

MEETING NAME	People & Community Strategic Reference Group
ATTENDEES	M Sheehan (Manager Community, Arts and Tourism), R Moran (Events Team Leader), N L Norris (Senior Strategic Planner), C Whitten (Acting Manager Strategic Planning), Councillor Suzy Brandstater (Chair), Councillor Ally Dench, Elizabeth Gunter, Dennise Hanmore (4:08pm), Dave Clayton, Christine Duncan, Lyn Bright, Greg Duffy, Hugh Gent (Online), Kazan Brown (Online) and a Minute Taker.
APOLOGIES	David Azzopardi and C McArdle (Manager Waste & Environment)
DATE	1 April 2026
TIME	4:03pm

ITEM	NOTES
Declaration of Interest	Nil.
Confirmation of Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting held on 10 December 2025 were confirmed. Mover: Greg Duffy Seconder: Lyn Bright
Matters Arising from Previous Minutes	There were no matters arising from the previous Minutes.

Events Review	- Events Team Leader gave an overview and presented to the group on the upcoming Events Review Project and Council Events in the near future. A flyer with a QR Code was given to group members. - Feedback on events was provided: - Members have not/cannot attend due to Mobility, Parking and Transport Issues at Council Events - Communication for the Elder generation to be able to provide feedback and events information - The idea to expand Doggy Day out across the Shire was mentioned - Maintaining Public Liability Insurance when partnering with Community Organisations is difficult and expensive.
Comprehensive DCP Review	Senior Strategic Planner and The Acting Manager Strategic Planning presented and ran an activity with the group, as a part of the Comprehensive DCP Review Project. Councillor Ally Dench left the meeting at 5:05pm.
Tahmoor Coal Mine Liquidation Response	- The Mayor provided an update on the Tahmoor Coal Mine Liquidation Response to the group and what Council has been doing for the community whilst the Mine is going through the process of Administration. - Employee Connect Event (Tahmoor Hub) Wednesday 6 May 2026, attachment has been circulated with the minutes. - Christine Duncan raised the idea of a Women's event to support the women/wives/mothers/partners who are supporting their husbands and partners through the Tahmoor Coal Mine Liquidation.
Engagement News and Updates	Manager Community, Arts and Tourism provided the group with an update on what is currently on Wollondilly's YourSay Page and encouraged the group.
Welcome to Wollondilly Pack Discussion	- The Chair, Councillor Brandstater discussed with the group the Welcome to Wollondilly Packs. - Key parts that the group thinks that new residents should be given are: - Transport Information (Train times with direct links to Sydney)

	○ Local Schools Information ○ Major Council Events ○ The idea of If funding is an issue go out to local businesses for advertising. Action 2: Workshop more ideas, and bring back Item to future meeting. Action 3: Vulnerable Persons register, Manager Community Arts and Tourism to investigate and advise the group of where this register is held.
General Business	• Lyn Bright – When trying to grow community groups and Council booked similar activities on same days. Probus Group in Bargo have had these struggles recently. • Lack of grass maintenance in Bargo, The Mayor Matt Gould provided the group with some background on Maintenance around the Shire. • Intersection near the retirement village in Bargo. • Defibrillators in Picton are run by the Wollondilly Business Chamber. • E-Bike issues within the Shire, This is a policing matter not a Council Matter. Action 4: Flag with the library clashes with Knitting/Arts and craft community groups running the same type program on the same days and times. Probus Group in Bargo

MEETING CLOSE: 5:58pm

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 24 June 2026

REFERENCE: CM15598~4#55