NARROMINE SHIRE COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING BUSINESS PAPER – 12 AUGUST 2020 NOTICES OF MOTION/QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE REPORT

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notices of motion have been received from Cr Hamilton: -

Possible Defoliation Damage

1. That Council table all written communications, relating to the reporting of possible defoliation damage incidents over the past 2 years.

Commercial Chemical Activities

 That Council table all Council administered compliance and regulatory actions relating to the conduct of commercial chemical activities on the Narromine and Trangle airfields including maps of designated areas where those activities are permitted.

QUESTIONS WITH NOTICE

The following Questions With Notice have been received from Cr Hamilton: -

Department of Industry Report

- 1. What actions has Council taken in relation to the suppressed Department of Industry report (released to the public on 27/7/2020, and quoted in the Sydney Morning Herald front page article) describing risks to human health and maximum residue limits within the Shire?
- 2. What actions does Council intend to take in relation to the suppressed Department of Industry report (released to the public on 27/7/2020)?

Response Director Governance

Council is liaising with the NSW Environmental Protection Authority as the regulatory body for spray drift under the Pesticides Act 1999.

At present, Council has not received a copy of the NSW Department of Industry report referred to in the Sydney Morning Herald.

Council has been advised that the NSW EPA has committed to undertake pre and post spray inspections coming into the next season to check the condition of flora and to collect relevant samples for testing immediately after spraying.

As such Council will be guided by the NSW EPA as to what action (if any) it requires us as a local government entity to take in relation to this matter.