

**Mackay Regional Council
Natural Environment Advisory Committee**

MINUTES OF MEETING

9.00am, Thursday, 8th December, 2016

Venue: Council Chambers

Attendance: Cr May (Acting Committee Chair and Councillor Representative), Cr Gee (Councillor Representative), Lisa Kermode (Natural Environment Coordinator), Peter Owen (Acting Director Development Services), Margaret Lane (Pioneer Catchment and Landcare Group Representative), Shelley Molloy (Mackay Regional Pest Management Group Representative), Lara Mathewson (Sarina Landcare Catchment Management Association Representative).

Apologies: Cr Camm (Committee Chair and Councillor Representative), Gerard Carlyon (Director Development Services), Rob Cocco (Reef Catchments Representative).

ITEMS	COMMENTS	ACTION / RECOMENDATION	DATE TO BE COMPLETED
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.0 Confirmation of minutes 	The minutes of the previous meeting held 3 rd November 2016 were confirmed as true and correct – Moved Lisa Kermode, Seconded Margaret Lane.	Margaret requested that draft minutes are circulated to committee members prior to being considered by Council.	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.0 Councillor update on the acceptance of the minutes by Council 	The November 2016 meeting minutes were accepted by the Economic Development and Planning Committee on 7 th December 2016. All recommendations were adopted.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3.0 Business arising from the previous minutes • 3.1 Action list review 	The action list was reviewed and updated.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.0 Presentations • 4.1 Urban Stormwater Quality 	Luke Galea, Council’s Waterways Team Supervisor gave an overview of the review of the Urban Stormwater Quality	Luke will organise a field trip to look at some of the	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5.3 Land Acquisition • 5.4 Beach Plan Review 	<p>team also assisted with a Whitsunday Anglican School excursion.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the future of Green Army and potential round 5 projects</p> <p>Update provided as per action list.</p> <p>Update provided on the review process and the feedback and issues received to date.</p> <p>It was noted that PCL and Birdlife Mackay will shortly provide submissions on the plans.</p> <p>The East Point site was discussed</p>	<p>Follow up with Federal Government regarding decisions about round 5 funding allocation and the future of Green Army programs.</p> <p>An update on the East Point Development site was requested.</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6.0 Financial Report 	<p>The financial report was tabled and discussed.</p> <p>Minor amendment to be made to the report to show expected income for the year.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the budget process and at what point feedback from NEAC is sought.</p> <p>Land Acquisition Fund – potentially seeking funds for other projects was discussed.</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7.0 Other Business 	<p>1.0 Margaret Lane tabled a report regarding PCL activities.</p> <p>2.0 Margaret Lane raised the Mackay Waterfront Development Plan Project and expressed her concern.</p> <p>Cr May explained the purpose and scope of the PDA area.</p>	<p>A presentation on the project will be organised for the February meeting and the due date for</p>	

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	<p>3.0 Lara Mathewson asked who in Council prohibited weeds need to be reported to. All prohibited weeds should be reported to the Pest Management Officers.</p>	<p>community submissions will be confirmed.</p>	

Meeting closed 10.55 am
Next meeting: TBA