

Inner Harbour Community Liaison Group**Date: Tuesday 9 May, 2023****Time: 5-6.30pm****Location: 1st Floor Conference Room****Chair: Neil Stanbury****Minute-taker: Jane Edwards****Attendance:**

Bill Ody, Fremantle Society
Alison Evison, Sea Harvest
Shirley Burbidge, Fremantle Volunteer Roundhouse Guides
Ann Forma, North Fremantle Community Association
Peter Grant, Artsource

Fremantle Ports representatives:

Sami Zouad, General Manager Strategy Planning and Performance
Neil Stanbury, Manager Government and Public Relations
Jane Edwards, Community Engagement Specialist
Denis Doak, A/Manager Planning

Apologies:

John Dowson, Fremantle Society

1. Acknowledgement of Country (provided by Chair)
2. A/Planning Manager Denis Doak outlined progress by Fremantle Ports against its current Port Development Plan project, which is currently in a phase of stakeholder consultation. Denis related the intent of the plan, which will combine with Westport, Future of Fremantle and JTSI work, in terms of establishing a clear plan for the Port of Fremantle and facilitation of trade for the next ten years, between now and the transition of the container trade to Kwinana. He provided information regarding survey feedback to date. Members noted that some groups on the IHCLG had not received the survey, which was still open.

ACTION - Fremantle Ports to review the mailing list and ensure IHCLG member organisations receive the survey.

3. Manager, Government and Public Relations, Neil Stanbury updated the group on current port trade figures and business performance. Information was provided about the cruise season about to close, noting that for this season, Fremantle Ports had received 33 cruise vessels and handled 42,000 passengers. Refurbishment works on the Fremantle Passenger Terminal were described, totalling \$6.5m over the past six years.

4. General Manager Sami Zouad outlined Fremantle Ports' development of its REFLECT Reconciliation Action Plan and the intent to launch the plan in late May this year. The plan contained 55 initiatives and would focus on the pillars of Relationships, Respect, Opportunities and Governance.

5. Neil Stanbury outlined current refurbishment works to B Shed, C Shed and proposed Inner Harbour maintenance dredging for this year, which had been the subject of environmental planning and Indigenous consultation in the past month. This dredging work was yet to occur, subject to planning and consultation. The dredging was required to sustain the depth of the harbour established during the last major dredging in 2010.

6. Community Engagement Specialist Jane Edwards outlined Fremantle Ports' work in the past quarter to support a range of community initiatives and organisations, including the WA Marathon Club' s Harbour Master Classic event, the sailing community of WA, the Slip Street Carnivale staged by Fremantle Ports in February, Anzac Day, Fremantle Netball Association, Fremantle Port Swimming Club, Fremantle Volunteer Heritage Association' s cannon firing, WA Wildlife, and Tourism Rockingham' s Catalpa Festival. The group was updated on upcoming harbour tours by Fremantle Ports on the Inner Harbour, departing from East Street Jetty.

7. Neil Stanbury briefed the group on incidents and complaints raised in the past quarter. These included a pilot near-miss alongside a ship, flotsam in the Inner Harbour, anti-social behaviour on South Mole, a public report about interference with fairy tern eggs at the Rous Head sanctuary, and a complaint about odour from a livestock vessel.

The meeting closed at 1830 hrs.