

UPPER SOUTH EAST MARINE PARKS LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No. 5: Held at the Robe Bowling Club on 3/5/2011

The objectives of this Marine Park Local Advisory Group (MPLAG) meeting # 5 was to provide their final advice on Marine Park Sanctuary Zones

Members present: Bill Hender (Chair), Robert Roach, Jim Godden, Alan Gurney, Pip Rasenberg, Paul Regnier, John Kuhl, Graham Usher, Adam Stewart, Peter Riseley, Russell Worland.

Apologies Craig Lawrie and Ruth Beach

DENR staff: Steve Bourne, Phil Hollow, Shane Holland, David Miller, Robyn Morcom and Denise Dent (Minute taker).

Gallery: approximately 20 plus one media

- An assessment of the possible sanctuary zones as an outcome of USE MPLAG meeting # 4 was presented
- MPLAG members and the gallery held a lengthy discussion and debate regarding the final advice on the MPLAG sanctuary zones.
- There was general agreement on 5 of the 6 sanctuary zones with one area near Tea Tree Crossing in the Coorong not in agreement.
- The MPLAG members wanted to make it clear that they put these possible sanctuary zones forward on the understanding that other marine parks sanctuary zones in South Australia are approximately the same percentage of the park as theirs. If this was not the case they reserved the right to remove their support.
- Some strong opposition still exists from some members regarding the removal of the outer boundary of the Upper South East Marine Park around the Margaret Bock Reef