

Coochie SEMP Community Reference Group

Meeting 7 Record

13 February 2019 – 2.00-3.30pm
Coochiemudlo Island Recreation Hall

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Attendees:

Name	Present	Apology	Name	Present	Apology
Dr Mark Pillsworth		✓	Ray Burton		
Kevin Childs	✓		Graeme Roberts-Thomson	✓	
Dr Michael Gourlay	✓		Russell Austerberry		
Peter Richardson		✓	Joel Bolzenius		
Denise Foley			Sel Sultman		✓
Keith Stebbins		✓	Gay Deacon		
Tammy Holcroft			Luke Bekker		✓
Chris Leonard	✓		Deputy Mayor Lance Hewlett	✓	
Kate Brooks			Michael Holland	✓	
Vivienne Roberts-Thomson	✓		Rod Powell	✓	
Nikki Cornwall	✓		Julie Fullerton	✓	
Malcolm Andrew (BMT)			Alistair Michell	✓	
Jessie Cullen (BMT)					

Meeting Record endorsement

- Cr acknowledged traditional owners.
- Apologies were received from Dr Mark Pillsworth, Keith Stebbins, Peter Richardson, Luke Bekker (DAF), Wave O'Connor (DAF) and Sel Sultmann (DES).
- Attendees present at the last meeting endorsed the Meeting # 6 Record.
- RP introduced Alistair Michell as the new CHAS and SEMP Project Manager for the next 12 months, replacing Tim Mitchell who has been seconded to the Transport Strategy. RP thanked Michael Holland who has been carrying these projects above and beyond his usual role of Adviser, Waterway and Shoreline Assets.

Main issues of discussion

- **Operational Matters and matters unrelated to the SEMP**
 - **Operations separate to SEMP** - RP advised Wayne Matthews has responsibility for operational matters for Redland City, not the Marine Infrastructure team. The Marine Infrastructure team has carriage of the CHAS and Amity Pt. and Coochie Island SEMP. JF noted over time SEMP CRG meetings have become a focal point for operational issues, and it would streamline meetings and be quicker for CRG members to go direct to Council on ops issues. Customer Service will raise a job which is sent directly to the appropriate officer and tracked. Contact details were sent in email 21/01/2019 - Coochie CRG Update – Beach nourishment and other matters. RP advised SEMP team are still interested and

capturing this erosion data and mapping it for purposes of SEMP to inform future management strategies. VRT noted in the past operational matters have been handled by Marine Infrastructure team. RP acknowledged the team has endeavoured to be helpful and log jobs on CRGs behalf. VRT enquired if policy decisions influence operational works – RP advised policy decisions translate to planning and budgeting through Wayne for Ops and Michael Holland for Capital Works i.e. beach renourishment and seawalls.

- **Emergency foreshore tree stabilisation** – advice sent to CRG 21/01/2019 - Coochie CRG Update – Beach nourishment and other matters
- **Safety of beach access paths (Norfolk Beach)** – JF advised Wayne Matthews has visited Coochie today and inspected safety issues raised by CRG members. AM to forward WM's report on receipt.
- VRT queried what depth of sand is required over **underwater cables** currently exposed on beaches, and who is responsible. RP advised Dept. of Environment and Science (DES) are responsible for some cables and require sand depth of 1.2m; Telstra and Energex are responsible for their own and will not specify a depth due to constant shifting of sand. Rod to notify Energex and Telstra of exposed cables on behalf of VRT.
 - VRT queried why **development application for geobags** installed as emergency works on Norfolk Beach has taken so long. RP said he had advised Council against the installation as an appropriate response to erosion at the time [due to it requiring DA approval]. However Council instructed installation as emergency works. These were installed without drawings or RPEQ supervision. Therefore a consultant needed to be commissioned to do inspections and surveys, supply drawings and RPEQ oversight. Potential for DES to deny approval and require the removal of the bags.
- **Matters arising from previous meeting record:**
 - **Past minutes have been loaded to YourSay site**
 - **Responsibility for removing sand from barge ramp** - RP advised the ramp is pressure cleaned, once per month by Marine Related Services (RCC). The sand build up is monitored by Wayne Matthews once per month; this is an interim measure to try to determine a long term pattern. Amity Trader monitors the ramp daily and report any issues back directly to Wayne Matthews. Amity Trader is contracted to remove the sand in the case of a build-up. No sand has been removed from ramp since the ramp has been upgraded. If sand is required to be removed it will be taken to the approved sites under Council's permit conditions (one of these is Norfolk Beach) for disposal. There was approx. 150mm of sand on when inspected on 8 November last year, and sand has since washed away naturally. NC advised she has concerns regarding vegetation build-up on the corner of the ramp presenting a slip hazard to boaties using the ramp. NC will report the issue to Council.
 - **Raise work request for geobags exposed at Norfolk Beach** –MH will check and ensure a work request is raised.
 - **Consultant appointed to survey NE corner** – MH reported the consultant has made two attempts to undertake the survey and has had equipment difficulties each time. They were expected to return on 14 February to complete the work. A report would be available within 7-10 days of the completed survey. NC advised winds expected to be 25 knots tomorrow which may present a problem.
 - **CRG members to make contribution to SEMP** – JF reminded CRG members to provide their feedback to the SEMP to ensure their concerns/valued areas are given due consideration by BMT. KC advised he had provided input at the Open House. JF has compiled Open House feedback and sent to BMT for consideration in the SEMP. JF to load Open House summary to website. KC questioned whether sewerage reticulation hardware at Norfolk Beach, the barge, and the Golf Course have been picked up in the BMT SES study. KC to submit an email for inclusion to ensure it's considered in SEMP. VRT questioned whether the NB SES Ops Plan

would be part of this SEMP. RP advised BMT would consider it. The Emerald Fringe and issue of heritage listing also sent to BMT. MG advised part of vegetation (e.g. eucalypts) is in the active zone of the coastal system, despite being beyond the HAT and should be valued and preserved. RP expressed desire to incorporate all areas of value for consideration by BMT. MH advised BMT required to view the across quadruple bottom line under the project specs and will be held to that. JF advised there is still time for CRG input and please also circulate to your contacts and encourage further community input.

- **Updated project schedule sent to CRG with Meeting 6 Record on 5 December 2018.**
- **CRG meetings schedules around milestones** – JF advised the last meeting agreed to schedule future meetings around milestones; however the next milestone won't be until April/May. Meeting agreed to meeting schedule around milestones. JF to schedule next meeting mid-June once BMT delivery date for the Shoreline Erosion Study (SES) is known.
- **Updated project schedule**
 - AM advised delays in bathymetric surveys had pushed deadlines out
 - SES expected May/June; Draft SEMP & Operational Plan Sept/Oct; Final SEMP Dec 2019
 - VRT asked if we would meet budget deadlines for ops works flowing from SEMP; RP advised, depending on timing, budgets may need to be carried over to next financial year. GRT suggested that special allocation be planned for the SEMP. AM to determine strategy for budget in consultation with BMT.
- **General business**
 - Cr Hewlett asked whether Bays and Creek Strategy would influence the SEMP. RP advised not aware of it but more than likely. RP to investigate with Pippa Donaldson.
 - VRT raised the issue of using 'proper names' for Coochie beaches. AM advised only three beaches are gazetted as defined under the State Government Place Names Act: Morwong, Flinders and Main beaches. Council may be able to amend proper names but only if supported by a community petition, and it must be ratified by Redland City Council. AM suggested defining by orientation i.e. Main Beach east or Morwong Beach South. MG spoke about a map he had amended with names for beach segments (included in the Norfolk Beach Shoreline Erosion Study) according to geographic features. The meeting agreed this would be useful for analysis only, but not to replace proper names. RP to follow up on policies, including Indigenous Place Names.
 - Ross Johnston submission was received and forwarded to BMT on 4 February 2019.
 - NC asked whether other areas in Council were educated in erosion control methods such as parks management personnel, so their practices help prevent erosion. RP advised he would follow up with Open Space Planning area in Council headed up by Rory House with demarcation above HAT.
 - JF asked what information was required for bathymetric surveys, i.e. map vs. data? CRG requested full map of Coochie not just NE corner. MG suggested topographic map showing survey points with contours with spot heights above and below LAT. AM to consider what is review report and if needed have BMT to produce the map.
 - KC requested 2100 SLR Plan of Coochie to collect from Council.
- **Next CRG Meeting**
 - Set date mid-June once delivery of SES by BMT is known.

Actions from today's meeting	Responsible
Notify Energex and Telstra of exposed cables on behalf of CRG	Rod Powell
Follow up on progress - DA for emergency works	Michael Holland
Report vegetation and slip hazard for boaties on ramp to Council	Nikki Cornwall
Forward Wayne Matthews report on safety issues	Alistair Michel
Ensure work request is raised for exposed geobags on Norfolk Beach	Michael Holland
Ensure Open House summary document is up on the website	Julie Fullerton
Issue of sewage reticulation infrastructure on Coochie to be emailed through for consideration in SEMP	Kevin Childs
Schedule next meeting once BMT delivery date for the Shoreline Erosion Study (SES) is known (19 June?)	Julie Fullerton
Determine budget strategy for Coochie SEMP implementation	Alistair Michell
Carry over SEMP budget to FY 2019/20	Alistair Michell
Investigate Bays and Creek Strategy status (Pippa Donaldson) and potential for consideration in SEMP	Alistair Michell
Follow up on policies on place naming, including Indigenous Place Names	Alistair Michell
Ross Johnston submission to be forwarded to BMT for inclusion	Michael Holland
Provide a topographical map of Coochie to CRG once NE bathy surveys are complete	Alistair Michell
Organise 2100 SLR Plan of Coochie – KC to collect from Council	Michael Holland

Meeting closed 3.30pm

Next meeting: 19 June 2019 (unless otherwise advised)