

Central Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Thursday, 15 December, 2022

Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra

Time: 4.30pm

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Membership

Clr Ell (Chairperson)
Clr Christen (Alternate Chairperson)
All other Councillors (Non voting members)
CEO or nominee

Community representatives
Christopher Grounds
Graham John Connolly
Tony Thompson
Bob Pullinger
Julie Court
Samuel Dunnett

Representatives from Government Agencies:
Local Aboriginal Land Council
NSW State Emergency Services
Department of Planning, Environment and Industry (DPIE)
Other relevant Government Agency representatives

Quorum – Three (provided that a minimum of one (1) Councillor as the Chair or Acting chair and two community representatives are present)

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MINUTES OF THE CENTRAL COASTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAM ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 4 May 2022
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Time: 4.00pm

The following members were present:

Clr Paul Ell - Chairperson
Clr Evan Christen – left meeting at 5:09pm
Clr John Kotlash (remotely)
Clr Patricia White (remotely)
Mr Christopher Grounds
Mr Tony Thompson
Mr Bob Pullinger
Mrs Julie Court (remotely)
Mr Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services – CEO Nominee

Others Present:

James Ruprai – Director – City Development
Nigel Smith - Coastal Management Program Coordinator
Helen Wheeler – NSW Department of Planning and Environment – Crown Lands
Cherie Parmenter – Department of Planning & Environment (remotely)
Daniel Wiecek – Department of Planning & Environment (remotely)
Carla Ganassin – Department of Primary Industries – Fisheries (remotely)
Chris Adamantidis – Advisian (remotely)
Christopher Beadle – Water Technology (remotely)

Observers:

Darren Fry – Jervis Bay Cruising Yacht Club – observer

The meeting was opened by an Acknowledgement of Country by the Chairperson.

Apologies / Leave of Absence

An apology was received from Matthew Dasey (Jervis Bay Marine Park - DPI Fisheries).

Confirmation of the Minutes

RESOLVED (Tony Thompson / Bob Pullinger)

That the Minutes of the Central Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee held on Tuesday 19 October 2021 be confirmed, on the basis that at item CC21.8 - Additional Item -

Presentation from Pia Winberg and local Mussel Farmers - the word “weed” be changed to “seaweed”.

CARRIED

Declarations of Interest

Nil.

PRESENTATIONS

CC22.1	Sussex Inlet, St Georges Basin, Swan Lake and Berrara Creek CMP - Project Update	HPERM Ref: D22/161461
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Chris Adamantidis - Advisian made a presentation to the Committee, providing an update on the progression from Stage 2 to Stage 3 of the Sussex Inlet, St. Georges Basin, Swan Lake and Berrara Creek Coastal Management Program (CMP) project. The presentation covered the following topics:

- Vision and Purpose of the CMP – to be adopted by the Central Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee
- What has been covered in Stage 2
 - Tidal/Coastal Inundation and sea level rise
 - Navigation and safety
 - Erosion
 - Cultural and social
 - Ecological environment
 - Water quality
 - Feedback from the community consultation process
- Community workshops were held at Erowal Bay and Sussex Inlet in March 2022 to identify key issues and solutions for concerns.
- Where to next?

Stage 2 studies are nearing completion, with a summary report of the Stage 2 studies being prepared. The project is now progressing into Stage 3 to identify Management Actions. The Draft CMP is due to be developed mid-2023.

Note: Cllr Christen left meeting at 5:09pm

CC22.2	Shoalhaven Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMP - Project Update	HPERM Ref: D22/161475
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Christopher Beadle - Water Technology made a presentation to the Committee providing an update on the progression from Stage 2 to Stage 3 of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMP project. The presentation covered the following topics:

- CMP covers the Council managed stretches of coastline – over 40 beaches and adjoining headlands
- CMP will address

- Coastal hazard risks to assets and infrastructure – erosion and inundation
- Environmental, social and cultural heritage values and risks to those values
- Stage 2 of the CMP commenced in September 2021 and is now being finalised
- Noting that there is one item of the scope that is outstanding – Geotechnical Hazard Mapping, which has been delayed due to flooding and landslips over the past few months. This mapping is due for delivery within next 2 weeks.
- Stage 3 to identify and evaluation options commenced in March 2022.
- Where to next?

Discussion took place around different options for the presentation to be made available for community engagement. Possible suggestions from the Committee included the use of visual cues such as:

- One page summary document
- 3-4 minute video summary presentation

RESOLVED (By consent)

That Michael Roberts - Manager - Environmental Services investigate easily accessible visual options to tailor information to provide an overview of the Water Technology Presentation as part of the community consultation process.

CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS

CC22.3 Additional Item - Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting

Mr Chris Grounds noted that there were two outstanding issues arising from the previous meeting. At the meeting of 19 October 2021 it was resolved:

Item CC21.7 – Additional Item - Sustainable Tourism:

RESOLVED

That Council's Sustainability Officer provide a presentation at a future meeting of the Committee about what the role is and how the Officer wants to move it forward.

1. It was noted that Council's Sustainability Officer was not present at today's meeting and requested that the presentation by the Sustainability Officer be provided at the next meeting of the Committee.
2. It was clarified that the request for a report in relation to Cruise Ships into Jervis Bay is no longer required, as the Marine Ports Authority has now confirmed that cruise ships will not be coming to Jervis Bay.

RESOLVED (By consent)

That Pip Hildebrand - Sustainability Officer be invited to provide a presentation on the role of the Sustainability Officer at the next meeting of the Central CMP Advisory Committee.

CARRIED

CC22.4 Additional Item - Issues Raised

Mr Bob Pullinger raised a number of issues which was documented at the meeting which will be distributed to relevant Council staff, with comments / responses to be provided via email to Mr Bob Pullinger.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 6:19pm.

Clr Paul Ell
CHAIRPERSON

CC22.5 Notification of Council Resolution

HPERM Ref: D22/490962

Department: Business Assurance & Risk

Approver: James Ruprai, Director - City Development

Reason for Report

To advise the Committee of Council's resolution in relation to the re-establishment of the Central Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee and the appointment of the Councillor Paul Ell as Chairperson of the Committee until September 2023.

Recommendation

That the Committee receive the report regarding the Council resolution for Re-establishment for information.

Options

1. As recommended

Implications: The membership structure as specified in the Council resolution is adopted for the period to September 2023.

2. The Committee request that Council consider changes to membership, purpose, delegation, quorum, or the number of meetings required for the committee.

Implications: Such changes would need to be considered as a change to the Terms of Reference of the Committee and endorsed by the Council.

Background

Each year in September, Council reaffirms all its committees for the next 12 months. At that meeting Council has the option to reaffirm its committees; make any change to membership, purpose, delegation, quorum, and the number of meetings required for those committees; or disband committees.

This report is provided to inform the Committee members of the resolution of the Council. At the Ordinary meeting on 26 September 2022 Council directly appointed the Councillor Paul Ell as the Chairperson of the Committee and adopted (see MIN22.680) the following in relation to the Central Coastal Management Program Advisory Committee for the period to September 2023:

<u>Meetings per year</u> – As required Commencement time – 4pm	Quorum – Three (provided that a minimum of one (1) Councillor as the Chair or Acting chair and two community representatives are present) Terms of Reference: POL22/27 – Amended 1 August 2022 (64355E)
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Delegation – NIL

Chairperson – Appointed by Council

2022-2023 Councillor / Staff Membership

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Community/Organisational Representatives

Council officers from engineering, planning and environmental disciplines;
Community representatives (including 4 local community reps, 1 youth rep & 1 Local Aboriginal rep);
Department of Planning, Environment and Industry (DPIE) representatives;
New South Wales State Emergency Services (NSW SES) representative;
Local Aboriginal Land Council representative;
Other relevant government agency representatives

CC22.5

Policy Implications

It is noted that as part of the above resolution Council also resolved that:

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Therefore, the Terms of Reference will be amended accordingly to reflect the membership and voting rights of this Committee.

CC22.6 Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMPs - Project Update

HPERM Ref: D22/498200

Department: Environmental Services

Approver: James Ruprai, Director - City Development

Reason for Report

The purpose of this report is to provide the Committee with an update and presentation on the progress and status of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay Coastal Management Programs (CMPs).

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Committee receive the report and presentation on the status of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMPs for information.

Options

1. Accept the report for information.

Implications: Nil

2. Provide an alternative recommendation.

Implications: The details will need to be provided by the Committee for review.

Background

Water Technology will be presenting a project update of the Open Coast and Jervis Bay CMP to the Committee. The Committee will be informed about how the project is progressing through Stage 2 of Stage 5 of the CMP process. The presentation will include:

- Introduction and general progress update on the project
- Recap of the recent engagement process, August – October 2022 (timing, content and methods used)
- Overview of engagement participation metrics
- Overview of some of the bigger actions relevant to the Committees locality and initial community responses
- Where to from here?