Queen Elizabeth Drive. Trees gardens around the council depot and sheds- they're unsightly. Visitors' first impression of the town is industrial, untidy. Unattractive and unloved. Coraki needs to be cared for and loved. Many residents feel abandoned, forgotten and of no consequence to council. These feelings are reflected in the town's buildings and public spaces.
- » With on exception, the beautiful park. We need more of that vision to build interest and economic growth
- » A mural on the Sugar Mill wall from showing the processing start to finish with small plaques showing people through the process (ie.; could be fundraiser with local families buying a plaque)
- » Accommodation
- » Evans Head lack tourism facilities for the number of visitors it attracts
- » A proper 5 star staffed hotel
- » Nature based tourism operators
- » Restaurants and upgraded marina
- » Accommodation
- » Only thing is the river and environment, not much there
- » Access to the river, small country feel close to major centres
- » Access to surrounding locations, welcoming, a place for locals, cater to diverse community interests, markets
- » A visually recognizable place
- » Cater to many diverse community interests
- » A place with lots to see and do
- » And other history of the area including the historical use of the river and its future use for locals and travellers and visitors
- » The town is untidy/rubbish dumped. Vehicles and houses are a disgrace

- » Currently only one BBQ in River Park so another BBQ covered table & bench seating
- » More variety of shops
- » General cleaning and maintenance of parks/gardens
- » I think a unique attraction or festival for Coraki
- » Service station and small market /grocery
- » Free camping sites to attract tourists who are passing through
- » More restaurants cafes and affordable camping options
- » Holiday accommodation costs have increased significantly over the last decade. This has made it unaffordable for some. I believe other nearby locations offer a different experience for a different market sector (eg Lennox Head and Yamba) and Evans Head is better placed to offer our different holiday experience rather than competing with other locations well established in the more affluent market sectors
- » Access to Evans Head via a bike path along Evans - Broadwater Road may expand fitness and environmentally focused visitor populations.
- » Better roads, more shops, better scenic development projects to capitalise on our river waterways and open lifestyle
- » More parking around caravan parks
- » More river use

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What do you think is the great challenge for your town/village in the future?



- » Crime, youth crime, drugs
- » Future flood - the community is in trauma so very hard to make decisions, continued support
- » There are many - lack of services such as the IGA
- » Housing options, with the buyback there is a lack of housing. Instability/unsure of living in a flood town.
- » Lack of local employment due to local businesses being unable to reopen
- » Fear of future floods and how this affects homes/businesses and a declining population and implications on schools and businesses
- » Flood recovery over the next couple of years..
- » Overcoming the current personality of Coraki, that it's a dump
- » Indigenous push back on sharing land and environmental constraints. If no change will likely drive more people out of the area and turn into another retirement area. Takes more then only seniors to make a community thrive
- » I would like to see a bike track connecting Woodburn and Evans Head so my children can ride safely to school
- » Housing affordability, employment opportunities
- » Maintaining the unique village feel in the face of progress and changing demographic due to housing affordability
- » Future Flood threat without sufficient planning = Lack of investment = loss of housing = decline in business = loss of long term sustainability
- » Over development, too high a density in new developments especially after the floods have shown the vulnerability to houses
- » Childcare, medical, and services such as police, and fire etc.
- » To actually evolve into the future. The main street needs to be revamped and look attractive and inviting
- » Maintaining the population - houses and businesses are still vacant after the floods. Concerns the town and community will die
- » Cost of living
- » Lack of community support
- » Recovery from the flood is still ongoing yet rent and prices are higher then pre-flood prices giving no one a reprieve
- » Keeping the town going when the population is dropping due to the 'buybacks', leaving land that was previously home for families unable to be used
- » Council commitment

- » *Maintaining rural feel with large lots and protection of remaining trees*
- » *Not being over industrialized. The employment land adjacent to the highway could be used for flood free educational facility (St Joeys new flood free location)*
- » *Having council members read this survey, understand the importance of the suggestions and feedback as professionals and realising that RVC is more than Casino. Be brave, honourable and proactive by helping our town grow into a vibrant, safe beautiful place to live, so the empty houses will be filled with people who want to be here spending time together and contributing financially to the economy and the environment*
- » *Speak with locals who know how Coraki was in the past - healthy, accessible filled with families and thriving businesses*
- » *To progress, just not to quickly that will destroy our small community*
- » *Cohesiveness*
- » *Renewal of housing and competing with other tourist towns with the lack of variety of accommodation available*
- » *Transitioning people from the pod village and re-purposing it*
- » *Affordable housing out of flood.*
- » *Dealing with crime*
- » *Natural disasters - A lot of people left because of floods and fire*
- » *Flood plans*
- » *More areas to live in-out of flood*
- » *Opportunities for young people*
- » *Better understanding from both the indigenous + white residents. More elder role models*
- » *Economics*
- » *Flooding*
- » *Proud facilities for visitors and tourists*
- » *Rubbish managed*
- » *Insurance companies and cost of food*
- » *Health services*
- » *Public transport*
- » *Flood mitigation & keeping our concrete footpaths & main street from subsiding*
- » *Fix roads , kerb & gutter paid for 30 plus years ago to be done*
- » *Limited useable outdoor spaces for sports. Schools even travel to Lismore for sports carnivals!*
- » *The ever present thought of flooding*
- » *Remaining relevant and attracting families*
- » *Buyouts and no returning infrastructure - including being able to get insurance and not flooding are an issue. If the Bungawalbyn levee isn't fixed, flooding will become a bigger issue for the area*
- » *People leaving the area after the flood etc and a lack*

- of community activities/groups that create a feeling of community and togetherness*
- » *No housing available after floods*
- » *Community development that creates cohesion*
- » *Not spoiling what is lovely and endearing about the village*
- » *If the resident population grows too large, there will be a transformation with large chain businesses replacing local ones, with the Evans Head experience becoming as busy and congested as some of the more developed Coastal villages. This would be regrettable, and in my opinion, a mistake*
- » *Our roads are shocking*
- » *Keeping village vibe along with services for population growth being heard by council*
- » *Moving long term pod village*

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Is there anything we have missed? Please note down anything else we need to know as part of the place plan process.



- » *Work on community engagement. Need support from local council/state/federal government that seems more substantial, rather than lip service. Locals and businesses need to feel more supported*
- » *How are we managing land that has been bought back? What will be done with all the vacant blocks. There needs to be a very certain direction in planning that ensures people choose to remain living in Woodburn, and that draws people into Woodburn*
- » *Coraki needs better Councillor representation to promote initiate ideas for rejuvenating the town. We need processes which will change people's attitudes that Coraki is a place for drugs, alcohol abuse, rubbish, that crime is expected and acceptable. We need our own police officer. There are currently tire marks outside the police residence, nothing is done about the hoons. Koalas have been killed by hoons, no one cares. We need to elevate people's attitude, not encourage it by inaction*
- » *The temporary housed should be moved on to their better future place, offered community work paid or in lieu of housing if struggling getting back on their feet. Dragging the rest of community down and image around town*
- » *Planting of trees along the main street of Evans to make it more scenic and cool and to give a better vibe to the town. If they were fruit trees it would be even better to help feed the poorer members of our community*
- » *Ballina has installed some incredible murals, these could be a welcome addition to Evans*
- » *Our bike paths don't all link up, so dangerous for children & the elderly*
- » *CBD eating area, gardens, cleanliness, toilets are woeful, for a such a beautiful town*
- » *I hope the people working on this planning project have engaged genuinely with Bandjalang traditional owners - their opinions should hold great weight in this process.*
- » *Bells road could do with being sealed, Thank you to all the council workers who do a great job maintaining the open spaces on the hill and the improvements council has previously carried out over the last 30 years*
- » *Not too concerned about flood as it's right on the main street. Have family in Woodburn impacted by the recent floods and had to rebuild their place*
- » *Housing for essential workers who are priced out of the area and more are forced to leave*

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- » *Flood mitigation*
- » *A key part of Rileys Hill and its residents is its love of the natural environment with established koala population amongst large rural lots*
- » *Land closer to Cooks Hill could be rezoned to allow for flood free housing estates with good access to the highway*
- » *Speak with residents be powerful and brave. We have survived near destruction, our combined determination to survive demonstrates what is possible. Advocate for the river; liaise with Southern Work on community engagement. Need support from local council/state/federal government that seems more substantial, rather than lip service. Locals and businesses need to feel more supported*
- » *How are we managing land that has been bought back? What will be done with all the vacant blocks. There needs to be a very certain direction in planning that ensures people choose to remain living in Woodburn, and that draws people into Woodburn*
- » *Coraki needs better Councillor representation to promote initiate ideas for rejuvenating the town. We need processes which will change people's attitudes that Coraki is a place for drugs, alcohol abuse, rubbish, that crime is expected and acceptable. We need our own police officer. There are currently tire marks outside the police residence, nothing is done about the hoons. Koalas have been killed by hoons, no one cares. We need to elevate people's attitude, not encourage it by inaction*
- » *The temporary housed should be moved on to their better future place, offered community work paid or in lieu of housing if struggling getting back on their feet. Dragging the rest of community down and image around town*
- » *Planting of trees along the main street of Evans to make it more scenic and cool and to give a better vibe to the town. If they were fruit trees it would be even better to help feed the poorer members of our community*
- » *Ballina has installed some incredible murals, these could be a welcome addition to Evans*
- » *Our bike paths don't all link up, so dangerous for children & the elderly*
- » *CBD eating area, gardens, cleanliness, toilets are woeful, for a such a beautiful town*
- » *I hope the people working on this planning project*

have engaged genuinely with Bandjalang traditional owners - their opinions should hold great weight in this process.

- » Bells road could do with being sealed, Thank you to all the council workers who do a great job maintaining the open spaces on the hill and the improvements council has previously carried out over the last 30 years
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- » Housing for essential workers who are priced out of the area and more are forced to leave
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- » Land closer to Cooks Hill could be rezoned to allow for flood free housing estates with good access to the highway
- » Speak with residents be powerful and brave. We have survived near destruction, our combined determination to survive demonstrates what is possible. Advocate for the river; liaise with Southern Cross University which has conducted community workshops gathering local knowledge and concerns about the river health. Start offering services for residents to help them clean up their properties. Which will reduce council clean-up and expenditure; generate enthusiasm, real enthusiasm with integrity, for a thriving community. Just do it!
- » Maybe some public transport that's not the school buses
- » Safe pedestrian access for all including wheelchairs, mobility scooters and those using walking aids without having to share streets / roads with motor vehicles
- » Increase in population via housing renewal and low rise.
- » Nothing to do for kids and teenager activities - more things/events at the river and skate park
- » Telstra lift their low power transmitter for mobiles and wireless use
- » Great services down the main street
- » There needs to be more entertainment for the youth and more focus on things for them to do

- » More business opportunities/initiatives, employment for youth, The arts - Music, art, performing, indigenous and non-indigenous art
- » The peace and quiet of the village is wonderful but to encourage people to stay short and long term is important for the businesses
- » Health facilities are important for the current aging population and young families moving into the area (We had better facilities in the past)
- » We need the process for rubbish removal especially dumped/abandoned vehicles. Consequences need to be easier and greater. RVC needs more on-the-ground rangers
- » More festivals or markets
- » Upgrade public toilets in Memorial Park - paint, motion sensor security lights
- » Rangers to do their job regarding barking dogs
- » Our town often feels forgotten in the Richmond Valley
- » Get better about sharing this sort of thing/ information with the community, I haven't see this survey or the greening program survey on any of the town community facebook pages and I know people are interested in them. Maybe let community know about surveys if you really want their input
- » Conserving current social and environmental assets is vital. There will be profit seekers who will argue for schemes that derive them large benefits. Please acknowledge that these profits cost communities. Planning processes should and can acknowledge the "intangibles" of community harmony, beautiful environments, well planned buildings and a overall sense of place. It is from these real social and environmental assets that the ongoing benefits and enterprises draw their wealth, and from which local residents draw their quality of life
- » You are on the right track, future development needs to be managed carefully. Rushing into new housing development projects has ruined many other established areas, that's why we moved here

APPENDIX B SUBMISSION SUMMARY

SUBJECT	COMMENT/FEEDBACK RECEIVED	RESPONSE	PLACE PLAN AMENDMENT
ALL PLACE PLANS			
Public advertising	» Insufficient time in public advertising	<p>» Council has undertaken a comprehensive public engagement process to support development of the Place plans over the past six months, including on-line and direct engagement with community and business stakeholders.</p> <p>» Draft Place Plans were open for public submissions for 4 weeks which included four (4) open public information sessions at Coraki, Woodburn, Broadwater and Evans Head.</p> <p>» Many of the key directions within the Place Plans require further investigations, studies or amendments to existing planning policy. These will require additional community engagement prior to implementation.</p>	» No change proposed
WOODBURN PLACE PLAN			
The Evacuation to Evans Head for future disaster events	<p>» Concerns the evacuation point to Evans Head is too great of a distance for residents of Woodburn. Currently Woodburn State School is used as a place of refuge.</p> <p>» Locals in this area require their own community centre as an emergency relocation point.</p> <p>» Suggests land could be acquired near Trustums Hill / Gap Road for a more local community centre.</p>	<p>» Evacuation arrangements are managed regionally by the Northern Rivers Local Emergency Management Plan (EMPLAN)</p> <p>» Early warning infrastructure is being developed, through the State Disaster Adaptation Plan, that will increase flood warning times for residents. This supports a community refuge facility servicing the wider Mid Richmond area at Evans Head</p> <p>» NSW Department of Education currently has no formal requirement to provide disaster event refuge.</p> <p>» Given sufficient warning, Evans Head provides a more cost effective and safer option for flood refuge to a possible site at Trustums Hill / Gap Road</p>	» Include an action to investigate with Department of Education the Woodburn General School site as a local community place of refuge
Woodburn Recovery Advisory Group	<p>» Transparency of consultation.</p> <p>» Suggests consultation and decisions could go through the Woodburn Chamber or the Recovery Group attend such meetings.</p> <p>» Unclear who makes up the Recovery Group.</p>	» The Woodburn Recovery Group currently includes members of Woodburn Chamber	» No change proposed
Barage (Fabri Dam) Rocky Mouth Creek/ Evans River	<p>» Concerns the barrage at Rocky Mouth Creek and Evans River is not adequately maintained resulting in debris build-up and drainage issues.</p> <p>» Mitigation and drainage options are required to be looked at to avoid impacts experienced by the 2022 floods.</p>	<p>» Barage infrastructure is managed and maintained by Rous County Council and beyond the planning scope of the Place Plan</p> <p>» Rous has committed to investigate options for the Barage and the community will be consulted on future options</p>	» No change proposed – Rous CC will lead consultation on this matter
Scope of Place Plans	<p>» The Woodburn and Mid Richmond Place Plans are not concrete strategies</p> <p>» Notes the problems of flooding have already been discussed numerous times within the community since 2022 – achievable actions are required.</p>	<p>» Place Plans are strategic level planning instruments that consolidate and integrate a wide range of existing planning policies and flood response strategies for the Mid Richmond's villages. The intent is to identify key strategies, supported by long- and short-term actions and projects, that can be delivered by Council over time with consideration to priorities and funding. These actions and projects will be delivered via Council's IP&R plans and other mechanisms, such as the Floodplain Risk Management Plan.</p>	» Complete Place Plan implementation matrix (refer to Chapter E Implementation, E3, page 42), including responsibilities and timeframes

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		» Related Federal and State Government disaster adaptation policies and investigations which influence Place Plan strategies are currently being developed. When these matters are finalised, the Plans can be updated to reflect any new government initiatives.	» Complete Place Plan implementation matrix (refer to Chapter E Implementation, E3, page 42), including responsibilities and timeframes
IGA Woodburn	» Suggests the local IGA needs support.	» NSW Reconstruction Authority is currently managing this and continues to negotiate with IGA owners	» No change proposed
General	» Commends RVC for developing a post flood plan.	» Noted	» No change proposed
Proposed development impact	» The Plan does not address the potential impacts of urban growth areas outside Woodburn, such as approved/proposed subdivisions in Swan Bay .	» The rural residential developments at Swan Bay are outside the scope of these urban Place Plans, however, Council acknowledges that these developments have potential positive impacts for Woodburn	» Include reference to rural residential growth areas at Swan Bay
Flood strategy and mitigation	» Lack of certainty for development/investment in the village, due to the absence of an overarching strategy to prepare the village for future flood events, no additional mitigation measures and no updates to LEP or DCP. » Government buy-back program should be stopped	» Council has commenced disaster adaptation planning at the local level through the Place Plans, however, the Plans acknowledge that further development and review is required, in consultation with key Government stakeholders who are yet to finalise their position on planning/ adaptation policies. » Council is currently preparing a Flood Risk Management Plan which is separate to the scope of the Place Plan, which may identify future flood mitigation measures. » Council is also waiting on clear policy guidance from the NSW State government on flood risk planning, as differing positions existing across government departments. The Reconstruction Authority's Regional Disaster Adaptation Plan (DAP) will establish much of this policy, as will Council's Floodplain Risk Management Plan. This will ultimately lead to a review of the LEP and DCP. » NSW Reconstruction Authority is responsible for the buy-back of housing and Council is currently liaising with RA regarding the future of this program, including options for buy-back land. These issues had not been resolved at the time of finalising the Place Plans	» Implementation Plan updated to reflect further development work following resolution of NSW Government planning/adaptation policies and completion of Council's FRMP.
Planning approval process	» To attract business, Council should aim to break down planning barriers and expedite planning proposals that may have a positive impact on the town. Concerns with the length of time to process DAs	» Richmond Valley Council takes an outcomes-based approach to development assessment and currently has the most efficient development assessment timeframes in the region, based on NSW Planning Portal statistics » The majority of development assessment delays are as a result of incomplete applications. Council endeavours to establish strong working relationships with applicants through pre-lodgement meetings and the development concierge services, to improve application standards and avoid unnecessary delays. » Council's newly-appointed Invest and Live Team takes a proactive approach to supporting existing business and encouraging future investment.	» No change proposed

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Support for tourism improvements	» Support for development of the Three Villages Cycleway, caravan stopover and other tourism-based activities, capitalising on the opportunities of the bypass.	» These directions and actions are highlighted in the Place Plan at: * Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 26/27. * Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 28.	» No change proposed - already addressed within the Plan
Business opportunities	» Suggestion that the current bowls club building could be used for other business opportunities, such as child care, medical services, or supermarket.	» Council continues to advocate for improvement of medical services in the Richmond Valley, as outlined in the CSP and reflected in the current Delivery Program » The former bowls club building, currently housing the Woodburn Hub, is a privately-owned facility and it is a matter for the owners to determine future use options.	» No change proposed - future use of individual properties is outside the scope of the Plan.
Government funding	» Lobby for funding that assists business and residents to overcome future flood impacts and attract business investment.	» Council continues to advocate for government investment to support economic recovery. Since the 2022 flood, Council has secured grant funding and financial support for the Richmond Valley through advocacy to all levels of government. » Council's current Delivery Program, adopted in 2023 includes commitments to assist businesses and residents to overcome future flood impacts. Completing the Mid Richmond Place Plans is part of this process.	» No change proposed - action is addressed in other current Council plans.
General	» Missing » Weakness - Lack of Private High School, resulting in many students travelling to Ballina, Lismore for private school education. » The key issue for town at the moment is finding a new flood free site for the St Joeys Primary School. This plan should identify specific sites/ areas that are appropriate. The plan should also advocate for a K-12 private school at that flood free site, as many high school students travel to Ballina, Lismore daily for private education (resulting in people leaving the area).	» Education facility planning and delivery is the responsibility of NSW Department of Education » Enhanced river connection and potential for river activities are addressed in: * Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2 * Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1	» No change proposed
	» Return of the Northern Rivers Ski Club to Woodburn foreshore. A Ski club/ or water-based club provides social and health benefits, while holding regular events attracting visitors and providing an image for Woodburn. (this can be a short-term goal and established clubs from the region could be invited to take up cheap lease in newly build facilities.) » With new residential areas south of Woodburn, a priority of this plan should be the establishment of a shared path along Tuckomboil Road to the interchange (including footbridge at Tuckombil Canal).	» The place plan proposes a variety of water-based activities to improve connection with the river. » Enhanced walking and cycling infrastructure are addressed in Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1. More detailed planning will include investigations to connect future residential areas.	» No change proposed - action is addressed in the plan
Mid Richmond Place Plans for Woodburn	» Opposes the walking/cycling plans as infrastructure will impact on agricultural practices » Furthermore, these will impact on pedestrians and cyclists, entry of properties for heavy machinery.	» Detailed design of the three villages cycleway will be undertaken in the future and will address integration with existing road and agriculture operations. The planning process will include engagement with stakeholders.	» No change proposed - will be addressed through future consultation

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<p>Future village viability and infrastructure integrity</p>	<p>Flood Recovery and Community Safety</p> <p>» Woodburn has endured considerable challenges since the 2022 floods, with ongoing uncertainties surrounding the future of affected areas like Richmond Street. The community is seeking clarity and assurance regarding the town's future viability and infrastructure integrity. Immediate actions must include detailed plans for the affected areas, ensuring community consultation and clear timelines for reconstruction and revitalisation efforts.</p>	<p>» The Mid Richmond Place Plans are high level strategic documents that set key directions for the next 20 years. They are supported by other council planning and delivery processes, such as the Delivery Program and Operational Plan, CBD and sportsfield masterplans, the Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan and Council's tourism and events programs. An implementation strategy within the Place Plan guides delivery and timeframes for the actions.</p> <p>» Council acknowledges that there is still much uncertainty for the Mid Richmond Communities regarding future government policy and programs in flood recovery and disaster adaptation, including the outcomes of the Resilient Homes Program and the future of areas such as Richmond Street. Key inputs to future decision-making, such as the CSIRO study into the Richmond River Catchment, the regional flood gauge and early warning program and Council's new Flood Risk Management Plan are also still under development. However, the Place Plan clearly reflects the community's desire to stay and live in Woodburn (Strategy 5 objective 1) and provides pathways to build resilience and long-term sustainability. This includes strengthening the local economy, improving community facilities and social connection.</p> <p>» The plan has been further developed in Section E2 to include more detailed resilience and adaptation strategies and timeframes, focussing on what the community, council and other levels of government can do to support continued recovery and build resilience.</p> <p>» An implementation plan and timeframes for Place Plan actions has also been included in Section E3.</p>	<p>» The Plan has been further developed to include more detailed resilience and adaptation actions and timeframes in Section E2</p> <p>» An implementation plan and timeframes for Place Plan actions has also been included in Section E3.</p>
	<p>Key Priorities for Future Growth and Economic Development</p> <p>» The draft plan outlines aspirations for local economic development, job creation, and housing options, but lacks specificity and actionable measures. To effectively stimulate economic growth, the plan should include:</p> <p>* Infrastructure Development:</p> <p>Prioritise essential infrastructure repairs such as river equipment, Bungawalbin levee, and drainage systems to mitigate future flood risks and support sustainable development.</p> <p>* Business Support:</p> <p>Address concerns of local businesses impacted by infrastructure changes, ensuring their viability and contribution to the town's economic landscape.</p> <p>* Tourism Development:</p> <p>Enhance tourism potential through initiatives like improved facilities for water-based activities, accessible boat ramps, and the beautification of riverbanks and the town's bridge.</p>	<p>» The Plan identifies strategic objectives and actions to address these concerns and opportunities. This includes opportunities to capitalise on increased tourism following the highway bypass and improve local amenity and public facilities within the village, including improvements to riverside facilities.</p> <p>» While the Plan also acknowledges the importance of infrastructure maintenance and improvement, it does not address specific assets, such as the Bungawalbin Levee and maintenance of the Town Drain, which are the responsibility of Rous County Council. Council continues to work with Rous to support repairs to the levee.</p> <p>» To guide delivery of the Place Plan directions over the life of the plan, an implementation plan has been included in Section E3 of the document.</p>	<p>» The Plan has been further developed to include an Implementation Plan and timeframes for Place Plan actions. (See E3 Place Plan Implementation page 42)</p>

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Placemaking	<p>Place-making efforts should focus on enhancing community facilities and social infrastructure, addressing concerns such as:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Community Facilities: - Repair and maintain flood-damaged community facilities like the tennis courts and clubhouse to support community activities and well-being. Provide disability parking and inclusive play equipment. 2. Sporting Facilities: - Upgrade safety and accessibility at sporting fields and amenities to encourage community use and participation. 3. Pedestrian Safety: - Implement footpaths and safe crossings, particularly around schools and recreational areas, to improve pedestrian and cyclist safety. 	<p>» Strategic objectives and actions have been identified in the Plan to address these concerns and opportunities. This includes creating a range of leisure and recreational opportunities that build upon existing sports facilities at Woodburn Oval to create a multi-purpose sports area. Improvements to walking and cycling paths are also included in the Place Plan recommendations.</p> <p>» The Plan includes an implementation plan, providing a strategic timeline for delivering the actions. Council will include these projects and improvements in its Delivery Program, as funding is available and continues to seek grants and government funding for key community facilities.</p> <p>» Some of the upgrade works identified in the submission are scheduled for completion in the 2024-25 financial year. This includes completion of the new Pony club/tennis club clubhouse, refurbishment of the tennis courts and fencing.</p> <p>» Matters such as disability parking will be addressed in the CBD upgrade works and Council's PAMP.</p>	<p>» The Plan has been further developed to include an Implementation Plan and timeframes for Place Plan actions. (See E3 Place Plan Implementation page 42).</p>
Improving Liveability and Community Engagement	<p>The liveability of Woodburn can be significantly enhanced through:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Beautification Projects - Beautify public spaces, streetscapes, and shop fronts to improve the town's aesthetic appeal and attract visitors and investors. 2. Public Facilities: - Upgrade public amenities including public toilets, the Woodburn Pool facilities, and SES and RFS sheds to meet community standards and safety requirements. 3. Safety and Security: - Increase police presence and community safety measures to address rising concerns over vacant properties and public safety. 	<p>» Strategic objectives and actions have been identified in the Plan to address these concerns and opportunities. This includes streetscape improvements such as walking and cycling paths, street tree planting, improved signage and public art. Council has recently completed community consultation on plans to upgrade the Woodburn CBD. Further improvements to riverside areas, such as jetties, boardwalks and shaded seating, are also proposed in the Place Plan, as well as upgrades to sporting facilities. New attractions, such as the Three Villages Cycleway have also been incorporated.</p> <p>» The Place Plans are high level strategic documents and, as such, do not include maintenance and upgrade schedules for specific facilities such as the pool and public toilets. These issues are addressed through Council's annual maintenance and renewals programs. The program for 2024-25 includes refurbishment of the public toilet opposite the SES building, as well as continued improvements to the SES and RFS sheds. Ongoing maintenance of the pool is addressed in Council's current Delivery Program. The Place Plans acknowledge the role of urban design in improving public safety, however, matters such as policing numbers are outside the scope of the Plan.</p>	<p>» The Plan has been further developed to include an Implementation Plan and timeframes for Place Plan actions. (See E3 Place Plan Implementation page 42)</p>

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BROADWATER RILEY HILLS PLACE PLAN			
Traffic noise impacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Noise impacts being experienced as the owners of the 'Broadwater Sunrise Caravan Park'. » The noise impacts are a result of movements starting as early as 2:30 AM and the road network being used by trucks to the Sugar Mill. » Suggests hours of operation limits be in place – 7:00 AM start times and vehicle weight limits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Baraang Drive and Pacific Highway are under the control of Transport for NSW » Council will negotiate with Transport for NSW advocating for significant upgrades, to address traffic functions and vehicle speeds, visual appeal, visitor signage and its reprioritisation as a safe, convenient and enjoyable walking and cycling connection (Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26) » Council is committed to its ongoing partnership with Transport for NSW to upgrade and maintain key freight links, regional roads and tourist routes as required (Strategic Direction 1, Objective 3, page 20) » Consultation could be undertaken with the Sugar Mill to encourage transport routes and times of operation to avoid disturbances in residential areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed - further consultation with Transport for NSW required over future management of Baraang Drive.
Stormwater infrastructure improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » In reference to flood impacts, suggests a property located at 94 Baraang Drive be bought to upgrade stormwater infrastructure to assist in flash flood drainage for the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Council has an ongoing commitment to maintain and upgrade flood and stormwater infrastructure. Specific infrastructure upgrade projects are beyond the scope of the Place Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed
River access and community infrastructure improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » A range of infrastructure upgrades and additions highlighted to improve public access to the river, safer walking and cycling and improved community facilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Council has an ongoing commitment to maintain and upgrade walking and cycling infrastructure and community facilities. » Place Plan identifies actions for improved public access to the river and new watercraft infrastructure in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Strategic Direction 1, Objective 1, page 18 * Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25 * Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26 » Place Plan identifies actions for upgrades to walking and cycling infrastructure and community facilities in Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed
Broadwater Riverfront area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Establish a riverfront precinct (similar to Woodburn) at the northern end of the village near the school » Include public amenities such as picnic areas, carparking and boating infrastructure. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Place Plan identifies directions and actions to support a riverfront public space and improved public access to the river and new watercraft infrastructure in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Strategic Direction 1, Objective 1, page 18 * Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25 * Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed - already addressed in the Plan
Post-flood maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The town requires a clean-up from the 2022 floods prior to further infrastructure investment. » Drains along Baraang Drive are overgrown and remain blocked. » Focus on cleaning up key / civic areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Council has been working, through its Rebuilding the Richmond Valley Recovery Plan to complete essential flood repairs and clean-ups. This included significant work in the Broadwater community. » The Place Plans note the importance of maintaining public assets and facilities to support civic pride. » Council manages its maintenance of drains, parks and other community facilities in accordance with its annual maintenance schedules. Members of the community also have the option to raise issues of concern, as they arise, through Council's Customer Request system. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed – outside the scope of the Plan and managed through existing Council processes.

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Heavy vehicle traffic	» South ramps onto the M1 should be a priority to assist in moving heavy vehicles away from the town.	<p>» Baraang Drive and Pacific Highway are under the control of Transport for NSW and it is beyond the scope of the Place Plans to manage traffic volumes or infrastructure upgrades</p> <p>» Council to lobby Transport for NSW advocating for provision of a south facing ramps at the Pacific Motorway interchange at Broadwater</p> <p>» The Place Plans acknowledge the importance of maintaining key freight links, regional roads and tourist routes and notes the current partnership between Transport for NSW and Council in this regard.</p> <p>» (Strategic Direction 1, Objective 3, page 20)</p>	» No changes proposed
4WD beach access	» 4WD drive access to Broadwater Beach should be deleted as an opportunity	» Council acknowledges 4WD access to Broadwater Beach is not supported by current policy and has been closed for some time	» Plan updated to remove 4WD access as an opportunity in Broadwater's SWOT analysis (see page 15)
	» No new boat ramps required, as there are two existing facilities. However, these require upgrade/repair.	<p>» Council has received a number of submissions supporting greater public access to the river including additional watercraft infrastructure such as boat ramps</p> <p>» Place Plan identifies actions to investigate improved public access to the river and new watercraft infrastructure in:</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 1, Objective 1, page 18</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26</p>	» No changes proposed
Bush rehabilitation	» Explore opportunities for bush rehabilitation and flood resilient residential land at Rileys Hill.	» Bush rehabilitation is not within the scope of the Place Plan. This is addressed in the Sustainable Community strategy adopted by council in 2023	» No changes proposed - addressed through other Council plans
Walking tracks	» Work with national parks to develop more walking tracks.	» The Place Plan acknowledges the benefits of eco-tourism. Council will continue to work with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service to encourage improved visitor facilities.	» No changes proposed
School	» Remove 'costs to rebuild school' as a threat in the SWOT	<p>» Contents of the SWOT include community feedback which has been maintained in the original wording. The costs of school rebuild or flood response upgrades is a potential threat to the school re-opening</p> <p>» Council acknowledges that this is a NSW Government issue</p>	» No change required
Current construction of subdivision	» Concerns with the visual impacts of current development construction on Broadwater-Evans Head Road	<p>» This issue is not within the scope of the Place Plan.</p> <p>» Council is negotiating with the developer to clean up the site.</p>	» Add additional point to SWOT Analysis under Threats

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Place Plan Directions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Council should invest more time to identify new development in lower risk areas – trying to achieve flood resilience not flood proofing » Expand future employment zone closer to highway and out of flood » Three villages cycleway must go via Rileys Hill and the dry dock » Boat tours to the mill and dry dock » Local school to be maintained at existing site 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The North Coast Regional Plan and Council’s Growth Management Strategy support delivering climate resilient development to ensure the region and its communities can withstand future disaster events and prepare for the impacts of climate change. A core direction of these Place Plans is to avoid significant new development in high-risk areas prone to bushfire, flooding and coastal erosion. (see Strategic Direction 1, Objective 2, page 19). However, the Plans also acknowledge that some lands within the Mid-Richmond villages may be able to accommodate new development, due to their comparatively lower flood risk. » Current high-level plans for the cycleway does not include a link to Rileys Hill, however, this is acknowledged as a future option Route selection and design of the cycleway will be subject to further detailed studies which will include consultation with the community. » Council supports future opportunities for tourism and recreation activities such as commercial boat tours. (See Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25) » The Broadwater school is the responsibility of NSW Government and its continued operation is subject to internal State government assessments. Council has strongly supported attempts to rebuild the school, with a more flood-resilient design. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change to Plan proposed – suggestions re: future cycleway route referred to Council’s Asset Team.
Strategic Direction 1 Shaping our village’s future	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Broadwater offers a peaceful community lifestyle and a more affordable housing option over coastal towns, however, Remove the term ‘affordable’ in objective 1 (cites an example of a flood impacted house priced at \$1M) » Changes to DCP and LSPS must go through community consultation » Focusing growth in Casino not supported. Growth and economic support should be achieved for all areas. » Greater clarity required regarding relative flood risk of Broadwater Rileys Hill. The 2022 flood event was an extreme with minor/moderate floods having little to no impact on these villages » Insufficient housing growth identified. Current land stocks will be at capacity within 15 years » Housing growth considers demand to 2041 while climate change considerations look out to 2100 » Important to open up land for local employment » Improve footpath connections to Rileys Hill » Remove ‘Repairs to Broadwater Bridge’ – not a long-term infrastructure vision 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The objective correctly states that houses in Broadwater are generally more affordable than coastal towns » Any proposed changes to the DCP ad LSPS will be subject to community consultation, as per Council’s Public Participation Plan and NSW Planning requirements. » Focusing growth in the larger regional centres, such as Casino, where there is existing infrastructure and unconstrained land for development is current State and Local government policy. This is not to say that growth and economic activities aren’t/won’t be supported in the Mid Richmond communities at an appropriate scale, with due regard to risk. » Place Plan directions and actions to flood risk and climate change have been based on accepted standards, forecasts and planning timeframes for regional planning as identified by NSW Government. This includes considering the impacts of a 1% event +CC on each of the Mid Richmond villages. » Council will continue to implement the remaining actions from the Richmond Valley Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plan (PAMP) and consider the new opportunities identified in the Place Plans. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed – broader issues of LGA development are addressed in Council’s Growth Management Strategy. Suggestions regarding footpath upgrades will be referred to Council’s asset’s team

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The Place Plan identifies current infrastructure upgrades as well as directions and action for medium- and long-term interventions and upgrades. It recognizes the strategic significance of the Broadwater Bridge to the local community and calls for long-term maintenance plans and upgrade agreements for the structure 	
<p>Strategic Direction 2</p> <p>Living with the landscape</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Identify where riverbank stability can be improved with bush rehabilitation » Re-word text that could be interpreted as the housing areas at Rileys Hill are impact by H5 hazard and access to Broadwater is cut during flood events. Access to Broadwater/highway only impacted in 2022 level floods » Remove “Sea level rise is also projected to the rural holdings and riverside properties of Rileys Hill, as well as potentially impacting key roads such as Rileys Hill Road.” » Remove “This means community members may need to understand matters like housing price growth, accessibility to commercial or community services, and levels of infrastructure service like utilities and road access could be lower than a hazard-free location.” Not proven with evidence. » Add: Council/ authorities to Audit (and make condition of future DAs) Mill Emergency Preparedness » Objective 3 - Encourage Risk smart living <p>More positive discussion required here. Such as mitigation and adaption techniques that can be applied instead of going straight to relocation. Further community consultation required before ‘relocation’ makes this document.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Over capitalisation - remove. This is subjective to the individual. » “Real consideration of relocation of some or all of the community over time may be required.” -remove. Further community consultation required before ‘relocation’ makes this document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Specific riverbank stability works are beyond the scope of Place Planning. » Ambiguous text around flooding impacts at Rileys Hill will be changed. » Place Plan responses to flood risk and climate change have been based on accepted standards, forecasts and planning timeframes for regional planning as identified by NSW Government » Emergency preparedness of the Mill is not within scope of Place Planning, however, Council will work with the Mill to develop strategies » Place Plan responses to flood risk and climate change have been based on accepted standards, forecasts and planning timeframes for regional planning as identified by NSW Government » Resilience and adaptation responses have been drawn from CSIRO resilience planning tool, known as the Resilience, Adaptation Pathways and Transformation Approach (RAPTA)¹¹, to provide simple pathways for action in uncertain decision-making contexts – like flood recovery or climate adaptation. » Council acknowledges most residents within the Mid Richmond love where they live and want to remain. Relocation is seen as an option of last resort should levels and frequencies of hazards increase. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Text change made regarding H5 hydraulic hazard at Rileys Hill
<p>Strategic Direction 3</p> <p>Activate our local community</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » “Alone, Broadwater-Rileys Hill doesn’t possess the critical mass of tourism drawcards or infrastructure to attract significant levels of tourism activity.” I challenge this statement as there is an excess of tourists in the local area (including Evans Head) that are underserved. They want more to do and spend more \$\$ locally. A more positive way to word this would be to highlight the high-volume tourism that is underserved. » “Continue to advocate for government investment to support economic recovery. Since the 2022 flood, Council has secured grant funding and financial support for the Richmond Valley through advocacy to all levels of government.” Please note in this document none/ very minimal of these government grants have been spent in Rileys Hill/ Broadwater. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The tourist potential of the Mid Richmond is acknowledge within the Place Plans which identifies the need to support new services » Pop-up services are seen as a way of providing services that would otherwise not be available. Council will always advocate for more permanent business options. » An emerging artist sector in Broadwater would be supported. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed

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	» "Pop-up and transient services. A key opportunity for Broadwater-Rileys Hill is to provide premises and spaces for pop-up or transient retail and commercial service providers who are based in the larger regional centres. This reduces risk for business operators by not having permanent tenancies and can target peak hours of demand." This document needs to be more aspirational than 'pop up businesses'. Just target real businesses. There is a large artist science in Broadwater		
	<p>» Place Action Plans:</p> <p>» Fund amenity upgrades to create picnic area at Rileys Hill Dry Dock, including bush rehabilitation.</p> <p>» Lobby National Parks to reopen the Broadwater inland lookout and national parks to upgrade walking tracks, visitors centre (focused on aboriginal history), and potential national park camping ground. Unique opportunity for walking track through national park from Richmond. River (Rileys Hill Dry Dock) to Evans Head, with side track to Broadwater (all via national park). This is a unique opportunity only to Broadwater.</p> <p>» 4WD access to the beach and new boat ramps in key locations, such as Rileys Hill Road or near the Broadwater Bridge.</p> <p>» Remove. 4WD is not support by council Policy, Crown Lands and National Park. Nor the community. There are sufficient boat ramps. Upgrades to existing is required.</p>	<p>» National Parks are under the control of NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service. Council would be limited to a lobby role.</p> <p>» Place Plan identifies actions to investigate improved public access to the river and new watercraft infrastructure in:</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 1, Objective 1, page 18</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25</p> <p>* Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1, page 26</p> <p>» 4WD drive access to Broadwater Beach will be removed as this is not supported by Council policy</p>	<p>» Remove reference to 4WD access to beach</p> <p>» Add Action: lobby NPWS for improved visitor facilities in the LGA</p>
Strategic Direction 4 Enhancing Village Places and Spaces	» Objective 2: Place Actions: Maximising flood resilience in re-builds. Originally post flood the talk was to reduce red tape and get people home sooner. Now we are lifting the bar significantly. Opposite to what was promised post flood.	» The Plan proposes to increase flood resilience for the community. It is not introducing additional red tape but rather identifying what will be essential for the community to safely remain in their respective communities.	» No changes proposed
Strategic Direction 5 Supporting our community and lifestyles	<p>» Objective 2: This community relies on Evans Head for medical services. The plan should focus on supporting and upgrading EH medical services not another LGA.</p> <p>» Objective 3: A key opportunity not listed is upgrades to National Parks. Lobby National Parks to reopen the Broadwater inland lookout and National Parks to upgrade walking tracks, visitors centre (focused on aboriginal history), and potential national park camping ground. Evans Head and Broadwater/ Rileys Hill could easily be linked with a national park walking track (with beach, bush and views along the way). This will bring tourists from Evans Head to Broadwater.</p>	<p>» NSW Government is responsible for health services. Council's Delivery Program includes an action to advocate for improved services throughout the Richmond Valley.</p> <p>» National Parks are under the control of NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service.</p> <p>» Place Plan (Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25) action to prepare a local tourism study for Broadwater-Rileys Hill, identifying opportunities and actions to attract more visitors. This would include engagement with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service to investigate trails and tourism opportunities.</p>	» Add engagement with NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service to action in Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 25
Strategic Direction 2 Living with the landscape	» "In Broadwater, if repeated flooding occurs, residents could see a hesitancy for some businesses to reopen, or new ones to open up in the town as repeated losses from property damage and loss of trade mount." Remove. Mitigations and adaptation will reduce this likelihood. This section ignores mitigation and adaptations actions that can be taken locally and that will occur regionally.	<p>» Place Plan responses to flood risk and climate change have been based on accepted standards, forecasts and planning timeframes for regional planning as identified by NSW Government</p> <p>» Resilience and adaptation responses have been drawn from CSIRO resilience planning tool, known as the Resilience, Adaptation Pathways and Transformation Approach (RAPTA)¹¹, to provide simple pathways for action in uncertain decision-making contexts – like flood recovery or climate adaptation.</p>	» No changes proposed

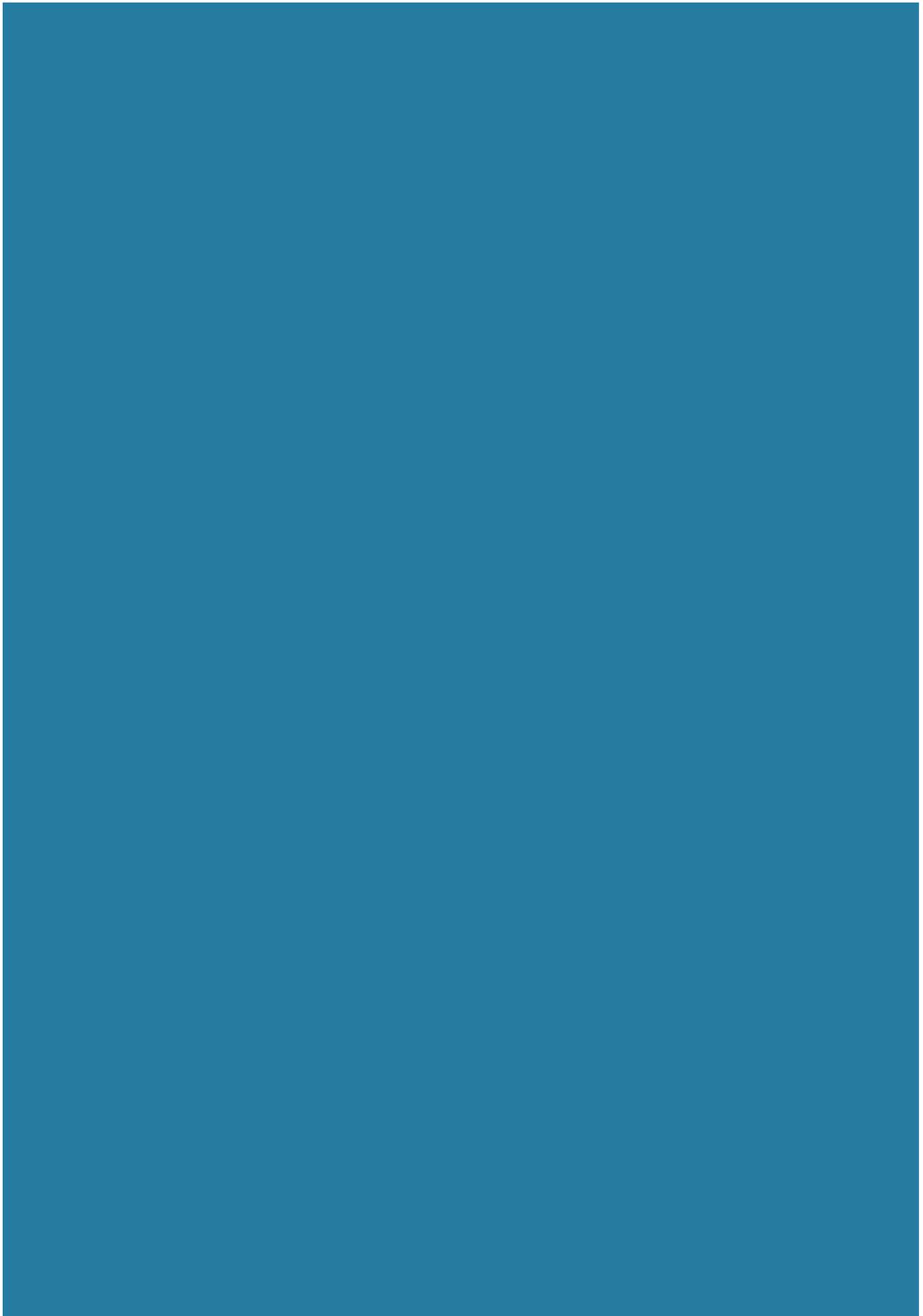
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	<p>» Maintain: Add: Council to also monitor and improve riverbank stability via bush rehabilitation on riverbanks and actively plant on council lands. Remove: "This could also have similar effects for private residential property owners in Broadwater and along the riverside areas of Rileys Hill as well. In the long term, developing a framework to support a community-led decision on temporary or permanent relocation due to hazard impact could help to support community-led conversations about adaptation that might be required into the far future for Broadwater and its surrounding riverside properties" Further community consultation required to include this. The market already provides an opportunity for relocation if required. Sell and relocate as per normal.</p> <p>» Deploy a framework to support a community-led decision on temporary or permanent relocation. Remove. People can just sell as per normal. (and generally for \$1m)</p>		<p>» No changes proposed</p>
<p>Infrastructure maintenance and upgrades</p>	<p>» Key areas of public infrastructure are not being maintained or cared for such as parks and key streets.</p> <p>» Mainstreet of Baraang Drive needs an uplift – include outcomes such as landscaping, regular sweeping etc.</p> <p>» Continuous maintenance and costing be committed to by Council.</p>	<p>» The Place Plan acknowledges ongoing maintenance and upgrades to community infrastructure, parks and streets is required (see Strategic Direction 1, Objective 3)</p> <p>» Strategic Direction 4, Objective 1 identifies streetscape and community infrastructure upgrades as important actions in improving village quality and community amenity</p> <p>» Council is responsible for ongoing maintenance of community infrastructure such as parks, halls and streets and it is not within the scope of the Place Plan to prioritise ongoing maintenance.</p>	<p>» No change proposed – already addressed in the Plan. Feedback on maintenance referred to Council's Asset team</p>

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CORAKI PLACE PLAN			
Coraki Golf Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Raised the desire for the Coraki Golf Club to have land rezoned. » •Further interest / possibilities for involvement with the adjoining Pod Village. » Indicated that a further submission on the Plan was being prepared on the Golf Club's behalf by NDC Planners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Refer to submission No. 14 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed – see response to Submission 14.
Development guidelines addressing flood events and event evacuation management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Clear development guidelines are needed to address flood prone land within Urban RU5 zone. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Council uses the Planning Circular PS24/001 for the risk assessment framework that includes a flood risk profile for each development proposal » Council is waiting on clear policy guidance from the NSW State government on flood risk planning, as differing positions existing across government departments. The Reconstruction Authority's Regional Disaster Adaptation Plan (DAP) will establish much of this policy, as will Council's Floodplain Risk Management Plan. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » A townwide evacuation management plan is required as a result of lag and warning times relating to major flood events. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Evacuation arrangements are managed regionally by the Northern Rivers Local Emergency Management Plan (EMPLAN) and implemented by emergency services. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed
Richmond Valley Draft Growth Management Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Request for flood-free property to be included with GMS urban growth area and zone for residential purposes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The Place Plan has included the subject area as an extension of the Urban Growth Area and includes a direction for further investigations to be undertaken to establish the suitability of the land for urban residential purposes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed – outside the scope of the Plan and managed through existing Council processes
Coraki Golf Club	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Includes a copy of town planning advice provided by NDC to the Golf Club. » Notes the Place Plan direction to strengthen tourism opportunities in the village by promoting and enhancing existing facilities, such as the golf course » Identifies potential future uses for the site proposed by the golf club, including a 'stay and play motel', seniors housing or managers residence, » Notes current constraints of the land and that rezoning or redesign of existing facilities may be required to allow the proposed uses. » Identifies the Club's interest in potential purchase of PODs for relocation onto Golf Club Land and used for tourist accommodation » Concludes that the proposed stay and play motel most closely aligns with the Place Plan directions on tourist promotion. Advises further discussion with Council will be required regarding any specific proposal. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The future development options identified at the golf course are consistent with directions proposed in the Coraki Place Plan. The land is already within the Urban Growth Boundary, flood safe, and has essential services close by. Development of tourist accommodation on the golf course is supported, subject to development consent. Any rezoning required to support this usage is a matter to be resolved at Development Application stage. » The POD site and associated infrastructure is owned by NSW Health and its current activities are administered by BaptistCare Australia. » Investigations on the future of the POD site are currently being undertaken with stakeholders. The Place Plan supports future investigations regarding the 'highest and best' use of the POD site and its infrastructure (See Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 47). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed – the tourism proposals for the site are in keeping with the Plan's directions

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The Glebe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Opposes the rezoning of the Glebe to primary production. » Would like the opportunity to build a dwelling on the land as it has been in the family for over 100 years. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » A core direction of the Place Plans is to avoid significant new development in high-risk areas.. » The Glebe area is flood impacted and not serviced by the sewerage network. In line with Regional Planning and Council policy, the Place Plan identifies “consideration should be given to its removal from the urban growth boundary and changing the zoning from RU5 Village to RU1 primary production limiting future residential opportunities.” » However, this will not necessarily preclude the construction of dwellings on some lots, particularly where there are opportunities for consolidation.. A change in zoning may provide opportunities that would currently be unsupported while it remains village. Any future changes to zoning will require further investigations and public consultation including engagement with landowners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed - further investigation and consultation will be undertaken

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EVANS HEAD PLACE PLAN			
Planning provisions for land use, buildings and car parking	» Supports encouraging a range of accommodation options, but notes current Impediments, such as additional cost and complexity, to mixed use and shop-top development	» Council is supportive of mixed use (residential/commercial) in its central business district. A review of Council's current development controls addressing mixed use development is included as an action in Strategic Direction 4, Objective 2, page 28/29 » Richmond Valley DCP has adopted NSW Planning's 'Medium Density Housing Code'	» No change proposed - further consultation planned through review of Council's DCP
	» Building height of 4 storeys inappropriate for Woodburn Street. Maximum of 3 storeys to maintain village atmosphere	» Place Plans address a strategic timeframe of 20 years to appropriately accommodate forecast population growth and demand for community and commercial services. The need to maintain the town's character and lifestyle qualities are addressed in: * Strategic Direction 4, page 28-35 * Strategic Direction 1, page 18-23 » A review of Council's current LEP & DCP, which control building heights, is included as an action in Strategic Direction 4, Objective 2, page 28/29. This review process will require consultation with the community and development industry stakeholders. It is clear that building heights greater than 4 storeys would not be supported, but the review would determine if it is appropriate to have 4 storeys in some areas and only 3 in others.	» No change proposed - further consultation planned through review of Council's LEP & DCP
	» Utilisation of the aerodrome for public events such as festivals	» The aerodrome is privately owned, however, Council could encourage activation of this space for community events	» No change proposed - referred to relevant Council teams
	» Car parking is increasingly becoming an issue and requires long term planning	» The Plan notes that long term strategies addressing car parking are required to meet increased demand and will need to be integrated with future planning for streets, buildings and community infrastructure as part of a Town Centre Master Plan. Refer to Strategic Direction 1, Objective 4, page 22.	» No change proposed - will be addressed in CBD Masterplan
	» A range of improvements are required addressing lighting of public spaces and walking/cycling paths	» Long term directions and actions addressing public spaces are addressed in: * Strategic Direction 1, Objective 2, page 19. * Strategic Direction 1, Objective 4, page 22. * Strategic Direction 4, Objective 4, page 32. Lighting and public safety requirements will be considered as part of Council's asset design process	» No change proposed
	» Support for continued vehicular access to the beach, with suggestion for a permit system for non-residents.	» Council, in partnership with NSW Police and the NPWS, continues to monitor 4WD beach access and driver behaviour on Airforce Beach and to undertake regular reviews of current arrangements. Any proposed changes will be subject to community consultation.	» No change proposed - referred to relevant Council teams.

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Re-zoning of land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Consider establishing additional permitted use and ancillary use for Lot A DP 393870 72 Woodburn Street Evans Head, as the LEP does not offer B4 Mixed use Zoning which would be most applicable for this land use. » LEP Zoning use in R1 is limiting the opportunities for most of these businesses to be a stand-alone shop. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Place Plans are strategic planning instruments and do not address zoning of specific private properties. » Requests for changes in LEP zoning should follow Council's development application requirements and processes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed – future use of individual properties is outside the scope of the Plan
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Missing: » Lobby and work with National Parks to develop more walking tracks and reopen the South Evans walking track. Evans is underperforming in this space given its natural attributes. A National Parks Visitor centre with focus on Aboriginal History should also be lobbied for. » Key action to attract a high standard eco-tourism facility or 4/5 star resort. » Sport Precinct: Large Indoor Sporting Hall. Available for hire for sporting clubs and community groups. (Futsal, basketball, Pickle Ball, etc). This can also double as the disaster response centre. » Given the low volume of traffic movements – on-road cycle ways should be priority. Most people should be riding everywhere in Evans Head. » Electric Car charging points, given the holiday, tourist nature of Evans and accessibility to the Pacific Motorway. » Strongly supported: Increased density and higher building within a large part of the village centre to attract a more apartments and a variety of housing options. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » National Parks are under the control of NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service. Council would be limited to a lobby role. » Strategic Direction 4, Objective 5 (page 34) action will include engagement with NSW National Parks to investigate a broad range of tourism and nature-based opportunities within State controlled areas » Actions to prepare a Town Centre Master Plan (Strategic Direction 1, Objective 4, page 22) and diversify the tourism economy (in Strategic Direction 3, Objective 2, page 27) addresses Council's commitment to attracting tourism investment » Council's current Delivery Program includes an action to encourage more eco-tourism » Council will consider the need for an indoor sporting facility but notes the K-12 school hall was originally designed to provide public facilities » A disaster refuge facility is addressed in Strategic Direction 2, Objective 3, page 25 » Place Plan addresses more active transport including cycleways » Car charging infrastructure is addressed in Council's Sustainable Community Strategy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Add Action: lobby NPWS for improved visitor facilities in the LGA
Strategic Direction 2 Living with the landscape	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Objective 3 The disaster response center should be a newly established Sports Hall, providing a much needed community facility throughout the year while supporting and housing/ emergency response during a regional disaster. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Further planning investigations and engagement with the community, emergency services and state agencies would be required as part of the process to determine the best location and operation of any future disaster response facility. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed
Strategic Direction 4 Buildings and public spaces that Embrace our coastal lifestyle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Objective 3: Building heights should be higher than 3 stories, such as 5-7 in the core (this will also encourage 4/5 star hotel). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * A review of Council's current LEP & DCP which controls building heights is included as an action in Strategic Direction 4, Objective 2, page 28/29. This review process will require consultation with the community and development industry stakeholders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No changes proposed
General	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » The Master Place Design Plan for Evans Head fails to address the greater need people have of spiritual (aka religious) growth and sustainability. Master plan content to be re-addressed for religious groups and mention environments for spiritual and religious purposes (e.g., church buildings, welfare programs shown on maps). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Place Plan acknowledges the unique connection to people and place within each of the Mid Richmond villages. Spiritual and cultural practices take many forms and it is outside the scope of the Plan to address these matters specifically. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » No change proposed - outside the scope of the plan



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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Actual 30-Jun-24	Revote Request	Revised Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Funding Source
OPERATIONAL PROJECTS							
FINANCE							
570010	570010-3325-61129	Internal Audit - Security	79,756	-	(79,756)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			79,756	-	(79,756)	-	
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH							
130039	130039-3455-61001	VMS trailer relocation & maintenance	6,370	-	(6,370)	-	Unexpended Grant - Koala Vehicle Strike Mitigation Project 2023 (910100)
130010	130010-3455-61001	Environmental Health - Testing equipment calibration replacement	5,125	-	(4,617)	508	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
130021	130021-3455-61001	Health - Site Works and Revegetation Fly Fox Colony R River	17,550	-	(7,550)	10,000	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
130038	130038-3455-63425	Health - Emmission Data Management System	18,000	15,353	(2,647)	15,353	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			47,045	15,353	(21,184)	25,861	
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT							
160203	160203-3455-63171	Richmond River Coastal Zone Mgmt Plan - Implementation Plan	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	Peterson Quarry Reserve (912540)
160410	160410-3455-61001	Sustainability - Ops	32,020	12,535	(19,485)	12,535	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			42,020	12,535	(29,485)	12,535	
WASTE MANAGEMENT							
140116	140116-3455-61129	Waste - Waste Educator	14,350	590	(5,000)	9,350	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
			14,350	590	(5,000)	9,350	
SPORTS GROUNDS, PARKS & RESERVES							
290132	290132-3470-61001	McDonald Park - Riparian	43,000	25,721	(17,279)	25,721	Unexpended Grant - McDonald Park Riparian
300131	300131-3470-61001	Parks Casino - Jabiru Wetlands - Regeneration	40,000	10,439	(29,561)	10,439	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			83,000	36,160	(46,840)	36,160	
PEOPLE & CULTURE							
610031	610031-XXXX-XXXXX	Industrial Relations	32,458	314	(32,144)	314	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			32,458	314	(32,144)	314	
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION							
620100	620100-3025-63196	Communications & Engagement - Ops	38,587	21,134	(17,453)	21,134	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			38,587	21,134	(17,453)	21,134	
TOURISM							
170400	170400-3455-61129	Tourism - Public Art	35,426	927	(19,082)	16,344	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
170305	170305-3025-63196	Discover Richmond Valley Projects	61,246	38,274	(22,972)	38,274	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			96,672	39,201	(42,054)	54,618	
LIBRARIES							
230010	230010-3455-63020	RUCRL - Ops	85,213	73,466	(11,747)	73,466	Richmond Upper Clarence Regional Library (912510)
	230010-3455-63617		85,213	73,466	(11,747)	73,466	
SPORTS GROUNDS, PARKS & RESERVES							
300942	300942-3400-61129	Parks Other - Coastal Reserve Biodiversity	21,538	1,615	(19,923)	1,615	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
310030	310030-3375-61001	Surf Club - Evans Head - Ops	78,261	58,703	(19,558)	58,703	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			21,538	1,615	(19,923)	1,615	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
170010	170010-3175-63194	Economic Development - Ops	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			10,000	-	(10,000)	-	
CUSTOMER SERVICE							
630100	630100-3185-60001	Customer Service - Ops	800,600	687,896	(83,000)	717,600	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			800,600	687,896	(83,000)	717,600	
TOWN PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES							
320100	320100-3185-60001	Planning & Development Services - Ops	1,330,773	1,141,346	(40,000)	1,290,773	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			1,330,773	1,141,346	(40,000)	1,290,773	
TOTAL OPERATIONAL REVOTE REQUESTS			2,760,273	2,088,313	-458,144	2,302,129	

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CAPITAL PROJECTS							
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH							
813006	813006-6500-16003	Plant Purchase VMS Trailer	66,592	-	(66,592)	-	Unexpended Grant - Koala Vehicle Strike Mitigation Project 2023 (910100)
			66,592	-	(66,592)	-	
SEWERAGE SERVICES							
850350	850350-8850-16042	Sew P/Stn Cas - Sewer System Improvements	100,000	-	(100,000)	-	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
850353	850353-8850-16042	Sew Cas - Nth Reservoir Telemetry Tower	140,000	-	(140,000)	-	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
850701	850701-8850-16042	Sew STP Ev - Alum Dosing Upgrade	38,500	-	(38,500)	-	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
			278,500	-	(278,500)	-	
LIBRARIES							
822050	822050-6510-16009	RUCRL Furniture & Fittings	9,301	1,714	(7,587)	1,714	Richmond Upper Clarence Regional Library (912510)
822104	822104-6500-16003	RUCRL Cap - Mobile Library - Solar Installation	46,509	-	(46,509)	-	Unexpended Grant - Public Library Subsidy - Mobile Library Solar (910100)
823043	823043-6650-16027	RUCRL Cap - Workroom Kyogle Library	3,300	-	(3,300)	-	Richmond Upper Clarence Regional Library (912510)
			59,110	1,714	(57,396)	1,714	
STORMWATER DRAINAGE							
835061	835061-7960-16036	Drainage Casino - Works adjoining Patricia Street	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	Real Estate Reserve (912535)
835416	835416-7920-16036	Drainage Evans - Currajong St - CDS Unit Rehab	52,000	-	(52,000)	-	Stormwater Management Reserve (910310)
			57,000	-	(57,000)	-	
WATER SUPPLIES							
849183	849183-8150-16039	W Main Cas - Anderson Ave; Hare St to Light St	58,000	-	(58,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849276	849276-8150-16039	W Main Ev - 100mm Bridge crossing	200,000	-	(200,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849407	849407-8200-16039	Smart Metering - Mid Richmond (Broadwater)	150,000	-	(150,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849409	849409-8200-16039	Smart Metering - Mid Richmond (Woodburn)	200,000	-	(200,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849465	849465-8300-16039	W Reserv Cas - North & South Flow Meter Renewals	30,000	-	(30,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849474	849474-8250-16039	W Reserv Cas - Nth Res Telemetry Tower	140,000	-	(140,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849754	849754-8000-16039	W WTP Cas - Zone Meter refurbishment	50,000	-	(50,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849953	849953-8000-16039	W Other - Ev Hd Reflections Caravan Park Water Flow Meter	23,000	-	(23,000)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849954	849954-8000-16039	W Other - Casino Food Co-Op Water Flow Meter	11,500	-	(11,500)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849955	849955-8000-16039	W Other - Broadwater Sugar Mill Water Flow Meter	11,500	-	(11,500)	-	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
			874,000	-	(874,000)	-	
WASTE MANAGEMENT							
814411	814411-6700-16030	Waste - Evans FERRC - Concrete Wall Upgrades	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
			10,000	-	(10,000)	-	
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT							
819014	819014-6700-16024	NRLX Effluent Mangement System (Betterment)	200,000	375	(199,625)	375	Unexpended Grant - Betterment of NRLX Effluent Management System (910100)
			200,000	375	(199,625)	-	
SPORTS GROUNDS, PARKS & RESERVES							
829429	829429-6700-16030	Evans Head - Skate Park Shelter Replacement	17,000	-	(17,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
829430	829430-6700-16030	Paddon Park - Bollard Installation	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
829860	829860-6700-16030	Woodburn Oval - Goal Post Renewals	25,929	-	(25,929)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
830108	830108-6700-16030	Parks - Croquet Club - Topsoil	17,844	-	(17,844)	-	Unexpended Grant - Sporting Priority Needs Program (910100)
830154	830154-6700-16030	Parks - Casino Drill Hall Roof Replacement	40,000	278	(39,722)	278	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
829204	829204-6700-16030	QE Park - Planting & Landscaping (Multi SportFacility)	30,000	-	(30,000)	-	Unexpended Grant - Multi Sport Community Facility Fund (910100)
829208	829208-6700-16030	QE Park - Power Upgrades (Multi SportFacility)	12,200	-	(12,200)	-	Unexpended Grant - Multi Sport Community Facility Fund (910100)
834030	834030-6765-16030	Public Toilet - Paddon Park Toilet Refurbishment	8,000	-	(8,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			160,973	278	(160,695)	278	
ROADS, FOOTPATHS & DRAINAGE							
837263	837263-7520-16033	Casino Rds - Kissane Lane Pavement Rehab	75,000	-	(75,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
839137	839137-7520-16033	Spring Grove Rd - CH 6900 to 7800	84,168	-	(84,168)	-	Unexpended Special Rates Variation (912515)
			75,000	-	(75,000)	-	

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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Actual 30-Jun-24	Revote Request	Revised Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Funding Source
CAPITAL PROJECTS (Continued)							
COMMUNITY CENTRES AND HALLS							
827707	827707-6650-16030	Rappville Community Hall - Hall Chair Lift (CRT)	27,273	-	(27,273)	-	Unexpended Grant - Rappville Community Hall - CRT (910100)
827803	827803-6650-16027	Rileys Hill CC - Basketball Court Renewal	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			37,273	-	(27,273)	-	
TOTAL CAPITAL REVOTE REQUESTS			1,902,616	2,367	-1,900,249	2,367	
TOTAL REVOTE REQUESTS - OPERATIONAL & CAPITAL			4,662,889	2,090,680	-2,358,393	2,304,496	



**Carry Forwards
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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Actual 30-Jun-24	Carry Forward Request	Revised Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Funding Source
OPERATIONAL PROJECTS							
WASTE MANAGEMENT							
140310	140310-3930-61129	Waste - Strategy and Nammoona Masterplan	20,000	16,417	(3,583)	16,417	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
			20,000	16,417	(3,583)	16,417	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES							
600013	600013-3025-63083	Information Services - Public Safety CCTV	60,769	12,638	(40,119)	20,650	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			60,769	12,638	(40,119)	20,650	
STRATEGIC PLANNING							
320257	320257-3455-63304	Planning Proj - Mid-Richmond Place Plans + Opt Study (NRRA)	174,900	145,143	(29,757)	145,143	Unexpended Grant - NRRA - Mid Richmond Place Plans
320258	320258-3455-63304	Planning Proj - Mid-Richmond Place Plans + Opt Study (OLG)	174,900	145,650	(29,250)	145,650	Unexpended Grant - Resilience NSW - Flood Recovery (910100)
			349,800	290,793	(59,007)	290,793	
TOTAL OPERATIONAL CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS			430,569	319,848	-102,709	327,860	



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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Actual 30-Jun-24	Carry Forward Request	Revised Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Funding Source
CAPITAL PROJECTS							
WATER SUPPLIES							
849719	849719-8000-16039	W WTP Cas - Emergency Source Design	183,280	75,872	(107,408)	75,872	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849755	849755-8350-16039	W WTP Cas - Process Approvals (eg Ozone dosing WTP)	250,000	102,430	(147,570)	102,430	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849773	849773-8350-16039	W WTP Cas - SCADA & PLC upgrade	133,378	59,330	(74,048)	59,330	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849792	849792-8350-16039	W WTP Cas - Soda Ash dosing manifold & rotameter	34,875	24,332	(10,543)	24,332	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
849857	849857-8300-16039	W WTP Cas - New Shed for RWPS & CW pumps	62,000	1,053	(60,947)	1,053	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110)
			663,533	263,017	(400,516)	263,017	
SEWERAGE SERVICES							
850347	850347-8800-16042	Sew P/Stn Cas - RTU Renewal	65,000	60,625	(4,375)	60,625	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
850461	850461-8800-16042	Sew P/Stn Ev - PS7 MHL dosing system upgrade	100,000	55,201	(44,799)	55,201	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
850630	850630-8850-16042	Sth Cas Sewage Trf Station - NSW Regional Housing Fund	1,525,200	960,408	(564,792)	960,408	Unexpended Grant - NSW Regional Housing Fund (910100)
850632	850632-8850-16042	STP Cas - Casino STP Replacement	600,000	317,695	(282,305)	317,695	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
850633	850633-8850-16042	STP Cas - Casino STP Precinct Enabling Infrastructure	600,000	142,937	(457,063)	142,937	Sewer Infrastructure Replacemet Reserve (916110)
			2,890,200	1,536,866	(1,353,334)	1,536,866	
LIBRARIES							
823029	823029-6505-16006	RUCRL Cap - Online PC Booking System	14,590	3,850	(10,740)	3,850	Richmond Upper Clarence Regional Library (912510)
			14,590	3,850	(10,740)	3,850	
POOLS							
828110	828110-3455-16030	Casino Pool - Clubhouse Upgrade (Betterment)	120,000	99,737	(20,263)	99,737	Unexpended Grant - Betterment of Casino Pool Clubhouse Upgrade (910100)
			120,000	99,737	(20,263)	99,737	
WASTE MANAGEMENT							
814064	814064-7000-16027	Waste - Pound Upgrades (OLG)	74,576	68,685	(5,891)	68,685	Unexpended Grant - Resilience NSW - Flood Recovery (910100)
814044	814044-6530-16021	Waste - Namoonna - Cell Capping	70,000	10,996	(59,004)	10,996	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
814046	814046-7001-16021	Waste - Namoonna - Cell 6 Approval & Construction	4,404,325	4,300,516	(103,809)	4,300,516	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
814055	814055-6500-16003	Waste - Public Place Recycling & Infrastructure	69,260	59,789	(9,471)	59,789	Domestic Waste Management Reserve (910300)
SPORTS GROUNDS, PARKS & RESERVES							
831046	831046-7570-16030	S/Ground Casino - Planning & Design (\$8mil upgrade)	5,606,543	5,244,127	(284,611)	5,321,932	Income 731046 (BLERF Funding)
829102	829102-6700-16030	Albert Park - Stopover Upgrade (SCCF5)	996,338	201,027	(795,311)	201,027	Income 729102 (SCCF Funding)
829125	829125-6700-16024	Colley Park - Netball Court Upgrade (OLG)	320,000	221,010	(98,990)	221,010	Unexpended Grant - Stronger Country Communities Fund SCCF
829705	829705-6700-16030	Rappville Sports Grounds - Upgrades - A Sporting Chance	368,852	288,069	(80,783)	288,069	Unexpended Grant - Resilience NSW - Flood Recovery (910100)
829202	829202-6700-16030	QE Park - Long Jump Pit (Multi SportFacility)	50,000	5,969	(50,000)	-	Income 729711 (Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant)
829111	829111-6700-16024	Colley Park - Drainage - (SPN Grant)	14,420	14,000	(420)	14,000	Unexpended Grant - A Sporting Chance - Rappville Sporting Ground
830417	830417-6700-16030	Parks - Ev Hd Memorial Park Renewal of Flag Pole Footing	5,000	2,266	(2,734)	2,266	Income 729183 (Multi Sport Facility Funded)
831401	831401-6700-16027	Surf Club Evans Hd - Upgrades	40,761	9,800	(30,961)	9,800	Unexpended Grant - Sporting Priority Needs Program
834029	834029-6765-16030	Public Toilet - Airforce Beach Toilet Refurbishment	32,000	4,930	(27,070)	4,930	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
829183	829183-6700-16024	QE 5 - Drainage (SPN Grant)	35,700	14,993	(20,707)	14,993	Unexpended Grant - LPMA - Surf Club Grant (910100)
829201	829201-6700-16030	QE Park - Water Bottle Stations (Multi SportFacility)	35,000	27,914	(7,086)	27,914	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
829205	829205-6700-16030	QE Park - Picnic Shelters (Multi SportFacility)	180,000	178,756	(1,244)	178,756	Income 729157 (Sporting Priority Needs Grant)
829206	829206-6700-16030	QE Park - Steel Enclosed Bins (Multi SportFacility)	9,000	2,010	(6,990)	2,010	Income 729183 (Multi Sport Facility Funded)
829305	829305-6700-16030	Windsor Park - Bollards (SPN Grant)	19,872	15,863	(4,009)	15,863	Income 729183 (Multi Sport Facility Funded)
829306	829306-6700-16030	Windsor Park - Tennis Court Lights (SPN Grant)	23,094	4,551	(18,543)	4,551	Unexpended Grant - Sporting Priority Needs Program (910100)
830335	830335-6650-61129	Parks - Coraki Caravan Park - Building	42,000	23,398	(18,602)	23,398	Unexpended Grant - Sporting Priority Needs Program (910100)
			7,778,580	6,258,682	(1,448,061)	6,330,519	Insurance Reserves (912525)



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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Actual 30-Jun-24	Carry Forward Request	Revised Budget Est 30-Jun-24	Funding Source
CAPITAL PROJECTS (Continued)							
COMMUNITY CENTRES AND HALLS							
827028	827028-6650-16027	Casino Com & Cult - Building renewals	20,000	4,026	(15,974)	4,026	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			20,000	4,026	(15,974)	-	
CEMETERY							
833030	833030-6700-16024	Casino Lawn Cemetery - Fill for DA	40,000	4,026	(35,954)	4,046	Water Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (914110) Sewer Infrastructure Replacement Reserve (916110) Public Cemeteries Perpetual Maintenance Reserve (912580) Carry Over Reserve (912590)
			40,000	4,026	(35,954)	-	
ROADS, FOOTPATHS & DRAINAGE							
837947	837947-7520-16033	Urban Local Rds Halsteads Drive (Crown) Stage 2	96,000	90,756	(5,244)	90,756	Unexpended Grant - Crown Lands Flood Recovery Program (910100)
837948	837948-7520-16033	Urban Local Rds Halsteads Drive (Crown) Stage 3	65,000	47,869	(17,131)	47,869	Unexpended Grant - Crown Lands Flood Recovery Program (910100)
839134	839134-7520-16033	Rappville Rd - CH TBA	221,942	143,613	(76,312)	145,630	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
837600	837600-7590-16033	Reseals Urban Rds - Casino	24,757	-	(5,887)	18,870	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
840020	840020-7001-16033	Reynolds Road Bridge (FCB)	1,261,953	241,736	(1,020,217)	241,736	Unexpended Grant - Fixing Country Bridges (910100)
837246	837246-7520-16033	Casino Rds - Country Lane Rehab	99,745	33,608	(66,137)	33,608	Income 740020 (Fixing Country Bridges)
837443	837443-7520-16033	Woodburn Rds - CBD Activation (OLG)	120,000	80,696	(39,304)	80,696	Unexpended Grant - Fixing Country Roads - Country Lane
839768	839768-7000-16033	RRTRP - Betterment of Naughtons Gap	1,521,840	1,056,318	(465,522)	1,056,318	Unexpended Grant - Resilience NSW - Flood Recovery (910100)
840032	840032-7000-16033	Tatham Bridges Replacement - \$18Mil Funding	150,000	60,689	(89,311)	60,689	Income 739768 (RRTRP Betterment of Naughtons Gap)
841080	841080-7520-16033	Reg Rds - MR145 Thearles Canal Culvert Upgrade (NRRI)	1,478,414	386,431	(1,091,983)	386,431	Unexpended Grant - Tatham Bridges Replacement (910100)
841081	841081-7520-16033	Reg Rds - MR145 Improvements (Dairy Flat) (NRRI)	4,160,679	1,782,500	(2,378,179)	1,782,500	Income 740032 (Tatham Bridges Replacement)
842002	842002-7520-16033	Willox Bridge - Fixing Country Bridges	1,296,476	921,567	(374,909)	921,567	Unexpended Grant - NRRI Thearles Canal Culvert Upgrade
844009	844009-7520-16033	Lollback Bridge (FCB)	565,127	110,722	(454,405)	110,722	Income 741080 (NRRI Thearles Canal Upgrade)
839160	839160-7520-16033	Bridge Design Element - Reynolds Rd	28,899	12,215	(16,684)	12,215	Unexpended Grant - NRRI MR145 Improvements
837536	837536-7714-16033	Kerb & Gutter - Little Pitt St - Baarang Drive, Broadwater	31,340	21,160	(10,180)	21,160	Income 741081 (NRRI MR145 Improvements)
845123	845123-7337-16033	Footpaths Casino - Suspension Bridge (CAP)	200,000	5,822	(194,178)	5,822	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
843027	843027-7222-16033	Unsealed Resheets - Caniaba Road	40,000	33,919	(6,081)	33,919	Income 742002 (Fixing Country Bridges - Willox Bridge)
843030	843030-7222-16033	Unsealed Resheets - Additional Resheets RSV 08/09	138,691	-	(16,730)	121,961	Income 744009 (Fixing Country Bridges - Lollback Bridge)
839059	839059-7520-16033	RTR - Spring Grove Road - CH 11.5 to 12.5	1,002,215	740,233	(261,982)	740,233	Unexpended Grant - Fixing Country Bridges (910100)
843020	843020-7222-16033	Unsealed Resheets - Budget Allocation	25,626	-	(12,203)	13,423	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
837451	837451-7520-16033	Tree Program - Town Entries	75,074	48,061	(27,013)	48,061	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
839767	839767-7000-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Naughtons Gap Landslip	6,100,000	5,235,127	(864,873)	5,235,127	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
839773	839773-7593-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Spring Grove Road	782,380	509,274	(273,106)	509,274	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
839780	839780-7000-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Ocean Dr - Evans Head Footpath Landslip	86,087	44,026	(42,061)	44,026	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
841518	841518-7590-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Bentley Rd	1,008,095	797,875	(210,220)	797,875	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
841610	841610-7520-16033	Regional Roads - MR544 Bentley Road	100,000	66,680	(33,320)	66,680	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
839143	839143-7520-16033	RTR Coraki Ellangowan Road CH 0 to 2.57 (from ellangowan rd)	2,605,404	1,917,605	(353,329)	2,252,075	Unexpended Grant - Fixing Local Roads (910100)
837453	837453-7645-16033	Roadside Furniture Renewal - Various Locations	9,000	5,934	(3,066)	5,934	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
837529	837529-7520-16033	Kerb & Gutter - Stapleton Avenue	68,000	1,161	(66,839)	1,161	Unexpended Rates Variation Reserve (912515)
839200	839200-7761-16033	Rural Drainage - Replace Steel Culverts	65,693	6,638	(59,055)	6,638	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
839790	839790-7560-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Manifold Rd	141,291	125,687	(15,604)	125,687	Carry Over Reserve (912590)
841076	841076-7520-16033	AGRN 1012 EPAR - MR145 Shoulder Repairs - Reg Rds	213,914	205,203	(8,711)	205,203	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
880388	880388-7000-16030	AGRN 1012 EPAR - Busbys Flat (pikapene) LANDSLIP	148,504	75,870	(72,634)	75,870	Unexpended Grant - AGRN1012 EPAR
			23,932,146	14,808,994	(8,551,065)	15,018,663	



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Project	Account	Description	Current Budget		Actual	Carry Forward Request	Revised Budget		Funding Source
			Est	30-Jun-24			Est	30-Jun-24	
CAPITAL PROJECTS (Continued)									
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT									
818420	818420-6515-16024	Evans Hd - Tuckeroo Ct land Clearing and Filling		5,000	1,670	(3,330)	1,670		Real Estate Reserve (912535)
818226	818226-6515-11019	Industrial Land Development		60,000	3,147	(56,853)	3,147		Real Estate Reserve (912535)
				65,000	4,817	(60,183)	4,817		
ENGINEERING SUPPORT & ASSET MANAGEMENT									
866050	866050-6535-16024	Casino Depot - Masterplan		23,000	21,499	(1,501)	21,499		Plant Replacement Reserve (912530)
866048	866048-6535-16024	Casino Depot - Drainage Works		32,945	180	(32,765)	180		Plant Replacement Reserve (912530)
				55,945	21,679	(34,266)	21,679		
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT									
825105	825105-6500-16030	Emerg Serv - Portable Shower/Toilet/Kitchen (OLG \$2Mil)		269,431	266,593	(2,838)	266,593		Unexpended Grant - Resilience NSW - Flood Recovery (910100)
				269,431	266,593	(2,838)	266,593		
STORMWATER DRAINAGE									
835410	835410-7920-16036	Drainage Evans - Illawong Ln Drainage Improvements		700,000	494,624	(205,376)	494,624		Unexpended Loan - Illawong Lane (910290)
				700,000	494,624	(205,376)	494,624		
TOTAL CAPITAL CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS				41,167,586	28,206,897	-12,398,090	28,769,496		
TOTAL CARRY FORWARD REQUESTS - OPERATIONAL & CAPITAL				41,598,155	28,526,745	-12,500,799	29,097,356		



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1. Portfolio Valuation As At 30 June 2024

	Security Rating	Face Value Original	Face Value Current	Market Value	% Total Value	Running Yield	Weighted Running Yield
Fixed Interest Security							
At Call Deposit							
CBA Business Online Saver Acct RVC At Call	S&P ST A1+	15,410,000.00	15,410,000.00	15,410,000.00	18.64%	4.28%	
CBA General Fund Bk Acct RVC At Call	S&P ST A1+	6,460,117.39	6,460,117.39	6,460,117.39	7.82%	3.35%	
CBA Trust Acct RVC At Call	S&P ST A1+	87,050.17	87,050.17	87,050.17	0.11%	3.05%	
MACQ 940323454 At Call	Moodys A2	2,007,117.62	2,007,117.62	2,007,117.62	2.43%	4.60%	
NAB Business Cheque Acct RVC At Call	S&P ST A1+	24.71	24.71	24.71	0.00%	0.00%	
		23,964,309.89	23,964,309.89	23,964,309.89	28.99%		1.17%
Floating Rate Note							
Auswide 1.5 17 Mar 2026 FRN	Moodys Baa2	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1.21%	5.95%	
Auswide 1.6 22 Mar 2027 FRN	Moodys Baa2	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1.81%	6.05%	
CACU 1.7 21 Sep 2026 FRN	S&P BBB-	1,750,000.00	1,750,000.00	1,750,000.00	2.12%	6.15%	
MACQ 0.48 09 Dec 2025 FRN	Moodys A2	1,000,390.00	1,000,390.00	1,000,390.00	1.21%	4.92%	
MYS 0.65 16 Jun 2025 FRN	Moodys Baa2	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1.81%	5.10%	
		6,750,390.00	6,750,390.00	6,750,390.00	8.17%		0.46%
Fixed Rate Bond							
NTTC 1.1 15 Dec 2025 - Issued 10 September 2021 - Richmond Council Fixed	Moodys Aa3	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	1.10%	
JUDO 6.4 26 Sep 2025 Fixed	S&P BBB-	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00	1.81%	6.40%	
BOQ 4.7 27 Jan 2027 Fixed	S&P BBB+	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1.21%	5.60%	
		4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	4,500,000.00	5.44%		0.24%
Unit Trust							
NSWTC Long Term Growth Fund UT		3,000,000.00	3,385,017.97	3,418,813.95	4.14%	12.00%	
NSWTC Medium Term Growth Fund UT		11,005,029.35	12,985,094.38	13,027,453.68	15.76%	3.96%	
		14,005,029.35	16,370,112.35	16,446,267.63	19.90%		1.12%



1. Portfolio Valuation As At 30 June 2024

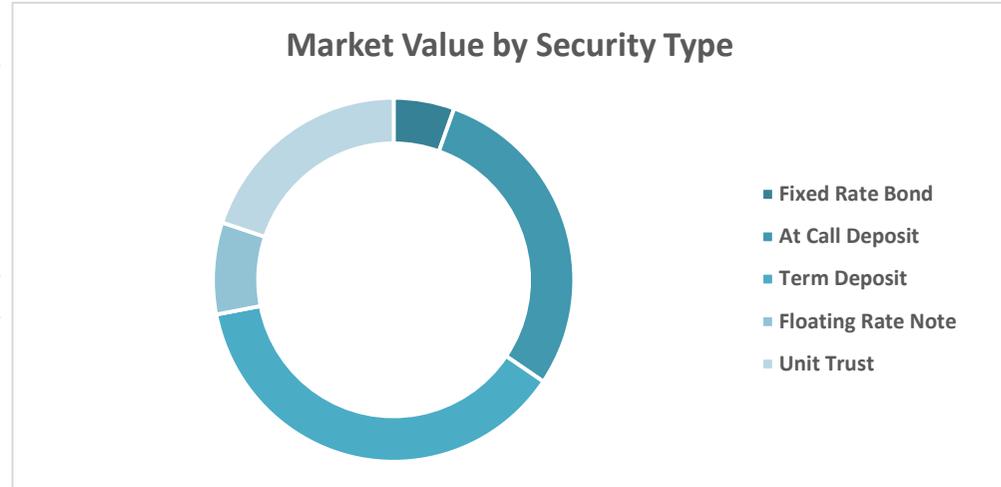
Term Deposit

BOQ 5.15 07 Nov 2024 183DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.15%
CCU 5.5 05 Dec 2024 366DAY TD	Moodys ST P-3	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.50%
ING 5.41 21 Nov 2024 366DAY TD	S&P ST A1	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1.21%	5.41%
ING 5.22 22 Jan 2025 366DAY TD	S&P ST A1	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.22%
ING 5.31 04 Jun 2025 365DAY TD	S&P ST A1	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.31%
JUDO 5 01 Jul 2024 90DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.00%
JUDO 5.1 28 Aug 2024 182DAY TD	S&P ST A2	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1,000,000.00	1.21%	5.10%
JUDO 5.1 29 Aug 2024 182DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.10%
JUDO 5.1 05 Sep 2024 120DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.10%
JUDO 5.2 07 Nov 2024 183DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.20%
JUDO 5.45 02 Dec 2024 367DAY TD	S&P ST A2	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.45%
NAB 5 30 Jul 2024 91DAY TD	S&P ST A1+	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	3,000,000.00	3.63%	5.00%
NAB 5.1 30 Jul 2024 182DAY TD	S&P ST A1+	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.10%
NAB 4.95 28 Aug 2024 92DAY TD	S&P ST A1+	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	4.95%
NAB 5.1 08 Oct 2024 153DAY TD	S&P ST A1+	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.10%
RCU 5.3 11 Dec 2024 181DAY TD	Unrated ST UR	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00	2.42%	5.30%
		31,000,000.00	31,000,000.00	31,000,000.00	37.50%	1.95%
Portfolio Total		80,219,729.24	82,584,812.24	82,660,967.52	100.00%	4.94%



2. Portfolio Valuation By Categories As At 30 June 2024

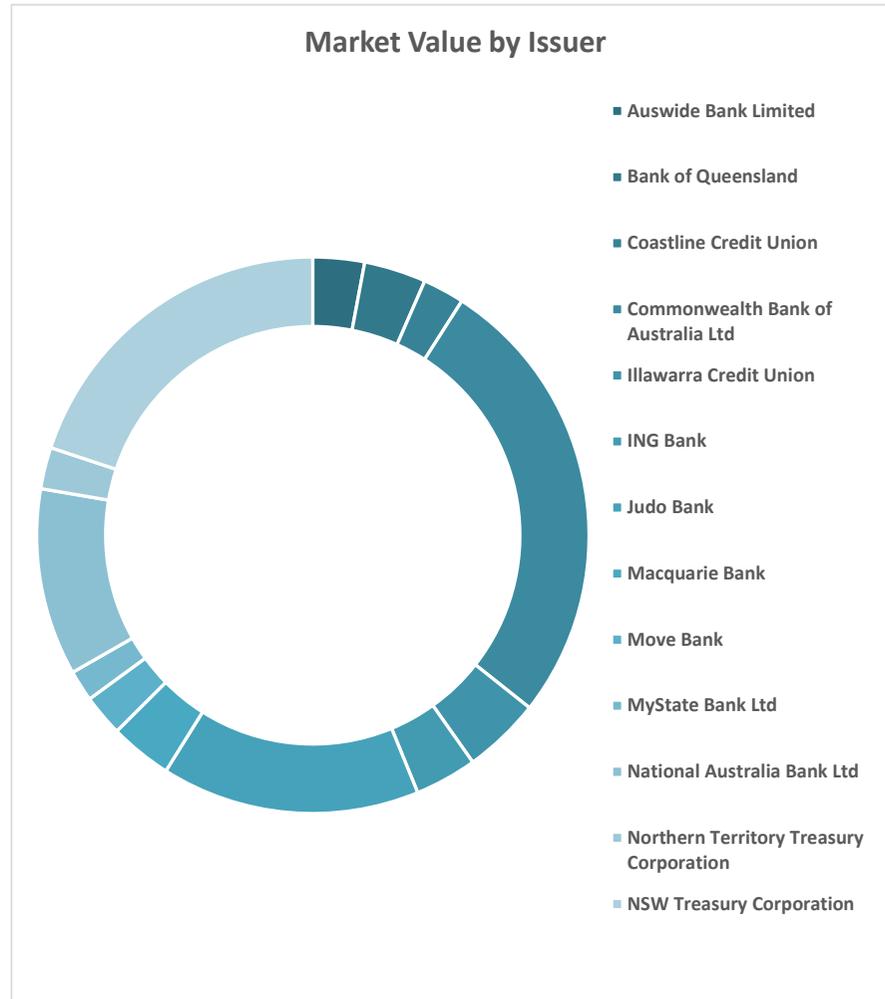
Security Type	Market Value	% Total Value
Fixed Rate Bond	4,500,000.00	5.44%
At Call Deposit	23,964,309.89	28.99%
Term Deposit	31,000,000.00	37.50%
Floating Rate Note	6,750,390.00	8.17%
Unit Trust	16,446,267.63	19.90%
Portfolio Total	82,660,967.52	100.00%





2. Portfolio Valuation By Categories As At 30 June 2024

Issuer	Market Value	% Total Value
Auswide Bank Limited	2,500,000.00	3.02%
Bank of Queensland	3,000,000.00	3.63%
Coastline Credit Union	2,000,000.00	2.42%
Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	21,957,167.56	26.56%
Illawarra Credit Union	3,750,000.00	4.54%
ING Bank	3,000,000.00	3.63%
Judo Bank	12,500,000.00	15.12%
Macquarie Bank	3,007,507.62	3.64%
Move Bank	2,000,000.00	2.42%
MyState Bank Ltd	1,500,000.00	1.81%
National Australia Bank Ltd	9,000,024.71	10.89%
Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	2,000,000.00	2.42%
NSW Treasury Corporation	16,446,267.63	19.90%
Portfolio Total	82,660,967.52	100.00%



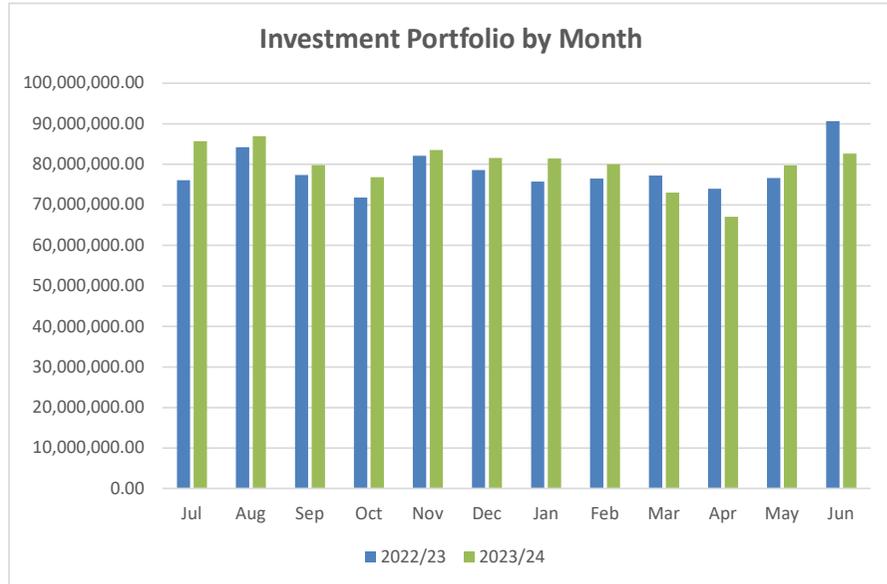
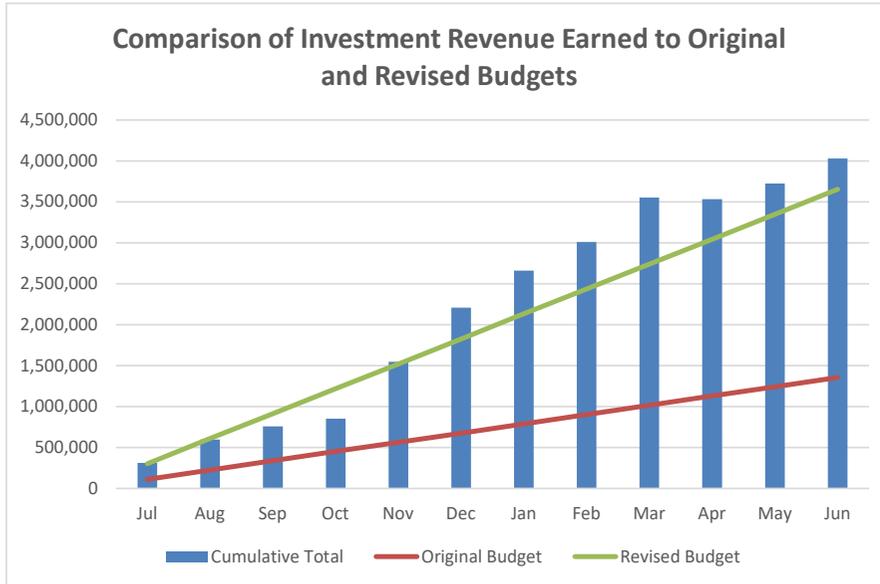


3. Investment Revenue Received For 1 June 2024 to 30 June 2024

Security	Issuer	Settlement Date	Face Value (Basis of Interest Calculation)	Consideration Notional	Income Type
CACU 5.1 05 Jun 2024 92DAY TD	Illawarra Credit Union Ltd	5 Jun 2024	2,000,000.00	25,709.59	Security Coupon Interest
SCC 5.05 05 Jun 2024 92DAY TD	Southern Cross CU	5 Jun 2024	2,000,000.00	25,457.53	Security Coupon Interest
MACQ 0.48 09 Dec 2025 FRN	Macquarie Bank Ltd	11 Jun 2024	1,000,000.00	12,163.16	Security Coupon Interest
NTTC 1.1 15 Dec 2025	Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	15 Jun 2024	2,000,000.00	11,000.00	Security Coupon Interest
Auswide 1.5 17 Mar 2026 FRN	Auswide Bank Limited	17 Jun 2024	1,000,000.00	14,594.65	Security Coupon Interest
MYS 0.65 16 Jun 2025 FRN	MyState Bank Ltd	17 Jun 2024	1,500,000.00	18,713.22	Security Coupon Interest
CACU 1.7 21 Sep 2026 FRN	Illawarra Credit Union Ltd	21 Jun 2024	1,750,000.00	26,698.65	Security Coupon Interest
Auswide 1.6 22 Mar 2027 FRN	Auswide Bank Limited	24 Jun 2024	1,500,000.00	22,984.50	Security Coupon Interest
Other	Macquarie Bank	31 May 2024		7,117.62	Bank Interest
Other	Commonwealth Bank	31 May 2024		62,985.86	Bank Interest
Other	Commonwealth Bank	31 May 2024		4,646.01	Bank Interest
Other	Commonwealth Bank	31 May 2024		218.22	Bank Interest
				232,289.01	
Medium Term Growth Fund	NSW Treasury Corporation			42,359.30	Fair Value Gain/(Loss)
Long Term Growth Fund	NSW Treasury Corporation			33,795.98	Fair Value Gain/(Loss)
				76,155.28	
TOTAL				308,444.29	



4. Comparison of Investment Revenue Earned to Original Budget and Investment Portfolio by Month 2023 - 2024 YTD





5. Environmentally Sustainable Investment Performance Report for the Period Ending 30 June 2024 Relative To 30 April 2024.

Portfolio Summary by Fossil Fuel Lending ADIs

ADI Lending Status	% Total	Current Period	% Total	Prior Period
Fossil Fuel Lending ADIs				
Bank of Queensland	3.6%	3,000,000.00	3.8%	3,000,000.00
Commonwealth Bank of Australia Ltd	26.6%	21,957,167.56	23.9%	19,079,603.98
ING Bank Australia Limited	3.6%	3,000,000.00	3.8%	3,000,000.00
Macquarie Bank	3.6%	3,007,507.62	3.8%	3,012,839.84
National Australia Bank Ltd	10.9%	9,000,024.71	11.3%	9,000,024.71
	48.3%	39,964,699.89	46.5%	37,092,468.53
Non Fossil Fuel Lending ADIs				
Auswide Bank Limited	3.0%	2,500,000.00	3.1%	2,500,000.00
Coastline Credit Union	2.4%	2,000,000.00	2.5%	2,000,000.00
Illawarra Credit Union	4.5%	3,750,000.00	4.7%	3,750,000.00
Judo Bank	15.1%	12,500,000.00	15.7%	12,500,000.00
Move Bank	2.4%	2,000,000.00	0.0%	0.00
MyState Bank Ltd	1.8%	1,500,000.00	1.9%	1,500,000.00
Northern Territory Treasury Corporation	2.4%	2,000,000.00	2.5%	2,000,000.00
NSW Treasury Corporation	19.9%	16,446,267.63	20.5%	16,370,112.35
Southern Cross Credit Union	0.0%	0.00	2.5%	2,000,000.00
	51.7%	42,696,267.63	53.5%	42,620,112.35
Total Portfolio		82,660,967.52		79,712,580.88

All amounts shown in the table and charts are Current Face Values.

Fossil Fuel vs Non Fossil Fuel Lending ADI





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13 June 2024

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the **Local Traffic Committee** will be held via Microsoft Teams format at **2pm** on **25 June 2024**

Function: The Local Traffic Committee has the role to advise Council on traffic related matters referred to it by Council. (Note: Items will be referred by Council officers and/or Council resolution.) It is an advisory body only; recommendations from the Committee are to be reported to Council.

Yours faithfully

Graeme M Robertson
Coordinator Asset Management

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Attendees

Cir Robert Hayes (Chair), Graeme Robertson (RVC), Alistair Weallans (RVC), Vaughan Macdonald (RVC), Renai Williams (Transport for NSW), Leah Wallace (Transport for NSW), Melissa Optland (delegate of Richie Williamson MP)

Apologies

Angela Jones (RVC), Acting Sergeant - Daniel Willis (NSW Police)

Declaration Of Interest

Nil

Reports

1. Request 4 hour parking McAuliffe Park Hickey Street, Casino

Council has received a request from Richmond Valley Council Team Leader Regulatory Services Paul Cowles regarding parking issues at McAuliffe Park in Casino. The main concern involves local people parking their personal vehicles for extended amounts of time which is taking away public parking space for locals, tourists and people using the park or river for their own leisure. The car park adjacent to McAuliffe Park was specifically designed and constructed to cater for longer vehicles (RV's and caravans) wanting to pull up, take a break and invest into Casino's CBD.

The request is that the parking space is restricted to a maximum of 4 hours.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended that Council place regulatory control signage to restrict parking up to a maximum of 4 hours.

2. Request 1 Way Traffic on Simpson Parade between Hickey and Walker Street, Casino

Council has received requests from RVC Team Leader Regulatory Services Paul Cowles and phone calls from businesses requesting Simpson Parade between Hickey and Walker Street be reduced to one lane. Due to its narrow formation width, there has many multiple close calls between cars and heavy delivery vehicles. The proposal to one lane would see traffic enter at Hickey Street and exit at Walker Street.

The request will vastly improve the traffic flow, improve road safety for motorists and in particular businesses (Woolworths, Kibbles), improve pedestrians walking space, and potentially prevent council road and transport asset defects in the parade.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended broad consultation on agenda items 2,3,4 during the planning stage of the future Casino CBD Masterplan.

3. Request 1 Way Traffic on Simpson Parade between Walker and Centre Street, Casino

Council has received a request from RVC Team Leader Regulatory Services Paul Cowles and phone calls from businesses in relation to Simpson Parade between Walker and Centre Street. The request is in relation to making the parade one way which will see traffic enter at Walker Street and exit at Centre Street. There have been many close calls between cars and heavy delivery vehicles due to the narrow formation width.

The proposal would vastly improve road safety for delivery trucks, local employers, locals, and pedestrians walking.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended broad consultation on agenda items 2,3,4 during the planning stage of the future Casino CBD Masterplan.

4. Request 1 Way Traffic on Convent Parade between Walker and Centre Street

Council has received a request from RVC Team Leader Regulatory Services Paul Cowles and phone calls from businesses in relation to Convent Parade between Walker and Centre Street. The request involves making Convent Parade one way starting from Walker Street and exiting at Centre Street. There have been numerous close calls with vehicles entering from Centre Street meeting heavy vehicles heading to Centre Street. This also causes congestion on Centre Street – the Highway during school drop off and pick up hours.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended broad consultation on agenda items 2,3,4 during the planning stage of the future Casino CBD Masterplan.

5. Request No Stopping Area on Convent Parade, Casino, on the Western end near the units

Council has received a request from RVC Team Leader Regulatory Services Paul Cowles regarding Convent Parade parking issues. The concern is parents are parking too close to the Centre Street intersection while waiting to collect their children, which makes it difficult and unsafe for light and heavy vehicles.

The request is to introduce a No Stopping area on Convent Parade starting at the units (173, 175).

Local Traffic Committee Recommended the existing no stopping signage to be relocated to the east, in line with the unnamed lane.

6. Request 1 Way Traffic on Simpson Parade between Colches and West Street

Residents of Simpson Parade between Colches and West Street have written to Council voicing their safety concerns. The concerns raised are the speed of vehicles using the road as a shortcut opposed to turning onto Colches street to get to Canterbury or Barker Street. Simpson Parade is currently a single lane each direction route with a narrow formation width. There has been many near misses and unreported incidents which further adds to the local resident's concerns. Many people also use this route to walk to the Casino CBD so by proposing one lane all round safety would be improved for motorists, locals, and people's homes who back onto the lane.

The request is to make the Parade one lane with a direction to be confirmed.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended Council to undertake further consultation with residents and report back to the Local Traffic Committee.

7. Request Safety Measures at Waldrons Bridge, Stratheden Road

On 2 December 2022 Council was notified after a truck hit the guardrail on the eastern side of Waldrons Bridge, Stratheden Road. The impact from the truck left some sections of the guardrail damaged, no immediate rectification was required although the guardrail will be repaired in the future.

While council staff were on site inspecting the damaged guardrail it was evident the safety concerns for motorists. Due to the narrow trafficable width and poor sight distances on both the northern and southern approach, Council as well as motorists are concerned of future accidents at this location.

Council is suggesting implementing one of the following options – speed zone reduction, install more warning signage, install a give way sign with a hold line and road verge vegetation maintenance.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended that the item be referred to Councils design team in consultation with Transport for NSW, with a future report back to the Local Traffic Committee that includes the design, speed and traffic data.

8. Request Noise Control Measures for Johnston Street Casino

Council has received complaints over heavy vehicles using their exhaust brakes when travelling through Casino. The main and obvious concern over trucks using their exhaust brake is the increased level of noise passing through the town, which disrupts people's sleeping. Increased heavy vehicle exhaust braking also causes more exhaust fumes which increases the pollution in the town.

Former Member for Clarence Chris Gulaptis office and Richmond Police District have suggested implementing more signage will reinforce and inform drivers of when and when not to use their exhaust brakes.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended to not support this request, with the rationale that the warning signage is not regulatory signage, the street is busy enough with current signage, and these types of signs can often have the opposite effect.

9. Request Power Pole-Mounted Electric Vehicle (EV) Charge Station Trial

Council on behalf of EVX (an EV charge point operator in partnership with Essential Energy) seeks the support of the traffic committee to proceed with the trial of two EV charge stations - one mounted on a power pole located at 154 Canterbury Street Casino and the other on a power pole at 35 Woodburn Street Evans Head. The EXV pole chargers present an opportunity for our community to have access to more EV chargers throughout the RVC LGA.

- The EVX EV charging option is low cost, low risk for Council.
- EVX would own, maintain, and support the charge station in cooperation with Essential Energy for connecting to power and the power pole.

- Council's role in implementing the EVX chargers is to provide the parking space and the marking & signage for the space.
- The Sustainable Communities and Environment team has assessed the proposal, including consulting the Governance Team and Council's Legal Advisor, and have not identified issues preventing moving forward with EVX's proposed trial.
- EVX Pole mounted charge stations are designed as a "top up" charge. They are not a full day charge station.
- Consultation has also occurred between impacted business and Business Chambers as well as internal consultation with Councils Asset Team.
- This initiative will be regarded as a trial for a minimum of 1 year and can be stopped at any stage if deemed necessary.
- The trial has the support of the Executive team and has been approved by the General Manager.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended supporting the request, with Council to obtain feedback on usage including any issues identified during the trial period, to be reported back to the Local Traffic Committee at a future meeting.

10. Request for Roundabout on Bruxner Highway Casino

Council is progressing the planning for the construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Bruxner Highway and Arthur Street, Casino that will provide access to the adjoining land that is proposed to be zoned industrial.

As part of the traffic assessment and design considerations for the roundabout it has been proposed that the existing 50km/hr speed zoning will be extend to the east of the proposed roundabout.

The need for the proposed roundabout was identified in the traffic impact assessment that was undertaken as part of the Richmond valley Regional Jobs Precinct (RJP) Masterplan. Transport for NSW have been involved in the RJP master planning process and have agreed in principle to the proposed intersection upgrade.

Council is now at the stage where we have prepared strategic design plans to be reviewed by Transport in preparation of seeking a Works Authority Deed (WAD). In these discussion with the Development Services section of Transport for NSW we have been advised that we should seek in principle approval through traffic committee for the proposed speed zone relocation.

Council is request that the above information be put to the local traffic committee to request in principle support for the speed zone relocation as proposed within the Strategic design plans.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended that in principle support be provided for the roundabout design and speed zone plan.

11. Heavy Vehicle Movements on McDonald Street, Broadwater to Pacific Motorway

Council has received a complaint from a member of the public regarding heavy vehicle movements on McDonald Street, Broadwater as an access path to the Pacific Motorway and Woodburn Evans Head Road. The complaint details braking, accelerating, gear changing and

alleged negotiation of the intersection. The complainant has suggested that the trucks travelling to and from the Sunshine Sugar could be using an alternative route that intersects Rifle Range Road.

Member for Clarence, Richie Williamson has requested this item to be discussed at the Traffic Committee meeting.

Local Traffic Committee Recommended that the committee await confirmation of the status of the Wardell Bridge to further consider a solution at the next meeting.