



MINUTES

East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, 15 May 2025

Date: Thursday, 15 May 2025

Time: 4:30 PM

**Location: Meeting Room Bidjpidji (Meeting Room 1)
Level 1, Civic Centre
Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin**

**MINUTES OF CITY OF DARWIN
EAST POINT RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD AT THE MEETING ROOM BIDJPIDJI (MEETING ROOM 1), LEVEL 1, CIVIC CENTRE,
HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN
ON THURSDAY, 15 MAY 2025 AT 4:30 PM**

PRESENT:

Chairperson Councillor Morgan Rickard
Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
Friends of East Point Helen Haritos
Community Representative Ulrike Kachel
Researcher John Rawsthorne
Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmermann proxy Jurgen Dous
NT Heritage Samantha Wells
Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall
Larrakia Nation Victor Williams proxy Kyle Hunt Lew Fatt

OFFICERS

Emma Smith (Coordinator Environment and Climate Change),
Kali Stepto (Business Support Officer)

GUESTS:

Charles Darwin University Amy Cook
Charles Darwin University Dr Mirjam Kaestli

APOLOGY:

Birdlife Top End Brittany Hayward-Brown
Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott
Chairperson Councillor Kim Farrar

NOT PRESENT :

Crown Lands Management Wendy Pengelly

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Community Representative Ulrike Kachel was not present at the commencement of the meeting.

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc. Jurgen Dous was not present at the commencement of the meeting.

1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC009/25

Moved: Councillor Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

The Chair declared the meeting open at 4:33 pm.

CARRIED 7/0

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

City of Darwin acknowledges that we are living and working on Larrakia Country. We acknowledge the Larrakia people as the Traditional Owners of the Darwin region. We pay our respects to the Larrakia elders past and present and support emerging Larrakia leaders now and into the future. City of Darwin is committed to working together with all Larrakia to care for this land and sea for our shared future.

3 APOLOGIES

3.1 APOLOGIES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC010/25

Moved: Researcher John Rawsthorne

Seconded: Community Representative Lorraine Corowa

- Birdlife Top End Brittany Hayward-Brown
- Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott
- Chairperson Councillor Kim Farrar

CARRIED 7/0

4 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

4.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC011/25

Moved: Councillor Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

THAT the following member(s) attended the meeting electronically:

- Researcher John Rawsthorne
- Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall
- Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
- Friends of East Point Helen Haritos
- NT Heritage Samantha Wells

CARRIED 7/0

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

5.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Community representative Lorraine Corowa declared that the views expressed at this committee are her personal views as a community representative and not the views of her senior public servant role within the Northern Territory Government.
- Community representative Ulrike Kachel declared that she is also on the Committee for Friends of Casuarina Coastal Reserve.

5.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

6 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC012/25

Moved: Researcher John Rawsthorne

Seconded: Community Representative Lorraine Corowa

THAT the minutes of the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting held on 13 February 2025 be confirmed.

CARRIED 7/0

Community Representative Ulrike Kachel joined the meeting at 4:37 pm.

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc. Jurgen Dous joined the meeting at 4:37 pm.

7 OFFICER REPORTS

7.1 OFFICER UPDATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC013/25

Moved: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

THAT the report entitled Officer Updates be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

7.2 LAKE ALEXANDER MICROBIAL SOURCE TRACKING INVESTIGATION

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC014/25

Moved: Community Representative Ulrike Kachel

Seconded: Researcher John Rawsthorne

THAT the report entitled Lake Alexander microbial source tracking investigation be received and noted.

CARRIED 9/0

Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall departed the meeting at 5:08 pm.

8 MEMBER REPORTS

8.1 MEMBERS VERBAL UPDATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC015/25

Moved: NT Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

Seconded: Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Inc. Jurgen Dous

THAT the report entitled Members Updates be received and noted.

Fannie Bay Equestrian Jurgen Dous updated member on the below:

- Construction of a new horse wash bay is underway, and the old one will be dismantled as soon the new one is ready.
- There is a new weed called tar vine, which is a microscopic sticky seed that spreads quickly. It is unknown where it comes from. Emma Smith will investigate.
- Last toad bust was done at the end of the wet season and they caught 60 toads. The population of goanna is growing as well as birds population, particularly bush curlews.

Community Representative Lorraine Corowa updated member on the below:

- There has been an increase in the number of barking owls, especially around sunset.
- The area of land near to the rock sitters club are slowly creeping back towards the buildings and the gun turrets, also towards the historic military area and needs some securing. Is there any grants available to fix it.
- NT Heritage Samantha Wells mentioned that there is a Military Tourism project where East Point should be part of it, but she is not sure. She will have a look at it for the next meeting. She acknowledged that the erosion aspect is extremely important.

- Councillor Morgan Rickard also acknowledged that this is an issue in the municipality and coastal erosion is an item to be considered in major project plans in City of Darwin and that looking for other forms of funding from Federal Government is a good idea.
- Community Representative Lorraine Corowa also mentioned that Snap Send Solve app is great. She used it too and noticed that the matter was solved straight away.

CARRIED 8/0

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

10 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

11 NEXT MEETING

Thursday, 17 July 2025

The meeting closed at 5:18 pm.