



MINUTES OF MEETING

MANLY SCENIC WALKWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD TUESDAY 3rd MAY 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

Doug Price

Community Member

Derek MacIntosh

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 3rd May 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

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 Track Inspection The Manly Scenic Walkway Committee undertook the annual inspections of the Manly Scenic Walkway. The inspection included the entire track including the Spit Bridge to Manly Wharf track and Manly Wharf to North Head was held on Tuesday 22nd March 2016. The inspection was undertaken as a driving tour with 6 stops to inspect key track items. The purpose of the walk was to inspect the condition of the track, current projects, and identifying potential issues that require resolution. Chris Kraus provided the committee with a presentation of photos take from the track inspection for purpose of discussing issues observed and work planned. RECOMMENDATION That: 1. The Committee received and noted the report	ACTION
ITEM 5	Report : Manly Scenic Walkway Committee 2016 Works Program The Committee discussed the current works program. Chris Kraus provided the Committee with a report on the current status of the works program, focusing on the current projects that are in progress. The programs discussed included track work at Duke of Edinburgh track, Manly Scenic Walkway directional signage installation, Fisher Bay Bushland Restoration Project, and Manly Scenic Walkway App development. RECOMMENDATION That: 1. The Committee received and noted the report.	
ITEM 6	Report: National Parks & Wildlife Service Update to the Committee on Recent Activities Peter Bergman provided the Committee with an update on NPWS current activities. The report included; • Ranger Mel Tyas has taken over as Ranger for North Head from Jim Cutler. It was noted that Mel has previously worked in this role and was a past representative on the Committee.	

- It was noted that trackwork at Bluefish Point will be priority track work
- Spring Cove sandstone wall has been repaired by the developers of this subdivision. They also repaired the boardwalk that had been damaged during work.
- Bush Regeneration work undertaken as a requirement of the Spring Cove Development has been completed to a satisfactory standard.
- Fuel Reduction burn at Quarantine Station has been completed.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 7 Report: Rehabilitation Work on Spit Bridge

The Committee were advised that Council has received information from RMS that the NSW Government will be undertaking a \$1.6 million maintenance and repair project on the Spit Bridge. To undertake the work, a compound will be established at Ellery Punt Reserve. The Ellery Punt car parking area will be unavailable for public use during this period. Vehicles can still drive down to the reserve and turn around if required.

The Manly Scenic Walkway will remain open, however there may be minor disruptions. Any disruptions will be managed by contractors Downer Mouchel at all times. Works are expected to commence 8th May and will take about 3 months on Manly side of bridge. Further works will continue on the Mosman side following works in Manly.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

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ITEM 8 Items for Brief Mention

Cllr Griffin requested that the Committee be updated on Clarence St bridge issue. A discussion was held with regards to timber for the bridge. Peter Berman advised the Committee that the NPWS may has some suitable recycled timber that could be used on the bridge.

Cllr Griffin indicated that in the event of Council amalgamation being announced, this could be the last Committee meeting. If

this is the case, she wanted to thank all Committee members past and present for their dedication to this committee.

RECOMMENDATION

That:

1. The Committee received and noted the report.

ITEM 10 NEXT MEETING DATE:

Date: To Be Advised 2016
Time: 5:30pm
Venue: Manly Council Chambers

Meeting closed at 7:05pm

Attachment: Nil