

**PortBUG March 2016: Minutes - draft.****3/1/16.****Apologies: Tim****1. Correspondence:****In:**

- Shaun De Waal – Birkenhead Bridge closure, Greenway works.
- DPTI – Bridge closure
- Councillor Hogan – Rec & Sport Grants

**Out:**

- to Shaun Dewaal, DPTI, Minister – Bridge closure
- to Minister (Dave) re Bridge Closure

**2. Proposal for Broader/Regional BUG Activities:****Action:** *Standing item – Sam to contact Bryan/CCS in March.***Ongoing action - Sam.****3. Coastal Way at Semaphore – Update (Dave): see appendices.****Report - Action (Tony):** *To gather together information & summarise options & arguments (Sam referred to previous emails to Cr Boan & . about alternative approaches to the problem and the process as a possible reference).*

- Tony to prepare for BUG information and possible forwarding to Council or discussion with CEO.
- Dave requested that the lack of community consultation be referred to.

**Tony - Ongoing task:**

Dave – last info indicated that matter is with tech services – awaiting further consultation with stakeholders. Liz noted that our contribution may have at least raised the possibility of consideration of alternatives. Dave also has been monitoring the area and notes very low levels of pathway use in proximity to the Palais!

**4. PA/E Bike Plan – Implementation & Priorities:****Report - Action:** *Sam to contact Mark Withers again towards the end of February.*

- Quest apartments – impacts

**Action – Ongoing, Sam.****5. DPTI Update 2016 (Sam):** Mtg with Gemma, Feb or March, 2016.**Report - Action:** *Sam to review invitation & contact Gemma again (eg; coast path, TtoT, Quest, Cycling Plan).***Action - Ongoing for April meeting. Tony suggested letter to the Messenger.****6. AOB Cycling Safety Workshop opportunity:****Report - Action:** *Leslie to draft letter to Michelle Hogan and Claire Boan proposing they raise it as an opportunity at Council.***Action - Leslie:** Going ahead for 6pm. Leslie to print brochures and distribute to members for distribution to various locales. Could also circulate to email contacts – Ian Hunter, Jane Marr, Shaun etc.**7. Monitoring Progress with PA/E Bike Plan Implementation:****Report - Action:** *Sam to draft a note for the CEO (cc to Dave & Tony). Sam to contact consultants asking for a copy of the action plan in word or spread-sheet format.***Action – Ongoing, Sam.****8. Torrens-to-Torrens Update (Liz):****Report - Action:** *Retain as standing item. Sam to draft a note to TtoT re improving signage.*

Liz has ridden the Greeway today. Noted some new signage indicating bypass via First St etc. Noted that route to the Hawker St crossing/detour is quite circuitous & could be better signposted. Liz also noted the potential for using Frome Road-style crash barriers on Port Road.

**9. Birkenhead Bridge Survey (Dave):** *see appendices.*

**Report - Action:** *Sam & Dave to briefly document this information for Kerry & Shaun (and for web site).*

**Action -** For possible ongoing action. **Sam to await DPTI responses.** Tony notes a large patch of caltrop below the mural on the loop path.

**10. Community Rides (Liz):**

**Action:** *Defer to next meeting (Liz)*

**Action:** No action - deferred to April.

**11: AOB:**

**11.1: Northern Connector (Tony):**

**Report - Action:** *Important item for the CEO (sooner rather than later) Sam to draft as part of his proposed note to Mark Withers. Tony to provide Sam with an emailed summary asap.*

Tony: Tabled a graphic analysis of what appears to be planned. Key questions:

- how will it cross the freeway?
- how will it connect to Salisbury bike paths?
- how will it connect to the proposed routes in the PA/E Bike Plan?

Dave made the point that the Nthn connector **MUST** include provision for bicycle use effectively separated from the roadway.

**Actions:**

- **Sam to draft a letter to DPTI/Project Group/Minister re connectivity to PA/E routes**
- **Leslie to liaise with City of Salisbury**
- **Need to seek consideration for BUG as stakeholder for information gathering meeting with the Project Group.**

**11.2. State Cycling Strategy:**

**Report - Action:** *Sam to draft & circulate a '2 sentence' email for the Minister outlining our concerns.*

**Ongoing Action - Sam.**

**11.3. Tennyson Dunes.** Tony and Dave nominated as representing the BUG in meeting next week.

Dave spoke to issues of clear representation from the BUG, particularly with regard to technical and standards issues. Tony felt that there was value in simply attending the meeting to derive further information. Dave also spoke to examples drawn from a search of similar projects from elsewhere in Australia. Pointed to shared use standard – Offroads 6A. Not mentioned in the Concept Report.

**Brief for Tony & Dave in meeting with Coast Park consultants:**

- 1. To collect further relevant information on technical aspects such as path widths, use & design of 'choke points', use of (or reference to) standards, potential impact of planned activity nodes on perceptions of safety**
- 2. To express general support for conservation outcomes sought by the Concept Report.**
- 3. To express concern that any likelihood of further constraint on bicycle use due to unnecessary design limitations (such as use of dismount requirements) *be avoided.***

4. To express the BUG's concern that the potential Active Mobility value of the Tennyson section of the pathway *also* needs to be realised, though not necessarily by restricting all users to the same pathway all of the time. This because:
  - the real & perceived Active Mobility benefits to the community *is likely to be just as valuable in the longer-term* as those associated with the community's conservation awareness and insight
  - both sets of values are likely to be extremely important in ensuring both community and Local or State Government's *long-term support for the pathway* through this special section of the Coast Park.
5. The BUG notes the value of family use of the pathway (including young children on small-wheeled scooters) & the lack of discussion of associated design requirements in the Concept Report re:
  - pathway gradients & usage implications
  - predicted usage & associated design capacities
  - acknowledgement of necessary design compromises etc.
6. The PortBUG notes that currently this information needs to be inferred from the report's illustrations or the limited information provided. The BUG asks that the path design make *every attempt* to acknowledge & cater for all users. The concept information & drawings do not currently explain or illustrate this.
7. The BUG asks that negotiations occur with DPTI & other relevant parties for funding & construction of *an additional*, 'higher capacity' or 'bike access' bypass path *around* the central dune area on the land side (from map points 3-5), with appropriate gradients and width to accommodate cyclists, wheelchair or gopher users and prams to minimize risk of conflict for pathway route users and maximize beneficial Active Mobility outcomes.
8. The BUG asks that opportunities be considered for a similar additional & alternative 'higher capacity' bypass path around, or through the lower environmental impact areas of the dunes between Coronado Court and Escourt Road. Again, the purpose would be to minimize risk of conflict for pathway route users and maximize beneficial Active Mobility outcomes.

Next PortBUG Meeting: April 7<sup>th</sup>.