

Coastal Planning and Management

Committee Meeting



HELD AT Bega on 1 July 2016

Present

Clr Bill Taylor – BVSC (Chair)
Kyran Crane – BVSC
Danie Ondinea – Community Rep
Jillian Reynolds – DPI Fisheries
Kerry Pfeiffer – Community Rep
Michael Fiedler – BVSC
Daniel Murphy – BVSC
Daniel Wiecek – Office of Environment & Heritage
Don McPhee – Community Rep
Stephen Dovey – NPWS
John Walker – Community Rep
Shannon Brennan - LLS
Lee Blessington – Forestry Corp
Doug Reckord – Bournda Environmental Education Centre
Natalie Godward – Cruise Eden
Maryanne Geraghty – BVSC

Apologies:

Andrew Woodley
Brett Weingarth
Carol Henry
Kel Henry
Graham Scott
Jillian Riethmuller
Norman Lenehan
Clr Keith Hughes
Danny Madigan

Confirmation of minutes

The Minutes of the 4 March 2016 Committee meeting were taken as read
Danie Ondinea asked before minutes be moved spelling incorrect at;
4.3 Blue Steer Pool to read Bruce Steer Pool in March minutes. Action Maryanne to correct
spelling. Spelling corrected
Moved Kerrie Pfeiffer Seconded Danie Odinea

1 Business arising

- Review of follow up actions from meeting of 4 March 2016
 - Contact names of Place Based Officers sent to Kerry Pfeiffer

- Plan of Management / Coastal recreational assets – John Grady presented on several key coastal projects and general approach to asset planning in the coastal zone at this meeting (1st July 2016).
- Discussion of role of Economic Development and the CMP. Shane O’Leary to present to this meeting (1st July 2016) but was called away at the last minute on other urgent business.
- Update on sewer issues / overflows in Eden area.
 - Smoke / CCTV assessments complete
 - ~200 properties identified with different levels of non-compliance,
 - Letters requesting further inspections sent to worst cases
 - msn hole cover tender being finalised and works scheduling imminent

2 Member Reports

DPI Fisheries – Jillian Reynolds

- Fisheries Compliance Officer Troy Northey has returned to the area
- Fishing Industry hit hard after East Coast Low
- Infrastructure took a battering
- Estuaries doing ok
- Shark prevention – funding for school holidays September/Xmas only

Local Land Services – Shannon Brennan

- FSC Biodiversity Funded Projects moving into their last year of activities & will continue to see improvements in the management of coastal wetlands & lagoons
- Budgets being finalised for 2016-2017 – targeting funding at signature projects that are LLS responsibilities including biosecurity, agriculture and natural resource management
- Support continues with the Community, Industry & Landscape funding through to 2018
- Wapengo Lake rehabilitation project – 2 part project – part one completed at the end of May – continuing the surface and drainage upgrades and resurfacing of carpark and formalising the area with large rocks to stop vehicle access
- Part 2 undertaken in June which included bank control structures and mangrove fencing, Bega LALC’s Koori Work Crew and local oyster farmers helped with these works
- Merimbula Lake - upgrade the surface and drainage of part of the oyster track and the access road to Merimbula oyster sheds, track is contributing to large amounts of sediment into Merimbula lake and Boggy Creek as well as the adjacent saltmarsh and oyster lease areas.
- Pambula Lake & Yowaka River – drainage and surface upgrades undertaken in May and June on private properties adjoining the river as the large amounts of sediment are impacting on the oyster leases
- Bank protection works on Yowaka River
- Holistic Farm Management Course for South Coast Oyster Industry 1st session held in June with 7 growers attending
- Travelling workshop for Oyster Industry to be run in August/September
- Willow control undertaken along Pambula River from Princess Highway upstream Oaklands
- Jillian Keating now the new Oyster EMS Officer

DPI – Forest NSW - Lee Blessington

- Storm damage sustained was not too bad
- Wonboyn catchment area sampling no results as yet
- Thinning operation all in place and working in Wonboyn, now shifting into Nullica Forest
- Shell Fish committee – EPA follow up sedimentation into Wonboyn Lake, no report to hand

- East coast low damage mainly up north Batemans Bay bridge damage, BVSC not much storm damage

Bournda EEC – Doug Reckord

OEH Coast & Estuaries – Danny Wiecek

- Grants 2015/2016 coastal and environment, application this month for grants
- Coast reform – SEPP public exhibition July/August
- Coastal Management Act on exhibition and put through parliament at the end of year or early 2017
- Survey and catalogue damages/impact of beaches after the east coast low, so it helps manage the coastline

OEH National Parks

- Damage from east coast low, some structure damages, building at Green Cape moved in the storm
- Walking tracks slightly damaged
- Roads stood up well – the drain clearing that was completed worked well
- Fire Trails – some opened
- Pit Toilets 5 possible damage need to re-inspect
- Eagle Claw nature reserve, natural penguin colony, work with community (& Council) to fence and move penguins to reserve

Community Representative – Danie Ordinea

- East coast low damage – potential change to weed issues on damaged beaches
- Bruce Steer Pool – shark net damaged, Blue Pool concrete coping – damaged and information signage and seating damaged
- Erosion control works damaged Bermagui bridge – saltmarsh damaged
- Proposed group “Friends of the “Bermagui Salt Marsh and Shorebirds”
- Petition started to ban release of balloons

Community Representative – John Walker

- Concerned siltation at various water drains – Imlay St into Curralo St Eden – building up into a mud flat in Curralo Lake between the high school and AFL field.

Community Representative – Don McPhee

- Increase in water temperature implications – different to other parts of the coast
- After the east coast low – look at the designs of our infrastructure and where we replace and build again

Community Representative – Kerrie Pfeiffer

- Lot of rubbish on the beaches after the east coast low and council should be more aware of the types of rubbish that was left behind.

3 BVSC Update

- Overview of current Environmental Services projects and status: CMP, CMP – Bermagui River, CMP – Estuary Reviews, Entrance Opening Policy, Rapid Catchment Assessments, Community Environment Grants for 2016/17 awarded, coastal inspections post June storm.

4 New Business

- Leisure Services in the Coastal Zone – An overview John Grady Manage Leisure Services BVSC
- Cruise Eden – Overview of Cruise Ship Industry for the FSC – Natalie Godward, Cruise Eden – Sapphire Coast Tourism
- Consideration of ongoing environmental performance should be included in the management of the port facility. Council to follow up on further information.

- Wrap up discussion:
 - Is it relevant for Place Based Officers to attend this meeting?
 - Discussion of whether more significant DA's should be brought to CPMC.

5 Closure

The meeting was declared closed at 12.20pm.

6 Next meeting

The next meeting is to be held at 10am on Friday 14 October 2016 at Commemorative Civic Centre, Bega.