

REPORTS TO OSCAR General Meeting 27 February 2025

6. Financial Report

6.1 Treasurer's Report:

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This report is for the period 20th January – 24th February 2025:

Cash Balance January 20th 2025	\$1503.73	
Receipts:	\$	
Payments:	\$15.95	(\$ 15.95)
Cash Balance 24th February 2025		\$1487.78

Receipt Details:

Organisation Memberships from each of: \$0

Individual Memberships from: \$0

Payment Details:

Domain Ventraip \$15.95 (Reim G. Smith)

6.2 Accounts for payment:

Public Liability Insurance due 2nd March. Cost \$545.60 – 12 months. .

6.3 2024-2025 Annual Subs \$60 (\$10 individuals) now due and payable. As a reminder, the motion approved at last year's AGM is below

That the annual membership fee for Community Associations remain at \$60 per annum for the 2024-25 year and that individual classes of membership also remain at \$10 for the 2024-25 year with members given the option to include a donation should they wish to do so.

9.1 Standing Agenda items

- a) **SC Airport & Community Aviation Forum** – no meetings yet this year.
- b) **SEQCA** - First Meeting for 2025 on 18 February
- c) **Transport: TMR/SIG. (Lindsay Holt/Quentin Brown)** – no meetings yet this year
- d) **Pacific Paradise Service Station appeal** – The Hearing is planned for June 2025.
- e) **Biosphere Update – The 2025 Biosphere Community Awards are open.** Check the entry options at:
<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/living-and-community/awards-and-citizenship/community-awards>
Please support the Awards by nominating entrants.

Also checkout the Biosphere tile and information recently added to Council's website at:

<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/environment/sustainability-and-climatechange/sunshine-coast-biosphere>

- f) **Mooloolaba Foreshore Revitalisation**
- g) **SEQRP** – Nothing further at his point in time
- h) **SCRC - Classification and Management of Information** – OSCAR has written to Victoria Nelson re SCRC request from feedback. The letter has complimented Council on the project and has recommended a couple of improvements. The Letter is on the OSCAR website. Thanks to Greg Smith for writing this response.
- i) **2025 Planning Scheme** - no news as to when the PS will be available for public consultation. The CRG for the consultation process will have its final meeting before Easter.
- j) **Twin Waters West Update** – Awaiting outcome of EPBC application.
- k) **Dulong and Image Flat quarries (Lindsay)** – the quarry group is still talking with SCRC
- l) **SEQ) Housing crisis on Sunshine Coast** – SCRC has responded to our letter to the CEO re the Hotel on Eastbank (Sportsman Pde) but have not provided any details of the extent or actual location of any hotel on the site zoned community facilities. The letter from SCRC is on the OSCAR website under Correspondence.
- m) **2032 Olympics** – OSCAR made a submission to the 100 Day Review of the 2032 Olympics. The submission is on the OSCAR website.
- n) **Friends of Buddina (FoB)** - nothing to report this meeting
- o) **Point Cartwright - Point Cartwright Update - Feb 2025**
Council's Dog Exercise (DEA) Strategy public consultation and feedback period has been extended until 7 March. Unfortunately, the DEA Strategy document has presented Point Cartwright as a site under evaluation in this strategy and open for public feedback.

The PCCG Inc. was very disappointed to see the site was presented in this way as the site has already undergone an exhaustive 2-year long public process as part of the master planning process. The outcome has recently been endorsed by Council along with a time-limited local law that also underwent extensive public process. There is no logical reason for the site to have been identified in this strategy document except to simply flag that it will no longer be operation after June 2026.

While it is acknowledged that Point Cartwright is scheduled to be removed as a dog exercise site under the new draft DEA Strategy, it should not have been presented in the report in the manner it has been as it falsely suggests that the community can make submissions for alternate outcomes as part of this consultation process. The recommendations for closure of the site do not adequately indicate that this was a result of a recent separate public consultation process.

Accordingly, it is our view that Point Cartwright should never have been included in the DEA Strategy for the following reasons:

- Point Cartwright underwent an extensive master planning exercise over the past few years and it was concluded that the site was not suitable for dog exercise areas.

- The last remaining dog exercise area on Point Cartwright is scheduled for closure in accordance with Council resolution and the applicable timed local law and related master plan outcomes.
- Including Point Cartwright in the DEA Strategy unnecessarily risks opening old wounds in the community by suggesting that the removal of dogs from the site remains open for re-consideration.
- Including Point Cartwright in the DEA Strategy risks perpetuating Point Cartwright as a potential viable site (when in fact it is subject to closure under a timed local law).
- The recent Master Plan outcomes at Point Cartwright were based on a plethora of cultural heritage and ecological evidence amassed during the master planning process, including critically endangered littoral rainforest, migratory shorebirds, endangered loggerhead turtles, globally significant diversity of nudibranchs, MSES rocky foreshores, and profound cultural heritage values.
- The recent master plan underwent a wide ranging and exhaustive community engagement process including a CRG.

Unfortunately, in our view the DEA Strategy undermines Council's decisions for the site by suggesting that:

- The outcomes of the 2-year long master planning process and subsequent public process for the establishment of a local law are no longer binding.
- The closure of the site from the DEA network in June 2026 has been determined by this strategy (which it has not).
- The site is open for change (yet again) despite the plethora of evidence generated during the master planning process to support the closure of the site.
- Opportunities still exist for ongoing community influence over the future of Point Cartwright dog exercise areas (despite the Council's original decisions for the site).

Additionally, in our view there are a number of process deficiencies regarding project, namely that Council has once again not adequately informed the community of the underlying methods, considerations and assessment processes used to derive its recommendations. The messaging is essential for ensuring the public understands the rationale behind the various recommended outcomes presented in the strategy. These are the same deficiencies identified by the PCCG in the Point Cartwright master planning process. Accordingly, we have passed onto the project team a recommendation for the removal of Point Cartwright from the deliberation framework within the DEA Strategy and an enhanced public relations campaign and a suite of leadership actions to support the release of the policy and avoid the community backlash encountered during the Point Cartwright Master Plan process.

(p) Direct Rail EPBC guidelines

9.2 Emerging issues

1. **Destination 2045 Queensland's Tourism Future Discussion Paper:**
https://www.desi.qld.gov.au/data/assets/pdf_file/0029/374069/discussion-paper-destination2045.pdf,
2. **Mayor Natoli's request for support for Council's Election Issues list:**

Intrastructure

- Commit to working with the Queensland Government to extend the Direct Sunshine Coast rail line to Maroochydore by 2032.
- Commit to implementing the findings of the Sunshine Coast Public Transport Detailed Business Case.
- Commit to fund and deliver the Mooloolah River Interchange upgrade.
- Commit to co-fund the development of Sunshine Coast Airport international terminal expansion to facilitate its opening by 2032.
- Commit to fund a new business case for the Sunshine Coast Performing Arts and Convention Centre with a further commitment to contribute to the construction.

Climate ready

- Coastal hazard protection: Commit to continuing the Disaster Ready Funding program until at least 2029-30 and to increase the existing \$200 million funding pool to \$300 million.

Policy and statutory

- New housing: Commit to fast tracking the Housing Australia Future Fund for social and affordable housing on Sunshine Coast.
- Fairer funding: Commit to restoring the value of the Australian Government Financial Assistant Grants to Local Government to the equivalent of 1 per cent of total Australian Taxation Revenue.

Supporting our industry

- Commit \$27.5 million to deliver significant innovation outcomes on the Sunshine Coast. Commit \$5.2 million to support the advancement of manufacturing in the Sunshine Coast region.
The Sunshine Coast Council 2025 Federal Election Advocacy document is available on Council's website.

3. Public Transport, the Olympics 2032 and CAMCOS - Issues raised about CAMCOS sell off and Bus Rapid Transit raised by Board of Roz White 2032 Legacy Group and the proposal by Sun Central for 7000 seat Stadium, Hotel and Athletes village in Maroochydore PDA. See the Update for links to the relevant documents

4. OSCAR Strategic Issues framework and timeframes. – A draft will be presented to the meeting.

5. OSCAR and Federal Elections –what role should OSCAR play in the Federal Elections