

# MINUTES

## LAKE ILLAWARRA CMP IMPLEMENTATION GROUP

22 NOVEMBER 2023



### MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Chris Homer, SCC (Chair)	Matthew Apolo, SCC staff
Cr John Davey, SCC	Jessica Lintern, SCC staff
Cr Ann Martin, WCC	Allison Broad, SCC staff
Cr Linda Campbell, WCC	Geoff Hoynes, SCC staff
Warren Goodall, Community Rep SCC	Chris Stewart, WCC staff
Colin La Flamme, Community Rep WCC	Trudy Costa, WCC staff
Jess Whittaker, Community Rep WCC	
Daniel Wiecek, DPE	
Aara Welz, ILALC	
Carla Ganassin, NSW DPI	
Brian Jones, Independent Scientific Advisor	

### Online Attendance

Cr Lou Stefanovski, SCC	Cr Elisha Aitken, WCC
Graham Towers, DPE	Isabelle Ghetti, WCC staff
Grant Nelson, DPE Crown Lands	

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### ITEM 1 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

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### ITEM 2 APOLOGIES

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Apologies were received and accepted on behalf of –

- Sharon Tomamichel, Community Rep SCC
- Nathan Harrison, Sydney Water
- Peter Hawkins, TfNSW

### ITEM 3 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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The Chair acknowledged the Traditional Owners of the land and thanked Elders, past, present and emerging for their care of Country, recognising that this land has never been ceded, and always was and always will be Aboriginal Land.

### ITEM 4 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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There were no Declarations of Interest declared.

### ITEM 5 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES AND BUSINESS ARISING

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The Minutes from 23 August 2023 were received and accepted.

MOVED by Cr Ann Martin, SECONDED by Warren Goodall.

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### ITEM 6      **REPORT – Project Officer Report**

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Presentation by Trudy Costa and Allison Broad.

The first 'Lake Walk and Talk' of 2024 will be held at the Lakes Entrance this time on the Shellharbour side of the entrance.

ACTION MF1 - Develop and implement a fauna management program including shorebirds, fish and other fauna (MF1) has commenced with staff collating literature and data from previous studies to inform future surveys, monitoring and funding applications.

Councils are working collaboratively with DPI fisheries to investigate options for a survey of recreational cockle fishing in the lake & have made a submission with UOW for an 2024 Honours Environmental Science Research Project to work on similar research questions.

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### ITEM 7      **PRESENTATION– Coastal Conference 2023: Key Learnings for the Lake**

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Presentation by Trudy Costa and Isabelle Ghetti.

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### ITEM 8      **PRESENTATION– Mangrove Monitoring Update**

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Presentation by Danny Wiecek.

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### ITEM 9      **DISCUSSION – Group Vision Statement**

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Initial Vision Statement provided by Warren Goodall, followed by discussion until the agreed statement was reached:

Our vision for Lake Illawarra is to protect and enhance a diverse ecosystem, respect and protect our cultural heritage, foster a strong sense of community and encourage economic opportunities.

Moved: Cr Ann Martin and Seconded: Cr John Davey

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### ITEM 10 STATE GOVERNMENT GRANTS – Upcoming Opportunities

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Nil

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### ITEM 11 GROUP MEMBER UPDATES

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Grant Nelson will provide a presentation at the next meeting.

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### ITEM 12 OTHER BUSINESS

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Wind farms were discussed, with no motions being made at this point. Members were asked to be mindful of this issue.

Community Presentation from Craig Rusby, Compleat Angler Fishing and Boat hire has been held over until the new year.

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### ITEM 13 NEXT MEETING AND CLOSE

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The next meeting of the Implementation Group is scheduled to be held on 21 February 2024.

The Meeting closed at 7:27PM.

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### ACTION SUMMARY

Item	Action	Officer	Status

# Project Officers' Report November 2023





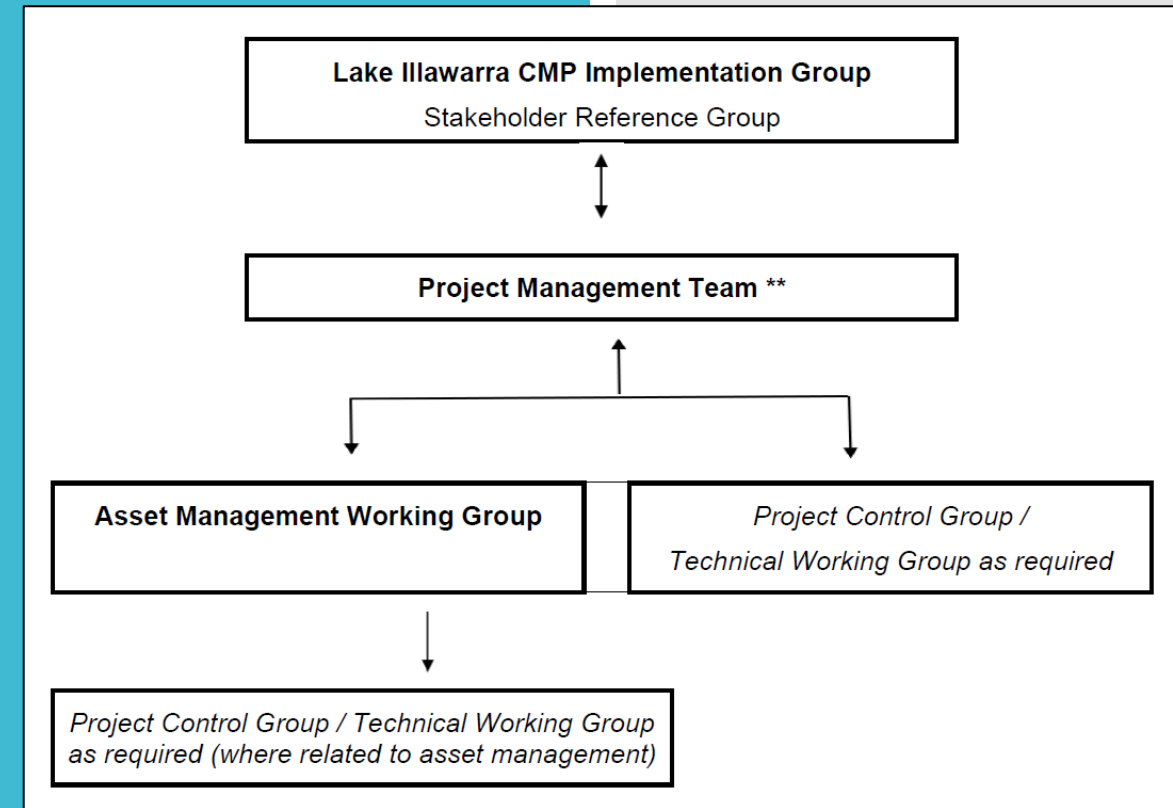


# Group updates

# Revised Terms of Reference

## Attachment 2

Submissions in reply report highlights changes to Terms and additional actions to be taken by the PMT





# 2023-2024 Implementation Plan

## Lake Illawarra Coastal Management Program Implementation Plan 2023-2024



Details projects, priority actions and expenditure allocated  
for implementation over the 2023-2024 FY



# CMP Status updates

## Strategy 1: Improve Water Quality (WQ)

WCC & SCC EPA litter  
reduction program

**Won 1st Place**

**'Keep Australia Beautiful'**

**NSW Sustainable Cities  
Award (2023)**

in the Clean Communities  
category.



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## Strategy 9: Protect and Manage Key Fauna (MF)

### ACTION – MF1

### Develop & implement a fauna management program

include shorebirds, fish &  
other fauna

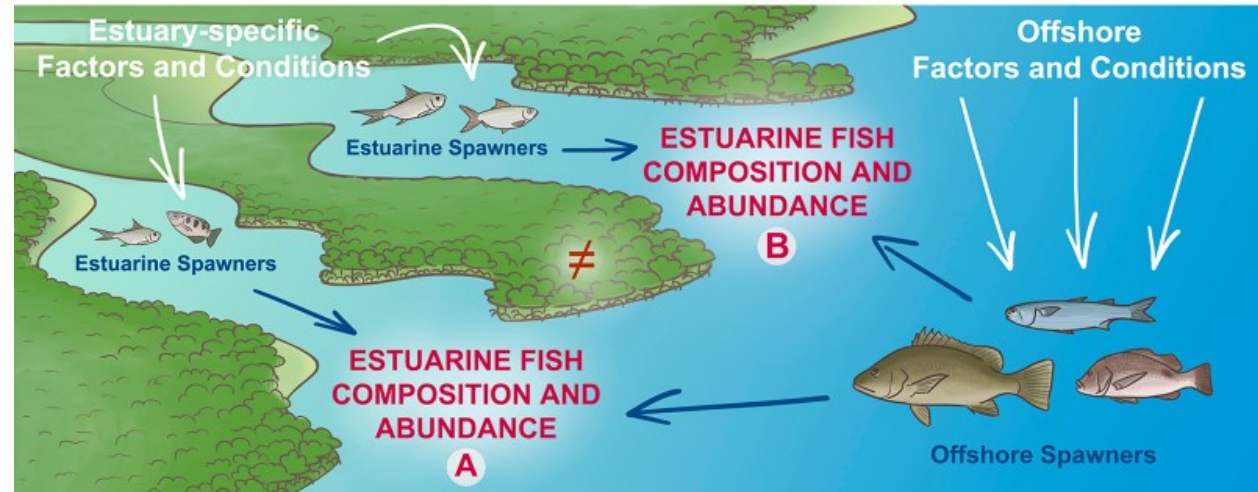


## Strategy 9: Protect and Manage Key Fauna (MF)

### ACTION – MF1

Develop & implement  
a fauna management  
program

include shorebirds, fish &  
other fauna



Fauna Monitoring –  
starting with Fish!

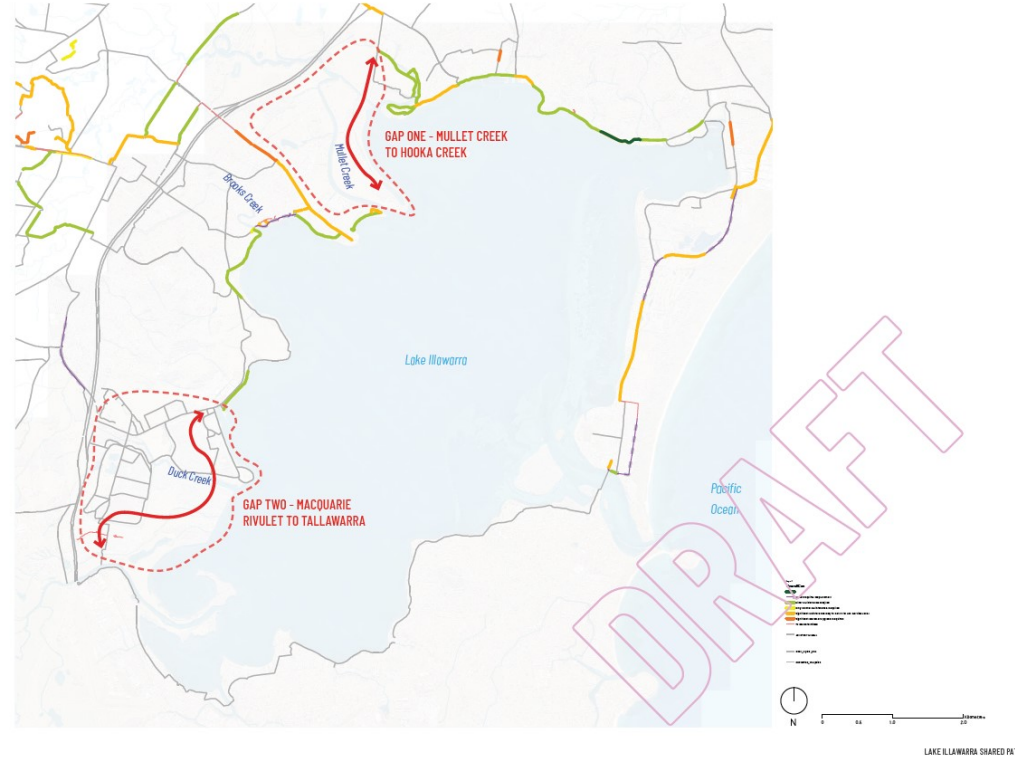


Also aligns with **CMP ACTION RA4** Build on the Tourism opportunities for Lake Illawarra



## Strategy 5: Maintain and Improve Recreational Amenity (RA)

### Shared Pathway Masterplan (action RA1, RA2, RA4)



**Anyone interested in providing feedback on the draft masterplan in the next few weeks please contact me**



## Strategy 2: Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

Community Engagement  
On Schedule!



### APPENDIX C: Engagement Timeline



#### C.1 Engagement Timeline

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| <b>JULY 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Commence Community-led First Nations Engagement (Ongoing)</li><li>✓ Commence Resourcing Compliance Officers (Every 3 Years)</li></ul>   |  |
|  | <b>AUGUST 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Launch of Upskilling Citizen Science Programs (Ongoing) ✓</li></ul>                   |
| <b>SEPTEMBER 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UOW Interprofessional Education Day (Annually) ✓</li></ul>   |  |
|  | <b>DECEMBER 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hotspot Information Kiosks (Ongoing, Bi-Annually) ✓</li></ul>                       |
| <b>JANUARY 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Commence Developing New Community Partnerships (Ongoing)</li><li>• Commence Lake Signage Development and Management Plan (One time initiative - Completion by December 2025)</li></ul> |  |
|  | <b>MARCH 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Commence Check-ins with CMP Implementation Group Members (Ongoing, Annually)</li></ul> |
| <b>APRIL 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>✓ Launch of Lake Illawarra Walk and Talks (Ongoing, Bi-Annually)</li></ul>   |  |
|  | <b>MAY 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Launch of Lake Illawarra Online Hub</li></ul>  |

**Strategy 2:** Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

**Strategy 4:** Protect and Rehabilitate Estuarine and Riparian Vegetation (EV)

**Strategy 6:** Protect and Promote Cultural Heritage (CH)

**Strategy 7:** Manage Foreshore and Bank Erosion (FB)

- 3 Community Planting Days in 2024  
(1st planned for Feb)
- Progressing approvals for foreshore works on a culturally significant foreshore
- Saltmarsh propagation has commenced



**EV1** | Rehabilitate vegetation and manage public access along foreshores and banks of the Lake, its tributaries, islands and broader low-lying areas

**CH1** | Protect and promote cultural heritage in and around the Lake and its catchment



## Strategy 2: Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

### Hooka Point 'Walk & Talk'

October

9 Committee Members  
attended



Aligns with CMP Actions PM3 (Community Engagement & Participation)



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## Strategy 2: Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

Aligns with CMP Actions PM3 (Community Engagement & Participation)

### Lake's Entrance 'Walk & Talk' November

13 Committee  
Members attended  
(+ Work Experience Student)





**Strategy 2:** Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

**Strategy 9:** Protect and Manage Key Fauna (MF)



Aligns with **CMP Actions PM3** (Community Engagement & Participation)



**Strategy 2:** Improve Planning and Management Arrangements for the Lake (PM)

**Strategy 9:** Protect and Manage Key Fauna (MF)

# Interactive Hot Spot Kiosk

## Fauna Focus



Aligns with **CMP Actions PM3** (Community Engagement & Participation) & **RA4** (Tourism)







Committee members –  
please come along  
and participate in community  
engagement events!

