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Ms Karina Stafford
President
Pearl Beach Progress Association

Via email: president@pearlbeachprogress.org.au; karinastafford46@gmail.com;
secretary@pearlbeachprogress.org.au

Dear Ms Stafford

Follow up questions – Pearl Beach Progress Association (PBPA) meeting - 30 May 2023

Thank you for taking the time to meet recently at the Pearl Beach Community Hall to discuss matters within your local community.

Further to additional questions raised, please see below responses:

Amenities Block at Pearl Beach

Council is preparing a Public Toilet Strategy (Strategy) to provide a public toilet network and cleaning services that will consider public feedback and financial stability. This Strategy may identify opportunities to provide additional cleaning of public toilets based on high usage and known complaints. Council will inform the Association when community consultation to develop the Strategy begins.

Currently, Council has fixed resources to provide the facility cleaning service across the network of 212 public toilets, resulting in over 48,000 toilet cleans per year. At this stage, it is unfortunately not possible for Council to provide an additional daily clean of the Pearl Beach public toilet without reducing the level of service for other public toilets across the Council network.

Council is investigating whether a bin can be located inside the public toilet, taking into consideration the size of the facility. Should a bin fit in the public toilet, Council will endeavour to have this installed by 14 July 2023 and trial this for up to 6 months.

Installation of Stylised Map

Council has no objection to the placement of a sign, in the form of a tourist directional map, on/or at the public amenities building located on Pearl Parade, subject to certain conditions, including approval of design





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content and manufacturing of the sign. Council's Manager Engineering Services, Jeanette Williams, is in receipt of your proposed map design and is co-ordinating collaboration across Council's Infrastructure Services and Marketing and Tourism team to assess your proposal. Council Officers will be in contact with you shortly to discuss your proposal in further detail.

Should you wish to discuss this matter, please contact Council's Manager Engineering Services, Ms Jeanette Williams. Ms Williams can be contacted by telephoning the Unit's Personal Assistant, Laura Knox, on 0436 937 775.

Planning in Pearl Beach

All development applications are assessed in accordance with the required legislative framework, including the relevant provisions of the *Environmental Planning & Assessment Act 1979*. The Act requires the consideration of the likely impacts of any development (Section 4.15(1)(b)) including impacts on both the natural and built environments.

This includes the impact of vegetation/tree removal proposal as part of any development. The *Central Coast Development Control Plan 2022* provides specific provision for the character of Pearl Beach and the impact of any development on this character is also a consideration.

Landscape plans, where submitted with any application, should form part of the application documentation available during the notification period. If the Association notices an application on public notification where landscape plans are not available, please contact the assessing officer (noted in both notification letters and online) who can ensure they are available (where such plans have been prepared/lodged).

Pearl Beach Lagoon

Council does have plans to install stormwater treatment devices on some of the drainage lines feeding Pearl Beach lagoon. This work is planned for the 2024/25 financial year at this stage.

Additional Storage Space

Karina Galey is the Property Officer responsible for this site and can be contacted on 0437 485 062 or karina.galey@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au.

Council Contacts

Thank you for the feedback provided in relation to the PBPA correspondence sent to the Council ASK





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email address (ask@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au). Your advice has enabled us to review our practices and determine how we can provide a better service level moving forward. Council also recommends for PBPA contacts to regularly check their junk email boxes for any email correspondence.

Please be assured Council is committed to improving our customer response and service capability.

Thank you for your associations continued interest in your local community.

Yours sincerely

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