MINUTES OF MEETING



BIODIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Venue Conference Room, Station Street, Mullumbimby

Monday, 11 February 2019

Time **3.15pm**

BYRON SHIRE COUNCIL

BIODIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

11 FEBRUARY 2019

Minutes of the Biodiversity Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 11 February 2019

File No: 12019/187

PRESENT: Cr C Coorey, Cr S Ndiaye

Staff: Sharyn French (Manager Environmental and Economic Planning)

Chloe Dowsett (Coastal and Biodiversity Coordinator) Peter Boyd (Project Officer – Environmental Projects)

Karen Love (Research Officer - Integrated Pest Management)
Michael Matthews (Manager Open Spaces & Resource Recovery)

Community: Peter Westheimer

Luke McConell

Greg Shannahan (BVL) Margaret Greenway

Invited Guests: Nigel Cotsell (Ecosure – Consultant for Biodiversity Conservation

Strategy Consultation)

Cr Coorey (Chair) opened the meeting at 3.25pm and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Bundjalung Country.

APOLOGIES:

Cr J Martin, Shannon Burt (Director Sustainable Environment and Economy)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST - PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY

There were no declarations of interest.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Committee Recomendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee note that:

- a) the previous meeting scheduled to be held on 10 December 2018 did not proceed as quorum was not reached.
- b) the minutes of the meeting held on 15 October 2018 were adopted by Council, at the Ordinary Meeting held on 13 December 2018.

(McConell/Coorey)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

There was no business arising from previous minutes.

PROCEDURAL MOTION

Committee Recommendation:

That Council change the order of business to deal with Reports 4.3, 4.4, 4.6 next on the Agenda. (Coorey/Ndiaye)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

STAFF REPORTS - SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY

Report No. 4.3 Biodiversity Conservation Strategy Consultation

File No: 12019/6

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee:

- 1. Note that community engagement forms a key part of developing the revised Biodiversity Conservation Strategy.
- 2. Inform the Consultant of the key biodiversity values, issues and threats important to the Committee.
- 3. Receives a draft Biodiversity Conservation Strategy prior to the public exhibition for review and feedback.

(Ndiaye/Coorey)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 4.4 Integrated Pest Management Strategy - mapping and revised

timeframes for project delivery

File No: 12019/7

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Committee:

- 1. Note the report and update on delivery of the project key milestones.
- 2. Recommend to Council to endorse in principle the IPM Strategy Communications Plan (Attachment 2 E2018/115375).
- 3. Review the Draft IPM exclusion and minimisation mapping (Attachment 1 E2019/1847), Draft Pesticide Use Decision Tree (Attachment 3 E2019/2054) and provide feedback by 12 March 2019.

(Westheimer/Greenway)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 4.6 Submissions Report on the draft Pest Animal Management Plan

File No: 12019/58

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee:

- 1. Note the submissions received during the public exhibition period (9 August to 21 September 2018), issues raised and staff comments.
- 2. Recommend to Council to adopt the Pest Animal Management Plan (Attachment 2-E2018/108387) as amended following public exhibition and outlined in Table 1 of this report.

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(Coorey/Greenway)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 4.1 Brunswick Valley Landcare - Landcare Support Officer Report

File No: 12019/4

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee note the report.

(Ndiaye/Coorey)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 4.2 Flying Fox Project Reference Group

File No: 12019/5

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee:

- 1. Note the outcomes of the two meetings held on 2 October 2018 and 27 November 2018.
- 2. Recommend to Council that the amended Constitution of the Flying Fox Project Reference Group (Attachment 1 E2018/109946) be adopted.
- 3. Recommend to Council that the Councillor representative not be replaced on the Flying Fox Project Reference Group as it reports to the Biodiversity Advisory Committee on which there are 3 nominated Councillors.

(Westheimer/McConell)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

Report No. 4.5 2019 Meeting dates

File No: 12019/42

Committee Recommendation:

That the Biodiversity Advisory Committee:

- 1. Note the 2019 meeting dates, and include two additional field trips in between the scheduled dates.
- 2. Amend the June meeting date to be Monday 17 June in lieu of Monday 10 June 2019.
- 3. Extraordinary meetings will be called when required.
- 4. Future agenda items and field trips to include: fire and biodiversity, wildlife corridors, flying foxes.

(Coorey/Ndiaye)

The recommendation was put to the vote and declared carried.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 4.59pm.