



ONE BERRIMA Update 02 October 2024

First and most importantly thank you for the many supporting comments about our name change to ONE BERRIMA and especially the acknowledgement of our approach to the gaol redevelopment.

We are well up and running now across several communication platforms.

We remain independent of any organisation and our focus is on 'whole of community'. Furthermore, our working group is made up of locals and no one is a developer nor is financially associated with developers. Blue Sox, WSC and State Planning respect that we serve as a community communication conduit as this State significant redevelopment progresses. We remain neutral with our position on the scope of redevelopment as, at this stage, there are insufficient facts on the redevelopment and as we continue to seek community feedback.

Yesterday, we met up with the engagement agency for Blue Sox. We had a reassuring review of the status and next steps of the assessments. This included our encouragement of surveys to be undertaken sooner than later and the use of 'drop in' approaches to effectively engage with Berrima (whole of community) and the communities across the Southern Highlands. We also spoke at length about the processes and procedures that will eventually lead to the State Design review. One fact is certain - there are a lot of steps where our community, NSW Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI) and Wingecarribee Shire Council (WSC) will play key roles before the final review. Details of the current status of each assessment step is already noted in our last update.

Furthermore, we recently interviewed our key contacts at WSC with some questions raised by one of our residents:

In what capacity is WSC involved in designing the road and amenity access points around the development.

Response: WSC is driven by the Significant State Development process. This includes all detail and conditions of consent.

Is there an approval step for WSC to comment or will the DPHI override everything including the roads infrastructure?

Response: When it comes to the design WSC Senior Management will be involved where there will be a lot of too and fro to get the best outcome.

Again, we want you to hear the latest, to get involved and have a say on things that matter in our community.

Also please pass on to your friends our website details: www.ONEBERRIMA.com and for the latest updates also invite them to follow our Facebook page

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