

Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Draft Minutes

Meeting Title: Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Meeting # 18			
Date:	Wednesday 27 July 2022		
Start Time:	12:30 pm	Finish Time:	4:56 pm
Location:	35 Dauncey St Kingscote	Room:	Boardroom
Attendees:	Board Members: A Heinrich (Chair), D Pledge, P Rismiller, G Crowley and R Willson <i>By Teams:</i> P Davis Staff: W Durack (General Manager) and R Mussared (Program Support Officer) Guests: E Raulings (<i>by Teams</i>); F Gill (<i>by Teams</i>); M Greig; A Sandeman		
Apologies:	M Pengilly		

Item	
1.	Preliminary matters
1.1	Welcome, Apologies, Acceptance of Agenda The Presiding Member welcomed everyone, with P Davis joining by Microsoft Teams. Decision 18/1.1 Moved: R Willson Seconded: D Pledge That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board approves the agenda without additional items for discussion and the following items remaining on the consent schedule: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5.1. Out of session decisions: That the decision be accepted Carried
1.2	Conflict of Interest Disclosures No declarations of interest were made.
1.3	Minutes from previous meeting Decision 18/1.3 Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: R Willson That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Accepts the minutes of the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board meeting held on Wednesday 25 May 2022 as read. Carried
1.4	Business Arising 17/5.9 25 Jul 2022 Key Management Personnel declarations to be completed by all members and the General Manager Two declarations outstanding. 17/5.4 25 May 2022 Feedback requested on the draft Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting and Improvement Plan for the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2021-2026 by 1 June 2022

	<p>Completed: Refer item 3.2</p> <p>17/3.3 25 May 2022 Items 4.1 Finance Report, 4.2 Water Planning Steering Committee Update, 4.3 KI Business and Brand Alliance, 4.4 Chair's Report, 4.5 General Manager's Report and 4.6 Board Member report deferred to meeting 18. Refer to section 5 Items for discussion</p> <p>17/3.2 25 May 2022 The Chair and General Manager to appear as a deputation to the Kiland Board and present a paper to the Kiland Board outlining concerns regarding Tasmanian Blue Gum wildings. Completed: Refer to General Managers report</p> <p>17/3.1 25 May 2022 Business Plan approved subject to consultation Completed: Positive feedback was received as a result of the consultation period. No changes to the draft Business Plan were recommended. Business plan therefore approved.</p> <p>16/5.2 23 Mar 2022 An invitation be sent to P Gregor inviting him to speak on TOMM at the next Board meeting. Completed: Mr Gregor's presentation deferred until August workshop.</p> <p>15/3.2 2 Feb 2022 Establish a finance and audit committee as proposed by the 2020-2021 process audit for the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board Deferred until February. Several board members terms are coming to an end and new board members will be sought to replace them. Recruitment will encourage people with finance experience to apply.</p> <p>16/4.3 23 Mar 2022 Nomination of Board members to the Finance and Risk Committee Deferred until February 2023.</p> <p><i>Mike Greig, Manager Parks and Wildlife KI, joined the meeting at 12.40 pm.</i></p>
2	Presentations
2.1	Tourism Management Optimisation Model deferred to August workshop
2.2	<p>Greening Australia — The effectiveness of green firebreaks in reducing bushfire risk, whilst maximising carbon sequestration and biodiversity benefits</p> <p><i>Dr Elisa Raulings, Manager Science and Impact, Greening Australia</i></p> <p>This project is being delivered with support from WWF-Australia and a National Australia Bank Foundation grant over the next five years.</p> <p>Green firebreaks are carefully designed, planted areas of lower flammability vegetation that can measurably reduce bushfire risk under certain conditions. They decrease bushfire risk by changing the way fire spreads through a landscape, and how embers are thrown into the air. They differ from existing bushfire risk management tools in that green firebreaks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • may offer an opportunity for landholders to reduce bushfire risk at the property scale • may increase biodiversity • have great potential to sequester carbon at scale.

The project is seeking to scientifically validate the impacts of green firebreaks under different fire, landscape and climate conditions with Victoria University.

Green firebreaks are being designed with a human-centric approach including farmers, fire agencies and scientists.

First Nations engagement is a very important component of the process.

A trial has been developed in Victoria and three more demonstration sites are being sought for construction by 2023, to test their efficacy and encourage others to take action.

Fires are being considered from a four switch model:

1. ignition
2. fuel
3. dryness
4. weather.

As the climate changes the switches are all going on.

Plant type and placement can help modify fuel loads and dryness through shade and microclimates, and weather movement through wind control. Green firebreaks aim to reduce radiant heat and ember attack.

Project outcomes:

- understand effectiveness of green firebreaks
- validate the green firebreak product
- reduce fire risk, improve biodiversity, carbon sequestration and the benefits for people and nature.

A conceptual model has been developed which will be stress-tested by University of Melbourne and from this a prototype will be developed and tested under different fire danger rating scenarios. A free app will then be developed for general use where property details can be entered and a resulting green firebreak designed.

Demonstration site criteria:

- private land in peri-urban, agricultural or riparian zones
- Indigenous engagement a benefit
- areas with fire history/ fire susceptibility
- working relationships with fire-fighting authorities
- adjacent to a roadside, near a major town or weekender destination so it is accessible for corporations, tourists, farmers etc. as a demonstration facility
- is fenced.

Questions:

1. *What plant species are being recommended/used in the green firebreaks? Exotic deciduous trees are often the most effective around peri-urban areas and if these are used what is being conserved?*
 - The current site in Victoria uses both native and exotic species. The model will recommend a range of both native and exotic species. It will consider bushfire reduction first and then biodiversity benefits/impacts.
2. *Does the green firebreak have a 20 year timeframe before it is effective? How does plant growth impact its effectiveness over time?*

- The growth rate of plants is being carefully considered. It is anticipated it will take 5–10 years before a green firebreak produces fire-risk reduction benefits.
 - The project is also considering what will happen to a green firebreak if burnt in a fire. Plant species are being considered for their regrowth properties too.
3. *Are there any sites/shelterbelts that already exist that could be pruned and used?*
 - The project is also looking at existing sites. If the Board has any sites where this applies please let Greening Australia know.
 4. *During recent bushfires, some landholders were able to prune lower branches causing the fire to go under the trees rather than entering their canopies. Have these sorts of species been considered in the model?*
 - The shape of tree is very important e.g. a river red gum is good for wind reduction.
 - If growing green firebreaks the understorey may need to be pruned/slashed until it is able to suppress a fire.
 - Green firebreaks are particularly beneficial for farmers as shelterbelts, in particular for dairy and pastures.
 5. *In Germany green firebreaks use more shrubs than trees. Will this be the case in Australia?*
 - The project is carefully considering tree use as they have the biggest impact in the landscape. However, the model mainly uses shrubs.
 6. *Are demonstrations just being built in cleared landscapes?*
 - Yes. The project believes trees have a big impact on the movement of fire cross the landscape. They believe graziers have the most to benefit as stock shelters.
 7. *The Board funds revegetation each year. Could we recommend some of the green firebreak principles for our revegetation projects e.g. spacing between trees?*
 - Yes that would good. Sheoaks are one of the species that are being used in the green firebreaks as the wind moves through their foliage very differently.
 8. *Has topography been included in the model?*
 - Yes. The topography is carefully considered at each site.
 9. *What do banks think about green firebreaks? How insurance view green firebreaks?*
 - The National Australia Bank is a key funder and they considering insurance options and what prevents people from taking action.
 - Banks may modify their loan structure to include green firebreaks as a means of diversifying income stream.
 10. *What structural elements are being offered in the green firebreaks?*
 - The current demonstration site has two rows of blackwood as a high canopy and to suppress the understorey.
 11. *Single trees are easily lost on KI once their guards are removed. What maintenance is being considered for green firebreaks?*
 - The project is considering how the effectiveness of the green firebreaks can be validated. They are looking at a validation/credibility model to check a green firebreak as it ages and the longevity of the selected plants.
 12. *Are you recommending species that can cope with soil constraints e.g. compressed soil or high nutrient loads?*

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This was one of the first questions considered. Existing software/technology is being considered for use with the model e.g. Agworld. <p>13. <i>The KI NPWS are currently building a new visitor centre on western KI. Does the green firebreak extend to protect buildings?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The model can consider how the green firebreak will protect different assets, however these firebreaks aim to protect landscapes, not just backyards. The project is looking to build demonstration sits on private land, not Crown Land. <p>14. <i>What is the charge for testing through the model?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The project has a budget for up to 20 sites, but are currently just considering three. This design tool will be free in the future. <p>15. <i>What size sites are you looking for?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is no set size, however the minimum size for demonstration sites is 1 or 2 ha. <p>Tony Sandeman, Senior Regional Fire Management Officer KI (in person) and Fiona Gill, Director, Fire Management (via Teams) joined the meeting at 1:40 pm.</p>
2.3	<p>Prescribed burn update: KI NPWS — prescribed burning — a collaboration</p> <p><i>Tony Sandeman, Senior Regional Fire Management Officer KI and Fiona Gill, Director, Fire Management</i></p> <p>The success of the prescribed burning program is dependent on collaboration with KI Country Fire Service (CFS), local landholders and the community. For example:</p> <p>Autumn 2022 prescribed burn on boundary of Seal Bay and Cape Gantheume conservation parks of 250 ha</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the season was mild but dry fire spotted outside of the prescribed burn area onto private land in more than one place KI CFS, NPWS crew and local farmers assisted to control the burnover 20-30 ha was lost but the response was excellent and everyone called turned up. <p>In spring 2022 four prescribed burns are proposed to cover 340 ha</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 burn blocks prepared, including locations on private land. <p><u>Questions:</u></p> <p>1. <i>How far out are your prescribed burning plans?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The next three years of prescribed burns are planned. Environmental assessments are progressing for each site but operational planning and funding for them is still required. <p>2. <i>What is holding up the Emmett's Track prescribed burn?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The KI NPWS are just waiting for this year's budget to be handed down and then they will consider seasonal challenges. <p>3. <i>Native vegetation has regrown prolifically out west following the bushfires. How long until it is a fire risk again?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On KI native vegetation generally becomes a fire risk 6-8 years following a bushfire. On the eastern end of KI where conditions are drier this is later and on the western end this is sooner. There are some ridges in Flinders Chase National Park which look desert-like from the air.

- Once a full KI fire management plan is completed, a strategy will be developed with fuel modifications for next four years to avoid repeating 2019-20 bushfires.
4. *There seems to be patchy regeneration for a lot of species. A lot of slaty sheoak appears to be dead. Is anyone assessing how the native vegetation is recovering?*
- Individual species recovery is probably not being recorded to any depth. However, M Greig will check with Heiri Klein, KI NPWS Ecologist.
 - There are many ecological projects that have undertaken since the bushfire through the Department for Environment and Water (DEW), the Board and non-government organisations.
5. *Has the KI NPWS Fire Management Program been effected by short or long term budget cuts? Do you have support for the track maintenance work? Do you have any staffing issues?*
- The NPWS understands the community is concerned there may be budget cuts to the KI Fire Management Program. There has been a small reduction to fire management across the state but regional budgetary allocations have not been completed yet. This is line with the new SA Governments focus on health.
 - » Recent advice is that funding for the KI NPWS Fire Management Program will continue at a similar level to 2021-22. A regional allocation will be received for prescribed burning and track maintenance.
 - » Existing staff and seasonal crews will still be operating on KI in 2022-23.
 - A new fire management plan is being developed for all KI parks and will include the four plans that currently exist.
 - » The plan is being developed in consultation with the local community and sector groups.
 - » A draft is planned for public release in late 2022/early 2023. New tracks are planned for the Ravine des Casoars Wilderness Protection Area and these will be outlined in the new plan.
6. *At the last KI Bushfire Management Committee meeting there was discussion about including private lands as a risk to be addressed. Is this still going ahead?*
- Yes. The aim is for private lands to be included in Bushfire Management Area Plans (BMAP). However, there will not be resources to manage them.
 - There will be a presentation about landscape treatment at the Bushfire Management Committee meeting in August. Hopefully the Bushfire Management Committee and CFS and will endorse this.
 - It will take about two years for the extra information to be incorporated.
7. *What is the lifespan of funding for a fire management plan? Is it for the duration of a government term?*
- The lifespan is quite fluid as the budget is allocated against priorities which continually change.
 - Funding for fire management is on-going in SA. However, funding can vary each year in the state budget.
8. *Will previous public consultation be considered in the development of the new KI Fire Management Plan? Will vocal minorities be considered in what is presented to the Minister?*

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The public submissions from the recent KI Parks Plan have been analysed and are being considered by the team developing the new KI Fire Management Plan. These submissions have helped the team think about what strategies to consider in the KI Fire Management Plan and who to consult with. The team is keeping the Minister abreast of this. It is very important that the Minister receives advice from both the community, the Board and local agencies. The NPWS is providing advice on the issues being raised and their validity. <p>9. <i>Are there any roadblocks to the delivery of the KI Fire Management Program?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The NPWS always aims to deliver the best fire management possible for KI within the available budget. The planning process for prescribed burns is very long and challenging. At a recent meeting with the KI NPWS, community leaders expressed their support for resources being supplied to KI NPWS Fire Management Program. The KI NPWS is very appreciative of the Boards support releasing staff for NPWS crews and hopes this continues in the future. <p>10. <i>Is the KI NPWS Fire Management Program aware of the weather stations AgKI has installed on properties across KI? These would be useful for fire planning and can be accessed through a web-link.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yes. The KI Fire Management Program has been talking with AgKI about them. <p><i>M Greig, T Sandeman and F Gill left the meeting at 2.22 pm.</i></p>
3	Strategic matters and Items for Decision
3.1	<p>Service Level Agreement with DEW 2022-23</p> <p>The Board noted the high cost of the ICT services within the Service Level Agreement and that the regions are working together to consider alternative options. It also noted the Acting Business Manager has recently been able to draw on a range of services from DEW to assist them in their role.</p> <p>The Board asked that there is clarity between DEW services delivered through the SLA and services which are a legislated responsibility.</p> <p>The Board proposed that the SLA is reviewed again in six months to ensure the Board is receiving the services it has paid for.</p> <p>Decision 18/3.1</p> <p>Moved: G Crowley Seconded: R Willson</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Endorses the Service Level Agreement for delivery of Corporate Services for July 2022 to June 2023 and the attached schedules, subject to minor amendments. <p>Carried</p>
3.2	<p>Monitoring, Evaluation, Reporting And Improvement (MERI) Plan for the Kangaroo Island Landscape Plan 2021-2026</p> <p>The Board discussed the detail within the MERI Plan. Concern was expressed that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Someone outside of the organisation may think too much monitoring is planned. The MERI Plan needs to focus more on monitoring outcomes than activities.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An increase in community understanding of their rights and obligations to manage native vegetation through prescribed burning will not reduce fuel loads — only prescribed burning will. The terminology used for agricultural measures needs to be refined/reviewed. <p>The Board noted a high level statement about the current monitoring being undertaken through project contracts, compared with monitoring just to implement the MERI Plan, would benefit the document.</p> <p>The Board expressed their appreciation for the amount of work that has been invested in the MERI Plan and look forward to discussing it further at their September workshop.</p>
3.3	<p>Revision of declared weed species on KI</p> <p>Bronwyn Fancourt, Manager, Invasive Species and Jason Walter, Project Officer Animal and Plant Control, joined the meeting at 2.25 pm.</p> <p>To align the <i>List of Declared Plants</i> with Kangaroo Island's current regional priorities, amendments are proposed. These changes will increase and strengthen the Animal and Plant Control Teams ability to prioritise, manage and control weeds that impact significantly on KI primary industry, natural environment and health and wellbeing of our community.</p> <p>Once the Board has approved the revision, the amendments will be combined with those being considered by the Hills and Fleurieu Board and forwarded to the Minister for consideration. Following this the proposed amendments will be released for public consultation. The process will be overseen by the Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA).</p> <p>The Board noted lucerne trees will still be able to be grown on properties, but landholders will be required to control them if they escape.</p> <p>Decision 18/3.3</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Approves undertaking consultation on proposed changes to the <i>Landscape SA Act 2019</i> for declared weed species on Kangaroo Island. <p>Carried</p> <p>B Fancourt and J Walter left the meeting at 2.50 pm.</p>
3.4	<p>In Camera matters</p> <p>The Nature Conservancy Development Application</p> <p>Decision 18/3.4.1</p> <p>Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: D Pledge</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> approves under the provisions of Landscape South Australia Act (General) Regulations 2020, an order be made that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting with the exception of R Mussared, in order to consider, in confidence, a matter on the grounds of Section 7(3) (g) matters that must be considered in confidence in order to ensure that the regional landscape board does not breach any law, order or direction of a court or tribunal constituted by law, any duty of confidence or other legal obligation or duty.

2. **approves** all documentation relating to the matter under discussion be kept confidential, with the exception of the decision, 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.

Carried

The Kangaroo Island Landscape Board returned to the public session of the meeting at 3.17 pm.

Decision 18/3.4.2

Resolved

That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:

3. **Decides** to not submit a development application as requested on behalf of The Nature Conservancy (TNC).

Carried

4. Items for Discussion

4.1 Narrow-leaved Mallee Project — On-ground Works funding

Kym Lashmar joined the meeting at 3.25 pm.

The project *Recovering the Kangaroo Island Narrow Leaved Mallee Woodland Threatened Ecological Community through local landscape action* funded by the Australian Government has delivered almost all of the on-ground outcomes it was contracted to. As a result the scope of the activities funded through the 2022-23 On-ground Works funding round will be broadened and it will be offered to all KI landholders.

The Board noted:

- Applications will be prioritised according to a matrix which includes threatened species habitat.
- The value of working with landholders who have a long-term plan for their property and are easy to work with.
- Unfunded projects from the recent Grassroots Grants round were primarily sustainable agriculture ones which are not applicable for this On-ground Works funding.
- This round of On-ground Works funding has already received much interest and several applications have been submitted to date.
- On-ground Works funding applications are always considered by the KI Native Plant Nursery to ensure they have the capacity to grow the order.

The Board congratulated Kym on achieving the on-ground outcomes for the project ahead of schedule. The Board recognises the valuable technical support that Kym is able to offer landholders undertaking on-ground works projects through the On-ground Works fund.

K Lashmar left the meeting at 3.39 pm.

Decision 18/4.1

Resolved

That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:

1. **Notes** the changes made to the 2022-23 On-ground Works funding round regarding project eligibility.

Carried

4.2	<p>NRM CEO update and future of RLP</p> <p>Due to flight cancellations the General Manager was unable to travel to Canberra for these meetings. However, the Australian Government has indicated their continued support to regional service providers with funding for the next five years budgeted.</p>
4.3	<p>Compliance matters — update</p> <p><u>4.3.1 Domestic rabbit visit to Kangaroo Island</u></p> <p>The DEW will prosecute the owners of a domestic rabbit found on Kangaroo Island on the 16th of April 2022.</p> <p><u>4.3.2 Tasmanian bluegum wildlings</u></p> <p>The Board has written to Kiland regarding their responsibilities for the control of Tasmanian bluegum wildlings on and from their properties. Kiland is developing an action plan for their Tasmanian bluegum wildling control as part of their voluntary compliance. Board staff are also writing to, and supporting, other effected landholders. The majority of the roadsides under the control of the KI Council have been treated, as have the smaller properties of many landholders. Minister Close supports the Board’s approach and has directed the Board to seek funding through the SA Landscape Priorities Fund for Tasmanian bluegum wildling control.</p> <p>The Board noted staff will begin formal work on the application process for the Landscape Priorities Fund in early August.</p> <p><u>5.3.3 Water compliance matter</u></p> <p>The Board noted a KI landholder being investigated has given the Board a hydrological report. The Board has forwarded the hydrological report to the DEW Policy and Water Science for consideration.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.3</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <p>1. Notes the verbal update on ongoing <i>Landscape SA Act 2019</i> compliance matters.</p> <p>Carried</p>
4.4	<p>Risk Register</p> <p>The Board requested it review the ratings in the Risk Register at their August workshop.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.4</p> <p>Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: P Davis</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <p>1. Endorses the risk register as presented in attachment 1.</p> <p>Carried</p>
4.5	<p>KI Water Planning Steering Committee Update</p> <p>The Board noted the Committee has met with DEW Policy and Water Science executives three times and they are confident the Board’s water policy is strong enough to manage the transition of Kiland forestry to farmland. The Committee is now meeting on an as needs basis.</p>

	<p>The Board noted staff are still considering the differences between water use in domestic, stock and irrigation dams. This information will be presented to the Board when complete.</p> <p>The Board noted the project <i>Environmental Assessment of Water Management Options for KI</i> is now complete. This project has improved the science underlying the Board's Water Policy. The value of native vegetation and environmental water flows were considered through this project.</p> <p>The Board noted the difficulty for landholders to assess how much water can be removed from their properties for their use. Kiland has requested the Board's Geographic Information Systems (GIS) data so they can develop a baseline for their water infrastructure requirements. They will review this data in the future to track/monitor any impacts.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.5</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Notes progress to date regarding conversation with DEW Policy and Water Science around the Kiland forestry to agriculture transition and associated water considerations. <p>Carried</p>
4.6	<p>Finance Report — June 2022</p> <p>Sharon Gullickson, Acting Business Manager, joined the meeting at 4.08 pm.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.6</p> <p>Moved: P Rismiller Seconded: G Crowley</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Endorses the April 2022 finance reports. Endorses the June 2022 interim revenue and expenditure finance reports. <p>Carried</p>
4.7	<p>Kangaroo Island Business And Brand Alliance</p> <p>The Board requested our representative on the Kangaroo Island Business and Brand Alliance promote the Board's priorities, for example biosecurity, to the Alliance.</p> <p>The Board discussed their level of membership on the Kangaroo Island Business and Brand Alliance.</p> <p>S Gullickson left the meeting at 4.22 pm.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.7</p> <p>Moved: D Pledge Seconded: R Willson</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Renews its membership of the Kangaroo Island Business and Brand Alliance, as a Business Member. Nominates Wei Yin, Communications and Media Coordinator, to be the contact between the Board and the Alliance. <p>Carried</p>
4.8	<p>Chair's Report</p> <p>The Board noted the Chair's regret they could not attend the recent Staff Day.</p> <p>The Board noted the Chair recently met with PIRSA Chief Executive, Professor Mehdi Doroudi. Matters discussed included Little Sahara limesand.</p>

	<p>Decision 18/4.8</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Notes the activities of the Chair of the Board since the last meeting. <p>Carried</p>
4.9	<p>General Manager's Report</p> <p>The Board noted the difficulty of recruiting staff at present.</p> <p>The General Manager expressed their gratitude to S Gullickson for acting as Business Manager until December to enable a review of the Business Support Unit. S Gullickson is doing an excellent job in the role.</p> <p>The Board has established a Memorandum of Understanding with AgKI to assist them to coordinate feral cat trap alert systems for KI landholders.</p> <p>The Native Vegetation Council has recently released new guidelines for native vegetation clearance. Engagement with the Native Vegetation Council is continuing in relation to the review of the Ecological burn guidelines.</p> <p>Decision 18/4.9</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Notes the activities of the General Manager since the last Board meeting. Notes the draft Regional Land Partnerships Audit Findings. Notes the Work Health and Safety report. Notes the matters approved under delegation. <p>Carried</p>
4.10	<p>Board Member Reports</p> <p><u>4.10.1 D Pledge</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is seeking a final report from PIRSA on the weed work undertaken while Laura Williams was Senior Weed Control Officer, Bushfire Recovery. Is undertaking a Gra\$\$ to Dollars course through Meat Livestock Australia being presented by Tim Prance. <p><u>4.10.2 P Rismiller</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Was recently made aware of a Facebook post regarding a dog which had eaten a bait in an enclosed area at Pelican Lagoon. There is no feral cat baiting currently occurring on KI. Is questioning travellers on the Sealink ferry at Cape Jervis to see if they have recently been to Indonesia for biosecurity purposes. <p><u>4.10.3 G Crowley</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asked for guidelines for commenting on social media posts referring to the Board. Protocols will be presented to the Board in the future. Until then please refer the post to Wei Yin, Communications and Media Coordinator. Discussed the impact of planting natives and non-natives in green firebreaks. <p>R Willson left the meeting at 4.48 pm.</p> <p><u>4.10.4 P Davis</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed the benefit of green firebreaks compared with mosaic burning for fire management.

	<p>Decision 18/4.10</p> <p>Resolved</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board:</p> <p>1. Notes the attendance of members at various meetings or events on behalf of the board.</p> <p>Carried</p>
4.11	<p>Other Business for discussion</p> <p>There was no other business.</p>
5	Standing Items or Items for Noting
5.1	<p>Grassroots Grants 2022–23</p> <p>Decision 18/5.1</p> <p>That the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board ratifies the decisions of the out-of-session discussion:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Distributed on 6 June 2022 <i>that the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board notes the successful applications to be funded through the 2022 Kangaroo Island Grassroots Grant.</i> 2. Distributed on 28 June 2022 <i>that the Kangaroo Island Landscape Board provide instruction to the General Manager regarding prosecution, through the Environment Resources and Development Court, of the owners of a domestic rabbit found on Kangaroo Island on the 16th of April 2022.</i> <p>Carried via the consent schedule</p>
6	Meeting Closure
6.1	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>As per the approved meeting schedule, the Board confirmed that meeting 19 of the Board will be held on 28 September 2022, noting G Crowley will be an apology, with the next workshop to be held on Wednesday 24 August 2022.</p>
6.2	<p>Board Member feedback</p> <p>Nil</p>
6.3	<p>Board claims and administration items</p> <p>Members were asked to complete the claim form enclosed in the agenda pack.</p>
6.4	<p>Meeting closed at 4:56 pm.</p>

Signed:



DATE: 28 September 2022

Andrew Heinrich
Presiding Member, Kangaroo Island Landscape Board