

## Homelessness Taskforce Shoalhaven

**Meeting Date:** Thursday, 10 March, 2022

**Location:** Council Chambers, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra

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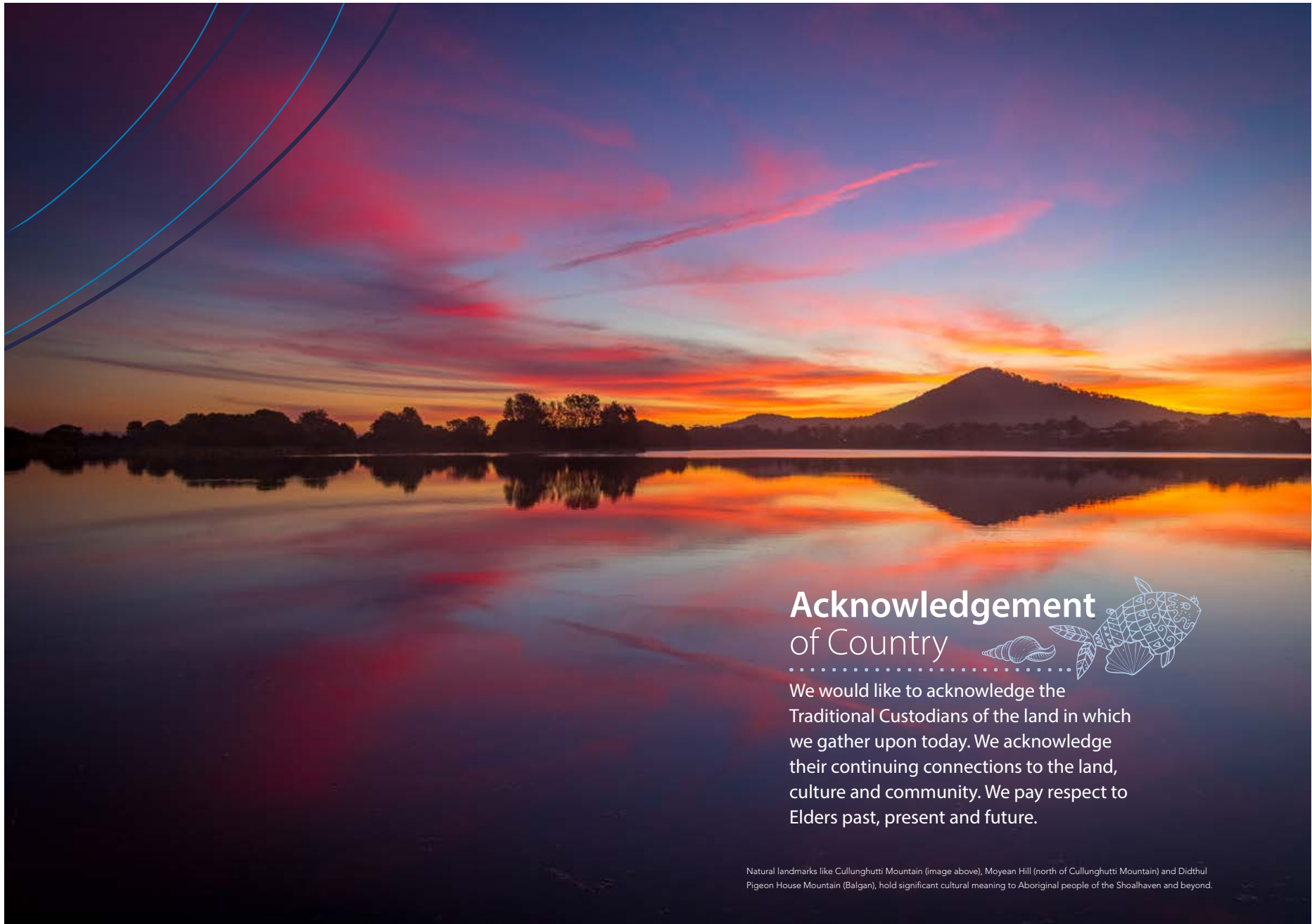




# Advocacy Projects 2022



HT22.8 - Attachment 1



## Acknowledgement of Country

We would like to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land in which we gather upon today. We acknowledge their continuing connections to the land, culture and community. We pay respect to Elders past, present and future.

Natural landmarks like Cullunghutti Mountain (image above), Moyean Hill (north of Cullunghutti Mountain) and Didthul Pigeon House Mountain (Balgan), hold significant cultural meaning to Aboriginal people of the Shoalhaven and beyond.



## A Message from Stephen Dunshea

Shoalhaven is a wonderful place to live, work, stay and play. Just 2 hours from Sydney and Canberra the region has a strong relationship with Federal and NSW Governments to help grow and serve our 100,000 locals and 3 million annual visitors.

Shoalhaven City Council is committed to building on and supporting this growth by delivering strategic projects in order to provide jobs and a strong vibrant community. Innovation that delivers sustainability and builds resilience is now more important than ever since the impacts of the Currowan Bushfires, floods and COVID-19.

Made up of 49 towns and villages, Shoalhaven is one of the largest local government areas in NSW and includes commercial centres in Berry, Bomaderry, North Nowra, Nowra, Culburra Beach, Huskisson, Sanctuary Point, Sussex Inlet, Milton, Ulladulla with South Nowra hosting one of the largest available industrial areas south of Sydney.

With your support and our dedicated team Council looks forward to continuing building the Shoalhaven economy and securing our future.

## Overview

**Only 2 hours from both Sydney and Canberra the Shoalhaven region is looking forward. The upgrade of the Princes Highway from Sydney to Nowra and beyond is making our part of NSW even more accessible to the world.**

More than \$15 billion will be invested by the NSW Government over the next 20 years to duplicate the entire Princes Highway between Nowra and the Victorian border. The recently completed Albion Park Bypass (\$630 million) has changed the trip length from Sydney to the Coast, and further improvements are already under construction including the Berry to Bomaderry upgrade (\$450 million) and the Nowra Bridge Project (\$310 million).

You can see that the opening up of the South Coast will bring a level of development not seen in the past, and we need a meaningful partnership with the NSW and Federal Government to be ready to bring jobs and investment to the region.

High-speed broadband makes interstate, international operations or telecommuting viable. For international or interstate distribution, rail and road connections are critical. Sydney and Canberra International Airports are less than 2.5 hours away and the growing Shellharbour regional airport less than an hour's drive.

A wide range of industries operate in Shoalhaven with many international businesses operating from the city. Manufacturing is strong, with food, chemicals, construction products, marine craft and

more. High technology companies provide aviation maintenance and systems support to the Royal Australian Navy.

The logistics sector is growing as are education, building & construction, retail and tourism. Significant growth in population is continuing across the region.

Shoalhaven is committed to local jobs and has an innovative vocational education sector, with University, TAFE, Community College and private options. The region has an ongoing investment in tertiary education to ensure a skilled workforce with the newly established Country University Centre in Ulladulla and the University of Wollongong, Shoalhaven Campus.

As a major regional centre with a maturing economy you won't go far to find professional business services and availability of skilled employees, including a constant inflow of talented sea/tree changers.



































