

Minutes

Date 6/04/11

Time 5:30pm **Location** South east regional Office, Gate 12 Worsley Road, Bangholme

Chairperson	Joy Humphreys	Meeting Subject	Quiet Lakes Sub Committee mtg
Attendees	Committee members: , Rolf Daniel, John Thomson & Anthony Moffatt (PLQLOR) Melbourne Water (MW): Tim Seipolt, Alan Clements & Ross Bleazby		
Apologies	PLAC: Nanne Stubbs, Jeff Welsh MW: Louise Alexander KCC: Cr Trevor Shewan		
Note Taker	Alan Clements		

1. Agenda item Confirmation of minutes from previous meeting & previous actions **Presenter** Joy Humphreys

Discussion Joy noted that there had been a delay in the minutes coming out to the committee; this was due to illness and annual leave, which although this was an unusual event, it was also not foreseen. Overall, the committee members present felt that as the previous meeting was nine weeks ago and they had not had time to read the minutes, they were unable to confirm them. The committee members advised they would read the minutes and forward any suggested changes to Louise.

Previous Action items	Person responsible	Status
1. Provide responses to PLQLOR pricing questions following the meeting	Louise Alexander	Louise to forward responses to Anthony
2. Include rubbish in stormwater reminder in PLAC newsletter & pass signage query on to Kingston City Council	Louise Alexander	Work in progress
3. MW to look at fish behind grate and track around Iluka Island, and pass on drain issue to Kingston City Council	Tim Seipolt	Tim to discuss with aquatic scientists to see if a few dead fish would have any effect on the water quality in the overall body of water Alan has arranged with KCC to undertake the drain works
4. Provide cost estimate for cleaning gutters on	Alan Clements	Approximately

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5.	Inform PLAC re. outcome of liaison with Kingston City Council	Tim Seipolt		With floods and staff having been away this is a work in progress.
6.	PLAC website to be made more user-friendly	Louise Alexander		Completed and emailed to PLAC who thought it looked good and was easy to read.
7.	Review possibility of additional subcommittees (previously raised by Tidal Waterways subcommittee)	Tim Seipolt		Quiet Lakes subcommittee feel it's not required at this stage.
8.	A summary of the meeting will be written and placed on community noticeboards as a trial	Alan Clements		Ongoing

3. Agenda item Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) update **Presenter** Tim Seipolt

Discussion

- Internal review of plan is complete
- 'Design Flow' is collating comments and the final draft plan; draft community communications will be ready next month. We will be asking for feedback from you, once again in regards to how the community may receive this information and any key concerns they might have. We understand there are concerns in the community about weed coverage, however, as the specialists have advised, this is integral to the long-term health of the lake system. We will consider this concern in our proposed plan and communication/consultation with residents. We do not expect the community to comment on the technical aspects of the report; we have independent aquatic specialists providing this advice.
- Correspondence from PLQLOR has been received suggesting an alternative plan. This will be forwarded to water quality experts for their comments.
- A suggestion was raised that the investigation of the potential use of Coptrol be followed up with aquatic scientist Terry Mellor.
- A suggestion was raised that lake infrastructure could be operated with water flow from the bore pump being gravity fed through the lakes to the outfall at Lake Carramar and discharging into the tidal canals at Ibis Court. Tim informed the committee that there is no outfall at Lake Carramar at a level that would allow this. The only outlet low enough is a pipe with a valve which gives you the ability to lower the level of the lakes if required, but this is not an outfall. Tim Seipolt offered to meet the committee on-site to discuss the outlet structure at the southern end of lake Carramar
- In regards to the estimation of stormwater inflow to the lakes, as part of the WQMP the inflows were estimated using MUSIC models

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which is the accepted industry model. Independent modelling is very expensive and because of this it is unlikely to occur.

- BGA testing for the Quiet Lakes is undertaken by an accredited independent laboratory to DSE requirements.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
9. Forward PLQLOR alternative plan to 'Design Flow' for consideration	Tim Seipolt	April
10. Follow up suggestion to consider Coptrol	Tim Seipolt	April
11. Arrange onsite discussion at Lake Carramar with PLAC	Tim Seipolt	Apr/May

4. Agenda item Pricing Update **Presenter** Tim Seipolt

- Discussion**
- Pricing proposal has been approved by the MW Board in principal and sent to the Essential Services Commission (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.
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5. Agenda item Maintenance Works Report **Presenter** Alan Clements

- Discussion**
- MW presented the maintenance works report and gave a brief outline of the works completed.
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6. Agenda item General Business **Presenter** Tim Seipolt & Joy Humphreys

- Discussion**
- MW provided a handout information sheet in response to committee member emails seeking further information on Quiet Lakes data and BGA testing. Much of this information had previously been supplied. Emails requesting information such as this will form part of the general business at each meeting.
 - MW informed the committee that in future, enquiries received between meetings on an urgent business basis or maintenance activities will be dealt with on a daily basis. Other enquiries seeking data should be tabled at PLAC and will be attended to as resources allow.
 - MW confirmed that the next stage with the WQMP is that once all comments have been received for consideration a meeting will be arranged with PLAC to present the final draft of the plan.
 - Committee members approved the proposed new PLAC newsletter format which had been sent to members of PLAC.
 - As the SolarBee has been installed it was asked how MW measures its results and performance. MW was advised by Design Flow that it could test for stratification of the water. Solarbee experts recommended the location and which lake it should be installed in for the trial.
 - In regards to the WQMP it was suggested that MW consult with Kingston City Council to look at other options that may be available.
 - MW informed that it is investigating what is causing the pump at Gladesville Boulevard Pump Station to trip out.
 - MW informed PLAC that Louise will be leaving MW within the next fortnight and would like to thank her for her efforts and work over

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the past 14 months. The committee would also like to thank Louise for her hard work; we appreciate her efforts and wish her well.

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13. MW to present final draft of WQMP to PLAC	Tim Seipolt	May
14. MW to speak with KCC regarding any other options in relation to the WQMP	Tim Seipolt	April

Meeting adjourned at 7.00pm. Next Meeting 8th June 2011