

Division Engineering, Construction & Maintenance**DRAFT MINUTES****NEWPORT WATERWAYS ADVISORY GROUP**

Wednesday, 01 June 2016 – 3.00pm

Flinders-Oxley Room, First Floor Administration Building, Irene Street, Redcliffe

Attendees:	James Houghton Norman Davey John Casella Howard Battersby Murray Gellert David Meyer Damien McMahon Allan Charteris Tarik Ibrahim Astrid Stuer	MBRC, Councillor for Division 5 (Chair) Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc MBRC, Manager Engineering MBRC, Manager Project Management & Construction MBRC, Coordinator Drainage Waterways & Coastal Planning MBRC, Senior Technical Officer MBRC, Waterways & Coastal Infrastructure Engineer
Other Attendees:		

APOLOGIES: Stockland representative, Michael Ham**CONFIRMATION OF NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** 11 November 2015**Minutes confirmed.**

ITEM NO.	TIME	ITEM	RESP. OFF
1.		MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:	
1.1		<p><u>Sand Canal Beach Restoration and Upgrade</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. DMM to follow up in regards to gravel placement at the lower part of the beach in Kingfisher Canal2. DMM to check water quality and turbidity in Kingfisher and Sandpiper Canals. <p>Damien McMahon provided an update in relation to the dredging work. He acknowledged that dredging works took longer than expected due to the amount of sediment that required removal (instead of 4000m³ , 7000 m³ had to be removed from Kingfisher Canal).</p> <p>Damien highlighted that the overall project of beach restoration works and dredging were protracted due to using a single contractor rather than two different contractors. He also highlighted that the variation in the dredging contract was only possible due to Barneys new machine which enabled Council to dispose the material at Mud Island.</p> <p>NWPOA asked if Barneys machine will be used in the future. Damien responded that there is no guarantee as he will need to tender for it and we can only appoint him if he is competitive and his methodology is good compared to the other tenderers.</p> <p>Damien advised that additional beach restoration work will not be undertaken in the future. Therefore dredging campaigns by themselves will be much easier to coordinate without the time delays. Future contracts/tenders will be set up on a fixed price basis with penalties for delays.</p> <p>In regards to Water Quality issues Council reported that all tested levels are below the thresholds.</p> <p>NWPOA showed Council a video of the barge stirring up mud in Kingfisher Canal. NWPOA reported that the gravel beaches are already covered in mud again.</p> <p>No further actions are noted & the item can be closed out.</p>	

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1.2		<p><u>Pontoon Envelope Guideline</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. AS to amend the guideline incorporating the above comments 2. AS to send a link to NWPOA once the guideline has been uploaded onto the Council website. 3. AS to contact the local pontoon suppliers contacted during the consultation to advise of the finalised guideline <p>Astrid Stuer reported that all the above actions are now finalised. The guideline can be accessed via Council's webpage under www.morteenbay.qld.gov.au/canals</p> <p>This item can now be closed.</p>	
1.3		<p><u>Canal Inspections and Maintenance</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tarik Ibrahim is to provide an update. <p>Tarik Ibrahim reported that the vegetation removal and batter maintenance work were due to commence in early to mid July. It is expected that the vegetation removal will take about 3 weeks and the maintenance work on the canal batters will take about 2 weeks. Gold Coast Barges is the contractor and they have undertaken this work previously at Newport.</p> <p>NWPOA raised the matter of cleaning of debris from in between the larger rocks in Albatross Canal. The matter will be followed up with Michael Ham.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Astrid Stuer to liaise with Council's Operations area and provide an update to the next meeting. 	AS
1.4		<p><u>Dredging/Spoil removal (Kingfisher Canal)</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Damien McMahon to provide an update. <p>This item is already covered under item 1.1.</p> <p>NWPOA raised an additional question as to which dredging and disposal method was cheaper, the Griffith Road spoil pond or the disposal at Mud Island.</p> <p>Damien responded that the costs were very similar in this case, but that future costs will always depend on the quantities, machinery, ultimate disposal and quoted price of the successful tenderer.</p> <p>No further actions are noted & the item can be closed.</p>	
1.5		<p><u>Private Revetment Walls</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. NWPOA to provide feedback on the draft Revetment Wall Fact Sheet prior to the next meeting. <p>Council reported that feedback has been received and the factsheet has been uploaded on the webpage: www.morteenbay.qld.gov.au/canals</p> <p>A copy has also been sent to the property owners.</p> <p>This item can now be closed.</p>	

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1.6		<p><u>Intervention levels for canal inspections</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> NWPOA to provide feedback on the draft Canal Batter Maintenance Intervention Levels Fact Sheet prior to the next meeting. <p>Council reported that feedback has been received and the factsheet has been uploaded on the webpage: www.morteenbay.qld.gov.au/canals A copy has also been sent to the property owners.</p> <p>This item can now be closed.</p>	
1.7		<p><u>Floating pipes in Walkers Creek</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <p>NM to investigate and provide update.</p> <p>This item was raised as part of the 2013/14 dredging campaign and by the time it was reported to Council the pipes were already removed from that location. There were no pipes detected since then.</p> <p>All meeting members agreed that this item can now be closed.</p>	
1.8		<p><u>Canal Water Quality</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Karen Waite to do more testing for enterococci in Sandpiper and Kingfisher Canal after a rain event for comparison to average weather condition results. PM to set up a meeting with Karen Waite and the NWPOA to explain the water quality report. <p>Finalised - meeting with NWPOA to explain the water quality report has been held.</p> <p>Testing for enterococci has been performed in April 2016 and the results were under the level of the Recreational Waters Guideline - primary contact. Testing for enterococci has been added to the regular monitoring schedule.</p> <p>NWPOA asked Council to provide the water quality reports after each round of testing. Astrid commented that Council is planning on uploading the water quality results on the webpage. However, Council needs to agree on an easily understandable format for the test results first so that every public member can understand it. Astrid offered to include updates on water quality results as part of the regular meetings in the meantime.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> AS to provide water quality update during next meeting 	AS
1.9		<p><u>Newport Waterways Long Term Maintenance Model Review</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> DM is to provide an update at the next meeting. <p>David Meyer reported that Council invited 4 different consultancies to provide a proposal. BMT JFA were the successful consultant in partnership with BMT WBM. They are doing the Canal Model Review for all 3 Canal systems.</p> <p>Allan Charteris explained that BMT JFA utilised the spoil pond as much as possible as part of the review and also included alternative options for when there are very wet years and solar drying in the pond is not feasible.</p>	

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		<p>The financial models are all finalised now and have been presented to Council but no decision has been made yet about the impact on the levy.</p> <p>David explained that the final report from BMT JFA is not yet available but will be finalised within the upcoming months. Council is planning on uploading the report on the webpage once finalised.</p> <p>David clarified that the costs for the review has been split up into the different canal systems to account for the different demands in the three systems (for example the Bribie Gardens Canal system had an additional assessment of the lock and weir).</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - David Meyer to provide update at next meeting 	DM
1.10		<p><u>Isles of Newport</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Representative from the developer to attend the next meeting and to provide an update. <p>Councillor Houghton reported that the developer started construction and that there were complaints about dust. The developer has been warned by Council and Council's compliance team is looking after this issue now.</p> <p>Astrid explained that the developer himself was not available for this meeting but offered to come along to the next one or schedule a separate meeting to the regular update meetings.</p> <p>NWPOA explained that they have an AGM meeting in September and would like to have a separate meeting with the developer to be able to report at the AGM meeting.</p> <p>Councillor Houghton elaborated further that the Stage 1 of the development is approved, but further stages will still need to be approved by Council in the future. NWPOA commented that they are keen to submit submissions. Councillor Houghton advised that this opportunity will exist in the future and will be advertise on the webpage and in the local newspaper.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Astrid Stuer to arrange separate meeting with the developer to discuss the Isles of Newport development 	AS
1.11		<p><u>Hydrographic Survey</u></p> <p>Action item from previous meeting 11/11/15:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - PM to arrange provision of these survey plans to the NWPOA. <p>The survey plans have been provided to NWPOA. It was noted that uploading of the plans to Council's website has not been finalised.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Astrid Stuer to finalise uploading of the hydrographic survey plans onto the Council website. 	AS
2.0		NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION	
2.1		<p><u>2016/17 dredging campaign</u></p> <p>After reviewing the Hydrographic survey NWPOA would like consideration be given to dredging the junction of Kestrel Canal and Gannet Canal. There is a shoal area shown in the survey.</p> <p>Damien responded that as the area is relatively small and isolated Council will consider including this area within the 16/17 dredging campaign.</p> <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Damien McMahon to provide update at the next meeting 	DM

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3.0		GENERAL BUSINESS	
3.1		<p><u>2016 Meeting Dates</u></p> <p>Astrid highlighted that the next scheduled meeting would be on 13th July already. All meeting members agreed to postpone the next meeting to the 17th of August.</p> <p><u>Outcome:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The remaining meeting dates for 2016 are: 17 August 2016 9 November 2016 2. Invitations to be sent for these meetings 	
4.0		NEXT MEETING	
		3.00pm, Wednesday 17 August 2016 Flinders-Oxley Room, Level 1, Irene Street, Redcliffe	
		Meeting Closed 4.15 pm	