

The issue of Tralee returns

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THE Tuggeranong Community Council's planning and development sub-committee is working on two very important submissions dealing with issues that will have a major impact on valley residents. The first is a submission to the ACT Government on the Eastern Broadacre Study. The study deals with the future development of the eastern ACT from Hume to Majura as an employment corridor. The plan also calls for the expansion of Hume as a heavy industrial area. This will have an impact on all Tuggeranong residents. The deadline for submissions is November 17 and the TCC encourages individuals to formally comment. The latest details can be found on our website at www.tuggcc.com

The other major planning issue facing Tuggeranong residents is that old perennial, Tralee. Queanbeyan City Council is again calling for submissions after re-advertising the proposal to build homes at Tralee. The TCC put forward a submission in January stating it objected to homes being built under the Canberra Airport's high noise corridor because Tuggeranong residents feared it would lead to aircraft being re-routed over their homes. At our last meeting with the Chief Minister he also indicated that aircraft flightpaths would be moved over Tuggeranong if Tralee went ahead. The TCC believes Tralee would better suited for industrial use and as an extension to the Hume Industrial Estate. Everyone is advised to make a representation to Queanbeyan City Council on Tralee because all previous submissions have

been discarded now it is going through a whole new process of consideration. Visit 'Latest News - Plans on Exhibition' at www.qcc.nsw.gov.au or visit our TCC website for more information.

The ACT Government's business and industry development department has called for community comment on a clean ACT economy. It is seeking ideas and suggestions on what society can do to work towards a 40 per cent reduction in carbon emissions. For more details visit the TCC website. Tuggeranong residents are also invited to participate in discussions on the community's vision for Canberra in the year 2030. The 'Time to Talk' initiative includes a comprehensive website to capture ideas from residents. It also encourages wider community discussion in what we want our city to be like in the future online at www.canberra2030.org.au.

The 22nd Tuggeranong Festival kicks off on November 26. The Tuggeranong Festival is the longest running festival in the ACT and always a great day out for the family. The TCC will be joining in festivities. Members will be manning an information booth, rallying new members and meeting and discussing issues of concern to the community. For the festival's program, see the website www.tuggeranongfestival.org.au.

The next meeting of the TCC will be held on Tuesday, November 2 commencing at 7.30pm upstairs at the Tuggeranong Southern Cross Club. The agenda will include a presentation from the Uniting Church on aged residential and care facilities planned for Gordon and discussion on future plans for the Tuggeranong Hyperdome. We look forward to seeing you there.