



Community Visioning Workshop

Sunday,

2/09/2018

Vincentia Country Club

9:30am-4pm

**Morning tea, lunch &
afternoon tea are
included**

SUNDAY 2 SEPTEMBER 2018

BE PART OF DEVELOPING A VISION FOR THE ST. GEORGE'S BASIN & ENVIRONS REGION

Community Visioning Workshop

Urban development and climate change present challenges and opportunities for the Shoalhaven communities.

To have input in recognising what is special about your community and how this can possibly be preserved and enhanced for future generations, we would like to invite you to participate in an exciting process that will result in the development of a new Vision and adaptation pathways for the St George's Basin & environs region of Shoalhaven.

This process will be facilitated by researchers from Griffith University and the University of Wollongong, in collaboration with Shoalhaven City Council and interested community members.

As a member of the local community, you are invited to take part in helping develop this vision and in the subsequent series of workshops that will examine the capacity of existing plans and policies to deliver this vision.

All welcome!

RSVP before Friday

24/08/18 by email to

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COMMUNITY BRIEF

MANAGING ENVIRONMENTAL CHANGE THROUGH PLANNING FOR TRANSFORMATIVE PATHWAYS

BACKGROUND

The south eastern coastal region of New South Wales is well known for its distinct and exceptional natural environment. Like many other locations in Australia, this area is undergoing a range of social and environmental changes that present many opportunities, but also some challenges. These changes include, but are not limited to, population growth and expansion of urban development into new areas, and the potential impacts from climate change. The ability of the community and governing bodies to protect and enhance what is special and unique about this area is largely dependent on careful monitoring, evaluation and adaptation of existing planning mechanisms such as local plans and policies.

RESEARCH AIM

The main purpose of this research is to identify ways in which current and future planning systems can effectively respond to ongoing environmental and social change. By doing so, the potential negative impacts that could arise from such changes can be minimised whilst the opportunities that may present themselves can be maximised.

PROJECT AREA

Communities located within St George's Basin, Swan Lake, Swan Lake Coast, Berrara Creek and Sussex Inlet and district.

WHO IS INVOLVED?

This research is undertaken by a research team from Griffith University (Cities Research Institute) and from the University of Wollongong (School of Earth and Environmental Sciences). The funding for this research comes from the Australian Research Council (Commonwealth Government). The research involves a series of Council workshops and interviews involving members of Shoalhaven City Council's Sustainable Futures Committee and the Natural Resources & Floodplain Management Committee plus some members of Council's consultative bodies (CCBs) who volunteered to be involved.

A second series of workshops will involve a community Working Group comprised of residents from the St George's Basin and environs. The new working group will consist of existing members from the Sussex Inlet Working Group (responsible for the development of the Sussex Inlet & District strategic Action Plan 2015-2030) and new members from communities located within the St George's Basin and environs. Research engagement with this group will consist of interviews and a series of workshops.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION

Shoalhaven City Council will work collaboratively with community members to develop a new vision for the future of the area. This process will be facilitated by a research team from Griffith University and the University of Wollongong. As a member of the local community, you are invited to take part in developing this vision and in the subsequent series of workshops that will examine the capacity of existing plans and policies to deliver this vision. The vision and the outcomes of the research will be provided to Council for consideration in future planning.

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