

CMB Infrastructure Planning NEWPORT WATERWAYS ADVISORY GROUP			MINUTES
Thursday 30 July 2026 – 2:10pm Meeting at Council Chambers, CMB Offices, Redcliffe			
Attendees	Cr Sandra Ruck Craig Baker Morgan Grant David McDonogh Alan Sparks Bruno Wider Tony Bright Elissa McConaghy Jeremy Trotman Roland Danam Udip Dhungel	SR CB MG DM AS BW TB EM JT RD UD	CMB, Councillor for Division 5 Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Newport Waterways Property Owners Association Inc Body Corporate for Newport Lakefront, Treasurer Body Corporate for Newport Lakefront, Secretary Newport Marina, Manager CMB, Manager - Drainage, Waterways and Coastal Planning (Chair) CMB, Principal Canals Planning Officer CMB, Senior Project Manager, Project Delivery (PD) CMB, Project Engineer, Project Delivery (PD) (<i>via MS Teams</i>)
Apologies: Jared Stewart - CMB, Coordinator - Coastal Infrastructure Engineering Andrew Schoenmaker - CMB, Coordinator, Program Management & Delivery Josh Kindred - Newport Marina, Kindred Group CEO			
Purpose of Meeting (Ref. Section 2 - NWAG Memorandum of Understanding)			
The objective of each meeting is to provide an opportunity for: - the Third Parties to inform the Council of maintenance and operational issues concerning the Newport Waterways funded by the canal special charge (the 'Canal Levy'); - the Council to inform the Third Parties of what steps it has or proposes to take to address operational management and maintenance issues concerning the Newport Waterways; and - the Third Parties to assist the Council in the development of policies, strategies and programs for the sustainable maintenance of the Newport Waterways.			
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1.0	CONFIRMATION OF NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING		
1.1	Confirmation of previous minutes: The Minutes for NWAG Meeting dated 28 May 2026 were considered as accepted.		Note
1.2	Meeting purpose and scope clarifications: - EM acknowledged thanks to all parties for participation at the recent meeting related to the Newport Waterways 'Special Charge' but noted that the NWAG meeting is not the appropriate Forum to discuss matters related to the Special Charge. - AS advised, that in his opinion, the NWAG Forum should include matters related to the Special Charge, due to its' link with the LTMP cost forecasting. - EM noted that a follow-up meeting will be arranged in due course, which should include representatives of the CMB Finance Team. EM noted that the NWAG Forum should remain independent of meetings related to the Special Charge. - EM requested the various parties to provide a list of specific questions to be addressed at a separate 'Special Charge' meeting. - SR advised that there is an option for residents to apply to Council to make a 'Community Comment' Presentation, which occur during Council General Meetings.		Note Note
2.0	MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:		
2.1	<u>Maintenance Dredging Works - Canal System</u> Action items from previous meeting: - Update on the status of the maintenance dredging campaign, including key milestones/program of works in relation to: - UD provided the following updates in relation to the overall project scope and progress:		

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	- Dredging was completed in w/c 21 July. - Due to the efficiency of the cutter suction dredging works, and the availability of spare capacity within the Griffith Road pond, additional dredge areas were incorporated into the scope, including: - o Skua Z2 - o Curlew Z2 - o Walkers Creek Z1 - JT noted that the above three canals/zones were originally scheduled for the next dredging campaign (FY27/28). Subject to the post-dredge ('clearance') survey of the current campaign, these zones won't require dredging during the next campaign. • UD provided the following update in relation to dredging volumes and budget. - Paid dredged volume: approx. 32,000-35,000m³ - Actual dredged volume approx. 35,000-40,000m³ - It was noted that 'actual' volume includes material dredged below the 'payline', for which the contractor is not entitled to be paid. - UD noted the final dredged volumes are yet to be verified by CMB's Consultant (BMT) which will occur after completion of the post-dredge survey. • UD noted that the final Contractor payment claim has yet to be processed, but costs to date are within budget. • Final canal system hydrographic survey - UD advised that the final ('Post dredge') survey has been completed (in w/c 27 July) and included the whole canal system (i.e. not just the dredged areas). - It was noted that the final survey provides the key data to support the review and approval of the final dredging quantities (and payment volumes accordingly). UD advised that the whole canal system also serves to inform the design of the next canal dredging campaign. • Summary of demobilisation activities/program (dredging works & Griffith Road Pond) - UD advised that the demobilisation of dredging equipment from site, the removal of project signage and demobilisation from the Griffith Rd Pond had been completed in w/c 27 July. - UD noted that site inspections had been undertaken on 28 July, and that the contractor has been requested to carry out some minor clean-up works. - JT noted that the emptying of the Griffith Rd pond of the dredge spoil will be subject to a separate works package.	Note Note Note
2.2	<u>Entrance Channel & Canals – next maintenance dredging campaign (Design)</u> Action items from previous meeting: 1. <i>Update on the Consultancy Services for design and sediment sampling for the next maintenance dredging campaigns (FY26-27 & FY27-28), including:</i> • Update on the design of the next maintenance dredging campaign. - UD noted that the final sediment sampling report had been submitted by the Consultant (Water Technology) and is currently under review. - The proposed canals (dredging 'zones') to be dredged in the next campaign were summarised in the PowerPoint Presentation. - UD noted that the dredge zones are subject to confirmation, following release and review of the post-dredge survey (from the current campaign). - JT advised that the Entrance Channel dredging and Canal system are planned to be tendered as separate contracts. • Progress in relation to design program and future dredging works for the following. - <u>Entrance channel maintenance dredging:</u>	Note

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	○ UD advised that the 90% detailed design documents for the Entrance channel have been submitted by the Consultant and are currently under review. ○ UD noted that the Entrance Channel design documents are scheduled to be completed in Q1 2027. ○ UD noted that the Entrance Channel maintenance dredging package is due to be issued for tender in early 2027. - <u>Canals/Marina maintenance dredging:</u> ○ UD advised that the detailed design for the next canals/marina dredging campaign is on hold pending the release of the final post-dredge ('clearance') survey of the current campaign. ○ UD noted that completion of design for the canals/marina is scheduled for Q4 2026. ○ The tender is scheduled to be issued at the end of Q1 2027. ○ Works to be undertaken before end of FY27/28 (i.e. June 2028) - JT noted that the maintenance dredging works' Request for Quotations (RFQs) will be issued via CMB's Dredging Services Prequalified Supplier Arrangement. NOTE: UD left the meeting at 2:26pm	
2.3	<u>Long Term Maintenance Plan (LTMP) Review</u> Action items from previous meeting: 1. <i>CMB to provide an update on the LTMP Review project, including:</i> • Status of LTMP Report and Maintenance (Costed) Model. - JT noted that the updated LTMP cost model had been endorsed by Council under the process for adoption of the FY26-27 Budget & Operational Plan. - JT noted that the adopted LTMP cost model is consistent with that which was presented to NWAG in May 2026, (i.e. total cost of \$124M over 50 years). - JT noted that the standard-lot levy has changed from \$1,622 to \$1,701 per year, under the adopted FY26-27. • Update on the endorsement and release of the LTMP report (i.e. for publishing on the CMB Canals webpage). - JT advised that the associated LTMP Report for Newport Waterways is currently being updated to reflect the adopted cost model. - It was noted that the LTMP Report will be referred to Council (via General Meeting) for endorsement prior to being made publicly available (via the CMB Canal webpages). - JT agreed to advise the Forum when the updated LTMP Report is uploaded to the CMB Canals webpage.	JT
2.4	<u>Canal Batters - Consultancy Services</u> Action items from previous meeting: • <i>Update on the Consultancy services/study relating to the canal batters inspection framework and long-term costed maintenance/renewal program.</i> • General update on project progress - JT advised that the Consultant (Haskoning) has submitted the Draft <i>Canal Batters Inspection Manual</i> (Report) and associated deliverables for the project. - The project deliverables are currently under review by CMB's stakeholders (including Asset Management and Operations). • JT reiterated that the project is not funded by the canal levy. • JT noted that the NWPOA queries related to private structures that are constructed on canal batters (e.g. private decks) is being considered by the Development	

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	Services Team - in particular the 'Development Conditions' that may be imposed upon applicants for Development Approvals. • JT advised that the issue has been raised in the canal batter study and acknowledged that these structures do present an obstacle to some batter maintenance activities.	Note
2.5	<u>Vegetation removal and routine batter maintenance (FY26/27 campaign)</u> Action items from previous meeting: • <i>Updates on the next vegetation removal campaign and canal batter maintenance works (managed by CMB's Operations Team)</i> - JT noted that the tender for the current vegetation removal and batter maintenance campaign closed in May and was awarded to Gold Coast Barges (GCB). - JT advised that vegetation removal had commenced at Newport in w/c 21 July. - Following completion of vegetation removal, batter/beach maintenance is due to commence. - It is anticipated that GCB's program of works will take 4-6 weeks to complete, including the batter maintenance (gravel and rock 'top-up') works.	Note
2.6	<u>Vessels moored in Jabiru Canal and Local Laws actions</u> Action items from previous meeting: • Update on the project to install the '<i>Private Mooring</i>' buoys/signage at Jabiru canal. - JT noted that due to some procurement procedures, CMB had not yet placed the order for the signage (buoy-mounted) with the Supplier. - JT advised that once the signage is installed, it will be installed by MSQ. JT agreed to keep the Advisory Group updated on this matter.	Note
3.0	NEW ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION	
3.1	<u>Pontoon piles adjacent to Newport Marketplace (Jabiru Canal)</u> • AS reiterated concern over the pontoon piles that remain (on the southside of the Marketplace jetty), which in his opinion poses a navigational safety risk. • SR noted that CMB's Development Compliance Teams had determined that under the Development Approval, there were no grounds to require the removal of the pontoon piles, (noting that there may be a time when the property owner wishes to re-install a pontoon at the property location). • SR recommended that if AS is dissatisfied with the response received, the matter could be referred back to CMB via the <i>Administrative Action Complaint</i> process.	Note
3.2	<u>Jet skis in Newport Entrance Channel</u> • MG raised concern in relation to reports of jet skis 'hooning' in the entrance channel, and that in one case, jet skis had allegedly caused damage to the navigation markers (coloured 'dayboards'). • JT advised that in the past, the Pacific Harbour residents had experienced similar issues with jet skis, and that the advice (from MSQ) was to encourage canal residents to capture such incidents (where possible, with photos and/or video footage) and to report these incident to MSQ and/or the QLD Water Police.	Note
4.0	GENERAL BUSINESS	
4.1	<u>NWPOA Committee and Membership</u> • Updates, as appropriate, in relation to NWPOA Membership numbers.	Note

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	- CB advised that membership numbers remain constant, and that the Association is planning to do a 'refresh' of the website.	
4.2	<u>Stormwater flows in Upper Albatross Canal (southern end)</u> Action items from previous meeting: • NWPOA to share with CMB, videos of stormwater '<i>events</i>' where possible (related to stormwater outfalls at Spoonbill/Upper Albatross canals). - CMB acknowledged that the Stormwater Team is still keen to receive the video(s) and agreed to find a solution to sharing the files (which are too large to send by email).	Note
4.3	<u>NWAG Memorandum of Understanding - Discussion re. Meeting 'Composition'</u> • JT to update the MOU and present a revised version (re. Clause 3.1 – '<i>Composition</i>') for endorsement at the next meeting. - It was noted that the MOU had now been updated to include the following amendments: ○ '<i>Up to two representatives from the Marina Owner</i>' ○ '<i>Up to two representatives from the Body Corporate</i>' ○ References to the '<i>Developer/Stockland</i>' have been deleted. • JT noted that Stockland had been advised of the proposed changes to the MOU, but no feedback had been received to date. • It was agreed that the updated MOU may now be adopted. JT agreed to circulate the document with the Minutes of Meeting.	Note JT
4.4	<u>Annual Finance Statements (FY25-26)</u> • Update on the release of the FY25-26 Annual Financial Statement for Newport Waterways and the Indicative 50 yr canal maintenance works program. - JT advised that the updated Annual Financial Statement is yet to be released by the Finance Team but is expected to be available in the near future. - JT agreed to issue the updated Statement when available, noting that the updated (unaudited) version will include up to end of FY25/26. - JT advised that the Indicative 50 yr canal maintenance works program is essentially an extract of the LTMP Cost Model and noted that this can be released in advance of the LTMP Report. - JT noted that the works program will be issued as a PDF file (not MS Excel).	JT JT
5.0	NEXT MEETINGS	
	• It was agreed that the next meeting, scheduled for Thursday 19 November 2026, will go ahead despite some attendees not being available on that date.	Note
	Meeting close: 3:30pm	