

## Meeting Minutes

<b>Meeting name</b>	Eden Cruise Wharf Community Consultative Committee		
<b>Date</b>	21 November 2023	<b>Time</b>	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm
<b>Location</b>	Virtual via Microsoft Teams and in person at the Eden Welcome Centre		
<b>Meeting chair</b>	Jenny Symons		

### Attendees

#### CCC Members

Jenny Symons (Chair) – JS  
 Clair Mudaliar (Eden Visitor Information Centre) – CM  
 Gail Ward (Community member) - GW  
 Robyn Arthur (Community member / Twofold Bay Yacht Club) - RA  
 John Aveyard (Community member) – JoA  
 Eric Wolske (Eden Chamber of Commerce) – EW  
 Jenny Robb (Community member) – JR  
 Peter Wild (Bega Valley Shire Council) – PeW  
 Richard Lamacraft (Community member) – RL  
 Rob Bain (Community member / POEM) – RB  
 Wayne Shipp (Eden LALC) – WS

#### Guests

Crystal Lenane (Transport for NSW) – CL  
 Enwee Lindford (Transport for NSW) – EL  
 Nathan Penberthy (Transport for NSW – MIDO) – NP  
 Kaliagh Smerdon (Bega Valley Shire Council) – KS  
 James Abbott (Port Authority of NSW) – JaA  
 Joseph Dbais (Port Authority of NSW) – JD  
 Martin Bidgood (Port Authority of NSW) – MB  
 Paul Webster (Port Authority of NSW) – PaW  
 Sam Isaacs (Port Authority of NSW) – SI  
 Trent Morosin (Port Authority of NSW) – TM  
 Emma Moxon (Port Authority of NSW / minutes) – EM

## 2. Apologies

Leanne Scott (Community member)  
 Deb Meers (Cruise Eden)  
 Mark Bateman (Eden LALC)  
 Russell Fitzpatrick (Bega Valley Shire Council)  
 Emily Harrison (Bega Valley Shire Council)  
 George Pajmakoski (Property & Development NSW)  
 Samiru Manukulasuriya (Property & Development NSW)  
 Sara Bennetts (Property & Development NSW)  
 Andrew Dooley (Transport for NSW - MIDO)  
 Doug Walker (Transport for NSW – MIDO)

Maddie Milazzo (Transport for NSW)  
Nerida Green (Port Authority of NSW)

## 2. Acknowledgement of Country (JS)

## 3. Introductions (JS)

## 4. Declaration of pecuniary interests (JS)

- Nil

## 5. Business arising from previous minutes (JS)

- The Committee endorsed the minutes of the 8 August 2023 meeting.

## 6. Port Authority Update

### *Cruise update*

- MB updated the Committee on the 23/24 cruise season:
  - Since the season commenced on 23 October 2023, Eden has had 4 calls.
  - Total of 41 calls expected this season, including 9 maiden calls.
  - Next cruise season, over 30 calls are expected, then over 50 the following season. This is a reflection of the cruise industry returning to normal order following Covid.
- MB updated the Committee on Eden cruise related recruitment at Port Authority:
  - Following Natalie Godward's departure, recruitment will take place for a casual Eden cruise operations position, and a broader regional cruise role based in Sydney that is responsible for regional cruise activities across the State.
- JS queried if conditions have been met in terms of noise and emissions and if any complaints have been received.
- MB confirmed that no complaints have been received and will confirm with the Environment team in relation to compliance.

### *Eden Mod 3*

- SI updated the Committee:
  - Modification report and technical appendices were on public exhibition for a one month period.
  - Submissions received from various government agencies, including Transport for NSW (Biodiversity and Conservation), Department of Primary Industries (Fisheries), and National Parks and Wildlife Service. Environment Protection Authority and Crown Lands responded with no further comment.
  - Submissions from non-government agencies included Bega Valley Shire Council and 9 from the community. Of the 9; 7 objections, 1 comment, and 1 support.
  - Next steps: Port Authority are reviewing submissions and comments and establishing meetings with government agencies. Response to submissions report will be made publicly available via the portal late January 2024. Department of Planning will then do their final review and prepare their assessment reports by March/April 2024.

### *Eden Welcome Centre Façade*

- TM updated the Committee:
  - Since the last meeting, and following investigation, the reiling of the Centre's façade will not proceed at this stage.
  - The designer's intent for the building was for it to age naturally in a weathered state, similar to that of a fishing village.
  - The maintenance team inspected and consulted with architect and confirmed that the integrity of the beams and outside façade are intact and ageing as intended.

- This will be reviewed every five to seven years to ensure preservation of the timber.
- JoA expressed disappointment about the decision to not reoil the Centre's façade, as was previously advised by Port Authority

#### *Widening Weecoon Street*

- JD updated the Committee on the Weecoon Street road widening project:
  - Works completed last month.
  - During the works, took the opportunity to upgrade the car park – refreshed line markings, put in median island, and made more optimised.
- JA commented that the intersection to Imlay Street is unsafe due to trees blocking the view and the give way sign.
- PeW confirmed that is Council land and will follow up with the Asset team.

#### *Eden Welcome Centre furniture*

- JD provided an update on furniture:
  - Two bins and bike racks installed.
  - Three more bins and water fountain to be installed this week.

### **7. Transport for NSW - Marine Infrastructure Delivery Office (MIDO) update**

#### *Snug Cove Maritime Precinct*

- NP and KS presented regarding the [regional Precincts and Partnerships Program](#) (rPPP):
  - At the conclusion of the unsuccessful Safe Harbour tender process, TfNSW and Bega Valley Shire Council (BVSC) have an MOU in place to draft a grant application for the Federal Government's rPPP.
  - The rPPP grant is made up of \$400m provided through two streams; 1. Precinct development and planning, and 2. Precinct delivery.
  - We are seeking 100% grant funding through stream 2, which is for projects that are more mature and closer to being ready to commence.
  - Applications will be assessed twice per financial year until funding is exhausted.
  - Project – scope:
    - Waterside: gangway with wet berths behind the wave attenuator with fuel supply and services facilities.
    - Landside: administration building, car parking, services and facilities, and landscaping.
  - TfNSW, as the primary applicant, is working quickly to submit the grant application this month.
  - Further stages of consultation and opportunity for people to comment once funding has been secured, with the forecast being commencement of works by end 2024.
- JS acknowledged the work that has gone into the progress made following the previous meeting and asked if there was any support the CLG can provide.
- KS advised that many letters of support have been received, but more are welcome and can be sent to her.
- The committee resolved to send a letter of support.

### **8. Eden Wharf Building site – Property and Development NSW**

- EM advised the Committee that when Property and Development NSW sent their apologies, they advised they had no updates.
- CM provided an update on the [petition for a building back at the Eden Wharf](#):
  - For the last 2 months, the petition has been sent fortnightly to the Premier and Minister Kamper.
  - A response has been received, which will be circulated to the Committee.

## 9. BVSC - Public utilities and services

- EW queried about the wait time for the waste management approval for the containers as there are tenants waiting to move into them. Have been waiting since early 2023 with no word from Council.
- PW confirmed he would check with Council's compliance team and advise.
- CM advised that the coffee cart is closing down this week.
- CM advised that the baby changing table in Davidson Place public toilets was damaged and removed so there is no facility in the main street that is publicly accessible. Request for Council to consider a permanent facility in the Davidson Place public toilets that cannot be vandalized.
- KS confirmed she would follow up with Council.

## 10. Questions and general business

- JS queried if the wave attenuator was now complete.
- EL confirmed it is complete and operational.
- JA queried if visiting vessels are able to anchor behind the wave attenuator.
- EL advised not at this stage, but looking to reinstate courtesy and public moorings as a temporary solution until there is further clarity regarding future plans.

Proposed next  
meeting date

21 February 2024

## 10. Close of meeting

- There being no further business the meeting was closed at 6.22pm.