

Wyee West Paper Subdivision Update for landowners

DECEMBER 2018

What's been happening

There has been plenty of work occurring behind the scenes in 2018, with the preparation of a number of studies to help guide the detailed design of infrastructure for the Wyee paper subdivision.

Completed studies include geotechnical (soil condition), ecological (native flora and fauna), bushfire and archaeological. Council is hoping to appoint the consultants shortly, who will prepare engineering designs for roads, stormwater drainage, water and sewer reticulation, electricity, broadband and landscaping. This work is expected to be complete by mid-2019, and will provide the basis for detailed costing of infrastructure works.

At this stage, consultation with all landowners is expected to take place later in 2019, once Council has a more accurate idea of which financial contribution options are likely to be offered.

Working together

At the end of 2017, a reference group was established to help guide planning considerations for the paper subdivision. The group met on nine occasions in 2018 and, with contributions from a number of guests and subject matter experts, discussed issues including wastewater disposal considerations, opportunities for housing assistance from a not-for-profit organisation, potential options for landowners to make contributions towards the cost of infrastructure, alternative electricity supply options and carrying out building assessments of existing unapproved dwellings.

We thank Councillors David Belcher, John Gilbert and Nick Jones for their participation in this group, as well as landowners Joanne Cho, Martin Foster, Judex, Kathryn Kacperek, Lyndie Menken and (the late) Jason Pauls.

Remember you can stay updated and ask questions through shape.lakemac.com.au/wyee-paper.

What's Next

Work is proposed in late December 2018 or in January 2019 to carry out temporary improvements along Pirama Road, Tulkaba Road and Karakunba Road. This will involve some surface preparation and the placing of reclaimed asphalt pavement (a hard-wearing gravel) to improve vehicle access along these roads. We expect this work will make domestic waste services available to all streets within the paper subdivision, and enable residents to participate in a bulk waste collection scheduled for late February.

We are also investigating additional short-term measures to reduce the risk to existing dwellings from bushfire. In some instances, Council may seek cooperation of landowners to allow hazard reduction works to take place. Other work to take place in the first half of 2019 includes inspecting existing dwellings by Council's Building Surveyors and further investigations into landowner contributions options, including understanding financial and legal implications.

Unauthorised development remains a concern, and Council compliance staff regularly monitor the area for new unauthorised works.

We thank you for your patience as we continue to work towards improving safety and enabling development of the Wyee West paper subdivision and wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and New Year.



Council's compliance officer chats with a resident.