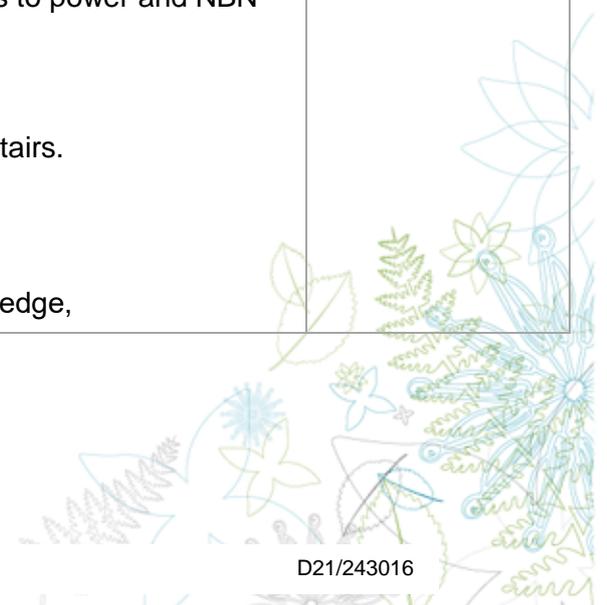


MINUTES.

Tuesday 9 November 2021

Time: 12.30pm – 1.30 pm

1.	<p>ATTENDEES:</p> <p>Jesse Morrow – Apollo Bay Sailing Club Markus Nolle – Apollo Bay Fishermen’s Coop Bill Gross – Apollo Bay Community Representative John Marriner – Apollo Bay Community Representative Wayne Diffey – Community – Recreational Fishers and Boaters</p> <p>Emma Ashton – Colac Otway Shire via teams Frank Castles/Simon McBeth/ Marcus Pola/Fiona Waddington – Colac Otway Shire Steve Walsh – Colac Otway Shire Cr Chris Potter – Councillor Colac Otway Shire Cr Graham Costin – Councillor Colac Otway Shire.</p>	
2.	<p>APOLOGIES</p> <p>Tony McGann – Colac Otway Shire Mick Heland – Apollo Bay Sailing Club Anthony Alfirenko - GORCAPA</p>	
3.	<p>MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING</p> <p>Accepted.</p>	Frank Castles
4.	<p>CITY DEAL PROJECTS – AN UPDATE</p> <p><u>Project updates – current status</u></p> <p>Detailed design for the depot and car park has been completed. Contract awarded for boardwalk design. Contract awarded for depot rebuild. Progress has been made on utilities upgrades. Power supply will go underground. A Cultural Heritage Management Plan is under way. During investigative digging some artefacts were found. Upgrades to power and NBN can progress when investigations are complete. Tender for Co-Op upgrade is in process. Current budget estimate for stage 1 is within budget. Funding is sought for viewing platform, retaining wall and stairs.</p> <p>A presentation via Microsoft Teams from Emma Ashton: The harbour development plan includes 5 projects: Waterfront promenade and boardwalk along the harbour’s edge,</p>	Emma Ashton via Teams Link with Frank Castles



	<p>A new port operations depot with public amenities, Upgrades to harbour precinct roads and carpark, including the Nelson Street footpath, Utilities services upgrades to power, NBN and sewerage, Extension of the Apollo Bay Fishermen's Co-operative building.</p> <p>Community engagement is currently under way. Public online meetings have been advertised by letterbox drops, website, social media, posters and print advertising in Apollo Bay News Sheet. Feedback and input from the public is invited via online survey until 15th November. See Colac Otway Shire website.</p> <p>Bill Gross mentioned the importance of heritage items in view of the removal of the old day shape beacon at Marengo. It was removed in early 2020 following installation of new Navigational Aids. Bill suggested that the town should have a list of heritage items.</p> <p>Markus Nolle agreed that inclusion of some heritage items would greatly enhance the harbour precinct redevelopment. He said that most councils have a heritage advisory committee and a strategic plan for various precincts. Under a heritage overlay, heritage items would be registered and catalogued. There would be criteria for registration of items considered to be of historical or heritage importance.</p> <p>Colac Otway Shire does not have an active policy for heritage place at the moment. Graham Costin added that this process is currently being investigated and considered for future.</p>	
5.	<p>UPDATE ON PORT CONDITION AND CURRENT PROJECTS AT THE PORT <u>Sheet pile wall remediation.</u></p> <p>The tender for these works was advertised for 8 weeks in August/September. No tenderer submissions were received. Contractor availability and material sourcing are the 2 biggest risks in the current environment. The tender closure date was extended by 4 weeks with 2 submissions received. The submissions have been assessed and a contract is currently under negotiation. The preferred tender timeline for the works is February 2023. The funding agreement is open until June 2023.</p> <p>During works, sheet pile panels will be progressively removed and replaced. Surge will affect the marina during this time. The vessels in the marina will need to be relocated as required to avoid risk of damage. Port Management will work with the marina berth holders to minimise risk, impact and inconvenience.</p> <p>Three areas have been included in the tender. The priority area is the sheet pile wall (structure D). The fishermen's wharf (structure A) and structure C of the lee breakwater were included as options in case the pricing allows for extra works. At this stage, this looks unlikely.</p>	Simon McBeth and Fiona Waddington

Coastal consent has been sought from DELWP for ALL works proposed in the detailed design for break wall remediation. This work will span several years and will include structures A,B, C and D of the lee breakwater as well as the main breakwater.

Diesel tank relocation.

Load testing of the fishermen's wharf has been completed, with a positive result. The load bearing capacity of the west side of the fishermen's wharf was previously unknown. It has been confirmed to be able to support fuel delivery trucks. The trucks will drive onto the wharf to fill the new diesel tank in its new position on the wharf.

The concrete slab has been extended in preparation for the arrival and installation of the new tank. The delivery schedule was planned for late November but may be delayed due to the current problems with international shipping.

Harbour users will be informed when the installation date is known. The diesel supply will be interrupted for approximately 2 days. Sufficient notice will be given to all users to ensure that boats can be refuelled before the installation. Minimal inconvenience is expected.

CCTV cameras

Cameras and other equipment have been ordered. The design includes 8 cameras - 2 at the office (slipway and carpark), 2 on the fishermen's wharf, and 2 at each marina arm. A minor design change will enable a cost saving to fund 1 or 2 extra cameras to cover the unloading area and the east end jetty.

A separate funding stream will provide another camera at the harbour entrance. The output from this camera will be available via the Boating Vic website and mobile app. This app provides video of boat ramps in Victoria and will host the video footage of our harbour entrance. This will be a valuable resource for both recreational and commercial boat users.

Slipway winch house upgrade

Not yet started.

A new shed with safety protection from possible cable break.

Slipway cradle upgrade

Not yet started.

Cradle to be modified with adjustable electric arms to customise fit to every boat. This will simplify operations and provide better protection for the boats using the slipway.

Oil disposal facility upgrade

Under way.

	<p>A new shed, bund and IBC container for disposal of oil from port users' boats. Bins will be provided for empty oil containers and used oil filters. This will replace the current facility, which is unsightly and inefficient.</p> <p><u>Upgrades to boat ramp/floating pontoons</u> \$800,000 for 2 new pontoons is waiting for approval from the minister. 2 new pontoons - 2.8 metre x 60 metre. Expected completion December 2022.</p> <p><u>Covid-19 restrictions.</u> Under current state guidelines and orders from the Chief Health Officer, full vaccination status is mandated and must be recorded for all contractors and visitors to the port depot.</p>	
6.	<p>SAFETY – RISKS, ISSUES AND INCIDENTS. No incidents. Compliance in the slip yard continues to be up to the users.</p>	Frank Castles
7.	<p>SLIPWAY BOOKINGS – TIDINESS POST USAGE Congestion in bookings for the slip during the busy time after winter can be alleviated by booking early. The opportunity to save money by booking during the winter months is still available. Committee members are encouraged to spread the word among other port users.</p> <p>The slip yard has recently been left untidy by users. Port crew spent several hours cleaning it. A cleaning fee will be charged if the yard is not left clean.</p>	Simon McBeth
8.	<p>GENERAL BUSINESS. Amendment to terms and conditions at the port – limit to number of days allowed staying on board a vessel in the harbour. Confirmed. This is a legislated requirement. Living on Crown land is not permitted under the Crown Land Reserves Act. Also environmental issue of discharging waste into Port waters. The 100-day limit was chosen following other ports' example and in consultation with POABCC.</p> <p>A pump-out facility for effluent was suggested in the August meeting. Currently effluent must be dropped at a minimum 3nm out to sea. To investigate feasibility. Is this a normal expectation in ports?</p> <p>Puerulus collectors are in place at locations in Victoria (larval rock lobsters). New collectors have been installed recently. They are hung off the marina near vessels Urchin and Kia Ora III.</p> <p>In preparation for the transfer of the depot from its current position to the new position, the power supply transformer for the precinct will be positioned behind the current mariners' ablutions block. A temporary solution for mariners (as well</p>	<p>Simon McBeth</p> <p>Frank Castles</p>

	as the general public toilets) will be provided during construction. Ideas are being sought.	
9.	ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS	
10.	NEXT MEETING Tuesday 1 February 2022 – to confirm prior to close of meeting.	

