UPPER GULF ST VINCENT MARINE PARK LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No. 4: Thursday, 17 February 2011

Eagles Sports and Community Centre at Port Wakefield

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

Members present: Brenton Schahinger (Chair), Heather Crowell (proxy for Robin Crowell), Bart Butson, Barbara Reid, John Walker, Ian Telfer, Barry Stringer (arrived 5pm), Henri Mueller (proxy for Anne Picard) and Shane Storm (proxy for David Backen).

Apologies: Stephen Jones, Maurice Manners and Craig Nixon (DENR).

Absent: Ernest Wilson.

DENR Staff: David Pearce, Sheralee Cox, Amanda Gaetjens and Yvette Eglinton.

Gallery: 35 people present

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

- The marine parks implementation process and the meeting purpose were explained to MPLAG and gallery members.
- The MPLAG members shared feedback and discussed zoning alternatives that they had received from the community since the preliminary sanctuary zone scenarios were released in November 2010.
- The zoning suggestions and advice from MPLAG members were consolidated onto one map with comments. Members agreed to share their map with their community networks. The map will be displayed on the DENR website and shared with stakeholders.
- There was consensus on some of the proposed zones but a polarised view on one zone in particular.
- There was significant input from the gallery.

Next meeting was set for 3pm – 7pm on 4 May 2011 at Parham, venue to be confirmed.