TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL MEETING TASK SHEET

Action Item - COUNCIL MEETING Wednesday, 13 December 2017

Action is required for Item **38** as per the Council Resolution outlined below.

TITLE: [SUB-TCWC] Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting Committee Meeting held Wednesday 11 October 2017

Cr K Milne Cr P Allsop

RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting Committee Meeting held Wednesday 11 October 2017 be received and noted; and
- 2. The Executive Leadership Team's recommendations be adopted as follows:
 - A3. Hastings Point Rocky Foreshore

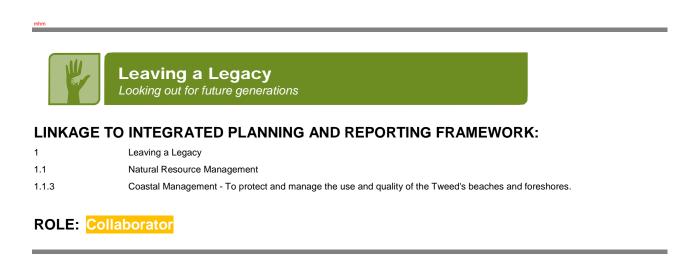
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The Motion was Carried

FOR VOTE - Unanimous

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SUBMITTED BY: Natural Resource Management



SUMMARY OF REPORT:

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Venue:

Canvas & Kettle Meeting Room

Time:

9.00am

Present:

Cr Chris Cherry, Bill Fenelon, Ben Fitzgibbon, Bill Hoskins, David Cranwell, Sam Dawson, Marama Hopkins, Lindy Smith, Robert Quirk, Carl Cormack, Tracey Stinson, , Rhonda James (Chair), Hamish Brace, Bruce Peate, Jane Lofthouse, Tom Alletson

Informal: Sonia McKay, Lynda Hourigan

Apologies:

Cr Katie Milne, Peter Comerford, Scott Peterson

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved: Ben Fitzgibbon

Seconded: Lindy Smith

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting Committee meeting held Saturday 9 September 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Business Arising:

Tom reported that discussions have commenced with Local Land Services regarding a tour of Tweed River riparian rehabilitation sites. Rhonda James and Robert Quirk will be kept advised on timing in order to represent TCWC if possible.

Agenda Items:

A1. Briefing of committee members on code of conduct: Held over until December meeting.

A2. RMS Tweed boating plan update

Sonia McKay provided an update on the progress of the RMS Tweed River boating plan. It is expected that a draft plan presenting options for future management will be exhibited before the end of this year. RMS will engage with both TCWC and Tweed Councillors on the draft plan.

Tom Alletson provided the committee with an update on the draft recreation strategy being prepared as part of the Tweed Estuary Coastal Management Program. It was advised that the draft recreation strategy submitted to Council contained recommendations for restrictions on vessels that exceeded the recommendations made by TCWC to RMS in a previous submission to the Tweed Boating Plan Review. The vessel restrictions proposed by the consultants were discussed in detail, and it was determined by the committee that feedback would be provided to the consultant confirming that the extent of river character zones previously recommend to RMS would be maintained in the Tweed Estuary Recreational Strategy. Previously agree character zones were considered to be achievable and justifiable.

A3. Hastings Point Rocky Foreshore

Tom provided information on the process and considerations involved in nominating Hastings Point rocky shore as an Aquatic Reserve. This included an overview of the Marine Estate Management Strategy currently being developed by NSW Government. Given that there is no formal process or guidance available on the steps and information required, or criteria for assessment relating to the declaration of an Aquatic Reserve, it was determined that the best step to take would be to write to the relevant ministers, and the local state member of parliament Geoff Provest, asking for official guidance. Upon receipt and consideration of this, TCWC can advise whether or not it thinks Council or other parties should proceed with a nomination, or any other course of action.

A briefing on the Marine Estate management process will be provided at the next meeting.

Moved: Sam Dawson

Seconded: Lindy Smith

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A4. Tweed River Management Plan Draft Ecological Report

Tom provided an update on matters covered and findings of the ecological study. The draft will be presented to the committee at or prior to the December meeting.

A5. Oxley river bank stabilisation project

Matt Bloor provided an update to the committee on this project. Construction is commencing in mid-October.

General Business:

GB1.Coastal Creek Catchment Management Plan Tom will provide an overview of the Coastal Creek Catchment Management Plan to the next TCWC meeting.

A number of matters relating to waterways facility management were raised including:

- A sign to advise cars to turn headlights off while using Fingal boat ramp in the dark
- Fix the light at Kingscliff boat ramp
- Unpermitted vehicles observed on the beach
- Trees require trimming at Fingal Boat Ramp

It was advised by staff that matters of this nature should be reported directly to Council for immediate action as opposed to being held for a TCWC meeting.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting Committee will be held 13 December 2017.

The meeting closed at 12.35pm.

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM'S COMMENTS:

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Nil.

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP TEAM'S RECOMMENDATIONS:

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COUNCIL IMPLICATIONS:

a. Policy:

Code of Meeting Practice.

Terms of Reference - Adopted by Council at its meeting on 17 November 2016 Minute No: 517 (ECM4316118).

b. Budget/Long Term Financial Plan:

Not applicable.

c. Legal:

Not Applicable.

d. Communication/Engagement:

Inform - We will keep you informed.

UNDER SEPARATE COVER/FURTHER INFORMATION:

Nil.