

TITLE: [EM-TCHP] Crown Land Licences at Boyds Bay Holiday Park, Dry Dock Road, Tweed Heads South

SUBMITTED BY: Design

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Supporting Community Life

LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 2 Supporting Community Life
- 2.1 Foster strong, cohesive, cooperative, healthy and safe communities
- 2.1.3 Provide opportunities for residents to enjoy access to the arts, festivals, sporting activities, recreation, community and cultural facilities

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

The Tweed Heads Rowing Club has been operating from the southern bank of Terranora Creek since 1949. Council records indicate that the Club have occupied the site under Permissive Occupancy 1949/5, this tenure was provided directly to the Club from Crown Lands.

In 2000, the land was added to Crown Reserve 76814 reserved for Public Recreation for which Council was the Trustee, and operated as a caravan park. Council, as trustee, issued temporary sports licences for the Club's occupation since that time. These temporary licences were standard tenures provided to sports clubs, issued at twelve month intervals.

The Club is seeking a longer term tenure which reflects their ongoing commitment, having built the clubhouse and other infrastructure at the site.

Tweed Coast Outriggers Inc ("the Outriggers") have also been operating from the site, in a shed south of the Rowing Club's clubhouse, for approximately ten years as an adjunct activity to the Rowing Club, and without direct tenure. The Outriggers are also seeking tenure for their club to facilitate expansion and to assist in securing funding.

Both clubs have strong membership numbers and are seeking security of tenure to facilitate ongoing growth of that membership.

It is recommended that the Tweed Coast Holiday Parks Reserve Trust approves the granting of ten year licences pursuant to section 103 of the Crown Lands Act, 1989, to the Tweed Heads Rowing Club and Tweed Outriggers Inc and approves the execution of same under the Common Seal of Tweed Shire Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

- 1. The Tweed Coast Holiday Parks Reserve Trust approves the granting of a licence to the Tweed Heads Rowing Club for a term of ten years within Crown Reserve 76814 for Public Recreation and comprised in Lot 7129 DP 1113337 at Dry Dock Road, Tweed Heads South with the statutory minimum licence fee to apply with annual CPI increases.**
- 2. The Tweed Coast Holiday Parks Reserve Trust approves the granting of a licence to the Tweed Coast Outriggers Inc for a term of ten years within Crown Reserve 76814 for Public Recreation and comprised in Lot 7129 DP 1113337 at Dry Dock Road, Tweed Heads South with the statutory minimum licence fee to apply with annual CPI increases.**
- 3. All documentation be executed under the Common Seal of Council.**

REPORT:

The Tweed Heads Rowing Club has been operating from the southern bank of Terranora Creek since 1949. Council records indicate that the Club have occupied the site under Permissive Occupancy 1949/5, this tenure was provided directly to the Club from the State Government.

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Both clubs have strong membership numbers and are seeking security of tenure for ongoing growth of that membership.

Figure 1 below shows the location of the areas to be licensed, as marked, on the southern bank of Terranora Creek, west of the bridge:



Tweed Heads Rowing Club (THRC) and Tweed Outriggers



Figure 1

The operations of the Clubs do not impact on the operation of the Boyds Bay Holiday Park, shown in the lower part of Figure 1 above, but rather complement and enhance the theme of water based recreation at the Holiday Park.

Both clubs are not for profit and provide a community benefit in their provision of water based recreation activities for the community, on this basis it is recommended that the commencing licence fee to be charged is the statutory minimum fee of \$472 per annum, which is increased annually by CPI.

OPTIONS:

1. To approve the granting of longer term licences to both Clubs.
2. To not approve the granting of longer term licences to either Club and to issue temporary twelve month licences to each club.

CONCLUSION:

Both Clubs have established memberships operating from this site, and their operations do not conflict with the activities of the Boyds Bay Holiday Park. It is recommended that the Tweed Coast Holiday Parks Reserve Trust approve the granting of licences to both clubs for a term of ten years and the commencing licence fee reflecting the statutory minimum fee to reflect the not for profit status of the Clubs.

The security of tenure will facilitate future investment in the site which will strengthen and promote recreation activities in the area.

COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:

a. Policy:

Corporate Policy Not Applicable.

b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:

Both sporting clubs are not for profit, and provide a benefit to the community.

c. Legal:

Not Applicable.

d. Communication/Engagement:

Inform - We will keep you informed.

UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:

Attachment 1.

Letter from Tweed Coast Outriggers Inc. dated 9 June 2016
(ECM 4098530).
