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Busy Public Meeting for BeCA this September

Almost 40 residents and guests attended the Monday September 7th BeCA Public Meeting held at the Bellvista Meeting Place.

The first speaker was **Cr Rick Baberowski** who outlined progress on a range of issues relating to the Sunshine Coast and the local area. He reported that the supply of renewable energy for the Sunshine Coast was no longer a dream, that the project was now happening with planning/construction beginning on a huge "Solar Farm".

Civil Works had commenced on a reinvigorated City Centre project for Maroochydore. Planning is underway for a new residential development at Palmview.

An infrastructure agreement has been negotiated and is out for public comment for the new residential development, which would eventually accommodate another 8,000 homes.

An announcement on the long awaited infrastructure agreement on the Caloundra South major development is expected to be made shortly by Stocklands, Council and the State Govt, which will support the launch of the construction of Caloundra South.

Rick added Council welcomed concluding this agreement as its aim is to ensure the impact and costs to the sunshine coast residents would be minimized. Planning for Public Transport arrangements are underway for the new Sunshine Coast University Hospital precinct.

It is planned that a Light Rail connection is one long term option being investigated.

The State Government approval of the Environmental Impact Statement is delaying progress on further development of the Sunshine Coast Airport expansion.

Locally Cr Baberowski reported the 'missing footpath' in O'Reilly Drive has been completed. Additional shade for new playground equipment in the park in Rawson Street is expected to be installed prior the end of November.

Planning is in place for a new footpath connecting Bellvista's Crater St with Little Mountain's Ghostgum Place. This pathway will ensure a second all weather pedestrian access will be in place to connect the two estates and support effective access for students to Unity College.

Cr Baberowski expressed his support to assist any group wishing to conduct a series of public sessions at Bellvista Meeting Place. Current rentals of the facility almost cover Council's annual costs but Cr Baberowski is keen to see more local groups use the facility.

Cr Baberowski has experience with gaining grants for local interest groups and can assist groups

Jason Hunt of Queensland Correctional Services provided an overview of how the service works across Queensland. Currently the service houses around 7,500

inmates in facilities designed to accommodate 5,500. When the annual total cost of running the service are divided by the number of inmates the amount comes to \$80,000 per person.

Jason described the various conditions inmates had depending on their sentence and the type of crime for which they were sentenced. These conditions are highly dependent on the sentence.

Jason took questions from the floor and after the meeting hosted a display of various intimidating items confiscated from inmates. The display was a real eye opener for those in attendance.

Stockland's Fleur Thresher and Paul McDonald provided an update on the 'new' second entry/exit road for the estate. This information has already been made public by BeCA. It is currently expected the new road will be in full operation around December 2016.

BeCA suggests residents who wish to see a map of the proposed roadworks should visit the Bells Reach Sales Office and see the large on display there.

There was some general discussion on traffic issues across the local area. It is felt a connecting road between Bellvista Blvd and Pelican Waters Link Road was a more effective way to lessen traffic issues around the estates as well as Caloundra Rd. Residents were encouraged to maintain pressure on both State and Federal government representatives to have any construction brought forward as a matter of urgency.

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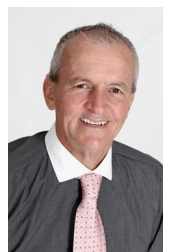
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Finally Lorraine Hendy (0419 248 548) from Lake Currumbundi, Kawana Lions Club spoke of the new Caloundra West Lions Club and the various activities Lions Groups undertake in supporting community needs. Penni Nulty (0422292785) is the new Caloundra West Lions President and she spoke of her involvement with Lions.

The President reported the final BeCA **Public Meeting on November 2nd at 6:45pm will host Local MP Mark McArdle and Federal member Mal Brough as speakers.** Planning is underway for a display by various Emergency Services groups (including a Sausage Sizzle). All residents and their families are invited to attend the demonstration. You may stay on for the Public Meeting if you desire.

AGM: is it time for you to get involved with our local Community?

BeCA's Annual General Meeting will be held at the final BeCA Public Meeting on November 2nd. If you are interested enough to be involved with our BeCA Committee Meetings, there are nomination forms available from the **Positive Property People Office** at Bellvista Market Place or for download from our website under the "Links" tab. **You can be a Management Committee member if you live, or own land in Bellvista or Bells Reach, or are employed in the area.**

You need to lodge a separate form for each 'category' (President/Secretary/Treasurer or simply a Management Committee member) and have it in the hands of the BeCA Secretary 14 days prior to the AGM October, 4:00pm October 19th.

Huge upgrades for BeCA Water and Sewage

Work is underway on two huge upgrades to both water and sewerage connections for Bellvista/Bells Reach. It will be a continuation of work you may have seen occurring along the southern side of Caloundra Rd. Stage 2 of the upgrade has already begun, as you may have seen.

Upgrading the sewerage connection will be done first with new pipes being installed along Bellvista Blvd from behind Bunnings all the way down to the entry to the Arbour estate and should all be completed weather permitting within 14 weeks (before Christmas). The pipes will be installed in trenches along the eastern side of Bellvista Blvd.

Stockland are mindful of keeping any disruptions to a minimum with the delivery of large pipes and other materials for the construction being made outside of school pick up and drop off times. A major site office and materials storage area will be erected just south east of the Dumbarton Drive/Bellvista Blvd roundabout. There should be no disruption to

the sewerage during construction.

However the Indigo Rd/Bellvista Blvd intersection may be closed for a short time while trenches are dug.

Boring equipment will be used when ever possible for other intersections. There is a small possibility that some detours or lane closures would be required as a fall back position to allow construction to continue.

Where public safety is concerned, residents will be requested to keep children away from stored materials and work areas. Some materials will need to be dropped off along Bellvista Blvd from time to time. Because of regulations, sewerage and water supply upgrades cannot be done at the same time in the same trenches. Stockland expect to upgrade the water supply connection early in 2016.

Work has begun on the Sewer Upgrade along Bellvista Blvd south of the Bells Reach Rd roundabout. Much of the laying of the huge pipes will be from trenches dug by heavy machinery. There will be a section which will be drilled underground for 50 metres until the trenches are employed again.

Bells Reach and Bellvista External Rising Sewer Main Alignment Plan



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Refurbishment of Local Tavern has set a new benchmark in dining

Bellvista Tavern in Caloundra West, has recently had a facelift, with new black wool carpet, a new bar front, new menu and a revitalised outdoor Patio!

The Patio is just perfect for family functions, business luncheons, dinners, sporting clubs and special events birthdays and engagement celebrations etc. The new naked bulb lights create an atmosphere to The Patio and offer guests an ambient outdoor space to celebrate with family and friends. The new décor, signage and rustic blackboards have added a modern edge to the venue.

The delicious new menu features **Grilled Salmon** with lemon butter, **Tagliatelle Bolognese**—slow roasted braised beef brisket in a rich tomato sauce finished with shaved parmesan, plus numerous other outstanding dishes

Our Vista Burger, new Pizzas & Steak options and many of our old favourites like Steak Sandwiches, 7 types of Schnitzels and the Roast of the Day remain on this new menu!

The addition of \$15 Daily Specials (Monday to Thursday), deliver real value for money for our locals. That include our other two venues Brightwater Hotel or Parklands Tavern. We invite all our past and present customers to come on in and say hello and to enjoy the great atmosphere that our new tavern has to offer. *(Article supplied by Tavern Management)*

Lion's Club Members Drive!

The new Caloundra West Lions Club will be having a FREE BBQ at Canavan Gracie Recreation Park at the Bellvista Meeting Place on 11th October 2015 between 10am to 2pm.

They will have FREE, sausages, onion, bread, drinks music, children's entertainment and as well as Membership drive.

Contact Lorraine Hendy (0419 248 548) for more information.



Keeping Up To Date

Where do you find the most recent updates to what is happening around Bells Reach and Bellvista?

It isn't in this newsletter we regret to say as much of the news included here has been lifted directly from the News And Events tab of the BeCA website or from the BeCA Facebook page!

You can find the website at www.bellvista.com.au or just "Google" Bellvista Community Association.

The addition of Bells Reach to the name of the organisation means it may not be in Google just yet. From the website you will find links to the BeCA Facebook page.

If BeCA has your email address you will be kept informed on any news updates.

Caloundra Aerodrome Forum : Success at Last ?

From the August Caloundra Aerodrome Forum meeting, BeCA understands the Interim Satellite Helicopter Training Facility interim solution has been all signed and is about to be put into practice.

BeCA representatives have been advised that a press release is to confirm this agreement. The agreement has been made with Becker Helicopters and does not include Chopperline/Airways Aviation, the helicopter training company which operates out of Caloundra Aerodrome.

This will mean that up 70% of repetitive circuits by helicopters from Becker Helicopters will be removed from above our

homes. The remaining 30% of training includes activities which must be completed at an aerodrome. This should not include numerous repetitive circuits.

It has been negotiated that this 30% of activity will be limited to 2 x 90 minute sessions per day involving no more than two aircraft at a time between 8 am and 5 pm, Monday to Friday. The 90 minute sessions are to be timed from base to base, i.e. that is the 90 minutes begins from the departure from Maroochydore until their return to Maroochydore. The agreement remains until December 2016.

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It was also reported that the permanent solution discussions are continuing between a new Sunshine Coast Airport Task Force Team and the State Government and are progressing well. The permanent deal was within a signature or two from signing off with the previous LNP State Government, but lapsed when the state election was called.

The Task Force Team has managed to pick up the pieces and discussions on finalizing the deal with the new State Labor Government are progressing very well indeed. It appears the 'permanent' solution will be a more sophisticated facility than the temporary one which is basically just an open plot of ground.

Other discussions at this meeting included keeping the issue of Caloundra Aerodrome relocation 'on the table' with this group. Mick Graham from the Golden Beach Progress Association continued to point out the rapid development of residential areas in close proximity to the current aerodrome and the impact this may have on the aerodrome's ability to continue to operate effectively into the future.

There was concern that as the Sunshine Coast Airport developed with the new runway proposal, there may be an overflow of aircraft training and activity on to

Caloundra Aerodrome to the detriment of residential areas. According to Sunshine Coast Airport Management, this will not happen.

BeCA raised concerns on public safety. The rapidly deteriorating traffic situation on the Sunshine Coast as the region becomes the second fastest residential growth area in Australia, made the major construction of roads, the need to develop the CAMCOS corridor and the supply of other infrastructure a major focus for the region and Council. The relocation of the Aerodrome could become a possibility and ensure its future.

With the proposed visit of the Minister for Transport in November, it was suggested time be found for this forum to meet with him to further discuss this area's needs.

Other topics discussed included the need to further promote the Queensland Air Museum as a major tourist attraction. It was suggested the extension of land (still under process) available to the museum would allow it to become the major tourist feature it should be. It boasts one of the best collections in the world. The visit of Cruise Ships to the region and possibility of tours to the Queensland Air Museum should be further developed. The next scheduled meeting of this Forum is to be early in December

Bellvista Blvd/Dumbarton Dr Roundabout 'Keep Clear'

Recently BeCA applied to have the road space in front of Dumbarton Drive on the Bellvista Blvd roundabout nominated as a Keep Clear area to permit motorists exiting Dumbarton Dve during school pick up times better access to the intersection from Bellvista Blvd traffic queued across the roundabout.

BeCA was not confident of a positive outcome to its application and in recent correspondence from Council this has proved to be the case.

BeCA used the precedent already in place on Caloundra Rd near the soccer fields as an example. Council has indicated the Caloundra Rd Keep Clear space was not a proper use of "Keep Clear" road markings and therefore should not be used as a precedent.

The Council's response: "Unfortunately the vehicles queuing through the roundabout is an enforcement issue and not one that should be addressed using Keep Clear line marking."

The example quoted on Caloundra Road is an example of where Keep Clear line marking should not have been used. It is considered that continuing to use Keep Clear line marking incorrectly will initiate other requests for locations that are also not appropriate.

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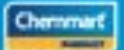
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