

QUESTION 4: Twice, in 2000 and 2010, the Council created extensive plans for Gallery Walk, including by-pass and parking solutions.



- More traffic management research needed to flesh out projections for Gallery Walk Traffic.
- A pedestrian crossing should be across Beacon Rd and across Main Western Road near the Beacon Road Cnr. It would allow students, users of the park and Information Centre, and shoppers in all 3 areas (Main Street and both sides of Main Western Rd) to move between all areas.
- Cook Road Bypass created so only Gallery walk visitors need to use long road. This will make it alot quieter as general passing traffic won't have to navigate Gallery Walk.
- Pedestrian crossings on gallery walk!
- Drop the exorbitant rates for the shop owners and lessen the rents. Businesses are struggling, which harms employment and the organic atmosphere of the community. The council more-so does what they want, rather than what the community want and the council charges for services not rendered.

QUESTION 7 What is your opinion on the proposal to establish a community based Non Governmental Organisation (NGO) to co-ordinate wildlife based activities on the mountain?



- More weed management on both public and private land. Increase size of National parks.
- stuff stupid council, we should be separate from GC & others
- With council input and funding
- ALL financials to be audited properly and published annually. I suggest Jaap Vogel to head the NGO's
- I think it is vitally important to have local rangers to look after the area on a daily basis. Weed control and bush regeneration is desperately needed as well as dedicated and consistent control of the impacts caused by huge numbers of visitors to places like cedar creek falls. Private land owners need to be educated and encouraged to join the fight against weeds, barbed wire fencing and habitat destruction, among other things, and I think engaging the community in nature activities would be an important step towards this goal. I would be very interested in being involved. LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- There would be a role for all three groups to run it - together.
- It will be great if locals are involved at the centre, but shouldn't it be managed by Queensland Native Forests? Then the scientists can get more involved as well, and the management can include reforestation etc.
- A new centre should be known as an environment centre. A rainforest centre is too restrictive. I would prefer that the centre did not alienate currently unoccupied land but rather adapted or built on "suburban" land. LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- I agree with Wildlife based activities as long as NO wildlife are involved. However, I believe that ppl should be educated on our flora and fauna. I have to rescue these wildlife, I'll be damned if I'll let tourists put their hands on them without education.
- LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS Commercial tourism operators have a vested interest in increased tourism regardless of the consequences and for that reason should not be involved in any NGO.
- These questions are too broad. NGO on private land?? Rain forest cultural centre run by locals (voluntary?) If paid, by who?
- As much as the nature aspect is important... safety of humanity is equally maybe even more important. I believe in this survey there are alot of "new" plans rather than "fixing" plans of the well known issues of the roads on the mountain. It needs to be brought to attention that the roads are overdue for a safety update, especially when the roads are being used by larger vehicles and trucks. We cannot stop truck use , so the roads need to be updated for safety... There are too many accidents that happen and get swept under the mountains carpet instead of fixing tgis dangerous issue. The roads have not been updated the for many years and need to meet safety road worthy guidelines.
- Tamborine Mountain should be a Wildlife Sanctuary and policies should be developed with the shared value of protecting our wildlife and their habitat. Any suggestions of people using our wildlife for commercial purposes or profit should be rejected. Widespread feeding of wildlife is causing diseases and ultimately killing our wildlife.
- If we want stuff on the mountain then we need to take charge ourselves. I do not see that the council has the capacity to coordinate anything on the mountain. Happy to help where I can LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- Indigenous and historically local knowledge

- Beauraucracy is already over reaching into the lives of Citizens , especially hard left ideology . The suggestion that Private property could become the target of Green activists is outrageous. A quick look at the chaos being inflicted on Good Farmers by Vegan activists , physically removing their livestock is an indication of just how real the threat to property rights really is.
- These questions are loaded. Council has the money to provide these services but it is being wasted through mismanagement and malpractice.
- LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- More general Autonomy for the mountain
- Stop people cutting down native trees. LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- I'd be very concerned about the local council running anything as they will see it as another opportunity to hike our already over inflated rates.
- We must plant trees! If everyone plants some trees on his own land, we will not have such strong winds and it will become cooler. Any trees, plant fruit tree. Maybe we organize a community nursery where locals could multiply their existing trees, teach young ones how and sell or give these trees for planting. LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
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- "Wildlife activity implies finding wildlife & disturbing them" Twenty to thirty years ago I used to see goanna,koalas, pure dingos. There are more hares, bush turkeys, people & rubbish now.
- We tend to already have a multitude of "wildlife/rainforest based organisations" with varied philosophies and differing desired outcomes- generally they manage to disagree with each other on pretty much everything- is another dis-functional local assembly of the same people actually required?
- LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS
- We have a truly unique area here to build a beautiful small community that takes care of itself with food, water and special benefits that only the natural world can and does ever provide without so called tourist dollars etc, their dollars have and are proven to ruin all areas they invade.
- Stupid Idea(NGO) as usual small group trying to tell others what to do. Already have a group called Landcare.
- There certainly should be a pulling back of exotic plants used in local garden scaping, and indigenous plants become essential if we want to expand or even maintain the current wildlife. Perhaps little England and dairy farmland were once the call of the day, but in the day of climate change, growing man made animal extinction rates, and massive habitat loss, I'd go as far as only allowing indigenous plants be sold or planted on the mountain. People choose to live in cat free neighbourhoods, I bet just about everyone wants or likes living here for the trees. But I'd bet a tree is a tree is a tree to most. They have no idea what tree is needed for wildlife to survive let alone thrive.
- Could easily become top heavy with only those of the same Opinion and vision (i.e Anti Progress association).
- LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS I am an environmental scientist and spatial geographer
- And a generous rate reduction to reflect this.
- Too many tour groups are coming to the mountain with limited or no income being received by local businesses or organisations. Curtis Falls is rapidly becoming a major tourist attraction at night due to the glow worms. This needs to be monitored more closely as some groups appear to be a bit ad hoc.
- LEFT EMAIL ADDRESS

QUESTION 8: Would you support an (enforceable) agreed code of environmental conduct for landowners



- Other ideas (please specify)
- Better runoff erosion controls
- Lets get rid of Roundup and provide safe alternatives for the community to use instead
- if geographically possible join walks together to promote longer walks similar to O'Reillys or the UK
- If money is made available for removal of weeds. Most weeds re-invest private properties from neglected Council land
- include landowners on any proposed ideas for their input
- Some people are aged and unable to participate personally in the above. They would require assistance.
- Highlight the importance of trees possessing hollows, threat of barbed wire fencing, fruit netting, loose pets and excessive noise(barking) from pets, loud exhausts, rubbish, pesticides, rat poison. I could go on and on. I think there is a lot of education needed and that there are ways to effectively engage with people to encourage cooperation and involvement rather than alienation.
- I would prefer voluntary codes. Removal of weed species might need to be in a staged progression e.g. removal of a thicket of roadside privet (council the landowner) might actually harm animals and birds using it if it were removed all at once.
- **If SRRC would actually pursue court orders for breaches of its local laws, we would not require a code of conduct.** When council actually manages to obtain a court order (eg Manika Ct in 2012) it needs to ENFORCE it, or why spend ratepayers' funds going to court???
- I would support non enforcement, no-one should dictate to land owners.
- Encourage people with rate discounts and prizes. NO MORE LAWS or erosion of rights!
- While it's good to regenerate I think it's not suitable to make people change their own land it could be advised and then people choose this would be more beneficial than making people do it.
- We also need tighter controls on suitable land use with our sensitive environment and wildlife as a priority. More control and limits over ground water extraction.
- Take this Communist Manifesto and throw it in the garbage where it belongs.
- Looking after then environment is one thing - demanding performance of private owners is another!!! **Education and gentle persuasion is the key!**!?!?!?!
- The administering Council needs to abide by these rules also as i have had to remove declared & other "non native" noxious & spreading weeds from the nature strip & footpath area bordering our property, which encroach on our property
- I would support the idea of all locals stop using poison for weeds. This poison poisons our water and soil. Underground water. You can advise to remove weeds, print pictures of weeds and spread this information, but enforcing is bad idea. People will start using poison as removing by hand is hard and time consuming.
- weed control by laws are already done by council and can be enforced people have the right to do what they want to do with their land as long as it is done within the law if you don't like then buy it done make people do what other want
- Rates for large land holders need to be reduced to discourage subdivision.
- Lots of us already re-vegetate extensively already- but it should not be enforceable by any authority.

- Private owners should be encouraged, supported, educated and assisted but not legislated.
- It should be voluntary for property owners to allow walkers on their land
- This is our sovereign space and should never be dictated to by any 'Public Service' without full approval of us the public.
- I love this idea. I'll even offer up my swimming hole for starters. Land owner respect and user responsibility for litter need to be relentlessly drummed into users.
- It's outrageous to suggest Private Land Owners should be forced to do anything at all on the orders of uninvited busy bodies .
- Funding so landowners can, for example, remove invasive species, including trees. Mandate weed removal, ie the 'weed herbarium' on 6? Long Rd just north of the Gallery Walk roundabout
- If owners are happy to let strangers cross their properties. It's somewhat disconcerting and could be risky and cause anxiety for some residents.
- I believe that landholders should be able to look after their own land as they see fit and have the choice to allow bush walkers on their land without enforceable codes of conduct...
- Preservation of forested areas. Increase of forestation in some areas.
- Private property should not be created where there is a need for public use of the land. Any required easements should be established at the time of subdivision. While removal of specific weeds is appropriate, any continuation of these from government owned or managed lands should also be addressed.
- awareness not enforcement on private land

QUESTION 9: Some business-owners suggest to introduce an environmental levy on all sales on the mountain: customers can voluntarily add 1% to sales to protect and improve our nature



- Rates are already too high for residents
- A lot of products seem expensive already
- **It's not up to shop owners it's up to us all!**
- Business is dying up here, get the so called big 3 to implement a sales tax..... yeah right no money coming in & they want to charge the tourist more ??????/ wankers
- Everyone should contribute what they can but government and council has neglected to ask the people on the mountain. They just put in what they feel is 'good for Tamborine Mountain', without our input. This is unacceptable.
- I think programs like this can be far more successful if than people expect
- I think it should only be optional. Australia is already very expensive, the properties and rent and taxes on the mountain are very expensive, and that will add to the cost of the products of the tourists (and the locals). Locals will shop off the mountain.
- Donation points for bottles attracting a 10c return.
- It should be promoted to Tourists that we are raising funds to protect and raise awareness.
- Why always a big stick approach, encourage with free advertising of the businesses that do something good or innovative. EG. These stores have disabled facilities. These stores contribute to Environmental, Rainforest, Street upkeep. Etc
- Don't harass people to donate.
- A good idea but complicated to manage and business owners could exploit. Better to have well managed, non-profit community owned facilities that raise funds for the environment and wildlife.
- Not sure who would collect & administer this.
- Any long term activity has to have a cash flow and a local government levy would serve that purpose
- Our rates are high enough to be able to cover this
- I also support local voluntary levy on top of government support
- Our Local Council charges us, living on Tamborine Mountain, the highest ever rates of any Queensland Council municipality, for so little input or facilities. Let's see them step up and do something more to help out !
- I would like to see a levy on all tourist and business operators, to compensate the long suffering residents who have to put up with the tourists.
- Perhaps a donation Box or Tin in every Business on the Mt for small change explaining how monies would be used
- Bad idea! Do not touch the nature and it will improve itself.
- No too complicated but it would have to be a simple process with stringent oversight
- Even though I think its a great idea, as business owners are finding difficulty in attracting enough custom for sustainability it may be detrimental to add a cost on to their goods for sale.
- Which business owners have suggested this, or is it someone's wish list?
- forget it just another cost that will ultimately be a waste of money
- Call it a levy if you like but it's just another tax guys- probably not even legal. if "some business owners" feel its a good idea then why don't they contribute themselves- you can

do it voluntarily you know- it doesn't need legislation- probably even tax deductible if its quantified. Maybe some of the local business owners could show their dis-approval to those amongst themselves who commercially extract water for "export" and packaging into plastic bottles. There are two problems that are really environmental- a)commercial water extraction in locations like ours is not sustainable under our current climate conditions and has never really helped any local community anywhere in the world. b) Plastic bottles are a pox on the world- they should not be sold on this mountain- period- make a statement.

- Sorry, **it would have to be policed!!!**
- Surely the very high rates we all pay should cover this?
- These so called levies are just another corrupt way to cash grab
- Need to keep admin costs for this to a minimum.
- I think if **the mountain can stand on its own feet that would be best.** However if government are willing to chip in but give up control that that would be worth considering. I know it has been raised in the past for a levy be put on water extraction, perhaps some deal with the mountain and government be constructed. I know the Robert estate, perhaps the only legal and court challenged commercial water extraction entity on the mountain are in favour of a water levy. Its a natural resource owned by all, and they don't have an issue with a State levy.
- More Left Wing , Climate Change myth, ideology. The Mountain is thriving better now than when we arrived 35 years ago.
- It is only big business owners that could afford this as most small business have lean times and struggle.
- From our rates, like the Gold Coast levy (existing rates, not extra)
- I also think government should help. The local shop owners are already struggling with high rents for their shops and difficulties during poor weather.
- Introducing a levy would increase prices and make more people shop off the mountain and hurt struggling businesses that need the local business when tourists numbers are down..
- Visitors and tourists only to be levied. The Mt. Tamb . community has its hands in it's pockets too much already.
- Every community has environmental needs (natural and man-made). Areas endowed with rainforest or other special settings should not be made an exception in relation to government responsibilities.

- It is very dangerous to walk around the mountain at night due to the non-existent street lights... there needs to be more street lights to allow people who do walk at night to feel safe doing so...
- a major factor in the amenity of living on the Mt. is the low impact of light pollution. No increase over the present levels, and if possible a reduction.
- I do not recall any situation in the past 30 years where lack of street lighting caused an accident. Most people have GPS. Driveway or house number lighting is an option. Shops are lit.
- Maybe just on gallery walk

QUESTION 12: Regarding the Library (and Council desk).....



- The old IGA store should be converted to a 'Mountain' information centre. It is an eyesore and should be used for practical purposes.
- Library's are important social infrastructures for young and old alike
- Who cares , don't use the library, get what I need on line
- Move into the old supermarket premises
- The library is too small as it is. It serves up to 400 people per day now: more shelving, meeting rooms, library shop, increased space for young people's services including wet room, increased space for public computers, more professional staff including library technicians and non-professional staff (library assistants)
- Enlarge the current the Tamborine Mountain Library so it can be utilised as a library, gallery, childrens' imagination centre where they can construct art works - made of cardboard, lego etcetc. Technologically kids require basic education so every afternoon after school, there could be a teacher (for each age group on different days), to give basic help. Libraries are fantastic and tactile. Of course they are still required - always will be.
- Personally, I have found the library to have met all my needs, but I am only one person. If the community would like an upgrade and would use the service then it should be considered
- The old IGA would be a perfect option for expansion. I use the library Less and less as the activities conducted therein are expanded. I cannot compose a legal submission whilst located near playtime activities. There should be separate rooms for noisy activities.
- Currently the library is very small and noisy during busy periods. Additional room for quiet areas, meetings, and a separate kid's area would assist those trying to study and read in peace. It would be awesome if the old supermarket building could be added to the library space.
- The library should be user pays as should sporting facilities etc
- Less and less using library these says so more upgraded technology would maybe help with this
- The library is a big missed opportunity on the mountain. There is heaps of vacant adjoining space to build its technology links, focus community through talks, information, place for visiting experts to contact. Even as a hub for small businesses just starting.
- It took me 6 months to find the library signage is pathetic, location is second rate. Tamborine needs a town square which has public facilities like the library, council office, post office cafes, etc and local community can meet and socialise
- Our library is wonderful - but it could always be better! It is well used and supported
- We accept that "Technology" is a day by day, continual development ! We elderly residents, and the younger ones,, need to be granted those technological facilities to learn more and keep up to date !
- I am not a library member but maybe it could be moved if necessary into the old IGA building as I understand Council is looking at this building as an Arts and Crafts Centre
- library/community center
- Another location but still central and I agree that the former IGA building would be ideal.
- more children books would be great
- it is a very good library
- I don't use the library currently-so the specific aspects a) and b) above are unknown- I do have a library card but the written resources seemed limited last time I was there- i am not aware of resources at other council libraries for comparison. For c) an emphatic NO. The

library should stay where it is- on Main Street- where a library should be. The biggest hurdle is the old supermarket still remaining a ghost building and the reasons behind that. For d) Of course we need a library- with books and stuff as well- not just computer screens.

- It needs more space for books and quiet reading and a much greater range and number of books.
- **It could also become a kind of cultural centre possibly displaying works by local artists?** Maybe host short art courses by local/visiting artists. You should look at the Cultural Centre in the Blue Mountains NSW for ideas.
- No comment - I have not used the library.
- I like where the library is located, it's just not big enough so the old IGA would be good. I wouldn't like to see it leave Main Street.
- I don't really have a view on this. I'm not a big library user and best left to the ones who know better.
- Take over old IGA premises and keep existing. Not enough books, need more space
- Meeting rooms for book grouse and community groups, spaces for children's activities, no council office within library - should be separate building for privacy.
- The Library ought to be extended - using the entire building where it is already located. It could be then utilized by childrens' activities during holidays and as a safe place to go after school to study. Make it a social event area for our children. Perhaps parents who don't work, could supervise after-school activities, tutoring, mentoring and just friendship. Would have to be checked re background etc etc.
- We still need a library in this day and age. The incorporation of small meeting rooms would make the library a great facility. The old IGA would be an ideal location. This whole area needs an update.
- The council needs to buy the old IGA now!!!!
- Upgrade library and move to the old IGA
- The library needs to be enlarged
- My experience is that the current library facilities are sufficient for this community. We enjoy a healthy "friends" support which gets the community involved. The current level of taxpayer/ratepayer funding is about the limit.
- It's the best library that my children and I have every visited. I love the feel, social vibe and availability. Would be good if it was opened later and longer on week nights and weekends.

QUESTION 13: Regarding sport facilities



- Better playgrounds and swimming pool for young children and early teens - climbing and nets similar to Helensvale Westfield
- We need more than one football pitch. Geismann is currently going to waste and isn't allowed to be used by the Eagles men's senior team
- A larger covered pool should be built in the sports ground as the other is old and just not good enough
- **Promote a TM marathon :)**
- Need cycle paths and foot paths
- **Indoor swimming pool as the community is ageing** and many need the use of a heated indoor pool
- Facilities for equestrians should be established on the sports grounds (or somewhere else where it is safe to ride)
- If the **sports ground could also be utilised for music concerts** (as happened previously) they could bring in enough money to pay for their upkeep and improvement. The Sports Centre on Long Road is a natural amphitheatre and has great acoustics. It is under-utilised. The gates ought to be locked at night.
- I'm not involved in any sports at present but there should be sufficient facilities available.
- The facilities are great but they need to be more accessible. We recently tried again to set up a social, mixed adult's netball group and were again rejected. It's really disheartening when there is so much interest and such great facilities available but we are not permitted to use them.
- Schools should be encouraged to share their facilities out of hours.
- Long overdue!
- I think the sports facilities are fine, but the pool is a bit small and lacks in parking in the summer.
- Zoning that allows more recreational activities to be developed in more areas e.g. dance and yoga studios, gym
- **Any improvements must be by user pays and community contributions**
- **Please add archery fields.**
- The pool is a disgrace
- I have worked for the local swimming pool for almost 10 seasonal years.. This is a 30+ years old pool.. it has suited its purpose for adult swimming.. But is no way safe or meet teaching guidelines for children.. The company that currently has the pool on beacon road .. dose not care about childrens safety ! And has avoided water safety and work health place safety.. Especially when the local schools come to do "school swimming" There is no shelf for them to stand safety in water as the shallow end is at 85cm which is taller than prep yr 1s and maybe yr 2 children... As the swimming guidelines allow having 1 teacher to 10 children during school swimming.... This is a serious drowning hazard! The amount of elderly and disabled patrons that have great difficulty to use this pool as there is no ramp for them to use. It is not worth the money digging up a 30yr old pool to suit the ever growing community of Tamborine Mountain and have a child mindful pool environment ... I believe that it is in the community's best interest **to build a more updated pool at the sport centre and make it child and disability safe.**
- Pool should be open 12 mths a year. Bigger pool so that locals can swim when school swimming on. Currently you can't when they have lessons. Sports ground need seats and tables, play ground. Trees for shade.
- The swimming pool needs to be part of the sports grounds

- Upgraded and open all year
 - The sports ground needs more shade. More trees will make the area cooler for sports people and spectators.
 - My son goes to Karate at the Showgrounds. It desperately needs a face lift, even the seats for watching sports there are crumbling and dangerous
 - Big opportunity for pool upgrade and add on other activities. Not sure the space is right though as its traffic is already a problem
 - The pool should be available for use all year round.
 - Develop the sports grounds full with an indoor aquatic centre to replace the ancient current pool!!!!!!!!!!!!!! The initial plans have been changed via a manipulative process.
 - Small groups like the Bridge Club should be encouraged to fund & build their own facilities. Eg squash, table tennis, etc.,
 - Consider a **facility for basketball**
 - Some path for pedestrians and cyclists would be good. They could share.
 - plant more trees around the long road sports ground ready for the future
 - I know the sports ground was initiated and driven to where it is now by a small group of individuals- council did nothing except offer resistance anywhere they possibly could- but its still a very good set-up. What about things for kids- I know skate boards are the devils work but we need facilities for kids and cricket pitches are not really the go. Pool could be better -yes.
 - Far too small in my opinion.
 - Yes the mountain can offer **more intercool events**, and also offer various shows, music events, interest rallies like car shows, medieval meetings etc. Events that would welcome our cooler weather. Yes its a pool, but just as much an embarrassment. I have been to a school event there, way to small and all the parents got BBQ'd from lack of shade and seating. Trees and grass would be nice.
 - The ridiculous smear campaign waged against the proposed Bike & Zipline Park did a great deal of damage to the credibility of the Anti Progress Association. As with so many excellent initiatives, the ignorance spread throughout the Community was hysterically misinformed and turned many locals away from this mostly destructive group.
 - Perhaps a new pool should be built at Long Road complex
 - The new sports ground on Long Road, is under-utilized. There could be a bike track around it, using the back and edges to the front fence, not going on the road area, but at the back of the basketball courts and same on the north end. Safe for smaller children to use as well. Also as a dog walk - dogs being on a leash.
- It would be great to have the new **Sports Grounds as an income making resource, by using it as a Music /Concert Area**. It is the formation of a natural amphitheatre which gives great sound. I was at a concert there a few years ago and the acoustics were excellent. It could bring in a really good income and be used for so many other events. The current swimming pool needs improving. It's not attractive unfortunately, and the awful blue tarpaulins look cheap and uninviting.
- Build a covered pool at the sports ground on long Road Basketball courts at the sports ground
 - aquatic centre? Roof? open 12 month/year. Pref. location sport grounds.
 - Emphasis here is that the swimming pool should be moved to the Sports Complex and the current pool location sold off after the move so as to assist with funding that move.
 - Better cycling/foot paths round mountain top.

- All the top soil was pushed up and on sold when construction of the sports ground was underway. The grounds are too hard and will never have good grass, who benefited from the \$150 truck loads of soil for 2 years! The top soil should have been respread not sold.
- Yes! Upgrade the swimming pool. EVERYTIME my children use it they come home with nits and lice. What's with that!?

QUESTION 14: What is your vision on the way renewable energy should be dealt with?



- Given our power supply vulnerability which drives basic requirements like water and sewerage supply a plan is needed urgently to counter health threats.
- Let's become known as the green behind the gold, that is definitively green, by che, by design
- The Scenic Rim Council is more intent on improving locations OFF the mountain. They don't really care about Tamborine Mountain though they charge the highest rates in the Scenic Rim. We're a 'milk cow' to be exploited as far as I can see. The Scenic Rim Council puts in only what they want. It took me 3 years to get Henri Robert Drive re-surfaced (dealing with DTMR and the Scenic Rim Council), and two years to get a decent sized POOP BIN in Staffsmith Park. It's been 2 years also writing to the Scenic Rim to upgrade the disgusting toilet block at Staffsmith Park. Their response to me was 'It's in the 10 year plan'. I responded 'Many of us won't be here in 10 years and this toilet block is used by tourists who are shocked at the state of it'. Of course we must concentrate on 'renewables' - that is the sensible future.
- I would like to see a co-operative effort of community and council looking at the many ways energy can be generated and consumption can be reduced. I'd be interested to know whether the Waterotor technology could be part of the mix.
- Again reward the innovators and show case them, get people to have pride in what they do. It's not my business what others do, but if someone want to lead the way and help others to follow then this is truly a strong community.
- Until a source of renewable energy that actually works (, as opposed to destroying our economy with massive subsidies for next to no real input to the Grid) is found , we should thank our lucky stars that we have not yet descended to the farcical levels of power instability as SA and Victoria.
- Council is - in accordance with the failed referenda - not a legal govt. entity and therefore should manage & not Decide/enforce as currently
- Off-grid living to avoid widespread blackouts.
- There are plenty of example of small communities doing this well themselves - check out TRY - Totally renewable Yakandandah.
- Renewable Energy is a gift to be embraced by all ! Renewable Energy is our best option at this time and period for all concerned !
- That's the whole crux of it isn't it a) NO- the market only want to make profit- councils only want to increase revenue- even the "government" only care about you just before an election. WE must drive it. b) Yes create another Government funded production of an unworkable plan - in general they can't buy trains, submarines, boats, computer systems that work or really achieve any reasonable outcome on anything- so what a good idea. c) No idea what a CORE initiative is but everything has to have a war on it so if a Core initiative is like a war on something then YES- d) Renewable energy should be part of the image profile BUT - No F-ing wind turbines- they only look good in Tete Tubby Land- Big solar farm type establishments are out also- they are real crook. Doesn't leave much except the solar on every roof here feeding into localised community batteries to store power for night use- pretty much like we could do as individuals. Somehow there currently is no government in this country with the mental capacity to actually allow this to occur because it would cut into their revenue from the power companies e) probably for local- maybe for regional initially just get something to happen f) that is a definite

First World- Urban Privileged concept- only some sections of the right side of the liberal party still believe this surely

- It should be left up to the residents of T M to purchase solar power to their roofs. It is very expensive for an individual to have it installed.
- But cost to individuals is still very important.
- In general Sustainable practices in daily living should be employed across the mountain
- I believe that renewable energy should be embraced by those in a position to do so, wherever practical, but I don't reckon we could have any significant impact on overall energy policies.
- Energy policies should be left to the market and state and federal government. This issue is far too big to be left to just a council.
- Some cities around the world now have electric trams that are driverless. Far far better and cheaper than a light rail that the GC has. They use GPS and sensors to negotiate the stops and roads. Wouldn't it be a lovely vision for TM to be as green treed, EV friendly, and renewable energy focused as it can be. I don't have much faith in either side of politics to sort global warming and energy policy, so communities with private enterprise need to get communicating. We need tourism to help pay for private enterprise to be interested. 7500 local people is not enough for virtually anyone to be interested in anything.
- Renewables are expensive, unreliable and in no way, shape or form, a credible alternative to the traditional power supply which has served the Nation so well. Destroying perfectly good, Baseload Infrastructure while having no working alternative at hand is pure lunacy and viewed with deep suspicion by many Locals.
- Renewables preferred but would obviously need to be mixed. We have so many power cuts up here due to exposure to the weather and high winds.
- A levy from any commercial and community renewable initiative should contribute towards the key points of the blueprint
- Depending on costs
- Energy is a highly technical field of enterprise and, as such should be further researched by the community as to its efficacy, and efficiency. Current proposals seem to be ill advised. Each dwelling/business entity should be autonomous in its energy supply. NO grid. The grid is unsustainable on Mt Tamb.
- If government fails, community should design and apply for government funding.

QUESTION 15: Your opinion about water, waste and sewerage.



- Water should not be sold
- The location of the tip was a point of discussion some years ago. It should remain where it is.
- It is unacceptable that the water from a landowners bore is able to be sold in the first place. Who make the money from these deals. Is it just the owner!!!. How did the council even approve it in the first place. The government and council must close this loophole immediately as it is detrimental to people maintaining water from their bore and to the flora, fauna, wildlife, and tourism. I cannot believe it has been allowed to continue. If one resident runs out of water from their bore due to coca cola or other companies purchasing water from landowners and dry up creek then government and council has failed its residents. Additionally, they are still using the roads they were told not to. Who is paying for this? Us!
- We need a **kerb side collection for large items**. What do we get for our rates. Not much
- Comment: The tip is well regulated and heavily used. it is neat and tidy and provides mulch etc. Imagine the extra traffic on mountain roads if we had to go to a tip elsewhere, The traffic is not as bad on Knoll Road (I use it weekly) as the local "activists" would have us believe. But the lookout on the Knoll could have better facilities (seating, tables, signage and toilets)
- incentives for the community to recycle, reuse etc should be encouraged by council. Recyclable container collection bins at tip would be wonderful
- Residents should be able to increase/decrease waste collection based on need and payment
- NO water should be sold off the mountain to support any businesses. It should only be used for locals in the Scenic Rim if they run dry. Certainly no Coca Cola or Commercial companies which are not in the Scenic Rim. We certainly require a 2 year 'Big rubbish' pick up.
- **Living 'off-grid' is one of the main attractions of the mountain**. Connecting Tamborine mountain to sewerage and water works will result in significant works, environmental damage, increased urban sprawl and higher living costs. Personally we would refrain from drinking chemically cleaned water. Yes it would be useful during power cuts but the environmental and financial cost for that small convenience is unnecessary
- The tip is just in a very beautiful area, but I do not know an alternative area. I feel very strongly that the water should not be sold. It is a resource of the whole community, and it is not fair that individuals get the advantage of that. If it is sold off the mountain, the funds should be used to upgrade the area: fix Gallery walk and Bike paths and public transport and all of the other needs of the community.
- It's outrageous that individuals can sell bore water for commercial use
- There are ppl up here on the Mt that can't get off the Mt to go to the tip..... having it up here helps locals.
- We need at least an annual kerb side cleanup & say, a **quarterly green waste collection**. Not everyone has a ute or trailer or the ability to dispose of excess items or the large quantities of green waste their property produces (when it rains!)
- **Council should be more transparent on recycling audit and success**. They have not published an audit since 2014. A 2018 audit has been undertaken (but not yet been made available) only after I have pursued them on this matter.

- It would be awesome if we could set an example to others by developing **recycling and reusable centres locally**.
- There are so many good home sewage systems out there from worms to reeds encourage these. Better recycle facilities at the tip would help reduce waste. If you can't stop commercial water extraction regulating home and agricultural bores is plain stupid.
- recycle bin collection weekly instead of fortnightly
- Council should provide clean-up collection like other councils. It is a financial hardship for many residents to pay for clean-up waste to be removed to the tip.
- **Kerbside collection every 2nd year** would be beneficial.
- With the Mountain heading to double its population over next 20 years I have grave concerns about ability of current systems to cope. Unfortunately it's unlikely the Council is going to be able to lead the resolution of this problem
- What happened to the kerbside collection we use to receive? Council also needs to be tidying up strips all over the mountain on a regular basis, some a metre high with grass and weeds making the mountain looking 'unkept'.ie more bang for our buck!
- It would be great to have a town sewerage system but the cost will be huge and the disruption massive. Maybe a better way is to financially subsidise to upgrade older septic systems to the latest technology.
- We should be charged on a "Per Bin" bases with a micro-chip in the lid of the bin. Bin should be charged when collected only This is to encourage recycling of many items in our backyards!
- We need a recycling tip shop to reduce landfill as other Councils do.
- The so called "Traffic Hazzard" at Knoll Road can be engineered to be "Safe" But ! We could do with an economically and environmentally safe Waste Processing Facility, possibly on the South Western part of the Mountain, to properly deal with all of our waste?
- Perhaps another entry point Rd to avoid Knoll Rd altogether.
- The tip is in a good location, however the part of knoll Rd that is effected should be upgraded for safety
- **Amount of people living on the mountain should be limited** or we will face ecological disaster. Do not split land as it is proposed in the council plan! I think we should share the water between ourselves. In dry periods people with bores should share their water with the one who collect rainwater.
- people complain about our high rates already sewerage and water would be extremely expensive to install if not 100's of millions this has to be paid for with additional charges where is the water going to come from this will most definitely lead to the increase of sub division to help pay for it and ultimately destroy the mountain the greedy developers would just love it forget it we cant afford it
- Where are you going to put it really?
- Consideration of other sustainable practices in waste management could be considered... think along the lines of 'off grid'.
- There is only one other place where I know a trip could possible go. The old quarry in Kaiser Road. Do not even consider it as you will be up against the same old problem . Not In MY Backyard. Therefore do not bother. Leave the tip where it is where it has been for the last forty years plus. If you want to stop rates from going up stop considering things like reticulated sewerage systems and if you want a reticulated system tank water will not cover the volumes required for its operation so you need a reticulated water system . Therefore more money and therefore higher rates. Stop considering these things if you do not higher rates.

- Regulating bores makes sense to get an overall regular picture. Who is going to keep track of the regulation? However it needs to be every bore from the golf course to Avo and kiwi fruit farmers, nurseries, schools, to main street supply; not just commercial water extraction bores. Again I know Robert estate monthly monitor levels and have done for the past 15 years. The also needs to accept more, in line with other tips. One should not have to drive through the main street to go to the dump.
- A small group of Residents with a vested interest in moving the Tip continue to agitate for this purpose. The Tip was there when the moved to the area and seeking to now move it is pure self-interest.
- The main problem with septic waste collection is the high cost because of having to take it to council treatment pits and no cheaper choices so council charges as much as they like.
- Should be allowed to choose and pay less accordingly how much waste is removed. I hardly have even one small bag of rubbish and still pay full price
- We knew when we moved up here, that we had to dispose of our own sewerage and catch our own rainwater. The amount of money required to provide town water would be prohibitive. The current way we receive it, serves us well. People can always install another water tank. We require a Large Rubbish Disposal once a year. With 7000 people approximately in this community, we have nothing. It is ridiculous not to have it. We pay higher rates than any other area in the Scenic Rim and used to have a collection. WHY has the Scenic Rim decided we cannot have such a service? More money for whom ? This is an essential service. Many older people are unable to move things any distance.
- I'm sure you know that the community made decisions in regards to both sewerage and the location of the tip....unless you want to rip up the sports centre and the botanical gardens
- Any **water sold off the mountain should be to the benefit of the community**. It should be a truly capped product, sold as a premium product to the benefit of the whole community and not that of a few shareholders. Ratepayers should have a yearly rebate applied to the household
- The tip if relocated should be upgraded with a wider segregated waste areas for better recycling
- Relocate tip to sport grounds.
- The Mt Tamb community should own it's recycling facility. Opportunity for employment. More effective recycling.
- If agricultural use of water becomes a problem, it should be discussed in the community. If necessary some form of restriction could be introduced. However, it would seem very unlikely when you consider all that is currently being unjustifiably removed by bottled water companies.

QUESTION 16: A ranking system called 'MMM' is currently being implemented by governments.



- How can Tamborine Mountain be classified urban. There is nothing urban about us. Again it is government and council wanting more and more revenue. Stop stuffing up our environment. Most residents moved up here because of the peaceful green environment. We will never be urban
- While there is no town water or sewerage TM should not be ranked as Urban. it should be between Rural and semi-urban.
- Ridiculous to be compared to inner Brisbane when we are largely self-sufficient and a low infrastructure cost community (no sewage plant, poor roads, bore water etc. etc.) for the Government and Scenic Council.
- We pay more rates than any other area in the scenic rim but get very little for it.
- Must protest heavily at all levels of government to have this overturned.
- Urban? Seriously?
- No brainer. We are not a metropolitan area and should not be ranked as such.
- Seems an illogical and indefensible decision - difficult to imagine how this was arrived at.
- Tamborine Mountain is packed with multi-talented people and of course MUST be included in EVERY possible access to Government Grants and support especially in Health Care and all the Arts.
- I am not fully familiar with the system but I understand enough to strongly disagree that Tamborine Mountain should be classed as Urban.
- It is outrageous that TM has been classified as MMM1. This new classification will have many (financial) consequences and reduce services to locals.
- We do not have a lot of the services of an urban area. This is so ridiculous that I feel somebody made a huge mistake that will be at the disadvantage of the Tamborine Mountain community. Is this decision perhaps to keep immigrant doctors off the mountain?
- Continued pressure on federal government and opposition. Bring to the attention of other parties.
- I have contacted MP Scott Buchholz & health minister Hunt - no response from either. There appear to be no comparable locations which are classified MMM1.
- I have but one thought here, tell them to p-ss off with their 'rankings' it's about time we ranked them out of existence. We are close to unique and you can't rank that.
- Our Federal Member must stand up. If he fails to have this overturned he is a "lightweight"
- Laughable!
- It is totally unacceptable for Tamborine Mountain to be ranked MMM1. This must be changed. A top priority for the various local organizations to pursue.
- Total disgrace to be MMM1
- Total and utter bullshit - Yet to become another "yoke of Slavery" for TM ratepayers
- I have already indicated my concern to MP's etc.
- MM3 at least
- Obviously a political decision ? Politics being what they are (The Greatest Muppet Show In Australia at this moment) But who ??? Which Political Department ... is game to own up to this debacle ? There must be someone ! Let us petition that "Appropriate (Nameless) Person(s)" within the State/Federal Government to visit the Mountain to fully explain their decision to the residents, in a face to face meeting ? Let them see/feel for themselves, the differences between a Country and an Urban Society.? It makes one

wonder what "Thought Bubble" or maybe what were they smoking when they came to that decision ?

- This ranking is way off the mark. The mountain does not have the resources or structure that qualifies it for a MMM1 ranking. It is also a contradiction of the MMM system to suggest implementing the mountain as MMM1.
- We have no public transport and are on tank water .. to put us in this ranking is just pure idiotic We have to rely on our own resources unlike the Gold Coast.. The people who did this rating should at least come up here and talk to our community with the reason they came up with this idiotic rating !!!!!
- From a quick glance I would disagree with that ranking
- MMM1 is crazy for the Mountain, with no public transport, no town water, no sewerage, limited footpaths and long winding steep unsafe roads. It's pretty rural when you live here.
- typical of public servants not knowing the mountain has happened before and will happen again
- how stupid that TM be regarded as a City, as has been said many times, we are on tank water, we don't have a Council sewerage system, no hospital etc. etc.
- Surely this means that Government funds will now be automatically allocated to infrastructure improvements inline with other MMM1 ranked areas??
- I understand it only to the point to what I have read in the local papers. This stinks of politics, is wrong, and is harmful to our community.
- I understand this also means that we won't get arts funding which is very wrong!
- While I question the sustainability of government support to, for instance, Medicare across the board, there needs to be a level playing field where these types of grants are concerned. So ranking TM as MMM1 is obviously wrong.
- I only see that we shall be left on the side of the road - if I understand anything about this? It should be mooted at the next meeting.
- This rating is disgusting. I am unable to access my medication through any of the pharmacies on the mountain. It is a 70km round trip to get my medication. If the government is to give the mountain this rating then they are to ensure that we have ready access to facilities. Give the mountain an X-Ray/ultra-sound etc.
- With little to non infrastructure supplied to urban areas how can this area be so classified We only have mains electricity. Telephone and internet is poor to say the least. Mobile phone coverage is non existent in large areas of the mountain
- Mt. Tambora IS rural. Period.
- This ranking shows an appalling lack of respect for the distinctive qualities of the Mountain and the needs of the people who live here. It should not be accepted by this or the wider community.

QUESTION 18: Regarding an environmental and/or cultural centre.



- The community needs a free venue that the whole community can use for free activities. For example, if someone finds an issue that is important for the community to discuss like water taken from it by companies, it should have a place to hold those meetings free of charge.
- As in numerous towns around Australia that are either reinventing themselves (eg. Winton or merely improving their cultural image) the site of any "cultural centre" is very important. Pedestrian traffic flow is everything hence the VY centre is out of sight, out of mind.
- What about the residents!?
- U3A has over 200 members. Desperately need own premises (a large meeting room plus storage). At present, all over the mountain and often find other facilities are heavily booked.
- The suggestions in the blueprint version 3.0 are sound and mostly feasible. Again, much can be learnt from researching what other communities have done in this area of cultural planning. A knowledgeable working party working with council and with a set budget could achieve a concrete plan.
- We can't leave it to government. They're corrupt as far as I can see! They only do what they can for themselves. We have to have our own group with a representative from the government to ensure we receive the same allocations for grants as everyone else.
- I think there is space that could be utilised for art and culture. I think a permanent rainforest information centre or museum is vitally important in order to educate locals and visitor about the significance of biodiversity in the area.
- There are many artists on the mountain, and their talents are not utilised to the advantage of tourism. Tamborine Mountain is, after all, a tourist destination. My opinion is that the Council does not understand the difference between art and crafts and landscape architecture. Or they are scared of art because it can offend someone.
- Somewhere like 146-148 Long Rd could be the basis of a cultural /environmental (rather than rainforest) centre as it is central to a lot of tourist activity. The Creative Arts Centre has a different emphasis to a centre promoting the work of local artisans.
- Ridiculous scenarios such as council granting the scarecrow festival organisers funds on one hand and wanting a similar amount paid for toilet pump out does not encourage community groups in their activities to increase tourism & potentially boost the local economy. Gallery Walk toilets should be "pay per use".
- These are two totally different issues and should not be confused. As with all other attractions/facilities they must be user pays.
- Less power to the Beaudesert power Merchants!
- Reduce the rates!
- We need less regulation, not more, and regulating arts and crafts leads to mediocrity.
- council do this already for whole of council
- It doesn't matter what piece of real estate houses which center- as long as they all exist and are sustainably and perform their purpose.
- While I would like to make use of existing locations for a centre for artists, I would prefer to see a location that offers extensive outdoor space as well as indoor.
- If you want to keep rates down stop asking for more but this is what you are all doing asking for more. Because at the end of the day the money has to come from somewhere year in year out and that will mean higher rates at the end of the day.

- “Culture” focus should not exclude the outstanding contributions made by Anglo Saxon Australians.
- The Vonda Youngman building isn't really suitable. It's a theatre rather than a artist area. **The old IGA building at North Tamborine would be ideal**, using that entire area as an Art Centre, Gallery and Library extension. The underground car park at the back, would be great for childrens' workshops also. For theatre and concerts, the Zamia works well enough. We deserve a generous budget from the council, though I don't expect this to happen as money for artists, seems to be side-tracked and many of our top artists get nothing. Quite a few have international reputations and are highly acclaimed.
- **Libel youth need to be engaged in any arts policy**. Coming from a small Victorian town their inclusion has a massive upside when considering strategies to mitigate youth crime and dissociation to the greater public. I'm perplexed that Tamborine mountain given its geological location and reputation throughout SE QLD does not host **a youth focused music festival**, with a few reputable act of calibre at least once a year. It would be an initiative to showcase local talent amongst known artists
- TM does not 'deserve' a budget more than any other part of the SRRC
- Such a centre needs to be purpose build and in character with the area. It should also have an education section for presentations and workshops on topics of cultural and creative interest.

QUESTION 19: Submissions from younger people show that they differ in their vision from adults: they seem to be more okay with cable-cars, sky-rails, KFC, McDonald than older people.



- Young people are the future of the mountain, old people only have a few years left so don't let them ruin it for the future like they do with everything else
- In regards to nightlife I believe Gallery walk could be better utilized to cater for this. I am against McDonald's on the mountain but times are changing and I believe there can be a happy medium that does not compromise the current aesthetics of the mountain. Proper planning needs to be done with this sensitive issue. The mountain is the mountain for all the reasons in its current state. Changing anything can affect how it is perceived and how it is to live in. The 'vibe' is essential to Mountain Living.
- Most people I know including myself moved up here to enjoy the peace and serenity the mountain clearly offers. This means space between my house and others to ensure that peace. I want to hear the birds singing and the trees rustling. And I want to protect the unique animals, flora and fauna. And tourists come for a day in the mountain, not for more of the same from the gold coast. Just ask them
- Stupid question, very mixed responses. I am ok with cable cars but not McDonald's. What has this got to do with how old the respondent is? Also including housing in here, you are asking a number of questions
- More and affordable "over 50s" living. The two current Retirement Villages have hefty fees which many living on fixed incomes cannot afford.
- this is a life style if the younger generation want more the GC is only 20 mins down
- we definitely need to consider the needs and voice of young people, but they also need to work within the framework of the specific nature of the mountain
- Young people need jobs up on the mountain. I also think they have a better understanding of 'Good Health' and would resist Macdonalds and other unhealthy fast food shops. There therefore has to be access to and from the coast by bus for them. We ought to have one area built for young people - Small attractive well-designed and planned units where they can reside and do workshops - music / arts etcetc. These should be close enough to the shops for them to get to and from work ... There needs to be a proper responsible planning department at the scenic rim council. There certainly isn't one, judging from the rubbish buildings they are permitting to be built... eg IGA - the horrendous 'castle Heritage shop on Gallery Walk.
- There seems to be a bit of a divide in the Tamborine mountain community between the young (teenage), young - middle-aged adults (25-50/60ish) and the retired, that needs to be addressed. Rather than outright rejection of youg (teenage) people's desires (such as KFC), telling them to accept it how it is, it is about effective re-education of the differences between the shopping centres of the Gold Coast and the local businesses up here. I could imagine feeling a bit trapped or left out being up here as a teenager but this could easily be solved with a regular bus service accessing the Gold Coast. The image of Tamborine Mountain is of a retired community and of it being run by and for a retired community which isn't a true representation! Many of the photographs of community groups, council groups, the photos we see in the local papers predominantly show a retired community and I think this prevents young adults from getting involved. I think this in-turn paints the picture of an apathetic and self-centred young adult community that doesn't care about the mountain and how it is run, which I don't think is true either. I

think they just feel alienated and judged and are reluctant to try and get involved through fear of their opinions being disregarded and ignored. It is a shame because I know they are welcome as I have gone to groups myself and am made very welcome despite, at age 30, usually being the youngest person there by a few decades; it is all about improving perceptions. I think that in order to engage younger people (teenagers, young adults and middle-aged adults) you have to specifically and tactically target them and show them that they have a place in the community and have an opinion that will be respected and considered. Likewise you need to show the younger people that the retired community are not just a group of fuddieduddies that want to resist all change and complain about the 'youth of today'. Perceptions need to be addressed and changed.

- The internet allows people to work differently, and Tamborine Mountain must change with that - the library needs to have facilities for the future. We need fast internet on the mountain. Everybody is not going to bed at 7 pm, there should be places to go out at night. Also for the tourists.
- Adults trying to please the supposed preferences of younger people are apt to get it wrong. Young people are likely to move away for a while at least and this is not necessarily a bad thing. They may well have other ambitions than to work in casual/part-time service positions. There are a lot of opportunities for young people to be engaged in their local community if they wish to be. Local organisations and parents might be able to do more to encourage the involvement of young people. If there are facilities they feel are lacking can they be encouraged to advocate for them.
- We already have sports fields, a pool & a skate park. We do not want fast food outlets, which is why, in my submission re the Draft SRRC regional plan I opposed any development which involved Drive-thru facilities.
- Balance of priorities
- There is not a lot to do on the mountain for teens, currently all you can do is go on a bush walk or go to a cafe. In future it would be nice to see a business that appeals to teens, such as a small bowling alley.
- You can't lump a cable car with a McDonalds. The Mountain is Unique, there is no problem say a son/daughter having a granny flat or mom and dad caring for their children but NO not condensed living if that means tiny blocks of land and a Yarrabillba lifestyle. Areas for the young don't have to and must not impact the mountain atmosphere if properly planned, there are lots of areas that the young could go have fun in a private area.
- Being a local resident on Tamborine mountain for over 20years . There is a huge young disadvantage.. There is nowhere enough activities for young people this has caused young people to be bored and start to look at amusing themselves to crime.. I have witnessed these event occur when I was a growing teen. I believe that the mountain is too focussed and somewhat greedy in trying to accommodate the tourists rather than its own community.. especially for the adolescents there is no social hub or something like that for children or teenagers.. only a skate park and a sports oval...
- Perhaps a place to dance or a bowling alley in the old iga
- special activities/precincts in keeping with the Mountains atmosphere.
- Not interested in large food chains like KFC etc coming to the mountain
- We need to establish strong policies to protect the environment and the wildlife as an overarching priority. Without such a policy in place, any further population increases may tip the delicate balance of our environment.
- If transport is offered to the young, they have everything to keep them occupied on the Gold Coast! The reason people live here is because it is quiet, rural etc and many came

from the Gold Coast to get away from that lifestyle. Why should the residents who have looked after this mountain for generations and maintained its uniqueness then have to turn the mountain into a mini gold coast suburb!

- As an older person, this is a difficult section to complete. Part of the problem with higher density housing and more commercial business is how it impacts on this unique mountain environment.
- **Air BandB should be strictly regulated to remove whole properties from renting** through Air BandB as this depletes the properties available for long term rentals.
- I feel that we have a sports area set aside on the mountain...we do not seem to need more space just better facilities on the existing space where young people can participate in sport and also socialise. There could be a lovely sporting club building with healthy Take Away food for the young (and old).
- Young people see the World as it affects them in an egocentric sense. Maturity comes when we see the World outside our own needs.
- The old IGA is a wasted resource and would be suitable as an arts hub.
- We do not have the infrastructure to sustain more housing. dual housing and condensed housing up here is just plain stupid
- Cable cars? Who is going to pay for it? If you want to have grandchildren, convince your children that Macdonalds etc is poison!
- I would need to understand more about this to comment
- sporting facilities are all that the younger need
- How terrible to have dual occupancy on private properties. The policing of correct construction, sewerage, etc. of extra housing on a private property would be a nightmare. The amount of families living on TM should be capped. The day traffic lights are erected on TM will be it's downfall.
- There are other ways to encourage younger people to stay apart from fast food chains etc. The atmosphere of the Mountain is what brings the tourists so to destroy that is basically destroying the tourist industry.
- Special activities/ precincts can be established without impacting on the mountain atmosphere. If young people have nothing to do and no way of getting off the mountain then their behaviours May become destructive leading to increased crime, vandalism, teen pregnancies, drugs etc.... all of which will significantly reduce the mountain atmosphere.
- I would like to see younger people choosing to stay and would like to see appropriate places where they can congregate and enjoy themselves, but I'm afraid I can't have an open mind when it comes to McDonalds or KFC.
- **There is no such thing as affordable housing**. Housing and land is market driven and you pay the price to be where you want to be. Totally forget a cable-rail or sky-rail a total waste of money.
- All for strengthening job prospects for all people but increase in tourism means further increase in traffic and disturbance of the environment. Care is needed in assessing consequences of any action connected with all questions on this survey.
- Older people can't and should not think they have preference to the mountain. Yes they have the money to buy in, but they too were once young, and probably differed to their elders when they were young in their given area. A mountain full of old small minded farts wishing it was still 19XX is not progressive for even them.
- Any 24 hour services such as McDonald's would be an addition. Should it close at 9pm like all other food outlets on the mountain then I don't support it.
- Stop the manipulation of Council by a small minority of Residents who simply oppose everything.

- No fast food!!
- There seems currently to be little to no town planning on the mountain. Thus we have ugly crude buildings e.g. Gallery Walk Castle, terrible road and irregular footpaths there also, sad little areas to cover ugly corners and no communication with Tamborine Mountain Residents as to what we consider to be attractive - or any say regarding the art installations. The new development at North Tamborine is attractive. It would also be a good idea, I believe, to move the War Memorial to the Sports Ground where people could easily park their cars and we would not interrupt the flow of traffic at a very busy corner. More people could attend as well. Also the parking would be easy and the Sports Ground would be utilized.
- Perhaps the introduction of public transport may change the younger community members thoughts of the mountain
- I don't think it's in the mountain's favour for the progress association to scare off any developments that would increase economic growth and activity...
- Affordable housing can be achieved without introducing further eyesores to the mountain. Again, it's in the planning. There are government schemes available to allow for local business to employ mountain youth that would allow for a thriving youth employment
- Fast food and cable cars/ sky rail should be separate opinions of youth.
- These things mostly depend on balance - more (or late-night) take-away without the big food chains - more youthful events at available locations - more active and youth-oriented businesses that provide employment without urbanising - the support of more youth initiated and led activities and enterprises

QUESTION 20: Regarding tourism policies.



- I envisage tourism on Tamborine to be more alternative offering local produce from farmers and cottage industry homemade products, how to grow food in a sustainable way etc.
- More interested in what you are going to do for residents, very little from what I can see
- Get rid of the chamber !!!!!!! old people who like to play the power card & never help local businesses doing it hard !!!!!!!
- We need a voice that reflects and respects the unique industries and culture of TM. We are not agri-businesses
- There are some agri-tourism projects that are of great interest - The camel farm at Harrisville for example - there are mini projects that could be included ultimately in agri-tourism - honey bees - organic farming projects - specific crop growth etcetc.
- I think the scenic rim doesn't solely focus on agri-tourism but it doesn't appreciate the scale of tourism on Tamborine mountain and hadn't correctly accounted for the impacts increased tourism has had and is having, which is evident by the lack of local rangers up here, despite the amount of visitors we receive.
- It may be that elements of a tourism strategy need government or council funding - e.g. road modifications, inclusion in tourism advertising but developing the strategy is largely the responsibility of businesses to support acquiring professional advice as required.
- The Green Behind the Gold - we need our own identity not that of merely an adjunct to the GCCC. There are insufficient rubbish bins on the mountain - botanic gardens & the lookout at the end of Beacon Rd for example
- Why does the mountain community portray that it needs to rely on tourism for income?
- Any policy surrounding tourism should be developed with the environment and people at its core and business will grow and develop around this policy. This will ensure it benefits the people and environment first and business will make sits living from this. Not the other way around, this is what is fundamentally wrong with policy today, too much influence from business suiting their needs and not that of the community.
- The Chamber thinks it is above the needs of the people of the Mountain. It is named commerce for a reason, does not have needs of residents in mjnd, only revenue for their business
- Tourism strategy should not be solely the responsibility of council or local business. All ratepayers should have a say in tourism strategy.
- The conflict between residents on Tamborine needs addressing - one end sees itself as contemporary regional whilst the other end sees itself as rural. Managing the beliefs of both will help solve disagreements.
- A town planning scheme needs to be adhered - Such as opposed to the current SC(h)AM(bles)
- Jewel in the Crown is commonly used by SRRC.
- Our local Scenic Rim Council MUST have adequate funding - as they charge the highest rates for every property, without having much to spend it on, or, show for it ?
- If Council assists businesses on TM to boost Tourism, our RATES will increase out of the sky.
- I think we want funding for tourism but I also think that non-business groups or individuals should be allowed to contribute their ideas on how tourism is to be managed and promoted. Perhaps the Chamber of Commerce is not the best vehicle for this.

- All questions appear to be skewed towards the business community and commercial concerns. Of course there needs to be management of any strategy or policy but it should be in the hands of a diverse community not just business.
- We are not urban, but we are not agricultural either. We are unique (well, like Springbrook etc). We should **be a new Gondwana Council** with similar towns and dump the useless Scenic Rim Council
- Green behind the Gold is corny ... doesn't make sense to tourists either. I think we ought to be focused on Agri-Tourism also. I think it IS helpful to Tamborine Mountain. Certainly we need government funding and it ought to be OPEN to scrutiny, so we all know where every cent is spent. The same goes for the Scenic Rim Council. We do NOT know where every cent is spent!
- More needs to be done about the policies regarding Air BnB's. A longer bush walk connecting the Knoll to Witches Falls would be a boon for those visitors (and locals) wanting a longer walk).
- Agri tourism does not define the mountain. We live in a freaking rainforest!! Unless significant marketing can be done to show agri tourism (and not as an event ran over one month of the year) but as a weekly experience than is purely laziness to corale TM with the rest of the SRRC
- Local businesses are at odds with locals over funding. The Chamber should apply for grants and raise its own funds.
- More community (not only business and government) input and funding

QUESTION 22: With 1% of the land and 19% of the Scenic Rim population, the mountain pays 24% of the rates. Our rates are higher than elsewhere in the Scenic Rim, and about double the rates at the neighboring Gold Coast.



- What do we get from council? We spend a lot of time cutting grass and trimming trees for tourists. When we cut trees under power lines the companies employed only clip them lightly so they can return next month to do it again. Nobody cuts under my powerlines. All I see is I have my bins collected. Why don't we have a bin for green waste then I could stop putting it in the general waste and we could make more mulch. And why can
- The next question is stupid, but I don't get to be able to answer how I want to
- We need to be cut off from the scenic rim !!!!!!! why should we support bogan welfare communities ?
- This is indefensible on any measure. I paid a lot less in Brisbane for a lot more. We chose to live semi-Rural (T M) but pay a premium for bugger all services
- The Council's focus seems to be Beaudesert/Boonah - TM doesn't seem to receive 'value for money' from its rates input. A move to GC council also fits with the notion that TM is part of the GC hinterland (beyond geology, we have limited 'links' with the Scenic Rim area) - "the green behind the gold".
- This council is extremely difficult to deal with. It has taken years of writing to get anything done. There seems to be a lot of money unaccounted for and we don't seem to be getting any regular financial reporting from Council. Most money seems to go to tiny towns who don't have a centre of tourism and masses goes to dead end rail centres and re tarmacking roads that are not used. Tamborine Mountain gets patch up jobs on the roads every now and then when someone complains.
- If we had adequate public transport/safe cycle routes around the mountain, access to the GC, and regular park rangers to manage weeds, tourism impacts and environmental habitat, then I would be happy to pay these rates. I am very happy with the maintenance of Main Street for example, the regular watering etc. But the lack of care for the rainforest and the inability to access the GC or travel around without a car I think makes the high rates unacceptable.
- I am very unhappy about our rates and what we get for it.
- I acknowledge I do not pay a lot of attention to Council finances. I am not happy with the standard of reporting of officer recommendations with regards to the determination of development applications, the level of compliance actions and the support of environmental concerns. Whether the budget could be structured to address these issues by omitting other avenues of expenditure I do not know.
- We don't need to move to a different council (GCCC would be disastrous for the mountain) but we do need to either a) become autonomous, or b) gain SRRC's recognition of the inequities in council spending across the region, and it's acceptance that our 2 local councillors have a better grasp of our community's expectations (eg input into consideration/approval of development applications) than councillors from elsewhere in our region whose areas have different needs & priorities.
- Move to the Gold Coast Council
- The council has neglected our mountain in many ways and although we pay a larger portion, it should result in better facilities and infrastructure. What we do receive is a

pittance spat out after inflated irresponsible spending on unimportant art features and work contracts. Priority should be given to the residents instead of 'people in the know.'

- Ridiculous how much we pay on Tamborine Leave to Gold Coast Council any day
- The first question is actually two completely different points. No we are not particularly wealthy so no we shouldn't contribute to a city style of life in a rural community.
- Tax the large companies, not the local resident
- We are a revenue cow for the council, not everyone is wealthy. There are young families up here who have moved here so their children can grow up in a safer environment, also a large older population on a pension.
- Roads are atrocious, Gallery Walk footpaths are a disgrace with many trip hazards. Those in wheelchairs struggle to cross the road. They have to use 2 driveways and travel along the road and cars to access the driveways. The Council should be ashamed and embarrassed.
- I don't need more services, but think we pay far too much.
- My concern is that the proposed future population growth locked in for the mountain will involve massive changes. I have NO faith in Councils ability to manage these changes in a reasonable way. So we need to either do it ourselves or put our trust in another body.
- I think as long as whichever council we moved to if that is the majority choice of the residents that certain conditions have to be met with regards to not allowing certain infrastructures to be allowed and multiple dwelling houses. The ambience of the mountain is paramount and would lose that ambience if trees were all felled for more housing and buildings etc.,If we become just another suburb, tourist will stop coming and the mountain as we know it will die a slow death.
- A direct correlation between rates & property services is not an appropriate way to measure value - however council does need to increase return to community with increased infrastructure spend, road maintenance in the mountain is pathetic but this may be a state government budget item & not council? Street scaping, signage, public services these all need better investment from rate return. Once again it is the clash between regional & rural mind set.
- The Govt recommendation suggest equity for our rates. They need to peruse the meaning of the word Equity in "Black's Law Dictionary" AND apply it. Our rates would drastically reduce immediately then!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- De amalgamation is achievable. We need to establish a Unique Biospheric situation that is independently Governed.
- We need to be careful who we 'get into bed' Better we put more effort and resources in getting the existing council to see our concerns and address them.
- There is no way, we, who are living on Tamborine Mountain are getting our fair share or value for money for money from the Scenic Rim Council. They're a bunch of useless Thieves ! My land rates are almost three times that, which is charged by our Gold Coast neighbors who experience the same little or no facilities as what I have in the Scenic Rim.. A garbage Collection is the only "once a weekly service" provided by our Council ! My twenty years of living on the mountain have seen extremely little road works in that period. Have only seen repair, after repair, after repair ! The Mountain's Common Entertainment facilities are old and well beyond their "Use by Date". There is very limited roadside maintenance of grass verges and drains on the south side of the Mountain ! Actual Road re-construction to improve the safety of our roads or footpaths, is Non-Existent ! Future Footpaths on the Henri Roberts side of the Mountain are another myth ! Regular Public Bus Transport, on and off the Mountain is still someone's dream ! The local Taxie Transport facility is limited to ONE Taxi, to service some 6-7000 residents !

Lighting on our roads and footpaths is a major safety concern - is still virtually non-existent. There are no Mains Water Supply, or plans to provide such a facility, to combat any future fire hazards on the Mountain. "Climate Change" is another common Myth, held by Council ??? There is, no mains water supply or public sewerage system, to service the community on the Mountain. Development plans are thwarted due to septic run-off into water catchment areas, because of this lack of a sewerage treatment facility ! Scenic Rim Council seems to be most reluctant to provide proper and adequate toilet facilities to service our locals and visiting tourists to our Parks and Gardens ! Some sports grounds suffer the same fate I am told ? Policing on the Mountain, seems to be by appointment only ??? With urgent police cases occurring at night, being serviced from Beenleigh - some 45 minutes away ?? Despite there being some dozen police, currently living on the Mountain ??

- I would like to see our representation on Council comparable to the percentage of rates we pay.
- I think it is appalling that we pay 24% of the rates and only have two representative our interests.
- My preference would be for us to become part of the Gold Coast Council which is stronger financially and economically and are also equipped with a better team for tourism. If we are the Green behind the Gold then lets become part of it.
- The current evaluation of rates amount charged is unfair. Using Tamborine mountain to subsidise the rest of the Scenic Rim should not happen. However when the consolidation of councils happened I felt that Scenic Rim Council was treated unfair, especially when prime populated areas was given to Logan Council. This impacted heavily on Scenic Rim Council's bottom line. In my opinion an investigation should be done on how the Council operates and manages its funds and if it can be classed as a financilally sustainable business, which at the moment is questionable.
- We need to reduce the rates! It is absolutely unfair now!
- While the Council needs our rate money, a reduction in rates via a differential rating system would be more appropriate considering the low level of services we are provided by the Council. I very strongly disagree with the idea to be part of the Gold Coast Council. They are very commercial and this would ruin the country atmosphere at TM
- There is too much wastage in council expenditure and the work culture is no better than before the amalgamation.
- we all know that higher rates are here to stay if donot like sell and move to another area
- I can guarantee, if we go with the Gold Coast City Council, you can forget all the above. We will eventually have high rise buildings all along the eastern side of our Beautiful Mountain. I will be dead by then. You will lose all the flaura and fauna and, no more fresh air.
- I haven't lived here for long but was absolutely gobsmacked when I discovered how much the rates were---- thought a mistake had been made! Also found it very difficult to believe there is no public transport here
- It has been proven that power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely so therefore council nor any local, national or world government ever have any power whatsoever in dictating vested interests on the public that they are supposed to serve this never happens and one only needs to look at the state of any city, town or community in general (there are exceptions although hidden and rare for public viewing).
- I am not sure of the meaning of the second last question. Does it mean that Tamborine Mountain should secede (and form a better council) or does it mean one should leave the area and move somewhere cheaper?

- Be careful what you wish for as the saying goes. Going to Gold Coast may sound nice but remember there are more councilors down there so your local councilor's overall voice will be less. Also has anybody asked if the Gold Coast wants Tamborine Mountain to become part of the Gold Coast. My view would be 'Why add to our problems. We have enough as it is without adding to them. So do not even think about it and again be careful for what you wish for. Trying to get rid of one problem may just give you others.
- Again, there appears to be a clear agenda in these questions, skewed in a particular direction.
- I don't believe the GC council or TM community want to turn the mountain into a tacky glitter destination. However I do believe the GC would be far more productive in helping TM becoming what it wants to be.
- Scenic Rim are as useless as gold plated tits on a bull (gold plated because we play for them).
- We do NOT get value for money. On the south side of the mountain, there are no footpaths, virtually no lighting, no sewerage or water (happy about that), constant power cuts, bad electronic /computer /radio / service links, no large rubbish pick up at all. There is no bus service. Some people don't have a vehicle to get to the shops and back on a daily basis. Instead of spending money on basic improvements, silly little yellow lumps on roads, are installed to guide vehicles (Jennings Rd eg.), a bower and a couple of lumps of concrete at the roundabout at Long Road and Gallery Walk ... thousands of dollars spent outside the north Tamborine Bakery (\$145,000) for a tiny bit of footpath, fence and bit of grass and kerb! The steps down into the Vonda Youngman Family Park (\$22,000) for disabled people. The steps are so steep that they cannot use them and the footpath is slippery with leaf mould. The local residents were not asked what they wanted, though they did ask to park next to the Vonda Youngman Park where there is ample room to drive in-drive out. I could go on ...
- Rates are, and will continue to be, an ongoing issue. Rates pay for council staff (apparently). I see very little return for the "rates" or funding that the SRRC actually receives.
- These are very one sided questions with a view of showing that tm wants to join the Gold Coast
- Mt Tamb should, once again become it's own micro-governmental entity. It would require some major changes to the commercial landscape here, offering much more local employment. State Government needs to be on-side for this to happen effectively. It would reduce the costs to that entity, particularly inn the realm of waste management and recycling/repurposing.
- Less inappropriate action by Council leading to community spending of time, energy and money trying to save what the community values.
- We should have our own council

QUESTION 24: State governments decide on the boundaries of councils. Changing councils is a complicated process.



- Our, division 1, councillor, is a lonely voice in council and can only seem to get a point across with the help of councillor for division 2 but is then invariably outvoted by those off the mountain
- We should stand alone as we have a unique environment which needs to be protected not destroyed which is happening at the moment. When you have three in a council 2 can always vote out the other which seems to happen regularly to Tamborine Mountain. I think that is called bullying
- If TM joined Gold Coast Council, it is only a matter of time before Gold Coast type development is approved on the mountain. Beware!
- Problem is with the Gold Coast Council, there are criminal elements (alleged) in charge whose only dedication is to enrich themselves. They don't care about small communities. Then again, the Scenic Rim Council is spending our huge rate expenditure to other areas in the scenic rim, without consulting us for our preferences!
- I don't necessarily think important and complicated decisions like which council to be a part of should be left up to the masses. Then you end up with situations like Brexit in the UK. Community opinion is very important but so is an educated and well researched decision based on facts and data.
- No matter the size of a council there can be no certainty of its policies from election to election. Choosing to join a particular council based on its current policies gives no guarantees for the future.
- I am happy to pay higher rates to a council that operates more efficiently and effectively than SRRC. I favour the mountain "going it alone" as an independent council as this would also nicely align with the proposed Biosphere project whilst affording environmental protections and enhancing eco tourism & the differences between the mountain and other areas/destinations.
- A balanced small council in which the local elected Councillor should have the major voice but on big or sensitive issues we the people must have a say over and above the Council and the Councillor.
- To find our councillors voted down on mountain development projects is alarming and an indicator of failure of the system
- We all want cake and eat it. There has to be compromise here. TM does deserve a higher spend than it gets and we are a tourism dependent area. Our council does not give enough funding for this at present.
- Our councillors should have weighted votes when it comes to issues in their areas so they can't be voted down. Otherwise it is impossible for them to effectively represent their constituents.
- The concept of local government recognition in the Constitution has been strongly rejected by the Australian public twice in the recent past. At the last referendum in 1988 the majority of voters in every state voted against such recognition. Across Australia there were 6.2 million votes against recognition compared with only 3.1 million votes in favour. It would be a slap in the face for local residents to again see their council rates used to fund such partisan political campaigns while they watch their rates go up and up without any increase in the level of local service delivery. Why do you refer to 'local government' when by the voice of the Australian people it does not exist!!! Stop giving them this power they seek to legally rob us of even more dollars!! Do your research and

find out why the councils so desperately want to be recognized as 'third tier of government' ~ They know it is not legal to charge rates and by gaining this recognition in our constitution it will be legal for council to charge rates.

- Especially the past point is vital
- The current councillors are dithering old people that waste discussion on topics they have no background or qualifications to do so
- Se need our representatives to be better able to represent our needs. Going to a larger council would dilute their effect even more.
- We Now have local Council Members, including the Mayor, who now seems to ignore the Mountain residents requests for consultative action, in favour of their agricultural cousins, but continue blaming other State Departments for their inaction! We're not much better off! We should consider the many and better benefits of becoming part of the Gold Coast City Council. As the GCCC have far better, and well established benefits, to offer their neighbour on the Mountain.
- Negotiation & consultation with a new Council is paramount before going ahead
- Only if the councillor is really in touch with the people they represent and don't have their own agenda
- Rates need to be made fair, however that is only part of the picture. It is the total package a council will supply is what is most important.
- Don't think that change of council to gold coast will solve our problems.
- We must not change Council just because we don't like certain things. We need to work with our current Council to improve what we believe could be improved. We should not do a "Brexit" type action.
- A small highly vocal group landed us in Scenic Rim rather than the Gold Coast and we pay the price for that.
- Originally the mountain was going to be in goldcoast at the last amalgamation people objected to this so the state listened and said ok you can be in the new scenic rim you can't keep on changing all the time just because one reason or another
- Regarding the above, I found some questions too difficult to answer. Our existing Council MUST start to be fairer regarding TM rates and distribute the same rate system across all of Scenic Rim. EG. All rural properties (depending on size etc. as is now) Businesses, and Residences right across the board should be the same.
- It all needs to be balanced.
- No service that dictates to its Public is trustworthy so therefore I see nothing nor anyone trustworthy enough for my vote in this corrupt dictatorship
- **The idea that Tamborine Mountain is a rural environment is starting to where thin. Rural industry on the mountain is diminishing** and has been for many years. The pockets left will gradually disappear because there is more money in selling and the people that buy will not be interested in continuing farming etc as there will be no money in it. Eg Compare number of avocado farms twenty years ago to number that exist now a lot less. So start to forget that Tamborine Mountain is still a real rural community, economic pressures will ensure in the future less rural activities. If you want to keep the mountain the way it is. It called preservation and that will not happen in a blue moon. There are not enough people to who want to pay for preservation. **If you want to see what Tamborine Mountain is to be in the future go look at Buderim.** (It was once much like Tamborine Mountain.) Tamborine Mountain is already half way there or more.
- TM together with similar towns (the green behind the gold) should form their own Council, or be part of a hinterland division of the Gold Coast. We are totally dissimilar, politically, environmentally, economically, to the Scenic Rim. We are stuck with

conservative politicians at every level (we need Greens State and Federal reps who are more allied with our values). We also pay ludicrous rates for nothing.

- Don't move us to GCCC, we will become lost amongst their huge numbers of people, with 1 GCCC councillor covering a greater percentage of people and land than in our current situation. Also do not want a cableway and GCCC have previously expressed an interest in this. Please protect our rainforests, don't pander to tourists and the tourism industry. This is our home.
- I don't know enough about this topic. I only know that Nigel Waistell and Nadia O'Carrol have both done a great deal to help our Tamborine Mountain Community, with much dedication however have been pushed aside by those at the Scenic Rim Council. One has been interrogated despite being one of the most incredible Councillors I have ever met. First to go to give help in every situation, no matter how dangerous - the compassion and integrity is immense. Ought to be credited and given top award.
- Tamborine Mountain is a part of the Scenic Rim Regional Council! I would rather be associated with Beaudesert and Boonah than the Gold Coast... Our councillor need to work better as a TEAM with the rest of the other councillors then against them...
- Rates should be retrospect to the services provided when means against that of neighbouring councils
- NOT Gold Coast, nor Logan.
- The size of Council is not necessarily a measure. The appropriateness of the policies to the area and the rates to the services wanted and needed by the community are the pivotal factors.

QUESTION 30: We like to know what your opinion is on the Blueprint process.



- Blue print forgot about car parking spot is very limited at venues like cedar creek falls. Should buy land when comes available the houses at cedar creek falls for car parking as it harzard cars are park up Tamborine mountain rd because of limited spots. When I was a kid use to be able to drive a bus to the falls for students to look at but no bus access now. Fix up the other low level bridges for access when flooding from Coomera as no way out of the place in floods. No crash barriers going up the mountain cars falling off every day. More parking for showgrounds as cars are everywhere on busy days. Some of things blueprint totally forgot about not much of blueprint.
- Question 25 is totally wrong, I would vote 1 for long road extension, 2 for footpaths (which is not an option!), bike paths as 3 but it has defaulted answers 1 to 10, no matter what I have tried to answer. Using an ipad
- I respectfully ask that the Council , plus the Dept of main Roads, takes the Blueprint seriously and uses it to formulate future planning.
- An exclusive process limited to those in the know. If there was serious interest in the community being party to the process it would have been managed entirely differently with a completely new agenda. Issues covered are only important to a small group.
- I truly hope that this Blueprint is the beginning of something positive happening on Tamborine Mountain. So far there seems to be a jealousy in tourist areas of Gallery Walk particularly, who don't want to improve or spend extra. Some of this I understand as they are to some extent, directed by the weather and number of tourists. A good bus service would help, as would a SKY Lift. Make it very special as it has in many other countries. People love that kind of transport. I wish you well in this venture.
- The blueprint does not necessarily show that the community is unified. I would hope it is, but it is probably not a true reflection of everyone up here and instead promotes the opinion of those who are reachable, passionate and have the time to get involved. I think there will be people who are unaware of the blueprint or don't have time or don't know how to voice their opinion. I predict that generally, the community will be united in many decisions presented on the blueprint but that is speculation and cannot be positively determined without full community engagement in the blueprint, which I appreciate is a challenging task, but I think it's possible.
- I think with Alison and Jaap in the lead, the Blueprint has a good chance to make a difference for the people on the Mountain.
- there are some questions which have two ideas and I might have different values for the ideas.
- Different age groups exhibit differing opinions on a variety of issues facing the mountain. These opinions change the longer one is resident here.
- I believe we will get some good information from this but as most won't read or fill it in it will not be complete. Also the survey in places was badly worded and restrictive to input, so again will only give an idea of thoughts and concerns. I do however appreciate the time and effort you put into this questionnaire.
- It should be used to guide decisions about the future of the Mountain
- I believe the SRRC will SHRUG their shoulders on this document and totally - as usual for community contributions - ignore it. We MUST apply more collective pressure to ensure they comply!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

- I wholly support the Local Tamborine Mountain Community, in trying to obtain a "legitimate say" in all its future dealings, with the current Scenic Rim Council ! Our Community is certainly held to ransom, with regard to the unfair and unequal distribution of the money received from the annual "Rate Harvest". Our current Mayor won office, having claims to Economic Management Skills. Where are they ? Nigel, his co-hort, is so full of his own importance, he's away with the fairies most of the time ! Perhaps the answer is having a re-distribution of local Council Areas ? Based on a factor including population density and land area ??? I also like the amalgamation proposal with the Gold Coast Shire ! We do need genuine, and far better and more effective representation ! We owe it to our community and to ourselves ! we are currently paying for it !
- The Blueprint seems to be a list of pie in the sky wishes and gripes. Very little of it is realistic or needed.
- As a small community that focuses on maintaining our natural environment and healthy lifestyle, it is sad to see many huge telephone/broadcasting towers on Tamborine Mountain. Especially some of them are located so close to local schools. **The health effect and unpleasing sight of these towers** should also be addressed in the Blueprint.
- I do not believe the Blueprint is a reliable basis for future policy making. There are too many assumptions that the conclusions really do represent the wider community view.
- Answers 4, 6 and 7. I don't know if Council will not support the Blueprint Process, nor do I know if it is a wish list. I also don't know what the community thinks about any or all of the issues put forward by the Blueprint suggestions.
- The whole community needs to join and create its own unique community despite and not in spite of the corrupt public service process
- Cannot know the answer to the last question at this time. Who decides that the Blueprint is the voice of the community?
- I have found this process extremely positive. I hope, and like to believe it has been a community building process that will lead to a better, more positive, and united community embracing what this mountain has to offer.
- I forgot this earlier, there are hardly any **bike racks** anywhere in the mountain. Last week I had to tie my bike to a tree at IGA! These should be everywhere.
- Having heard from Mr. Schulter that the Scenic Rim Council has a 10 year 'Plan' to make improvements to the disgusting toilet block at Staffsmith Park (which tourists use as well as locals) - (we might be dead before it's accomplished) - also the ridiculously small and overflowing dog bins and bag dispensers in both Vonda Youngman and Staffsmith Parks, I shake my head in sadness that they really don't give a dam about this Mountain Island of ours. We have to stand together to achieve positive outcomes. Their heads are only in their own bins - and they don't get the bigger picture. Also we need LOCAL artisans showing their wares up here on the mountain. There is too much garbage, poor quality items sold in many of the shops. The business community needs to get together to form solidarity and help each other - find items that are attractive and UNIQUE. Those renting shops ought to keep in mind that the businesses don't have a huge income, so keep the rents fair. There are too many fudge shops - one person in particular, pays cash in hand to his employees and doesn't declare his earnings. That is unfair and illegal. Thank you for reading my survey. Wishing you the best of luck and thank you for your huge input.

Question 32: If you have any extra comments regarding your answers, or suggestions for the Blueprint text or the process, please leave them below or at the back of this sheet.



- **Cycling industry statistically one of the fastest growing in Australia** create the bypass it will bring more people it will fill the shops commercially etc and electric is where as much as possible better overall planning it is the first national park in Australia and it needs to remain that way. In so far as lighting and some of the infrastructure once you understand the importance of how lighting and Darkness affects the body you will opt for Darkness this is a healing Mountain
- The mountain is a sanctuary that doesn't need heavy infrastructure or development. If you choose to live here then you except that it is a mountain community that is nothing like the Gold Coast (and never should be). Those who want to bring the coast to the mountain should relocate off the hill!
- Local roads especially Geissmann Road need to be totally resurfaced and widened
- I congratulate the team who proposed and created the Blueprint concept. I hope it works by giving the council a short sharp dig in the ribs!
- I know council seeks more and more money to do less and less. The general public are sick of this sentiment. **It is about time we see the books just like most companies to see where our money is being spent.** I am sure we all deserve that transparency. Tamborine mountain lives simply in comparison to other communities so I cannot understand why it is as expensive as other councils
- I am willing to add my/our support if needed
- Please add my suggestions above on the next blueprint survey too see if anyone else agrees.
- What is the blueprint , you haven't explained what it is
- It's not working well, ticking one box often cancelles ticks in other boxes.
- Well done on this initiative, it is needed and appreciated.
- We also need more footpaths by the side of our roads - the current network is limited. For example, family groups with strollers/toddlers have to walk on the verge of Main Western Road to reach the Showground Markets (seem last weekend). A more extensive network of footpaths would probably be better value and would be better used than a network of bicycle routes.
- We need a **centre for Indigenous Culture** as well. Includes Bush Tucker information, arts, music, dance and history. This is very important - also for tourism as well as our schools.
- I think it would be good to distribute it to everybody on the mountain somehow, although I realise this is difficult. Today was the first I had heard of it through a letter in the tamborine times. If it had come as a pamphlet to my door, addressed to me, I would have read it. But that is expensive and perhaps not possible. It would be good to understand the funding available and to try and come up with ways to reach everybody, encourage engagement, and help to make the blueprint's Vision a reality.
- Thank you very much!
- A good effort and I hope it pays off as providing strong discussion points with the community and Council.
- Keep up the good work!
- Every day when I drive to Gallery Walk I see people or children trying to walk beside the very busy Macdonald road. There is no allowance for a walking footpath in these plans

yet there is a large population in the Eagle heights area off Magnetic Drive and no park or place for children to play. **School kids are encouraged to exercise but they can't even walk home from school.** It is a very dangerous situation and needs a safe walking and or cycling path from White Rock to Gallery Walk. On wet days the grass is long and horrible to walk on but in places risky.

- Please consider that tourists bring cars and busses and this must be given serious thought and planning.
- Lower the bloody rates, we are all suffering to keep our mortgage
- Keep on going we urgently need to grapple and resolve many issues if the mountain is to continue as a special place
- It may be poignant to check other regional areas with their own councils with a comparative population to Tamborine and see how others fare taking into consideration the age of the residents ie: working residents or retired residents being the majority. Personally I would like to see Tamborine residents look after Tamborine but also mindful that in order for that to ever happen it has to be sustainable by the residents.
- Don't want any commercial identity on the mountain... how the hell did subway sneak in?!
- I think the vision of the blueprint is to build the community network - a stronger connection across our community would achieve many of the goals / objectives. PS: having a McDonald's or KFC up here will not address youth boredom only add to youth obesity.
- As a Resident of 35 years we should be very careful about allowing far left, Green Activist Groups to hijack our currently harmonious Community and turn it into the kind of nit picking, divided , Anti White Male slurry of non stop niggle that we see happening in other areas they have infiltrated .
- Australian Local Government Assoc. seeks to amend our constitution by adding " or to any local government body formed by a law of a State" ... If 'local government' already hold a place in our legal arena as 'Lawful " why do they desperately need this alteration in our constitution? They know we are waking up to them and it will soon be 'game over' unless this necessary change is put in place. This doesn't change any of your work with the Blueprint, however if you seek to help the community then understand the foundation of your playing field and bring awareness to this. It is only the people who can do anything about this and we all need to know that. **Be the change you want to see**
- Funding for SDRRC MUST be supplied from the Fed Govt as per Aust Constitutional requirements. Raising local taxes (by SRRC) is illegal and was rejected by the Australian people in three referenda!!!!
- The council make bad decisions, then crackpots come out of the woodwork objecting to these decisions, at times there needs to be a compromise, the taking of Alan Roberts to court was a disaster that cost the rate payers in legal fees to the tune of \$255,000. The mishandling of the Gillion case which could have been so easily lost, stupid people on the mountain need to wake up to themselves, about time Nigel and Nadia were voted out.
- The width and line markings and surface quality of Hartley Rd needs addressing with the decision to increase transport to High School in Holt Rd.
- We moved here 20 years ago for the native flora and fauna and clean air and water. We can do a lot better than we are, it's embarrassing honestly..
- I would like to be part of a group that has a genuine interest in the future of this Mountain. I am a retired Engineer (Mining Industry) As stated, I have lived on this Mountain for the past 20 years and I will most likely die on this Mountain, ... even if it kills me ?

- Thank you for your efforts, much appreciated by me.
- Having lived on the Gold Coast for many years prior to moving to TM & having been a member for a short time of the upper Coomera progress association I have had contact with present GC councillors that may be of some help with our questions re amalgamation although formal discussions with the council may be the best way to go.
- Health & Safety of individuals paramount. Access to & from the mountain extremely important. Water, Food, Employment for all ages & abilities. As far as cultural activities they are nice & create employment for some, but I would say for me home is where the heart is. Nice to get out & off the mountain too, not only for medical appointments. This may help I trust. Thank you all.
- Totally disagree with the ratings
- Our roads are not suitable for large water tankers and more school buses. Cap our population and stop subdivisions
- I would like to thank everyone who has been involved with the Blueprint Process. Wishing you the best of luck.
- access to public transport is the most important issue for me. Feel a bit silly now but I didn't check before I moved here. Just assumed there would be public transport so close to other major centres. If I had known there was none I may have moved elsewhere.
- I don't support any so called improvements
- Keep up the good work.
- Would be helpful to know who is part of the Blueprint team so it is clear what interests are being advocated, rather than some questions appearing to be focussed in obtaining particular answers.
- Just, thank you. I appreciate your time.
- Radical, expensive and intrusive Left Wing ideology should not be allowed to take hold on the Mountain despite it being clearly in their sights . We do not need to be forced to follow UN environmental policies.
- Fantastic idea
- This took me an hour to fill in - and I'm a fast typist hahahahaha ... Good luck
- An entry to main st
- If there is a strategy to bring all factions of the mountain together for a common cause then I wholeheartedly support it. In fighting from special interest groups seems to be to the detriment of the greater community and that of a sustainable future when balancing economic and ecological factors
- Connected bicycle/foot path from North Tamborine to Tastbuddies corner and then to Golf Course. Bike trails are booming and re-invigorate many country towns. An industry worth encouraging. Relocate VIC to site near Cheese factory GW. Redevelop Main Street. Close crossings near zamia, post office and RSPCA shop. This creates up to 25 extra car parks and beautification options for the centre strip. IGA site should be re-developed. for library, arts, rainforest centre, centre of excellence, community meetings.
- I feel that this survey is skewed towards the CoC view of how TM should be run as a tourist oriented area and not somewhere that people live and work. My family has lived on the mountain for two generations and I have witnessed the slow degradation of the mountain and the sacrifice of a pleasant life on the alter of tourism. Gallery Walk is an eyesore, a traffic hazard and an inconvenience to anyone who lives anywhere near it - as I do. I understand the need for day to day conveniences - shopping, medical centres and the like, but not to the detriment of the locals who live here. I don't believe that the CoC has the interests of the locals at heart. My list of important things: GW bypass, unchanged (or

less) street lighting, no town water and sewerage, Long Rd bypass, off mountain public transport, GW beautification - paid for by shop owners.

- The life style I came to the mountain for has all but gone. Progress? I think not. Who wants to live in another city suburb? Angle parking at IGA.
- Too much emphasis on tourism/Gallery Walk. The village atmosphere is being destroyed. **Schools too big for this small community** leading to too many school children and too much traffic up and down the hill. Our councillors appear to be disregarded a lot of time over local issues. Emphasis appears to be on the rest of the shire.
- Need a hand, call me.
- The area should have a population/development ceiling and core 'constitution'. It is possible for even small councils to fall into the wrong hands.
- My focus is on growing healthy organic food for the local mountain population which seems not to be a priority mentioned here for the future of the mountain? It is something that shouldn't be overlooked as an important feature/aspect of living here, and that could be lost in a change of council, or putting restrictions on use of privately owned land.