Port of Townsville Limited (POTL) Community Liaison Group Minutes of Meeting

Date: Wednesday 2 August 2017 - 5pm to 6.20pm

Venue: Amaroo on Mandalay, Magnetic Island

Chair: Ranee Crosby, Chief Executive Officer, Port of Townsville Limited

Attendees

1	Ranee Crosby	Chair, CEO POTL	8	Chris Miegel	Community Rep
2	Sharon Hoops	POTL, Manager Corporate Affairs	9	lan Ferguson	Community Rep
3	Anne Williams	Glencore	10	Keith Noble	Community Rep
4	Annie Ilett	POTL, Community Engagement Officer Magnetic Island	11	Kim Gebers	POTL, Manager Infrastructure
5	Adam Hinks	Community Rep	12	Leon Kippin	Community Rep
6	Adam Smith	Local Marine Advisory Committee	13	Paul Crocombe	Community Rep
7	Dale Brooker	Community Rep	14	Sharon Marks	Conservation Volunteers Australia

Apologies

Andrew Eslick	Tourism Magnetic Island	Ken Dunlop	Sun Metals
Brendon Nolan	Community Rep	Lloyd Whitby	Community Rep
Dale McKenzie	Community Rep	Melinda Louden	POTL, Environment & Planning Manager
Heath Hatfield	Community Rep	Scott Hayles-Stanley	Community Rep
Judy Newman	Community Rep	Stephen Ellis	Community Rep
Julie Carmody	Magnetic Island Ratepayers Association	Taryn Krawczyk	Community Rep

1. Welcome/apologies (Chair)

Chair Ranee Crosby welcomed the members to the CLG's fifth meeting which was postponed by one week due to the unavailability of a number of members on 28 July. Ranee extended a welcome to new Committee Member Anne Williams from Glencore.

2. Record of previous meeting 26 June 2017

The Minutes of the previous meeting (Draft 1) were adopted without change. The action items were discussed, noting that:

- Adam Smith will present the work of the Marine Indicator Dashboard sub-group at this
 meeting, as well as the beginning of an FAQ document.
- Sharon will forward the slide and information about dredge plume timing this week.
- The agenda for 2nd Magnetic Island Community Forum on 16 September will be discussed at this meeting, noting it will cover the Channel Capacity Upgrade business need.
- Presentation to the CLG on the National Science Environment Program Project will be arranged for the next CLG meeting in Townsville.
- Information on seismology information of Cleveland Bay to be forwarded this week.

3. Membership

No new applications for membership of the CLG have been received. It was noted that Scott Hayes-Stanley has indicated that he is withdrawing from the CLG due to work commitments.

4. Enhancement of the Port Operations Dashboard to include Environmental Indicators

Adam Smith spoke to the tabled discussion paper which outlined the sub-group's findings of literature searches for "environmental dashboards" and "ports" and list of sites where environmental monitoring has been undertaken in Cleveland Bay. It was suggested useful dashboard measurements would be water quality, sedimentation, coral cover, seagrass, sedimentation and "social" indicators.

Sharon Hoops tabled the Port's Operations & Air Quality Dashboard for June 2017 to demonstrate how the Dashboard concept could be extended to include further parameters.

It was noted that:

- there is a lot of information already available for Cleveland Bay for different processes, including:
 - Creek to Coast Score Card (identified in the Reef 2050 Plan);
 - AIMS and JCU data collection;
 - existing Port data collection for Port-related contributions to Cleveland Bay;
 - new telemetric turbidity and salinity data from the Port's "Bobby the Buoy", "Big Bertha" and two other monitoring buoys currently being commissioned;
 - availability of Seabreeze/Willy Weather and similar sites for weather and tidal information.

This data is being collected at different scales and for different purposes. In developing the CLG's dashboard, it is important to consider what information is most useful for the community. For example is turbidity or visibility a more useful measure of water quality? Use NTUnits (AIMS data) or visibility units? The challenge is how to patch these together and optimised as a one-stop shop for Cleveland Bay and to see what can be correlated with what.

• It was suggested that monitoring should be undertaken at snorkelling sites/tourism hot spots around Magnetic Island, with Geoffrey Bay, Arthur and Florence Bays being the suggested top 3 tourist sites. It was suggested this monitoring could include vision from underwater cameras to ascertain visibility.

A visibility rating system and rating system for other key health indicators would be useful.

Real time quantitative data at these sites would be useful for tourists and operators and could be linked to a Magnetic Island Tourism App currently under development.

Tourism operators/tourists could also provide qualitative information on day-to-day conditions (including through GBRMPA's Eye on the Reef program) which could add to the hard evidence provided by the monitoring buoys. All would be useful in identifying patterns.

Sharon and Adam presented a range of graphics as a suggestion for public display of dashboard data on the POTL website and a possible App. The concept is to start with a basic framework which will be tested with the CLG prior to public release and can evolve over time.

Sharon tabled a draft FAQ sheet on Dredging and Water Quality in Cleveland Bay. This FAQ document is intended to be a practical and useful tool for the community on key matters of interest and concern. CLG members to provide feedback on the key questions they receive from community members as soon as possible so that the next meeting could agree on a starting list, which would be expanded as more questions arise.

5. Magnetic Island Knowledge Forum agenda items

The second Magnetic Island Information Forum is to be held on Saturday 16 September from 10am to 2pm at Amaroo on Mandalay. CLG members are encouraged to attend. The forum will focus on presenting the "need" for the Port Expansion Project, including details of the Executive Summary of the Business Case for channel widening. Invited speakers will include Shipping Australia, representatives of the cruise ship industry, and Maritime Safety Queensland

The Forum will also address dredge material and placement (both maintenance & capital), placement sites that were assessed in the Port Expansion Environmental Impact Statement, and future options. It will also discuss how stakeholders (community) can be involved in the project as it progresses, including the roles of the Independent Technical Advisory Panel and the existing Technical Advisory and Consultative Committee which includes state and federal regulatory agencies. The Agenda will be finalised by Monday 7 August and the forum will be publicly advertised from Friday 11 August.

6. Port Update

Port updates were circulated prior to the meeting.

Ranee Crosby provided further highlights, including:

- ANL has announced commencement of operations into/out of Townsville Port direct to Malaysia, Singapore and Jakarta.
- The final PEP EIS / AEIS document has been published and is on public display until 8 August.
- The Pure Projects Master Plan was approved by Townsville City Council on 27 June and an implementation plan is now being developed. This includes support for the proposed new Strand Ferry Terminal, the redevelopment of Reef HQ/Cultural Centre Precinct and the construction of a Supply Chain Centre..

 Following the Port's response to a Magnetic Island community member in relation to numbers of trucks likely to be removed from the Bruce Highway with the PEP, further questions on the same matter were again raised by CLG members on behalf of the same person. The CLG agreed to act as a sounding board on responses to community members.

Ranee Crosby reiterated that the Port is always available to meet with the community to discuss any concerns they have.

Kim Gebers provided further information regarding Environmental Monitoring, including:

 Air/water quality sampling at the Port has again just been completed, with Dust at 30% of the allowable limit, lead at 12% of allowable limit and Ross Rover Dredging was within permitted monitoring limits.

Sharon Hoops provided further information regarding the White and Grey Ship Attraction Committee, including:

- Another cruise ship booking was received last week, bringing the total to 19 cruise ships scheduled to visit Townsville in 2018.
- Tickets for the first cruise from Townsville in September 2018 will go on sale soon.
- Four cruise ship applications have been declined this year due to the narrow width of the sea channel.
- A half day forum will be held in September to develop tourism opportunities for cruise ship passengers visiting Townsville, Magnetic Island and North Queensland.

7. General Business

- Sharon Marks advised of a Reef Clean Up Day to be held in October.
- Adam Smith advised of a Coastal Restoration Forum is to be held 30 August 2 September.
- Sharon Hoops advised that the Port is supporting the Sealink Magnetic Island Race Week
 Community Day on Sunday 3 September at Picnic Day by providing free shuttle bus between
 Nelly Bay and Picnic Bay.

8. Meeting Close

The Chair thanked CLG members for their participation in the meeting and encouraged CLG members to contact POTL reps at any time if they require any further detail.

<u>Next meeting:</u> Wednesday 30 August 2017 at 5pm, Quayside Terminal, South Townsville Meeting closed 6.20pm

Action List

- 1. Melinda to send Information on seismology of Cleveland Bay to CLG members.
- 2. Sharon to forward copies of the Magnetic Island Knowledge Forum agenda to the CLG.
- 3. CLG members to provide feedback to Sharon regarding preferred content and display formats for the Marine Environment Indicators Dashboard by Wednesday 16 August.
- 4. Adam and Sharon and sub-group to update the concept map for circulation prior to the next meeting.
- 5. Sharon Hoops to circulate community member questions and responses to CLG members for their consideration and advice.
- 6. CLG members to provide feedback to Sharon regarding the types of questions for the Q&A (being produced with Dashboard) by Wednesday 16 August.