

MINUTES OF THE INNER HARBOUR COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP

<u>Date:</u> Tuesday 19 November 2019

Location: Boardroom, Fremantle Ports Administration Building

Time: 5pm to 6.30pm
Chair: Dr Simon Avenell

Community representatives:

Andrew Sullivan, City of Fremantle

Cr Andrew McPhail, Town of East Fremantle **Carol Shannon**, Leeuwin Ocean Adventure

Danicia Quinlan. Fremantle Chamber of Commerce

Ed Blackley, White Gum Valley Precinct **Ron Kawalilak**, Gibson Park Precinct

Carol Shannon, Leeuwin Ocean Adventure Foundation

Maryrose Baker, Fremantle Inner City Residents' Association

David Hawks, The Fremantle Society Inc. (John Dowson invited in lieu)

Shirley Burbidge, Fremantle Volunteer Heritage Guides

Don Whittington, Fremantle Park Association,

David Earl, Fremantle Arts Centre Precinct

Tony Watkins, Town of East Fremantle

Eric Wilson, Port Beach Users Group and Polar Bears

Fiona Whittles, Notre Dame University

Fremantle Ports' representatives:

Sean Craig, General Manager Business Strategy and Sustainability Neil Stanbury, Manager Corporate and Community Relations Jane Edwards, Social Sustainability Coordinator Vanessa Carn, Administrative Assistant

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Apologies:

Chris Leatt-Hayter, Chief Executive Officer, Fremantle Ports Gerard MacGill, North Fremantle Precinct Rod Murray, South Fremantle Precinct Jeanette Murray, External Affairs Coordinator, Fremantle Ports

WELCOME, APOLOGIES AND INVITATION FOR AGENDA ITEMS

Simon Avenell welcomed all, announced apologies and called for additional agenda

Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated and were accepted. Actions arising from the previous meeting were as follows:

- Fremantle Ports to provide link to air quality monitoring page on website completed.
- 2. Update on Victoria Quay steering group to be provided at next meeting (on agenda)

TRADE AND CRUISE UPDATE

The group was updated about upcoming cruise visits, including the Majestic Princess' maiden visit, new turnaround bus services to and from the train station and visits planned by the Queen Mary 2 and The World during March 2020.

The group was advised that the cruise industry had a significant positive economic impact on not just Western Australia but also upon Fremantle. This included bringing more than 59,000 visitors to Fremantle, 35 cruise ships to the port, 733 local jobs supported and an estimated \$188.5m economic impact locally in Fremantle. Broader economic benefit data was available from Tourism Western Australia.

WESTPORT

The group was updated on Westport's progress to date. Westport had staged a stand at Fremantle Ports' Maritime Day in order to make itself accessible to the public there. It was now approaching the finalisation of its report to government on new container port options. Fremantle Ports was currently actively involved in the Westport process and would continue to be so.

VICTORA QUAY WATERFRONT STEERING GROUP

The VQWSG had largely completed its work for the Ports Minister but was yet to report to her. It had carried out an opportunity assessment for four identified precincts - the western end of Victoria Quay, the Passenger Terminal, Bridge and Train Station. Work packages were being developed as part of Stage 1, examining short-stay accommodation, a place activation strategy, A Shed redevelopment, cruise terminal, railway station, connectors and catalysts for development. State 2 would be a high-level business case.

The group was updated on various activation activities, including Maritime Day, Fremantle Ports' involvement in the Fremantle Biennale, the ongoing Container exhibition on Victoria Quay until April 2020, and the organisation's community investment support for a range of organisations and activities, including the Fremantle Portrait Prize, Fremantle Chamber Orchestra. It had also supported Fremantle Street Doctor and Native Arc through the WAVE employee giving program.

ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

The group was updated on the upcoming Rous Head Fairy Tern sanctuary and preparations to receive birds for the summer breeding season. Signage had been updated at this site, to prevent people incursion, which had been an issue the previous season.

INCIDENTS AND COMPLAINTS

Neil Stanbury reported upon significant complaints received in the past quarter:

- Excessive crashing noises from the port in early September.
- Scrap metal trucks using Canning Highway in late September
- Alarms and loud noises emanating from the Maasdam cruise ship while berthed at the passenger terminal in late October.

In all cases, Fremantle Ports' response was articulated to the group.

GENERAL BUSINESS

There being no further business, the next meeting was set for Tuesday 25 February 2020 at the Fremantle Passenger Terminal.

Meeting closed: 1830hrs