



AGENDA

East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, 15 August 2024

**I hereby give notice that East Point Reserve Advisory Committee
Meeting will be held on:**

Date: Thursday, 15 August 2024

Time: 4:30 PM

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

**Simone Saunders
Chief Executive Officer**

EAST POINT RESERVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Right Worshipful, the Chairperson Councillor Mick Palmer
Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott
Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
Crown Lands NTG Racheal Curtain
Friends of East Point Helen Haritos
Community Representative Ulrike Kachel
Birdlife NT Amanda Lilleyman
Researcher John Rawsthorne
Larrakia Nation Ben Smith TBC
Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall
Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmermann
NT Heritage Samantha Wells
Alternate Councillor Morgan Rickard

OFFICERS

Executive Manager Environment & Waste Services, Nick Fewster
Coordinator Environment and Climate Change, Emma Smith
Environment, Climate and Waste Support Officer, Elizabeth Gleeson

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

2.1 Apologies

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2.3 Leave of Absence Requested

3 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

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4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

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6 OFFICER REPORTS

6.1 OFFICER UPDATES

Author: Coordinator Environment and Climate Change
Authoriser: Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. THAT the report entitled Officer Updates be received and noted.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to update members on relevant on-ground works, management, or matters relating to the East Point Biodiversity Management Plan.

KEY ISSUES

- The Northern Territory Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) recently conducted community consultation on the proposed Dudley Point Fishing Jetty. A report on the consultation and survey outcomes has been provided to DIPL and the Minister for review and decision-making. DIPL's next steps for this project are not currently known.
- In accordance with City of Darwin's East Point Cane Toad Management Plan, staff have been undertaking regular toad removal campaigns across the reserve, with more than 577 toads removed so far this year.
- A well-attended Community Planting Day was held in May 2024 to establish a further revegetation area opposite the Darwin Military Museum entrance.
- City of Darwin has engaged a contractor for the next 12 months to undertake regular grinding of green waste in the East Point mulching area to provide a high-quality product for our revegetation areas.
- City of Darwin is planning to resurface a further section of the monsoon forest walking track in August 2024.
- East Point Biodiversity Management Plan 2024-2029 is now finalised and on the City of Darwin website (see [here](#)).
- The Terms of Reference updates agreed to at the previous meeting on 16 May 2024 will go to Council for approval at the Ordinary meeting on 13 August 2024. Once approved, the updated Terms of Reference will be provided to all members to sign.

DISCUSSION

- The Northern Territory Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics (DIPL) recently conducted community consultation on the proposed Dudley Point Fishing Jetty. This included a public online survey on DIPL's *Have Your Say* website. The survey opened 5 June 2024, and closed 2 July 2024. The consultant engaged by DIPL to undertake the public consultation also met with various stakeholder groups including the Fannie Bay Equestrian Club, Darwin Military Museum, Pee Wees Restaurant, Surf Life Saving NT, PLAN, Big Bus Darwin. A report on the consultation and survey outcomes has been provided to DIPL and the Minister for review and decision-making. DIPL's next steps for this project are not currently known.
- In accordance with City of Darwin's East Point Cane Toad Management Plan, staff have been undertaking regular toad removal campaigns across the reserve. So far this year, staff have removed more than 577 toads over three nights (one night each in February, April, and May). The next collection night is set for 14 August 2024.
- A well-attended Community Planting Day was held in May 2024 to establish a further revegetation area opposite the Darwin Military Museum entrance. More than 3,000 plants were planted, which to date, have been establishing and growing well.
- City of Darwin has engaged a contractor for the next 12 months to undertake regular grinding of green waste in the East Point mulching area. This additional processing and ageing is producing high quality mulch to use in our revegetation areas across the Municipality.
- City of Darwin is planning to resurface a further section of the monsoon forest walking track in August 2024.
- The renewal and installation of new interpretive and wayfinding signage across the reserve is planned for the second half of 2024.
- East Point Biodiversity Management Plan 2024-2029 is now finalised and on the City of Darwin website (see [here](#)). Thanks all committee members for your input. We have commenced the short and medium term actions.
- The Terms of Reference updates agreed to at the previous meeting on 16 May 2024 will go to Council for approval at the Ordinary meeting on 13 August 2024. This was delayed to align with a broader review and update of the respective Terms of Reference for all City of Darwin committees. Once approved, the updated Terms of Reference will be provided to all members to sign.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL RESOLUTION

N/A

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT	3 A Cool, Clean and Green City 3.1 By 2030, Darwin will be recognised as a clean and environmentally responsible city
BUDGET / FINANCIAL / RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS	Budget/Funding: N/A Is Funding identified: N/A

LEGISLATION / POLICY CONTROLS OR IMPACTS	N/A
CONSULTATION, ENGAGEMENT & COMMUNICATION	N/A
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	<p>The report author does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>The report authoriser does not have a conflict of interest in relation to this matter.</p> <p>If a conflict of interest exists, staff will not act in the matter, except as authorised by the CEO or Council (as the case requires).</p>

7 MEMBER REPORTS

7.1 MEMBERS VERBAL UPDATES

Author: Coordinator Environment and Climate Change
Authoriser: Executive Manager Environment and Waste Services
Attachments: Nil

RECOMMENDATIONS

THAT the report entitled Members Verbal Updates be received and noted.

8 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

9 GENERAL BUSINESS

10 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*:

12.1 Cyclone Tracy Memorial Update

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

12.2 Members Verbal Updates

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(e) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with subject to subregulation 51(3) – information provided to the council on condition that it be kept confidential and would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to be contrary to the public interest.



MINUTES

East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, 16 May 2024

Date: Thursday, 16 May 2024

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, 16 MAY 2024 AT 4:30 PM**

PRESENT:	Chairperson Councillor Morgan Rickard Birdlife NT Amanda Lilleyman Crown Lands NTG Racheal Curtain Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmermann Friends of East Point Anna Reynolds Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott NTG Heritage Branch Samantha Wells Community Representative Ulrike Kachel Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
OFFICERS	Executive Manager Environment & Waste Services, Nick Fewster Environment, Climate and Waste Support Officer, Libby Gleeson Manager Parks & Open Spaces, Lisa Spann
APOLOGY:	Councillor Mick Palmer Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp Larrakia Nation Ben Smith Mindil Beach Life Savers NT Teresa Hall Pee Wees Restaurant Simon Mathews Researcher John Rawsthorne Top End Native Plant Society Lon Wallis
GUESTS:	Nil

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chair declared the meeting open at 4:34 pm.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Councillor Mick Palmer

Darwin Military Museum Norm Cramp

Larrakia Nation Ben Smith

Mindil Beach Life Savers NT Teresa Hall

Pee Wees Restaurant Simon Mathews

Researcher John Rawsthorne

Top End Native Plant Society Lon Wallis

3 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE

3.1 ELECTRONIC MEETING ATTENDANCE GRANTED

The following members attended the meeting electronically:

- Alternate Chairperson Councillor Morgan Rickard
- Birdlife NT Amanda Lilleyman
- Crown Lands NTG Racheal Curtain
- Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott
- NTG Heritage Branch Samantha Wells

4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF

4.1 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY MEMBERS

Committee members made the following declaration:

- 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.

4.2 DECLARATION OF INTEREST BY STAFF

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC005/24**

Moved: Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
Seconded: Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmermann

THAT the minutes of the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee Meeting held on 15 February 2024 be confirmed.

CARRIED 10/0**6 OFFICER REPORTS****6.1 TERMS OF REFERENCE REVIEW****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC006/24**

Moved: Community Representative Lorraine Corowa
Seconded: Alternate Councillor Morgan Rickard

THAT the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee recommend to Council the proposed changes to the Membership and Functions sections of the Terms of Reference at Attachment 1, with the addition of Crown Lands NTG as a member.

CARRIED 10/0**6.2 EAST POINT RESERVE BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT PLAN 2024-2029 FEEDBACK****COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC007/24**

Moved: Alternate Councillor Morgan Rickard
Seconded: Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott

THAT the report entitled East Point Reserve Biodiversity Management Plan 2024-2029 feedback be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/0

7 MEMBER VERBAL UPDATES

COMMITTEE RESOLUTION EPRAC008/24

Moved: Alternate Councillor Morgan Rickard

Seconded: Museum and Art Gallery of the NT Kirsten Abbott

THAT these Member Verbal Updates, regarding any on-the-ground updates, ideas and concerns relating to site management and decision-making, be received and noted.

CARRIED 10/0

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmerman:

- the Club is holding an 'Open Day' with pony rides on 26 May from 9am – 11am.

Community Representative Lorraine Corrowa:

- As a user of East Point Reserve and Community Representative on the Committee, Lorraine appreciates the trees planted behind Aeromodellers Club and shade provided.
- Expressed interest in being involved in any future planting days.
- Erosion around the "Rocksitters" remains a concern that the community would like to see addressed.

Councillor Morgan Rickard:

- City of Darwin is seeking funding to address this at both East Point Reserve and Nightcliff Foreshore.

Darwin Triathlon Club Gary Wall:

- Outlined the role and function of the Triathlon Club at East Point Reserve, including regular events that involve swimming in the lake, riding and running through the reserve.
- The Club's next event is also 26 May and will not include road closures.

8 GENERAL BUSINESS

City of Darwin officer noted that on 25 May, City of Darwin will be hold a planting day at East Point Reserve from 7:30 – 11am. This will involve planting 12,000 plants into a prepared site colloquially known as the "wallaby viewing paddock".

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmerman asked City of Darwin to allow enough space around paths for horses and bicycles when planting.

City of Darwin officer confirmed that this request will be noted for the planting day.

Community Representative Lorraine Corrowa again noted that it would be good to see more interpretative signage on biodiversity and threatened species at East Point Reserve.

Councillor Morgan Rickard supported Lorraine's comments.

Fannie Bay Equestrian Club Anja Zimmerman noted that the Club would love to be involved in releases of the Atlas Moth in their monsoon forest planting patch.

7 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

Nil

10 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC**RECOMMENDATIONS**

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That Council considers the confidential report(s) listed below in a meeting closed to the public in accordance with Section 99(2) of the *Local Government Act 2019*:

14.1 Cyclone Tracy Memorial at East Point

This matter is considered to be confidential under Section 99(2) - 51(c)(iv) of the Local Government Act, and the Council is satisfied that discussion of this matter in an open meeting would, on balance, be contrary to the public interest as it deals with information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to subject to subregulation 51(3) – prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

8 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Chair declared the meeting closed at 5:05 pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the East Point Reserve Advisory Committee held on 15 August 2024.

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CHAIR

Unconfirmed