

Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Minutes

Meeting Title:	Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Meeting #8		
Date:	Wednesday 2 December 2020		
Start Time:	9:05 am	Finish Time:	12:30 pm
Location:	35 Dauncey St Kingscote	Room:	Boardroom Microsoft Teams
Attendees:	<i>Board Members:</i> A Heinrich (Chair), G Crowley (via Microsoft Teams), P Davis, M Pengilly, P Rismiller, J Stanton, R Willson <i>Staff:</i> T Mooney (A/General Manager), S Gullickson (Administration and Board Support Officer) <i>Guest:</i> L Dohle (Senior Soil Consultant, PIRSA), R Kretschner		
Apologies:	Nil		

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1.	Preliminary matters										
1.1	<p>Welcome, Apologies, Acceptance of Agenda</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to Meeting 8, noting COVID-19 restrictions applied, limiting the number of people who could meet face-to-face.</p> <p>The board agreed that the following items remain on the consent schedule</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">4.1 Correspondence received</td> <td style="width: 40%;">That the decision be accepted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.2 Glossy black-cockatoo census results</td> <td>That the decision be accepted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.3 Delegations – Purchase Card</td> <td>That the decision be accepted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.4 Kangaroo Island Parks Fire management planning</td> <td>That the decision be accepted</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.5 Out-of-session decision- Native Vegetation Clearance Application</td> <td>That the decision be accepted</td> </tr> </table>	4.1 Correspondence received	That the decision be accepted	4.2 Glossy black-cockatoo census results	That the decision be accepted	4.3 Delegations – Purchase Card	That the decision be accepted	4.4 Kangaroo Island Parks Fire management planning	That the decision be accepted	4.5 Out-of-session decision- Native Vegetation Clearance Application	That the decision be accepted
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1.2	<p>Conflict of Interest Disclosures</p> <p>Nil reported</p>										
1.3	<p>Minutes from previous meeting</p> <p>Decision 08/1.3</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Accepts the minutes of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board meeting held on 28 October 2020 as read.</i> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>										
1.4	<p>Action list and Decision Register</p> <p>Decision 08/1.4</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. <i>Notes the status of actions relating to matters arising from previous meetings of the Board, noting T Mooney will report on blue gum seedling impacts in the Animal and Plant Control presentation.</i> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>										

2	Strategic matters and Items for Decision
2.1	<p>Developing the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan</p> <p>The initial draft Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan was provided to members at the meeting.</p> <p>Members are asked to review the draft plan and bring feedback for discussion at a workshop scheduled for Wednesday 16 December. The aim of the workshop is to consider board member feedback and reach consensus on the content of the plan. Public consultation of the draft plan is scheduled for late January.</p> <p>The board noted that 25 responses were received from primary producers to inform the draft agriculture outcomes of the plan.</p>
2.2	<p>Policies for Adoption: Declared Animal Policies</p> <p>The board noted the local draft policies to support control of Category 3 declared animals for Kangaroo Island. The board requested that the wording regarding record keeping requirements for permitted goats be reworded.</p> <p>The board discussed the benefits and risks of keeping declared animals and agreed, that where supported by the community, permits to keep deer would not be available and a sunset clause would be included in the ferret policy.</p> <p>Decision 08/2.2</p> <p>Moved: P Davis Seconded P Rismiller</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Approves the Declared Animal Policy: Goats (Capra hircus) subject to minor amendments regarding record keeping, and Declared Animal Policy: Domestic Ferrets (Mustela putorius furo);</i> ii. <i>Requests further discussion on Declared Animal Policy: Domestic Deer and potential removal of permitting system for deer; and</i> iii. <i>Requests the community be consulted on removal of permits to keep deer on Kangaroo Island and for the ferret policy to include a sunset clause.</i> <p>CARRIED</p>
2.3	<p>Policies for adoption - Conflict of interest and lobbyist policy and procedure for landscape boards</p> <p>The board supported the policy and procedure as presented, noting that the procedure was lengthy and they were confident that this policy and procedure were being followed.</p> <p>Decision 08/2.3</p> <p>Moved P Davis Seconded M Pengilly</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Adopt the attached Conflict of Interest and Lobbyist Policy and Procedure</i> ii. <i>Note the attached declaration form for use by Landscape Boards.</i> <p>CARRIED</p>
3.	Items for Discussion
3.1	<p>Finance Report – October 2020</p> <p>The board noted the October revenue, expenditure and balance sheet for October 2020.</p> <p>Decision 08/3.1</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Endorses the October 2020 revenue and expenditure finance reports and balance sheet.</i> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>

<p>3.2</p>	<p>PIRSA declared animal permits – KI Wildlife Park</p> <p>The board noted staff concerns regarding the ability to provide additional constructive information regarding the issuing of permits to keep declared animals beyond the information provided by the relevant authority, PIRSA.</p> <p>The board discussed their involvement in the permitting process and agreed that while they wish to be informed when a declared animal permit is issued, they do not need to be consulted. They requested that a letter be written to the PIRSA Invasive Species Unit recommending that only de-sexed Category 1 and 2 animals should be permitted to be kept at any facility on Kangaroo Island.</p> <p>Decision 08/3.2.1</p> <p><i>Moved: M Pengilly Seconded: J Stanton</i></p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i. Notes the process for issuing of permits to keep for Category 1 and 2 declared animals</i> <i>ii. Notes that PIRSA's Invasive Species Unit is the most appropriate authority for considering conditions under which permits are issued for keeping of Category 1 and 2 declared animals, and</i> <i>iii. Requests that, in future, the board be informed when declared animal permits are issued by PIRSA's Invasive Species Unit that are relevant to Kangaroo Island, rather than being involved in the approvals process.</i> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>Decision 08/3.2.2</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board writes to PIRSA's Invasive Species Unit informing them of the board's decision and requesting that it is their preference that permits only be issued for Category 1 and 2 declared species if the animal(s) are desexed.</i></p> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
<p>3.3</p>	<p>State Planning and Design Code for South Australia – Phase 3</p> <p>The board noted the State Planning and Design Code for South Australia and the comments provided by the previous board during consultation of the State Planning and Design Code for South Australia – Phase 2.</p> <p>The board discussed the implications of biodiverse plantings being considered a change of land use and therefore requiring development approval. The board discussed at length the suggestion of allowing up to 30% of a primary production property to be planted with vegetation. The implications to prime agricultural land on Kangaroo Island were not acceptable to the board.</p> <p>The board supported all recommended feedback with the exception of the response to biodiverse plantings. The board sought further clarification on comments regarding maintaining prime agriculture land for horticulture and agriculture and requested feedback from Agriculture KI as the industry group representing farmers. R Willson agreed to attend the next AgKI meeting on 8 December. Members were asked to provide P Holden with any comments or feedback in writing.</p> <p>Decision 08/3.3</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i. Requests feedback be sought from Agriculture KI on the board's recommended comments re biodiverse plantings and defer decision to an out of session for submission by 18 December 2020.</i> <p>CARRIED</p>

3.4	<p>Chairs Report Decision 08/3.4 <i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board notes the activities of the Chair of the Board since the last meeting</i></p> <p>CARRIED via resolution</p>
3.5	<p>A/General Manager Report The board thanked D Male and T Mooney for their support as A/General Manager.</p> <p>Decision 08/3.5 <i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i. Notes the activities of the A/General Manager since the last Board meeting</i> <i>ii. Notes the Work Health and Safety activity report for October 2020</i> <i>iii. Notes the report on legislative delegations</i> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
3.6	<p>Board Member Reports</p> <p>3.6.1 P Davis Tabled the Bushfire Management Committee report from the meeting held Friday 27 November 2020. Of particular concern is the lack of fuel hazard and weed control work being undertaken by commercial forestry.</p> <p>3.6.2 P Rismiller Attended a recent Eco-Action meeting and while the board’s letter of response to F Vickery’s letter to the editor was tabled, it was not discussed.</p> <p>3.6.3 R Willson Attended the Listen and Learn workshops, taking note of the community’s desire to be involved, to be consulted, to be heard.</p> <p>3.6.4 G Crowley Attended the Glossy black-cockatoo Recovery Team meeting held 17 November, but not as a member of the board. Very impressed with delivery of the recovery effort and results to date.</p> <p>3.6.5 J Stanton Question if the Board was aware of weeds germinating where straw has been installed as silt traps following the fire. The Water Officer and Animal and Plant Control Officer are aware and working with landholders on control, noting that the weeds emerging are not declared weeds.</p> <p>3.6.6 M Pengilly Paul Simpson has commenced with KI Council as the new works manager and KI Council is supportive of T-Ports proposal to install an outlet to transport timber from Kingscote wharf.</p> <p>3.6.7 L Dohle AGKI meeting on Tuesday 8 December; asked members to noted her involvement in a carbon storage in soil project.</p>
3.7	<p>Meeting schedule for 2021 The board supported the first meeting of the board for 2021 being held in January, with meetings to be held every second month.</p> <p>Decision 08/3.7 <i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>i. Approves the proposed meeting schedule Option B (January-November) for general board meetings for 2021 calendar year, with meetings to be held every second month from the first meeting in 2021.</i> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>

3.8	Other Business Nil
4	Items for Noting (carried by Consent Schedule)
4.1	Correspondence for noting Decision 08/4.1 <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board notes the outgoing correspondence since the October board meeting:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>F Vickery, Kangaroo Island Eco-Action: Letter of response</i> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board notes the correspondence received since the October board meeting:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>E Jenke, Native Vegetation Council: Native Vegetation Council presentation on fuel hazard reduction approval pathways, 23 October 2020</i> • <i>D Speirs, Minister for Environment and Water: Landscape Priorities Fund</i> CARRIED via the consent schedule
4.2	Glossy black-cockatoo census results and project update Decision 08/4.2 <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Notes the results of the glossy black-cockatoo 2020 population census</i> <i>Notes the significant contribution of World Wide Fund for Nature Australia (WWF) in glossy black-cockatoo recovery actions in 2020.</i> CARRIED via the consent schedule
4.3	Financial Authorisation update Decision 08/4.3 <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Endorses the updated Instrument of Authorisation: Purchase Cards</i> <i>Approves the Chair signing and sealing the Instrument of Authorisation on behalf of the Board.</i> CARRIED via the consent schedule
4.4	DEW Fire Management on Kangaroo Island Decision 08/4.4 <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Notes the approach and activities undertaken by the DEW fire management program, including the planned expansion of hazard reduction activities on Kangaroo Island.</i> <i>Notes the offer from the Director, Fire Management to attend a future board meeting (and/or separate workshop or small group discussion with interested board members) to discuss fire management in DEW parks and reserves as well as the State Government's Burning on Private Land program.</i> CARRIED via the consent schedule

4.5	<p>Out of session decision – Native Vegetation Clearance Application</p> <p>Decision 08/4.5</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board ratifies the out-of-session papers:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Distributed on Monday 23 November 2020 seeking support for native vegetation clearance applications NVC-2020-2032 and NVC-2020-2033.</i> <p>CARRIED via the consent schedule</p>
5	Presentations
5.1	<p>SA Water- Long Term Plan: new Desalination Plant</p> <p>Aaron Glossop, Manager State and Steve McGough, Project Manager:</p> <p>Extensive consultation with the Kangaroo Island community on SA Water’s Long term plan was undertaken several years ago resulting in the decision to build a desalinisation plant to secure potable water for Kangaroo Island.</p> <p>The Long Term Plan proposed delivery of the new desal plant to be 2030, but the impact of the 2019/2020 fires significantly changed and accelerated the process.</p> <p>The drivers for delivering a new plant were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Water security: Middle River system has reduced reliability as result of reduction in rainfall and spill over time. Improvements in desalinisation technology has resulted in this technology being a more effective means of securing water; ii. Water quality: Middle River Treatment Plant was significantly impacted following the fires; and while the plant has been repaired and providing good quality potable water, there have been additional challenges in keeping water quality to a high standard following the fires; iii. Growth: benefits to communities and developers in securing a new water source to support both residential and commercial development. <p>Middle River demand: challenges in trend data over years is indicating increased demand for water influencing the decision to accelerate the desalinisation plant project. Increased demand is impacting the storage levels of the reservoir and confirm the need for an additional secure water source for the island.</p> <p>Project Scope:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • project has been fully funded to build a new desalinisation plant and associated infrastructure. • desalinisation plant will connect to existing Middle River system at Airport corner through a 50km pipeline. The infrastructure will deliver 2ML per day, but will be built to deliver up to be 6ML per day to cater for increased demand over time. • community reticulation networks to 4 townships – American River, Baudin Beach, Island Beach and Sapphire town. SA Water will work with communities on the reticulation network. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Where there are new connection opportunities, SA Water will have further engagement with townships and work with landholders neighbouring the pipeline on connections and growth opportunities. <p>Timeline</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Now – Design development and community engagement. • Now to February 2021 – approvals process; early investigation of potential sites

- February to March – major construction commences on plant and pipeline
- End 2022 – Project completion

Environmental considerations

- Flora surveys - working with key agencies and environmental bodies on identifying threatened species and conducted a detailed native vegetation survey of pipeline site. The survey has identified a 5km section of Narrow-leaved Mallee impacted by the location of the pipeline, and project staff are working to minimise impact.
- Desalination plant: flora and fauna surveys conducted to inform marine works; noise modelling; visual impacts and screening plantings.

Delivery partner and local industry: SA Water is working with key partners to define a strategy to get right industry participation so that there is the right economic benefit to the island.

Stakeholder Engagement

- SA Water is committed to ensuring there is a high level of engagement with the community and townships with the aim that there is a good knowledge base in the community on the project, what is happening and how communities can benefit. There is a dedicated online space [Watertalks: Kangaroo Island's new seawater desalination plant](#) providing information on the project and a place for people to ask questions, contact the project team and act as a virtual drop in centre.

Questions

When will the Public Works Committee meet as I'd like to attend?

Response: No confirmation of meeting dates for 2021 but I will let you know as soon as the dates are confirmed. This is unlikely to delay commencement as we are working through a number of things concurrently including commencement of procurement processes and geotech work.

As a member of the Reference Group, I'm pleased to see that has come to fruition earlier than we ever thought.

Will you require additional storage?

Response: No as will utilised existing earth bank storage at Penneshaw and existing Kingscote storage tanks. At some stage in the future, we will need to reinstate the second earth bank storage at Penneshaw.

What is the process for neighbours along the pipeline to tap into the pipe?

Response: Assumptions have been made on potential demand and over the last few months, we have met with industry to test these assumptions. For those who already indicated an interest, we will continue to work with them but still investigating how the water will be delivered eg through a standpipe or direct connection. Any other landowners wishing to access water from the pipeline should contact us and discuss benefits of direct or indirect supply.

Contact: Aaron Glossop, Senior Stakeholder Engagement Advisor on PH: 7424 3195 or email: aaron.glossop@sawater.com.au

The board noted water supply to McGillivray/Haines farmers is currently outside scope of current project.

Will Middle River pipeline to Kingscote be upgraded?

	<p>Response: Information from the Asset Management Team is that the Middle River to Kingscote has no issues and the project is within asset life.</p>
<p>5.2</p>	<p>Animal and Plant Control Program</p> <p>The Animal and Plant Control team comprises Trish Mooney (Team Leader), Brenton Florance (feral animals) and Jason Walter (weeds) and currently delivers on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feral pig control projects, noting David Jirman will join the team shortly; • Declared animal control (goats, deer, ferrets, rabbits, foxes); • High priority weeds; and • Landholder advice <p><u><i>Feral Animal Control</i></u></p> <p>Feral goats and deer have been eradicated from Kangaroo Island and while there are no deer remaining on the island, domestic goats are kept as pets and have commercial value. Two landowners are currently keeping larger flocks with the potential to farm goats for meat in the future.</p> <p>While goats remain on the island, staff will need to monitor permit holders and assess compliance with their permit conditions. It is not a matter of if goats escape but when as goats are particularly difficult stock to contain long term. This has been the cause of concern with several permitted holders whose animals have escape on several occasions.</p> <p><u><i>Pest Plant Control</i></u></p> <p>Priority weeds to be managed are identified by a risk assessment process and also federal funding requirements (e.g. Weeds of National Significance) with the aim to prevent the spread of emerging weeds and contain high impact environmental and agricultural weeds.</p> <p>PIRSA Biosecurity SA declared plant policies provide landholders with essential information on weed control requirements.</p> <p><u><i>Examples of weed control</i></u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Caltrop – controlled since 2014. Caltrop is relatively easy to control as seed life is only 5 years, but plants are very hard to detect. Current infestations at Emu Bay and Penneshaw are being controlled with aim to destroy. • Bluebell Creeper – aim to contain spread of this environmental weed which escaped from gardens. The weed responds well to fire, and infestations are found at Vivonne, Parndana and in recently burnt areas further west so need to ensure control continues over next few years. • Salvation Jane – aim to contain spread of this significant agriculture and environmental weed. Currently most significant infestations located in Western River and Murray Lagoon areas with a number of additional locations and also occasional plants coming up along roadsides. Bio-controls have worked reasonably well on Kangaroo Island. • One-leaf cape tulip – becoming widespread. Trying to control and prevent spread into South-west river catchment. Karrata is the worst infestation. Control actions aim to reduce density of population, and this includes the loan of weed wipers to farmers. Control can be difficult, particularly in native vegetation, where hand pulling or spot spraying is required. Issue is that if not all properties control, it quickly returns via seed from neighbouring sites. Timing of control is very important for control to be effective.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cape Leeuwin wattle is an environmental weed. <p>PIRSA Fire Recovery weeds officers are working on properties impacted by fire and assisting farmers with removal of any weeds emerging following the fires, and developing control plans.</p> <p>The board noted there are over 600 introduced plant species on Kangaroo Island with many having capacity to become weeds. Currently the Board’s weed control program manages 15-20 per annum with most weeds taking many years to control. Noting also that declared weeds are a landholder responsibility under the Act.</p>
6	Meeting Closure
6.1	<p>Invitations for next meeting</p> <p>Decision 08/6.1</p> <p><i>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. <i>Invite Fiona Gill, Director Fire Management (DEW) and Mike Greig, Manager National Parks and Wildlife Kangaroo Island to present at the next meeting of the board.</i> <p>CARRIED</p>
6.2	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>As per the approved meeting schedule, the board confirmed that meeting 9 of the Board will be held on Wednesday 27 January 2021 at 9:00 am</p>
6.3	<p>Board Member Feedback</p> <p>Nil</p>
6.4	<p>Board Claims and Administration Items</p> <p>Members were asked to complete the claim form enclosed in the agenda pack.</p>
6.5	<p>Meeting closed at 12:55 pm</p>

Signed: 

DATE: 2/2/2021

Andrew Heinrich
 Presiding Member, Kangaroo Island Landscape Board