

Ordinary Council Meeting - 21 August 2023 – Notice of Motion – Wungong South Bridal Path (SJ4086)

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Councillor	Councillor Rich
Disclosure of Officers Interest:	No officer involved in the preparation of this report has an interest to declare in accordance with the provisions of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> .

Notice of Motion

A Notice of Motion was received from Councillor Rich via email on Monday, 14 August 2023 at 8:51pm.

The final wording of the Notice of Motion was received on Friday, 18 August 2023 as:

That Council REQUESTS the CEO and Shire President write to the Hon Rita Saffioti, Deputy Premier; Treasurer; Minister for Transport; Tourism, requesting that:

- 1. As part of the forthcoming Thomas Road duplication project, the existing equine trail along the north side of Thomas Rd (between Wungong South Road and the equine underpass), be supplemented with a new link northwards along Wungong South Road on its eastern side, crossing over Wungong South Road to a reinstated equine trail on the northern side of Kentucky Drive, linking through to the Darling Downs Equestrian Reserve;*
- 2. As part of the forthcoming Tonkin Highway extension project, Jersey Road maintain full connectivity with Hopkinson Rd, in order to reflect the original planning for the estate that identified retention for connectivity between Hopkinson Rd and Jersey Rd once Tonkin Hwy was extended.*

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Officer Comment

In terms of the first part of the notice of motion, this would provide an additional option for equine connectivity via a link northwards along Wungong South Road, and then westwards along Kentucky Road. The original subdivision guide plan for the rural residential estate shows an equine trail along Kentucky Rd. If the request was agreed by the Minister, there would need to be detailed design work undertaken, including community consultation and stakeholder input.

In terms of the second part of the motion, officers have raised the issue of Jersey Road connectivity being maintained in accordance with previous planning for the estate, and to provide the most optimal planning response to manage the hazard of bushfire. Main roads have indicated that a connection is not possible unless further land acquisition occurs, and such is not within scope of their project. Offices have requested this issue be looked at further, however this has not been precipitated by the most recent plans which show Jersey Road and Hopkinson Road being terminated and not maintaining their connectivity.

Attachments (available under separate cover):

Nil.

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Voting Requirements: Simple Majority

Councillor Recommendation:

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