

Minutes

Date 6/04/11

Time 7:20pm **Location** South East Regional Office
Worsley Road, Bangholme

Chairperson	Joy Humphreys	Meeting Subject	Tidal Waterways subcommittee mtg
Attendees	Committee members: Neil James, Andrew Meehan, David Jordan, Judy Wilks, Claude Picinali, Mark Woodland Melbourne Water (MW): Tim Seipolt, Fatima Mohamed, Ross Bleazby & Alan Clements		
Apologies	MW: Louise Alexander KCC: Cr Trevor Shewan		
Note Taker	Alan Clements		

1. Agenda item Confirmation of minutes & matters arising from previous meeting **Presenter** Joy Humphreys & Tim Seipolt

Discussion The committee noted that the minutes had been delayed due to sick leave but were happy to confirm the minutes of the 9 February meeting are correct. An update about previous meeting actions was provided, as outlined below.

Committee suggested newsletter items including Jetty updates, Tidal Gates update, recent flood impact on the tidal canals, precept rate and what it pays for, and a profile on a new member, David Jordan.

Discussion took place around by-laws and who can enforce them. MW advised it has by-laws, but enforcement of them is costly which makes it difficult to be cost effective. Suggestion that MW could engage Parks Victoria to enforce by-laws. MW advised this would need to be funded via precept rate. This was not resolved, but requires further ongoing discussion in future.

Previous Action items	Person responsible	Comments / Status
1. Review maintenance schedule for McLeod Road bridge pillars re. crustacean growth	Alan Clements	Complete
2. Remove concrete block from Patterson River	Alan Clements	More difficult to remove than anticipated. Work in progress
3. PLAC website to be made more user-friendly	Louise Alexander	Complete
4. Review possibility of additional subcommittees	Louise Alexander	For discussion at this meeting
5. MW to investigate safety concerns in western channel of Whalers Cove and 1800 call processes.	Tim Seipolt	Complete – safety changes made. 1800 number

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			now being diverted to MW's main call centre.
6.	MW to follow up localised flooding issue with resident at 58 Gladesville Boulevard	Alan Clements	Spoken to owner & arranged to meet
7.	Review options for enforcing by-laws	Tim Seipolt	For discussion at June meeting
8.	A summary of the meeting will be written and placed on community noticeboards as a trial	Alan Clements	Ongoing

2. Agenda item Capital Works Update **Presenter** Fatima Mohamed

- Presentation**
- Jetties: The jetty replacement program is progressing well with 8 new jetties having been installed and with another 25 applications awaiting for planning permits from Kingston City Council.
 - Dredging: The dredging sediment testing and secondary testing has been completed in many different locations throughout the tidal canals. Our review of the methodology of dredging and disposing of the material is ongoing.
 - Tidal Gates: Works are progressing well with the west gate at Whalers Cove completed and open with the east gate expected to be completed by the end of May. Runaway Bay is expected to be closed on the 9th May and Town centre one week later. It is expected that these gates will be closed for four months while they are being replaced.

Discussion David informed Fatima that he was concerned that residents of the Boulevard were informed by MW that their jetties were to be installed between March – June 2010. As this is not going to happen it would be helpful to provide explanations to help those people understand the decision making.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
MW to forward residents progress update on when jetties are scheduled to be installed	Fatima Mohamed	Apr/May

3. Agenda item Pricing update **Presenter** Tim Seipolt

Discussion Pricing proposal has been approved by the MW board in principal and sent to ESC who has advertised it for community comment. It is on the ESC website for public comment up until the end of April. A letter has also been forwarded to all ratepayers

4. Agenda item Maintenance works report **Presenter** Alan Clements

Discussion MW presented the maintenance works report and gave a brief outline of the works completed.

5. Agenda item General business **Presenter** Joy Humphreys

Discussion A number of matters were raised and discussed during general business, including:

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- *Additional Sub-committees:* There was much discussion regarding whether there is a need for sub committees for the tidal canals. It was suggested that we wait until the second half of the year and if still warranted we can then form the subcommittees.
- *Flooding Event:* It was discussed about the large amount of debris that entered the tidal canals during the recent flood event, and if anything can stop this from occurring in the future. It was agreed that with an event as large as this one it is impossible to stop this from occurring in any future such events.
- *New PLAC Members:* We all have to be mindful that the new members of PLAC will not all be informed on previous discussions or information. If they need any further information or explanations they can contact Tim Seipolt for clarification.
- *Louise Alexander:* MW informed PLAC that Louise will be leaving MW within the next fortnight and MW would like to thank her for her efforts and work over the past 14 months. The committee would like to acknowledge all the hard work and effort that Louise has made, and wish her well.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.
Next meeting 8th June 2011