

## PETITIONS (80.20)

**P.085 PROBLEMS EXPERIENCED BY BIRDS DROPPING FOOD ON NEARBY PROPERTIES**

REFERRED TO: HEALTH

REGISTERED NO: 212938

**Background**

A petition, with 7 signatures, has been received from residents of Hillside Road, Avoca Beach, regarding the problems being experienced when the residents of No 80 Hillside Road throw large quantities of bread slices out for the birds.

The petitioners state that birdlife pick up the bread and drop it over several nearby properties, in the yards, the pools and on balconies. Washing being hung out on the line also attracts bird droppings. The petitioners also state that the amount of bread being thrown out has attracted more birdlife than is usual and fruit trees on the hillside have been raided repeatedly by the birds, mainly by the flocks of sulphur-crested Cockatoos. The petitioners are concerned about the potential of the bread and fruit droppings to bring rats, flies and other health problems.

The petitioners further state they have approached the residents at No 80 Hillside Road, explaining the problem, and asking them to decrease the amount of bread they throw out or put out bird seed in a dish, however no change in the practice has been observed.

**Request**

The petitioners request that Council's health officers act promptly to stop this problem emanating from No 80 Hillside Road, Avoca Beach.

**P.086 FERRYMASTER'S COTTAGE – LOT 222 DP 514964 WAGSTAFFE AVENUE, WAGSTAFFE**

REFERRED TO: REGULATORY OPERATIONS (DE.086 &amp; P.088)

REGISTERED NO: 214597

**Background**

A petition, with 18 signatures, has been received from residents of Wagstaffe, Hardys Bay, Pretty Beach and Killcare supporting Council's proposal to include the Ferry Master's Cottage in Schedule 8 of the Gosford Planning Scheme Ordinance, as an item of environmental heritage.

The petitioners state that the house, despite some unsympathetic alterations, is very representative of the style and period of the early development of this area and it should be possible to sympathetically restore, and even extend, this house without the need for demolition.

**P.087**      **TRAFFIC & PARKING ISSUES – LEA AVENUE, WAMBERAL**  
REFERRED TO: TRANSPORT  
REGISTERED NO: 215365

**Background**

A copy of a petition, with 53 signatures, has been received from concerned parents of Wamberal Public School regarding the traffic and parking problems being experienced from the closure of the dirt car parking area within the school grounds.

The petitioners have requested the School to consider sealing the dirt car parking area which would allow staff to park within the school grounds and thus free up parking for parents in Lea Avenue, instead of parking along the busy Tumbi Road.

The petitioners agree with the request to remove recent traffic restrictions on The Entrance and Tumbi Roads roundabout to allow improved traffic flow, and with the introduction of the “5 min drop off/pick up” to replace the current “No Standing” sign on the school side of Lea Avenue, but also suggest the following changes:

- Construct a footpath on the school side of Lea Avenue.
- Construct a “seagull” turning lane on Tumbi Road to provide motorists with a safe area to make a right hand turn from Lea Avenue.
- Construct some “tail in” angle parking between the large trees on Lea Avenue opposite the school with screening plants outside front boundaries of adjoining properties for privacy.

**P.088**      **DEMOLITION OF FERRYMASTER’S COTTAGE, LOT 222 DP 514964**  
**WAGSTAFFE AVENUE, WAGSTAFFE**  
REFERRED TO: LEGAL SERVICES (DE.086 & P.086)  
REGISTERED NO: 216544

**Background**

A petition, with 110 signatures, has been received from the Pretty Beach, Wagstaffe & District Progress Association Inc, wishing to protest over the demolition of the Ferrymaster’s Cottage and expressing appreciation over Council’s efforts to preserve this historic building.

**Request**

The petitioners hope that this violation of our heritage will be suitably dealt with so that such an irreversible action does not become a precedent.

- P.089**      **REQUEST FOR PROVISION OF A GARDEN ORGANICS BIN SERVICE TO LEA AVENUE AND LONGVIEW CLOSE, WAMBERAL**  
REFERRED TO: HEALTH (P.078)  
REGISTERED NO: 216780

**Background**

A petition, with 39 signatures, has been received from residents of Lea Avenue and Longview Close, Wamberal, requesting that Gosford City Council provide the fortnightly garden organics recycling bin service to residents in their streets, as they are close to the serviced areas in Aldinga Drive.

The petitioners agree to pay the \$37.00 annual charge, as stated by Council, to pay for this component of the service.

- P.090**      **DEVELOPMENT OF DAVISTOWN WETLANDS**  
REFERRED TO: ENVIRONMENT  
REGISTERED NO: 217250

**Background**

A petition, with 41 signatures, has been received from residents of Davistown, protesting the development of the remaining Davistown Wetlands, as this will cause flooding to existing properties and wipe out many protected species of fauna and flora (Golden Bell Frog being among these).

The petitioners state that the wetland area is necessary for absorption of rainfall and high tides.

- P.091**      **PROPOSED SUBDIVISION AT LOT 2 SUBDIVISION 41 DP 23950 NO 2 LESLIE PARADE, SARATOGA**  
REFERRED TO: REGULATORY OPERATIONS  
REGISTERED NO: 218953

**Background**

A petition, with 18 signatures, has been received from residents of Saratoga requesting that Council uphold the refusal of the above application.

The petitioners state that the application, which was refused by Council, has been given a 14 day extension for the applicant to answer the grounds for refusal.

The petitioners further state that there is an opportunity here to bring to a halt inappropriate development and proceed thoughtfully, carefully and respectfully with an eye towards the future for the environment of a unique and beautiful part of the Central Coast.

