



MINUTES OF MEETING

MANLY SCENIC WALKWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD TUESDAY 1st MARCH 2016

NOTE: All minutes are subject to confirmation at a subsequent Council or Planning and Strategy Committee meeting.

PRESENT:

Councillors

Cllr Cathy Griffin

Manly Council (Chair)

Cllr Hugh Burns

Manly Council

Other Representatives

John Bergman

Community Member

Ross Thirmyn

Community Member

Peter Bergman

National Parks and Wildlife Service

Council Staff

Chris Kraus

Bushland Management Coordinator

TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE COUNCIL

The **Manly Scenic Walkway Advisory Committee** met on 1st March 2016, to consider the matters referred to it and now provides the following advice to Council.

OPEN The meeting commenced at 5:30pm

ACTION

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cllr Jean Hay

Doug Price

ITEM 2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

ITEM 3 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Minutes confirmed by John Bergman and seconded by Ross Thirmyn.

ITEM 4 Report : Manly Scenic Walkway Committee 2016 Works Program

ACTION

A report was provided to the committee outlining the Committee projects to be undertaken this year subject to approvals and funding. An updating on the status of the projects rolled over from 2015 that the committee has endorsed was also provided. The projects and their status as reported included;

Works Implemented and ongoing

- Manly Scenic Walkway App
- Bush Regeneration
- Directional signage installation Manly Wharf to North Head Section

Approved Works awaiting implementation

- Track upgrade works at Beatrice Street Road Reserve entry
- Fisher Bay Bushland Restoration Project

Not implemented awaiting approval and funding

- Shelly Beach Headland walking track upgrade (stage 2)
- Bushland Track Upgrade (Avona Crescent entrance)

The Committee referred to the potential project Spit to Linkmead Avenue Historic Tramway Interpretive Project that Cllr Hugh Burn's has moved a motion to Council to endorse. The Committee has requested to be updated on any progress of this project.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report

ITEM 5 National Parks & Wildlife Service Update to the Committee on Recent Activities

Peter Bergman provided an update on recent National Parks and Wildlife Service Activities to the Committee. The update included;

- New Ranger has been assigned to North Head
- Signage issues are being addressed at North Head
- Track work is currently underway at Dobroyd Head in the section between Beatty Street and Tania Park. Helicopters to be used to transport approximately 80 tonnes of sandstone.
- Track work to be undertaken by NPWS staff at North Head Blue Fish track in this calendar year.
- No funding currently available to undertake track work from Collins Beach to Quarantine Station.

- Planned fuel reduction work to be undertaken includes Quarantine Station bushland (priority) and Crater Cove (secondary)

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 6 Clarence Street Bridge Closure

The Committee discussed the closure of the Clarence Street bridge. Cllr Griffin has indicated that Councillors have received numerous complaints from the public. Cllr Griffin has requested that this be given urgent attention by Council.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 7 Manly Scenic Walkway Committee Track Inspection

The Committee has nominated that an inspection of the Manly to Spit Bridge track be undertaken on Tuesday 22nd March 2016. This years inspection will involve a driving tour stopping at key locations along the walkway where works are planned.

Committee members are requested to meet near Manly Art Gallery at 9am.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 8 Items for Brief Mention

Cllr Griffin raised the issue of the sandstone wall at Spring Cove development site. She requested that the issues associated with wall damage and stormwater runoff be investigated by Council compliance officers.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 10 NEXT MEETING DATE:

Date: 3rd May 2016
Time: 5:30pm
Venue: Manly Council Chambers

Meeting closed at 7:05pm

Attachment: Nil