



## **Committee Meeting SUMMARY**

4 December 2015

**Present:** Diane James AM (Chair), Therese Cotter, Graeme McGregor AO, Elaine Carbines, Lindsay Ellis, Paul Simmons.

Supported by Bellarine Bayside's Senior Management Team & Executive Support Officer

### **National Celtic Festival**

The Committee discussed its partnership with the National Celtic Festival, and at the meeting's close, Una McAlinden, Director of the National Celtic Festival, delivered a presentation on the not-for-profit festival, which aims to sustain Celtic culture in Australia. Una outlined the festival's history and its significance to the region's economic and cultural development.

### **Communications Plan**

The Committee approved the Communications plan, concerned with delivering Bellarine Bayside's key messages to relevant internal and external stakeholders. This plan, intended for internal use only, is designed to be dynamic and evolving, and will be added to as required.

### **Regional Coastal Board's Central Region Plan 2015 – 2020**

The plan was tabled and noted by the Committee.

### **October Financial Report**

The Committee discussed Senior Management's judicious financial management, which should be reflected in February's financial report results. The Risk, Audit and Finance Sub-committee were pleased with the establishment of Term Deposit funds, placing Bellarine Bayside in an improved financial position in the future as part of a strategy to increase cash holdings.

### **Portarlington Sailing Club Lease**

The Committee discussed the issues surrounding the Portarlington Sailing Club's wish to have a long-term lease arrangement drafted.

### **Campers Connection**

The Committee finalised its plans regarding a consultation process with campers and decided it would hold three events through January in Portarlington Holiday Park and at Indented Head and St Leonards camp grounds. The consultation process will take the form of an informal BBQ and conversation with campers.

### **Chair's Report**

The Chair noted the commencement of the new CEO, John Nankervis, on 4 January 2016.

The Chair reflected on the positive outcome of initial discussions regarding the development of an MOU between Bellarine Bayside and City of Greater Geelong.

The Chair thanked Bellarine Bayside's management team for the planning of the successful Annual Community Meeting held 27 November 2015. Great positive feedback was received from the community.

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