

Minutes

Date 12/10/11

Time 5.30pm **Location** South East Regional Office, Gate
12 Worsley Road, Bangholme

Chairperson	Joy Humphreys	Meeting Subject	Quiet Lakes Meeting
Attendees	Committee Members: Anthony Moffatt (PLQLOR) Jeff Welsh, Nanne Stubbs & Rolf Daniels. Melbourne Water (MW) Tim Seipolt, Wendy West, Simon Marchington & Donna Bui		
Apologies	City of Kingston KCC: Cr Trevor Shewan. John Thompson		
Note Taker	Alan Clements		

1. Agenda item	Welcome & Apologies	Presenter	Joy Humphreys
Discussion	Joy welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance. Joy asked for any additional apologies. Joy informed everyone that the purpose of these meetings as an advisory committee was to share and gather information.		
2. Agenda item	Confirmation of the minutes & matters arising from previous meeting	Presenter	Joy Humphreys
Discussion	<p>The PLQLOR representative on the committee did not believe that all the comments that were discussed were captured in the previous minutes and therefore requested it be acknowledged that he did not accept Item 1 under general business & correspondence as a accurate account of what was discussed.</p> <p>Confirmation of the minutes from the previous meeting to be accepted Moved: Nanne Stubbs Seconded: Jeff Welsh</p>		
3. Agenda item	Outstanding items from previous meeting	Presenter	Tim Seipolt, Wendy West, Alan Clements
Discussion	<p><u>Quiet Lake Signage</u></p> <p>Committee members did not believe any further signage around the Quiet Lakes was warranted. Ongoing to be discussed at next meeting.</p> <p><u>Bore water entitlement</u></p> <p>Tim informed the committee that SKM will be drilling a 20 metre shallow test bore. SRW will then monitor if there is any reaction between the underground aquifers. Pump tests will be conducted to test for the potential capacity of the bore, salt water intrusion, interaction between the aquifers and subsidence.</p>		

	<p>MW has been in discussions with SKM & SRW and it is a tier 3 application which is the most severe in its requirements. At this stage, there is no timing when the application will be finalised. Tim advised that he will provide a further update before the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Debris removal trial</u></p> <p>On the 19th September 2011, Melbourne Water commenced a three monthly mid month debris collection trial. The maintenance team picked up about 8 piles raked up by the residents. The remaining dates for the trial are the 17th October & 21st November 2011.</p> <p><u>Water quality management plan.</u></p> <p>Tim handed out Jason Sonneman (Design Flows) summary of the outcomes of a water quality review undertaken in response to PLQLOR data between rainfall and BGA</p> <p>Tim informed the committee that the Water quality management plan and his summary handout will be placed on the Melbourne Water website.</p> <p>PLQLOR believes their data collected over a 18 month period shows there is a connection between rainfall and BGA activity, and they believe MW should run a trial of running the bore pump to flush water through the quiet lakes.</p> <p>Tim commented that he believes Jason's handout answered PLQLOR queries and that these trials had been undertaken in the past, and that rainwater is not bore water. Running bore water with organic nitrogen loads to flush the lakes would be a concern when MW is trying to stop nitrogen loads from entering Port Phillip Bay.</p> <p>Other PLAC members would like more information from suitably qualified experts to see if bore water would have any detrimental effects on the quiet lakes before they can make further comments.</p>		
4. Agenda item	Water quality management plan update	Presenter	Tim Seipolt
Discussion	<p>Tim gave the committee an update on the water quality management plan.</p> <p><u>Carp Removal Trial</u></p> <p>With the aquatic plants in Lake Carramar & Illawong seine netting of carp fish can not be successfully be undertaken. Melbourne Water arranged for the Arthur Riley Research Institute to spend the morning undertaking an electro fishing trial in Lake Illawong, there was no charge for this trial</p> <p>We were very pleased with the results and in a short time we caught 92 carp fish.</p>		

	<p><u>Sediment Removal</u></p> <p>We are working with GHD to undertake sediment sampling in the Quiet Lakes. This will inform us what is in the sediments and therefore this will determine how we will eventually have to remove and dispose of the sediments.</p> <p><u>Aquatic Plants</u></p> <p>The plants have been ordered and before they are planted we will consult with the residents. Committee member commented that Lake Illawong and Carramar have plenty of aquatic plants but they still have BGA. They were informed while they are aquatic plants they are not the right type of species nor are there sufficient coverage.</p> <p><u>Maintenance report</u></p> <p>The maintenance works report was sent to PLAC with the meeting agenda. There is the opportunity to discuss the maintenance report at the meetings if anyone has any comments.</p>		
4. Agenda item	General business & correspondence	Presenter	Tim Seipolt, Simon Marchington & Wendy West
Discussion	<p>Quiet Lakes BGA Results</p> <p>The signage can be removed once we have two continuous weeks below the level, however this is the minimum and may remain in place longer.</p> <p>General drainage & waterway charge</p> <p>As the committee member who asked this to be included as an agenda item is not present tonight, it was decided that we will hold it over to the next meeting.</p> <p>MW brief for the water quality management plan</p> <p>A committee member would like to see Design Flows brief that they were given by MW for the water quality management plan. To help them understand the process as the residents are paying for these costs.</p> <p>A committee member also asked if there was any connection between the Quiet lakes and the tidal waterways. Tim informed the committee that it may be possible to have overflows from Lake Carramar gravity feed into the tidal waterways although extensive modifications to the existing structures would need to be undertaken.</p> <p>Proposed pricing reform - Additional information</p> <p>Simon presented to the committee the additional information they requested. His presentation is attached to the minutes. A committee member asked Simon if he could provide PLAC with a map showing what residents are all</p>		

	<p>paying. Simon believed he could provide a map for the committee.</p> <p>Some of the committee thought that there should be a flat rate that all residents pay as they all have the use of the amenities. While another member was in favour of the changes and another was unsure at this point of time.</p> <p>Wendy informed the committee that everyone had two weeks to respond to the proposed pricing reform survey that was posted to all residents of the quiet lakes.</p> <p><u>Christmas function</u></p> <p>The committee was asked their thoughts on where to have the Christmas function and if we should have a meeting beforehand. Everyone appeared to be in favour to have the Christmas function at the Cove Hotel and not to have a meeting prior unless it is required.</p>
<p>6. Meeting Close</p>	<p>Meeting Closed: 7.00pm</p> <p>Next PLAC Meetings: 7th December 2011 – Christmas function</p>