### **Planning and Regulatory**



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

Acting Director Planning and Regulatory

DATE:

14 December 2016

SUBJECT:

V8 Supercars Australia

This memo has been prepared in response to a number of enquiries raised by Councillors on behalf of constituents (see below) and concerns regarding Supercars Australia Newcastle 500 event scheduled to occur on 24-26 November 2017.

StP2016/00523	Councillor Clausen	11 October 2016
StP2016/00531	Councillor Nelmes	12 October 2016
StP2016/00550	Councillor Nelmes	24 October 2016
StP2016/00585	Councillor Dunn and Councillor Clausen	15 November 2016
StP2016/00593	Councillor Clausen	18 November 2016
StP2016/00624	Councillor Clausen and Councillor Nelmes	05 December 2016
StP2016/00638	Councillor Osborne	12 December 2016

Newcastle City Council, in collaboration with Destination NSW and Supercars Australia, will conduct a series of engagement activities with residents and businesses of Newcastle East regarding the event. The first of these activities commenced with a drop in session on Tuesday 13 December 2016 and another one on Wednesday 14 December 2016 to provide information to East End residents and businesses only.

Additionally a dedicated page for the Supercars event has been set up by Council to address the following key areas:

- Event Information
- Resident Information
- Visitor Information
- Infrastructure Work
- Staying up to date

The information on this website, <u>www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars/Home</u> responds to many of the questions asked by the residential and business community of Newcastle. It will assist greatly in the engagement process and will be regularly updated as more information becomes available. Our community can also be kept up to date by subscribing to an e newsletter available on this site.

In the New Year, a Major Events Resident Working Group (MERWG) will be convened and will include twelve local residents. These residents would be chosen from nominations received or can be nominated from local resident groups. The goal of the MERWG is to ensure residents' concerns can be raised and approached in a solution-focused manner. Newcastle City Council and Supercars Australia will manage the MERWG and where relevant other agencies will attend.

Should you require any further information please contact Jill Gaynor, Manager Strategic Planning Services on 4974 2707.

Andrew Baxter
ACTING DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATORY



### **Planning and Regulatory**



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

Acting Director Planning and Regulatory

DATE:

6 February 2017

**SUBJECT:** 

Supercars

This memo has been prepared in response to a number of requests received in January 2017 from Cr Nelmes Lord Mayor (StP2017/00017 & StP2017/00047), Cr Rufo (StP2017/00030 & StP2017/00031) and Cr Doyle (StP2017/00032) regarding the V8 Supercars Australia Newcastle 500 event scheduled to occur on 24 - 26 November 2017.

Newcastle City Council, Supercars Australia and Destination NSW have been, and will continue, to work closely with organisations including NSW Police, EPA, Work Cover and the Department of Housing, as well as independent consultants, to ensure that the Supercars event will minimise impacts to residents and bring maximum economic and social benefit to Newcastle.

Council has updated its website www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars with information around key areas of interest including:

- Program of work
- Property access
- Access by medical and emergency services
- Managing the welfare of elderly and vulnerable community members
- Accreditation for residents and local businesses
- Compensation and insurance
- Construction activities
- Community and local resident engagement

Whilst many issues are yet to be resolved, Council will continue to work towards addressing residents' concerns and will update the website regularly as more information becomes available.

Further community information sessions will be scheduled to occur in March 2017 and a Community Drop In Centre within the event precinct will be set up and managed by Supercars Australia and Newcastle City Council in April 2017.

This will provide a venue for community members to view a display, obtain information and ask questions about the event.

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Andrew Baxter
ACTING DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATORY



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TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

10 February 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement

I refer to a request by Lord Mayor Cr Nelmes OT2017/00419 regarding community engagement around the Newcastle 500 Supercars event.

Council is working with Destination NSW (DNSW) and Supercars Australia (SA) to deliver a community engagement program. A communications coordination group has been established with representatives from Council, SA and DNSW to coordinate engagement activities.

The program has included community information sessions held in December 2016 with a further round of information sessions scheduled for March 2017.

Council staff met with representatives of DNSW and SA on 2 February 2017 to plan and discuss on-going engagement activities including the next round of community information sessions and establishing a Major Events Residents Working Group and a Community Engagement Committee.

Also discussed at this meeting was the opening, in April 2017, of a Community Drop-in Centre within the event precinct to be managed by SA and Council, as well as enabling legislation.

At this stage, the dates of the March community information sessions are still being confirmed. Another meeting of the partners will be held later this month, when further details will be available.

Councillors will be advised of the dates when they are confirmed and the meetings entered into the Corporate Diary.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

Glen Cousins
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES





### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

23 February 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement Briefing

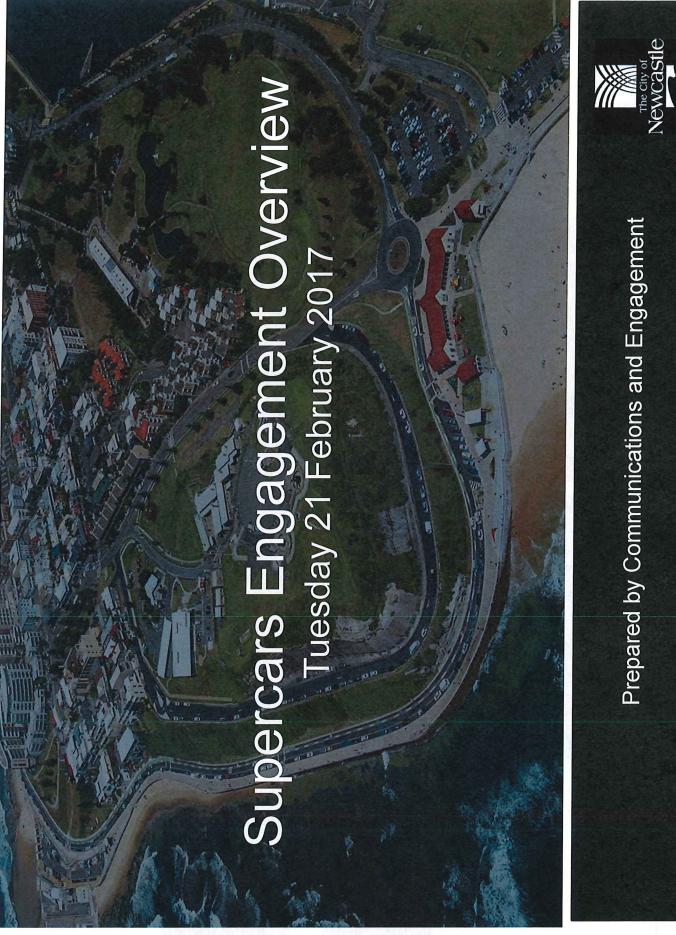
In accordance with the Notice of Motion, NOM 22/11/16 - Supercars Consultation, Council staff provided an update on community engagement activities around the Newcastle 500 Event at the 21 February 2017 Council Briefing Committee Meeting.

The presentation has been posted on the designated Supercars site on Council's main website and is available at <a href="http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars/Residents#communityengagement">http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars/Residents#communityengagement</a>. A copy is also attached for your convenience.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

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### Engagement activities Nov – early Feb

Race announcement 27 September

Information session 9 November

Coordination Group Communication established **December** 

live on NCC website Dedicated microsite 12 December

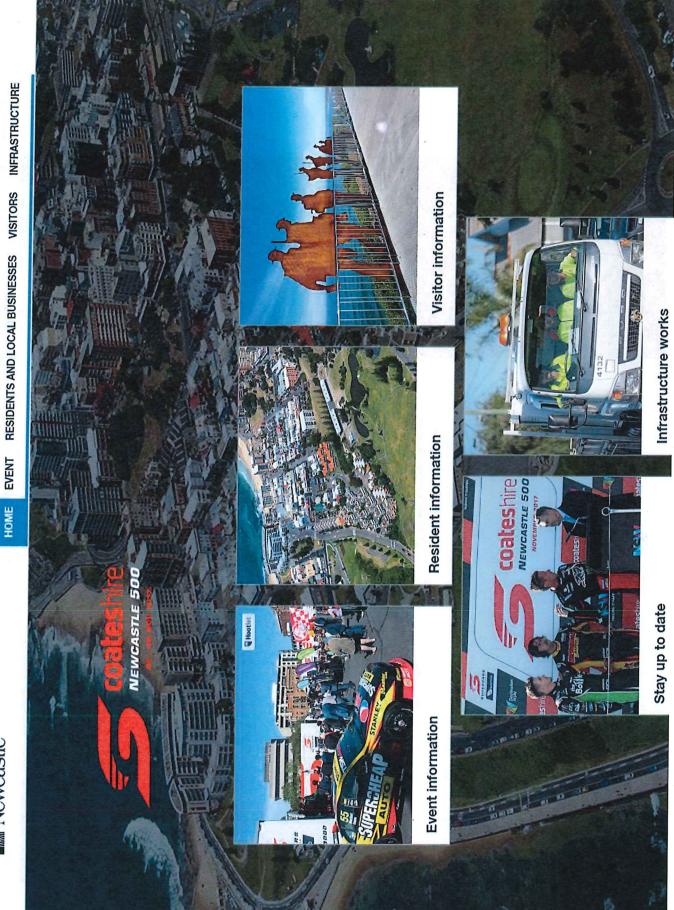
announcement 13 December Final circuit

13 and 14 December Information drop in sessions

1 February Microsite letter sent update/

establish residents working group in Preparations to Jan - Feb Warch







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Residents and local businesses

regularly updated as information becomes available in the lead up to the Newcastle 500 event. The information on this website responds to many of the questions asked by the residential and business community of Newcastle. It will be

### Frequently asked questions

- Program of work
- Property access
- Access by medical and emergency services
- Managing the welfare of elderly and vulnerable community members
- Accreditation for residents and local businesses
- Compensation & Insurance
- Construction activities
- Community and local resident engagement
- General topics
- Infrastructure
- Civil works program (2017 only)
- Flora and fauna
- Risk managament plan
- Temporary structures



# Engagement activities coming up

March

Community information sessions with residents and businesses

March

Community Engagement Committee

March

Formation of Major Events Residents Working Group (MERWG)

April

Supercars information centre opens

# Ongoing engagement activities

	February 2017 to November 2017
Smartsheet	Weekly update of residents' queries
(Internal	
Database)	
Microsite	Updated weekly as new information becomes available
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Newsletters	Regular newsletters sent to residents with updates
Work	Newcastle City Council, Supercars and DNSW are working
collaboratively	closely with various agencies on an ongoing basis. These
with other	agencies include, HNE Health, the EPA, Workcover and the
agencies	Department of Land and Housing among others
Information	Held to inform the community when milestones are
sessions	approaching e.g. infrastructure works
Information	Supercars Australia staff will be available to address
centre	individual's specific needs
FAQ sheets	Developed around various aspects of the event e.g. community
	access, infrastructure works, noise, trees etc.





## Any questions?





### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

Director Corporate Services

DATE:

24 February 2017

SUBJECT:

Newcastle 500 Event - Supercars- Youth Involvement and Community Engagement

This memo responds to a request from Councillor Clausen (OT2017/00681) regarding employment opportunities for local youth around the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event and the community engagement program.

It is our understanding that Supercars Australia is planning a number of initiatives involving young people for the Newcastle 500 Event. We will certainly pass on to Supercars Australia the request that major components of the event are staffed by young people. Further, we will request that Supercars Australia contact Headspace Newcastle regarding potential opportunities.

As outlined at the Council Briefing held on 21 February 2017, Council is forming a Major Events Residents Working Group (MERWG) as part of the community engagement program. The MERWG will be open to East End residents and business owners.

It is also suggested that Council officers encourage from Headspace Newcastle to submit an expression of interest to become a member of the MERWG, noting that eligible residents/business owners will be randomly selected if more than the maximum number of nominations is received. As a resident of the East End along with all other residents and businesses will receive notification that nominations for the MERWG are open. This notification encourages all interested East End residents/business owners to nominate to become members of the MERWG.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

Glen Cousins
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES



### Planning and Regulatory



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Acting Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

Acting Director Planning and Regulatory

DATE:

1 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Updated Information

This memo has been prepared in response to a number of requests received from Councillor Nelmes Lord Mayor during February 2017 (StP2017/00072, StP2017/00073, StP2017/00074, StP2017/00075, StP2017/00083, StP2017/00084, StP2017/00085, StP2017/00086) and Councillor Rufo on 30 January 2017 (StP2017/00031) from a number of residents regarding the V8 Supercars Australia Newcastle 500 event scheduled to occur on 24 - 26 November 2017.

From March 2017, the NSW Government will establish a Newcastle 500 Coordination Office to oversee all aspects of the implementation of the inaugural event ahead of its first running in November 2017. Newcastle City Council and Supercars Australia will work closely with this office which will be staffed by Destination NSW who will oversee community engagement moving forward.

Council will continue to work towards addressing residents' concerns and will update the website, <a href="https://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars">www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars</a> regularly as more information becomes available.

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Andrew Baxter
ACTING DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATORY

### ICEO's office



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Leadership group

FROM:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

DATE:

Wednesday 8 March, 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Heritage Impact Statement

This memo is to advise Councillors that Supercars Australia (SA) has made an Application to the Department of Environment and Heritage under Section 60 of the Heritage Act for approval to carry out a section 57 (1) activity to an item or land listed on the State Heritage register to which an Interim Heritage Order applies.

The 525-page Heritage Impact Statement was prepared by independent consultants Placemark, who specialise in heritage consulting. The process is being managed by the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage under the Heritage Protection Act.

The assessment will be on exhibition from Wednesday, March 8 until Thursday, March 30 at Newcastle City Council – Customer Service Counter and Wallsend District Library.

The report is supported by an Archaeological Assessment Report, the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Due Diligence Assessment and the Geotechnical Report (utilising a number of borehole investigations to confirm sub grade materials).

The Heritage Impact Statement concludes that proposed works to be carried out for the Newcastle 500 event will not adversely impact on the historic themes, the values or the historic fabric of the Coal River precinct around Nobbys.

The impact assessment states:

- The primary views from and through the site will not be impacted by the proposed works.
- The values identified by the Statement of Heritage Significance, provided by the listing for the precinct, will not be adversely impacted upon by the proposed works.
- The proposed Infrastructure and Utilities Upgrades will bring a benefit to Newcastle East.
- The proposed works project brings new interpretative opportunities to the area and the event can promote the heritage character, national profile and heritage significance of Newcastle.
- The proposed works are generally shallow in their design and detail. Refer to section 7.3 'The Nature of the Civil Works.'
- Archaeological potential will be monitored and managed.
- The proposed works do not present inconsistencies with the values of the place, its ongoing use or significance with respect to the Burra Charter.
- The visual impact upon the park itself can be ameliorated. This work has the potential to make a new layer of history for the place (and / or could ultimately be removed).
- The Historic Themes that have been associated with the significance of the place will not be adversely impacted upon by the proposed works.

The Statement of Heritage Impact (section 12) takes the view that the works will not compromise the heritage significance of the Coal River Precinct, rather attempt to integrate the upgrades into the fabric of the area.

The report states that the Community Benefits to be realised through collaborative design approach include:

- Collaboration of utilities agencies through State Government coordination to achieve utility renewal works to assist Council asset renewal works in significantly shorter timeframes than could be achieved by Council
- Reduced long term impact on community through coordination of works and delivery to avoid long periods of work over a number of years by all different agencies
- Efficiencies in project management and delivery of combined works
- Bringing forward of planned renewal works to reduce future short term works and improve presentation of the City for a large broadcast event
- Provision of pedestrian crossing on Wharf Road and Pasha Way to improve pedestrian safety between Foreshore Park, Camp Shortland and Nobbys Beach
- Provision of bus drop off zone for Nobby's Beach (school or tourist) located in Nobby's Roadnear Wharf Road roundabout
- Improved pedestrian access between Nobbys Road/Wharf Road car park adjacent to Nobbys beach pavilion through reduction in level changes
- Improved circulation through Nobbys Road car park
- Reconfiguration of Wharf Road/Pasha Way/Horseshoe Beach Access road intersection to improve safety including Port Corporation access
- Construction of a connection between Joy Cummings Promenade and Bathers Ways at Nobbys Beach along Wharf Road and Pasha Way between Tug Berth Road and Nobbys Beach.
- Reduced pedestrian/cyclist conflict along Wharf Road between Tug Berth Road and Nobbys Road through reconstruction and upgrade of existing 1.5m path to 4m as mentioned in the previous item.
- Commence improvements to pathways through Foreshore Park
- Placement of underground services to suit proposed Council installation of Smart Lighting in Watt Street, Wharf Road and Pasha Way as part of the Smart City Project
- Resurfacing of Horseshoe Beach car park surface to benefit beach users due to existing extremely rough surface which has exceeded its renewal timeframe
- Renewal of kerb, footpaths, road pavement, road surface and watermains and upgrading of stormwater drainage in Nobbys Road

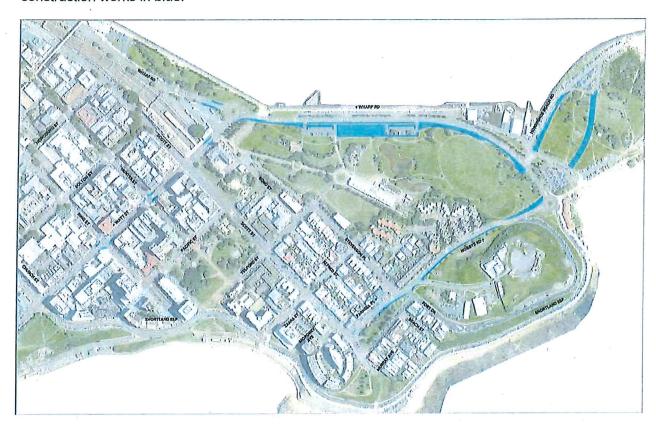
### Nobbys Road footpath and parking improvements:

Widening of Nobbys Road is proposed north of Stevenson Place fronting existing heritage terrace housing. This would provide for an increase of footpath width to 2.3m and provide two travel lanes and potential for 45 degree angle parking on west side. The angle parking is proposed to be located fronting terrace housing that has no off-street parking and would provide an increase of approximately 15 spaces. Existing no parking restrictions would be maintained on the east side fronting Fort Scratchley.

### Potential for increasing number of car parking spaces identified in the report includes:

- 41 spaces approximately in Nobbys Road Carpark near Wharf Road roundabout including 4 accessible spaces due to reconfiguration and circulation changes
- 22 spaces approximately along Horseshoe Beach Access Road (proposed commuter Monday to Friday) and 4 accessible spaces

The document contains a number of diagrams. The diagram below shows the areas of proposed new construction works in blue.



Should you require any further information please contact myself, or Acting Director Infrastructure, Ken Liddell, on 49 74 2409.

Frank Cordingley
Acting Interim Chief Executive Officer

### **CEO's Office**



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

**EMT Members** 

FROM:

Acting Interim Chief Executive Officer

DATE:

14 March 2017

SUBJECT:

**CONFIDENTIAL:** Supercars and Options for the Track

This memo contains commercial in confidence information and accordingly should not be disclosed to any third parties.

I refer to a question from the Lord Mayor regarding the window of opportunity to reconsider the alignment of the Supercars track. Unfortunately, at this stage of the process, there is no opportunity to change the track alignment and still have the race run this year. This does not mean that it cannot be explored for future years.

The alternative in question is for the race to continue on Shortland Esplanade through to Wharf Road rather than use Zaara St, Scott St and Nobbys Rd. This was an option considered along the way, but was not the chosen route and has not been designed past the concept stage. To change to this track layout now would require 6 weeks to complete design. Then it would need to go to tender, a process that will take 4-6 weeks. In addition to that, it would need another sec 60 heritage approval process. So, overall, the process prior to construction would take about 3 months altogether to complete. Due to its proximity to the old power station in Zaara St, our experience with building the retaining wall around to the baths, and from our recent experience in finding utilities in the southern part of Shortland Esplanade shows that the job will be very complex as well. Therefore there is no time to physically complete the work in time for the November race this year. This has been confirmed by the CEO of Supercars.

In addition to that, the renewal works that Council wishes to bring forward, and integrate with the new works being conducted by Supercars needs to be approved tonight if they are to proceed. The works have been considered as part of the Supercars tendering process in parallel with gaining Council approval, due to the time constraints with a view to them being completed by the same contractor(s) who wins the work. These contracts have to be let within a couple of weeks to enable the work to be completed on time - we are on, or behind the critical path already. If Council decides not to proceed with these works, or delays the decision to another time, they will need to be de-scoped from the Supercars contracts and will not proceed this year. If not integrated with the Supercars works, the savings in tendering costs, project management costs, contractor establishment etc will not be realised.

Frank Cordingley
INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

14 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Information Sessions

This memo is to update Councillors on community engagement activities around the Newcastle 500 Supercars event, particularly the formation of the Major Event Residents Working Group (MERWG) and the next round of community information sessions.

The MERWG is a Council run working group of 12 members comprised of residents/business owners in Newcastle East and will be chaired by Council's Community Engagement Coordinator. The purpose of the MERWG is to provide a forum to discuss concerns and solutions around the event and act as an information conduit between Council and the Newcastle East community. The MERWG will be formed on Friday 17 March 2017. Nominations for the MERWG closed on 13 March 2017 with a total of 60 nominations who all met the selection criteria.

All residents who nominated to the MERWG will be invited to attend the Cummings Room at City Hall at 10am on 17 March 2017 where 12 members will be randomly selected from the 60 nominations referred to above.

The first MERWG meeting will be in early April 2017.

Further community information sessions for Newcastle East residents/business owners will be held on 27 and 28 March 2017 at Fort Scratchley in Barracks 1 and 2. The community information sessions are being run collaboratively with Destination NSW and Supercars Australia.

The format of these sessions will be:

- Registrations so that residents/business owners can select timeslots across morning, afternoon and evening sessions to maximise opportunities for participation.
- 15 minute sessions of up to five people each in two rooms.
- All information that is available/approved for dissemination will be provided.
- The sessions will take the form of question and answers rather than presentation format so that individual concerns and queries can be appropriately addressed.

A letter was issued on 13 March, 2017 inviting east end residents/business owners to the sessions (attached).

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

Glen Cousins
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

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### Monday 13 March 2017

Dear Resident/Business Owner,

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**RSVP:** Please register to attend at <a href="https://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars/residents">www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars/residents</a>

If you are unable to attend one of these information sessions, there will be more opportunities for one-to-one discussions from now until the event in November. Further details will be made available shortly.

### Visit the dedicated website at <u>www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars</u>

The website will be updated regularly as further details become available and should be your first port of call for the most up-to-date information about the event.

### **Contact the Newcastle 500 Community Relations Team**

If you have questions or require more information, please email the Community Relations Team on community@supercars.com or call 02 8346 2676.

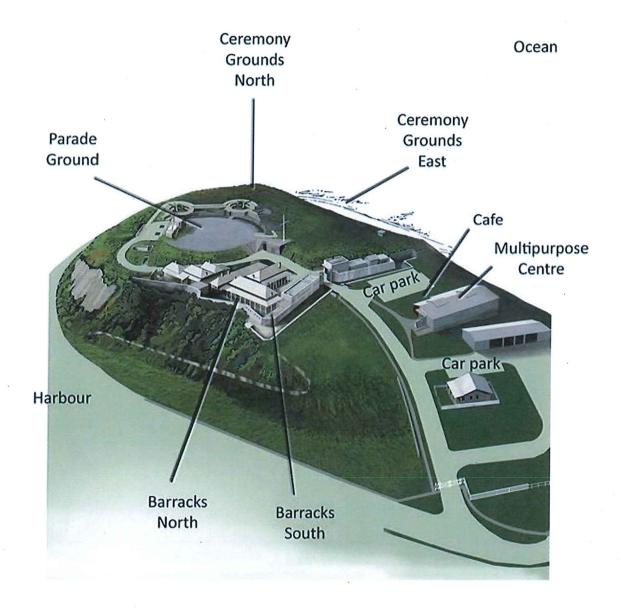
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Supercars Australia Newcastle City Council Destination NSW





Fort Scratchley map - information sessions will be held in Barracks 1 and 2 located in Barracks North building.









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All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

17 March 2017

SUBJECT:

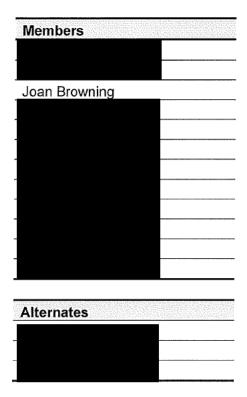
Supercars Newcastle 500 Major Event Resident Working Group Selection Meeting

Further to the All Councillor Memo dated 14 March 2017 (attached), this memo is to update Councillors on the formation of the Major Event Residents Working Group (MERWG).

Two residents attended the selection meeting held on 17 March 2017 in the Cummings Room at City Hall.

The first MERWG meeting will be in early April.

The table below provides the names of the successful MERWG members and three alternates who will act if one of the 12 members cannot fulfil their duties.



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Glen Cousins
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

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All Councillors

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Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

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If you are unable to attend one of these information sessions, there will be more opportunities for one-to-one discussions from now until the event in November. Further details will be made available shortly.

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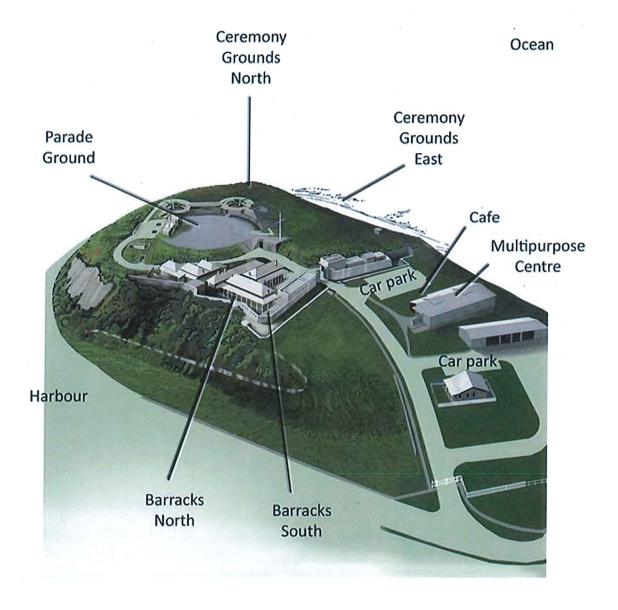
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TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Acting Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

22 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Community Information Sessions on Newcastle 500 Event

I refer to an inquiry by the Lord Mayor (OT2017/01014) on behalf of an east end resident regarding the next round of community information sessions on the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event.

The sessions will be held on Monday 27 and Tuesday 28 March 2017 at Fort Scratchley.

A letter inviting residents/businesses to these sessions was distributed to all letterboxes in Newcastle East by Australia Post on Monday 13 March 2017.

The resident has been contacted and provided with this information.

For more information please call Manager Communications and Engagement Kathleen Hyland on 4974 2877.

### **Glen Cousins**

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RSVP: Please register to attend at <a href="www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars/residents">www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars/residents</a>

If you are unable to attend one of these information sessions, there will be more opportunities for one-to-one discussions from now until the event in November. Further details will be made available shortly.

### Visit the dedicated website at www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/supercars

The website will be updated regularly as further details become available and should be your first port of call for the most up-to-date information about the event.

### Contact the Newcastle 500 Community Relations Team

If you have questions or require more information, please email the Community Relations Team on <a href="mailto:community@supercars.com">community@supercars.com</a> or call 02 8346 2676.

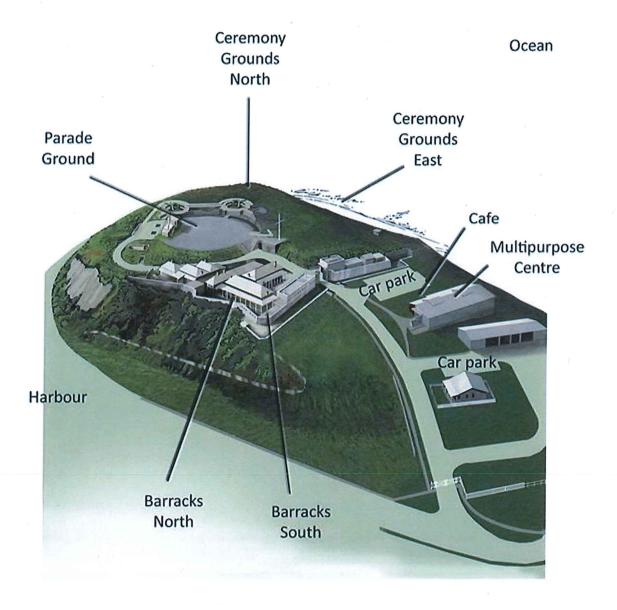
Kind regards

Supercars Australia Newcastle City Council Destination NSW





Fort Scratchley map - information sessions will be held in Barracks 1 and 2 located in Barracks North building.











### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

**EMT** 

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

27 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars: Fact Sheets

A series of fact sheets about the Supercars Newcastle 500 has been developed by Council, Destination NSW and Supercars Australia.

These factsheets will be available as printed handouts at the community information sessions for east end residents and businesses today and tomorrow.

The fact sheets have been designed as a series to provide simple and straightforward information about the planning and delivery of the event and the associated works program.

### Topics include:

- 1. Benefits
- 2. Access to east end
- 3. Infrastructure
- 4. Recognising our Heritage
- 5. Motor Racing Act
- 6. Access to homes and businesses
- 7. Accreditation
- 8. Monument relocation.

The series of factsheets will be updated as further information is available.

A separate fact sheet outlining the roles and responsibilities of Council, Destination NSW and Supercars Australia is also being finalised.

A low resolution copy of the series is attached. Printed copies of the fact sheets are available on request.

### **Glen Cousins**

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### DRIVING HOME THE ADVANTAGES FOR NEWCASTLE

The Newcastle 500 will inject \$57 million into the local economy and attract an estimated 81,000 interstate and international visitors to the event over five years. The three-day race weekend will see more than 150,000 spectators converge on the city.

It will be an opportunity to showcase the city and what it has to offer to a potential global television audience of more than 220 million people.

On the ground, a comprehensive civil works program will be undertaken to upgrade roads and footpaths and install "smart city" optic fibre to provide public wi-fi in the area. These works are either long overdue or have already been planned or budgeted for over the next two years. Condensing their completion into a shorter timeframe means the overall cost and impact on residents and businesses is significantly reduced.

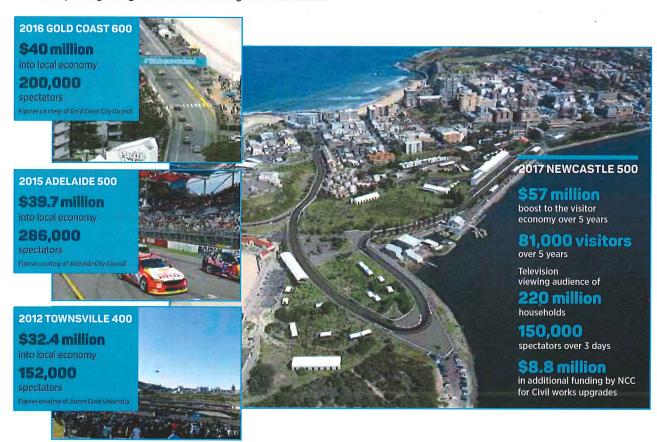
A total of 180 existing trees and shrubs removed along Wharf Rd will be replaced with 236 new plantings, including 55 new Norfolk pines. These plantings will be designed to provide better shade and to create a more aesthetically pleasing Newcastle Foreshore for years to come. The overall "usable canopy" of these plantings will grow to be three times greater than what is

currently in place.

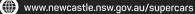
More than 170 new parking spaces will be created in the Newcastle Foreshore area.

Event-specific infrastructure will be temporary. The installation and removal will be programed to give priority to maintaining access for east end residents.

Similar events held in other cities throughout Australia show the potential benefits of hosting such a major event. The Adelaide 500 results in the creation of more than 400 full-time equivalent jobs and increases visitor stays by more than 60,000 visitor bed nights. It also attracts media coverage worth tens of millions of dollars each year. The 2016 Gold Coast 600 injected \$40 million into the local economy and attracted more than 200,000 spectators. Newcastle now has the opportunity to capitalise on similar benefits.























### **ACCESSING THE RACE PRECINCT**



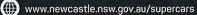
The Newcastle 500 will be one of the largest events ever held in Newcastle's city centre. A priority during race preparations, and the event itself, will be to maintain access for east end residents and the general public, wherever and whenever possible. Some public spaces along the race route will only be accessible to ticket holders and local residents and some roads will be closed to visitors during the 24-26 November event period.

Council facilities and locations such as Newcastle Ocean Baths, Nobbys Beach and Newcastle Beach will remain open to the public throughout the race weekend.

Supercars Australia will erect temporary pedestrian bridges to maintain access for accredited persons.

Shops, restaurants and bars within the event precinct will be able to trade as usual and can restock nightly.

Vehicular access to the area will be available at all times in the lead-up to the event, with some travel delays expected during the civil works phase. There will be restrictions on vehicular access to the race precinct from 7am-7pm during the event period. Residents wanting to use their vehicles during this time will need to drive out of the precinct by 7am and can return after 7pm. Free parking and a shuttle service for east end residents will be provided outside the race precinct throughout the event.

















### INFRASTRUCTURE



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An infrastructure works program in the city's East End is being undertaken to coincide with preparations for the Newcastle 500 event in November. All of the work involved is either overdue or was already planned and budgeted for in coming years.



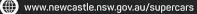
Completing all works projects in a single, short timeframe reduces project management and associated costs and reduces disruption to residents and businesses in the area. Roadworks along the track route create the opportunity for Council to improve infrastructure beneath the roadway, such as drainage and optic fibre cabling. Ageing kerbs and gutters long overdue for attention will also be revamped.

The largest project within the suite of works is the renewal of Watt St - Newcastle's oldest road. Other works include the widening to 4m of a previous footpath bottleneck on Wharf Rd near the Newcastle Pilot Station, resurfacing Wharf Rd and replacing 30 trees and 150 shrubs removed during race preparations with more than 230 new plantings, including 55 Norfolk Island pines.

Nobbys Road and its western footpath will be widened, with 25 new 45-degree parking spaces on its western side. Two existing car parks on the southern side of Wharf Road will be linked to provide many of the 171 new parking spaces on the Foreshore and at Horseshoe Beach.

Temporary race infrastructure will be installed at various locations along the track route, including the pit pavilion and grandstands on Wharf Rd. Installation of these structures will take place over an eight-week period. Dismantling and removal will take a maximum four weeks, with work beginning immediately after the event. Every effort will be made to minimise disruption to residents and businesses, with access to driveways maintained throughout this time, except for the 7am-7pm event hours from 24-26 November.

The Newcastle 500 will be authorised under the Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Act 2008, which provides for a streamlined authorisation and approval process for these works.













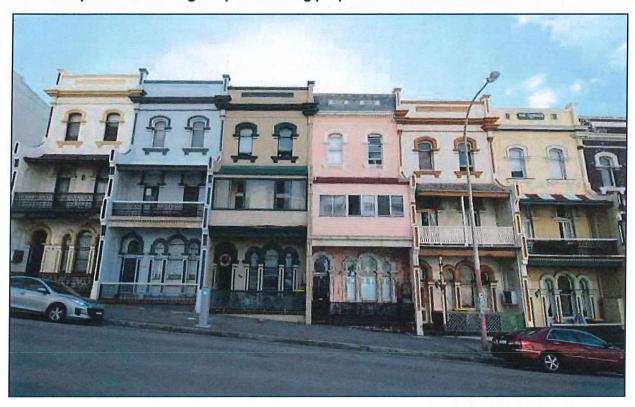






### **RECOGNISING OUR HISTORY**

Newcastle is a beautiful coastal city steeped in history. A key priority for Supercars Australia and Newcastle City Council is to preserve the city's historic east end and minimise potential heritage impacts during preparations and the event itself.



Supercars Australia has submitted a Section 60 Heritage application for the civil works required in the Coal River Precinct in preparation for the event.

Approval must be gained from the Heritage Council when making changes to a heritage place listed on the State Heritage Register. Approval is also required when excavating any land in NSW where you might disturb an archaeological relic.

The Heritage Council works to ensure that any changes or additions or new buildings on the site do not detract from the heritage significance of the place.

The circuit designs have been submitted as part of the Section 60 Heritage Application and will be available for viewing from Wednesday 8 March until Thursday 30 March.

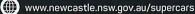
View the designs at the following locations:

- Newcastle City Council Administration Centre, 282 King Street
- · City Library, Laman Street
- · Wallsend District Library, Bunn Street
- Office of Environment and Heritage (Parramatta).

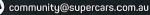
The 525-page report has been produced by an independent Newcastle company that specialises in heritage consulting. The process is being handled by the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage (OEH) under the *Heritage Act 1977*.

Any submissions will need to be directed to OEH for review and consideration. Supercars Australia, Destination NSW and Council are unable to action submissions as part of this independent process.



















### MOTOR RACING ACT



### MOTOR RACING (SYDNEY AND NEWCASTLE) ACT 2008



### The Motor Racing (Sydney and Newcastle) Act 2008 (the 'Act') was enacted to facilitate the conduct of an annual motor race and associated races and events at Newcastle.

Destination NSW has a number of functions under the Act including but not limited to:

- · The preparation of authorisations relating to the preparation for, management and conduct of, and the works associated with the Newcastle 500.
- · To liaise and where required consult with the NSW Government, the Race Promoter and any other persons or body considered relevant for the

preparation for, the management and conduct of, and the works associated with the Newcastle 500.

Ministerial Orders will be prepared for the following items:

- 1. "Race Promoter"
- 2. "Declared Racing Area"
- 3. "Motor Racing Period"
- 4. "Advertising Controlled Area"

Ministerial Orders will be published in the NSW Government Gazette.

Destination NSW may authorise the Race Promoter to conduct a motor race (and other associated motor races and events) subject to and in accordance with the Act.

The Race Promoter may apply to Destination NSW for authorisation to carry out works associated with a motor race.

In accordance with the Act, the Race Promoter must make the following information available for public inspection:

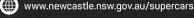
- > A description of the proposed works;
- > A description of the land on which the works are to be carried out (including any land required to be used in order to carry out the works);
- > The period during which the works are proposed to be carried out; and
- > Any other information relating to the proposed works that the regulations, or Destination NSW by written notice, requires to be included.

The above information must be made available for public inspection at a place designated by Destination NSW during the period commencing on the date the application to carry out the works is made and ending on the date that the works are completed.

To look at the Act in full please visit

http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/#/view/act/2017/3





















### ACCESS TO HOMES AND BUSINESSES

Residents and businesses will be able to access their homes and places of work 24 hours a day during the roll out of civil works and the Newcastle 500 event.

During the event, all residents and businesses within the event precinct will be provided with accreditation allowing movement throughout the precinct at no cost.

Residents and businesses will be able to access the event precinct using their accreditation via the Newcastle Beach/ Pacific Park tunnel, including pedestrian paths and bridges. A map indicating these entry/exit points has been included overleaf.

Supercars Australia consider it a key priority to minimise impact to the amenity of those living and working within/ around the precinct wherever and whenever possible. As such, we will work closely with all residents and businesses to maintain access:

- · During all phases of the event including civil works, and the event (e.g., to schools or work)
- · For carers, Meals on Wheels and other essential service providers
- To Newcastle Beach and Nobbys Beach areas. These beaches will be accessible and function as usual over the pre, post and event period.

Shuttle services will also be available at no charge for those residents requiring assistance moving through the event precinct.

It is important to note that there will be restrictions on vehicular access from 7am-7pm during the event period. Should residents need vehicle access during this time, they will be required to drive out of the event precinct by 7am and then will be able to bring the vehicle back into the precinct after 7pm.

During times when vehicular access is restricted, Supercars Australia will provide a nearby alternative to regular onstreet parking free of charge for residents. The details of the parking strategy are being finalised and will be made available to local residents and businesses shortly.

To assist in planning for the Newcastle 500 event, the NSW Government has established a Traffic & Transport Working Group comprised of government agencies and transport service providers. This group will ensure a coordinated approach to the management of traffic and transport matters that may affect the event, residents and businesses.

If you require assistance or would like to discuss your individual needs please contact Supercars Australia via the community email: community@supercars.com.au.



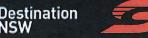
























### **ACCREDITATION**

During the event, all residents and businesses within the event precinct will be provided with accreditation allowing unfettered movement throughout the precinct at no cost.

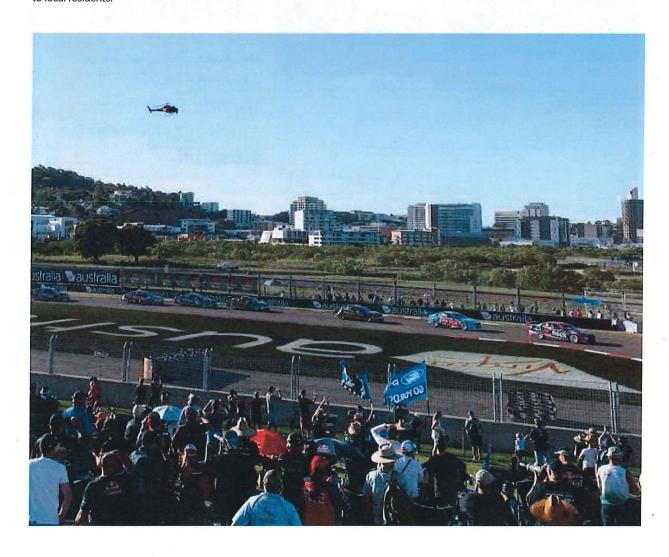
Residents and businesses will be able to access the event precinct using their accreditation via the Newcastle Beach/Pacific Park tunnel, including pedestrian paths and bridges.

Accreditation wristbands and tickets will be issued free of charge by Supercars Australia to residents and/or those who conduct business within the event precinct.

As an additional measure to ensure residents' security, there will be certain areas within the precinct that will only be accessible to local residents.

Applications for accreditation will be available online from mid-2017, including up until and during the race. Assistance will be provided by Supercars for those who require it or do not have internet access.

If you require further information about the accreditation process or would like to discuss your individual needs please contact Supercars Australia via the community email: community@supercars.com.au.













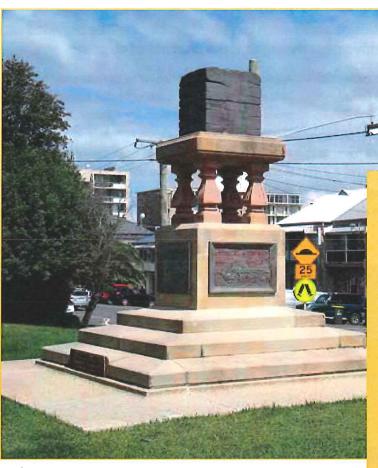












# **JUBILEE MEMORIAL**

Opened in 1909 in Pacific Park near the Royal Newcastle Hospital

**Built to mark the** 50th anniversary of the incorporation of the Municipality of **Newcastle** 

Moved to current location about 1930 after new electric tram circuit cut Pacific Park in two

## MONUMENT RELOCATION

A monument in Parnell Place will be relocated within the same area to make way for roadworks on Nobbys Rd.

Newcastle City Council will move the Jubilee Memorial 5-9 metres, with the exact location to be determined by

The monument features a block of faux coal sitting atop a plinth, with a series of bronze plaques beneath, depicting the city's coal-mining history.

A heritage assessment will be completed before any work is undertaken.



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# **Planning and Regulatory**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

Acting Director Planning and Regulatory

DATE:

31 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Homestays

This memo is in response to a request from Cr Nelmes Lord Mayor on 9 March 2017 (StP2017/00137) regarding Supercars Homestays.

The operators of Supercars Homestays have decided not to pursue the service to provide a platform solution for dwelling owners to have the ability to provide their property to be accessed by the patrons and the general public on a short term rental bases during the Supercars Australia Newcastle 500, 2017 event.

The key points that lead to this decision are:

- Newcastle City Council at this stage are unable to temporarily or otherwise amend development consents for short stay accommodation in residential dwellings within the Newcastle LGA.
- The business activity appears to be in direct opposition to the Residential Tenancy Act and guidelines for Housing NSW Tenants.

NSW State Government will be debating "Short Term" letting arrangements over the next number of months and a legislated amendment may occur once that takes place.

Should you have any further questions please contact Jill Gaynor, Manager Strategic Planning on 49742707.

Andrew Baxter
ACTING DIRECTOR PLANNING AND REGULATORY

# **Corporate Services**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

31 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement - Additional Information Sessions

This memo is to provide an overview of the recent community information sessions regarding the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event held at Fort Scratchley on Monday 27 and Tuesday 28 March 2017 and to advise that an additional session will be held on 4 April 2017.

The above sessions were held exclusively for Newcastle East residents/business owners and were run collaboratively with Destination NSW and Supercars Australia (SA).

A registration system was used so that residents/business owners could select timeslots across morning, afternoon and evening sessions to maximise opportunities for participation.

A representative from Council, Destination NSW and SA were available to speak with attendees.

- A total of 45 residents attended sessions on Monday 27 March between 3pm and 8pm
- A total of 90 residents attended sessions on Tuesday 28 March between 7:30am and 8pm.

Registrations for the sessions booked out on the Saturday 25 March 2017. Advice was posted on the registration site on Monday 27 March 2017 advising anyone attempting to register to also leave their contact details so that they could be notified of future information sessions. An email was sent on Thursday 30 March 2017 to these residents, as well as any other residents who had contact Council directly, inviting them to register for the additional session to be held on Tuesday 4 April if they had been unable to register for the 27 and 28 March 2017 sessions. This session will be identical in form to the sessions held earlier this week.

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement activities will continue in coming months, including the first meeting of the Major Events Residents Working Group on 12 April 2017. Councillors and the community will be kept informed of these activities.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

Glen Cousins



# **Corporate Services**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

6 April 2017

SUBJECT:

HRFC Quarterly Omnibus Results - Supercars

This memo is to advise Councillors of the results of a recently conducted Hunter Research Foundation Centre (HRFC) Survey in which Council commissioned two questions relating to the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event.

The HRFC conducts a quarterly Omnibus survey of Hunter residents (Hunter Pulse Domestic survey). The survey is based on random samples of 300 residents throughout the Hunter Region who were interviewed between 6 and 24 March 2017.

The questions asked on behalf of Council were:

1. Overall, do you think the Supercars Newcastle 500 event being held in November in the Newcastle East foreshore area will be beneficial for Newcastle and the Region?

Those who stated that they did <u>not</u> think the event would be beneficial were asked:

2. Why do you think that the race will not be beneficial?

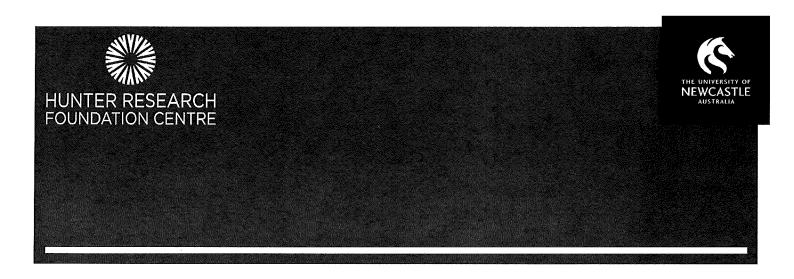
The survey results indicate that 81 per cent of residents thought that the race would be beneficial, 11 per cent did not think the race would be beneficial and 8 per cent stated that they did not know if the race would be beneficial.

Of the 11 per cent who did not think that the race would be beneficial, the main reasons given for having this view were *Unsuitable location* (n=13) and *No economic benefit/lasting benefit* (n=11).

The HRFC report on Council's questions is attached.

#### Glen Cousins

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# **Community Support for Supercars Newcastle 500 Event**

**Client: Newcastle City Council** 

Report from the March 2017 Hunter Pulse Domestic Survey Hunter Pulse Domestic Survey March 2017

# Community Support for Supercars Newcastle 500 Event

**Hunter Pulse Report** 

Prepared for:

**Newcastle City Council** 

By:



#### Report prepared March 2017

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Disclaimer: The information contained herein is believed to be reliable and accurate. However, no guarantee is given as to its accuracy or reliability, and no responsibility or liability for any information, opinions, or commentary contained herein, or for any consequences of its use, will be accepted by the Hunter Research Foundation Centre, or by any person involved in the preparation of this report.

#### **Executive Summary**

Newcastle City Council (NCC) commissioned the Hunter Research Foundation Centre (HRFC) to assess Hunter resident's support for the Supercars Newcastle 500 event to be held on Newcastle foreshore in November 2017.

The questions for NCC were included in the HRFC March quarter Hunter Pulse Domestic Survey. A random sample selected from the White Pages telephone directory resulted in 300 residents aged 18 and over throughout the Hunter Region being interviewed between 6 and 24 March 2017.

#### Benefit of Supercars Newcastle Event to Newcastle and the Region

Eight-in-ten respondents (81%) stated that the Supercars Newcastle 500 event would be beneficial to Newcastle and the region. There was no significant difference between genders on the benefit of the Supercars event.

#### Reasons for declining to support the Supercars event

Of the 39 respondents who indicated that the Supercars event will not be beneficial, unsuitable location (33%) and no economic benefit/lasting benefit (28%) were the most stated reasons.

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#### 1 Introduction

Newcastle City Council (NCC) used the Hunter Pulse Domestic survey undertaken by the Hunter Research Foundation Centre (HRFC) to assess Hunter resident's support for the Supercars Newcastle 500 event to be held on Newcastle foreshore in November 2017. The HRFC Domestic Hunter Pulse is a multi-client survey conducted quarterly in March, June, September and December each year.

The questions for NCC formed part of the March quarter Hunter Pulse Domestic survey. A random sample of 300 residents throughout the Hunter Region was interviewed between 6 and 24 March 2017. The Hunter Region is defined by the HRFC as the nine Local Government Areas of Cessnock, Dungog, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Port Stephens, Singleton and the Upper Hunter Shire.

Analysis of results follows in Section 2. A copy of the questionnaire is contained in Appendix 1, a description of the survey methods and analysis is provided in Appendix 2, the survey response rate is detailed in Appendix 3, and the demographic characteristics of the survey sample are presented in Appendix 4.

The results shown in Section 2 have been statistically weighted to 300 interviews according to the household size in the survey sample as well as the age and gender distribution of the regional population. Significant difference means a statistically significant difference (see Appendix 2 for details.). Results for proportions and mean ratings in tables are rounded to one decimal place.

#### 2 Results

#### 2.1 Support for Supercars Newcastle 500 event

All respondents were asked:

Overall, do you think the Supercars Newcastle 500 event being held in November in the Newcastle East foreshore area will be beneficial for Newcastle and the Region?

Table 1 presents the overall proportions, as well as by gender and age, for respondents' level of support for the Supercars event.

- ➤ Eight-in-ten respondents (81%) thought that the Supercars Newcastle 500 event would be beneficial to Newcastle and the region.
- > There was no significant difference between genders on the benefit of the Supercars event.
- Respondents aged 65 and over were significantly more likely than those aged 25 to 49 to think that the Supercars event will not be beneficial to Newcastle and the region.

Table 1: Support for Supercars event, proportion by gender and age

Dogmana	All	Gender		Age					
Response All		Male	Female	18-24	25-34	35-49	50-64	65+	
Population base	446,075	217,075	229,000	53,677	70,268	116,635	111,731	93,764	
Yes	80.6%	84.2%	77.3%	81.1%	97.9%	87.2%	80.0%	60.3%	
No	11.3%	9.6%	13.0%	8.1%	2.1%	6.4%	14.7%	22.2%	
Don't know	8.1%	6.2%	9.7%	10.8%		6.4%	5.3%	17.5%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

Explanatory notes:

Percentages represent a proportion of the population base (Hunter population aged 18 years and over). Blank cells indicate no response in that category.

Respondents (n = 39) who indicated that they did not think that the Supercars event will be beneficial were asked a follow-up question to determine their reasons.

Why do you think that the race WILL NOT be beneficial to the region?

Table 2 presents respondents' reasons.

➤ Of the 39 respondents who thought that the Supercars event will not be beneficial, unsuitable location (33%) and no economic benefit/lasting benefit (28%) were the most stated reasons.

Table 2: Reason for declining to support Supercars event (n = 39)

Response base 39					
Response	No. of respondents	% of respondents			
Unsuitable location	13	33.3			
No economic benefit/lasting benefit	11	28.2			
Damage to environment	5	12.8			
Too disruptive/inconvenience to residents and businesses	4	10.3			
Other	5	12.8			
No reason	1	2.6			
Total	39	100			

Explanatory notes:

Percentages represent a proportion of the respondents who indicated the Supercars event will not be beneficial to Newcastle and the region (11.3%).

Refer to Appendix 5 for respondents' verbatim reasons for thinking that the Supercars event will not be beneficial to Newcastle and the region.

## **Appendices**

## Appendix 1 – Survey Questionnaire

#### QNCC1

Overall, do you think the Supercars Newcastle 500 event being held in November in the Newcastle East foreshore area will be beneficial for Newcastle and the Region?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No
- 8. Don't know

#### If QNCC1=2 (NO), DO QNCC2

#### QNCC2

Why do you think that the race WILL NOT be beneficial to the region?

#### Appendix 2 – Survey Design

Data collection:

The survey questions, developed in conjunction with the client, were included in the March quarter Hunter Pulse Domestic Survey program. This survey was administered using a computer aided telephone interviewing (CATI) system between 6 and 24 March 2017.

Survey area:

Hunter Region comprising postcodes for the nine Local Government Areas of Cessnock, Dungog, Lake Macquarie, Maitland, Muswellbrook, Newcastle, Port Stephens, Singleton and the Upper Hunter Shire.

Sample selection:

300 randomly selected households throughout the survey area. Contact telephone numbers for households were generated using the White Pages telephone directory for number ranges within the Hunter.

Participants:

Individuals in the household aged 18 years or older, with random selection amongst the total number of adults in that household (i.e. households were contacted by telephone and an attempt was made to interview a randomly selected adult within that household). Up to five calls back were made to contact the household and, in the event that the required respondent was not available, a minimum of six additional calls was made to interview the selected respondent.

The survey did not use quota sampling without 'call back'. This particular technique of data collection, with quotas based on a limited number of variables, commonly age and sex, is not as reliable in obtaining a representative sample as random sampling. For example, a quota of 18-24 year old males, without calls back, may exclude a unique group of potential respondents who are only at home at unusual times. The call back technique maximises the chances of a truly random sample since the interviewer is making a determined effort to contact the randomly chosen household and a randomly chosen person within that household.

# Data handling and analysis:

Carried out by the HRFC using SPSS statistical analysis software.

Surveying attempts to make inferences for the whole of an area's population by talking to a small sub-group (sample) within that population. As the sample only approximates the whole population, it is necessary to take this approximate nature into account when comparing the scores and measures generated by the survey.

While the absolute value of scores and measures can change, it is necessary to test these changes statistically to find out whether they simply reflect the approximate nature of the sample or if they indicate a real difference in opinion. Statistically significant changes indicate that, at the 95 per cent level of confidence, there has been a real difference in opinion, as opposed to a difference attributable to chance.

Where applicable, the numeric values from the scales are converted to an overall average (mean) score. This score is calculated only for those who responded using the designated scale and does not include the non-scale responses: *don't know* or *refused*.

When interpreting the results, the distribution of ratings and the score need to be considered together, not individually. For example, ratings which are evenly spread over a 1 to 5 scale may yield the same mean score as those which are relatively polarised at either end of the scale. The policy implications for these contrasting distributions are very different, despite receiving the same score.

#### Recorded responses were weighted by:

- The number of people living in the household and eligible for interview.
   This weighting procedure ensures that people living in larger households are given the same proportional representation as people living in smaller households.
- The age and sex of the population aged 18 and over living in the Hunter Region, determined by the 2011 Census of Population and Housing. This weighting procedure ensures that the sample is representative of the age and gender distribution of the survey population.

#### Report on Hunter resident's support for Supercars Newcastle 500 event

Population figures are presented in Section 2 tables, for the total population as well as in tables showing results cross-tabulated according to gender and age. These figures can be used to estimate the actual number of people within the Hunter who would provide any given response.

#### Statistical accuracy:

 $\pm$  5.8% for a prevalence of 50% at a confidence level of 95% for a sample size of 300.

**Example:** If 50% of respondents said 'yes' to a question that required a yes/no response, the true proportion of people aged 18 or over in the Hunter who would give the same answer (if all were interviewed) would be between 44.2% and 55.8%, 95 times out of 100 (see right hand column of Table 3 for 50%-50%).

If 30% of respondents said 'yes', the true proportion of people aged 18 or over in the Hunter who would give the same answer would be between 24.7% and 35.3%, 95 times out of 100 (see 7th column of Table 3 for 30%-70%,  $\pm$  5.3% for a sample size of 300).

Table 3: Precision of estimates for various sample sizes and prevalence levels

PREVALENCE FOR A 95% CONFIDENCE LEVEL							19.70 (17.)			
Sample	5%	10%	15%	20%	25%	30%	35%	40%	45%	50%
size	95%	90%	85%	80%	75%	70%	65%	60%	55%	50%
100	4.4	6.0	7.1	8.0	8.7	9.2	9.5	9.8	9.9	10.0
200	3.1	4.2	5.0	5.7	6.1	6.5	6.7	6.9	7.0	7.1
300	2.5	3.5	4.1	4.6	5.0	5.3	5.5	5.7	5.7	5.8
400	2.2	3.0	3.6	4.0	4.3	4.6	4.8	4.9	5.0	5.0
500	1.9	2.7	3.2	3.6	3.9	4.1	4.3	4.4	4.4	4.5
600	1.8	2.4	2.9	3.3	3.5	3.7	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1
800	1.5	2.1	2.5	2.8	3.1	3.2	3.4	3.5	3.5	3.5
1,000	1.4	1.9	2.3	2.5	2.7	2.9	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2
1,500	1.1	1.5	1.8	2.1	2.2	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6
2,000	1.0	·1.3	1.6	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2
3,000	0.8	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8

#### Appendix 3 – Survey Response Rate

Table 4 provides details of the outcome for all calls for the survey. The survey response rate was 42 per cent: the number of interviews completed as a proportion of eligible contacts (interviews completed plus refusals).

Table 4: Survey response rate

March 2017 Hunter Pulse Domestic Survey	n	%
Initiated Numbers	3,176	100.0%
Interviews completed	300	9.4%
Refusals	421	13.3%
Household refusal	385	12.1%
Inbound refusal	2	0.0%
Midway termination	4	0.1%
Refused age	1	0.0%
Refused number of eligible people	17	0.5%
Remove number from list	3	0.1%
Respondent refusal	9	0.3%
Appointments	39	1.2%
Soft appointment	39	1.2%
Other contacts	673	21.2%
Away for duration	2	0.1%
Claims to have done survey	1	0.0%
Location out of scope	152	4.8%
LOTE no follow up	5	0.2%
No eligible person (within age group/gender)	495	15.6%
Too old / frail / ill-health	24	0.8%
Unreliable respondent / drunk	1	0.0%
Non contacts	1,612	50.8%
Answering machine - no message left	646	20.3%
Engaged	28	0.9%
No answer	938	29.4%
Maximum Attempts	2	0.1%
Jnusable sample	124	3.9%
Fax	9	0.2%
Incoming call restriction	1	0.0%
Not a residential number	28	0.9%
Number Disconnected	86	2.6%

## Appendix 4 - Survey Demographics

Proportions shown in Table 5 are based on the weighted sample and reflect the gender and age of the population as determined by the 2011 *Census of Population and Housing*.

Table 5: Survey demographics

March 2017 Hunter I	Pulse Domestic Survey	%
	Population base 446,	,075
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Male		48.7
Female		. 51.3
and the second s	AGE	
18-24 years		12.0
25-34 years		15.8
35-49 years		26.1
50-64 years		25.0
65+ years		21.0
	WORK STATUS	
Paid full-time employr	nent	37.6
Paid part-time/casual	23.3	
ADUL	TS IN THE HOUSEHOLD	WORKING ADULTS IN THE HOUSEHOLD
0		26.5
1	12.9	21.2
2	54.2	34.8
3	17.8	11.0
4	10.3	4.8
5+	4.7	1.7
	LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA C	OF RESIDENCE
Cessnock		8.3
Dungog		1.4
Lake Macquarie	<u> </u>	32.4
Maitland		14.1
Muswellbrook		4.0
Newcastle		23.7
Port Stephens		9.1
Singleton		2.8
Upper Hunter		

#### Appendix 5 – Reasons for non-Support of Supercars Event

The reasons why 39 of the respondents did not think the Supercars event will be beneficial to Newcastle and the region are listed in Table 6.

The list is the verbatim response with only minor corrections to spelling and punctuation to improve readability.

#### Table 6: Reasons for thinking Supercars event will not be beneficial

A lot of people don't understand that the area is all mines underground and most people don't know where the tunnels are right now and they don't know if these developments are on safe ground the development and racing will be dangerous and cost too much money.

Because I can't see how it's a good thing to have the races there because it's just too crowded the streets are not big enough, so everything stays the same.

Because it's to the detriment of the resident, loss of parkland, the racetrack is going through residential, huge impact of business.

Because not everyone lives in Newcastle.

Going to disrupt so many lives and retail business.

I can't see how there'll be any economic benefit for Newcastle other than for restaurants and hotels.

I don't have an opinion really, it won't be beneficial overall really - I'm just not interested in v8's. I'm not interested really, even though I'm a motor head I don't care about v8 people in the area are not happy, and I can understand that but it doesn't affect me.

I just question whether the financial benefit will feed back into the local area. Any money generated will go out of the area.

I think for residents in the area it won't be beneficial for them, not really sure beyond that.

I think it will bring some money but it will make a lot of people unhappy that outweighs the money, you can't put a cost on that I've been to the Indi 500 race on the gold and it didn't look pretty apart from on race day a who lot of set up and inconvenience the people that make the money aren't the people being disadvantaged.

I think it's shocking for the environment- the fumes from the motors and the engines the houses are too close together and the streets are too narrow in the area for the noise and the vibrations it will be very challenging for the residents.

I think that, a few reasons, one I don't think the city is built to have a bunch of supercars going through it, two, I think that the money going towards getting the city ready for it should be put towards more important things, and just the fact they have destroy trees for something that shouldn't be here anyway.

I'm more concerned about the local heritage on that side of town. I'm not necessarily in favour of racing.

It had not been beneficial to any other area - it's just not that type of an area.

It's detrimental to the area - too much money being spent to accommodate it and destroying tourism assets to Newcastle. It could be placed in a location more suitable for that type of event.

It's in the wrong place the streets are too narrow, it's a heritage area, they are taking out trees, they say they will replace them but it costs a fortune to replace mature trees it will interfere with the running of the city and inconvenience too many people.

Just because there are so many residents and people who passionately believe it will spoil the environment.

Look at other places, they don't get much out of it.

Maybe for the young ones but not us.

Newcastle does not need that so close to home, go to the bush.

No reason.

Not where they say it will be I think it's wrong to put it near the houses they should put it at the other proposed spot.

One time only event, they should build a permanent track.

Removal of green areas noise pollution disruption of people close to it, it will be right near the house the air pollution, cars racing around will creation air pollution.

Starters, it's a residential area - three metres from household. Ripping up roads, cut down trees, put concrete down and replace trees every year. Not in Newcastle east, many old people live there, and have lived there long time. Ripping up sandstone houses, and road and thin roads. No compensation available to people there. What does 'little damage mean'? Nothing wrong with car racing, just not up there.

Super cars history- they have never really been beneficial to any area that has had a street circuit.

The amount of disruption they cause will far the economic benefits they bring with them.

The foreshore area is small it's a little going out area, the cars are too fast and noisy I'm surprised if anyone will be able to see anything some might enjoy it but not everyone, not me- a lot of men I guess but it's not for me.

The normal run of the mill people won't be better off - car people might be better off.

The only reason they're putting up is it will promote Newcastle. Who's it going to promote Newcastle to? We're not a tourism destination. It'll be short term, they're disrupting the residents.

The thing is: it will be bad for residents the costs v economic befits will not play well for locals essentially they are holding it in an area with difficult access in the inner city, an area further out would be just as effective as a location and better for locals.

There are more important issues, like trying to survive and daily living.

There's a lot of locals that will be affected by having to park out of town. All the coal trains come past and black dust comes up.

There's going to be more people around but where they're going to be spending their money, it's going to be a few specific things but not much in general.

They are spending all this money cutting down trees and altering things, and how much money are they really going to make? There are a lot of expenses and the trees will be gone and I'm not sure they are going to make money.

They should put it in Raymond Terrace or somewhere up around there.

They're doing too many alterations to Newcastle, there are many other locations they could hold it in Newcastle without altering the foreshore and disrupting the town.

Too disruptive. We live on the race track. Right race wrong place.

Very difficult to get there, especially because public transport is awful. From Cessnock is awful. Fair amount of accommodation will be filled up, don't know where people will be dining. If anticipate huge numbers, don't know what they will be doing there is nowhere to be.

# **Corporate Services**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

7 April 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Event - Update on Additional Community Information Sessions

As outlined in previous memo dated 31 March 2017 (attached), an additional community information session took place on Tuesday 4 April 2017 for interested parties that attempted to register for the original sessions and were unsuccessful.

A total of 13 residents attended this session, which was held at the same location and took the exact form as the previous sessions.

In relation to this matter a request was received from the Lord Mayor (EV2017/00442) dated 31 March 2017 regarding a resident who was unable to register for the original community information sessions, the resident was contacted by Council staff on 31 March 2017 and was provided with a booking for the additional session which the resident attended.

Other feedback and information from the resident has been referred to Supercars Australia.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

**Glen Cousins** 

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# **Corporate Services**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

31 March 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement - Additional Information Sessions

This memo is to provide an overview of the recent community information sessions regarding the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event held at Fort Scratchley on Monday 27 and Tuesday 28 March 2017 and to advise that an additional session will be held on 4 April 2017.

The above sessions were held exclusively for Newcastle East residents/business owners and were run collaboratively with Destination NSW and Supercars Australia (SA).

A registration system was used so that residents/business owners could select timeslots across morning, afternoon and evening sessions to maximise opportunities for participation.

A representative from Council, Destination NSW and SA were available to speak with attendees.

- A total of 45 residents attended sessions on Monday 27 March between 3pm and 8pm
- A total of 90 residents attended sessions on Tuesday 28 March between 7:30am and 8pm.

Registrations for the sessions booked out on the Saturday 25 March 2017. Advice was posted on the registration site on Monday 27 March 2017 advising anyone attempting to register to also leave their contact details so that they could be notified of future information sessions. An email was sent on Thursday 30 March 2017 to these residents, as well as any other residents who had contact Council directly, inviting them to register for the additional session to be held on Tuesday 4 April if they had been unable to register for the 27 and 28 March 2017 sessions. This session will be identical in form to the sessions held earlier this week.

Supercars Newcastle 500 Community Engagement activities will continue in coming months, including the first meeting of the Major Events Residents Working Group on 12 April 2017. Councillors and the community will be kept informed of these activities.

Should you require any further information please contact Kathleen Hyland, Manager Communications and Engagement on 49 74 2877.

**Glen Cousins** 



# **Executive Management**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

**EMT Members** 

FROM:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

DATE:

Wednesday 26 April 2017

SUBJECT:

Invitation - Coates Hire Newcastle 500 - Informal Evening

An invitation had been received from the Lord Mayors Office on behalf of Supercars, inviting Councillors to attend an informal evening event.

The event is being held on Friday 28 April at Battlesticks at Scratchleys, 200 Wharf Road Newcastle and is an opportunity for Councillors to meet the drivers and the team behind the Coates Hire Newcastle 500 event being held in Newcastle this year.

A copy of the invitation is attached for your information. Please notify your availability to attend no later than midday Thursday 27 April 2017 to <a href="mailto:Councillor Services@ncc.nsw.gov.au">Councillor Services@ncc.nsw.gov.au</a> who will notify the event organisers accordingly.

Peter Chrystal
Interim Chief Executive Officer

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#### Supercars invites you to an informal evening to get to know some of our stars.

When: 5-7pm, Friday 28 April

Where: Battlesticks at Scratchleys, 200 Wharf Road, Newcastle

Who: James Warburton CEO, Shane Howard COO, drivers and Supercars Communications Team

> RSVP: By 12pm Thursday 27 April to rwillbridge@supercars.com

We would be delighted if you could join us to meet the drivers and team behind the largest event ever held in Newcastle.

















#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

26 April 2017

SUBJECT:

**CONFIDENTIAL** - Supercars Newcastle 500 Event Licence Fee

This memo is in response to a request from Cr Doyle (OT2017/01390) for clarification on where the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event licence fee is included in the budget within the 2017/18 Operational Plan.

As detailed in the second Councillor Workshop held on the Draft FY18 Budget, held on 11 April 2017, the annual licence fee is included in the budget line item for Materials and Contracts.

Councillors are reminded that details regarding the commercial arrangements for the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event are confidential and should not be disclosed to any third parties.

If you require any further information regarding this matter, please contact Andrew Glauser, Manager Finance on 4974 2838.

**Glen Cousins** 

# **Corporate Services**



#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim Chief Executive Officer

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

26 April 2017

SUBJECT:

Supercars Newcastle 500 Event - Update on Community Engagement Activities

This memo is to update Councillors on community engagement activities around the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event.

Community information sessions are being held with residents of public housing in Newcastle East. Sessions were held with residents of two unit blocks on Friday 21 April 2017. Further information sessions are scheduled for the remaining two unit blocks in Newcastle East on Friday 28 April 2017.

These sessions have been facilitated with Department of Family and Community Services (FACS).

Public Housing unit address details are not accessible for mail outs to anyone other than FACS so these addresses did not receive the letter regarding the information sessions held at the end of March and early April 2017. At the request of FACS any contact with public housing residents is facilitated through them.

Subsequently, FACS notified residents and is hosting the sessions, with representatives from Council, Supercars and Destination NSW (DNSW). These sessions are to provide information and discuss any specific needs or concerns, for example access for carers or meals on wheels.

FACS is providing a dedicated resource to ensure that all residents of their properties in Newcastle East have their particular needs documented and addressed, and they will be liaising directly with Supercars Australia in regard to any issues concerning their residents.

The first meeting of the Major Events Residents Group was held earlier this month. This group will meet monthly.

DNSW has appointed a Community Liaison Officer, based at the local Newcastle 500 Event Coordination Office.

**Glen Cousins** 





#### **Internal Memo**

TO:

All Councillors

CC:

Interim CEO, Leadership Group

FROM:

**Director Corporate Services** 

DATE:

16 May 2017

SUBJECT:

Letter and Landscape Plans - Supercars Newcastle 500 Event - Civil Works

This memo is to inform Councillors of a letter to residents and a set of landscape plans being released today as part of the communications activities around the Supercars Newcastle 500 Event.

A letter with the landscape plans (attached) has been distributed to east end residents and businesses advising that work will commence on 22 May 2017 and to provide an overview of the civil works program.

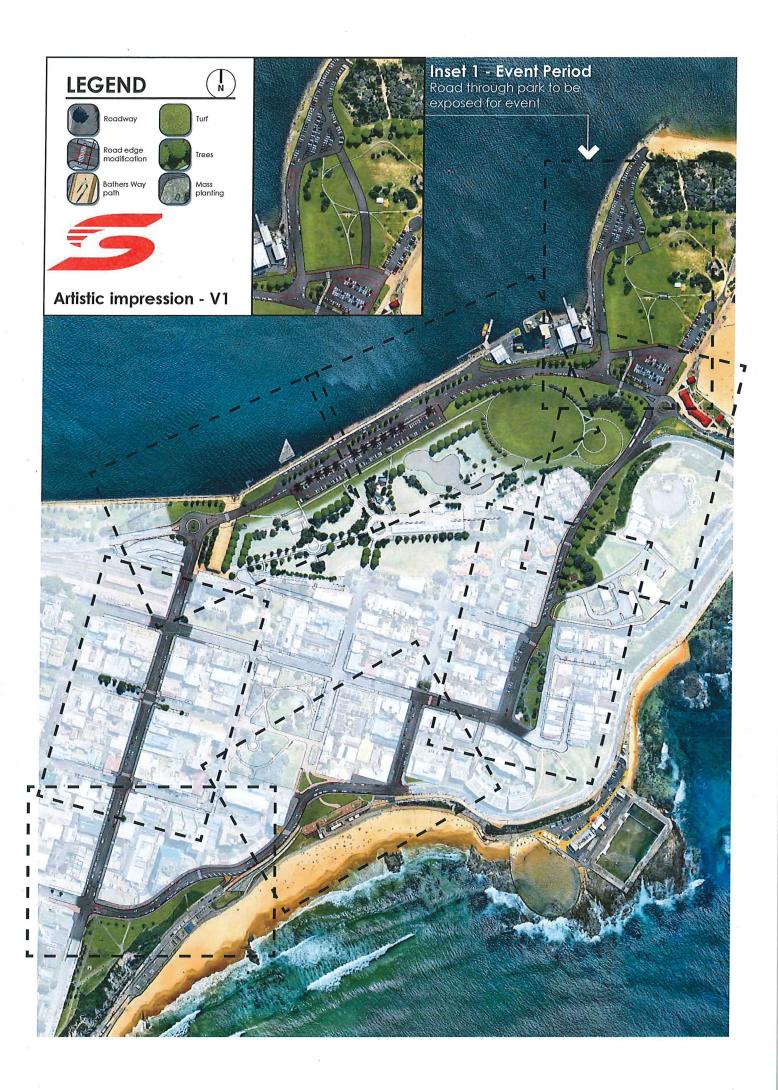
The information has been uploaded to council's website:

http://www.newcastle.nsw.gov.au/Supercars/Infrastructure.

The landscape plans will also be included in the next edition of Council's Supercars Newcastle 500 enewsletter which will be sent later this week.

Glen Cousins
DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES

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Monday 15 May 2017

Dear Resident/Business Owner,

Civil Works are about to commence in Newcastle's east end, including preparations for the upcoming Supercars event and an important Council infrastructure renewal program.

Construction will begin on Monday 22 May and we estimate it will be completed by mid to late October, subject to delays.

The following will be part of this works program:

- \* Resurfaced and widened public roads, with new kerbs and channels
- \* Upgraded services, including electricity, sewers, stormwater drains and water mains
- \* Improved footpath quality and width, and improved access where possible
- \* Increased parking opportunities throughout the east end

The civil works will be carried out in stages to minimise disruption to residents. Access to homes and the east end precinct in general will be maintained at all times, however some temporary traffic and pedestrian restrictions will be in place in certain areas to ensure safety.

Works hours will be:

7am – 5pm weekdays 8am – 2pm Saturdays

We will do everything possible to confine work to these hours. However, work outside these hours may be required in exceptional circumstances. Residents and businesses will be notified in advance should this occur.

We will provide regular project updates to residents and businesses, including build notices. These will outline detailed traffic management and access, and a brief description of the works happening in that period.

Please find attached artist impressions of the work to take place as part of this project. Red lines on each image show existing kerb and median layout.

If you have questions or require more information, please email the Community Relations Team on <a href="mailto:community@supercars.com">community@supercars.com</a> or call 02 8346 2676.

Kind regards,

Supercars Australia















