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ROADS COMMUNITY MEETING – GROUP 1

22 AUGUST 2025 | 10AM–1PM | LAGLAN STATION

PRESENT

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Sam Cobb	Community	Robert Perna	IRC
Bree Kiernan	Community	Cr Terry O'Neill	Councillor
Cynthia Walker	Community	Tony Keys	IRC
Matt Hill	Community	Alesha Hall	IRC
Debra O'Brien	Community	Sean Robinson	IRC
Cheyenne O'Brien	Community	Joel Kuczynski	IRC
Joanne Salmond	Community	Gideon Breytenback	IRC
Scott Moller	Community	Kylie Dowd	IRC
Andrea Moller	Community	Lila Fry	IRC
Carl Moller	Community	Cr Jane Pickels	Deputy Mayor
Carla Nicol	Community	Michael Buckley	IRC
Cathie Fernie	Community		

APOLOGIES

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Mayor Kelly Ve a Ve a	IRC	Meg Luke	Community
Melissa Salmond	Community	Shane Blackley	Community
Taj and Tony Jones	Community	Mark and Pam Suhr	Community

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Opening
- Meeting opened by Robert Perna (Director Engineering and Infrastructure) and Cr Jane Pickels acknowledging Deb and Cheyenne for kindly hosting the meeting at Laglan Station. - Robert Perna introduced council staff members and their role in the organisation. Apologies for Mayor Kelly Ve a Ve a who is unable to attend due to a conflicting meeting with Mackay Health regarding Clermont Medical Services. - Cr Pickels provided an overview of the previous road committee structures and the importance of communication between road users/residents and council. <i>Meeting actions</i> are to be captured and will be distributed to the group. This information will be considered and will provide input into prioritising Council's works program.

Meeting Ground Rules – Cr Pickels

Ground Rules were discussed and a copy of these were provided in the handout to all attendees and will be provided in the minutes. Our meetings follow a similar format across the region.

Discussion around the action items from the Clermont Meeting held in April and review of the closed/completed items. Remaining open action items will roll into the action items from today's meeting.

ACTION: Forward minutes from the Clermont Meeting in April to all participants for their awareness.

IRC Roads Program Development – Robert Perna

An overview of the "Star/Priority" of roads and Councils usage involved in the creation of the roads program. IRC are developing a link for the public website for searchable database and if possible viewing of the latest road imagery.

Discussion around splitting councils budget into segments to develop the works program based on the money available and how the level of service is reviewed to ensure best usage of the funds.

Consistently raised comments throughout the road group meetings around changing the "Star" rating name to Priority or even Service Level Rating as a more accurate name for the system.

Developing the works program include review of:

- Engineering portion which considers weather, traffic volume, type of road, gravel types and environment.
- Road drivers experience – smoothness (roughness counter). Consider review of the IRI coming from truck experience based on work around the region.
- Councils response time to complete defect repairs.
- Gravel coverage across the roads.

Community raised a general consensus that some of the roads haven't been as maintained as they have in the past. Acknowledged by IRC that the Star/Priority rating system has changed the previous works program for more consistency across the region.

DRFA works discussion -

- Community raised "Why can't further repairs be completed at the time of DRFA works?" In response, grant funding requirements are that repairs can only be returned to the previous standard.
- Community acknowledged the assistance and thanks to IRC during a recent floodway construction near Narrien Station which could have turned in a dangerous safety issues, was stopped and corrected by council staff.
- Discussion around the use of Inspector footage for evidence of "before condition" the roads and infrastructure photos in the case of Disaster event.
- Question raised regarding previous 2012 Roads Group committed to bitumen full length of Laglan Road and would this be committed to? IRC response was unfortunately that isn't something on our works

program but Community input and review of “Star” rating of roads within Group 1 would help to formulate future works and requirements within the area.

ACTION – Community to provide feedback on the current Road Star/Priority listing and respond with any different opinions and any further relevant information.

Question raised around the road condition from Laglan Road to the boundary and discussion around Laglan Homestead Traffic. Lived experience of the traffic does not appear consistent IRC traffic counts. Further counts to be considered. Could counters be installed at Degulla and Lou Lou Park Road and brief discussion around future signage to be installed for clarification of destination signage. Could signage similar to Pioneer Road be installed (these requests will be furthered to the other departments for action – Cr Pickels). Brief discussion around availability for tourism signage funding.

ACTION – IRC to monitor available funding opportunities for signage.

ACTION - Traffic Counter information to be provided in the minutes for community review.

Question raised for the community attending around the sculpture trail and was their grant funding for the “sculptures” and the signs followed or was the funding for signage after the “sculptures” were already installed – for further clarification by community members.

ACTION – Updated traffic counts and location of counter to be considered based on feedback.

IRC Roads Program – Robert Perna

Question raised regarding IRC road crew usage as viewed by community and the lack of productivity. IRC response – some delays are out of the road crews hands for example – breakdowns, stores items but the team are working on improved productivity to address frustrations by community and the crews themselves. Internal supervisors are reviewing usage of crews with concept of internal crews looking after shorter roads and external crews looking after the longer roads to reduce mobilisation costs.

Community requested that the crews start work at the furthest end of the road to ensure that the last portions are completed and crews aren’t travelling back and forth over the roads.

IRC reviewing GPS for the grader crews and utilising a more external contractors but acknowledge we will always require internal crews to ensure they are available for disasters and times of low external contractor availability.

CEO requested that during the review of the Road Rating that if community requests to raise a road rating to greater importance, then need to consider dropping a road rating as part of your consideration for the group area to “balance”.

IRC presented the works program as provided in the handout and a copy to accompany the minutes with acknowledgment of some changes due to the wet season approaching. Internal teams are reviewing using external contractors for Laglan who completed the previous works to be engaged. Reviewing mobilisation closer to the works being actioned to cut down on travel time. Current program lists Pioneer Road for December and consensus that wouldn’t be recommended and to bring the works forward to avoid the wet.

Question asked if all costs are included when the total budget is put together for the costings of road maintenance (fleet costs). Response - Yes – all wages, fleet and any activities are included to find a

final price which is then divided by the length of road to work out the total cost per km for maintenance on the roads.

Reseal program was presented with general discussion around the program starting in approx. September and preparation works to occur prior.

Resheet program was presented with total coverage of 30km approx. with 15km approx. in the Western areas

- Laglan, Golden Downs and Glenavon (Gravel from Beresford, Golden Downs, Reserve at Miclere, review of potential new temporary pit at Pasha).
- Question raised over why Laglan Pits aren't being used. IRC to investigate and report back.

UPDATE TO THE RESHEETING WORKS PROGRAM – incorrect chainage location contained in the original works program presented at the meeting has caused confusion. Please see below for the correct chainage for Laglan Road and Golden Downs Road (as confirmed with the team)

• Roads	• CH Start	• CH End	• Total Length (m)
• RESHEET PROGRAM			
• Glenavon Road	• 11500	• 17000	• 5500
• Laglan Road	• 7800	• 8300	• 5000
• Golden Downs Road	• 3500	• 8920	• 5420

ACTION – Review of usage of Laglan Pits previously used and provide a report back to Roads Community Group.

UPDATE – due to the incorrect chainage for Laglan Road works, community raised concerns over the use of Beresford Pit which was selected due to the proximity to the correct chainage for resheeting works - see below map.



Question raised on better community involvement for sourcing gravel and water and why aren't they consulted for previous history and background. Response – IRC has lost connection in the area with the loss of staff recently. Better communication needed between IRC and community to improve engagement in the future.

General discussion around water take notification required to the Department is 10 days prior to the take of the water and include access agreements for the water take.

Discussion around gravel pit requirements and how to keep them current for future use. Contact with community prior to works (culverts) and community feel they need to improve. IRC are improving for the works occurring on No Name Road.

General overview of the Beef Corridors & Inland Freight route funding received for our region. IRC have lodged an application for the Connecting Qld Grant which was successful and announced this week.

- QLD Beef Corridors - 20km sealing on May Downs, 5km either side of the boundary on Clermont Alpha Road,
- Inland Freight – Miclere creek area on the Gregory Highway,
- Connecting QLD - \$2.4m Cotherstone Sealing works.
- TMR/Resourcing \$2.4m Marlborough Sarina Road, \$900k Saraji and Dysart Middlemount Road.

FLOODWAYS UPDATE

An overview of the floodway program (data collection) and the prioritisation of our program going forward was presented with request for Community to review the locations and priorities of the current listing of IRC floodways with approx. 900 in the region and the rolling program for upgrading/maintenance for these floodways.

ACTION – Community to review and rate the floodway listing provided with marker locations (for ease to determine location rather along with chainage) and rate floodways with a Low/Med/High and associated commentary.

ACTION – Community to add any missing floodways found not to be included in the listing.

VOLUNTEER WORKS

Robert Perna presented the volunteers program. This program sits within IRC policies and IRC insurers have accepted this approach. Steps around notification and the registration form were discussed.

Question raised “whether landowners will be covered if someone is killed”? IRC response that yes this would be covered following further “hoops” needed to jump through.

Question raised around whether “Registration is required” and response was “Yes” all machinery would need to be registered to allow them on the “Road”. We are waiting for further Traffic Management Implementation clarification to be received before we can proceed.

Question raised around whose responsibility “Grids are”. Response is property owners are universally responsible for grids and the 10 metres on either side of the grid. Council have acknowledged that they will maintain up to the abutment of the grid during their maintenance.

Question raised on the width of the grids required. Response – this is determined by the Road Hierarchy for grid requirement for example Laglan Road would be 8m and Springvale would be 4m and council are able to provide specific information on request and also that there are no fees and charges for grid repair notifications.

Program is not intended for volunteers to grade entire roads but will be used if there has been an event where council cannot attend to all areas immediately

This program is not to replace IRC doing the work, but as an opportunity to cover volunteers with insurance protections.

Looking at conditional registration requirements.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Overview of the Community Engagement Officer role within the community.

Discussion around “Action Items” from previous meetings that have been and will be collated around the region.

Discussion around a product trialled around repairs on Pioneer Road (2010) that worked very well. Community have requested this product on the road previously but hasn’t received much feedback for this request. Response - Polycon trial wasn’t monitored as well as possible and it is a bit more expensive, but IRC will add this item to their program works review.

Question raised on “When will Laglan Road be upgraded from Star rating of 5 to bitumen road”. Response - industry minimum to lay bitumen on a road is approx. 200 vehicles per day. IRC are reviewing Maintenance vs Bitumen options and the costs to see if there are some areas where laying bitumen is more viable.

ACTION – IRC to report back on investigation to Roads Community Groups.

Question raised regarding guidepost installations and community noting a lack of care from grader operators knocking them out as opposed to grading around them and possibility of reducing costs by reviewing “not” installing these and whether they are required for safety? IRC looking at “not” installing guideposts on certain roads that meet a reduced risk.

Question raised around the Solid white line down the bitumen on Laglan Road through the straight section and then a dotted line through the hilly country where you can’t pass?

ACTION – Review line marking on Laglan Road for solid and dotted line marking and provide a response to community.

Question raised on whether there anything planned for Dunda Creek? Response – it will be included in the Manager Engineering Services review of the works program planning.

ACTION – Review of Dunda Creek maintenance activities.

Question raised on where is the boundary for Belyando Crossing – is it river or property? This will be reviewed by IRC and a response to be provided to the Roads Community Meeting.

ACTION – IRC to review crossing/boundary for Belyando Crossing and provide clarification.

Question raised on whether there is a “full road plan for the next 10 years on each road on what you want to get done”? Response – We are working through our roads and doing an SOI (Statement of Intent) on all roads. This SOI involves compiling information from landowners, internal staff to develop a list of possible future projects for individual roads.

Question raised regarding issues with Flood Indicators:

- Laglan Road flood Indicators - when the water raises higher than 700mm they fall over and when the water drops to 600mm they stand back up. Community asked for review.
- Pioneer Road is missing sign at (Pioneer Road – Mistake Creek),
- 16 Mile marker is out by 0.2.
- Rocky Crossing - automatic reporting needs to be calibrated for the crossing as it isn't accurate.

ACTION – IRC to review issues raised with flood indicators.

Question raised regarding responsibility for Clermont Alpha Road tree maintenance as the trees are encroaching on the road. Response TMR are responsible, but JK will raise these issues with TMR.

Deputy Mayor Jane Pickels reminded attendees that IRC Australia Day nominations are open and if anyone has any activities, persons, local recognition to nominate please look at acknowledging them through this process.

UPDATE regarding Gravel Pit Extraction – Coordinator Natural Resources 4.9.25

Following changes to the *Environmental Protection Regulation 2019* (plain english) the changes relate to:

Where Council requires quarry material necessary to perform their local government responsibilities under the *Local Government Act 2009* or *Transport Infrastructure Act 1994*, they may extract and/or screen quarry material which is 10,000 tonnes or less of material in a calendar year without the need for an Environmental Authority.

This is only applicable to quarry material which is the property of the Crown i.e. Council has a sales permit authorising the removal of the material.

Thank you for your time - meeting closed 12.30 pm

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Traffic Counter Operations						
Street/Road	Chainage	Start Date	Finish Date	Average Daily Traffic	Average Speed	Heavy Vehicle %
Laglan Road	0.060	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	261.3	43.1	18
Dysart Bypass Road	1.600	26/03/2025	23/04/2025	119.0	69.7	35
Upper Flaggy Rock Road	0.400	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	24.4	48.4	23
Greenhill Road	0.080	26/03/2025	23/04/2025	572.3	48.4	19
Collaroy Tierawoomba Road	0.200	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	6.6	38.4	20
Bacon Street	0.380	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	1873.4	36.8	12
Mills Avenue	3.230	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	1399.6	50.9	12
Red Hill Road	0.310	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	921.9	85.1	32
Notch Point Road	0.100	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	123.1	58.5	20
Blair Athol Mine Road	0.160	26/03/2025	7/05/2025	217.7	59.9	30
Cape Palmerstone Road	0.050	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	87.7	43.4	43
Wumalgi Road	0.070	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	8.3	57.4	68
Manly Access Road	0.070	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	5.4	36.7	61
Barada Barna Road	0.130	26/03/2025	12/05/2025	359.0	84.9	33
Flaggy Rock Road	0.030	7/06/2023	2/08/2023	79.6	47.9	46
Russell Park Road	0.200	30/05/2025	27/06/2025	56.1	57.6	43
Moranbah Access Road	2.500	22/05/2025	7/06/2025	5479.5	108.4	30
Mount McLaren Road	19.500	23/05/2025	27/06/2025	37.5	66.1	46
Golden Downs Road	0.100	6/06/2025	27/06/2025	42.0	78.5	42
Rubyvale Road	0.200	27/05/2025	1/07/2025	1035.5	57.1	16
Peakvale Road	0.500	27/05/2025	1/07/2025	182.6	77.3	19
Percy Albert Drive	0.500	27/05/2025	1/07/2025	119.1	63.4	19
Moray Carmichael Boundary Road	0.100	20/05/2025	1/07/2025	110.0	46.7	45
Turrawulla Road	0.200	26/05/2025	7/07/2025	48.1	73.4	47
Connors River Collaroy Road	27.960	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	4.5	57.5	41
Lotus Creek Road	16.610	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	29.5	73.3	55
Lenton Street	0.150	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	151.4	41.2	16
Marshall Street	0.050	30/05/2025	6/06/2025	38.9	28.7	7
McCartney Street	0.120	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	48.1	30.7	16
Long Crescent	0.340	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	50.3	45.3	15
Saraji Road	0.200	2/06/2025	7/07/2025	2678.0	80.7	21

- 1 IRC to review updated traffic counts and location of counter to be considered based on feedback – Laglan Road/Lou Lou Park Road

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