

Aboriginal Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Tuesday, 06 February, 2024

Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra

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Proposed Road Closure – Comberton Grange Rd

Presentation to the Aboriginal Advisory
Committee – 06/02/2024



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Reason For Presentation

Recommendation to Close Part of Comberton Grange Rd
considered by Councillors – 06/11/2023

RESOLVED (Clr Christen / Clr Norris)

MIN23.654

That the matter of Proposed Road Closure - Part Comberton Grange Road, Comberton be deferred to a Councillor Briefing.

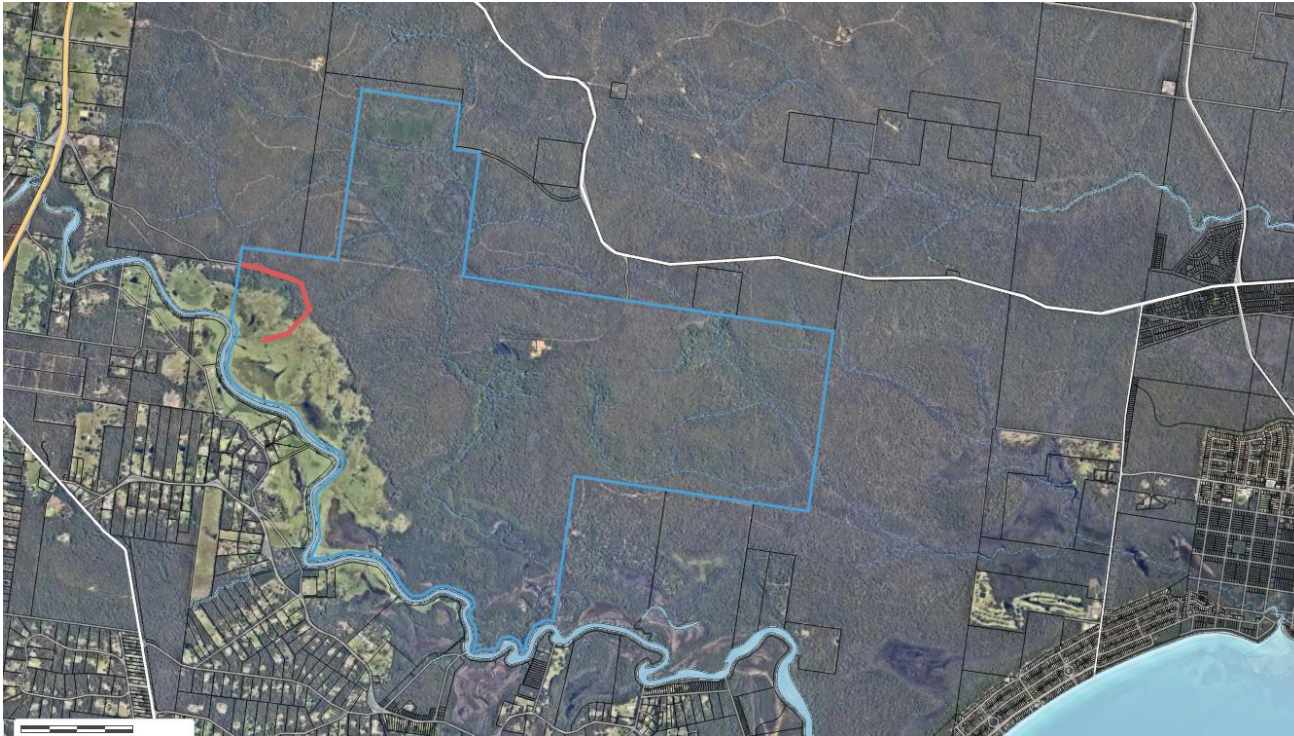
FOR: Clr Findley, Clr D'Ath, Clr Norris, Clr Kotlash, Clr Copley, Clr Ell, Clr Christen, Clr White, Clr Watson, Clr Kitchener and Clr Gray

Seeking – Feedback that can used in a Councillor Briefing

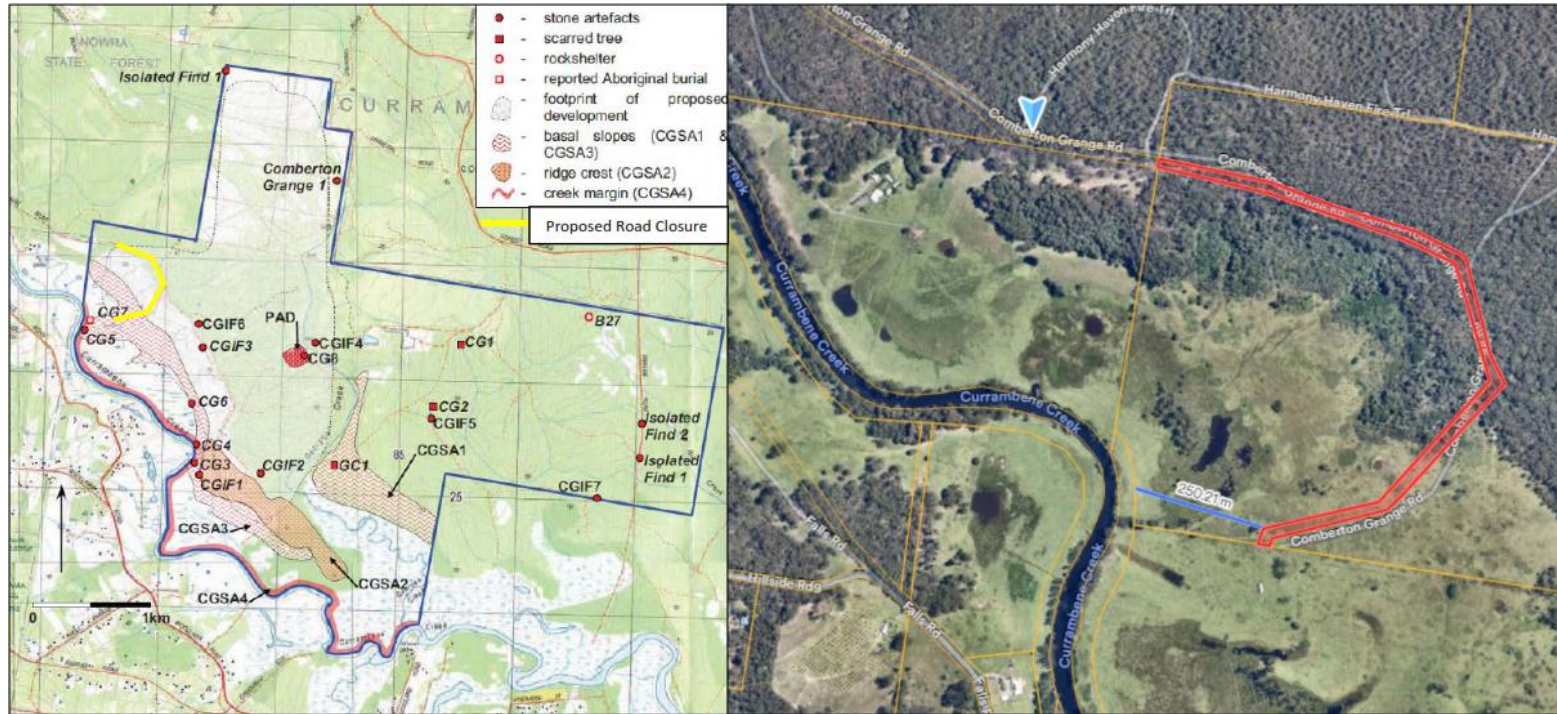
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Feedback





Service NSW Business Bureau

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Acknowledgement of Country

I acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the various lands on which we gather today, and any Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people participating in this meeting.

I pay my respects to Elders of these lands both past and present, and we recognise and celebrate the diversity of Aboriginal peoples and their ongoing cultures and connections to the lands and waters.

The 'Connecting Communities' artwork used here is by Alison Williams, a proud Gumbaynggirr woman.

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Get independent advice from a **Business Connect or ABAI** advisor



Manage government transactions with a **Business Profile**

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Business Concierge

Our **Business Concierge** service provides help with:

- navigating government regulations
- licences and permits
- mental health support for you and your employees
- disaster recovery support
- resources and support for Aboriginal business owners and women in business
- financial assistance – vouchers, grants and rebates

We have BCs across metro and regional areas. We also have **Business Relationship Managers**, driving awareness with stakeholders across NSW

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Service NSW Business Connect

Business Connect provides small businesses with free, tailored one-on-one business advice from independent advisors.

Businesses can gain practical insights and develop business skills by attending events and accessing online resources on a range of topics.

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Aboriginal Business Advisory Initiative

Aboriginal Advisors can assist with the cultural needs of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander business owners. They bring their own lived experience, knowledge of small business operations and strong community connections to the coaching sessions

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Business Profile

Create a **Business Profile** to make it easier to access government support and manage transactions



Track the progress of business applications



Search for NSW government tenders



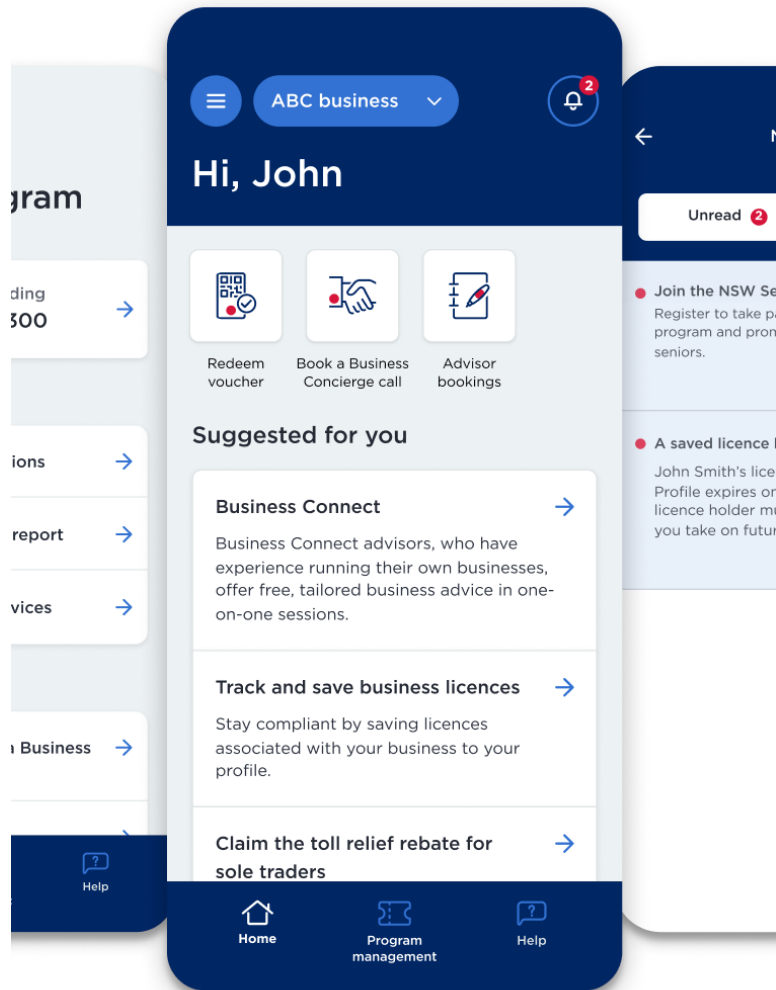
Stay up to date with email and SMS notifications



Search and save business and employee licences



Apply for grants and rebates



Service NSW Business Bureau app

You can now log into the Service NSW Business Bureau app to:

- book advisors and events from Business Connect or Aboriginal Business Advisory Initiative
- track and save licences associated to your business, staff and contractors
- receive real time notifications relevant to your business
- connect with the Business Concierge team
- redeem vouchers, view payment summaries, share transaction reports, and manage your business locations, for businesses participating in programs

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Selling to the NSW Government

- Businesses can identify NSW Government tender opportunities using their **Business Profile**
- **Business Connect** provide specialist procurement advisory services
- NSW procurement provides a concierge service to assist Aboriginal businesses
- TAFE courses on NSW Government tendering are free for registered small businesses

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Going Global Export Program

Investment NSW delivers free **export support** to help eligible NSW businesses expand into new international markets and build demand for their products and services

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ID Support

ID Support can help by:

- assisting businesses that have experienced a data breach
- providing advice to your customers on compromised identification documents
- giving options for additional support and counselling services

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NSW Seniors Card

With the **NSW Seniors Card program**, you can promote your business to over 1.9 million seniors by offering product and service discounts to new and existing customers.

Register your business today

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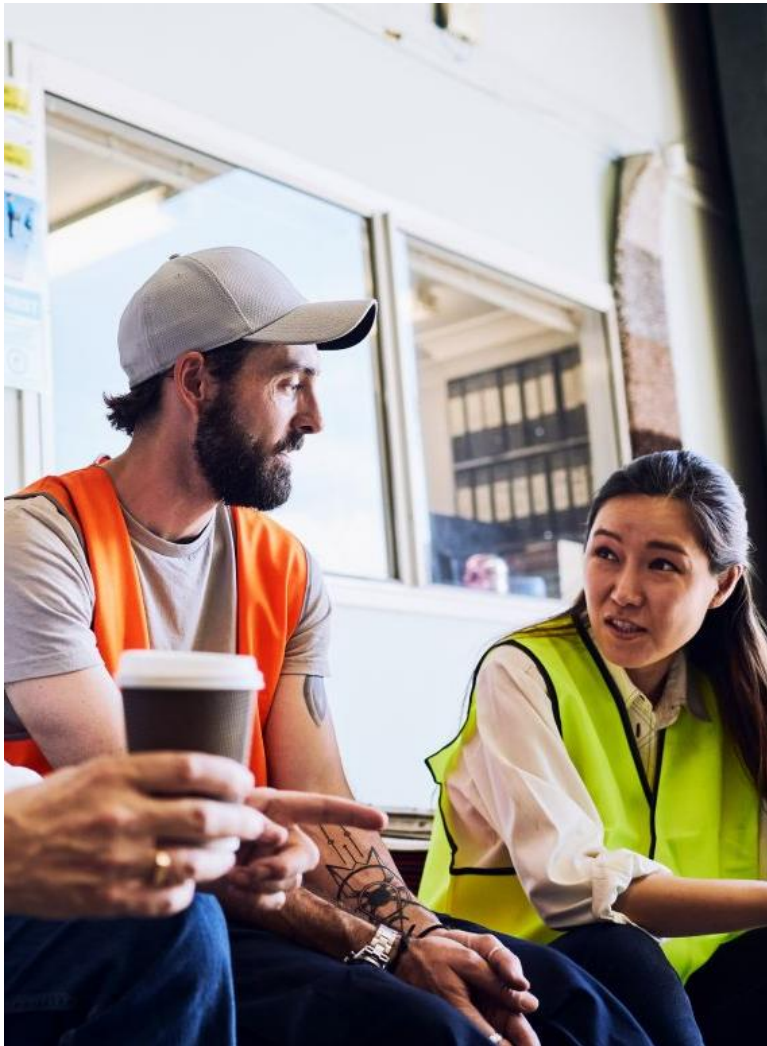


Active and Creative Kids

If you're running sport, recreational, creative or cultural activities for school-aged children, you can boost your business with the 2024 **Active and Creative Kids voucher program**

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Mental health support

Businesses with < 200 employees or not-for-profit organisations of any size, can access:

- free mental health training
- up to 4 hours of one-on-one coaching
- a step-by-step guide to improving mental health and wellbeing in the workplace

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Further support

Commercial lease support

NSW Small Business Commission can help small businesses with support and advice, plus mediation and expertise on retail leases

Small business tax offset

The small business income tax offset can reduce the tax you pay by up to \$1,000 each year

WHS support

SafeWork offer a \$1000 small business rebate towards the cost of workplace health and safety items

Energy savings

The National Energy Bill Relief payment provides up to \$650 towards small business electricity bills in financial year 2023-24

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Questions?



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*Update - Boongaree Reconciliation Garden
(Draft concept model)*

6 February 2024

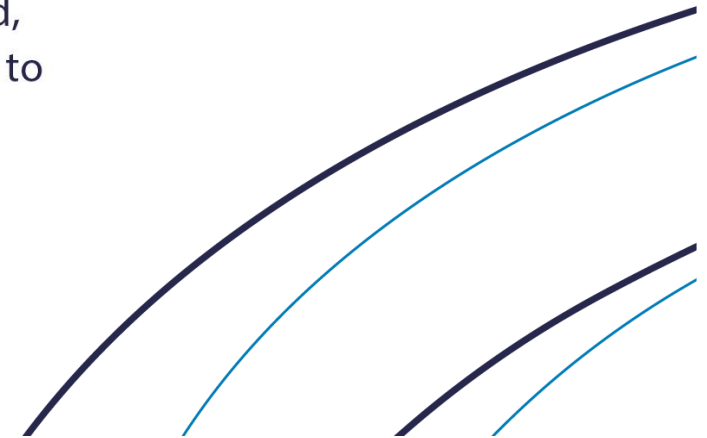


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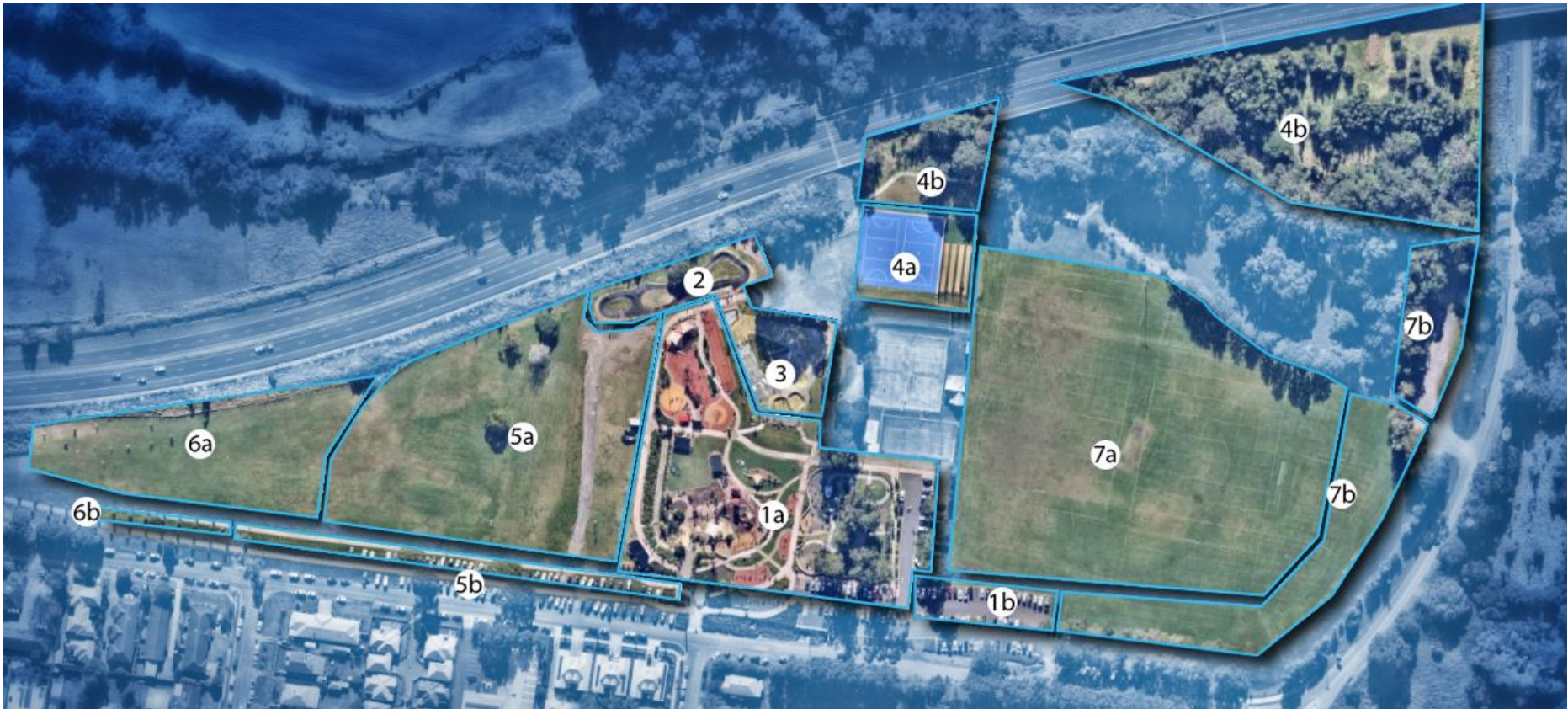
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Today's Presentation:

- Update:
 - Boongaree Stages – future planning changes
 - Planning - Boongaree Reconciliation Garden
- Community engagement activities
 - Summary of initial activities in 2022
 - *An invitation* to participate in anticipated upcoming activities
- Showcasing the draft Reconciliation Garden 3D Model
- An invitation to provide feedback

Boongaree map:



Boongaree Future Stages

(following Ordinary Meeting 11.12.2023)

- **Stage 4b: Reconciliation Garden**
- Stage 5a: Junior Sports Fields
- Stage 5b: North Street parking adjacent to 5a
- Stage 6a: Dog Fenced Off-Leash Area
- Stage 6b: North Street parking adjacent to 6a
- Stage 7a: Senior Sports Fields
- Stage 7b: Formalised parking, bus set down & parking

Implications: Renegotiation of Grant conditions - variation

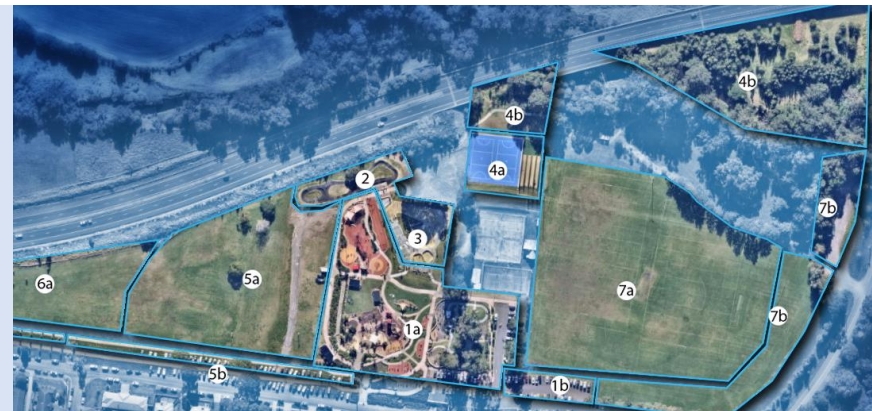


Boongaree Capital Works - updates

- Reports to Ordinary Meetings of Council :
 - MIN23.687 - 27 November 2023 }
 - MIN23.750 - 11 December 2023 } - Decision made to postpone Stage 7 sports fields/ parking
 - MIN 24.44 - 29 & 30 January 2024 - Decision made to place Boongaree on hold
 - Focus on assets renewal and rehabilitation

“RESOLVED...

1. Council not submit an application for a Special Rate Variation... at this time...
- .. **7.** Capital projects to be placed on Hold.. include..
-**b. Boongaree**.....”



Reconciliation Garden draft plans

- Boongaree (pronounced: *boon-ga-ree*) is a destination park located in Berry.
- It is proposed that the Reconciliation Garden could provide a space within the parkland to connect with local Aboriginal culture and to explore ideas of reconciliation.
- *Invitation* for contributions from local Aboriginal elders, organisations, people.



View of Bundewallah Creek

Draft 3D Model – Reconciliation Garden



Draft - indicative view only



Community Engagement: 2022

- Initial engagement with Council's Aboriginal Advisory Committee, the Jerrinja Tribal Council, Jerrinja LALC, and Nowra LALC took place during 2022.
- A National Tree Day planting day event was held on 31 July 2022
 - Reconciliation Fig and other trees were planted
 - Council staff consulted with Aboriginal people about draft garden design ideas on the day



Representation from Aboriginal Advisory Committee, Jerrinja Tribal Council, Jerrinja LALC, Nowra LALC and Shoalhaven City Council with the Reconciliation Fig.



Anticipated Community Engagement: 2024

- *Courteous invitation* to local Aboriginal elders, organisations, communities and people to:
 - View a display of the 3D model draft
 - *An invitation* to offer ideas, feedback, stories
 - Invite Council staff to visit local communities or organisations
 - Participate in an event on Country at the Reconciliation Garden
- Contributions will be recorded *with permission*
- A compilation of ideas, feedback and stories will inform future project planning.
- Updates will be published for the community



Children with Council Designer looking at 3D plans 31.7.2022
National Tree Planting Day



Concept Model

Jonathan Stavert

During the meeting, a 3D animated draft plan was shown to the Committee members present. Screenshots accompany these Minutes.





AA24.3 - Attachment 1







Invitation for Committee feedback

- Concept Model
- Anticipated Engagement activities



The next generation planting the Reconciliation Fig



Thank You!

