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Rehabilitating Roe 8 Advisory Committee Meeting

Thursday 13 April 2023, 3-5 pm

City of Cockburn Admin Building – 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood

Advisory Committee attendees:

Phoebe	Corke	PC	Save Beelias Wetlands
Diana	Corbyn	DC	Wildflower Society
Felicity	Bairstow	FB	Community
Stephanie	Hing	SH	Community
Eddie van	Etten	EE	Research
Catherine	Prideaux (Chair)	CP	Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions

Other attendees:

Christine Athanassiou (CA) – Rehabilitating Roe 8, Administrative Assistant

Sally Marsh (SM) – Cockburn Community Wildlife Corridor (Proxy)

Apologies:

Adam Peck	Rehabilitating Roe 8, Project Manager
Lou Corteen	Cockburn Community Wildlife Corridor
Jaye Snowden	Aboriginal Reference Group Cockburn
Sue Dempster	The Wetlands Centre, Cockburn
Tim Barling	Conservation Council WA
Jozina De Ruiter	Hamilton Hill Community Group
Catherine Baudains	Australian Association for Environmental Education WA
Leah Knapp	Coolbellup Community Association

1. Welcome and Apologies

2. Observance of Acknowledgement of Country

CP welcomed members to the meeting.

3. Minutes from previous meeting

Meeting minutes from 9 March 2023 were moved and seconded by DC and FB.

4. Conflict of interest declaration

Nil.

5. Business arising from previous meeting

5.1 Standing action items

	Action item	Person to action	Status
5.1.1	DBCA North Lake concept plan	CP	Ongoing
5.1.2	Promote citizen science project	All	Ongoing

5.1.1. DBCA North Lake Concept Plan

CP provided update and mentioned weed control works commenced this week targeting fig trees. Tender meeting occurring tomorrow for the limestone pathways anticipating works to be complete by end of this financial year.

5.2 Action items arising from previous meeting

	Action item	Person to action	Status
5.2.1	Draft overarching intent of the signage strategy with clear purpose and objectives	LC	Carried over
5.2.2	Stock Road pedestrian bridge – LC to extract dot points from previous letter to Main Roads. Pass on to committee, PC and LC to add any additional information regarding connection to the wildlife corridor.	LC	On hold
5.2.3	Contact journalist regarding piece on fauna bridge	FB	On hold
5.2.4	Research effectiveness of fauna road crossings.	AC	Carried over
5.2.5	LK to confirm her representation on RR8AC after leaving the CCA board.	LK	Carried over
5.2.6	AP to revise plan and send to AC for comments	AP	Complete
5.2.7	CA to resend committee CB drafted template for signage strategy	CA	Complete

6. New action items

6.1 JS raise MG replacement at next ARG committee meeting

PC noted that JS has moved to NSW. Mitchell Garlett is the Deputy Chair of the ARG. Chair position will be discussed at the next ARG meeting. Committee raised concerns that the RR8AC currently has no Aboriginal representation and needs to be addressed.

Motion: Contact Mitchell Garlett as Acting Chair of the ARG asking for representation for the RR8AC to be raised at the next ARG meeting.

7. Correspondence

<u>Outward</u>		<u>Nil</u>
<u>Inward</u>		<u>Nil</u>

8. Project Manager Update

Briefly discussed project manager report. CP noted fence installed around Matilda Birkett to prevent trail bike riders damaging area.

DC mentioned the shade cloth installed around Stock Road is very neat, although raised issue of the bank of veldt grass within the shade cloth outside the project management area and suggested slashing. FB noted the shade cloth will prevent rubbish from entering the area.

CP noted Aboriginal weaving event sold out and SH thanked CA for hosting. CP mentioned the Community Questionnaire finished on 7 April and received 120 submissions; FB noted Danielle Brady worked hard to expand reach.

FB discussed the media release for the Cockitrough and a viewer had misinterpreted as a commemoration.

DC mentioned the bee hotels made from the Native Bee workshop made by the community are valuable in the corridor and provide a nice explanation of their purpose.

CA provided an update on the budget. DC and FB raised concerns for watering and weed control if those items were reduced and would decrease success of the project.

PC queried if there was any financial influence from DBCA within Regional Parks and how it is delivered within the corridor and CP responded it is separate for the 10-year period during the RR8 management.

9. Other Business

- **Website design – committee feedback**
 - Committee is happy with the general layout and agreed the acknowledgement at the start was good and preferred the static not pop-up.
 - PC mentioned the acknowledgement should state “and/or” for Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islanders and “Beeliar people”.
 - SH suggested the acknowledgement should not be finalized until there is aboriginal representation on the committee. PC suggested forwarding to Gail Beck to assist in updated wording.

ACTION: PC to forward “Acknowledgement of Country” to Gail Beck to assist in

updating wording for the signage website.

10. Committee member report and information sharing

SM – NatureLink intern is doing a presentation of first draft with support of CCWC today at 5.30pm at Murdoch University. Is unable to attend but suggested Maddie Copcutt present for the committee.

EE – Will be taking 15 students studying second year ecological restoration to the corridor with Adam on 10 May.

DC, SM, PC – Rally for the Last Link – Sunday April 23rd 1.30pm to 5pm – 2k walk. Smoking ceremony, walk and concert.

FB – Transport and traffic forum and encourages a bus service around Bibra Lake and from train station as it has lots of recreation and lack of bus services and parking – WA Wildlife, the Wetlands Centre, Adventure world, Ice Arena, Aboriginal Cultural Centre and skatepark. Peter Tinley and City of Cockburn attended meeting. The Wetlands Centre – Cultural Education Program 28 April, 9am to 3pm. Submitted first RAP (Reconciliation Action Plan) and will be hosting Cultural Community Day shortly. The Wetlands Centre nursery is now growing seedlings from cuttings and nursery might be able to assist for recalcitrant species in the corridor.

CP, SH – nothing to report

11. Appointment of Chair for next meeting

FB appointed as Chair for 11 May 2023 meeting.

12. Next Meeting

Thursday 11 May 2023, 3pm-5pm at the City of Cockburn, Administration Building. 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood. Doowart – Tuart Tree – Public Gallery Area 2.

Meeting closed at 4.08pm

Apologies for next meeting: