

Peel-Harvey Catchment Council

MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING



Held on Thursday 18 June 2015 at 9.00am

Marine Operations Centre, 107 Breakwater Parade, Mandurah Ocean Marina

The Chairman opened the meeting at 9.05am

1. Attendance

Present:

Jan Star	AM	Chairman
Andy Gulliver		Deputy Chairman
Marilyn Gray		Treasurer
Michael Schultz		Member
Maxine Whitely		Member
Cr John Allert		Local Govt Member (Inland)
Cr Caroline Knight		Local Govt Member (Coastal)
Adam Dennis		PDC
Karl Brennan		DPaW
Adrian Parker		DoW [from approx. 11.45am]
Rob Summers		DAFWA
Scott Haine		Department of Planning (Peel) – Observer

In Attendance:

Kim Wilson		Program Manager
Annette Brown		Communications Coordinator
Mia Lacy		Community Engagement Officer [from 10.05am]
Patricia Sutton		Office Manager (Minute Taker)
Jamie Wright		Snr Project Officer [9.00am – 9.20am]
Mark Langdon		City of Mandurah [from 10.55am]
Brett Flugge		Shire of Murray [from 9.10am]
Tom Lerner		Shire of Murray [from 9.10am]
Rod Peake		Shire of Murray [from 9.10am]
Cameron Bulstrode		DoP Peel [from 11.20am]

Guests:

Andrew Del Marco		Ironbark Environmental
Cameron Bulstrode		DoP Peel

Apologies:

Paddi Creevey	OAM	Secretary
Bob Pond		Executive Committee (DoW)
Dr Peter Hick		Member
Darralyn Ebsary		Member
Cr Keith Ellis		Proxy Local Govt Member (Coastal)
Craig Olejnik		DPaW
Chris Ryan		DER
Mellisa Teede		PDC
Jane O'Malley		Chief Executive Officer [absent until 11.55am]
Dean Unsworth		Shire of Murray
Samantha Pickering		Shire of Harvey
Blair Parsons		Greening Australia
Neil Blake		Department of the Environment

The meeting commenced at 9.05am with Item 12.1: Jamie Wright Presentation - *Iconic Places- Protecting Ramsar 482*. This presentation is attached to the minutes.

Jamie outlined the following on-ground works that have been undertaken:

- Lake Clifton
 - 22ha new weed control, 64ha follow up
 - Infill planting (in progress)
 - 1 gate (in progress)
- Monitoring
- Lake McLarty and Kooljerrenup
 - 5 access control actions
- Lake McLarty
 - Environmental weeds
 - Typha ~10ha
- Lake Mealup
 - Cotton Bush ~ 82ha
 - Lake Mealup Preservation Society – Bird Hide
- Summary of Outputs.

Jamie explained that he was working with the Lake Clifton and Yalgorup community groups and it would be ideal to have more community engagement. There was scope for that, however as he only works part time hours, a large portion of his time is taken by on ground work.

He has used the Green Army in the past for tidying tree guards and cottonbush control.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 16 April 2015

Moved: Marilyn Gray Seconded: John Allert

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 18 April 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting.

CARRIED

4. Business arising from previous Minutes

Summary of actions from previous meetings:

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8.	Item 9 [16 April 2015] – CEO Report Forward the research on Lake Pollard to Scott Haine at the Department of Planning.	Jane O'Malley	Complete Emailed 18/5/15

Item 1 – Jan is still trying to make contact. To be raised with Chris Ryan (new DER rep.).

Item 2 – Karl will follow up.

Item 3 – Jan and Jane had an appointment to meet with Hon Rick Wilson on Friday 19 June.

Item 5 – This meeting is on hold.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Correspondence List for April 2015 – June 2015

In response to a question from John Allert, Marilyn Gray outlined the progress of the proposal, *Connecting Communities 30:30*, put to South 32 (formerly BHP Billiton), explaining that community engagement was a priority and if successful there would be opportunities for landscape scale projects, and support for NRM in the Hotham-Williams.

Moved: Maxine Whitely Seconded: Caroline Knight

That Correspondence In and Correspondence Out be accepted.

CARRIED

6. Monthly Meetings Inventory

Members reviewed the Monthly Meetings Inventory and Jan invited members to raise queries in relation to any of these meetings.

7. Chairman's Report

“While there have been several meetings over this period, most have been related to the Strategic Assessment. I stood in for Jane, when she was over East, at a very interesting meeting over the Nambeelup structure plan. This has been of concern since it was first presented to this Council by DoP. The SAPPR process has created an awareness of the importance of environmental factors that meant that our concerns over the inadequate treatment of hydrology and wetlands are now taken seriously (helped by a very clear presentation by Matt Giraud). There was a very straightforward message from the Chairman of the WAPC that anything on a plan must be able to be implemented. The implication in this very constrained landscape was that drainage matters could not be sorted out at a later planning stage as normally happens. We can only hope that it becomes normal for the landscape to be the first determinant in land use planning and not addressed near the end of the planning stage.

There is a continuing emphasis at the Commonwealth level on the Green Army and 20 Million Trees. Their bureaucrats stress that the government is getting rewarded by the populous for these but not for NRM regional work. While we are engaged with service providers on these we will probably have to become more so. You will have noticed our media releases targeted at these programs. I also attended a National Landcare network meeting. In WA there is not the same tension that exist over East between that Network and the Regions, and the Peel-Harvey probably sees the most cooperation between the two in WA. It is good to see Landcare back in favour!

There is a major outbreak of water hyacinth in the Serpentine River at Keralup. The river here actually belongs to the Department of Housing. All agencies are working together to attack it. Water Corporation have removed previous outbreaks but this is massive in comparison.

A most interesting item on the Peel Regional Leaders Forum was a presentation by Marie Redman and Charlie Thorn on their Integrated Futures program. This is a multi-disciplinary interactive platform with toolkits designed to enable state and local governments, business and industry, and local communities to make balanced, informed decisions about land use and investment

opportunities. It is based at Curtin's International Institute of Agri-food Security. It uses a range of modelling systems to assess land use, consider alternative development scenarios, support strategic and sustainable development and assess investment options. It offers a coordinated and informed information base for decision-making on all aspects of land use, socio-economic development and investment options, including agricultural diversification. I went to a further presentation on the actual model being developed for the Swan Valley. RDA Perth and RDA Peel are supporting it – with a focus on peri-urban agriculture and agri -precincts.

We had an informative and engaging meeting with the Labor State Opposition Shadow Ministers for the Environment and of Planning, set up by our local member David Templeman. While it was initiated to discuss the proposed Regional Improvement Tax, that issue is largely resolved providing it is hypothecated for the region in which it is collected. We did discuss governance options though following on from their plan for a 'Trust' type model.

Murdoch is keen to pursue a Dolphin Discovery Centre in Mandurah and are seeking support from the City of Mandurah. There is also a Regional Estuaries Initiative led by DoW, and SAPP and WAMSI are looking at the place of science in the SAPP outcomes. RDA are keeping an eye on this.

SAPP and PHEMC have occupied a lot of time and thought but there is a limited amount we can say at this time.

Moved: Rob Summers Seconded: Caroline Knight

That the Chairman's Report be accepted.

CARRIED

8. Update on Strategic Assessment Perth and Peel Region (SAPP)

Jan provided an update on the progress of the SAPP:

- There should be a presentation sometime in the future
- One focus of the project is on the Peel-Harvey, especially endangered species such as Carnabys cockatoos
- All Directors General are working together
- The PHCC has a strong role and is involved because of its overall knowledge of the catchment
- We should have a strong role in representing the community.

9. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Pat Sutton presented the CEO report in Jane O'Malley's absence:

"The CEO's National Forum in May commenced with site visits that showed innovative approaches to trying to recover threatened species and enviable land use planning process for the protection of matters of national environmental significance and water quality. Victorian Regions are doing good work stepping into employment schemes responding to emergency situations, including drought and fire recovery, enabling NRM activities with additional emergency funding from the commonwealth and state governments. Some food for thought for us, particularly in light of the recent Boddington fires.

Reports are that Regions need to be more effective in communicating success stories to retain support of Ministers Hunt and Joyce, so that the Australian Government have a greater understanding and appreciation to support continued investment in Regions.

Performance excellence requirements were discussed, particularly the frequency in which various components must be reviewed. We raised issue with the level of expectation that doesn't account for the variation of funding. This will be a challenge for us.

NRM WA are preparing a working agreement with the West Australian Landcare Network to ensure our work complements each other.

We have received the first payment on our National Landcare Program contract and Kim will provide an outline of what we will need to deliver under our 3 NLP Projects. We will be holding workshops with the PHCC "Prioritisation Steering Committee" endorsed at the February meeting, to determine further detail. The first workshop is expected in early July.

Thank you to Kim and the team for their work in responding to the challenges of delivering the interim funding, via SWCC and the Australian Government. We will have some carry over that will need to be spent in the first 6 months of next financial year – quite reasonable given that we only just received the final payment, and the first payment of the NLP contract.

As Jan has raised there has been a lot of input into the Strategic Assessment Perth and Peel Region and while we are optimistic, there are a lot of details to work through and this is a priority for us.

As part of this the EPA is visiting the Peel Region to look at key sites on Monday 22nd June. This is to help inform the implementation of the Strategic Conservation Plan, a key outcome of the process. We are yet to see the draft Plan.

We have submitted our proposal to South 32 (previously BHP Billiton). The response has been positive so far and we are waiting further discussions.

Dr Steve Fisher has been appointed as our Science Advisor and will commence on 20 July. We have advertised for our Operations Manager and applications close next Monday. We have also welcomed back Amanda Willmott in a part time position and we are restructuring staff in response to our NLP contract – with some contracted to July 2018 – lovely to be able to have certainty for this length of time !

We held our first SHARE workshop in May– this is the networking / information & knowledge sharing workshops to be held in lieu of monthly PHCC meetings. The first topic was Biosecurity and was very informative. The next topic is "Dry Sheep Equivalent" – our guest speakers will talk about how we will manage protection of our environmental assets and enable the expected population growth in Perth and Peel to 3.5 million."

John Allert said a large amount of land was being cleared by South32 in Boddington and he queried who owned the timber that was being burned.

Andy said there was a legitimate concern about the Boddington community losing something and, as local government is such an important part of PHCC, we may be able to channel these concerns back to South32. The potential from South 32's actions should be taken on board and worked through. There should be a balance to the debate as we have a strength with the community, but a weakness with a vested interest. Social licence to operate should be taken into consideration.

John Allert declared an interest at this point.

Jan said it was an item that was worth raising with politicians.

ACTION: Jan to raise the burning of timber in the Boddington area in discussions with politicians.

Moved: Rob Summers Secoded: Caroline Knight

That the Chief Executive Officer's report be received.

CARRIED

10. Treasurer's Report

Project Funding:

1. WA Peel NRM Region funding – Contract agreement has been signed and first payment of \$276,180.00 has been received.
2. Peel-Harvey NRM SWCC Funding – Waiting on payment of \$92,070 to finalise this Contract.
3. SAPPR – Contract agreement signed with Department of Water and complete funding of \$50,000 has been received.
4. PDC Legacy Projects – Two Contract Agreements for the Peel Business Park Nambeelup and Peel Food Zone Grants have been signed. Both contracts are for \$9,100 each.
5. The following Projects have been completed during the last 2 months:
 - a. *Lotterywest Ramsar 482* - completed and being prepared for Audit.
 - b. *Lotterywest – Accommodation Fit-out* - Grant has been expended and final claim for payment of \$5119.70 has been submitted to Lotterywest.
 - c. *Alcoa Community Engagement Grant* - \$2,302 of equipment has been purchased and grant completed.
 - d. *City of Mandurah Samuel Renfrey Water Monitoring* – Final payment for works carried out received in June. Project closed.
 - e. *PHCC Performance Story Decade 1* – Funds transferred to PHCC Support, project closed.
 - f. *PHCC Development Standards* – Funds transferred to PHCC Support, project closed.
 - g. *State NRM FNSI* – Funds transferred to PHCC Support, project closed.
 - h. *Printing Water Quality Plans* – Funds transferred to PHCC Support, project closed.
 - i. *Fee for Service – Colin Lane Project* – Funds transferred to Future Partnership Funding, project closed.
 - j. *Mayfields Healthy Waterways* – Financial Report along with final reports signed and sent to funding body, project closed.
6. R2R Project has a number of Stage 4 Landholder and Contract Agreements to finalise before the end of financial year. This Project will be submitted to auditors for Annual Project acquittal by the end of July.
7. PHCC Regional Funding – Australian Government funding and SWCC funding both close 30 June and will require Acquittal Audit.

Term Deposit:

Westpac Term Deposit (\$427,114.53) is due to mature on 30 June 2015. I am in the process of investigating all options to determine best rates based on increasing the Term Deposit with an additional \$150,000 of Corporate funds.

Financial Position as at 31 May 2015

ANZ Corporate Online Saver Account	\$267,709.61
Westpac Term Deposit	\$427,114.53
ANZ Project Online Saver Account	\$1,719,469.65
ANZ Project Cheque Account	\$410,059.22
Petty Cash	\$79.70
ANZ Visa Card	(\$3,783.91)

Total Cash at Hand: \$2,820,648.80

Moved: Rob Summers Secoded: Maxine Whitely

That the May 2015 Financial reports be ratified.

CARRIED

The meeting broke for morning tea at 10.10am and resumed at 10.30am

11. Presentations

11.1 Andrew Del Marco (Ironbark Environmental) – Draft Hotham-Williams NRM Plan (2015-2025). This presentation is attached to the minutes.

Andrew provided a background of his engagement with PHCC. This project came from a business plan prepared by Thelma Crook, funded by the PHCC and the Hotham Williams Environmental Alliance. The Hotham-Williams NRM Plan is funded by the R2R project.

This Plan is part of a process that is as much about community-building and working with people, as it is about better management of natural resources.

- The plan uses the term NRM in preference to ‘landcare’ to encourage ownership of the document by all land managers and professionals.
- Landcare is primarily a community-based movement that carries out NRM. There are subtle differences between NRM and landcare, and sometimes the two terms are interchangeable.
- The ‘guts’ of the Draft Plan:
 - Options for vision statements
 - Proposed Goals and Objectives

- Prospective projects
- Guidance on a community-based H-W NRM structure.
- Five proposed goals:
 1. Healthy productive soils and farmland.
 2. Rivers, creeks and valleys are managed and restored.
 3. Biodiversity, native vegetation and habitats are conserved.
 4. Community and cultural values are understood and celebrated.
 5. Community is engaged, informed and supported to manage natural resources.

[10.55am - Mark Langdon arrived during the presentation]

- Benefits
- Where to from here?
 - Public comments on Plan close 17 June 2015
 - A working group is being convened by Mel Durack in July/August to progress discussion of a community based Hotham-Williams NRM Structure/body
 - Enquiries to Mel Durack, Hotham-Williams NRM Officer: Mobile 0455 156 780. Email: hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au
- There will be a challenge engaging younger farmers who are very focussed on productivity. There will be a young farmer's day in September at the UWA Future Farm in Boddington.
- The PHCC could possibly benefit from exploring a relationship with UWA's Future Farm station which is close to the border of our catchment.
- Andrew acknowledged Mel's and Darralyn's work, Eliza Dowling, Avril Baxter, Veronica North, Greg Marsden, John Allert and Maxine Whitely. A lot of people around the whole catchment are part of the future.

11.2 Cameron Bulstrode (Dept of Planning Peel) – South Metro Peel Sub-regional Planning Framework

This item was presented after Item 13 on the agenda.

12. Officer Presentations

12.1 Jamie Wright - Iconic Places- Protecting Ramsar 482

This item was presented prior to the commencement of the meeting.

12.2 Kim Wilson – National Landcare Program : Peel-Harvey Landscapes – People Working Together for a Healthy Catchment.

This presentation is attached to the minutes.

Kim reported on the National Landcare Program project:

- Alignment with our Strategy – Strategic Outcomes
- National Landcare Program - Peel-Harvey Regional Allocation: there has been a series of extensions to current contract with Australian Government due to delays with the new NLP Agreement. Proposal originally planned for a January 2015 start, then February 2015 (through to July 2018); now there will be a carryover with the main start date July 1.

- Original allocation of \$3.8 million over 3.5 years hasn't changed just the commencement of delivery objectives.
- Investment to the community of 20% remains; a contract variation was requested by the Australian Government in June to reflect the full 20% allocation despite contractual delays and associated pro-rata payments.

[11.20am Cameron Bulstrode arrived]

Members discussed the likely listing of two TECs under the EPBC Act:

1. Eucalypt Woodlands of the Western Australian Wheatbelt ecological community which was nominated for listing as a nationally threatened ecological community
2. Banksia dominated woodlands of the Swan Coastal Plain bioregion

Announcements of the assessments are now due for both by the end of July 2015

Mike suggested thinking about how we might take a larger strategic look at managing these communities, including the successful "stewardship approach" that was previously funded in the eastern states, i.e. paying people to support the management of TECs on private land.

13. Agency Reports

13.1 Rob Summers - DAFWA

Currently our main focus in the region is revisiting farms which have been sampled in the last two years to assess the impact Whole Farm Nutrient Mapping has had on their operations and practices. Also there is assessment of the impact of the diffusion of the soil testing process and understanding of the activity by adjacent landholders. More than 250 properties are being visited from Gingin to east of Albany. During this process, a number of case studies are being compiled including video clips of interviews of some of the case study landholders. One conclusion was that big savings for farmers resulted.

13.2 Scott Haine – DoP Peel

Scott advised that Cameron would update members on the Floodplain Policy.

13.3 Karl Brennan - DPaW

Lowlands – Site 5 - Rivers2Ramsar funded project:

Four staff have been working every day at Lowlands for the last two months. They have installed approximately 6 km of fence, planted 15,500 marri trees, 1,000 jarrahs, 500 she-oaks and 1,000 melaleucas as well as undertaken weed control for cotton bush and arum lily as well as installing dieback wash-down stations to minimise the risk of spreading dieback disease. There has also been an instance of people illegally accessing the reserve (presumably to pursue illegal activities) and Megan Rowland is following up this with the WA Police.

Peel Estuary reserves:

A Green Army has been recruited to work on reserves surrounding the Peel Estuary, as follows: Austin Bay Nature Reserves, Creery Islands Nature Reserves, Soldiers Cove, Len Howard Conservation Park. The team comprises eight young people plus a supervisor. The

Green Army will undertake work in the following areas: control of weeds, removal of rubbish, fencing to better manage access into reserves and also interactions between dogs and wader birds along the foreshore of the Peel Estuary, refurbishment of information/interpretation structures, and the re-sheeting of limestone paths.

Lake Mealup:

Technical Advisory Group (TAG) met recently followed by a site inspection to Lake Mealup. It was agreed that the diversion weir, and Heidi Bucktin's careful monitoring and adjustment of water levels, had been successful in preventing the lake from drying out over the summer period and thereby avoiding oxidation of sediments and resulting acid sulphate soils. That said, there are some challenges ahead as this year is likely to be an El Nino year. Additionally, phosphorus levels in the Lake are too high and this is a result of the water coming down the Mealup main drain being high in phosphorus. The good management of Lake Mealup between PHCC, Parks & Wildlife and the Lake Mealup Preservation Society was recently put up for an International River Prize Award. Heidi's nomination was successful in round one and has been asked to submit for round 2. A conceptual diagram to help communicate how the lake is being restored was drawn up as part of the second application.

11.2 Cameron Bulstrode (Dept of Planning Peel) – South Metro Peel Sub-regional Planning Framework this presentation followed Item 13.3.

11.2.1 Draft Peel Region Scheme: Floodplain Management Policy:

Presentation is attached to the minutes.

Cameron Bulstrode provided a background on the above draft policy:

- This policy guides the consideration of floodplain management requirements by decision making authorities when they consider land use planning proposals for land within the Peel region's floodplains and adjacent to the Peel Inlet and Harvey Estuary.
- Land within the floodplain, which has not been identified as part of the floodway or flood fringe, would be subject to the policy.
- The requirement that land likely to be affected by flooding be shown on local planning scheme maps or on maps adopted as a policy under the local planning scheme is being deleted.
- The map is being deleted, and provisions directing people to the Department of Water's latest floodplain mapping are being added.
- It is proposed that the policy be implemented through a WAPC resolution pursuant to clause 21 of the Peel Region Scheme, and an instrument of delegation to local government (as currently happens under the Greater Bunbury Region Scheme).

11.2.2 Draft South Metropolitan Peel Sub-regional Planning Framework

Presentation is attached to the minutes.

Points discussed:

- Approval Process
- Strategic Planning Framework
- Overview of populations, housing, employment

- Framework map Plan 1
- Population. Comparison of regions.

[11.55am - Jane O'Malley arrived]

- Employment and economy
- Transport infrastructure. Regional roads
- Public transport
- Environment
- Implementation
- Conservation around the east west links to protect biodiversity

Andy Gulliver declared a vested interest at this point in the discussion

- Level of flexibility in terms of ecological connectivity
- The catchment boundary has risen in importance
- Food production – where will it fit into planning to 2050?
- Remnants of Spearwood sands
- Best way forward is to be clear in submissions
- DER involvement
- Mechanism for managing offsets
- Density
- Public transport planning is an emerging trend as a critical issue in the community
- New fire provisions.

14. Closure and Next Meeting

The meeting closed at 12.35pm.

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 20 August 2015 at 9.00am.

Chairman

Date

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NOTES OF DISCUSSION MEETING

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1. Matt Giraudo – Preliminary Analysis of the Draft South Metropolitan Sub-regional Planning Framework (presentation attached to these meeting notes).

Matt Giraudo began with a preliminary assessment of the development footprint of the Plan outlining potential environmental impacts, including:

- Extent of drainage / fill
- Impacts of TP loads
- How to preserve pre-development character
- Preservation / Loss on Native Veg
- Impacts on threatened Spp & TEC's
- Determination of open space.

2. Discussion

Members and guests then discussed the following points:

- How to enable project development and protect the environment
- Local government has a fundamental role to play
- Align land use and regional planning
- Drainage plan – chapter 3.7 a bit of a disjoint between documents
- Cameron acknowledged that the Water Management Strategy is not going to provide all the answers
- Biodiversity – important bushland not picked up in the plan at a sub-regional framework level
- Issue at northern end of Alcoa site
- Parklands are a significant issue
- Consistent with the Southern Mandurah Rural Structure Plan
- Shire of Murray – urban areas a massive challenge
- Concerns about how transport will be addressed in the Shire of Murray
- Need a deliberate that certain areas are food production areas and the infrastructure and government support is there – A 21st century food planning strategy
- Would ongoing monitoring and contingency be built into the SPPR process as well?
- Traffic congestion – a fairly Spartan commentary on transport.

The discussion meeting concluded at 1.55pm