



GHHP Partnership Meeting Minutes 13

Date: Thursday 14 June 2018

Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm

Location: Leo Zussino Building, CQ University Gladstone Campus

Attendees		
Name	Position	Organisation
Mr Paul Birch (Chair)	CEO	Fitzroy Basin Association
Ms Rachel D'Arcy (Phone in on behalf of Kirsten Kenyon)	Manager, Reef Partnerships	Office of the Great Barrier Reef
Mr Ian Coad	Manager- Commercial & Technical	Boyne Smelter Limited
Ms Natalie Madden	Senior Environmental Scientist	CQG Consulting
Ms Patrice Brown	Company Director	CQG Consulting
Professor Owen Nevin	Associate Vice-Chancellor Gladstone Region	Central Queensland University
Mr Brent McLellan	PCCC TUMRA Coordinator	GIDARJIL
Mr Patrick Hastings	CEO	Gladstone Industry Leadership Group Ltd.
Dr Megan Ellis	Marine Scientist	Gladstone Ports Corporation
Ms Rowen Winsor		Gladstone Ports Corporation
Mr Gerry Graham	Community Representative	GREAN
Mr Trent Scherer	Manager – Health, Safety & Environment	QAL
Mr Mark Evans	Senior Environmental Specialist	Orica
Mr Tim Danby	Manager Production	NRG Gladstone Operating Services
Ms Marilyn Steele	Senior Social Performance and Community Engagement Advisor	QGC/Shell
Mr Robert Gibb		Australia Pacific LNG
Ms Laura McCallion (Phone in)	Biodiversity Specialist	QGC
Mr Michael Rolfe	Environmental Advisor	Santos GLNG
Mr Trent Attard	HSE Manager	Wiggins Island Coal Export Terminal
Mr Michael Rolfe		Santos
Ms Brianna Kasper	Communications Officer	GAWB
Mrs Lyndal Hansen	Communications Team	GHHP
Ms Crystal McGregor	Communications Team	GHHP
Dr Mark Schultz	Science Officer	GHHP

Apologies	
Name	Organisation
Hon Dr Steven Miles	Minister for Environment & Heritage Protection Minister for National Parks and the Great Barrier Reef
Professor John Rolfe	ISP Chair
Cr Matt Burnett	Gladstone Regional Council
Cr Desley O'Grady	Gladstone Regional Council

Agenda Item 1 - Introduction

The Chair welcomed Partners and attendees.

Agenda Item 2 – Reports

2.1 Previous Minutes and Actions

Previous minutes read and accepted.

2.2 GHHP Science Program Report

GHHP Science Officer, Mark Shultz presented the Science Program Report, including updates to the four components:

1. Environment

Two additional new indicators (Mangroves and Fish Health) will be ready for this or the next report card. Once these two have been added, all elements will be complete.

Mangroves measured by mangrove cover, canopy density, shoreline condition and plant health. In development for 2018-19.

Partner Comment/Questions:

Q – were there benchmarks for mangroves? It was responded that, yes benchmarks are being developed as part of the program and will be signed off by the ISP.

Fish Health indicators to be developed for the report card. This includes reviewing and identifying fish health monitoring methods with FRDC. It was discussed that methods will need to be cost effective. Fish surveys have been conducted in 13 harbour zones, looking at Barramundi, two Bream species and sea mullet.

Other Science Programs included:

Coral Coring – being undertaken by AIMS, the Coral Coring project assessed the environmental conditions in the harbour back to the early 1900s including flooding and human impacts.

24 m of coral cores were collected from 11 colonies. Coral luminescence and Ba/Ca ratios, as well as the presence of metals. The results are currently being reviewed by the ISP.

Partner Comment/Questions:

Q – what was the biggest surprise. Mark advised that the changes in coral growth in varying temperatures was the most interesting finding.

Fish Health – CQU Team, INFO Fish is expanding on the Track my Fish app to identify fish health issues based on visual cues. Samples will be taken from the 13 harbour zones and throughout the Boyne Tannum Hook Up.

2. Cultural

Cultural work is being simplified.

3. Social

New measure for aesthetic value, measured via the CATI survey.

4. Economic

New measure for water recreation.

Gladstone Harbour Model - is ready and initial results are available on the GHHP website. There is a training session with CSIRO as to how to use the model and what scenarios can be run on 25th July, 2018. The Communication Team will send out invites shortly.

GHHP Report Card Review - A full review was undertaken on the GHHP Report Card conducted by Fitzroy Partnership for River Health. The full report will be available on the website, once released.

2.3 GHHP Media and Communication Report

Lyndal Hansen from the Communications Team provided an over view of communications over the past four years.

- 8000 report cards have been distributed. This year has been much easier than previous years to give out the report cards. People seem more interested.
- 4 Annual reports have been written and distributed.
- 13 fact sheets have been produced.
- 10,000 story books have been distributed, reprint of the first book. Schools are still wanting the books.
- New Stewardship storybook coming soon.
- 40 public presentations
- 3 major community events annually, 20 stalls at events and shopping centres.
- Citizen science project artwork is displayed
- 233 Facebook likes
- GHHP Instagram page coming soon
- GHHP website is constantly updated. A full review is being undertaken soon.
- The GHHP Report Card was the front page of the Gladstone News. It was the most commented on cover. That issue had two inside pages.
- 32 Education Resources have been produced and distributed in schools.
- Participate in Annual Science Week over the past three years.
- Walked in 3 Harbour Festival Parades
- Participated in 6 STEM meetings
- 11 Citizen Science programs

Report card release was on a boat in the harbour this year. The Chair noted that the interaction with people was really good and that he had received very positive comments.

Partner Comment/Questions:

Rachel asked about the story book. Crystal replied that the storybook was proving more difficult to prepare than first thought. The illustrations have been prepared and the author is working on creating the story where Dougie Dugong gains an understanding of the Stewardship activities in the harbour.

2.4 Management Report

The GHHP Management Committee proposed the following in relation to management structure:

- Paul Birch remain in the Chair position, until September
- Gordon Dwane to be replaced by Megan Ellis
- Andrew Tapsal to be replaced by Alan Hayter

All agreed.

Report Card Review

The Chair provided feedback on the Report Card Review. He advised that the report detailed that: Report Card met the Community Vision

The Report Card was holistic and comprehensive

The Report Card does not align with the 2050 Great Barrier Reef (GBR) Plan, nor the 2020 targets.

The difference is that the GBR plan is a cumulative report looking at targets.

The GHHP Report Card is different to other report cards and based on the data collected, cannot be compared. Regional Report Cards are different up the coast, looking at scoring, grades and measures.

Governance Review

A Governance review was conducted and included the need to appoint an Executive Officer for two days per week, with remuneration to be determined.

A Governance sub-committee has been established to review recommendations of the report and review the governance charter.

It was proposed by the Management Committee that a delegation of the Management Committee meet with the ISP to discuss scoring in the report card, with inconsistencies to be discussed with a plan to go forward.

Partner Comment/Questions:

Q – Where are the inconsistencies, is that with in the report card or with other report cards?

The Chair advised that there are inconsistencies between the GHHP Report Card and other report cards. GHHP is recognised as being at the forefront of report cards in the state.

Rachel advised that in the Townsville meeting Lyndon Llewelyn presented the DIMS system. He suggested that the Gladstone Model might be interesting in sharing with Townsville.

2.5 Citizen Science

An update on Citizen Science was provided in the Communications Update.

Agenda Item 3 – Items requiring decision

3.1 Adoption of 2018/19 Membership Contributions

The Chair presented the revised 2018/19 membership contributions, advising there were three changes, including:

Tier Four – Gladstone Port Authority \$100k is now provided as \$50k in cash and \$50k in Science Program contributions;

Australian Government \$20k less than previously funded (\$100k to \$80k); and

Queensland Government \$50k less than previously funded.

All agreed.

3.2 Adoption of 2018/19 Budget

The Chair presented the 2018/19 budget.

All agreed.

Partner Comment/Questions:

A question was raised regarding the funding for the Executive Officer position.

The Chair advised that the \$210,000 in science staff budget has not been all used with no Science Convenor position.

3.3 GHHP Governance

The Chair reconfirmed that the Governance Review had been undertaken and that the sub-committee of the Management Committee would be reviewing all of the information and providing a recommendation back to the Management Committee and Partnership.

Partner Comment/Questions:

A question was raised as to what the Governance/hosting changes might be? The Chair advised that the Executive Officer position was required. There was still decisions to be made on hosting and the appointment of the Chair position.

Agenda Item 4 – General/recurring business

Paul Birch thanked the partnership for his time as Chair and wishes the partnership all the best for the future.

Next meeting First Week in December. TBA.

Meeting closed: 11:15am