



PORT COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE - BUNBURY
WEDNESDAY 22nd May 2024

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT	Brian Wade Graham Winter Mike Ansell (Chair via TEAMS) Nicolas Pozniakov Paul MacGillivray Tresslyn Smith	Lee Smith (RM) Alana Monaghan (Corporate Affairs Mgr. via TEAMS) Allan Bowden (Project Delivery Mgr.) Carol McKenzie (Committee Secretary)
APOLOGIES	Michael Pekin Fiona Fitzgerald (Deputy Chair) Murray Webb Todd Brown	Keith Wilks (CEO) Robyn Fenech (Director)

The Chair opened the meeting at 5:00 pm and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. Declarations of Interest

Graham Winter noted that he is working with the Mission to Seafarers and is also on their Board.

2. Minutes of the Previous meeting

The Minutes of the previous Committee meeting held on 7th February 2024 were noted as approved via circular resolution on 28th February 2024. The circular resolution was affirmed by the Committee.

3. Action Items from Previous Minutes

Stakeholder result comparison between the three ports – the Corporate Affairs Manager presented this in Corporate Affairs section of the meeting. The summary will be attached to the Minutes. The Chair requested this item stay on as an Agenda item for the next meeting. (Action item 9)

4. Projects Update

The Project Deliver Manager gave the following presentation on Projects: -

A Power Point presentation was given showing the following: -

Accessing Turkey Point

- Current access is via Leschenault Drive through port operations which include 107,000+ truck movements each year.
- Future development of Berth 10 will close Leschenault Drive during construction.

The Project Journey to date

The project has a long history dating back to 2009 when the Inner Harbour Structure Plan identified the need for an alternative access route to Turkey Point.

Key points of the journey were: -

- Concept design and business case approvals
- Design and engagement
- Bridge realignment
- Stage 1 of construction

Revegetation Program

- 2.92 hectares of revegetated land including 1.7 hectares of agricultural paddock for environmental offset.
- Coastal saltmarsh vegetation to be bolstered.
- Local collection and germination of 33,500 seedlings for planting
- Collaborative partnership between Tranen, GHD and Leschenault Community Nursery.

Still to come: -

Completion of Stage 1 construction

Stage 2 construction: -

- Roundabout
- Service realignments
- Road and bridge construction over the Preston River
- Revegetation planting

5. New Staff and Safety and Security Update

The RM gave the following update on New Staff, Safety and Security: -

The new Port Logistics Manager, Leanne DeJong has commenced with the organisation. Leanne has an extensive background in logistics and will be helping the RM to set up more traction in logistics.

The Department of Home Affairs visited the Port recently to carry out a Security Audit which went well. The Port continues to have issues with people accessing the area illegally which has resulted in the installation of a CCTV camera on the western tower of Berth 8 to cover a blind spot in that area.

A portion of the Outer Harbour, from the sheds up to the berths, has been handed over to the Department of Transport as part of the continuation of the Transforming Bunbury Waterfront Stage 3 works. Part of the development includes a rock groyne, a new fishing jetty and small boat handling facilities. An Expression of Interest for the use of the Iluka Sheds will be sent out to an open forum.

The RM attended a Transport Safety Forum with a focus on safety and traffic management. The port has a high volume of truck movements within the port.

6. Environment

The RM gave the following update on Environment:

The RM spoke about the extensive work being done to obtain the environmental approvals needed for new cargo to come through the port. We are currently seeking approvals for bulk sugar and a biproduct of the Simcoa processes.

5.32 pm – Allan Bowden left the meeting.

7. Port Trade

The RM gave the following update on Port Trade:

Trade numbers are down from this year's trade with 15 million tonnes of product moving through the port this year as opposed to 18 million tonnes last year. This is indicative of the shifts in the market with a down turn for some products. There will not be a record grain year this year either as it has been the driest year on record and grain tonnages are down.

The Albemarle bulk cargo does not amount to a lot of tonnage and does not go towards trade numbers. Albemarle have now finished their last shipment for the year. The true measure of success is the facilitation of all trade coming through the port.

We have received several energy transition queries, particularly regarding the Synergy batteries for Collie coming through the port. We have also received several onshore windfarm queries.

Bunbury hosted the Federal Energy Minister in late February who has announced a 7 600 km area opposite Bunbury for an offshore windfarm. The port will play a part with regards to incoming equipment through the port.

In July we will see the arrival of an unusual vessel called the Helix Q7000 which is used to plug decommissioned offshore oil wells. The vessel is 75metres high, weighs 3000 metric tonnes, has eight diesel generated engines, can travel at a speed of ten knots and is designed to go to the North Sea. Having this vessel come into Bunbury showcases our ability to take all types of craft. This vessel will only be in Bunbury for a few days. We will be providing tug support for the vessel going into Berth 5. A risk assessment has been done regarding a pilot going on board and it has been decided that the pilot will guide the vessel remotely.

8. Marine

The RM gave the following update on Marine:

The pilot boat naming ceremony took place in March, and it was a well-attended and successful day. The pilot boat is working well.

9. Corporate Affairs

The Corporate Affairs Manager gave the following update on Corporate Affairs:

Our 2023 Annual Report won the Bronze Award in the Government Trading Enterprise category for the second year in a row.

Industry engagement saw Southern Ports Bunbury attending the Transport Safety Forum and hosting Ports Australia.

We recently attended the Bunbury Show which is the second since covid. The show was not as busy as previously and we may look into attending the Brunswick Show which is better attended.

As noted by the RM, the Warden naming ceremony was held in March and the winners of the Naming Competition were given a one-hour ride and tour of the pilot boat. A short video of the successful even is [available here](#) for those who were unable to attend.

Coming up we have the commencement of the Annual Stakeholder Survey and our Corporate photo shoots.

The contractor for the Turkey Point Road and Bridge Project commenced works in March and the Communications Team will keep the community informed of the progress.

We will be welcoming three new team members into the Communications Department including an Events Specialist and Communication Specialists.

Media coverage has been strong and covered subjects such as the Community Investment Program funding, the Warden naming ceremony, and the recent State Budget investment in the Port.

We have just completed Round 3 of the Community Investment Program sponsoring ten groups. The next round opens in June.

10. Community Feedback

A Committee member spoke about Southern Ports stalls at community shows and suggested the stalls be more interactive and engaging to encourage people to come in. He gave examples such as using VR headsets and doing heat mapping of people.

Discussion was had around social media platforms being a tremendous asset but had the suggestion to use a mixture of both social media and newspapers. The Corporate Affairs Manager noted that Southern Ports uses both social and traditional media platforms, but noted social media is more controlled and that it is also difficult to get space in papers within today's media landscape. The team is always looking at different ways of getting information out, including radio.

Nicolas advised that he will be stepping down from the Committee and that today is his last meeting.

Paul MacGillivray shared that he will be flying to London to attend a Kind Leadership Workshop which is a two-year project covering where Kind Leadership can be applied on ships, on the shore and to the office.

Tresslyn mentioned the Leschenault Homestead and the historic preservation of the Homestead and the outbuildings. The outbuildings have been reviewed by Kent Lyon who will provide a report on the stabilisation of the buildings. Funding for this will come from a future budget. Duncan Gordon the organisations Heritage Officer.

11. Any other business

a) Re-election of Members

Terms for five members of the Committee are up for renewal in June 2024. Three of the members will be stepping down this year and include Brian Wade, Nicolas Pozniakov and Michael Pekin. Mike Ansell and Graham Winter have submitted applications to renew their membership. The Chair thanked the members who are stepping down for their attendance to meetings and for their contribution to the Committee.

Advertising for new members (including social media and press advertising) will be undertaken in June. This will be managed by the Communications team, but it is unlikely we will have enough time to receive and review the applications by the end of June 2024. A special meeting may be organised for the Committee to review the applications and put their recommendations forward for approval.

b) Re-election of Chair

Mike Ansell will be stepping down as Chair after completing three terms. A new Chair will need to be elected.

c) Re-election of Deputy Chair

There is a possibility Fiona Fitzgerald will be stepping down from the role of Deputy Chair and the Committee, this is to be confirmed. In this event a new Deputy Chair will need to be elected.

d) Community Investment Program Nomination

Mike Ansell as the Chair currently represents the PCCC on the team for the Community Investment Program. We may need to nominate another representative, but it does not necessarily need to be the Chair.

The Committee discussed the terms of members, the Chair and Deputy Chair and it was decided a special meeting be organised for the Committee to review the applications and put their recommendations forward for approval. The applications will then be submitted to the CEO and RM for approval. It was also noted that the Charter is up for review in 2025.

The RM thanked the outgoing members for their time and commitment to the Committee and the Chair for his work and commitment to his role.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending the meeting and closed the meeting.

Meeting closed at 6.27 pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 7th August 2024

ACTION ITEM LIST

FROM MINUTES OF PORT COMMUNITY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE - BUNBURY

22 May 2024

ITEM NO	ACTION	DATE AROSE	ACTION BY	STATUS
8	Stakeholder result comparison between the three ports to be held off to the next meeting	08/11/2023	A Monaghan	
8	The Warden video link to added to the Minutes	22/05/2024	A Monaghan/C McKenzie	