

Hay Point Community Reference Group Meeting Minutes

5.30pm Thursday 6 June 2019

Chair:

NQBP General Manager Trade and Operations Brendan Webb

Attendees:

<p>Community Representatives Marylin Maher Tom Liddell Tom Andrews Peta Drummond Stan McDonnell Cathy Fredericks</p> <p>Aboriginal Party Representative</p> <p>Business Representative Judy Langdon</p>	<p>Port Industry Representative BMA – Darryl Sweet DBCTM – Peter Wotherspoon DBCT – Steve Rae Aurizon – Katie Evetts</p> <p>Mackay Regional Council Representative Cr Karen May</p> <p>NQBP Representatives Nicolas Fertin Amanda Blines Kevin Kane Kirsty Mugridge Tim Lewis Gary Campbell</p>
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Apologies:

BMA representative Dan Grech
Community Representative George Stace
Community Representative Kerry Flynn
Aboriginal Party Representative Deb Netuschil

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Meeting open and apologies	<p>Community Reference Group members were welcomed by NQBP General Manager Trade and Operations and Chair Brendan Webb.</p> <p>The Chair made an acknowledgement of Country with Yuibera traditional descendant Deb Netuschil an apology from the meeting.</p> <p>Apology also noted for community representative George Stace.</p> <p>Chair noted NQBP had invited Officer in Charge at Sarina, Mick Jones but he was unlikely to be available due to work commitments. The invite will be issued again for the September meeting.</p>	NA
2. Conflict of interest, Housekeeping and Actions Register	<p>Housekeeping, including emergency exits mentioned by Chair.</p> <p>Actions register updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exclusion zones raised through this process and NQBP has met with MSQ regarding some ideas from the CRG. NQBP had passed on concerns from Louisa Creek residents that if exclusion zones around terminal increased too significantly there would be big impacts. Chair noted MSQ regards buoys as a hazard. MSQ have made a small change to their zones, reflected in a Notice to Mariners. Signage in the area will be updated to reflect this change. Exclusion zones to remain on actions register to be revisited next meeting. 	
3. CRG Correspondence and Questions	<p>Chair noted the correspondence had been received:</p> <p>Community representative raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To discuss the recent community survey and how it was run. Amanda will discuss this later in the community update section and we welcome your feedback then. - Also raised he would like to discuss roadside litter which we will do during general business. <p>A community representative raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To discuss foreign rubbish on beaches. This will be discussed during the environmental section. 	

	<p>A community representative raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ongoing problem with goats head weeds in park next to Hay Point Hotel. As an update these were sprayed last week and the maintenance team will continue to monitor the area and treat as required. <p>The Chair said he would be in the area next week and would take a look himself with community representatives.</p> <p>A community representative sent a suggestion for sponsorship on behalf of the CRG. This will be discussed in the Community Update.</p> <p>The chair noted DBCTM has a planning update which has been added as agenda item 8.</p>	
4. NQBP Operations	<p>Presented by General Manager Trade and Operations Brendan Webb (Chair)</p> <p>Trade update</p> <p>The Chair provided an overview of the Port of Hay Point including ship numbers through the Port of Hay Point in the last financial year, and the breakdown of met coal in NQBP trade and where it goes around the world.</p> <p>Further to this, the links to Port of Mackay and the increasing RORO trade was also discussed. RORO trade has increased at Port of Mackay with equipment coming through the port bound for industrial projects around Mackay and the Bowen Basin.</p> <p>Discussions around port boundaries with maps</p> <p>Following on from last meeting, a series of maps showing boundaries were shown to the group. These were discussed by the members to help gain a better understanding around land holdings and responsibilities within the Hay Point area.</p> <p>The Chair discussed the multiple layers of permits and approvals required across both land and sea.</p> <p>Exclusion zones maps</p> <p>Three security levels have been adopted by the government and maritime security</p>	NQBP to send CRG links to RORO videos.

	<p>industry across Australia.</p> <p>These security measures have been implemented Australia-wide and NQBP, the Hay Point operators, as well as the maritime industry generally, ask for your understanding and assistance in meeting our security obligations.</p>	
<p>5. NQBP Projects</p>	<p>Presented by NQBP General Manager Engineering and Development Tim Lewis</p> <p>Half Tide Tug Harbour works and updates</p> <p>Tim Lewis explained the recent works in the area and showed a video of repairs to the floating walkway and excavation works.</p> <p>A proposed site and reasoning were discussed with the group for the steps at Half Tide Tug Harbour with sketches to be shared at the next meeting before progressing with concept.</p> <p>One member pointed out where the previously mentioned rocks are near the floating walkway and how these impacts users of the facility. Tim said NQBP was looking into possibilities for removal of these rocks.</p> <p>CCTV Project</p> <p>Anticipated completion at the end of the month. The cameras will capture the boat ramp car park and if required, footage could be released to police.</p> <p>VTS Building</p> <p>Tim explained the requirement for the facility upgrade and that some closures are expected but will be communicated well in advance.</p> <p>A community representative said they had heard rumours marine pilots would be staying in Louisa Creek in the interim to mitigate fatigue. The Chair said that was one of the options but it was still being decided.</p>	

<p>6. Environmental update</p>	<p>Presented by Senior Manager Environment and Planning Kevin Kane</p> <p>Hay Point maintenance dredging environmental management</p> <p>Kevin Kane discussed the project that had been completed since the last meeting. Despite the weather conditions not being ideal throughout, the scheduled 40-day project took 33 days.</p> <p>The real-time monitoring was a popular addition to materials provided and had about 300 views throughout the project. Kevin said from the environmental perspective the project ran smoothly. Now the team was in the process of closing out and reviewing.</p> <p>Seagrass dashboard</p> <p>The seagrass dashboard has recently been launched on the NQBP website and is now publicly accessible. These follow on from the air quality dashboard.</p> <p>Marine litter</p> <p>The External Affairs team at NQBP has developed a fact sheet about marine litter which will be shared by shipping agents with ships. They will help with early notification to ships before they arrive at Hay Point of facilities available for quarantined waste.</p> <p>Kevin said it was the first step in having those contacts to get marine litter to the right places.</p> <p>The fact sheet is currently with other governing bodies for approval before it can be distributed.</p> <p>Future changes will see the fact sheet translated into the most commonly used languages for crews stopping at Hay Point.</p> <p>A CRG member asked if it was possible to track what ship the litter had come from and who was the governing agency to fine these ships.</p> <p>Kevin explained there were multiple authorities who could fine including State and Federal</p>	
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	governing agencies.	
7. Community update	<p>Presented by Senior Advisor Community Relations Amanda Blines Amanda Blines provided an overview of the media report of past months and future expectations, community engagement planned for 2019, sponsorship and donations program and looking forward.</p> <p>Upcoming events include the Hay Point Bulk Port Blitz with the Cowboys, including a night event the group have received invites to. The Port of Mackay turns 80 in August which will also be a big NQBP event.</p> <p>Amanda Blines asked the group for feedback on the recent Community Perception Survey. The group said they were comfortable with how it had been conducted.</p> <p>Amanda also asked for feedback on communication materials provided for recent projects, including maintenance dredging, which the group responded positively to and said there had been a good level of information.</p> <p>The CRG sponsorship allocation had received one nomination from a community representative to sponsor the purchase of an all-weather PA system for the Hay Point Radio Shack. This was voted in unanimously. Paperwork will follow.</p>	EA to follow up sponsorship decision with paperwork.
8. DBCTM Master Plan update	<p>Peter Wotherspoon presented the DBCTM Master Plan 2019.</p> <p>Peter noted the contractual obligation to release a new masterplan each year.</p> <p>Masterplan 2018 will remain current until new masterplan approved.</p> <p>He noted some changes from the 2018 plan, largely due to the terminal being fully contracted.</p> <p>In turn, this will change the order of planning and priorities. The revised expansion pathway Master Plan was presented and explained to the group.</p> <p>NQBP CEO Nicolas Fertin asked about the timings for the plans. Peter explained that best-case scenario would be end of March 2020 to be in position to start pre-feasibility</p>	

	study – could be SL4 plus 8x, could be in separate phases. The size of the project should be understood by June 2020 with pre-feasibility expected to take 1-2 years. 2025 expected to be earliest for SL4 in place.	
9. General Business	<p>The Chair went around the table and the following was raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Previously raised, the requirement for fire management at Bally Keel – firebreaks, burn off – something needs to be done. - The Chair - It was previously too dry but now was a good time when it is cooler. Chair will discuss with NQBP emergency manager and come back to group in next two weeks. • Mentioned at previous meeting about road from Williams Road to the west. - The Chair said he would follow up this issue while talking to Main Roads on another issue. • The Council representative shared Council Connect with the group. Also mentioned McEwans Beach Progress Association would like to have a representative on the NQBP CRG. - The Chair reminded the group the September meeting would be the last one in this round for the CRG members. Information would come out regarding applying for the next round. • Following on from a previous request for CRG minutes to be placed on community notice boards, there was positive feedback this had been happening. 	<p>Chair to discuss with NQBP emergency manager and come back to group in next two weeks.</p> <p>Chair to follow up this issue while talking to Transport and Main Roads.</p>
10. Proposed next meeting dates	Next Meeting scheduled for Thursday 5 September 2019	
11. Meeting close		