Appendix 3: Other Comments Received from MTAG Website

110% behind MTAG against the Mass Transit and High Rise proposal close to our pristine beaches!!!,

A town planner's wet dream. You're right. This is mass transit to justify densification. They have it back to front.,

Am strongly opposed to light rail and the development proposed to justify. Also strongly opposed to the concept of taxing property owners via increased rates (the bait of higher property values) and or levies to fund a light rail.

Sadly this council fails to consult. It prepares concepts and business plans to fit its agenda and has very limited community consultation before implementing.",

Another misguided project of the local government. Want to cause traffic problems just put a train line in the middle of the road.,

As a home based small business on Nicklin Way, I am very concerned with these proposals and the potential ramifications for our coastal community. Please keep me updated, I will be trying to do the same myself. Thank you,

As a long term resident of the sunshine coast, I certainly don't want the development that has occurred on the GG since the ninety's to take off here, my wife and I lived on the GG from the mid eighty's till early ninety's at that time the development really started to ramp up, we witnessed the beautiful, natural qualities the GG had just slowly disappear and the thing to remember is that once you start their is no turning back.,

As a ratepayer in thus area I am very disappointed in the lack of consultation to date as this is the first I have heard of it. Secondly one of the reasons we chose the Sunshine Coast over the Gold Coast was the lesser density of population and freer lifestyle.,

As an Alexandra Headland resident and tax payer I am strongly against the light rail and high rise development. Greedy and selfish people are trying to ruin our beautiful beachside lifestyle and it's very disappointing. I am prepared to fight this, please let me know what I can do to help, can someone explain to me why we need fixed rail and 13 stations, would it not be better to have environmentally friendly free buses , surely the interest for rail alone would cover the cost of free buses and imagine the tourism benefit from free buses.,

Concerned about the lack of publicity about the Council changing the categories for housing to multi-levell Also, the first time I have heard about light rail going along the Nicklin Way. Not good!!

Definitely against high rise and mass transportation hubs on sunny coast.

Definitely no,

Do not want light Rail near our beaches.

Great stuff guys! The proposed trams and rezoning would ruin a lot of what makes the Sunshine Coast special.,

Greetings. Thanks so much, for sorting this transport nightmare for us all. I do think a good bus system is the way to go. Overseas people need to be bought in for their opinions

People say to me that the light rail will ease the housing situation, but in fact, if it were to be built, and I hope not, then the people in the homes that are going to be buildozed are adding to the homelessness situation. Thanks again ",

Hello, the prospect of mass transit and high density for parts of the coast, especially Maroochydore to Mooloolaba is frankly frightening. I live in Alex and do not wish to have this occur.,

Hi, do you have an objection to the light rail document/letter/template that residents can sign and forward to council?

My neighbours and I in Kawana are completely against a light rail system. A pre-filled letter will enable more people to voice their concerns. It can be intimidating writing a letter when you are not familiar with council discourse.

People I have spoken to want to protest this decision, they would appreciate the process made a little easier.

Hi, I want to stop Blight rail along the beach. Thank you for all you are doing,

I agree - no mass development or light rail for the Sunshine Coast. Please keep updated,

I agree we don't want light rail, but the public transport system needs to be vastly improved. Alternatives need to be analysed.,

I am a very concerned resident and am very worried about the erosion of transparency around this process so far s well as the potential destruction of our lifestyle and long term health as a community. I intend to make a submission that will be counted. The council should be working for us not the other way around. This smacks of corruption at the council and related bodies. I look forward to hearing from you.,

I am a very concerned resident and intend to make a submission which will be counted and detail my considerable concerns for the future of the Sunshine Coast. I want my voice to be heard and to make Council take notice. They work for us, not the other way around,

I am absolutely opposed to the imposition of so-called 'infill' programmes of this kind, and I strongly object to the deceitful and deliberately misleading manner in which they are promoted (both at State and local government levels).

This is governance overreach, at its abject worst, and people need to be aware that so-called 'consultation' by governments and bureaucrats does not mean what we rightfully believe it to mean.

I am sorry that I am no longer in a fit state to play an active role in this just cause (which is very sad, coming from someone who was once a young activist), but I do hope that you will be surrounded by others who are willing and able.

I am against light rail and would appreciate updates. Thankyou,

I am dead against this mass transit light rail on the Sunshine Coast because it will cost the rate payers a massive increase in rates, also nobody really even uses the buses here now, on any given day there are Empty Buses running around the coast also they may only have 2 or 3 passengers, this mass transit light rail is being pushed by Jamieson to make himself look good & Wont Listen to what the local want & are Saying, so many properties will be impacted as well as the people living on the Sunshine Coast,,

I am NOT in favour of High Density Living in any way shape or form. But I 'am in definitely in favour of Light Rail Transport within the Sunshine Coast Region. My reasons stated below.

 $Stage \ 1: Sunshine \ University \ to \ Sunshine \ Coast \ Airport. \ (Via \ Mountain \ Creek \ / \ Mooloolaba \ / \ Alexandra \ Headland \ / \ Maroochydore \ / \ Pacific \ Paradise \ / \ Coolum. \ (Sunshine \ Coast \ Airport).$

Stage 1A: Sunshine Coast University - Sunshine Coast University Hospital.

Stage 2: Sunshine Coast University Hospital - Caloundra / Kings Beach.

Light Rail Maintenance Depot to be constructed with Sunshine Coast Airport Precinct.

My suggestions have been put forward several times on Social Media & in general conversations. It would remove large amounts of Traffic Congestion, reduce Motorist frustrations, reduce Traffic accidents etc. Light Rail would improve business in many area's as well bring in improvements to employment & local industry that would be during construction phrase of the Light Rail Stages. I have studied & researched many styles of Light Rail & Heavy Rail Rolling Stock & area's of Rail Infrastructure that would be applicable to the Sunshine Coast.",

I am really concerned that the current council is still not listening to residents. Light rail along the proposed 13km from Kawana to Maroochydore will become a white elephant.

It will NOT address the issues of traffic congestion throughout the Sunshine Coast.

It will NOT be economically viable.

People will STILL have to drive, creating traffic congestion, to get to the ""park & ride"" stops to catch the light rail - where is the point in that? They may as well just drive to where they need to go.

It WILL cost residents & drivers on this 13km stretch in more ways than just money.

I HATE going in to Maroochydore as it is now, because the traffic is horrendous at most times of the day. It doesn't matter if it is a weekday or the weekend.

Can the council, honestly, not really see that it will be even worse if this light rail plan goes ahead?

The council has to STOP wasting ratepayers money on this stupid stubborn attitude that they have regarding this short sighted plan.

This light rail plan WILL not benefit anyone, other than the developers who will build the high rise along the 13km stretch. The developers will be the only winners yet again.

You can't tell me that there is not, in any other part of this whole world, someone smarter than our council, who has a better solution than this imbecilic light rail.".

I am shocked to discover that this light rail could have even been contemplated for the corridor proposed and even more horrified that members of council voted against community consultation. All praise to Joe Natoli .,

I am totally against becoming a Gold Coast. That is why most of us live here.,

I am totally opposed to high rise buildings along the coast. We all came to the Sunshine Coast because it was not like the Gold Coast and if the council get their way our lives will change forever! We have to stop this development now because the traffic down Nicklin Way is already to full capacity and bringing that more people onto the scene will be catastrophic!!!,

I can't understand WHY the Council is Pro this development.

More locals should be made aware of what is planned.

We came here to avoid the Gold Coast busy-ness and now they're trying to force it on us.",

I dread our lovely sunny coast becoming another concrete jungle.,

I grew up in a busy city and do not ever want to live surrounded by traffic ever again.

I moved to the coast for a quiet lifestyle and that is what we have right now!

I do not want to hear continual rumbles of machinery travelling close to my residence.

It will be of no use to me and I do not want to live anywhere near it if they go ahead with the stupid plan.",

I hope there are enough concerned residents out there voicing opinions, to help STOP SC Council's push to over-develop this beautiful area...our infrastructure isn't coping with burgeoning population growth now: land is being carved up and we have homes being built on less than 200m2 (Aura) and the thought of light-rail running in conjunction with the construction of multi-storey appartment blocks track-side is too disturbing to contemplate....,

I live on a 546m2 block at Warana, I grow vegetables, fruit, flowers & harvest honey from my bees. What right has council to plan high rise in this area, to destroy my lifestyle and that of all other residents and the future of generations to come. There will be more mental problems, and suicides when residents are forced to live in apartment blocks, no fresh air, no back yard. "How Dare They". These are just a few of my concerns, I plan to write to Joe Natoli, Federal Members and State Members. I suggest that residents are encouraged to write individual letters of objection (as multiple individual letters are more likely to get attention) as well as completing the survey. We may have to resort to protests, blocking the machines that come to bull doze our houses!!!!,

I object to mass transport,

I OBJECT to the mass transit scheme and rail on sunshine coast Its not viable ,nobody wants it that lives here,

I say No to the light rail proposal.

I suggest the term "blightrail" be used rather than light rail. I think people will use the term as it is aligns with Australian humour.,

I think the Sunshine Coast should invest in Light Rail but NOT for the High Denisty Lifestyle.

Stage 1: Sunshine Coast University to Sunshine Coast Airport.

Stage 2: Kawana to Caloundra / Kings Beach.

Stage 3: Sunshine Coast Airport to Noosa.

Construction over 3X5 periods. (Each Stage over 5 Years = 15 Years; Some stages will be less than 5 year construction periods).

** If roads continue to be built &/or widened/extended, it will only increase Traffic Volumes, more Traffic accidents, more Insurance Claims, Injuries & unfortunately, more deaths (Road Toll deaths). More suffering & trauma for families & friends. I'm sure we don't need this. During construction, it will increase local economic benefits for communities & local industries & businesses.

I would appreciate any updates as we support improving the bus system and types of buses. As a visitor to the Gold Coast that has a good Bus system their light rail is an expensive waste of money that the Sunshine Coast has to avoid, I would like to be kept informed with this development

I can't see how this 13km light rail will improve the transport system for the entire coast especially for those who live in the hinterland areas. What happened to the camcos proposal??

If it's going to lead to an increase in high rise buildings along the coast then forget it.",

I would like to notified of updates. As a local Alex resident I do not want the destruction of a place I love. We must change this because the future of nature and human happiness depends on it.,

I'm appalled that this is set to go ahead. It's set to disrupt the Coast for about 10 years of construction for a system that will be virtually unusable for most locals!,

I'm disturbed by this development news and interested in its progress,

I'd like to register for updates - I suggest that the so-called light rail proposed is ill -advised, costly and impractical. We need an integrated transport plan for the Sunshine Coast and not just get fixated on light rail. Developers may like the idea of higher density living but financial gain may be their main motivating factor. Excessive congestion for example along Nicklin Way and the Duporth Avenue and into Bradman Avenue is currently a good example of what the future may hold for the Sunshine Coast if the proposals are agreed to. It defies logic that light rail is being proposed to alleviate congested living but increasing population density along with higher rates is seen by some as a way to pay for the light rail. Makes no sense!,

I'd like to stay updated on this. What I have seen worries me. I am not against progress but not at the expense of the unique lifestyle which attracted us here. I do not understand the apparent reluctance of the Mayor et al. to engage the community in the discussion and decision - that's not how things should work.,

if the light rail was set up in the western suburbs of sunshine coast,

bells creek, caloundra race course, kawana hospital, kunda park/maroochydoore to noosa.

then link to the airport and lansdbough rail.

that would be better solution",

If we wanted the Gold Coast we would go there.,

Interested in all your update info.,

Interested, I live in Buddina, where I believe a large part of the infill will occur. There are investors sitting on large numbers of properties in this area, just waiting for this disaster to occur. I know of at least two that have minimum 12-15 properties each. These are the greedy that drive decisions like we are seeing. That is only two I know of, I wonder how many more there are such as this out there, waiting to destroy a family friendly, lovely community and turn it into a metropolis with no infrastructure. This is not a good future for families and our kids.,

It's happening again?? We moved from our beautiful riverside home in Paraka Court because of the Camcos corridor- now this here!, Joe Natoli's video told me all I need to know. i will never support the proposal.,

Keen to help stop this rot,

Keeping in touch. PLEASE don't make our beautiful coast, another Gold Coast.

PLEASE no high rise development.",

Let me know what I can do! Ive been dead against the build up of the coast since I was a kid. We have to much to lose by giving developers free reign. Thank you for the service.,

Message,

Must be stopped.

My family purchased land and built our beach house in 1963, back then it was a beautiful and stunning place, I am not against development but I do disagree people lining their pockets and not taking the rate payer considerations.....

I am now in a wheelchair and have been trying to get lights or crossing on Buderim/Mooloolaba Road. ha ha what a laugh.",

My husband and I are very concerned about the many impacts of a possible light-rail and high-rises (infill). Please keep us informed. Thankyou.,

My husband and I are very much against the light rail and the massive population expansion and high density living that the council are threatening.

We do not want to end up another Gold Coast.

As it is the roads are crowded and the green spaces and wildlife are disappearing in our area at an alarming rate.",

My wife and I don't want our lifestyle ruined by hi rise buildings we are in Pimpala St Wurtulla and to old to move can we help,

No Gold Coas

NO high density development any longer. The Mooloolaba - Alexandra Headland has already been spoilt. Quality of lifestyle is more desirable than development. We do not wish to be like the Gold Coast.,

No high rise! I made the choice to buy here because it was a family relaxed place to be. Not another Gold Coast,

No light rail / developer money grab at residents expense / population congestion,

No light rail or High density buildings along our coast line. Coastline has already been ruined along Alexandra Parade between Pacific Pde & Sixth Ave. We don't want \ANY high rise south of Mary St corner. Present zoning needs to be retained.,

No light rail please.

I want to be able to catch the train to Brisbane.

I don't want to go to Maroochydore cbd.",

No light rail. Keep the foreshores open.

No light rail. No barrier to the beach. Keep our small businesses along the Coast route open with car parking. I love our beachfront the way it is! I support the Camcos option. Plenty of unused land there,

No mass transit! No high rise!,

No rail of anysort leave as is.,

No to high density,

No to the light rail!

No way supported,

NO, NO, NO!,

None of these options are viable to our present community. This is an attempt to destroy our community.,

Object to the light rail track and the medium and high density development along the proposed coastal corridor.,

Oceanic Drive resident, very interested in minimising infill in the area, and also better managing traffic along Oceanic to prevent it from being used as a "Nicklin Way alternative through road", as traffic is only increasing (in volume and speed) from Bokarina to Pt Cartwright. I don't think Mass Transit will work in the area, and its presence on Nicklin Way will only force drivers to "rat run" along residential streets more than they do now. Please send updates!,

One of the great features of Australia and particularly the Sunshine Coast was space. I can see that is slowly being eroded.,

Please keep me informed of the progress of the proposals.

I am a regular user of local buses which travel hourly from Sippy Downs to Kawana Shopping centre and take 35 mins for what takes 12 mins by car!!

This bus is rarely more than 1/4 full.

The whole system/timetable needs an overhaul.....".

Running joke in family, don't get me started on traffic on Coast! Lived here and paid rates for 28 years, so sad and frustrating to see traffic at a stand still in so many areas of the Coast and route to Brisbane. Certainly not the ideal lifestyle we originally sought and enjoyed. Yes things change but what a shame it has been for the worse in this regard. To the "average punter" it appears that no thought has gone into traffic planning as more and more housing estates are opened up. In non peak times I find traffic in the Northern suburbs of Brisbane way quieter, on my walks there I can cross 4 lane roads with absolute ease, try doing that on Nicklin Way! There is something wrong with this scenario, so fully support this group standing up, trying to be the voice of reason before it is too late!,

Since 1987 I have been saying that we need CAMCOS ...not a tram that will only service just a few. CAMCOS can give us a rail connection to Brisbane as well as an INTRA Coast transit. Trains operating frequently between Beerwah and Maroochydore with buses serving the local suburbs from each rail station....The tram at BILLIONS of Dollars to build dies not make sense. CAMCOS should have \$\$\$ priority over the rail duplication as it will service a far greater population base.....it is that simple. Build transport to where it is needed and forget this tram idea. There is so much more but not here!

Ken Coulter.

SSC are a pack of scumbags.

Stop the mass development,

Support your cause, but for the reason that if will not be financially viable. The bus usage along the similar routes already demonstrate this. We have no large city business hub or beach/ tourist attraction which triggers the need to regularly move large volumes of people to and from home to this location and back. Wish you every success...

Thank you for exposing and challenging these very non-transparent plans that we would not have considered otherwise. I look forward to staying more informed to assist with the challenge.,

Thank you for forming MTAG and taking action to ensure that the Sunshine Coast Council makes planning and infrastructure decisions aligned to community expectations.,

The greed that is pushing the drive for high rise on the SunshineCoast is being driven by the council and developers.

The demographics of the Mooloolaba area has changed in the last 5 years because of the push for more people, and high rise growth.

The businesses haven't survived because of rent rises and the atmosphere has been depleted .

To make a SATILITE CITY OF THIS AREA is only through greed not common sense.

The infrastructure of the late 20th century cannot handle the changes at the moment with the extra numbers arriving since the shut downs in through cities Covid. NICKLAN WAY IS HIGH TRAFFIC ALL DAY NOW FROM SOUTH CALOUNDRA TO MAROOCHADORE.

It has added ½ an hour travelling time to even go 5 klms along this once very pleasant throughway

SO ..stop... stop ... STOP the greed.. stop the unneeded growth...

STOP the bulling of existing citizens to change that is not needed in this very delicate area.

The councilors were not elected to ruin this delicate area they were voted in to service and protect this are for the citizens and future generations",

The Light Rail proposals are developed on a fundamentally flawed proposition

The Light Rail corridor along the beachfront will neither solve the transit and transportation issues, and is not the solution wanted by the residents. The proposal and options are written such to achieve only the Council's desired outcome, ie high density infill. There are far better transportation options that will address the real issues and meet community expectations that are not even being proposed for consultation and community selection. Our elected members from the state and federal governments must put a halt to the Sunshine Coast Council process which is not addressing community wishes."

The mayor of the Sunshine Coast is just on an Ego Trip, he is biased & come Hell or High water he will push ahead with his idea, no matter what, he needs to be removed from council & voted out with a vote of "No Confidence" he doesn't care how he spends rate payers money, also if it goes ahead it will take years to pay back, If Ever, I think it will never be paid back,

The proposed density is far too high. We are not and don't want a Gold Coast lifestyle. Please leave out beachfront alone.,

There are so many reasons to oppose light rail. Cost, disruption, urban densification, more viable alternatives etc,

There is already a perfectly good bus service in that exact route - The rail will make traffice far worse and not attract any more commuters than the current buses. I live here because it is NOT the gold coast.,

This cannot go ahead, not in front of the beach, for heaven's sake this type of thing needs to be away from the glorious coastline we are so blessed with.,

This is criminal!,

This is ridiculous. The coast is too crowded as it is!.

This will ruin the coast,

To develop the Sunshine Coast in this way will clearly be against the wishes of the people. One Gold Coast is one too many. Absolute power given to the SC Council will corrupt absolutely,

To the Mayor, Keep trying this nonsense on and you won't be re elected at the next election!!!

We don't want any more high density living on the Sunshine Coast, mass transit systems are uneconomic without high density living to feed to it. It is so obvious that this Pro Development Mayor wants all the high density development at any cost!",

Totally against light rail and high density housing along the beach corridor - beach front and beach access needs to be left alone for future generations,

TOTALLY AGAINST LIGHT RAIL IMPLEMENTATION..WE HAVE BUSES THAT IS AMPLE.,

Totally opposed to light rail and density increases,

We are Wrigley Street residents who already put up with increased traffic flow through to Aerodrome Road. The Light Rail would be a waste of time as people use their cars to travel the coast and would ignore the rail. There is already too much unit development east of Maud Street, We do not want the light rail and all the high rise development that will follow it.

We do not want to be another Gold Coast!!",

We don't need light rail on our beachfront!,

We need a public meeting before August 20 to make sure more people know about this crazy idea. Cr natoli appears to be against the proposal. We need to winkle out others.,

We should be looking at Electric buses! More frequent times and very cheep so that people will actually use it. It will save a lot of money not having to rip up the roads etc. we need public consult as we have a wealth of intelligent people with a lot of knowledge!,

We totally oppose this ludicrous idea..

We would prefer not to have changes to our lovely Coast. When looking at the brochure regarding the light rail corridor on the Sunshine Coast which was left in our mailbox. We are unclear, eg does the purposed rail link run along the beach side Nicklin Way, and if that is the case, where does it cross the hospital area?,

Yes to a proper rail link. No to this proposal of mass transit high density living.,

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