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MINUTES

Rehabilitating Roe 8 Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday 9 July 2020, 2pm-4pm

Wetlands Centre Meeting Room

Advisory Committee Attendees:

Felicity	Bairstow	FB	Wetlands Centre Cockburn
Ted	Griffin	TG	Community
Diana	Corbyn	DC	Wildflower Society
Jozina	De Ruiter (Chair)	JDR	Hamilton Hill Community Group
Catherine	Baudains	CB	Australian Association of Environmental Education
Catherine	Prideaux	CP	Department Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
Tim	Barling	TB	Conservation Council WA
Bruce	Webber	BW	Western Australian Biodiversity and Science Institute
Angela	Jakob	AJ	Coolbellup Residents Association

Other attendees:

Linda Metz (LM) - Rehabilitating Roe 8 Project Manager (City of Cockburn)

Apologies

- Alison Wright - Save Beeliar Wetlands
- Kim Dravnieks- Community
- Rachel Standish-Perth Urban Restoration Science Advisory Committee
- Heidi Mippy-Aboriginal Reference Group (Cockburn)
- Lou Corteen- Cockburn Community Wildlife Corridor

1. Welcome and Apologies

2. Observance of Acknowledgement of Country

3. Minutes from previous meeting

Minutes from June meeting: Meeting minutes accepted moved by DC and seconded by CB. Corrections noted.

4. Conflict of interests declaration

Nil

5. Business arising from previous meeting

5.1 Norfolk Island Pines Signage

LM informed committee that a Regulation 7 and 10 will be required from the Aboriginal Registrar to install signage and other structures such as rocks or habitat logs within the registered site (3709) known as Turtle Corner. LM has sent in application and is awaiting outcome. TB noted that given this perhaps we revert back to installing interpretive sign. LM suggested that once approvals are received then LM will table options for signage either as an interpretive sign as per the new signage plan, as per its current design form (based on City of Cockburn style guide) or mounted on a rock. AJ enquired as to discussion on planting another Norfolk Island Pine. LM responded that this had not been discussed. LM also noted that the situation with the current pines needs to be resolved too. LM informed group that no scheduled planting until 2021. This site has been identified as part of Perth Region NRM grant application. LM noted that plant selection would need to be sympathetic to this site given sight lines etc. FB agreed that another Norfolk Island Pine might be a consideration and that perhaps using an anniversary date may be suitable. TB enquired about using Tuarts. FB noted that Tuarts are already in place.

Action: LM to inform committee on outcome of Regulation 7 and 10 approvals.

5.2. Community Science Conference –LM confirmed with Project Managers linked to Wetlands Centre redevelopment and suggested that March conference at the centre is unlikely to be feasible. FB clarified that the building should be complete but the grounds and landscaping will not. TB noted also previous discussions about having the venue away from the corridor. LM will need to source a new venue. BW provided feedback on venue availability that would be suitable for fewer than the 100-120 people projected and other requirements. LM confirmed that Friday would be preferable. LM noted that venues such as Biodiversity Centre at Perry Lakes may be an option. BW noted Biodiversity Centre at

Perry Lakes is too small for the number of planned attendees. CB noted that availability of Murdoch University venues would also be dependent on if students are on campus etc. LM noted that due to COVID many events are being pushed into 2021 and so venue demand may be high. LM noted that as it's a first time the event that numbers may be lower than expected as we need to build the brand. AJ mentioned using local venue such as Len Packham. LM commented that it would be preferable to have a venue that reflects the content of the conference. Discussion on dates-LM suggested some flexibility March and need to avoid school holidays. BW noted school holidays in first week of April and then ANZAC day. LM noted preference for earlier in the year rather than May onwards.

Action: LM to investigate options for venue for conference at preferred date in March 2021

- 5.3 Annual review- LM has sent link to excel sheet with comments and link to RMP with comments inserted for committee review –will need to include a page on what has been completed during 2018 and 2019 including reports generated. LM informed committee that RMP was written as if it was operational from July 2018 which was not the case. LM has revised generic terms into actions. LM noted that this review would probably be one of the largest as several items were pending further stakeholder engagement or research which has subsequently been completed. CB noted that when PURSAC were informing the plan that there were a large number of unknowns. Stakeholder engagement was required and was not available at the time. CB noted that there are a large number of items that have been actioned and progress being made even within the relatively short time frame which is pleasing. LM noted that social rehabilitation metrics may need review, however community questionnaire will help inform this. LM is requesting that all comments be received by 31st July.

Action: Committee members to provide comments on annual review to LM by 31st July.

- 5.4 Community planting event update-very successful event on the 21st June. Marquee was on site to provide information on the project which was manned by FB including copies of annual reports and maps. Next event scheduled for 25th July-event has booked out with 50 participants. Marquee will be set up again. LM informed committee that an interview with ABC radio was conducted prior to the 21st June event and an article in Cockburn Gazette. TB asked if photos were taken. LM confirmed.
- 5.5 Signage plan-LM thanked committee for their effective input into this process. DC noted that the titles for animals were generic and should be more specific. LM noted that as this is not a technical

document and will not be widely distributed this isn't required. AJ commented that the correct technical names must be used on the signs once installed. LM acknowledged DC point but noted that this is a concept plan and uses generic terms. The actual content of the signs will need to be scientifically accurate including correct nomenclature and references. DC suggested that Wildflower Society and Birdlife WA have members who would be happy to donate photos. TB suggested setting up dropbox for images. LM agreed and confirmed that photo permissions must be obtained. CP made a comment with regards to having signage reflecting Regional Park signage. LM has included Beeliar Regional Park logo in mock up and has had color palette aligned with BRP. TG commented that signage artwork will need to be UV stabilised. AJ queried that the plan is no longer a draft. LM confirmed. AJ enquired how road crossings were dealt with. LM noted that this plan does not provide technically accurate details on road crossings and that this needed to be developed in conjunction with standards and approval from Main Roads or the local government. AJ noted that some of the crossing locations will be problematic. LM acknowledged this and agreed that further work will be required.

5.6 Membership Beeliar Regional Park Community Advisory Committee (BRPCAC)

Confirmation that FB is only current sitting member on BRPCAC. TB acting as observer. LM informed committee that dual roles would not be desirable. LM will provide BRPCAC an update in person on 30th July. LM suggested there are a number of options with regards to how information can be shared and disseminated such as have BRPCAC member formally sit on the RR8AC, FB acting as agreed liaison between the two committees and this can be dealt with under information sharing, LM to attend meetings. No official response received to date but expect something post meeting on 30th July.

5.7 Dog Poo bins and bags-. CB provided summary of her experience with dog poo bags within Bibra Lake Primary School to committee. LM provided budget to committee members for supply and install of dog poo bin, bags and servicing and an example of leash bag. City of Cockburn Waste Services confirmed that they could service Malvolio Rd. LM noted that request was from one person and that feedback indicates there are quite a high number of dog walkers in Malvolio. Consider a 12 month trial. AJ suggested that there is a designated dog exercise area in close proximity to the corridor and therefore if this service is provided within the corridor there may be an assumption that this is also a dog exercise area which it is not. LM agreed that this would conflict with current messaging regarding keeping dogs on leads. TB agreed that this would only serve to encourage litter and enquired if doo

excrement is a problem. LM suggested there was no evidence to support this.

Motion: No further action required. Site to be monitored and action determined if issues arise. Carried unanimously.

3:23 pm BW leaves meeting

5.8 Caring for Noongar Boodja-Perth Region NRM support from committee as per last meeting and in kind contribution details provided to Perth Region NRM.

6. Correspondence

Outward	Letter: Perth Region NRM-Letter of support Caring for Noongar Boodja Letter: Invitation to SWALSC to nominate new member for the RR8AC.
Inward	Nil

7. Project update from Rehabilitating Roe 8 Project Manager –update provided to committee.

Project Manager report- TB wanted more information on Stinking Roger and vegetation clearances under powerlines. DC provided some information on Stinking Roger and its control. LM informed committee that advised received from Western Power indicated that 3 m horizontal and vertical clearances are to be maintained under powerlines.

8. Other business

8.1 Governance Committee -six monthly meeting-scheduled for 31st July. The meeting will address forward works program and budget for 2020-21. Aboriginal Archaeological Survey was not able to be completed within the 2019-20 financial year and as such will need to be carried forward into the new financial year. Current budget for 2019-20 is underspent overall due to lower than anticipated plant numbers and less works on repairs to fences etc. LM noted that in particular there has been surprisingly less damage to the fence at Stock Rd West.

8.2 Terms of Reference review- LM suggested the need to have a review of rules around attendance. Look to better define what an active member of a committee is. CB and LM to workshop and bring back to August committee meeting.

Action: LM and CB to workshop terms of reference.

- 8.3 Trails and path network plan scheduling-carry over
- 8.4 Project Manager Contract extension-LM advised committee that Project Manager role will continue to be contracted through the City for another 12 months. Service agreement between the City and Main Roads expires in July 2021.
- 8.5 Amendment to Ministerial Conditions-LM informed committee with regards to the EPA's recommendation for revised Ministerial statement. Minister is yet to sign off on this but largely it is likely that these will be adopted. LM notes that the corridor has been identified as a rehabilitation zone and a requirement for Main Roads to implement the RMP and an acknowledgment that this is a unique project and a role for the RR8AC. FB enquired with regards to the small parcels on the west side of Bibra Dr not being included in the A class reserve. LM indicated that this has a current lease arrangement with the recreation centre. CP believes that those parcels will eventually be incorporated into the A class reserve.
- 8.6 FB commented that Wetlands Centre has applied for NRM grant working with Marie Taylor. FB requested a letter of support from committee. Committee happy to provide in principle support TB moved JDR seconded.

Action: FB to provide some details to LM on project. LM to prepare letter of support.

9. Committee member report

DC- Update from Cockburn Community Wildlife Corridor-weeding on Saturday morning 8am-10am.

10. Information sharing

11. Appointment of Chair for next meeting

Angela Jakob appointed as chair for August meeting.

Meeting close: 4:00 PM

12. Next Meeting

Thursday 13 August 2020 2pm-4pm at Wetlands Centre and via video link option