

MINUTES OF MEETING



BIODIVERSITY AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue	Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby
Date	Thursday, 18 February 2016
Time	9.00am

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Minutes of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, 18 February 2016
File No: I2016/137

PRESENT: Cr S Richardson (Mayor), Cr A Hunter, Cr R Wanchap

Staff: Sharyn French (Manager Land and Natural Environment)
Greg Shanahan (Acting Natural Environment Officer Policy & Projects)
Sandi Middleton (Sustainability Officer)
Michelle Chapman (Minute Taker)

Community voting members: Joanna Immig, Luke McConnell, Peter Westheimer, Chris Sanderson

Cr Richardson (Chair) opened the meeting at 9.10am and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

APOLOGIES:

Andy Baker, Samala Heart, James Mayson, Kate Smillie, Donovan Adcock

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST – PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

There were no declarations of interest.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Committee Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held on 12 November 2015 be confirmed.

(Hunter/Wanchap)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried..

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Resignation of non-voting Community members

The Committee noted there are no longer any non voting members and that the constitution be amended accordingly.

STAFF REPORTS - SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Report No. 5.1 Environmental Levy Budget
File No: I2015/343

Committee Recommendation:

- 1. That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommend that funds allocated in the 2016/17 draft Budget to revise the Vegetation Mapping with the 2015 high resolution aerial imagery be split equally at \$22,000 each between the three**

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Directorates, given that more accurate vegetation mapping will benefit each Directorate's delivery of their projects and services.

- 2. That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommend that funds allocated in the 2016/17 draft Budget to the Low Carbon Strategy be increased by \$10,000 to \$23,000.**
- 3. That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommend that funds allocated in the 2016/17 draft Budget to enact possible actions from the Integrated Weed Management Strategy upon its adoption and the Roadside Vegetation Management Plan be increased by \$10,000 to \$19,200.**

(Wanchap/Westheimer)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 5.2 High Conservation Value (HCV) and Office of Environment and Heritage's High Environmental Value (HEV) methodology
File No: I2015/1501

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Committee note this report.

(Richardson/Hunter)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried..

Report No. 5.3 Wildlife Corridor Mapping
File No: I2016/30

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity and Sustainability Advisory Committee note the report and that the Biodiversity Conservation Strategy sub group will meet to discuss the review of the wildlife corridor mapping.

(Immig/Hunter)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 10.53am.
