

SIR JOSEPH BANKS GROUP

MARINE PARK LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No. 4: Thursday, 24th February 2011
Tumby Bay Senior Citizens Club

The objectives of Marine Park Local Advisory Groups (MPLAG) are to facilitate effective communications between the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and regional communities and assist in the development of draft marine park management plan.

Members present: Dion Watson (Chair), Greg Palmer, Paul Harrison, James Brook, Brian Wilkins, Barry Power, Tom Tierney, Matt Waller, Christian Pike (proxy for David Ellis), Julie Elliot, Julie Fischer and Wayne Goedecke.

DENR staff: Shelley Harrison, Dirk Holman, Jon Emmett and Louise Jones.

Apologies / absent: John Holland, Gerard Bosch, Darren Tressider and David Ellis.

Gallery: 9 present.

Members advise that the following outcomes were achieved at the meeting:

Overall dissatisfaction with the process and outcomes of the MPLAG meetings was expressed.

Members requested that information be made available before the meeting to give time for MPLAG members to discuss with their networks.

Majority of members agreed to limit sanctuary zone areas to 7% or less, whilst working to the Minister's direction of less than 5% economic impact statewide.

MPLAG members were able to reach a majority view in many cases of alternative zoning suggestions.

Due to the lack of accurate benthic mapping it was difficult to tell if the lines were drawn in the right areas.

Members recommended targeted video drops in the suggested zones.

Members requested a whole picture of zone types (including HPZ, GMU and RAZ).