

Agenda



Coastal Open Space (COSS) Advisory Committee

Date: 13 September 2022
Time: 2pm – 3.35pm
Location: Teams Meeting
Chairperson: Luke Sulkowski, Unit Manager Environmental Management
Coordinator: Luke Sulkowski, Unit Manager Environmental Management

Item	Title	Responsibility	Time
1	Introduction: welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, apologies, disclosures of interest	Chairperson	2.00pm 15 minutes
2	Previous business: confirmation of minutes, review action log	Chairperson	2.15pm 10 minutes
3	Update on Property sale negotiations and COSS Sub-Committee request <ul style="list-style-type: none">Action 141Action 147	Commercial Property Manager	2.25pm 25 minutes
4	Update on transfer of Council land to National Parks <ul style="list-style-type: none">Action 139	Section Manager Natural Assets and Biodiversity	2.50pm 10 minutes
5	Update on Biodiversity Strategy and Land Acquisition and prioritisation (standing agenda items)	Senior Ecologist	3.00pm 10 minutes
6	Update on Council Nursery <ul style="list-style-type: none">Action 156	Section Manager Natural Assets and Biodiversity	3.10pm 5 minutes
7	Update from External representatives (standing agenda item)	External representatives	3.15pm 5 minutes
8	Update from Community representatives (standing agenda item)	Community representatives	3.20pm 5 minutes
9	General business <ul style="list-style-type: none">23 August 2022 Ordinary Council Meeting – Updates to Terms of Reference for Advisory Groups Report & Combined Terms of Reference for Advisory Groups.	All	3:25pm 5 minutes
10	Close Next meeting: December 2022	Chairperson	3.30pm 5 minutes



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132	9/6/2021	The Committee request the Project Manager provide a briefing on the airport masterplan, plan of management and subdivision plan at the next meeting.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	Airport Masterplan update emailed to members 14 February 2022. Verbal update provided at 15 March 2022 meeting.	Complete
139	21/9/2021	Luke Sulkowski to confirm whether the letter sent from Council to National Parks is able to be distributed and will review what information has previously been provided to the COSS Committee regarding this matter.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	<p>The Land Transfer Council to National Parks Chronology was discussed at the 13 December 2021 COSS meeting. Amy Walpole to double check, it seems we may have already provided a copy of the letter to the Minister/National Parks.</p> <p>16/02: LM to reconfirm that a copy of the letter was circulated to the committee</p> <p>Update as at 07/06/2022 meeting: Follow up regarding letter and circulation to Committee.</p> <p>9/08: Will be included as an agenda item at the meeting of September</p>	Pending
140	21/9/2021	Section Manager Flood Strategy and Planning to obtain more information regarding the two Conservation areas and provide feedback to Gary Chestnut.	Section Manager Flood Strategy and Planning	Peter Sheath currently liaising with Gary Chestnut on this matter.	Pending

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				9/08: An update has been provided to Gary via the AG	
141	21/9/2021	Staff to provide a presentation to the Committee at a future meeting on the way these property sale negotiations are carried out and possible new ways of thinking for Council negotiating on land that has high environmental values.	Unit Manager Economic Development and Property	Item to be pushed back to early 2022. Economic and Property development to take the lead on this action. EMU to provide advice and input as required. 9/08: Will be included as an agenda item at the meeting of September	Pending
143	21/9/2021	Staff to investigate the unauthorised clearing activities at Matcham and report back to the next COSS meeting advising what action has been taken against people who undertook the clearing.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	A registered surveyor was engaged by Council to carry out a boundary survey to ascertain the extent of clearing on Council land reserve, R0056 Wambina/Matcham Road Reserve. This survey was undertaken on the 26 th October 2021. On the 8 December 2022 an onsite meeting was held with Council officers Rhys Richards, Team Leader, Development Control, Brent Evans, Project Officer, Natural Assets and	Complete

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				<p>Biodiversity and Chris Ross a representative of the owners of 293 Matcham Road.</p> <p>The representative was asked to provide a Vegetation Management Plan which is to outline how they are to revegetate/regenerate/manage the area that they have admitted to clearing. It is understood that the representative has sourced three quotes from qualified ecologists to carry out the investigation and provide the Vegetation Management Plan and have now engaged Travers Bushfire and Ecology to provide the consultancy services. This plan is to be reviewed by Council before it is accepted. Once accepted the representative has stated that they will then carry out the recommendations of the report.</p>	

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				It is expected that the draft plan will be available for review in the next few weeks.	
144	13/12/2021	In regard to previous action 124, Council to send a follow up letter to the Minister advising of the significant community concerns regarding the clearing of land (public and private) and request that if the legislation isn't going to be changed, that regulatory control of deferred matters zoned land be given back to Council as opposed to DPIE and LLS.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	At the 8 February 2022 Council Meeting, Council resolved: That Council send a follow up letter to the Minister advising of the significant community concerns regarding the clearing of land (public and private) and request that if the legislation isn't going to be changed, that regulatory control of deferred matters zoned land be given back to Council as opposed to DPIE and LLS. Letters sent 2 March 2022 to Minister for Agriculture and Minister for Planning and Homes.	Complete
145	13/12/2021	The Coastal Open Space System (COSS) Committee members would like to express to Council their rejection of any mountain biking trails being established in COSS land or being identified for inclusion in COSS land as part of the Central Coast Mountain Biking Plan which will be	The Committee / Meeting Support Officer	At the 8 February 2022 Council Meeting, Council resolved: That Council note the COSS Committee's rejection of any mountain biking trails being established in COSS land or being	Complete

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		reported to Council at the Ordinary Meeting on 14 December 2021.		identified for inclusion in COSS land as part of the Central Coast Mountain Biking Plan that was reported to Council at the Ordinary Meeting on 14 December 2021.	
147	13/12/2021	Staff to follow up with the Economic Property Development Team request that they meet with the COSS Sub-Committee to discuss property sale negotiations and the acquisition process, prior to presenting to the Committee in the new year.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	9/08: Will be included as an agenda item at the meeting of September	Pending
148	13/12/2021	The Committee request that Council write to the Minister noting concerns about lots that were left off the list for potential land transfer to NPWS and request that further consideration be given to private land, not just public land. Furthermore, representations should be made to local members requesting support of this.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	At the 8 Feb 2022 Council Meeting, Council resolved: That Council write to the Minister noting concerns about lots that were left off the list for potential land transfer to NPWS and request that further consideration be given to private land, not just public land. Furthermore, representations should be made to local members requesting support of this. Letters sent 2 March 2022 to Minister for Environment and Heritage, The Member for Terrigal,	Complete

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				The Member for Gosford, The Member for The Entrance and The Member for Wyong.	
149	13/12/2021	Staff to arrange a further meeting with Gary Chestnut with a view to identifying some existing conservation reserves in the former Wyong LGA that may be considered for trial under the COSS branding and to identify likely tasks required in order to proceed with such a project.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	9/08: Due to scheduling conflicts, a meeting will be scheduled for early October	Pending
150	15/03/2022	Staff to collate a list of initiatives taken by Council in regard to QR codes and provide an update to the Committee at the next meeting. Consideration to also be given to other possible applications software (e.g., Hovr).	Unit Manager Environmental Management	Update provided at 07/06/2022 Committee meeting and outcomes included in meeting minutes	Complete
151	15/03/2022	Committee members are invited to provide any suggestions or feedback on the plan (Environmental Education Strategy) to advisorygroups@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au by Friday 25 March 2022	The Committee	COSS Committee - NAB Environmental Education Strategy emailed to members 18/3/2022 Update provided to Carlita Dhillon and Nick Carson via email 30/3/2022 – final confirmation of all feedback received – one email from Gary Chestnut.	Complete

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152	15/03/2022	Copies of the letters sent to Minister for Agriculture and Minister for Planning and Homes regarding Deferred Matters Land to be sent to Adam Crouch Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast and Member for Terrigal, for his information	Unit Manager Environmental Management	9/08: Larry to follow up and confirm if and when these letters were sent to the Members of Parliament	Pending
153	15/03/2022	A copy of all presentations from today's meeting to be provided to Committee Members	Meeting Support Officer	COSS Committee Presentations emailed to members 16/03/2022	Complete
154	07/06/2022	A copy of all presentations from today's meeting to be provided to Committee Members.	Meeting Support Officer	9/08: AG to update	Pending
155	07/06/2022	Refresher regarding opportunities for committee members to become involved, suggestions and feedback welcomed, please send via AdvisoryGroups email address.	COSS Committee members	9/08: AG to update	Pending
156	07/06/2022	Chair will seek advice from Team Leader Landcare and SM Natural Assets and Biodiversity regarding whether this is to be re-introduced.	Unit Manager Environmental Management	9/08: Update to be provided during the Action Log item. This program is not being re-introduced at this stage. Current resourcing levels for the nursery only allow for plants to be supplied to environmental volunteering program	Pending

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				groups for restoration of their worksites. Further consideration will be given to the potential for plant giveaways to be incorporated as part of the 2023 National Tree Day	