

NOTES

WOLLONGONG HERITAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

5.15 PM ON WEDNESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2015



PRESENT

Councillor Vicki Curran (Chair)

Carol Herben

Annette Williams

Sharralyn Robinson

IN ATTENDANCE

Renee Campbell – Manager Environment
Strategy and Planning

David Green – Land Use Planning Manager

Joel Thompson – Strategic Project Officer –
Heritage

Emma Struys – Strategic Project Officer

Martin Jameson – Development Project Officer

Belinda Craft – Recreation Planning and Policy
Officer

NOTE: As a quorum was not reached for this meeting these notes provide a record of discussion amount those present only.

- 1 WELCOME – Councillor Curran (Chair) welcomed everyone to the meeting.
- 2 APOLOGIES – Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of Ben Meek, Douglas Boleyn, Meredith Hutton and Councillor Ann Martin.
- 3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY – Councillor Curran (Chair) provided the Acknowledgement of Country.
- 4 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:
Carol Herben declared a non-significant, non-pecuniary interest in relation to Waterfall General (Garrawarra) Cemetery (Item 7 of Agenda).
Annette Williams declared a non-pecuniary interest in relation to Berkeley Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Group (Item 10 of Agenda).
- 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10 JUNE 2015
As a quorum was not reached, this item was deferred to the next meeting of the Wollongong Heritage Advisory Committee to be held on Wednesday 11 November 2015.

Order of Items 6 Hill 60 Master Plan and Item 7 Waterfall General (Garrawarra Cemetery Draft Planning Proposal changed.

- 7 WATERFALL GENERAL (GARRAWARRA) CEMETERY DRAFT PLANNING PROPOSAL
Joel introduced Emma Struys, Strategic Project Officer with Land Use Planning.

Emma provided update to those present on the draft Planning Proposal in accordance with information provided in Business Paper.

Joel advised in relation to the progression of other outcomes of the project that hand over to Council's Property Division, who are taking over this project, has commenced

All Committee members present at the meeting, agreed that the draft Planning Proposal should be supported and adopted by Council.

6 HILL 60 MASTER PLAN

Joel introduced Martin Jameson, Development Project Officer and Belinda Craft, Recreation Planning and Policy Officer. Martin provided those present with an update on this project in accordance with information provided in Business Paper and presented PowerPoint presentation (copy of presentation attached).

It was noted that Belinda would now be working on this project in Martin's place.

Comments from Committee members on the draft Plan to be emailed to Joel, who will forward these to Martin and Belinda.

8 DENMARK HOTEL – PROPOSAL FOR ACCESS VIA BULLI MINERS COTTAGE

Joel provided update to those present in accordance with Business Paper.

Discussion occurred as to options and the state of the property. Some support was offered for the potential sale of the Bulli Miners Cottage, provided that it allowed for the conservation of both sites.

All Committee members present at the meeting, generally supported allowing a right of carriageway. The potential provision of car parking for the Miners Cottage on the site, as part of the agreement was also suggested.

9 WOLLONGONG MUSEUM TRAIL

Joel provided update to those present in accordance with Business Paper.

Brochures are available at the Museums.

All Committee members present at the meeting supported the sending letters of thanks to Mark Sleight of Destination Wollongong and David Bottin of Lost Wollongong, expressing the appreciation and support of the Wollongong Heritage Advisory Committee for this valuable initiative.

10 2015-2016 HERITAGE GRANT ALLOCATION

Joel provided update to those present in accordance with Business Paper and confirmed grant fund allocation.

All Committee members present at the meeting, supported thanking the sub-committee membership for their work.

11 EX-OFFICIO MEMBERSHIP CHANGES/RESIGNATIONS

Joel advised those present of current position in accordance with Business Paper.

There is currently a review of the membership of the Environment Strategy and Planning reference groups taking place including a performance review process (Item 15.4 of Business Paper).

All Committee members present at the meeting, supported:

1. *Hillary Powell, Local Studies Coordinator (Acting) be invited to attend future Wollongong Heritage Advisory Committee meetings to provide updates on Library related matters relevant to the business of the Committee.*
2. *Council write to Destination Wollongong on behalf of the Wollongong Heritage Advisory Committee to:*
 - a. *Express gratitude for the valuable support of Holly Pritchard to the Committee over recent years;*
 - b. *Express gratitude and recognition for the renewed interest and commitment of Destination Wollongong in the City's Heritage under the management of Mark Sleigh.*
 - c. *Request that Destination Wollongong nominate a new representative from the organisation to join the Heritage Committee in an ex-officio capacity.*

12 ILLAWARRA 200 COMMITTEE UPDATE

Joel provided an update to those present on the last meeting – next Expression of Interest to open towards the end of September, closing in November. This relates to events for next year (2016).

13 UPDATES FROM LOCAL HERITAGE INTEREST GROUPS

Berkeley Pioneer Cemetery Restoration Group – Annette Williams

Annette advised:

- that the heritage convict seat bricks donated to the site have algae growing on them – they have obtained a Cadburys grant to conserve the seat.
- Bitou bush is growing on the boundary.
- Thanked committee for the \$800.00 heritage fund grant for the restoration of Samuel's monument.

Carol Herben

Carol advised:

- She has been asked to speak at three different interest groups – Probus, Rotary and Camden Historical Society.
- From Wednesday 16 September the Lake Times and Advertiser will be a combined paper. Column will now be titled "Timeless Illawarra".
- She has been asked to speak at Corrimal Library by the Corrimal History Group on 22 October – Local Studies have assisted with photos.
- Requested that Council take control of the Windy Gully Cemetery.

Illawarra Local Aboriginal Land Council – Sharralyn Robinson

Sharralyn advised:

- NADOC week went well. This included a Ball which was held in Nowra and a family fun day held at Windang. The family fun day has grown and they had thousands of people attend.
- The state of Bakers Lane caused problems on the family fun day – it is overgrown and created major traffic problems.

- Land Council meeting next month and new board will be appointed for next four years.

Wollongong City Library

Joel advised of the Friends of the Wollongong City Library's Local History Competition Prize. This involves a local history competition with a prize of \$5,000, for original research in the Illawarra area.

14 SUB-COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. **Heritage Festival Sub-Committee**

Deadline for including items in the festival approaching and a meeting of the sub-committee needs to be held to commence putting items together.

National Trust need items by end of November.

2. **Historic Cemetery's Policy Sub-Committee**

Carol advised she is nearly finished her report on cemetery policy which is to go to Council.

Annette advised due to other commitments work on this item is on hold but she will get back onto it in December / January.

15 HERITAGE OFFICER'S REPORT

Joel provided a summary of the matters in the Heritage Officer's Report.

16 OTHER MATTERS

DA for minor extension to Belmore Basin was raised as a matter of concern. Joel provided information on this issue and encouraged members to consider making a submission.

The meeting concluded at 7.32 pm.

Notes of this informal meeting to be tabled at the next meeting, to be held at 5.15 pm on Wednesday 11 November 2015.

2015 – Future Meetings Schedule

Wednesday 11 February	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm
Wednesday 11 March	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm
Wednesday 13 May moved to 10 June	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm
Wednesday 15 July <i>CANCELLED</i>	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm
Wednesday 9 September	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm
Wednesday 11 November	Level 10 Committee Rooms 2 and 3	5.15 pm

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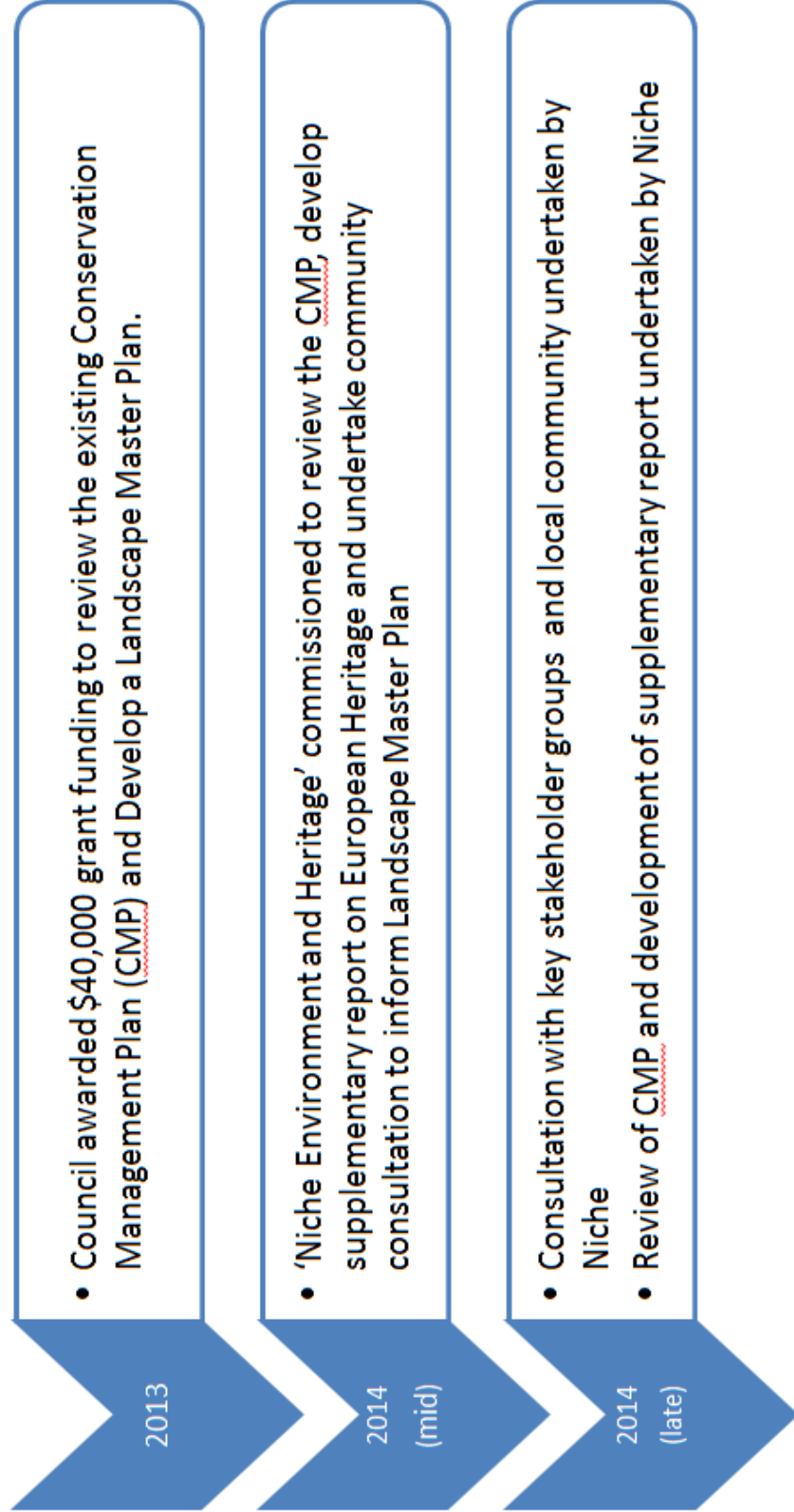
Hill 60 Reserve, Port Kembla

Review of Conservation Management Plan and Development of Landscape Master Plan



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- **BACKGROUND AND PROJECT TIMELINE**



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- **KEY OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION**
- Keep area green, but manage impact on views
- Improve pedestrian access throughout site (walking tracks, lookouts, beaches etc)
- Investigate public access to the military tunnels
- On site coffee van or café
- Develop Aboriginal and European interpretive signage and public artwork
- Provide public facilities (park furniture etc) along MM Beach



- **KEY RECOMMENDATIONS OF REVIEW OF CMP**

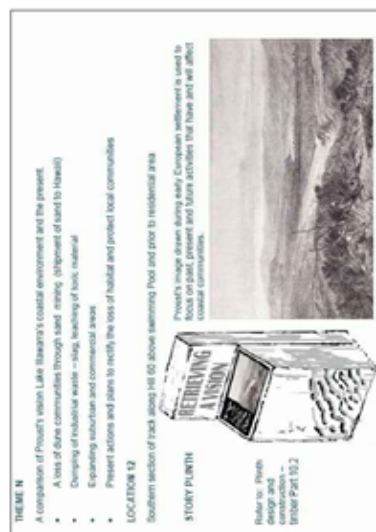
- Determine the structural integrity and potential for access to the Military Tunnels
- Establish a formal walking track around the reserve
- Develop Aboriginal and European interpretive signage and public artwork
- Enhance public facilities (park furniture etc) along MM Beach
- Further study into archaeological potential of site
- General maintenance of heritage items and vegetation management



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- **KEY ITEMS ON MASTER PLAN**
- Enhanced viewing areas for community use
- Greater interpretive signage and artwork
- Improved pedestrian and vehicle access
- Formalised walking tracks that celebrate the Aboriginal cultural heritage of the area
- Public facilities on MM Beach
- Investigations into the use of the military tunnels



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• EXCERPTS FROM MASTER PLAN



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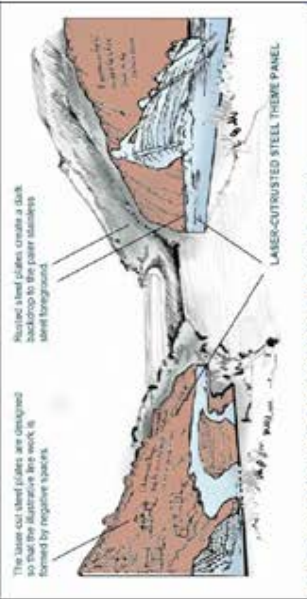


PHOTO OF EXISTING ENTRANCE TO FISHERMANS BEACH FACING EAST.



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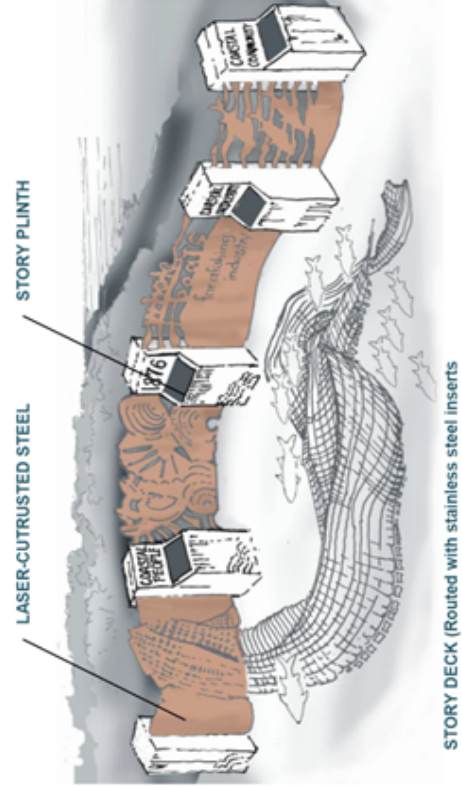
LASER-CUT TRUSTED STEEL THEME PANEL.

IMAGE OF CONCEPT DESIGN FOR LASER-CUT STEEL THEME PANEL COMMEMORATING ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE (FISHING METHODS) AT FISHERMANS BEACH ¹³



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- **CURRENT ACTIONS**
- Collating results of public exhibition of draft master plan
- Developing preliminary scope of capital works for the next three years
- Currently undertaking an assessment of the structural integrity of the Military Tunnels
- Currently undertaking a archaeological survey of existing, and former, World War Two items
- Internal discussions regarding interpretive signage and public art



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Questions?