

## 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 and we pay respect to Ngadjuri elders past and present. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to Country. We also pay respects to the cultural authority of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples visiting / attending from other areas of Australia.*

Meeting Title: Board Meeting		NY Landscape Board Meeting # 16	
<b>Date:</b> Wednesday, 16 March 2022			
<b>Start Time:</b>	13.00	<b>Finish Time:</b>	14.27
<b>Location:</b>	Burra	<b>Room:</b>	Paxton Function Centre
<b>Attendees:</b>	Caroline Schaefer (Presiding Member), Sarah Barrett, Geoffrey White, Phillip Heaslip and Peter Angus (Community Board Members)		
<b>Staff:</b>	Tony Fox (General Manager), T Boyce (Landscape Operations Manager), Chris Martin (Business and Finances Coordinator by Teams), Rebecca Howard (Manager Business Services by Teams), Annie Bond (MERI Officer by Teams) and Rosemary McDowell (Executive Assistant)		
<b>Visitors / Guests:</b>			
<b>Apologies:</b>	Sam Germein and Maree Wauchope		
<b>Note:</b>	A local site visit commenced at 10.00am prior to the meeting.		

Item	Meeting Standing Items
1	<b>Welcome, Acknowledgment to Country, apologies and agenda check</b>
1.1	<b>Conflict of Interest Disclosures</b> Nil
1.2	<b>Minutes from the previous meeting</b> The minutes from meeting No 15 held on 16 February 2022, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. <p style="text-align: right;">S Barrett / P Heaslip <b>CARRIED</b></p>
1.3	<b>Action List</b> Reviewed and updated.

1.4	<p><b>RLP and Landscape Priorities Fund update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A site visit prior to the commencement of the meeting to visit various sites involved in the Goyder Line Project</li> <li>• The Minister has announced two successful bids by the NY Region from the recent round of Landscape Priorities funding</li> <li>• A full report on the regions projects will be presented at the May 2022 meeting of the Board.</li> </ul>
<p><b>2 - Deputations and Presentations</b></p>	
2.1	<p><b>Statement of Commitment</b></p> <p>The Statement of Commitment is a state-wide document supporting stronger relationships with Aboriginal people and organisations in South Australia. The Presiding Members of all landscape regions have signed to commit to working in partnership to look after our country and sea.</p> <p>The Northern and Yorke region supports the Statement of Commitment in numerous ways including the Aboriginal Engagement Committee, Healthy Country Planning, the Marna Banggara project and the Aboriginal Engagement Strategy.</p>
<p><b>3 - Strategic Items</b></p>	
3.1	<p><b>Burra Creek Water Monitoring</b></p> <p>The Region’s Monitoring and Evaluation Officer joined the meeting to discuss two existing water monitoring sites in the Burra Creek. They were previously under the care of a neighbouring NRM board and following transition and boundary reallocation, merged to the NY region. A discussion ensued on the future responsibility of the two sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• there is one surface and one ground water site</li> <li>• community members have been collecting the relevant data and it was advised they are keen to continue</li> <li>• a contract is currently in place until end of June 2022 and may be extended.</li> </ul> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>support the General Manager in commencing negotiations with the Department for Environment and Water (DEW) regarding the transfer of responsibility for the monitoring and maintenance of two (2) water monitoring sites along the Burra Creek to DEW</i></b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">G White / P Angus <b>CARRIED</b></p>
<p><b>4 - Items for Decision / Discussion</b></p>	
4.1	<p><b>Finance Presentation YTD 2021-2022</b></p> <p>The Business and Finances Coordinator joined the meeting and presented the financial analysis. The Balance Sheet is depicting a strong position leading into the end of the financial year.</p> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note and receive the February 2022 YTD financial analysis</i></b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">P Heaslip / S Barrett <b>CARRIED</b></p>

4.2	<p><b>Pest Control Policy</b></p> <p>The Pest Control Policy has been developed to be a common board policy to ensure consistency state-wide. A pricing schedule has been presented for adoption by the Board however, the ability to discount baits remains.</p> <p><b>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>consider and adopt the new Pest Control Fees and Charges Policy and associated Pest Control Pricing Schedule;</b></li> <li>• <b>note that this policy will be reviewed and updated, where required to meet the needs of the Board; and</b></li> <li>• <b>authorise the Landscape Operations Manager to make an adjustment to the scheduled bait fees payable in response to natural disasters and coordinated group baiting</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">P Angus / G White <b>CARRIED</b></p>
4.3	<p><b>Landscape SA Soil Extension Project</b></p> <p>Funding through the Smart Farms grants has enabled the NY region to seek the employment of a soils officer and to share the position with other landscape regions. The NY allocation is .5 of an FTE.</p> <p><b>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>note the successful Landscape SA Soils Extension Project Smart Farms grant application and the resultant recruitment and project delivery to be undertaken by the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board.</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">S Barrett / P Heaslip <b>CARRIED</b></p>
4.4	<p><b>Board Committee Recommendations</b></p> <p><b>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>note and approve the recommendations of the Aboriginal Engagement Committee meeting held on 23 February 2022</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">P Heaslip / P Angus <b>CARRIED</b></p> <p>Mayor Bill O'Brien is the new representative from Legatus who attended the February 2022 meeting of the Aboriginal Engagement Committee and spoke favourably at a recent Legatus meeting.</p>
4.5	<p><b>Calendar of events 2022</b></p> <p>The Grassroots Grants application process closes on 9 May 2022 and a discussion followed on board representation on the selection panel.</p> <p>G White and P Angus nominated to be the panel members.</p> <p><b>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>endorse G White and P Angus represent the Board in the selection panel for the grassroots grants</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">S Barrett / P Heaslip <b>CARRIED</b></p>

5 - Items for Noting.	
5.1	<p><b>Glyphosate and 1080 reports</b> The reports were included for informing the Board and noting only.</p> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note the reports from the Invasive Species Council</i></b></li> </ul>
5.2	<p><b>Payment and Distribution Authorisation</b> The Interim Audit raised that the region did not have a payment and distribution authorisation. The instrument of authority has been signed by the Minister and is an ongoing document.</p> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note the Minister signed instrument of authority relating to making a payment or disbursement on behalf of the Board</i></b></li> </ul>
5.3	<p><b>Arid Seeding Project Support</b> It was noted the Board approved \$100,000 for the Drought Resilience Projects in the 2020-2021 financial year with \$10,000 allocated to the Arid Seeding Project.</p> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note a contribution of \$10,000 to Greening Australia for the "Adapting and innovating arid zone direct seeding machinery and techniques to promote perennial vegetation establishment in the Southern Flinders Ranges" Project, as part of the \$100,000 previously approved by the Board (2020/2021) for co-contributions</i></b></li> </ul> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note items 5.1 to 5.3 inclusive</i></b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">P Angus / G White <b>CARRIED</b></p>
6 – Standing Items for noting (to be discussed only if required)	
6.1	<b>Presiding Member report</b> - tabled
6.2	<b>Board Member reports</b> – Peter Angus, Phil Heaslip, Sarah Barrett and Geoff White submitted reports
6.3	<b>Communication and Engagement Report</b>
6.4	<b>Correspondence</b>
6.5	<b>RLT report</b>
6.6	<p><b>Board forward planner</b></p> <p><b><i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b><i>note items 6.1 to 6.6 inclusive</i></b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">S Barrett / P Heaslip <b>CARRIED</b></p>

7 - In Camera Session (if required)	
7.1	<p>The meeting was moved to 'In Camera' due to the information the disclosure (J) of which:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>(i) would divulge information provided on a confidential basis by or to a Minister of the Crown, or another public authority or official; and</li><li>(ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;</li></ul> <p style="text-align: right;">P Heaslip / S Barrett <b>CARRIED</b></p> <p><b>In Camera Minutes from the previous meeting</b> The minutes from meeting No 15 held on 16 February 2022, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">G White / S Barrett <b>CARRIED</b></p> <p><b>Motion:</b> That the meeting move out of <i>In Camera</i> and back to the main meeting where members of the public may be present.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>G White / S Barrett CARRIED</b></p>
8 - Meeting Closure	
8.1	<b>Invitations for next meeting</b>
8.2	<b>Next meeting 18 May 2022 in Pt Broughton</b>
8.3	<b>Meeting closed 14.27pm</b>

Signed



**Caroline Schaefer**  
**Presiding Member**