

Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Minutes

Meeting Title:	Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Meeting 12		
Date:	Wednesday 28 July 2021		
Start Time:	9:05	Finish Time:	13:05
Location:	35 Dauncey St Kingscote	Room:	Boardroom
Attendees:	<i>Board Members:</i> A Heinrich (Chair), G Crowley, P Davis, P Rismiller, J Stanton, R Willson <i>Staff:</i> W Durack (General Manager), S Gullickson (Executive Assistant) <i>Guest:</i> M Greig (Manager, National Parks and Wildlife Kangaroo Island); A Triggs (Biosecurity Liaison Officer, PIRSA)		
Apologies:	M Pengilly; L Dohle (Senior Soil Consultant, PIRSA);		

Item	
1.	Preliminary matters
1.1	<p>Welcome, Apologies, Acceptance of Agenda</p> <p>The Board approved the agenda as tabled, noting that SA Water has deferred their presentation on the desalination project due to COVID-19 travel restrictions. This presentation is likely to be deferred to the August workshop. The Board requested that Item 5.5 General Manager be removed from the consent schedule.</p> <p>Items approved by the Consent Schedule:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5.1 Delegations: Use of Common Seal - 5.2 Conflict of Interest Register 5.3 Risk Register 5.4 Chair’s report 5.6 Out of session decisions 7 Next Meeting <p>Decision 12/1.1</p> <p>The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approves the agenda, noting item 6.1 SA Water presentation has been deferred, and all items remaining on the consent schedule with the exception of 5.5 General Manager’s Report. <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
1.2	<p>Conflict of Interest Disclosures</p> <p>No conflicts were declared</p>
1.3	<p>Minutes from previous meeting</p> <p>Decision 12/1.3</p> <p>Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: G Crowley</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Accepts the minutes of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board meeting held on 26 May 2021 as read.

	CARRIED
1.4	<p>Business Arising</p> <p>Decision 12/1.4</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. NOTES the status of actions relating to matters arising from previous meetings of the Board. <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
2	In Camera
2.1	<p>Decision 12/2.1.1</p> <p>Moved: R Willson Seconded: P Rismiller</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board approves under the provisions of Section 23 (5) of the <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>, an order be made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider, in confidence, a matter on the grounds of Section 7(3) (h) legal advice of the <i>Landscape South Australia (General) Regulations 2020</i>.</p> <p>CARRIED</p> <p>Decision 12/2.1.2</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approves all documentation relating to the matter under discussion be kept confidential, until a review of in-camera matters is conducted by the Chair at the end of the financial year and approval by the Board releases the documentation. <p>CARRIED by resolution</p> <p>Decision 12/2.1.3</p> <p>Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: P Davis</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board move back to an open meeting.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
3	Strategic matters and Items for Decision
3.1	<p>NRM Regions Australia - Members</p> <p>The Board noted the relevance of NRM Regions Australia as the peak national NRM body, representing all 54 NRM organisations across Australia. The Board provided in-principle support to KILB becoming a member of Regions Australia. The Board supported the General Manager liaising with the CEO, Kate Andrews, to recognise the Board as a Tier 1 organisation for the three year membership as the Board's current level of funding rapidly declines in 2022.</p> <p>Decision 12/3.1</p> <p>Moved: P Davis Seconded: R Willson</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Endorses renewal of membership for NRM Regions Australia for 2021-2024 at a Tier One. <p>CARRIED</p>
3.2	<p>Natural Resources Committee Review – Native Vegetation Act</p> <p>The General Manager thanked members for their feedback on the draft submission emailed to members late last week.</p>

	<p>The Board noted members comments regarding clearances along boundary fences and a request for the consideration of a project concept relating to the engagement of a Native Vegetation Liaison Officer to work with landholders to understand and implement the Native Vegetation Act.</p> <p>The Board emphasized a key challenge of working with the NVA is the blanket ruling across the state which treats all regions and vegetation types the same.</p> <p>Decision 12/3.2 Moved: P Davis Seconded: P Rismiller That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Endorses the response to the Parliament of South Australia Natural Resource Committee’s (NRC) review of the <i>Native Vegetation Act 1991</i> subject to a final review by G Crowley and W Durack. ii. Endorses the Chair approving the final submission incorporating any changes recommended by G Crowley and W Durack. <p>CARRIED</p>
4.	Items for Discussion
4.1	<p>Finance Report – Interim June 2021</p> <p>The Board noted the interim June financial reports, noting that the ledger is still being adjusted.</p> <p>The Board noted that the financial and process audit will not occur until late September and there is a low risk that the draft financial statements may not be ready for inclusion in the Annual Report by 30 November 2021. Shared Services SA are in negotiation with the Auditor-Generals Office in regard to this matter.</p> <p>Decision 12/4.1 Moved: G Crowley Seconded: P Rismiller That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Endorses the June 2021 revenue and expenditure finance reports and balance sheet. <p>CARRIED</p>
4.2	<p>Sponsorship - AgKI</p> <p>The Board discussed the benefits of partnering with Agriculture Kangaroo Island Inc (AgKI) and supported the Board becoming a platinum partner in 2021-22. The Board requested that the draft budget be amended if necessary.</p> <p>Decision 12/4.2 Moved: P Davis Seconded: R Willson That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approves becoming a platinum partner of Agriculture Kangaroo Island Inc. through a \$6,000 sponsorship, pending confirmation from the Business Manager that there are sufficient funds for this in both the 21-22 and 22-23 period. <p>CARRIED</p>
4.3	<p>Tasmanian Blue Gums update</p> <p>The Board noted the update from the General Manager regarding blue gum seeding removal, the conditions of the original development approval and Forestry Stewardship Council (FSC) Standards. Under FSC standards and the current PF Olson management plan, Kangaroo Island Plantation Timbers (KIPT) must comply with strict operational and environmental requirements to maintain its</p>

	<p>FSC certification. The General Manager is continuing to investigate requirements for control and working with KIPT on any issues.</p> <p>Decision 12/4.3</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <p>i. NOTES the issues associated with Tasmanian Blue Gum (TBG) update</p> <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
4.4	<p>Feral Cat Fence update</p> <p>James Smith, Project Leader – Feral Cats, provided an overview of the construction of the cat barrier fence. The southern end is completed, gates are currently being built, and mesh installed. Due to a personal circumstances there has been some delay with the contractor, and expected completion date is now late August. The Board discussed a launch, raising public awareness with appropriate signage on Hog Bay Road and a video for use by Sealink and other tourism operators.</p> <p>The Board noted that baiting has commenced in the southern woodlands of the Dudley Peninsula and ongoing monitoring of cats beyond the control line continues. The project has received support from landholders with purchase of cameras where they can see the financial benefit of controlling cats.</p> <p>The Board requested further discussion of the Feral Cat Eradication Program and input into the official launch of the fence.</p> <p>Decision 12/4.4</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <p>i. NOTES the Feral Cat Fence update</p> <p>CARRIED</p>
4.5	<p>Board project reports</p> <p>The Board noted the new format of the quarterly project reports for April-June 2021. The new format enables staff to produce a public document which will aid in informing the community about what the Board is delivering. While, some hardcopies will be available from the Landscape Office, distribution will largely be electronic through our website and social media.</p> <p>Overall the board was supportive but only if there was no extra impost on staff and the period the report is covering is clearly displayed.</p> <p>The Board noted highlights of each program area as presented by D Male, Team Leader, Program Support.</p> <p>Decision 12/4.5</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board notes the project reports for April-June 2021.</p> <p>CARRIED via resolution</p>
4.6	<p>Board member reports</p> <p>4.6.1 G Crowley/P Davis – BMC meeting by Microsoft Teams on Friday 30 July. The Board supported implementing training that empowers landholders to manage land through use of fire as an ecological restoration tool.</p> <p>4.6.2 P Rismiller – tabled a flyer for science week with an event at the Parndana campus on 22 August.</p> <p>4.6.3 P Davis attended the last KI Business and Brand Alliance meeting where it was noted that with federal and state elections due within the next twelve months there is an opportunity for</p>

	<p>the Alliance to present matters relevant to KI's businesses and local industries such as the importance of having an active biosecurity presence on the island.</p> <p>4.6.4 A Heinrich – a recent bushfire recovery meeting highlighted the recovery work undertaken and the strong collaboration with PIRSA. Phytophthora signage also needs to be replaced.</p>
4.7	<p>Other business</p> <p>Nil</p>
5	Standing Items or Items for Noting
5.1	<p>Instrument of Delegation – Common Seal</p> <p>Decision 12/5.1</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Approves the Instrument of Authorisation – Common Seal ii. Notes the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Common Seal Register for 2020-21. <p>CARRIED by consent schedule</p>
5.2	<p>Conflict of Interest Register</p> <p>Decision 12/5.2</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Notes the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Conflict of Interest Register for 2020-21. <p>CARRIED via the consent schedule</p>
5.3	<p>Risk Management</p> <p>Decision 12/5.3</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Notes the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Strategic Risk Register version 3.2 <p>CARRIED by resolution</p>
5.4	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>Decision 12/5.4</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Notes the activities of the Chair of the Board since the last meeting <p>CARRIED via consent schedule</p>
5.5	<p>General Manager's Report</p> <p>The General Manager provided an update on recruitment since the last meeting as there has been considerable movement of staff as a result of several staff retiring and confirmation of successful project applications. The General Manager also provided an overview of succession planning for key positions to mitigate risk of loss of knowledge or skill from the organisation.</p> <p>Decision 12/5.5</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Notes the activities of the General Manager since the last Board meeting ii. Notes the outcomes of the Board Workshop held 25 June 2021 iii. Notes the Work Health and Safety activity report for June 2021 iv. Notes the report on legislative delegations <p>CARRIED by consent schedule</p>

5.6	<p>Out of session decision</p> <p>Decision 11/5.6</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board ratifies the decisions of the out-of-session papers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Distributed on 28 June 2021 seeking endorsement of the draft 2020-21 Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Performance Report. <p>CARRIED by consent schedule</p>
6	Presentations
6.1	<p>SA Water – Update on Desalination Project</p> <p>Deferred to Workshop on 25 August</p>
6.2	<p>Biosecurity</p> <p>Andrew Triggs, Biosecurity Liaison Officer, PIRSA and Bob Teasdale, Deputy Mayor, Kangaroo Island Council, joined the meeting at 12:00 pm using Microsoft Teams.</p> <p>Mr Triggs is delivering the Biosecurity component of PIRSA’s KI Rebuild project and making progress in increasing presence and awareness of biosecurity.</p> <p>Achievements to date</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • focus on biosecurity and machinery hygiene and working with various companies involved in construction following the 2019-20 fires • new signs are being installed at Cape Jervis • 363 random biosecurity checks involving over 12,000 vehicles, • 237 machines checked, raising awareness of responsibility of drivers to ensure vehicle is clean, 99 engagements with individuals or companies, 6 industry specific advice notes created (1 pager highlighting things they need to consider in bringing machinery to KI). • 255 lots of honey surrendered which is an increase from previous years. • Casual staff engaged to support increase in number of checks. <p>Challenges for the project have included delays in recruitment of casual biosecurity officers and changes in the cohort of travellers – reduced international traveller and increase in first time SA or interstate travellers to KI with less awareness of biosecurity restrictions.</p> <p>Key opportunities to date – using the casual staff for other tasks eg Cape Tulip Blitz, other monitoring tasks.</p> <p>Future and next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Upskill casual staff and recruitment drive • Washdown facility – wicked issue without an immediate/affordable solution. • Extending biosecurity checks to airline passengers • Review TOMM data • Biosecurity marketing strategy with KI Tourism Alliance with aim to increase awareness • New Biosecurity legislation for SA which will encompass a range of biosecurity acts and – general biosecurity duties. <p><i>Questions:</i></p> <p><i>I feel that have gone backwards as there are no 'Too good to spoil' pocket guides on Sealink, lot of new visitors and where are the casual staff from?</i></p> <p>R: All information, except emergency information, has been removed from Sealink because of COVID-19 restrictions; casual staff are a mix of on and off island residents, they are employed by PIRSA and authorise under the relevant acts.</p>

	<p><i>What is PIRSA's strategy for keeping POMS and other marine pests out of KI waters, what are the implications for the proposal to use the American River wharf to transport timber?</i></p> <p>R: Biosecurity works in a space of mitigating the risks and PIRSA has conducted a comprehensive risk assessment of the American River wharf proposal relating to log removal. The risk assessment concluded that there is a low risk of POMS spreading from Port Adelaide to American River, but the risk will need to be continually managed.</p> <p><i>Has there been an EIS done alongside the proposal?</i></p> <p>R: I will take this question on notice and respond as soon as possible.</p> <p><i>How accommodating are Sealink with using their washdown facilities on dirty vehicles; or do staff contact you if they see anything dodgy.</i></p> <p>R: Sealink are very good with liaising with Andrew and his casual staff. They contact Andrew directly when concerned about vehicles and machinery. Andrew will talk to Sealink about use of their bus washing facilities.</p> <p><i>Are you contacting SA Water direct re earth moving for pipeline work?</i></p> <p>Andrew has been consulting with SA Water regarding good biosecurity practices and asking them to build into their tender process a requirement to implement good biosecurity arrangements and highlight biosecurity responsibilities.</p> <p>The Board noted the Tourism Optimisation Management Model (TOMM) survey results provide valuable data on ongoing Kangaroo Island issues and is an opportunity for raising awareness or biosecurity requirements.</p> <p>The Board noted that while PIRSA's funding to support biosecurity activities post fire will cease next year, PIRSA views these activities as a high priority. Members felt PRISA was the right organisation to deliver biosecurity activities, in collaboration with Landscape Boards and the tourism industry.</p>
7	Meeting Closure
7.1	<p>Invitations for next meeting</p> <p>The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board supported the Native Vegetation Council request to present at the next meeting of the board on 22 September 2021.</p>
7.2	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>As per the approved meeting schedule, the Board confirmed that meeting 13 of the Board will be held on Wednesday 22 September 2021 at 9:00 am, with a workshop on 25 August 2021.</p>
7.3	<p>Board Member Feedback</p> <p>A member sought clarification on the requirement to review and endorse, with preference that the Board be given time to review information before being asked to endorse it.</p> <p>Members and staff were thanked for the use of respectful language and conduct.</p>
7.5	<p>Meeting closed at 1:05 pm</p>

Signed:



DATE: 23 Sep 2021

Andrew Heinrich
 Presiding Member, Kangaroo Island Landscape Board