

**Inner Harbour Community Liaison Group****Date: Tuesday 1 March 2022****Time: 5-6.30pm****Location: The Freo Merchant café, B Shed****Chair: Dr Simon Avenell****Minute-taker: Jeanette Murray****Attendance:**

Freda Ogilvie, Noongar representative  
Mark Woodcock, Fremantle Society  
Danicia Quinlan, Fremantle Chamber of Commerce  
Gerry MacGill, North Fremantle Precinct  
Don Whittington, Fremantle Park Association  
Eric Wilson, Port Beach Users Group & Polar Bears  
Michael McPhail, Town of East Fremantle  
Susan Clark, NDA  
Alison Evison, Samson Precinct  
Dennis Claughton, Flying Angel Club  
Peter Grant, Artsource  
Maryrose Baker, Fremantle Inner City Residents Association

**Fremantle Ports representatives:**

Sean Craig, General Manager Business Strategy & Sustainability  
Sue Hellyer, Manager Logistics  
Neil Stanbury, Manager Corporate & Community Relations  
Jeanette Murray, External Affairs Coordinator  
Sally Swingler, Communications Officer

**Apologies:**

Michael Parker, CEO  
Ron Kawalilak, Gibson Park Precinct  
Paul Reiffer, Maritime Heritage Association  
Ed Blackley, White Gum Valley Precinct  
Gina Blackmore/Lisa Barnes, South Fremantle Precinct  
Rebecca Hicks, City of Fremantle  
Laura Mascaro, Town of East Fremantle

1. Acknowledgement of Country (provided by Chair)
2. Welcome, apologies, invitation for other agenda items

Mark Woodcock, Fremantle Society provided this information:

- a) The Fremantle Society has almost completed a short professional film about the importance of saving the Fremantle Traffic Bridge. It has taken well over 100 hours of work and Fremantle Ports will be invited to a VIP screening.

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b) The Fremantle Society is pleased that the government has finally realised that Victoria Quay is unsuitable for film studios as outlined by the Fremantle Society's concerns, but that these sort of poor planning processes by the local council and state government have wasted years and millions of dollars when Victoria Quay needs to be developed as a maritime related cultural area. The focus needs to go back to the conservation plan and masterplans already done.

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3. Confirm minutes

- Action from last meeting: Fremantle Ports to include more information about reconciliation and projects/initiatives benefitting Noongar peoples. Neil Stanbury said more information would be provided.
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4. Guest speaker: Stuart Proctor, Fremantle Pilots

Stuart provided a comprehensive talk on the role of pilots, COVID measures at the port, and the increasing size of ships visiting the port and how pilots and the port are accommodating them.

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5. Update on trade, the new strategic plan, new logo, Westport provided by Sean Craig

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6. Swan River Crossings Project update (Neil Stanbury)

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7. Victoria Quay update (Neil Stanbury):

Question from Mark Woodcock about the jarrah blocks used historically on Victoria Quay. Neil Stanbury said Fremantle Ports was waiting for an opportunity presented during VQ works to show them. Freda Ogilvie said there should be interpretive information on VQ explaining how people walked to Rottnest thousands of years ago.

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8. Reconciliation Action Plan update (Neil Stanbury):

Fremantle Ports' first RAP would be launched this year and Fremantle Ports was looking at creating an Aboriginal officer position for overseeing implementation of the RAP. Fremantle Ports had commissioned Noongar artist Bradley Kickett to paint the Inner Harbour area and Cockburn Sound before European settlement. This large painting will be placed in the administration building foyer. Comment by Freda Ogilvie: Fremantle Ports should build relationships with local Elders.

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9. Community update (Neil Stanbury)

- Mrs Mullally's house: Comment from Gerry MacGill that the North Fremantle community wanted Mrs Mullally's house kept where it was and used as an interpretive centre. Sean Craig said Fremantle Ports was looking at the house's use and the house would not necessarily stay where it was.
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10. Incidents and complaints (Neil Stanbury)

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11. General business

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**Note:** These minutes are brief because the presentation of this meeting was sent to members on 2/3/22.

**2022 meetings:** 14 June, 13 September, 22 November (5pm Tuesdays)