

Members of the Eumundi and District Historical Association (EHA) and concerned locals set up orange mesh barriers on Memorial Dr on 6 January to indicate the extent of the planned streetscape council works.

The gathering aimed to demonstrate the areas marked for change and highlight traffic problems that could be caused by the removal of the 130-year-old bullock turning area and the construction of two pedestrian crossings.

Organisers of the peaceful assembly believe both proposed pedestrian crossings are in hazard zones based on pedestrian and traffic sight distances.

President of the EHA Donata Page said organisers were very pleased with the results of the assembly. "We want people to see what Sunshine Coast Council's current plans could do and the effect on the town. The road will be narrowed and the beautiful views from each *Cont. p3* 



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Donata said she was surprised by the number of people who had little or no idea of what was planned. "Much of Eumundi is heritage listed and we need a plan that celebrates and builds on that, not one that erases our uniqueness."

The 'Save Memorial Drive Eumundi' petition organisers Janet Millington and Dr David Campin said the petition numbers are close to 1,000. They said council's recent online survey regarding streetscape plans gathered 171 responses to the question, "Have we got it right?".

Organisers have met with council staff and Division 10 Cr Law but feel they have not been heard. They claim that the Eumundi Memorial Drive Character Area heritage code, which specifically recognises and protects the wide roadway and well-loved views up and down the main street, will contravene council's own planning scheme. Concerns have also been expressed that the works proposed by council include \$500K of State Government funding under the SE Qld Community Stimulus Program. They have asked council for spending to be put on hold while a new plan is developed.

"Improved communication between residents and the council is now critical to the development of a community-endorsed plan. Clearly locals do not want council's plan and the numbers against it grow every day," said Kita Lawrence from Xpose Media Sunshine Coast.

Campaign supporters are pooling their resources to develop a plan, supported by concerned community members. Visit Instagram: @ savememorialdriveeumundi.



## Has anyone seen 'Flo'?

'Flo' the flamingo letterbox recently disappeared from its residence at the entrance of 432 Gold Creek Rd, North Arm around Wednesday 28

December. If anyone knows how flamingo letterboxes really can fly, please contact Annie on 07 5442 7775 or Scott on 0408 420 725, or email: mostlymosaic@westnet. com.au. Alternatively, capture and return her to us. Thank you!





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