



## **Notice of Port Ballina Taskforce Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that a Port Ballina Taskforce Meeting will be held in the Ballina Shire Council Committee Room, Ballina on **Tuesday 15 April 2014 at 1.00 pm**

### **Business**

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Minutes from Port Ballina Taskforce meeting held 13 March 2014 (attached).
3. General Business
4. Business Without Notice
5. Next Meeting

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Hickey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Paul Hickey  
**General Manager**

1. **Attendance and Apologies**

2. **Minutes from Port Ballina Taskforce Meeting held 13 March 2014**

The Minutes from the meeting held Thursday 13 March 2014 are attached.

**Recommendation**

That the Taskforce confirms the Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday 13 March 2014.

3. **General Business**

(a) **Max Ryan - Meeting with Peter Marshall and John Kelly to discuss Delivery of Marina Infrastructure**

(b) **James Foster - release of regular hydro-graphic survey data to the local community to assist in boating safety**

(c) **Ballina Boatharbour – Soil Test Results**

Crown Lands have advised that they are not in a position to release the soil test results until after they have gone to the next phase of the Expressions of Interest (EOI). The next phase is to shortlist the EOI's received and then request the shortlisted firms to tender. This whole process may take until the end of June.

4. **Business Without Notice.**

5. **Next Meeting**

Thursday 8 May – 2.00 pm

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**Attendance**

Cr David Wright, Mayor, Ballina Shire Council  
Cr Keith Williams, Ballina Shire Council  
Peter Carmont, Ballina Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Phil Hilliard, Ballina Fishermen's Co-operative  
Paul Hickey, General Manager, Ballina Shire Council  
Michael Cocks, Community Representative  
Max Ryan, Community Representative  
James Foster, Community Representative

**1. Apologies**

Cr Paul Worth, Ballina Shire Council  
Greg Watt, Department of Premier and Cabinet  
Nadia Elliott-Burgess, Ballina Chamber of Commerce & Industry  
Garry Joblin, Ballina Professional Fishermen

**2. Welcome to New Members**

The Committee welcomed new members, James Foster, Max Ryan and Michael Cocks.

**3. Minutes from Dredging Taskforce Meeting held 14 November 2013**

Noted.

**4. General Business**

**(a) Meeting with Maritime Access & Infrastructure Council (MAIC)**

Attending on behalf of MAIC were:

The Hon. John Murray (Chair)  
Mr Bill Talbot (DPI)  
Mr Michael Wright (RMS)  
Mr Howard Glenn (MMC)  
Ms Alison Stone (Lands)  
Mr Allan Young (DP&I)  
Mr Ian McAndrew (Australian Marina Management)  
Mr Roy Privett (BIA)  
Mr Alan Barrett (BIA/ MANSW)

Items discussed were:

- North Creek/Prospect Bridge Dredging
- North Wall and the Ballina Bar
- Ballina Trawler Harbour – Boatharbour Road, Ballina and Ballina Fishermen's Co-operative
- Emigrant Creek / Smith Drive

Peter Carmont left at 3.30pm. Discussions with MAIC completed at 3.45pm.

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**(b) Dredging of North Creek**

Information noted.

**(c) Dredging – Ballina Boat Harbour**

Information noted.

**(d) Dredging of the Ballina Bar**

Information noted.

**(e) Better Boating Program – Grants**

Information noted.

**(f) North Wall**

Information noted.

**(g) Fawcett Wharf – Sale of Fresh Seafood**

Information noted. Phil Hilliard advised that Fishery requirements for receipting and record keeping were making this proposal extremely difficult.

**(h) State Government Media Release – Funding for Dredging**

Information noted.

**5. Business Without Notice**

**(a) Ballina Bar** – James Foster to provide draft media release on the positive state of the Ballina Bar to Paul Hickey. Paul also to determine whether latest images can be released.

**(b) Ballina Boatharbour** – Paul Hickey to provide James Foster with soil testing results for the Boatharbour for information.

**(c) Marina** – Peter Marshall, marine builder/designer from the Gold Coast to be invited to the next meeting.

**6. Next Meeting** – Tuesday 8 May 2014 – 2.00 pm

**Meeting closure:** 4 pm