

## Townsville Port Community Liaison Group Minutes of Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday 30 August 2017– 5.05pm to 6.45pm  
**Venue:** Quayside Terminal, Lennon Drive, South Townsville  
**Chair:** Ranee Crosby, Chief Executive Officer, Port of Townsville Limited

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### Attendees

1	Ranee Crosby	Chair, CEO POTL	10	Julie Carmody	Magnetic Island Ratepayers Association
2	Sharon Hoops	POTL, Manager Corporate Affairs	11	Keith Noble	Community Rep
3	Anne Williams	Glencore	12	Kim Gebers	POTL, Manager Infrastructure
4	Annie Ilett	POTL, Community Engagement Officer Magnetic Island	13	Ken Dunlop	Sun Metals
5	Adam Hinks	Community Rep	14	Leon Kippin	Community Rep
6	Adam Smith	Local Marine Advisory Committee	15	Lloyd Whitby	Community Rep
7	Brendon Nolan	Community Rep	16	Melinda Loudon	POTL, Environment & Planning Manager
8	Dale McKenzie	Community Rep	17	Sharon Marks	Conservation Volunteers Australia
9	Heath Hatfield	Community Rep	18	Ian Ferguson	Community Rep
			19	Dr Stephen Lewis (Guest)	TropWATER

### Apologies

Andrew Eslick	Tourism Magnetic Island	Paul Crocombe	Community Rep
Chris Miegel	Community Rep	Scott Hayes- Stanley	Community Rep
Dale Brooker	Community Rep	Stephen Ellis	Community Rep
Judy Newman	Community Rep	Taryn Krawczyk	Community Rep

## Actions Summary

1. CLG members are invited to provide input to the draft Water Quality Frequently Asked Questions document.
2. Sharon to invite successful applicants to the next meeting of the CLG.
3. Sharon Hoops to write to Andrew Eslick thanking him for his contribution to the CLG.
4. Circulate Steve Lewis' presentation and Facts Sheet to CLG members.
5. Circulate CLG Working Group's Dashboard presentation for any further CLG comment.
6. CLG Working Group to bring recommendations arising from the Data Review Framework to the next meeting of the CLG.

### 1. Welcome/apologies (Chair)

Chair Ranee Crosby welcomed members to the CLG's sixth meeting.

### 2. Record of previous meeting held 2 August 2017 on Magnetic Island

The Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted without change.

All actions have been completed, noting there had been no further feedback regarding the draft Water Quality Frequently Asked Questions document. CLG members were invited to provide input when possible.

### 3. Membership

Two applications for CLG membership were received during August from Vern Veitch and Norman Rains. The CLG approved both nominations.

The members agreed that the CLG now had a large (26 in total) and broad membership that represented the community very well, with the suggestion of approaching the commercial fishing industry to participate. It was agreed that subject to one possible additional member from the commercial fishing industry (if interested), member numbers will be capped for 12 months with a review in September 2018.

Annie Ilett advised that Andrew Eslick had tendered his resignation from the CLG due to work commitments.

### 4. Presentation – Dr Steve Lewis, National Environment Science Program

Dr Steve Lewis (Senior Research Officer, Catchment to Reef Research Group, TropWATER) who is working on the National Environment Science Program presented on the subject "Movement of sediments from the Burdekin River". The presentation forms part of research into "Sources, transport, fate and impacts of sediment in the Great Barrier Reef".

Issues discussed by CLG members included:

- Historically, how far has the sediment travelled from the mouth of the Burdekin River?
- The nature of the stickiness of the sediment conglomerates
- The impact of the construction of the Burdekin Dam on sediment loads

Action: A copy of the presentation, Dr Lewis' contact details and a facts sheet on the subject matter were made available to the CLG members.

## 5. Enhancement of the Port Operation Dashboard to include Environmental Indicators

Annie Ilett presented an update on behalf of the CLG's enhanced Dashboard Working Group in regard to identifying the proposed scope of the project, including:

- Purpose
- Primary Audience
- Environmental parameters
- Dashboard reporting area
- Reporting Framework

Members agreed with the proposal that the Dashboard should, at least in the first instance, present information about water quality (turbidity/clarity/visibility) in the Port's operational area which helps inform discussions within the community and brings a greater understanding of the natural and human influences on what is observed.

It was noted that the dashboard would complement GBRMPA's work in developing an integrated reef-wide marine ecosystem reporting system (RIMREP) as part of GBRMPA's *Reef2050* commitments.

Adam Smith presented Citizen Science ideas that could be included in the dashboard, including *CoastSnap*, live web cams and live footage and data provided by local tourism operators.

CLG members agreed that the project was heading in the right direction and endorsed the proposed design concept of the dashboard page. CLG members also endorsed the next step in undertaking a review of the available / required data (as independent as possible) to have a pilot Water Quality Dashboard in place in December 2017.

**Action:** A copy of the presentation to be sent to CLG members.

## 6. Port Updates

File attached to these Minutes

## 7. General Business

- Leon Kippin advised that, from a layman's point of view, he was very impressed with the four large EIS/AEIS folders he had read at the Townsville Library.
- Adan Hinks expressed his thanks to Kim Gebers and Annie Ilett for participating in his *Aquascenetour* to experience his tourism operation first hand and discuss possible involvement of the tourism industry and/or placement of water quality monitoring buoys at marine tourism sites at Magnetic Island.

## 8. Meeting Close

The Chair informed the CLG of her impending maternity leave for an anticipated 4 months from 6 October. Claudia Brumme-Smith will be acting CEO in Ranees' absence.

Next meeting: Wednesday 27 September 2017 at 5.05pm, Amaroo on Mandalay, Magnetic Island

Meeting closed 6.50pm