

AMENDED ITEM



Item No: 5.5
Title: Notice of Motion - The Future of Kincumber Waste Transfer Station
Department: Councillor

14 September 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting

Reference: F2020/00039 - D14176530
Author: Jeff Sundstrom, Councillor

Councillor Sundstrom has given notice that at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 14 September he will move the following motion:

- 1 That Council note the amount of illegal dumping since and possibly directly related to the temporary closure of the Kincumber Waste Transfer Station Facility.**
- 2 That Council note the number of interested residents seeking the re-opening of this facility.**
- 3 That Council notes the opportunity that the temporary closure has presented for maintenance of the facility.**
- 4 Council notes that even though Woy Woy tip is 16km away from the Kincumber facility that this adds to the burden for many residents that are committed to going the right thing with their waste.**
- 5 That within a reasonable time frame, the Chief Executive Officer brings to the chamber, a comprehensive report on the future of Kincumber Waste Transfer Station or in the case of its permanent closure what may be viable alternative uses for the land commonly referred to as the Kincumber Tip.**

Chief Executive Officer Response

The Chief Executive Officer considers that this Notice of Motion has legal, strategic, financial or policy implications which should be taken into consideration by the meeting. As a result, the Chief Executive Officer has provided a report in relation to the Notice of Motion. This report is provided as Attachment 1.

Attachments

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| 1 | CEO Response - Notice of Motion - The Future of Kincumber Waste Transfer Station | D14181222 |
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Title: CEO Response - Notice of Motion - The Future of Kincumber Waste Transfer Station

Department: Roads Transport Drainage and Waste

14 September 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting

Reference: F2019/02063 - D14181222

Author: Joanna Murray, Personal Assistant to Unit Manager, Waste and Busine

Manager: Andrew Pearce, Unit Manager, Waste Services and Business Development

Executive: Boris Bolgoff, Director Roads Transport Drainage and Waste



Summary

This report provides a response to Item 5.5 - Notice of Motion – The Future of Kincumber Waste Transfer Station.

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Staff Comments:

The Kincumber Waste Management Facility (also known as Kincumber landfill and Kincumber tip) has operated since the 1960's as a waste disposal facility. In 2008 in response to limited landfill void space remaining and ongoing odour complaints from neighboring residents, landfilling operations ceased onsite.

The site has since operated as a local waste transfer facility and business continuity contingency for the Woy Woy Waste Management Facility. The site accepts non putrescible household wastes, garden organics and various recyclable products from local self-haul customers, which are subsequently cleared out and transported to other waste facilities by external contractors on a daily basis, including Woy Woy Waste Management Facility located only approximately 16 kilometers away.

In March 2020, the site was temporarily closed in direct response to public health orders issued by the NSW Government restricting non-essential travel and the opportunity was taken to complete works to improve long term environmental and safety performance of the site.

With the temporary closure of the site and in recognition of post amalgamation changes to many of the key strategic drivers for the site's operations, Council has taken the opportunity to undertake a review the long-term strategy and operational model for the Kincumber Waste Management Facility.

Key considerations include the strategic role the site plays in the delivery of waste management services to the community, the costs and resources required to operate the facility, the types of waste which can be accepted and hours of operation, strategic value of the site for alternative activities, permissible uses and the future remediation of the site.

The review is anticipated to be completed in September 2020, followed by a report to Council in October 2020. In the interim customers are requested to utilise either the Woy Woy or Buttonderry Waste Management Facilities, which are fully operational, have improved infrastructure and a wider range of services available. To reactivate the site as per its previous operation, this would take approximately three to four (4) weeks.

A review of Council's records and discussions with relevant Council compliance staff has not revealed evidence of increased illegal dumping within Kincumber or surrounding suburbs, post the temporary closure of the Kincumber Waste Management Facility. Council's rangers continue to monitor known illegal dumping hotspots across the Central Coast, investigate and take enforcement action when available.

Link to Community Strategic Plan

Theme 4: Responsible

Goal G: Good governance and great partnerships

G4: Serve the community by providing great customer experience, value for money and quality services.