

# Coast Protection Board

## Minutes of Meeting 489

**Date:** Friday 11 February 2022

**Time:** 09.30am–11:42am

**Location:** Microsoft Teams

### 1. Welcome and Acknowledgement

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. Administration

#### 2.1 Present & Apologies

##### **Present**

##### **Board Members**

Mr Jeff Tate (Presiding Member)

Ms Annabel Sandery

Mr James Buder

Ms Joanne Davidson

##### **Advisory Committee Members**

Mr Adam Gray (SA Coastal Council Alliance)

Mr Bill Jamieson (Chair, Metropolitan Seaside Council Committee)

Mr Lea Bacon (Local Government Association)

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)

Dr Neil McFarlane (Director, Climate Change, Coast and Marine)

Dr Murray Townsend (Manager, Coast and Marine)

Ms Judith Kirk (Team Leader, Policy and Advice, CMB)

Ms Leah van Nieuwmans (Project Officer, Board Secretariat and Grants, CMB)

Ms Sharie Detmar (Principal Coast & Marine Officer, CMB) (Item 3.2(a))

Dr Nicole Pelton (Senior Policy Officer, CMB) (Item 3.1)

##### **Apologies**

Mayor Amanda Wilson

Professor Bronwyn Gillanders

## 2.2 Declaration of Conflict of Interest

A Sandery declared a conflict of interest with item 4.2(a) Correspondence as Wavelength are supporting Kingston District Council on the Wyomi Beach Adaptation Pathways Project.

J Buder declared a conflict of interest with item 5.3(a) Report on DA Responses as DIT are the applicant for two of the development applications listed.

## 2.3 Minutes of last meeting

### 2.3(a) Confirmation of Minutes

The draft minutes of meeting No. 488 and the minutes of the Board's consideration of an out-of-session paper on 3 December 2021 were received by the Board.

#### The Board resolved to:

**Approve** the minutes of meeting No.488 and out-of-session minutes (3 December 2021).

### 2.3(b) Business arising from Minutes of previous meeting (Action Items List)

The Board reviewed the business arising from the minutes of previous meeting held on 3 December 2021.

#### The Board resolved to:

**Note** the business arising from minutes of previous meeting (Action Items list).

## 2.4 Presiding Member Report

The Presiding Member provided a verbal update on the recent meeting with the President and CEO of the Local Government Association (LGA) along with M Townsend and L Bacon. The topics discussed at this meeting included:

- Adaptation planning and the roles of the Board and LGA in assisting councils to prepare adaptation plans and measures.
- the benefit of the '*Integrated assessment of local government's coastal adaptation planning and practice*' project currently being undertaken by Flinders University to assess councils' preparedness, which is due to be finalised in May. Further engagement will be required with the LGA once this report has been finalised.
- Defining working relationships between the Board, LGA, South Australian Coastal Councils' Alliance, Metropolitan Seaside Councils' Committee and Local Government Advisory Committee.

The Presiding Member advised the Australian Coastal Society (ACS) is planning a regional education and engagement event on coastal management in November 2022. There was an initial discussion with the ACS and the Institute for Public Works Engineering Australia on the opportunity to partner on delivering the event, as part of improving the Board's regional presence and support to councils.

#### The Board resolved to:

**Note** the Presiding Member Report.

### 3. Strategy and Policy

#### 3.1 Strategy

##### 3.1(a) Board work planning for 2022

The recent Board survey for 2022 priorities revealed the Board's interest in focusing on regional support, adaptation planning and First Nations engagement. A Sandery raised the need for performance measures to record progress against key items.

Presiding Member highlighted that the introduction of online regional forums to better engage with Council Chief Executives will be trialled in April/ May with two further forums possibly occurring later in the year.

The Board noted a review of the work plan may be required throughout the year to reflect any changes in government priorities.

##### **The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the outcome of the Board survey.

**Adopt** the proposed work plan for the Board for 2022 and trial the online forum with council Chief Executives with the first trial to be held in April/ May.

##### 3.1(b) Adaptation Planning

The Board considered the paper on Adaptation Planning and commended the authors for the effort and information provided as an introduction to the topic.

The Board discussed the importance of existing adaptation planning in other jurisdictions and how this can be used to guide the direction in South Australia while noting the significant geographic, social and economic differences between states.

The 'Integrated assessment of local government's coastal adaptation planning and practice' project by Flinders University will document every coastal council's progress, readiness and capacity and will be a useful resource.

##### **The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the paper on Adaptation Planning.

**Note** further papers will be provided to the Board.

##### 3.1(c) First Nations Engagement

The Board noted the First Nations Engagement paper and Cultural Awareness training options provided and endorsed the new acknowledgment to country.

Board members agreed that First Nations foundational training will be valuable to gain a deeper cultural insight. The Board expressed the preference of half-day courses with time between training to allow for reflection.

The Board discussed options for progression in First Nations engagement including the development of the Board's Reconciliation Statement, contributing to the actions outlined in the DEW *Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024* and to strengthen relationships with coastal nations where possible.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the Department for Environment and Water's Stretch Reconciliation Action Plan 2021-2024.

**Note** the cultural awareness training providers.

**Endorse** the newly adopted acknowledgment to country.

**Approve** half-day foundational training sessions delivered by the Kuma Kaaru Cultural Service through the Institute of Public Administration Australia.

## 3.2 Policy

### 3.2(a) The Board's role in threatened species conservation

The Board discussed the paper and the Board's existing policy on threatened species conservation.

J Davidson queried the implications of a 1-2 km restriction for specific sites. DEW (S Detmar) explained that detailed site assessments near development may allow for a smaller restriction range. The policy is due to be reviewed in consultation with stakeholders including the SA Tourism Commission following the finalisation of the draft *South Australian Recovery Plan for Eastern Osprey and White-Bellied Sea Eagles*.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the paper and the Board's role in threatened species conservation.

**Review** its policy guidelines related to coastal raptors following the finalisation of the draft *South Australian Recovery Plan for Eastern Osprey and White-Bellied Sea Eagles*.

## 4. Engagement and Communications

### 4.1 Advisory Committee Reports

#### 4.1(a) Local Government

##### Metropolitan Seaside Councils' Committee report

B Jamieson provided an update to the Board regarding the Metropolitan Seaside Councils' Committee (MSCC) Governance Review update. A working group has been formed to progress the actions outlined in the motion. Both MSCC and LGA have committed to the Implementation Proposal for the new governance model (including funding arrangements).

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the Metropolitan Seaside Councils' Committee report.

### 4.2 Correspondence and Media Reports

#### 4.2(a) Correspondence

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the incoming and outgoing correspondence provided.

#### 4.2(b) Traditional and Social Media

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the media articles provided.

## 5. Operations

### 5.1 Manager's Report

M Townsend provided an update on:

- Port Adelaide flood mitigation
- Flinders University grant application: airborne bathymetric lidar and autonomous boat with multibeam echosounder
- 2021-22 Works Program
- Tumby Bay – Graham Smelt causeway replacement

M Townsend advised that DEW staff have met with Council staff and the contractor in Tumby Bay on 3 February 2022 to inspect the works. Advice has subsequently been provided on minimising construction impacts and improving site monitoring. DEW is also liaising with the Environment Protection Authority.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the Manager's Report.

### 5.2 Coastal Programs and Management Report

DEW (C Hart) provided an update on the Coastal Programs and Management Report, specifically relating to the sand pipeline development application. The Board was informed on the recent government announcement to remove the Grange sand collection point; and the investigation into extending the pipeline to Largs Bay.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the Coastal Programs & Management Reports and update.

### 5.3 Planning and Development Report

#### 5.3(a) Report on DA responses

The Board thanked the Department for the inclusion of summaries for each development application. The Presiding Member asked whether additional guidance on the Board's policies would assist applicants and planning authorities. The Board noted the planned update of the Coastal Planning Information Package in 2022.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the report on responses to referred Development Applications.

## 6. Budget and Finance

### 6.1 Finance Report

M Townsend presented the finance report.

**The Board resolved to:**

**Note** the CPB Finance Report.

## **7. Other Business**

No other business.

## **8. Topics for the Minister for Environment and Water**

- Board Work Planning 2022
- Adaptation Planning
- First Nations Engagement
- Metropolitan Seaside Councils Committee Governance Review update

**Meeting closed at 11:42am.**

**Next meeting scheduled for Friday 25 March 2022.**



Mr Jeff Tate

**Presiding Member**

**Coast Protection Board**

25 March 2022