6.2 Public Toilets Accessibility

NOTICE OF MOTION LISTED BY CR PERCY THOMPSON

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MOTION

That Council provide better access to public toilets across the region but especially in the Town Hall Arcade Mudgee.

Background

Not enough public toilets in town centre areas that are able to be accessed after 6pm.

This is a concern particularly for older people in the community who are in greater need of more amenities closer to the town centres.

Officer's comments

Some further information would be useful with this Notice of Motion to provide a clearer direction for staff. It is suggested that if Council would like to consider additional public toilet facilities across the region then a report be prepared along those lines providing some holistic information. This can include some information on closing times for public facilities and the budget implications of keeping them open for longer. It is noted that the public toilet in Byron Place poses some specific challenges including the fact that the Town Hall Arcade is in private ownership and closes at 6pm and the size of the public toilet in the arcade means that any refurbishment or expansion is not feasible.