

MINUTES					
SECTION 1: MEETING INFORMATION					
Meeting No:	22			Objective Ref:	
Project / Meeting:	Port of Port Hedland Community Consultation Committee				
Location	Hedland Tower				
Purpose/ Scope					
Date:	26/09/2022	Start time:	16:00	Time closed:	17:45
SECTION 2: PARTICIPANTS' DETAILS					
Name		Organisation		Initials	
Philip Christy		Pilbara Ports Authority		PC	
Heathcliff Pimento		Pilbara Ports Authority		HP	
Zoe Keller		Pilbara Ports Authority		ZK	
Jon Giles		Pilbara Ports Authority		JG	
Ariana St-Pierre		Pilbara Ports Authority		AS	
John Freimanis (Guest)		Pilbara Ports Authority		JF	
Robert Peck (Guest)		Pilbara Ports Authority		RP	
Svetlana Khaykina (Guest)		Pilbara Ports Authority		SK	
Renae Coles		TOPH Councillor		RC	
Joel Schreiber		Lecturer Management North Regional Tafe		JS	
Gloria Jacob		Committee member Care for Hedland		GJ	
Byron Everett Klein		Volunteer Port Hedland Marine Rescue		BE	
Gary Silcock		Community Member		GS	
SECTION 3: AGENDA					
Item	Agenda Topic			Action Items	
				Whom	
1.	WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS / APOLOGIES			PC	
1.1	MINUTES OF LAST MEETING The minutes of the Port Hedland Community Consultation Committee Meeting held on 5 May 2022 were accepted as a true and accurate record			PC	

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2.	ACTION ITEMS				PC
3.	YEAR IN REVIEW				PC
4.	SAFETY PERFORMANCE				PC
5.	MARINE OPERATIONS UPDATE				HP
6.	LANDSIDE OPERATIONS UPDATE				JG
7.	ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE UPDATE				ZK
8.	COMMUNITY UPDATE				AS
9.	PROJECTS / SPECIAL ISSUES <ul style="list-style-type: none">SPOILBANK MARINANELSON POINT TUG HAVENHELICOPTER HANGAR AND UTAH POINT WELDING WORKSHOP				JF RP SK
10.	DISCUSSION AND QUESTION / OTHER BUSINESS				PC
SECTION 4: NEXT MEETING					
Date:		Time Open:		Time Close:	

Minutes of meeting held at the Hedland Tower
Monday 26 September 2022

ITEM 1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF MEMBER

Chair welcomed all present and declared the meeting open at 16:00. The chair commenced meeting with an introduction of all members in attendance.

ITEM 1.1 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Attendance

PPA General Manager Marine (Chair)	Philip Christy (PC)
PPA Harbour Master Port Hedland	Heathcliff Pimento (HP)
PPA Landside Operations Manager	Jon Giles (JG)
PPA Stakeholder Engagement Advisor	Ariana St-Pierre (AS)
PPA Environment Advisor	Zoe Keller (ZK)
PPA Project Manager (Spoilbank Marina)	John Freimanis (JF)
PPA Principal Engineer	Robert Peck (RP)
PPA Senior Project Engineer	Svetlana Khaykina (SK)
Town of Port Hedland Councillor	Renae Coles (RC)
North Regional Tafe	Joel Schreiber (JS)
Care for Hedland	Gloria Jacob (GJ)
Port Hedland Marine Rescue	Byron Everett Klein (BE)
Community Member	Gary Silcock (GS)

Apologies

Port Hedland Historical Society	Arnold Carter (AC)
Town of Port Hedland Councillor	Ashleigh Christensen (ACh)
Community Member	Roger Higgins (RH)
Community Member	Tekohi 'TK' Andrew Rivera (TR)

ITEM 2 ACTION ITEMS

Action no.	Action	Who
1.	Provide email address for community inquiries on the Spoilbank Marina project	AS – Completed

ITEM 3 YEAR IN REVIEW

General Manager Marine Philip Christy

In 21/22, Pilbara Ports Authority achieved another record-breaking annual throughput across our ports: 733.1Mt, worth an estimated \$165.8 billion of commodities.

ITEM 4 SAFETY PERFORMANCE

General Manager Marine Philip Christy

PPA's Lost Time Injury Frequency Rate (LTIFR) is steady at 1.87 against the 2022/23 target of 2.02.

ITEM 5 MARINE OPERATIONS UPDATE

Harbour Master Port Hedland Heathcliff Pimento

Port Statistics:

May 2022: 48.493 million tonnes, no change from 2021
June 2022: 50.331 million tonnes, decreased 1% from 2021
July 2022: 47.588 million tonnes, increase 5% from 2021
August 2022: 46.726 million tonnes, increase 5% from 2021

Marine incidents at Port Hedland: 1 May – 31 August 2022

Total marine events: 58

While these have been classified as incidents, these are marine events which have each been successfully handled in line with our emergency response procedures and marine team.

Seafarers Shore Leave

Since 15 August, ABF and WAPOL have permitted seafarers to come ashore without restrictions. A complimentary daily boat service is available at fixed times.

Interaction between Workboats and Tugs

PPA advises on safety for workboats when navigating in the vicinity of tugs.

Recreational Vessel Safety Campaign

Attendees were reminded to adhere to the boating safety exclusion zones at the Port of Port Hedland as per PPA's recreational vessel safety campaign. All skippers are to stay well clear of shipping channels and restricted waterside areas to keep themselves and their passengers safe. Bulk carriers have a blind spot that extends for hundreds of meters and cannot change course quickly, their stopping distance extending several hundred meters.

There was a question regarding if the map from the Recreational Vessel Campaign flyers needs updating in the prevision of Lumsden Point developments. PPA advised that Lumsden Point is still in very early stages and that there's no need to modify the Recreational Vessel Campaign flyers as the message remains the same, regardless of Lumsden Point developments.

ITEM 6 LANDSIDE OPERATIONS UPDATE

Landside Operations Manager Jon Giles

Utah Point Milestone

In 2021-22, Utah Point Bulk Handling Facility reached its 200Mt export milestone. PPA recently received approval to increase the facility's annual throughput from 24Mtpa to 28Mtpa, increasing the export potential for WA junior miners.

Direct Shipping

Direct shipping services to the Pilbara are growing significantly, with a 10-fold increase in container volumes. The ultimate development of Lumsden Point will facilitate the export of battery metals, the import of renewable energy infrastructure, and support the growth of direct shipping services to the Pilbara.

Biosecurity

PPA passed the Federal Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry's (DAFF) audit of its ability to assume responsibilities for 'rural tailgate inspections' of imported containers in Port Hedland. The Port of Port Hedland will now have a Biosecurity Class 14.4 approval added to its existing Approved Arrangement Class 1.1 status. This enables appropriately trained PPA Landside Operations staff to undertake initial rural tailgate inspections on containers discharged at the Port, a role previously undertaken by DAFF Biosecurity Officers. This is the first approval in WA for any personnel other than DAFF Biosecurity officers to conduct these inspections, and it's expected to result in quicker timeframes for containers to undergo the statutory compliance requirements and be released from the Port area.

There was a question regarding if the port has adequate facilities for ABF to do inspections of containers. PPA advised that there is currently no facility allowing ABF to do complete container inspections. They currently rely on other methods, namely directing identified risky containers down to Fremantle for inspection or deploying a specialised team. Close collaboration with ABF is underway to address and progress this issue.

There was a question regarding if the exportation of livestock was in the plans. PPA advised that the port requires a compliant facility to undertake livestock export.

ITEM 7 ENVIRONMENT AND HERITAGE UPDATE

Environment Advisor Zoe Keller

- PPA E&H team, along with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, and Yara Pilbara assisted Murujuga Aboriginal Corporation to revegetate a 1,500sqm area of degraded mangroves at Cowrie Cove in Murujuga National Park.
- PPA donated an additional 1000 mangrove seedlings for this planting event – of two species that grow on the Burrup – for the revegetation program.
- The seedlings came from PPA's mangrove nursery in Port Hedland, which holds more than 2,200 viable seedlings. Many of the seedlings were originally propagated by children from primary schools across the Pilbara who participated in PPA's Mangrove Mates program. The nursery raises seedlings for revegetation projects, aiming to restore important parts of the local ecosystem.

Spoilbank Marina: Marine construction (dredging, piling, and breakwater) will cease operating over the peak turtle nesting season (1 Dec 2022– 31 March 2023) and will look to recommence afterward.

Greater Port Hedland Vertebrate Pest Management Program:

The next round of VPMP commenced today (26th September) and runs through to 7th October covering multiple stakeholder tenure. As of 2022, the VPMP now runs in collaboration with the PHIC Environmental Working Group with a contribution towards the cost of the program.

The Vertebrate Pest Program undertakes treatments twice each year: April & August/September

There was a question as to if only the dredging operations for Spoilbank Marina will stop during the Turtle nesting season (1 Dec 2022 – 31 March 2023). PPA advised that only the dredging operations will stop entirely during this period, with works on the marina basin will continue.

ITEM 8 COMMUNITY UPDATE

Stakeholder Engagement and Communications Advisor Ariana St-Pierre

- CSI: Community groups can apply for up to \$10,000 in small grants through PPA's Community Support Initiative (CSI). Applications are accepted year-round from community groups in Port Hedland, Dampier/ Karratha, and Onslow.
- In 2021/22, PPA committed more than \$280,000 in financial and in-kind support to 32 community initiatives and events, local government groups, and sporting and not-for-profit organisations.
- Since November 2022, PPA has supported:
 - Port Hedland Visitor Centre: \$1,700 for the printing of the Pretty Pool Booklet.
 - Port Hedland Well Women's Centre: \$5,000 for the Pink Pilbara Breakfast.
 - Port Hedland Game Fishing Club: \$3,000 for the 30th Anniversary Blue Water Classic and 10th Anniversary Pilbara Tournament.
- PPA has signed the 2022/23 Partnership Agreement with the Town of Port Hedland. Support includes:
 - Community Sports Awards – Award category naming rights
 - Festive Lights Competition – Silver Sponsor
 - Australia Day Fireworks – Fireworks naming rights sponsor
 - Citizen of the Year Awards – Awards Sponsor
 - Sunset Food Markets – Event Sponsor
 - Welcome to Hedland – Gold Sponsor
 - Reconciliation Week – Silver Sponsor
 - SLAM Basketball – Bronze Sponsor
 - Matt Dann Live Show Season – Presenting Partner

There was a question on if PPA provides support to the Seafarers Centre tours as this is a key element of Port Hedland's tourism. PPA advised that the Seafarers Centre is currently not providing tours. PPA added that it has supported and will continue to support the Seafarers Centre's activities once the tours resume.

ITEM 9 PROJECTS / SPECIAL ISSUES

ITEM 9.1 SPOILBANK MARINA

Project Manager (Spoilbank Marina) John Freimanis

Project Update

- Over 60% of the bulk earthworks are complete. The marina basin is about 2.5m from the final design level.
- Almost 50% of all rock walls are complete, including 70% of the marina basin revetment.
- Breakwater construction is a key focus for the next two months, working around tides.
- Dredging continues, working from the end of the channel toward the marina basin, about 20% complete.

- To date, 70% of project spending has been awarded to local and Aboriginal registered businesses.
- Steelwork fabrication for the public jetty is underway. Boat ramp construction is to commence in October 2022. The four-lane boat ramp is 80m long and built using 124 pre-cast concrete panels.
- Tender for Works Package 4 (Civil and Landscaping) closes on 30 September.
- Concept designs selected for public art pieces, progressing to detailed design and fabrication.

There was a question regarding if natural trees will be planted in the landscape portion of the Spoilbank Marina. PPA advised that 711 natural trees from 19 species have been ordered to be planted in the landscape portion.

There was an enquiry regarding if any of the 711 trees will be coconut palm trees. PPA advised that out of the 19 species of trees, some will be palm trees including foxtail palms, yet none will be coconut palms.

There was a question regarding if the Spoilbank Marina jetty will be floating. PPA advised that while the new jetty will be fixed, the boat ramp will have a floating pontoon.

There was a question regarding what is available for boat owners that haven't paid for a boat pen. PPA advised that they can use the boat ramp, which will be available to anyone to use.

There was a question as to if the Seafarers Centre had plans to use the new Spoilbank Marina jetty. PPA advised that the Seafarers Centre will continue to use the current public jetty.

There was a query as to if the landside of the Spoilbank Marina was going to include a playground or water play structures. PPA advised that the Town of Port Hedland had no plans of including a playground in the landside portion of the Spoilbank Marina, however, they might be including a playground on the Yacht Club land.

There was a question regarding if the project is on track for a 2023 completion. PPA advised that the project was on track to be completed by end of 2023 provided the landscape portion had no delays.

ITEM 9.2 NELSON POINT TUG HAVEN

Principal Engineer Robert Peck

Project Update:

- The Second load of piles arrived in Port Hedland.
- Piling underway, 72 piles commenced driving.
- Westsea 11 Barge arrived in Port Hedland.
- Construction is ongoing until December 2022.

There was a question regarding if the current John Hall jetty was to stay as is. PPA advised that the John Hall jetty will be untouched.

There was a question as to if the walkways will remain. PPA advised that the walkways won't be changed.

ITEM 9.3 HELICOPTER HANGAR AND UTAH POINT WELDING WORKSHOP

Senior Project Engineer Svetlana Khaykina

Helicopter Hangar

- Purpose: improve weatherproofing and strengthen the hangar to comply with the current Wind Code.
- Constructed by a local contractor.
- Enabling works: new concrete taxiway and landing pad, temporary domes.
- Benefit: Enabling works allowed for helicopter activities to continue unaffected by the construction.
- Completed on July 2022
- Phase 2: Demolish Hangar 1 and replace it with a larger hangar to suit the current fleet of helicopters.

There was a question regarding if there was a plan for PPA to move to use electric helicopters. PPA advised that a move should be considered when electric helicopters are reliable.

Utah Point Welding Workshop

- Purpose: Compliance with DMIIRS welding fume extraction standard
- Respond to increasing needs in Utah and the pipeline of work.
- Completed: August 2022
- Constructed: by national contractor
- Challenges:
 - Undertaking construction at Utah
 - Contractor new to the site
 - Lack of accommodation in Port Hedland
 - COVID and supply-chain-related delays

ITEM 10 DISCUSSION AND QUESTION / OTHER BUSINESS

No other questions or discussions.

Chair thanked all those in attendance and closed the meeting at 5:45 pm.