

MINUTES OF MEETING



BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 12 November 2015
Time	9.00am

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Minutes of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 12 November 2015

File No: I2015/1361

PRESENT: Cr A Hunter, Cr R Wanchap

Staff: Sharyn French (Manager Land and Natural Environment)
Sandi Middleton (Sustainability Officer)

Community voting members: Andy Baker, Samala Heart,
Kate Smillie, Peter Westheimer

Community non voting members: Chris Sanderson

Cr Cr A Hunter (Chair) opened the meeting at 9am and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

APOLOGIES:

Cr S Richardson (Mayor), Donovan Adcock, Luke McConnell, Joanna Immig.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

There were no declarations of interest.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

RECOMMENDATION:

That the minutes of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 October 2015 be confirmed.

Samala Hart/Chris Sanderson

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION:

1. This Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee be kept informed of the progress relating to vegetation mapping; Rural Land Use Strategy; High Conservation Value; High Environmental Value and EZones) and that consideration be given to developing a summary document of the interrelationship between these.

RECOMMENDATION:

2. That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee receive a status report on environmental levy expenditure.

Kate Smillie/Peter Westheimer

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried

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RECOMMENDATION:

3. That the sub working group "Review of Biodiversity and Conservation Strategy " meet before the end of the year to discuss the review of the wildlife corridor mapping and methodology.

Peter Westheimer/AndyBaker

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried

STAFF REPORTS - SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Report No. 5.1 Low Carbon Strategy Update
File No: I2015/1102

Committee recommendation:

That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee receive and note the report and that the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee congratulate Council on achieving and progressing 99% of the first year actions in the Low Carbon Strategy.

(Cr R Wanchap/Samala Hart)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 5.2 Zero Emissions Byron Update
File No: I2015/1298

Committee recommendation:

That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee note and supports the report, and request progress on baseline figures at the next Biodiversity & Sustainability Committee meeting where available.

(Samala Hart / Andy Baker)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 5.3 Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting Dates
2016
File No: I2015/1299

Committee recommendation:

1. That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee meets from 9.00am to 11.00am on the following dates during 2016, subject to ordinary meeting dates:

- Thursday, 18 February 2016

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- **Thursday, 21 April 2016**
- **Thursday, 23 June 2016**
- **Thursday, 18 August 2016**
- **Thursday, 10 November 2016**
- **Or as required**

(Kate Smillie / Samala Hart)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

- 2. That if required an additional meeting be scheduled for the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee to consider the draft 2016/17 Environmental Levy Budget.**
- 3. That Chris Sanderson be invited to become a voting member of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee**

(Peter Westheimer / Cr R Wanchap)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 11.00am.
