

TOWN *of* CLAREMONT

Agenda

Foreshore Advisory Committee Meeting

Wednesday 21 August 2024

Please be advised that a Foreshore Advisory Committee Meeting will be held at **4:00 pm** on **Wednesday 21 August 2024** at 308 Stirling Highway, Claremont

Liz Ledger
Chief Executive Officer

DISCLAIMER

Persons present at this meeting are cautioned against taking any action as a result of any Committee recommendation until such time as those recommendations have been considered by Council.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

That the minutes of the Foreshore Advisory Committee Meeting held on 22 May 2024 be confirmed.

5 PRESENTATION

Nil

6 REPORTS OF THE CEO

6.1 UPDATES AND ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

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Authoriser: Liz Ledger (Chief Executive Officer)

Attachments: Nil

PURPOSE

To provide updates to Advisory Committee members on items related to the Claremont Foreshore.

BACKGROUND

Updates are provided for the following items:

1. Sand Management Plan
2. High Water Mark Survey Report
3. Foreshore and Jetty Infrastructure
4. Litter
5. Community Safety Patrols
6. Cat Management
7. Promotion of the Foreshore
8. Riverbank Grants
9. Foreshore Vehicle Access

DISCUSSION

1. Sand Management Plan

Sand nourishment works have been included in the 2024-2025 financial year budget for the fourth year of the Sand Management Plan's initial five-year program. Works are subject to DPLH Regulation 10 approval. It is suggested that the timing of the works is adjusted to early Summer. This is being reviewed as the Town continues to try to maximise the efficiencies and results of these works.

2. High Water Mark Survey Update

No further progress from the DBCA since the previous committee meeting. Previous advice was that the Deposited Plan was being considered by Department of Planning Lands and Heritage with some changes to the annotation requested from the surveyors.

3. Foreshore and Jetty Infrastructure

The Mrs Hebert's Park Playground installation was completed during May 2024 and is already proving very popular.

4. Litter

Contractors and Town Staff continue to conduct regular foreshore inspections to clean up any litter from the foreshore.

Washed up of seaweed along the foreshore is a naturally recurring event. DBCA are the authority over the low-lying areas of the foreshore and instruct that it is to be left in place and not removed. Seaweed provides habitat, food sources and stabilisation of beach sand. If the levels build up to an extent requiring reduction, the DBCA undertakes such work.

5. Community Safety patrols

The Community Safety team undertake inspections of the foreshore reserve. This is to ensure proper dog behaviour, compliance with parking regulations, and to discourage antisocial behaviour. Throughout the year during periods of high activity, inspections can occur several times a day. The infringement penalty for dogs off lead is \$200.

6. Cat management

1 March 2024, the Town’s new local law came into effect with Claremont Foreshore included as part of the new Cat Prohibited Zones.

7. Promotion of the Foreshore

‘A Day on the Bay’ is planned for May 2025 this financial year.

8. Riverbank Grants

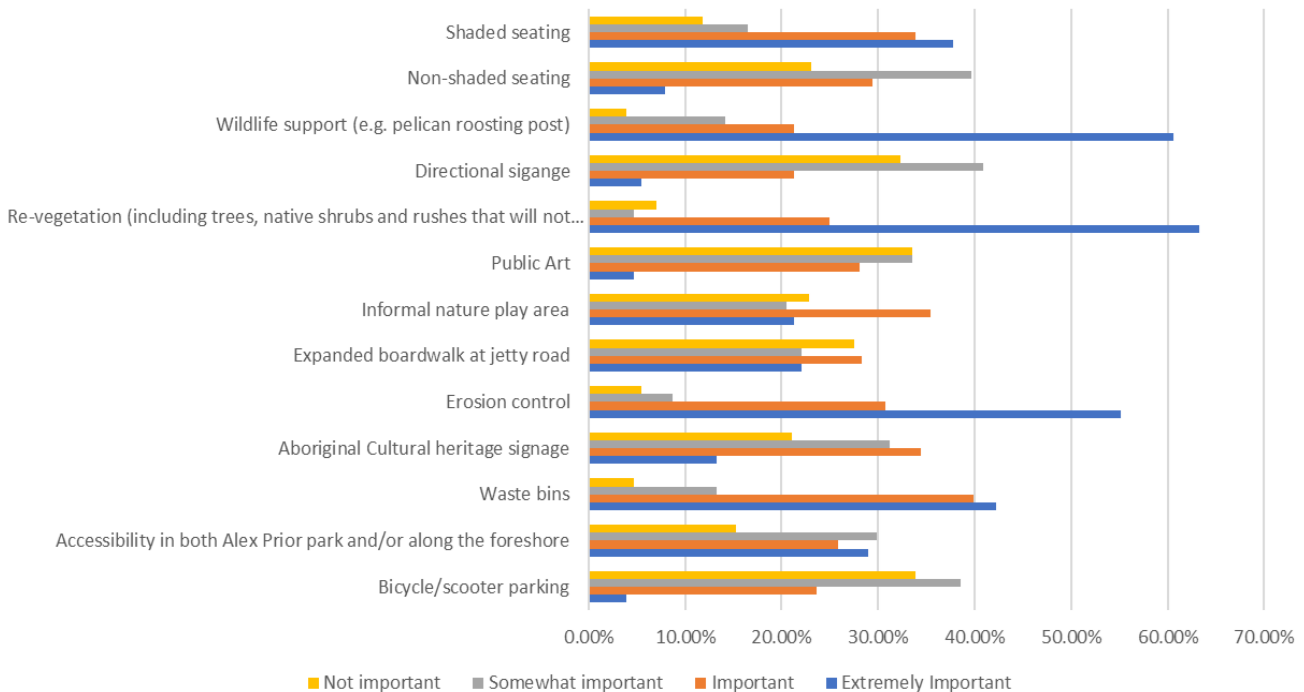
Foreshore Masterplan

The draft Claremont Foreshore Enhancement Plan has been presented to Council.

A period of Public Consultation has also been completed via an online survey. The community were asked to rate their priorities for foreshore enhancements and provide answers and comments against a range of questions.

The survey was open for five weeks, closing 31st July, with a total of 128 respondents. Eighty-three percent of respondents stated they were Town of Claremont residents. Priorities receiving the highest ratings by the community were erosion control, revegetation and wildlife protection.

Public Consultation – Priorities for the future management of the Claremont Foreshore:



Following the completion of the survey, a final project report will be provided to the Town and DBCA, August 2024.

Management Plan – Western Foreshore

The Town has been awarded a Riverbank Grant following a submission made, April 2023. This was a joint submission in partnership with the Shire of Peppermint Grove to the DBCA focusing on the areas of Foreshore from Bindaring Parade to Leake Street, along The Esplanade, and the Osborne Parade Lookout area.

It is proposed that a management plan is created for this challenging site. The Town noted in the submission that it currently has a high volume of weeds, erosion issues, fire management considerations, and it is a registered Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Site.

Sand Management

The Town has applied for an additional Riverbank Grant to assist our ongoing Sand Management Plan works. The grant will be to fund detailed geotechnical subsoil investigations of the types and extents of rubble buried along the foreshore, east of the Chester Road car park. The DBCA will announce in August 2024 if successful.

Future Grant Applications

The Town was recently made aware of a Department of Transport grant which could fund the completion of a concept design for a formalised dinghy storage area to the west of the Claremont Yacht Club, where dinghies are currently left in a haphazard fashion.

Formalisation of the dinghy storage area is one of the desirable outcomes listed within the draft Foreshore Masterplan. A design being completed would enable the detailed review of options by both the committee and council and provide some information on likely costs should this be something council elected to complete.

Applications for this grant close September 2024.

9. Foreshore Vehicle Access.

There are currently no ongoing vehicle access arrangements in place for the Foreshore Reserve between developers and the Town. Applications are assessed on a case-by-case basis as they come in.

When the 56 Victoria Avenue build is completed, the Town will arrange for the turf to be top-dressed in the areas that they were using previously.

PAST RESOLUTIONS

Foreshore Advisory Committee Meeting 22 May 2024, Committee Recommendation 004/24

That the Committee notes the progress of the various program activities relating to the foreshore.

FINANCIAL AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

POLICY AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Water and Rivers Commission Act 1995, Local Government Act 1995 and the other relevant document is WESROC Foreshore Management Plan.

COMMUNICATION AND CONSULTATION

As per project requirements.

STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN

Liveability *We are an accessible community with well-maintained and managed assets. Our heritage is preserved for the enjoyment of the community.*

- Provide clean, usable, attractive and accessible streetscapes and public spaces.

Environmental Sustainability *We are a leader in responsibly managing the built and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to demonstrate diligent environmental practices.*

- Protect and conserve the natural flora and fauna of Lake Claremont and the Foreshore.

URGENCY

Progress update requiring no action.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority decision of Committee (*More than half the Committee Members present are required to vote in favour*).

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That the Foreshore Advisory Committee:

- 1. Notes the progress of the various program activities relating to the foreshore.**

7 OTHER BUSINESS

8 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PRESIDING PERSON OR BY DECISION OF MEETING

9 FUTURE MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE

Foreshore Advisory Committee Meeting, Thursday, 14 November 2024 at 8:00am

10 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE OF MEETING