

REPORTS TO 22ND JUNE OSCAR GENERAL MEETING

6. Financial Report

6.1 Treasurer's Report:

BANK A/C #1 STATEMENT

This report is for the period 24th May to 18th June 2023:

Cash Balance 24th May 2023 \$ 1108.22

Receipts: \$ 00.02

Payments: \$ 00.00 \$ 00.02

Cash Balance 18th June 2023 **\$ 1108.24**

Receipt Details:

\$ 00.02 transfer of interest from Bank a/c 2

Payment Details:

\$0

BANK A/C #2 SAVINGS

This report is for the period 24th May to 18th June 2023:

Cash Balance 24th May 2023 \$ 00,00

Receipts: \$ 00.02

Payments: \$ 00.02 \$ 00.00

Cash Balance 18th June 2023 **\$ 00.00**

Receipts Details:

\$ 00.02 Bank Interest

Payment Details:

\$ 00.02 transfer to Bank a/c 1

6.2 Accounts for payment:

BANK A/C # 1

GM Approval Required – Nil

BANK A/C # 2

GM Approval Required - Nil

ITEM 9.1 (d)

***Friends of Buddina:* JUNE 2023 Update**

Buddina Beachfront (highrise)

The developers "minor change application" was subject to a Council request for an agreement to extend the assessment period by 20 days - by email dated 30 May. No agreement was provided by the due date of 5 June, resulting in the request being declined. As advised verbally by a Council Officer, the non-agreement results in the assessment period expiring which effectively is a "deemed refusal". Technical note: if a DA assessment period expires, then it would be a deemed approval, not a deemed refusal like a minor change. However, to date (13 June) there is no refusal noted on Council's website, nor a letter to the developer for the refusal. I understand Council have received a hundred submissions/comments on this minor change with the assessment process taking additional time.

Position on Save Pt Cartwright survey

Friends of Buddina are preparing a submission to Council about the draft plan. In its current form, the proposed pet changes prohibit dogs along the northern beach and the northern beach pathway in the Pt Cartwright reserve. However, the draft plan provides "an offset" for an extension of dogs off-leash on the Buddina turtle nesting habitat for BA201-BA205 which is not supported. On Buddina beach, last season 18 relocated and natural loggerhead turtle nests were sited in this section, i.e. 18 of the 38 total managed on Buddina. This is also a shore-bird resting area, particularly between BA201-BA203. Without amendment to these proposed changes, the negative environments and liveability impact on Buddina beach is considered unacceptable.

ITEM 9.1 (e)

SEKISUI-YAROOMBA UPDATE

REMINDER OF THE BACKGROUND When SH Coolum Pty Ltd (Sekisui) purchased the Yaroomba beachside land from Lendlease in 2010, there was an existing generous approval attached to the land for 6 x 4 storey and a number of other 2 and 3 storey buildings. Sekisui for years just trickle developed the land with the occasional house. In 2017 Sekisui lodged a Development Application for an intense development which included a Hotel in buildings up to 7 storeys just on the other side of the parabolic dune and a very intense residential development on the remainder of the land. Sekisui touted events with up to 5,000 people. Sekisui have only provided details for Stage 1. They could therefore seek higher buildings in the other stages once stage 1 is completed. The 2014 Planning Scheme provides a height limit of 2 storeys. The THEN Council approved the development 6 to 5.

COURT CASES Development Watch (DW) took the matter to the Planning and Environment Court and lost. We appealed that decision to the Supreme Court and won. The Supreme Court found the Planning and Environment Court Judge had made three errors in her Judgment. One related to community expectation. We then returned to the Planning and Environment Court for a short Hearing in August last year after which the Judge said it would be 4 to 5 months for her decision to be handed down. We have only just received Judge Kefford's decision on the 15 June (almost 11 months later). The Judge has again approved the

development and failed to recognize the community's expectation. We will be liaising with our legal team on a further Appeal to the Supreme Court. We have 30 business days within which to file the Notice of Appeal. If we decide to Appeal again, we will need to raise funds to cover the cost of our legal fees. The last Appeal cost just under \$100,000.00. We will keep you posted on our decision.

ITEM 9.1 (g)

Hi Tony, the report on the service station is as follows:

On Tuesday 19 June a "without prejudice" mediation took place re the traffic issues listed by SCRC in its particularised list of reasons for refusal. Following the mediation a number of tasks are to be undertaken by the Appellant. The next review will be in August. OSCAR is the second Correspondent by Election with DW being the First CR. MH

ITEM 9.1 (d)

Further update by Friends of Buddina from Lesley

1. Buddina Beachfront (highrise)

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letter to the developer for the refusal. I understand Council have received a hundred submissions/comments on this minor change with the assessment process taking additional time.

ITEM 9.1 (j)

2. Our position on "Have Your Say" Draft plan for Pt Cartwright and LaBalsa recreational parks

Friends of Buddina are preparing a submission to Council about the draft plan. In its current form, the proposed pet changes prohibit dogs along the northern beach and various pathways throughout the Pt Cartwright recreational park. The draft plan also provides "an offset" providing an extension of dogs off-leash on the Buddina turtle nesting habitat and where the most relocation nests are sited, between BA201-BA205. This is also a migratory shore bird resting beach between BA201-BA203.

Both the restrictive prohibition and the detrimental environmental impact of the "offset" is not supported. Without significant changes to the proposed outcomes to resolve the contradictions in the project documents and other Council strategies (ELS), the draft plan in its current form is not supported. The negative impacts are considered unacceptable.

TWIN WATERS WEST

The TWW application was lodged and promoted as a new design concept that is conforming with the the planning scheme and more in line with community expectations than previous applications.

In terms of time frames it is a case of how long is a piece of string. Council will now assess the application and may request more information at any time. There are also provisions under the Act for council or the developer to 'stop the clock' which happened several times during the previous application process.

The application will then be assessed by relevant State agencies who may also seek further information as the application progresses.

TWWS INC is proceeding with assessing the technical documents and will watch with interest as further information comes to hand.

At first glance the application does appear more in line with community expectations and there are some positive changes to the concept plan. However, some issues remain carried over and our planning and engineering resources will work back through the technical documents to understand the inputs and methodology used to establish how well the design works on this highly constrained site.

This will take some time and as the application progresses and we will no doubt have questions of our own to raise.

A further update in more detail will be reported in due course.

LINK HERE:

<https://publicdocs.scc.qld.gov.au/HPECMWebDrawer/Record?q=ApplicationNumberList%3aMCU23%2f0113+And+NOT+recType%3a%22Folder%22+NOT+recTypedTitle%3a%22%2asubmission%2a%22+&sortBy=recRegisteredOn-&pageSize=15&start=1>

ITEM 9.1 (j)

PCCG Report to OSCAR 21 June 2023

Dear Members,

Since the last OSCAR meeting, the Draft Master Plan for Point Cartwright has been released. Links to the plan's elements and the "Have Your Say" website are below for your reference.

The feedback process is limited to a very simple survey that has up to 5 questions about the Draft Master Plan, depending on how you answer. The feedback period closes on Sunday 2nd July 2023. This would appear to be the only form of community engagement, despite the iconic nature of the site and the extensive community interest in the master planning process over the past two years.

The following comments provide a preliminary/ overview assessment of the Draft Master Plan from the perspective of the Point Cartwright Care Group who have been advocating for administrative agencies to declare the site as a conservation park due to its nationally significant remnant ecology and Indigenous cultural heritage.

The Draft Master Plan will lay the foundations for how the site will be used and managed well into the future, which will have a direct bearing on the sustainability of its unique human and

natural assets. The provisions of the final Master Plan could also have significant affects on the future of the reserve's nature-based passive recreational amenity and character.

As many may know, Council undertook a number of studies in relation to cultural heritage, environment and recreation. The outcomes of these studies will have informed the provisions of the Draft Master Plan. While we understand that these studies confirm the significance of the reserve's attributes, unfortunately these studies have not been released in support of the Draft Master Plan at this stage. This information could have gone a long way to helping the community understand the basis for the new proposals in the draft plan. We are informed that a report will eventually accompany the final Master Plan.

Hopefully the following assessment will be sufficient to encourage members and affiliated organisations to complete the Have Your Say online survey.

The first thing to say is that the draft master plan is a wonderful step in the right direction for recognising and protecting the rich cultural heritage and ecological significance of Point Cartwright. This substantial and important shift in policy needs to be congratulated. Community feedback on the Draft Master Plan is going to be essential for providing the political support for some of the proposed measures. To this end, in the following passages we urge everyone to support the principles and outcomes embodied in the Draft Master Plan.

Most of the provisions of the Draft Master Plan have given heightened priority and focus toward the conservation of the site's unique human and ecological values. In this way, the draft plan provides a blueprint for starting the process of site recovery by fostering the restoration of significant biotopes and healing of country and culture.

The Draft Master Plan also provides a basis for creating a place consistent with the original intent of the reserve's designation in 1933 - nature-based recreation (as borne out by historical records) - a place where nature based tourism such as whale watching can dovetail with conservation programs for rocky shores, endangered loggerhead turtles and critically endangered littoral rainforest, and supported by interpretative strategies.

The draft plan is a strong starting point for creating a signature whole-of-site management and recovery approach to key conservation and cultural heritage aspects of the reserve that have been under stress for many years, and in doing so, the plan will support the broader economic and social aspirations for the Mooloolah River catchment and the Sunshine Coast.

The Draft Master Plan provides a new framework for ensuring future generations can visit the reserve and be informed about a place that connects directly back to pre-colonisation through its ancient Jurassic landscapes, remnant forest and its profound cultural heritage, while enjoying passive recreational and tourism outcomes offered at the reserve.

Obviously there are numerous matters that we have concerns about and have already started discussions with Council. More detail on these aspects can be provided on request. The first of these is the form and location of infrastructure elements such as pathways that are seen as unnecessary in the reserve itself and risk perpetuating degradation of cultural heritage sites and littoral rainforest edges. Secondly, concerns exist for the potential impacts to cultural heritage from new construction works such as the proposed sea wall. Also, details on the form and location of the education and interpretative centre have not be provided, nor have justifications for not co-locating this important feature with existing primary tourist function at the top of the headland. The proposed location limits the capacity for expanded revegetation of the lower reaches to conjoin the two remnant stands of critically endangered littoral rainforest that were separated by mining in the 1960s.

We also have serious concerns about the effectiveness of the proposed dog on-leash zones given the lax enforcement offered by Council over the past decade and the behavioural problems and attitudes of dog owners to compliance with these rules – all of which have led to the substantial decline in the critically endangered littoral rainforest of the site. It has been our observation, that since the designation of off-leash areas on the reserve approximately a decade ago, a portion of the community has come to think of free roaming of dogs as their 'right'. As a matter of policy, dogs are not permitted in conservation areas. It is our view that the reserve's critically

endangered stands of littoral rainforest, cultural heritage sites and migratory shorebirds all warrant similar standards of control. We do not support the new provision to extend the dog off leash area along Buddina Beach as this area has the highest Loggerhead Turtle hatchings on the Sunshine Coast. We recommend Council consider declaring this area a turtle hatchery zone and restrict it to on-leash dogs only.

The new pet access restrictions on the site represent a long overdue and responsible shift in policy that counters this shabby history. The Draft Master Plan is a responsible evidence-based policy statement that puts the preservation of the site's significant cultural heritage and natural values ahead of these impacting human activities. Council should be applauded for this revised approach to pet management as it finally gives the site's nationally significant ecology a chance to recover from decades of degradation. You can read the proposed pet access changes document at the link below.

Member feedback will help ensure Point Cartwright's unique characteristics are protected and better managed going forward. The survey is very simple and also allows you to contribute additional comments if you want. You can support the Draft Master Plan by answering YES to Question 1 of the survey (Do you support the intent and proposed outcomes of the draft master plan?), and use the text field that comes up afterwards to put in any detailed info you wish to add. Please Act Now - it will only take a few minutes and could be very important to shape key decisions being made at this time.

The survey is at this link: <https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/point-cartwright-la-balsa-park-master-plan> You can also submit your comments by direct email to PtCartwright-LaBalsa-MasterPlan@sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au

Please share the following links with your mailing lists and encourage people to complete the survey to support the strategies and principles of the Draft Master Plan.

Thank you everyone! :)

Kind regards,

Quentin Brown

President, Point Cartwright Care Group Inc
W: <https://www.savepointcartwright.com/>

Links...

Draft Master Plan for Point Cartwright

[https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/6316/8565/5048/Draft Master Plan - Point Cartwright Reserve Plan.pdf](https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/6316/8565/5048/Draft%20Master%20Plan%20-%20Point%20Cartwright%20Reserve%20Plan.pdf)

Draft Master Plan for La Balsa Park

[https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/1816/8565/5144/Draft Master Plan - La Balsa Park Plan.pdf](https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/1816/8565/5144/Draft%20Master%20Plan%20-%20La%20Balsa%20Park%20Plan.pdf)

Guiding Strategies

[https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/7216/8591/7937/Draft Master Plan - Guiding Strategies-2.pdf](https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/7216/8591/7937/Draft%20Master%20Plan%20-%20Guiding%20Strategies-2.pdf)

Proposed Pet Access Changes

[https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/5116/8591/7980/Proposed Changes to Pet Access Info Sheet-2.pdf](https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/5116/8591/7980/Proposed%20Changes%20to%20Pet%20Access%20Info%20Sheet-2.pdf)

Have Your Say Site with Survey

<https://haveyoursay.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/point-cartwright-la-balsa-park-master-plan>

Project News

[https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/4316/8592/2463/Project News Pt Cartwright Reserve La Balsa Park Ma](https://hdp-au-prod-app-suncst-haveyoursay-files.s3.ap-southeast-2.amazonaws.com/4316/8592/2463/Project%20News%20Pt%20Cartwright%20Reserve%20La%20Balsa%20Park%20Ma)

[sterplan June 2023.pdf](#)

Project Information Site

<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Council/Planning-and-Projects/Council-Plans/Pt-Cartwright-master-plan>
