Notice of Motion

Urgent need for safety works to Wakehurst Parkway and Mona Vale Road

Submitted by Councillor Vincent De Luca OAM

That this Council resolves to:

- 1. Note:
 - The recent floods again highlighted the serious dangers occasioned by the closure of Wakehurst Parkway and risks on Mona Vale Road in they being the main arterial roads from the former Pittwater Local Government area to the new Northern Beaches Hospital;
 - b. That during the campaign to Save Mona Vale Hospital, in response to concerns that residents would not be able to travel to Northern Beaches Hospital in an expeditious way, they were assured major works would be undertaken to overcome safety risks on Wakehurst Parkway as well as Mona Vale Road and that rescue helicopters could also be used;
 - c. That helicopters have been unable to be used during the unprecedented poor air quality as a result of the bush fires and also during storms because of inclement weather;
 - d. That Council and Transport NSW have contributed to a Feasibility Study for Wakehurst Parkway works;
 - e. That works have commenced as part of the Mona Vale Road East Upgrades to increase Mona Vale Road from two lanes to four and that the CEO has recently written to the RMS highlighting the safety risks at lower Mona Vale Road;
 - f. The efforts of Federal Member for Mackellar, Mr Jason Falinski MP with a Petition to widen and flood proof Wakehurst Parkway and his advice that he has spoken with the Federal Minister for Infrastructure, The Hon Alan Tudge MP who indicated funds may be available from the Urban Congestion fund to assist with the progression of works needed to Wakehurst Parkway.
- 2. That this Council resolves to:
 - a. Call upon the New South Wales and Federal Governments to allocate funding to urgently overcome safety risks and obstructions and commence works on Wakehurst Parkway and expedite works to Mona Vale Road in order to ensure residents can travel to the Northern Beaches Hospital in an expeditious way;
 - b. Acknowledge the efforts of Mr Jason Falinski MP to address the safety risks of Wakehurst Parkway and ensure funding from the Federal Government;
 - c. Request the CEO to write to the Premier of NSW, The Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, the Minister for Roads and Transport, The Hon Andrew Constance MP and the Member for Pittwater, The Hon Dr Rob Stokes MP and the Member for Wakehurst, The Hon Brad Hazzard MP advising of this Resolution.