COAST PROTECTION BOARD

Minutes of Meeting No. 488
Friday 3 December 2021, 9:30am– 12:48pm
MS Teams

1. WELCOME

Mr Jeff Tate opened the meeting at 9.30am and recognised a quorum. The Board accepted the agenda and noted where decisions were required.

2. KAURNA ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Board acknowledged the Kaurna people.

3. PRESENT

Board Members

Mr Jeff Tate (Presiding Member)
Ms Amanda Wilson
Mr James Buder – left meeting at 12:25pm
Ms Joanne Davidson
Professor Bronwyn Gillanders – left meeting at 12:30pm
Ms Annabel Sandery

Advisory Committee Member

Mr Adam Gray (SA Coastal Council Alliance) Mr Bill Jamieson (Chair, Metropolitan Seaside Council Committee) Mr Peter Halton (Regional Coastal Local Government- Wattle Range Council)

Department for Environment and Water (DEW) Staff

Ms Cate Hart (Executive Director, Environment, Heritage & Sustainability) – left meeting at 12:15pm Dr Neil McFarlane (Director, Climate Change, Coast and Marine)
Dr Murray Townsend (Manager, Coast and Marine Branch (CMB))
Ms Judith Kirk (Team Leader, Policy and Advice, CMB)
Ms Leah van Nieuwmans (Project Officer, Board Secretariat and Grants, CMB)
Dr Nicole Pelton (Senior Policy Officer, CMB) item 8.2
Mr Peter Allen (Senior Coastal Planner, CMB) item 10.2

Guests

Mr Jason Higham (Manager, Conservation and Threatened Species, DEW)
Mr Angus McGregor (Manager, Healthy Basin, Healthy Coorong, DEW)
Mr Phil Staniford (Manager – Water, Environment & Industrial SA & WA, KBR)
Ms Nicole Stubing (Program Leader, Coorong Infrastructure Investigations, DEW)

APOLOGIES

Mr Lea Bacon (Local Government Association)

4. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

J Tate declared a perceived conflict of interest with item 8.2 as he is currently working as a consultant on two projects for the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, of which the District Council of Ceduna is one of 11 member Councils. He has had no involvement in Ceduna's grant application and the projects he is undertaking are not related to any coastal matters.

A Sandery declared a conflict of interest with item 8.2 and item 8.3

B Gillanders declared a perceived conflict of interest with item 9.4

P Halton declared a conflict of interest with item 8.2

C Hart declared a conflict of interest with item 10.2

N McFarlane declared a conflict of interest with item 10.2

M Townsend declared a conflict of interest with item 10.2

No other conflicts were declared.

5.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The draft minutes of meeting No 487 held 22 October 2021 were received by the Board.

The Board resolved to:

Approve: The Minutes of Meeting No.487 (22 October 2021).

5.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (ACTION REPORT)

The Board reviewed business arising from minutes of the previous meeting held on 22 October 2021.

The Board resolved to:

Note: The business arising from Minutes of previous meeting (Meeting Action Report).

6. PRESIDING MEMBER REPORT

The Presiding Member provided a verbal update for his report.

The Presiding Member thanked M Townsend, J Kirk, L van Nieuwmans, A Turner and other DEW staff for organising a successful Field Trip to the Fleurieu Peninsula and thanked the Councils for their time and passion and noted the value of the Council's existing coastal planning processes.

The Presiding Member provided an update on the meeting with the Minister for Environment and Water. The topics discussed included:

- ERDC Inquiry ERDC have made recommendations. A response is currently being prepared by DEW staff.
- The draft Direction statement
- The proposed Climate Science Advisory Committee

The Board resolved to:

Note: The Presiding Member Report.

7.1 RAPTOR RECOVERY PLAN

J Higham provided a presentation on the draft South Australian Recovery Plan for Eastern Osprey and White-Bellied Sea Eagles which is being prepared for public consultation. The goal of the draft recovery plan is to secure, stabilise and increase the number of breeding pairs using the 2021 survey as a benchmark.

Mr Higham noted the role of the Board to date through application of its policy in development control.

The Board advised that engagement with Councils and local communities, working alongside SACCA and LG Association would be beneficial in consulting on the draft Recovery Plan.

The Board discussed its role in threatened species conservation and restoration in South Australia, in particular in supporting the implementation of the Recovery Plan for Osprey and Sea Eagle.

The Board resolved to:

- 1. Note the presentation given by J Higham on the draft South Australian Recovery Plan for Eastern Osprey and White-Bellied Sea Eagle and provided comment.
- 2. Request the CMB to prepare a paper on the role of the CPB relating to threatened species restoration more broadly and land use planning as part of its role.
- 3. Request the CMB to review the existing policy on protection of existing raptor sites to include buffers for historical nesting and roosting sites in order to facilitate recovery of the population.
- 4. Request the CMB to provide feedback on the raptor plan through the public consultation period (or outside of it) including comments on CPB existing policy and potential amendments on behalf of the Board.

Action: J Higham to provide clarification on whether Adelaide is an occupied site for Osprey.

7.2 ADAPTATION PLANNING

The Presiding Member discussed the need for encouraging Councils to develop adaptation plans and conservation action plans as a way of prioritising risks and prioritising coastal management.

The Board discussed the complexity and potential need for technical support for Councils as well as concept of developing guidelines to provide consistency on what is expected in an adaptation plan.

Following the discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The discussion regarding adaptation planning.

Action: Requested the CMB to develop a discussion paper on the status of adaptation planning across coastal councils and to consider the roles the Board could play in guiding the development of these documents, including drawing on interstate experiences.

8.1 CPB Finance Report

The Board resolved to:

Note: The CPB Finance Report.

8.2 COAST PROTECTION GRANTS 2021-22

A Sandery and P Halton left the meeting for this item at 10.42am.

The Board noted the recommendations and attachments for the 2021-22 Coast Protection Grants and discussed the role of the Board in approving the projects. The Board requested a summary of each project in addition to the information provided before considering the projects for funding.

Following the discussion, the Board resolved to:

Action: Consider and approve grant applications out-of-session once additional information on the applications was provided.

Action: Requested the CMB to provide additional information on the grants out of session for the Board's decision.

A Sandery and P Halton returned to the meeting at 10:55am.

8.3 KINGSTON SE COASTAL PRIORITIES

A Sandery left the meeting for this item at 10:58am.

M Townsend provided an update on the challenges facing the Kingston SE Coastal priorities.

Following the discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Kingston District Council's plans to develop a sustainable approach for coastal management

Note: The recently undertaken Coastal Adaptation Strategy.

Note: The requirement for ongoing advice and support by the Board through the Council's works program.

Note: The Coastal Adaptation Planning for the Limestone Coast project is being managed through Wattle Range and partly funded by the Board.

Note: The level of funding required is outside the capacity of the Board's current budget.

A Sandery returned to the meeting at 11:05am.

8.4 CURRENT COMMITMENT PROGRAM REVIEW

M Townsend provided an update on the commitment towards New Life for our Coastal Environment project.

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Current Commitment Program Review.

Action: Requested the CMB to review total cost for funded projects.

9.1 CPB RELATIONSHIPS ENGAGEMENT RADAR

The CPB Relationships Engagement Radar is used as a framework for further development of the Board's identified relationships and possible future relationships. The Board noted the need for cultural awareness training and to define how we can engage.

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: CPB Relationship Radar.

Action: Requested the CMB prepare a report on the processes for developing a First Nations engagement plan and reconciliation statement.

9.2 SACCA COASTAL FORUM

A Gray provided a summary of the SACCA Coastal Forum.

The Board discussed the topics at the forum and noted:

- There was an excellent presentation given by the CE of the District Council of Barunga West on Port Broughton and an invitation should be extended for the council to present to the Board.
- The Board needs to promote its current use of science to develop strategies more effectively.
- SACCA receives funding from the Board, however, this was not acknowledged at the forum. Suggest that this could be improved.

Note: The verbal report on the SACCA Coastal Forum.

9.3 AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS REPORT

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Agency Relationships Report.

Action: C Hart to follow up with the Chair of the Landscape Boards' Presiding Members' Forum to discuss how best the Board could engage with the Landscape Boards.

9.4 HEALTHY COORONG, HEALTHY BASIN

A McGregor provided a presentation on the Coorong Infrastructure Investigations Project.

The project will be open for community consultation in February 2022 for 4-6 weeks.

The Board discussed the options presented and are interested in being updated on the progress of the project following community consultation. It was noted that further conversations will be required regarding the Board's role and involvement moving forward.

Note: The presentation given on Healthy Coorong, Healthy Basin.

Action: A McGregor to keep Board informed on the development of the project.

10.1(A) DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

J Davidson advised the previously requested changes have not been completely implemented. The Board would like to see a proposal summary added to future reports.

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Development Applications Activity Report.

Action: Requested the CMB to add proposal summary to every DA within the report.

10.1(B) SIGNIFICANT DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Significant Development Report.

10.2 SAND RECYCLING PIPELINE PROJECT DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

N McFarlane and M Townsend left the meeting for this item at 12:15pm. C Hart left the meeting at 12:15pm.

The Board and P Allen discussed the draft Development Application assessment and recommendation.

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Sand Recycling Pipeline Project Development Application.

Action: To amend the referral response with the edits agreed by the Board members.

Resolution: Approve the response to the State Commission Assessment Panel once agreed changes have been made.

N McFarlane and M Townsend returned to the meeting at 12:40pm.

10.3 COASTAL MANAGEMENT UPDATE

M Townsend provided an update on Coastal Management. Topics discussed included:

- Adelaide Beach Management Program.
- Securing the Future of our Coastline Project.
- Regional Coastal Protection.

Following discussion, the Board resolved to:

Note: The Coastal Management Update.

10.4 MONITORING AND REVIEW SCHEDULE UPDATE & MEETING DATES FOR 2022

The Board resolved to:

Resolution: Approve the monitoring and review schedule and meetings dates for 2022.

10.5 MANAGER'S REPORT

M Townsend provided an update on the Manager's Report. Topics discussed included:

- Port Adelaide flood mitigation.
- Bureau of Meteorology severe weather warnings.
- Stormwater management planning priorities.

M Townsend also reported he will be attending a public forum regarding the Port Broughton foreshore on 7 December 2021 and also advised that the Minister is hosting a forum regarding 4 wheel drives on beaches on 6 December 2021.

The Board resolved to:

Note: The Manager's report.

11.1 CORRESPONDENCE

The Board resolved to:

Note: All correspondence items.

11.2 MEDIA

The Board resolved to:

Note: The media items.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No other business discussed.

13. TOPICS FOR MINISTER ENVIRONMENT AND WATER

- Raptor Recovery Plan
- Adaptation Planning
- Coast Protection Board Grants 2021-22
- SACCA Coastal Forum
- Healthy Coorong, Healthy Basin
- Sand Recycling Pipeline Project Development Application

Next Coast Protection Board Meeting:

The next Coast Protection Board meeting (#489) is scheduled for Friday 11 February 2022.

The Presiding Member closed the meeting at 12.48pm.

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