

Townsville Port Community Liaison Group Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday 30 May 2018 – 5pm
Venue: REEFVTS – Maritime Safety Queensland, South Townsville
Chair: Ranee Crosby, CEO, Port of Townsville

Attendees

1	Adam Hinks	Community Rep	8	Kim Gebers	POTL, Manager Infrastructure
2	Adam Smith	Local Marine Advisory Committee	9	Leon Kippin	Community Rep
3	Annie Ilett	POTL, Magnetic Island Community Engagement Officer	10	Norman Rains	Birdlife Townsville
4	Chris Meigel	Community Rep	11	Ranee Crosby	CEO, POTL
5	David Zammitt	Glencore	12	Sharon Hoops	POTL, Manager Corporate Affairs
6	Heath Hatfield	Community Rep	13	Sharon Marks	Conservation Volunteers Australia
7	Judy Newman	Community Rep	14	Vern Veitch	Community Rep

Apologies

Brendon Nolan	Community Rep	Ken Dunlop	Sunmetals
Ian Ferguson	Community Rep	Melinda Loudon	POTL, Environment & Planning Manager
Julie Carmody	Magnetic Island Residents & Ratepayers Association	Paul Crocombe	Community Rep
Keith Noble	Community Rep	Stephen Ellis	Community Rep

Actions Summary

1. CLG members are invited to email any further comments on POTL's Draft 30 Year Strategic Plan to Sharon Hoops.
2. POTL to invite David / Glencore to facilitate a tour of Glencore's port operations at a future meeting of the CLG.
3. POTL to invite Adam to present information about the Museum of Underwater Art at a future meeting of the CLG.

Attachments

- Port Update Notes

1. Welcome/apologies (Chair)

Chair Raneë Crosby welcomed members to the CLG's thirteenth meeting. Apologies for tonight's meeting were noted.

2. Record of previous meeting held 2 May 2018

The Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted without change. All actions have been completed or were addressed at this meeting.

3. POTL's Draft 30 Year Strategic Plan

Raneë Crosby presented the draft 30 Year Strategic Plan concept for the future development of the Port, of which a draft version will be presented to the POTL Board in June. Consultation will then be undertaken with Port customers and the Community Liaison Group, with a view to finalising and making available to the public by the end of 2018.

Discussion and input from the CLG included:

- support for the concept of a "green" port with the aim of being carbon-neutral by 2050, embracing innovative technology, incentives for ships and connecting transport to be more environmentally sensitive
- recognition that a lot of work is currently being undertaken which is not generally visible to the public (such as the significant funds are currently being spent on dredging research)
- Adam Smith suggestion that a 2050 time horizon may be too lengthy in terms of effects of the Plan (i.e. climate change) – Raneë confirmed that the 30 Year Strategic Plan will be delivered through a range of initiatives and projects that are shorter duration, including links to yearly operational plans.

CLG members also noted:

- transport of goods to/from Mount Isa is more cost effective and safer by rail than by truck, therefore it is importance to continue to pursue long-term improvements to the Mount Isa Rail Line and the Townsville Eastern Access Rail Corridor project
- an increase in solar farms being developed across North Queensland, including a significant increase in the number of shipping containers passing through the Townsville Port
- modelling of the effects of the Port Reclamation Area on The Strand and Pallarenda beaches was undertaken extensively as part of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prepared for the Port Expansion Project (PEP).

Action: CLG members are invited to email any further comments on POTL's Draft 30 Year Strategic Plan to Sharon Hoops.

4. Port Updates – as per circulated document (attached)

5. General Business

- David Zammit would be pleased to provide the CLG with a tour of Glencore's port facilities

Action: POTL to invite David / Glencore to facilitate a tour of Glencore's facilities at a future meeting of the CLG.

- Adam Smith advised that 8 June is designated as World Oceans Day. He will be assisting its celebration on Magnetic Island on 9 June, including the Reef Recovery Program. Adam also

advised that the Museum of Underwater Art was progressing well and offered to make a presentation at a future meeting of the CLG.

Action: POTL to invite Adam to present information about the Museum of Underwater Art at a future meeting of the CLG.

- Chris Meigel invited CLG members who wished to go on a tug boat ride to contact him directly on his mobile or email (contact Annie Ilett for details).
- CLG members were also invited to go view the tug boats at the next meeting of the CLG (Port operations/shipping movements permitting)
Action: POTL to arrange a tour of the tug boats at the next meeting of the CLG.
- CLG members noted that the *Water Quality in Cleveland Bay Frequently Asked Questions* document had been finalised and a hard copy circulated at the meeting. It is now also available on the POTL website at www.townsville-port.com.au/environment-community/environment-planning/fact-sheets/
- CLG members noted that POTL is waiting on information on the history of the Dredge Material Placement Area from the Regulators.
- Information regarding Per and poly Fluoro Alkyl Substances (PFAS) is being provided on the POTL website as it becomes available. See <https://www.townsville-port.com.au/pfas-update-may-2018/> Local residents will also be given the results of the sampling undertaken in the area when it becomes available.
- Tony Melrose, Manager (Vessel Traffic Management), Marine Operations (Townsville), Maritime Safety Queensland advised that ships departing the Port can no longer take a “short cut” out of the channel towards Cape Cleveland. Ships have now been advised to remain in the channel to the S2 Cardinal Mark when accessing or leaving Townsville Port.

6. REEFVTS presentation and tour of REEFVTS Operations Room

Tony Melrose, Manager (Vessel Traffic Management), Marine Operations (Townsville), Maritime Safety Queensland gave a presentation of Port and Reef VTS and conducted a tour of the REEFVTS Operations Room.

Further information, including videos regarding REEFVTS is available from AMSA at:

<https://www.amsa.gov.au/safety-navigation/navigating-coastal-waters/great-barrier-reef-and-torres-strait-vessel-traffic>

Next meeting: Wednesday 27 June 2018 at 5pm at Quayside Terminal/Tugboat Wharf, Lennon Drive, South Townsville

Meeting closed at 6.55pm