

Present	Sue Moore, Mayor (Chair) Gary Mulhearn (Yancoal Representative) Ian Hedley (Community Representative) Pauline Rayner (Community Representative) Neale McCallum (Community Representative) Stirling Keayes (Community Representative) Sarah Purser (Community Representative) Jess Dunston (VPA Projects Officer)
In Attendance	Rebecca Bailey (Governance Lead)
Meeting Location	Committee Room

1 Welcome and Apologies

- Welcome
- Acknowledgement of Country by Chair
- Apologies:
 - Judith Leslie (Alternate Community Representative)
 - Melinda Curtis (Executive Director)
 - Kellie Jordan (IP+R Specialist)
 - Alessandra Seidler (VPA Projects Officer)

2 Disclosure of Interests

- Nil

3 Confirmation of Minutes

- **MOVED** NM **SECONDED** GM that the minutes of the Mount Thorley Warkworth Voluntary Planning Agreement Community Committee meeting held on Thursday 11 September 2025, were confirmed.

4 Matters arising from the Minutes

- Nil.

5 Agenda Items

5.1 Submission Workshop - Round 2 2025 **Executive Summary**

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The Mount Thorley Warkworth VPA Community Committee assessed and voted on the project proposal submitted during Round 2 of the 2025 Mount Thorley Warkworth VPA Funding Program.

The following project was assessed by the Committee. A full breakdown of voting and feedback provided by the Committee is included below.

1. Resurfacing of Cricket Pitch at Bulga Recreation Ground

Total of:

- 2 recommended approval votes
- 5 recommended approval with conditions votes

Recommendation: Recommended with conditions

Committee Votes and Feedback:

- **Pauline – Yes**

The community want this project. Would complement the upgrade to the Bulga Tennis Courts. Hopefully the cricket pitch will be used more including by local schools.

- **Stirling – Yes with conditions**

Requested that the following condition be included in the project scope of work: The surface is to be removed first and an assessment of works to be undertaken be determined at this stage. If minor repairs can be completed to repair the cricket pitch back to an acceptable state that would be the recommendation. If it is determined that a full replacement is needed then replacement will be undertaken.

- **Sarah – Yes with conditions**

Yes with the following condition: The surface is to be removed first and an assessment of works to be undertaken be determined at this stage. If minor repairs can be completed to repair the cricket pitch back to an acceptable state that would be the recommendation. If it is determined that a full replacement is needed then replacement will be undertaken.

- **Neale – Yes with conditions**

Yes with the following condition: The surface is to be removed first and an assessment of works to be undertaken be determined at this stage. If minor repairs can be completed to repair the cricket pitch back to an acceptable state that would be the recommendation. If it is determined that a full replacement is needed then replacement will be undertaken.

- **Mayor – Yes**

The community want this project - lots of community interest and support for this project.

- **Gary – Yes with conditions**

Did a site visit to the cricket pitch. The upgrade to the cricket pitch will complement the Bulga Tennis Court Project. Yes with the following condition: The surface is to be

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removed first and an assessment of works to be undertaken be determined at this stage. If minor repairs can be completed to repair the cricket pitch back to an acceptable state that would be the recommendation. If it is determined that a full replacement is needed then replacement will be undertaken.

- **Ian – Yes with conditions**

Yes with the following condition: The surface is to be removed first and an assessment of works to be undertaken be determined at this stage. If minor repairs can be completed to repair the cricket pitch back to an acceptable state that would be the recommendation. If it is determined that a full replacement is needed then replacement will be undertaken.

MOVED SK **SECONDED** PR

Summary of Project Outcome:

Project assessed	Amount	Committee Recommendation
Resurfacing of Cricket Pitch at Bulga Recreation Ground	\$31,200	Recommended with conditions

NOTED

6 Action List

Pulse/Action No	Meeting Date	Action	Responsible Officer	Due Date
	30 October 2025	Provide further information for insurance requirements for event organisers using the Bulga Cricket Pitch.	VPA Projects Officer	February Meeting
	30 October 2025	Clarify with Council technical staff what the new proposed surface of the Bulga Cricket Pitch will be.	VPA Projects Officer	February Meeting

7 General Business

- Pauline Rayner raised about the Bulga Stock Reserve walking trails. This project would require a new funding application to be submitted. VPA Projects Officer to meet with Pauline to discuss project further.
- Sarah Purser provided the Committee with a quick update on the Bulga Milbrodale Equestrian Centre Feasibility Study Project. Scope of works for

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feasibility study are to be rewritten by Project Manager and submitted back to VPA Projects Officer for approval so that a quotation for consultant can be obtained.

8 Next Meeting

- 19 February 2026 at 1pm – 3pm, Bulga Community Centre

The meeting closed at 1.34pm.

Sue Moore, Mayor
Chair