

Northern and Yorke Landscape Board

Minutes

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge and respect the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we are meeting upon here today. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to Country. We also pay respects to the cultural authority of Aboriginal peoples visiting / attending from other areas of South Australia

Meeting Title: Board Meeting		NY Landscape Board Meeting # 14	
Date: Monday 13 December 2021			
Start Time:	14.00	Finish Time:	16.40
Location:	Nuriootpa	Room:	Regional Workforce Projects, Barossa Campus, Level 1, Chateau Building, Beckwith Park, 30 – 38 Barossa Valley Way
Attendees:	Caroline Schaefer (Presiding Member), Geoffrey White, Phillip Heaslip, Peter Angus, Sam Germein, Maree Wauchope and Sarah Barrett (Board Members)		
Staff:	Tony Fox (General Manager), Rebecca Howard (Manager Business Services), Paul O’Leary (A/Landscape Operations Manager) Chris Martin (Business and Finances Coordinator), and Rosemary McDowell (Executive Assistant)		
Visitors / Guests:	Martin Stokes, Team Leader, Water Allocation Planning – Green Adelaide		
Apologies:	Nil		
Note:	G White opened the meeting and chaired until C Schaefer’s arrival.		
Item	Meeting Standing Items		
1	Welcome, Acknowledgment to Country, apologies and agenda check		
1.1	Conflict of Interest Disclosures		
	Nil		
1.2	Minutes from the previous meeting		
	The minutes from meeting No 13 held on 22 November 2021, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.		
	P Heaslip / S Germein CARRIED		

1.3	<p>Action List Reviewed and updated</p>
1.4	<p>RLP and funding updates</p> <p>A verbal update on the RLP projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The region has been successful in having four of the ten projects chosen to go to the next level for the Landscape Priority Funding round. Applications are due by 22 December 2021 The proposed biosecurity carbon project credits was briefly discussed. <p>Action An information pack for the biodiversity carbon project credits to be sent to board members</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Living Flinders and Marna Banggara (MB) projects are both progressing well and a welfare check on the bettongs for the MB project is scheduled within the next few days. <p><i>(C Schaefer joined the meeting 2.29pm)</i></p>
<p>2. Deputations and Presentations</p>	
2.1	<p>Adelaide Plains Water Allocation Plan (WAP) – presented by Martin Stokes</p> <p>The Adelaide Plains WAP overlaps three regions, Green Adelaide, Hills and Fleurieu and the Northern and Yorke.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation included approximately 20 councils, 40 stakeholders and 200 water licence holders and was delayed due to late engagement with Kaurana and officially closed 28 November 2021 A time extension has been granted and currently the verbal and written feedback communications received are being reviewed Aiming for implementation by 1 July 2022. <p>MOTION:</p> <p><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>note the status of and outcomes from public consultation on the draft Adelaide Plains Water Allocation Plan</i> <p style="text-align: right;">NOTED</p>
2.2	<p>Barossa Water Allocation Plan update - presented by Martin Stokes</p> <p>Various discussions were raised during the presentation including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Selling access entitlement to a water licence, allocation and a transfer of Proposal to change from 4 to 19 zones for surface / watercourse water and no movement between catchments only within Retain or reduce allocations, and policies regarding dam removals or low flow releases and an ecological safety net Future discussion are envisioned for surface water dam.

	<p>MOTION:</p> <p><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note progress on the development of a draft policy framework for the amendment of the Barossa Water Allocation Plan</i> • <i>endorse the draft policy framework positions.</i> <p style="text-align: right;">S Barrett / G White CARRIED All in favour</p>
3. Strategic Items	
3.1	<p>Groundwater surveys by Flinders University – Funding Options</p> <p>The Board has currently committed \$7,000 in funding and the University has quoted for further works and is seeking extra funding of \$25,000. It was suggested that the Board needs to be clear on what they want out of this scope of works. Ongoing surveys may be required.</p> <p>Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When the letter of response is written to confirm the funding, it must include that feedback to the Board is a requirement for the funding for the Flinders University • The General Manager is to present a reworked purpose statement and present to the Board at a future date on the Flinders University groundwater surveys <p>Motion</p> <p><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note the information contained within the attachment documents</i> • <i>approve \$25,000 towards the full scope of works described in the three items to be undertaken within the financial years of 2021/22 to 2022/23</i> <p style="text-align: right;">M Wauchope / S Germein CARRIED</p>
4 Items for Decision / Discussion	
4.1	<p>Finance Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major changes for noting: • That carryovers have been approved by Treasury. • A few Grassroots grants are still to claim their funding but they will. <p>Motion</p> <p>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note and receive the November 2021 YTD financial analysis</i> <p style="text-align: right;">G White / P Angus CARRIED All in favour</p>

4.2	<p>Audited Financial Statements</p> <p>The final financial statements have been received and have been submitted to Parliament.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note the 2020-2021 audit process and findings;</i> • <i>note the 2020-2021 financial statements and notes to the accounts;</i> • <i>note the 2020-2021 net operating surplus of \$724,000;</i> <p style="text-align: right;">NOTED</p>
4.3	<p>Risk Management Framework</p> <p>A new version has been completed from feedback following a board risk management workshop. A risk management policy, procedure and a register will be presented in a workshop at a Governance and Finance Committee meeting and will then be reviewed as a standing item at their future meetings.</p> <p>Action</p> <p>Section D of the Risk Management Policy, 'Statement of Risk Appetite' wording was queried and suggested that it be revised and extra text be inserted.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>approve the Risk Management Policy for implementation;</i> • <i>note the Risk Management Procedure will be approved by the General Manager, post Board approval of the Policy; and</i> • <i>review the Strategic Risk Register, at the January 2022 Governance and Finance Committee meeting and represent at the February 2022 meeting</i> <p style="text-align: right;">P Heaslip / M Wauchope CARRIED</p>
4.4	<p>Bite-sized grant report 2020-21</p> <p>A perceived conflict of interest was raised by P Heaslip and M Wauchope in regards to their roles within councils. There was no conflict of interest as the agenda item was for noting only and not any allocation of funds.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note the results of the 2020/2021 Bite Size Grant Program</i> <p style="text-align: right;">NOTED</p>

4.5	<p>Service Level Agreement with Shared Services SA This is the first SLA with Shared Services.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>note and endorse the draft SLA, for execution by the General Manager, subject to finalization of non-terminated employee data.</i> <p style="text-align: right;">M Wauchope / S Germein CARRIED</p>
4.6	<p>Calendar of Events 2022 Reviewed</p>
<p>5 - Items for Noting. The Board to note information papers in this section are to be carried as one motion only</p>	
5.1	Nil
<p>6 – Standing Items for noting (to be discussed only if required)</p>	
6.1	Presiding Member report - Submitted
6.2	<p>Board Member reports - Submitted by Geoff White.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • P Angus will attend the Water Security Strategy meeting 14 December 2021 as a proxy for G White. • P Heaslip has attended various Water Allocation meetings representing the Board
6.3	Communication and Engagement Report
6.4	Correspondence
6.5	RMT report
6.6	<p>Board forward planner</p> <p>Motion:</p> <p>All reports for noting from 2.1 to 6.5 be accepted</p> <p style="text-align: right;">S Germein / P Angus CARRIED</p>
<p>7 - In Camera Session</p>	
	<p>The meeting was moved to 'In Camera' due to the information the disclosure (J) of which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) would divulge information provided on a confidential basis by or to a Minister of the Crown, or another public authority or official; and (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest; <p style="text-align: right;">M Wauchope / G White CARRIED</p>

	<p>Motion:</p> <p>That the meeting move out of In Camera and back to the main meeting where members of the public may be present</p> <p>P Angus / G White CARRIED</p>
8 - Meeting Closure	
8.1	Invitations for next meeting
8.2	Next meeting details 16 February 2022 <u>Forward planner</u>
8.3	Meeting closed

Signed



Caroline Schaefer
Presiding Member