

**Resident asked who in the community wanted a new art gallery? Suggested that a boat ramp could have been built with the money instead!**

Council advised that most of the funding for the Art Gallery is from the State Government. The gallery is also reflected in the community plan and the arts are always part of any community. Council also advised in regards to the boat ramp that Council's do not build boat ramps, State Government's do.

**Resident asked for an update on a crossing in Hartley Street for the kindy and schoolchildren to use. The western side of the road has a footpath but no pedestrian crossing across the road to connect to it.**

Council advised it would log this request and have the infrastructure department organise a meeting with the school P&C. [Request #532281](#)

**Resident advised that they had heard there was to be an upgrade to the Emu Park Hall and this might include air conditioning.**

Council advised that there is maintenance scheduled for January, which will see the hall out of bounds for about 4 weeks while this maintenance is completed. Maintenance works will include:

- Upgrade to toilets
  - Replacing cisterns and vanity basins
  - Replacing glass louvres
- Installing vinyl on the bare concrete outside the toilets
- Replacing shelving outside the ladies toilets
- Sanding and recoating the timber floors

**Resident asked Council for an update on the drum lines on the main beach.**

Council advised that this is a State and Federal issue, but agrees that they should be engaging the community through forums to keep them informed.

**Resident raised the issue of Pattison Street and turning into the Caravan Park. There is no slip lane at the entrance to the caravan park and it is becoming very dangerous especially with larger caravans and motorhomes turning into the park. Resident also suggested that a full upgrade of Pattison Street to Ferguson Street occurs including widening and better traffic management controls. Traffic is using Phillip Street to avoid coming through town, which is creating more traffic with more speed in a built up residential area.**

Council advised that Pattison Street is a Department of Transport and Main Roads controlled road but it would log this request

**Resident raised concern that the community do not get any information about the projects going on in Emu Park for example the Kerr Park Project.**

Council explained that they had engaged representatives from key organisations in the community to be part of the Emu Park Foreshore and Town Centre Revitalisation Project, Stage 3 which meetings every few months. This project is ending in January/February 2020. The organisations were chosen based on their ability to communicate information to the community about the project and to be part of the design and construction phases. Council also advised that information regarding the project is on Council's website. Council also encouraged anyone that wanted to part of future steering committees, to give their name and contact details to Council today.

**Residents raised concerns about the lack of car parking in the CBD area especially with the new Art Gallery going in this area now. The community definitely do not want to see multi-story car parking anywhere in the town centre but car parking in general needs to be addressed by Council.**

Council advised it would log this request with the planning department for consideration. [Request #532284](#)

**Resident raised concern about the Pandanus trees that are being affected by the 'jemalla Australis' pest. The Resident acknowledged that Council's open spaces and environmental units are both aware of the pest and are working to save the foreshore and round about trees at this stage. The resident would like to see Council develop a management plan for the whole region as the Pandanus tree is iconic to this region and should be protected.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532286](#)

**Resident asked if the current cycle path would go to Kinka Beach. Resident also advised that if Council needed to scope out the Kinka section in regards to the cycle path placement then now would be a good time to do this, as there has been a good burn in the area exposing the foreshore.**

Council advised yes. The cycle path is expected to reach the Causeway by March 2020 and further funding will see it continue to Kinka Beach. The masterplan has connectivity all the way to Emu Park. Council advised it would log the request in regards to the inspection of the area. [Request #532288](#)

**Resident raised concerns about the water pressure at Zilzie and wanted to know if Council still had plans to build the water reservoir. The resident advised that all houses at Zilzie currently have tanks and pumps that pump town water into the tanks that then service the showers and toilets in the households. This costs the general resident additional electrical costs. If everyone were to abort the pumps there would be a real water pressure issue.**

Council advised that plans for the water reservoir are still on Council's forward works plans and location being considered is near the concrete place out of town.

**Resident advised that Thwaite Park at Zilzie is very untidy and overdue for some maintenance.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532289](#)

**Resident advised that Council was a member of the "Cities Power Partnership" and wanted to know what this was and what Council has in place in regards to this.**

Council advised that is it a partner and has been for about 2 years. The program is about providing resources for Council's to access and use in regards to climate change and environmental streams. Council has used the resources to develop policy and procedures.

**Resident congratulated Council on the Anzac Memorial walk and singing ship. However raised an issue in regards to the seat that is situated behind the ship which then blocks the view. Can Council consider relocating the seat or installing a new one on the other side of the ship.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532292](#)

**Resident raised issues about sustainability and believes it should be overarching of the whole Council in everything they do.**

Council advised it does try to be sustainable and is continuing to develop and implement more sustainable practices in everything they do but agree that this is a progressive process and one that won't happen overnight.

**Resident raised the concern about the staffing numbers of council and how the acting positions are very high and it is always backfilling! Staff need more support!**

Council agreed that staffing levels are hard but it is only a small organisation and is doing its best in this area.

**Resident raised concerns about not for profit groups in the shire having to complete paperwork and pay for park hire when they are running events. Council needs to consider developing a policy specifically for not for profit organisations.**

Council advised that they understand the frustration but the paperwork is designed to ensure the event, event organisers and Council all operate within the various legislation, policy and processes that need to be met when running events. In regards to park hire, Council rarely charges not for profit organisations for park hire, but will provide this as in-kind sponsorship for the event. Council needs to be transparent with expenditure and income as it is dealing with public money. The Council's events team are always ready to help out any groups needing assistance with the paperwork or the sponsorship applications.

**Resident raised concern about cars parking over the footpath outside the pool.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532293](#)

**Resident asked if Council would consider relocating the Liberty Swing to Kerr Park so it can be more utilised by the community.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532294](#)

**Resident raised concern about the climbing equipment in Bell Park playground. With no shade cover it is preventing the community from using it 80% of the year. Can Council consider either putting shade over it or replacing it with different equipment. It is a real safety issue for smaller children.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532296](#)

**Resident raised concern about cars hooning on Monte Carlo Drive and using the no through road as access to the beach.**

Council advised that this is a police issue.

**Resident raised concern about the over grown allotments in Zilzie Bay Estate and the entry to the estate is disgusting and ugly.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532298](#)

**Resident raised concern about the erosion on Muskens Beach and asked if this could be a result of the groin going in. Also asked Council to rethink the maintenance program for the erosion, as it is not working.**

**Resident requested a copy of the hydrology report.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532299](#)

**Resident asked Council about the bus stops going in along Kinka Beach from the causeway to Tandy Road Junction and why there are no pedestrian crossings going in with them.**

Council advised it was not aware of the bus stops, but would log this request with the relevant department.

[Request #532277](#)

**Resident asked why Emu Park does not have free Wi-Fi in more places as Yeppoon does.**

Council advised that the conduits have gone in the Kerr Park project but will not be connected due to funding. Council will definitely put Wi-Fi in when funding permits

**Resident asked if Council could consider lighting the pathway to the bowls club. This is quite popular now that the Bowls Club has reopened but it is not lit.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532300](#)

**Resident raised concern about the entrance to Tanby Garden Centre off Kinka Beach Road. There is no slip lane and vehicles are using the side of the road to pass turning traffic. It can be quite dangerous.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532301](#)

**Resident raised concern about no slip lane on Pattison Street to turn into Sleeman Street near the RSL Retirement village. Cars have to pass on the outside of the turning car and there is a guide post and a drain if cars pass too wide.**

Council advised it would log this request. [Request #532302](#)

Council asked the attendees if they wanted another meeting in the new year that would be attended by Council officers including Engineers and planners to answer their questions? Show of hands indicated the attendees wanted this. Council requested that when the attendees received the email from the Engagement and Events Team regarding the minutes from this meeting could they send a reply email to Engagement and Events Team advising if they would attend a meeting in January/February.