

**TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL
MEETING TASK SHEET**

Action Item - COUNCIL MEETING Thursday, 20 July 2017

Action is required for Item 41 as per the Council Resolution outlined below.

TITLE: [SUB-TCWC] Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee Meeting held Wednesday 14 June 2017

**Cr K Milne
Cr R Byrnes**

RESOLVED that:

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2. The Executive Management Team's recommendations be adopted as follows:

A3. Riparian Rehabilitation and Stabilisation Projects

That Council invites the incoming Local Land Services Board to visit at their earliest convenience, to meet with Councillors, Executive, relevant staff and Tweed Coast & Waterways Committee members and to undertake a site inspection of Tweed catchment riparian restoration sites that deliver improved agricultural outcomes. The purpose is to demonstrate the value of collaborative projects, and the positive relationship between rural landowners and Council and innovative funding mechanisms.

The Motion was **Carried**

**FOR VOTE - Unanimous
ABSENT. DID NOT VOTE - Cr J Owen**

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SUBMITTED BY: Natural Resource Management



Leaving a Legacy
Looking out for future generations

LINKAGE TO INTEGRATED PLANNING AND REPORTING FRAMEWORK:

- 1 Leaving a Legacy
- 1.1 Natural Resource Management
- 1.1.3 Coastal Management - To protect and manage the use and quality of the Tweed's beaches and foreshores.

ROLE: Collaborator

SUMMARY OF REPORT:

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REPORT:

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Venue:

Canvas & Kettle Meeting Room

Time:

9.00am

Present:

Rhonda James (Chair); Cr Chris Cherry; Bill Hoskins; David Cranwell; Hamish Brace; John Harbison; Lindy Smith; Robert Quirk; Scott Petersen; Tracey Stinson; Jane Lofthouse; Tom Alletson; Marama Hopkins; Pat Dwyer (from 9.30am).

Informal: Matthew Bloor

Apologies:

Cr Katie Milne; Stewart Brawley; Ben Fitzgibbon; Carl Cormack; Sam Dawson, Bill Fenelon.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Moved: David Cranwell

Seconded: John Harbison

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee meeting held 26 April 2017 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Business Arising:

BA1. New Committee Members

Noted that a call for additional representatives to the TCWC from power boating and Kingscliff locality advertised. A report recommending the appointment will be sent to the July Council meeting.

BA2. Stotts Island Dredging

Noted availability of funds for dredging activities under the NSW Government's Coastal Dredging Strategy. Any applications would require a 50% contribution by Council. Noted that if a project adjacent to Stotts Island was to proceed that management by DPI Lands would be a major advantage.

Noted that the State Government recently announced additional dredging of the Fingal reach of the Tweed River and Terranora Inlet, with sand to be transported to Kingscliff for beach nourishment.

Agenda Items:

A1. Code of Conduct for Members

This item was deferred, Neil Baldwin will attend and brief the committee on these matters when available.

A2. DuneCare

Marama provided an update which included:

- Results of the Bitou Bush aerial survey
- Dumping of rubbish in the dunes. Tracey noted that a waste/dumping management strategy will be considered by Council staff.
- Illegal recreational camping.
- Bill Hoskins requested increase in resources to police illegal camping.
- Emphasise the importance of Pottsville to Wooyung, and the increasing impacts of weeds, dumping, camping.
- A map of dune access points will be provided at the next meeting.
- Hastings Point filming discussed briefly. Awaiting receipt of environmental study.

A3. Riparian Rehabilitation and Stabilisation Projects

Matt Bloor provided details of major upper catchment river rehabilitation projects in the Rous, Oxley and Tweed. Committee members commended Council and the Water Unit for providing funding to the River Health Grants Program.

There was discussion on the role of Local Lands Services.

Moved: Robert Quirk

Seconded: Lindy Smith

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A4. Tweed River Estuary Management Plan

Management Plan Objectives

Tom presented the draft objectives for the Tweed Estuary Management Plan. Discussion of proposed amendments. Tom to make changes and send an electronic version to the committee for review.

Roads and Maritime Services (RMS) Tweed River Boating Plan Review

Coordination of Council's Estuary Management Plan and RMS's Tweed River Boating Plan was discussed at the April meeting. Tom presented a summary of proposed input to the RMS plan review process for endorsement by TCWC, prior to it being provided to RMS.

Moved: Robert Quirk

Seconded: Lindy Smith

RESOLVED that the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee supports the concept of different zones along the river to protect high conservation value areas, assets,

and to provide for multiple uses and manage conflicts between users; and that this be advised to Roads and Maritime Services in the development of the draft Tweed River Boating Plan.

A5. Foreshore Erosion - Peninsula Street Cudgera Creek

Tom provided additional detail on two possible options for management of the erosion hotspot at Peninsular Street, Hastings Point.

Options presented included a permanent set of stairs and seawall, 'engineered option', or a 'do nothing' approach. The engineered option's costs and risks were explained. After discussion, the summarised feedback from the committee was:

- No support for rock wall due to impacts on existing beach and downstream reserve, and substantial long term costs to mitigate these impacts.
- Undertake a risk assessment of existing access.
- Look at nourishment, pedestrian access control and planting.
- Advise EMT of issue, potential management options and preferred approach.
- Consult with the Hastings Point community.

General Business:

GB1. Kingscliff – Dreamtime Coastal Zone Management Plan

Noted that Council adopted the Kingscliff – Dreamtime Coastal Zone Management Plan and forwarded the Plan to the NSW Minister for the Environment for certification under the *Coastal Protection Act 1979*. Once certified, actions within the Plan may be eligible for grant funding through the NSW Government's Coastal Management Program.

GB2. Tweed River Festival

Jane requested feedback on options for funds allocated for the Tweed River Festival to improve education and awareness outcomes. A report will be going to Council.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Tweed Coast and Waterways Committee will be held 9 August 2017.

The meeting closed at 12.30pm.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM COMMENTS:

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Nil.

EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT 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.
