

Hay Point Community Reference Group Meeting Minutes

5pm Wednesday 6 November 2024 – Meeting held at Hay Point VTS Administration Building

Chair:

Chair NQBP CEO, Brendan Webb

Attendees:

<p>Community Representatives Kerry Flynn Tom Andrews Tom Liddell George Stace Marilyn Maher Cathy Fredericks Christopher Schloss</p> <p>Business Representatives Maree Sturdy</p> <p>Environmental Representatives Katrina Dent</p> <p>Mackay Regional Council Representative Cr Karen May (Online)</p>	<p>Port Industry Representatives DBI – Peter Wotherspoon (Online) DBCT – Steve Rae BMA - Brett Ross</p> <p>NQBP Representatives Brendan Webb Darren Brownsey Emilie Power Nick McDougall</p> <p>MSQ Representative N/A</p> <p>Invited Guests Pauline Harris - Stella Maris Seafarers Centre Mackay</p> <p>Yuwi Native Title Holder Representative N/A</p>
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Item	Discussion	Action
1. Meeting open and apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting opened at 5.00pm Community Reference Group members were welcomed by Chair/NQBP CEO, Brendan Webb. An Acknowledgment of Country was provided by Brendan. Apologies were recorded from the Yuwi representative, Jason Sweetman, Peter Douglass, Katie Evetts, Tim Lewis, Kev Kane and Judy Langdon. 	
2. Disclosure of interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussion around disclosure of interest was held and Disclosure of Interest register reviewed. No concerns were raised. No conflicts of interest were declared for this meeting. 	
3. CRG Correspondence, Questions and Actions Register	<p>Actions Register Update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action 4 was a request for NQBP to consider extending public access to the laydown area at Half Tide for overflow boat ramp car parking. From a commercial, safety and port operational point of view NQBP aren't able to support this request and will close this action item. Emilie to give an update on Action Item 5 at this meeting. 	
4. NQBP Update	<p>Presented by CEO (Chair), Brendan Webb</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pauline Harris - Centre Manager, Stella Maris Seafarers Centre Mackay provided an update on their annual Christmas appeal and gave an overview of the work of Stella Maris Seafarers Centre. Updates provided on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NQBP Indigenous Program Dudgeon Point monitoring/clean Port of Mackay new corporate office 	ACTION: NQBP to send out Stella Maris information to CRG
5. NQBP Trade Update	<p>Presented by Darren Brownsey General Manager Commercial and Maritime Services</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Our ports economic contribution to Gross State Product (GSP) accounts for 44% of total GSP contribution from all Queensland ports. 	

	<p>Trade update Update on Port of Hay Point and Port of Mackay trade statistics provided.</p>	
<p>6. NQBP Infrastructure Update</p>	<p>Presented by Simon Nash Senior Manager Asset Services</p> <p><i>Maintenance and projects update</i></p> <p>Hay Point maintenance dredging</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NQBP completed maintenance dredging at the Port of Hay Point and Half Tide Tug Harbour in August/September 2024. • ~163,000m³ of natural sediment was removed and placed at the approved Dredge Material Placement Area (DMPA). • <i>TSHD Brisbane</i> undertook 152 trips to and from the DMPA without incident. • NQBP also undertook maintenance at the public boat ramp on behalf of TMR (asset owner). <p>Half Tide public boat ramp works Minor works scheduled for Half Tide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replacement of large industrial bin with two smaller bins with restricted openings – aim to prevent being used as a dump site after complaints received from the public. • Update of a restricted area signage to clearly outline all restricted areas (there are numerous types of restrictions enforced by numerous authorities). • New ‘Tide restricted ramp’ sign also being installed. • Upcoming installation of CCTV cameras, community can keep up to date on these closures by following NQBP's social media channels. <p><i>Question: Can the public get access to water to hose down boats at Half Tide public boat ramp?</i> Answer: NQBP will investigate this possibility.</p> <p><i>Question: The boat ramp needs maintenance; the lower section has become slippery.</i> Answer: NQBP will raise internally with maintenance team.</p> <p>Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community is experiencing issues around public safety and have a need for increased police presence. • Concerns raised over unsafe vehicle use of DBCT and BMA contractors around Hay Point. 	<p>ACTION: NQBP to follow up maintenance of boat ramp.</p> <p>ACTION: NQBP to investigate options for a public wash down facility at Half Tide public boat ramp.</p> <p>ACTION: NQBP to invite QPS to a future meeting to discuss local issues.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good to hear that CCTV is being installed. • Appreciate bins being replaced as community throw their fish frames in and the smell can attract crocodiles. <p>Louisa Creek house demolition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NQBP is preparing for one demolition at Louisa Creek - 10 Shailie Court. • As per property demolition guideline – property demolitions are triggered based on an assessment of achievable income versus cost of maintaining/repairing the property. • NQBP has notified neighbouring residents of upcoming works • Works out for tender (some delays), expected early 2025. <p>Port Land Use Plans update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There will be two rounds of community consultation as part of the Land Use Plan development, one during the development of Statement of Proposals, and another on the Draft Land Use Plan. • NQBP is currently preparing the Statement of Proposal documents and will seek public comment in 2025. • The whole process is expected to take around two years to complete (final Land Use Plans expected in 2026). 	
7. Community update	<p>Presented by Senior Advisor Community Relationship, Emilie Power</p> <p>NQBP Sponsorships and Donations Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Over 50 applications received in 2024. • Increase of funds from previous years (From \$60k to \$100k). • 14 initiatives were selected across all four Ports. • Announcement of successful applicants – early December 2024. <p>CRG 2024 feedback survey</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 2024 meeting is the last meeting of the current term. • Surveys will be sent to CRG members after this meeting in preparation for our new term in 2025. <p>CRG review and recruitment</p>	ACTION: NQBP to send out end of year CRG survey.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the CRG Terms of Reference (TOR), NQBP has conducted an annual review of the TOR. • Changes include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reinstatement of \$5,000 sponsorships fund for CRG • Addition of a recreational position (to align with Mackay) • Recruitment campaign for new CRG term will be organised in late 2024. • All existing CRG members can reapply. 	
<p>8. General Business</p>	<p>MRC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cr. Karen May provided an update from MRC around the State Election and electorate commitments for the electorate of Mirani. • George Stace requested a further discussion with Cr May on the road into Timberlands. <p>BMA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update provided. <p>DBCT - Steve Rae</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business as usual, no major items of note. <p>DBI – Peter Wotherspoon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No progress on 8X – DBI – will not proceed in 2025 • Shiploader 1 replacement project underway – being built in Perth – August 2026 delivery. • Reclaimer 4 replacement – out to tender in next week or two <p>MSQ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update provided. 	
<p>9.</p>	<p>Next meeting to be held on Wednesday 12 March 2025</p>	