

Northern and Yorke Landscape Board

Minutes

Acknowledgement of Country

We, the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board, acknowledge Aboriginal people as the First Peoples and Nations of the lands and waters we live, play and work upon and we pay our respects to the Elders past, present and emerging. We acknowledge and respect the deep spiritual connection, and the relationship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have to Country.

| Meeting Title: | | NY Landscape Board Meeting #38 | |
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| Date: 19 February 2025 | | 🔊 Verbal Report 📄 Paper ☑ Nil Report | |
| Start Time: | 12:30pm | Finish Time: | 3:45pm |
| Location: | NYLB Office Gawler U1 4 Seventh Street | Room: | River Room |
| Present: | Geoff White (Chair), Peter Angus, Erika Lawley, Sue Scarman, Holly Cowan, Leo Redden and Nicki Robins | | |
| Staff in Attendance: | Tony Fox (General Manager), Rebecca Howard (Manager Business and Planning), Chris Martin (Business and Finance Services Coordinator), Paul O'Leary (Landscape Operations and Compliance Manager), Samantha Johnson (Team Leader, Communications and Engagement), Derek Sandow (Marna Banggara Project Manager), Libby Duncan (Projects Planning and Reporting Manager), and Paige Boylan (Executive Assistant/Officer; Minute recorder) | | |
| Apologies: | Nil | | |

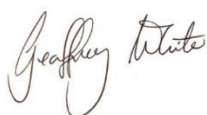
| Item | Meeting Standing Items |
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| 1.1 | Welcome to Country Chair acknowledged Russell Johnstone's passing and thanked the previous board members for their contributions. Welcome to the new board members and looking forward to them bringing their expertise. A warm welcome back to the ongoing members. Each member and staff in attendance introduced themselves and shared personal information |
| 1.2 | Additional Agenda items Nil |
| 1.3 | Conflict of interest disclosures Nil Board member contact details All in agreeance to share personal contacts: mobile and email Action: Executive Assistant/Officer to share information via email |
| 1.4 | Minutes from previous Board Meeting The minutes from meeting No 37 held on 12 December 2024, were accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting. <i>P Angus / S Scarman</i> CARRIED |
| 1.5 | Action List Reviewed and updated |
| 2 | Deputations and presentations |
| 2.1 | Financial Analysis YTD Presentation provided by Business and Finance Services Coordinator Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>receive and note the YTD January 2025 Financial Analysis</i> <i>E Lawley / S Scarman</i> CARRIED AIF |
| 3 | Items for Decision |
| 3.1 | Mid Year Budget Review NYLB will continue to look at long term, high priority projects and will consider how retained earnings may be accessed in support of these projects. Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>note the results of the year-end carryover request; and</i> <i>approve the budget adjustments as requested</i> <i>N Robins / H Cowan</i> CARRIED AIF |
| 3.2 | Application of CPI to 2025-26 Water Levies A discussion occurred with information regarding the variance in rates and levies between prescribed water resource areas, and how levies were initially set. The water section of the act was not included in the recent review of the Act undertaken by John Hill. It is anticipated that that a statewide review of levies would be included as part of a future review of the water section of the Act. |

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| | <p>Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> approve the application of the September Quarter CPI (3.2%) to the 2025/2026 Water Levies. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>H Cowan / L Redden</i> CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 3.3 | <p>Statewide Feral Deer Eradication Plan The statewide feral deer eradication project has been making good progress over the last 2 years. The project requires additional funding for the next 4 to 10 years for eradication to occur in the state, noting SA is the only state with the potential for eradication. This brief seeks approval for NYLB to apply to Treasury for \$500,000 in retained earnings over a four-year period in parallel with other Landscape Boards and PIRSA.</p> <p>Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> endorse that approval be sought from the Department of Treasury and Finance to access \$500,000 of retained earnings to contribute towards the statewide feral deer eradication program over a 4-year period. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>E Lawley / P Angus</i> CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 3.4 | <p>Land Management Control Policy Land degradation issues are likely to increase, requiring the NYLB to manage land degradation in a formalised and transparent manner. The policy outlines land degradation risk factors, how to best mitigate risk and strategies to encourage landholders in the sustainable management of land.</p> <p>Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approve the attached Draft Land Management Control Policy; subject to minor edits, not affecting the intent. <p style="text-align: right;"><i>E Lawley / L Redden</i> CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 3.5 | <p>Information sharing with Independent (External) member of the Governance and Finance Committee The board recently appointed an external (independent) member to attend the Governance and Finance committee meetings. To undertake the role effectively, the independent member will benefit in receiving the draft minutes of board meetings.</p> <p>Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> consider and approve that each set of public meeting agenda and papers and the subsequent draft board meeting minutes, when available, are circulated by the Executive Assistant/Officer to the independent (external) member of the Governance and Finance Committee via email <p style="text-align: right;"><i>H Cowan / P Angus</i> CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 3.6 | <p>Amended Meeting Schedule 2025 Due to Board meeting dates coinciding with SA Landscape Board Chair's Forum meetings, the dates for Northern Yorke Landscape Board meetings in March, May and August were proposed to be amended.</p> <p>Motion That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> revoke the endorsed 2025 meeting schedule for board and advisory committees endorse that the board and advisory committee meeting schedule for 2025 be amended as discussed |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> endorse that the amended board meeting dates be changed on the Board's website by the Executive Assistant/Officer <p style="text-align: right;">G White / E Lawley CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 3.7 | <p>Board Advisory Committees 2025 Presiding member invited board members to nominate for board advisory committees and water allocation planning advisory groups. Members completed nomination forms for consideration.</p> <p>Motion <i>That the Northern and Yorke Landscape Board Members:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Consider nominating for one or more of the Board Committees and return completed nomination forms to the Executive Officer by the 24 February 2025.</i> <p style="text-align: right;">AIF</p> |
| 3.8 | <p>G&F Committee recommendations G&F Chair, shared discussions from the G& F committee meeting held on 11/2/2025 outlining items noted or recommended.</p> <p>Motion <i>The Northern and Yorke Landscape Board:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>accept the recommendations of the Governance and Finance Committee Meeting held on 11 February 2025.</i> <p style="text-align: right;">E Lawley / Scarman CARRIED AIF</p> |
| 4 | Items to note |
| 4.1 | <p>Work Health Safety & Wellbeing Draft Minutes 11/12/2024</p> |
| 5 | Standing Reports for note |
| 5.1 | <p>Presiding Member report Noted</p> |
| 5.2 | <p>Board Member reports Report received by E Lawley who attended the Gynburra Festival in January</p> |
| 5.3 | <p>Communications report Noted</p> |
| 5.4 | <p>Correspondence Noted</p> |
| 5.5 | <p>Board Calendar Reviewed and noted with no changes</p> |
| 5.6 | <p>Board calendar of events Reviewed and updated Upcoming events: 25/2/25 Barnhill Wind farm and Battery Project at Redhill Oval – S Scarman 8-9/5/2025 SA Industry Climate Change Conference 11-24/5/2025 Landscape Boards forum 2-6/6/2025 International Rangeland Congress</p> |
| | <p style="text-align: right;">Items 5.1 to 5.6 S Scarman / P Angus CARRIED AIF</p> |

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| 6 | Other items |
| 6.1 | Additional agenda items from Item 1.5 Nil |
| 7 | Board in Camera Session |
| 7.1 | <p>In Camera Session 3:05pm</p> <p>The meeting was moved to 'In Camera' due to the information the disclosure (J) of which: (i) would divulge information provided on a confidential basis by or to a Minister of the Crown, or another public authority or official; (ii) would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest;</p> <p>Tony Fox, Rebecca Howard, and Paige Boylan were requested to remain for the <i>In Camera</i> meeting. Jennifer Munroe was also asked to present at the in camera session.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>G White / P Angus</i> CARRIED</p> <p>Motion 3:40pm – that the meeting moves out of In Camera and back to the main meeting where members of the public may be present</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>G White / P Angus</i> CARRIED</p> |
| 8 | Meeting Close |
| 8.1 | <p>Invitations for next meeting</p> <p>Invitation to be extended to A Ruddenklau from PIRSA to attend the March meeting in Clare</p> |
| 8.2 | <p>Next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 20 March, Clare Barbara J Long Function Room</p> |
| 8.3 | Meeting closed: 3:45pm |

Signed



Geoff White
Presiding Member