

# **Outer Harbour Community Liaison Group**

Venue: Koorliny Centre, Kwinana Date: 13/10/21 Time: 5pm to 6.15pm

# Fremantle Ports' Representatives

Neil Stanbury, Manager Corporate and Community Relations - Chair Sean Mulhall, Manager Trade and Business Development Mark Pearce, Manager Bulk Business Jane Edwards, Community Engagement Coordinator - Executive Officer **Community Representatives** James Milne, Director of Regional Services Chris Oughton, Director, KIC Gavin Dobb, General Manager, Casuarina Wellard Progress Association Karen Moulton, President, Coogee Beach Progress Association Emeritus Professor Kateryna Longley, Chair, Cockburn Sound Management Council Emeritus Professor Malcolm Tull, Murdoch University Mark Wells, Secretary, Wandi Progress Association Warwick Carter, Manager, Economic Development and Advocacy, City of Kwinana Michael Holland, Director of Community Development, City of Rockingham Natasha Guerinoni, Westport Communications and Engagement Matt Buckels, Westport Program Delivery Manager,

## Apologies:

Barbara Sciesinski, Rockingham Regional Environment Centre Gavin Bignell, General Manager Port Operations Tom Perrigo, Chairman, The Wetlands Centre, Cockburn Tony Solin, CEO, Rockingham/Kwinana Chamber of Commerce

## 1. Welcome

Chair Neil Stanbury welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced key Fremantle Ports staff and special guest speakers Natasha Guerinoni and Matt Buckels from Westport. Apologies were noted.

# 2. Port Operations - Kwinana update

Mark Pearce gave an overview of the KBT and KBJ facilities and Port Operations:

- Overview of types of trade and trade levels at KBJ and KBT including tonnages.
- Latest statistical information on Outer Harbour operations and performance, including KBT and KBJ vessel wait times. Explained that waiting times had been significant at times over the quarter, due to industrial action and inclement weather
- Safety's importance in port operations including work health and safety alert incident with front end loader on 20/8/21.
- Discussed Westport integration including outlining environmental aspects including impact on seagrass beds.

#### 3. Westport Presentation - Westport team

- Outlined Westport aims including to deliver a world-class container port and trade network which considers the natural environment. Westport objectives are to unlock WA's future economic prosperity.
- Update on where Westport is currently positioned. Stage 1 and 2 (Problem identification and initiation and Strategic planning and optioning) have been completed. Stage 3 (Business case) has commenced. There is a lot of work to do before Stage 4 (detailed design, delivery and transition) commences.
- Detailed the Cockburn Sound research program which is one of the largest undertaken and the planning, detailing the nature aspects of the project. Key aims are to give the economy room to grow, reduce freight from in and around Fremantle, allow growth and evolution of Fremantle Inner Harbour, support an efficient Western Trade Coast, deliver jobs and opportunities and facilitate stronger management of Cockburn Sound.
- Outlined in detail the business case and the strategies including PCG, Environment and Social, Design and Logistics, Commercial and Economic and the Enabling program elements.
- Touched on the positive environmental, social and cultural outcomes including Science and information, EIA, Mitigation and Offsets and Social values management.
- Discussed the WAMSI Westport Marine Science plan and the major investment to improve understanding of Cockburn Sound (Derbal Nara).
- Summarised the engagement program and the next steps and how Westport are engaging with the community.

#### 4. Community relations

Neil presented an overview of the business, Fremantle Ports' strategic priorities and community support for:

- Castaways Rockingham
- Kwinana Tigers Hockey Club
- Koorliny Arts Centre Exhibition Zone
- Rockingham Community Fair
- City of Kwinana OMG Fringe Festival
- Rockingham/Kwinana Chamber of Commerce Awards

## 5. General business

- Professor Longley mentioned that the Cockburn Sound Management Council had undertaken monitoring of seagrass beds over the years and that there was evidence that the area covered by seagrass had slightly increased but that the shoot density had decreased.
- Chris Oughton gave an overview of Kwinana Industries Council education program and touched on imen and iwomen and the success of these programs.

Meeting closed at 6.15pm.