**DRAFT** PortBUG Minutes.

May, 2015.

Present: Sam, Leslie, Kerry McConnell & Shaun Dewaal (PAE Council), Brian, Ann, Michelle Hogan (Councillor), Tony, Liz, Dave.

Apologies: Tim, Bruce, Councillor Claire Boan.

Guests: Kerry McConnell & Shaun Dewaal (Transport Team, PAE Council).

- 1. Correspondence.
- 1.1. In:
  - Email Gemma Kernich (railyards pathway, Greenway updates)
- 1.2. Out:
  - Kerry OcConnell Greenway & laison (Liz)
  - Torrens to Torrens future meeting & liaison (Leslie)
  - Gemma Kernich future meeting, railyards (Sam)
  - Wendy Campana LGA Bike Strategy (Sam)
- 2. Main Agenda Item PA/E draft Bicycle Plan: Discussion with Kerry McConnell & Shaun Dewaal.

**Prospective staff changes in the Transport Section:** With Kym Dorrestyn's departure it's likely that Council may employ one or more new traffic engineers.

**Recent Initiatives:** The Council has recently provided comment on the development of a Metropolitan Cycling Strategy by the Local Government Association (to which the PortBUG has also had some input). Route priorities the Council has provided to the LGA Strategy included a proposed Port Expressway bike path & completion of the Outer Harbour Greenway.

**Finalisation of the new PAE Local Area BikePlan:** This will require continued work with Infraplan (the consultants) on prioritizing the Bike Plan's matrix of infrastructure initiatives prior to the Plan going to Council for ratification. Kerry will look at the BUG's recommendations and suggestions provided at the recent PAEF. The Plan is expected to go to Council mid- year.

The **intended final form of the Plan:** Kerry noted that the Plan already has some recommendations to this end that will be considered by the Council's publications branch. BUG members suggested need for a system for notification by members of the public of bike issues and the for the public auditing of Council cycling provisions & facilities.

Cycling projects in current budget (2015-16): Kerry indicated that it will likely be a \$\$ amount, making it possible to complete a number of smaller projects including preparation of on-line local area maps, sections of pathway and some design work. Funding for major projects within the new Bike Plan will need to await a further budget process. Currently the Council is finishing the Greenway's line marking and embarking on consultations for design of the Greenway facility on Lipson Street, Port Adelaide. Kerry undertook to provide the BUG with a list of the short-term projects Council is undertaking.

**Partnership & Liaison:** BUG members offered to assist Council with local area investigations, identification of issues etc and suggested BUG members proposed regular meetings with Kerry & colleagues with regular meetings with staff every couple of months. Kerry indicated that this would be possible. The BUG undertook to nominate some dates later in the year.

**Engagement with Councillors & Reporting Progress:** The BUG discussed the best ways we might engage with Councillors on issues such as:

- how can the Bike Plan best be implemented?
- how can the Bike Plan's profile be raised?
- Reporting on implementation of the Bike Plan.

Michelle noted that Council's new Public Health Plan may assist in raising the profile of the Pan and ensuring a regular reporting process. As a Councillor, she would certainly be interested in some sort of structured report back to Council on a regular basis. She noted that although the Council do run workshops, these may not be the best the best avenue for reporting on the Plan. She suggested a report on the Plan's implementation about every 6 months with information to relevant community groups. Michelle indicated interest in assisting with such reporting workshops. Kerry also noted that once per year there is a report to Council on key issues on policy implementation. Kerry also indicated that a Council Access & Mobility Plan will be funded in 2016-17 that may bring together and integrate key aspects of bike, disability & freight plans. The Health Plan is available on the Council web site.

Kerry noted that Shaun will play some role – not yet entirely clear – in bicycle matters. He will be the 'go to person' for public contacts and queries on cycling and related matters with queries, letters and emails via the Council's enquiries address. Kerry anticipates that Shaun will know the network and be the primary point of contact.

**3. Torrens to Torrens Project Liaison:** Liz reported that the project's public officer Wendy is happy to meet with the BUG again.

**Action:** Leslie will write to Wendy proposing a further meeting date (July BUG meeting) and requesting clarification in writing of key points regarding recent revisions to plans.

- **4. Coast Park Update:** Tim has written to Council as per April minutes.
- **5. SA New bike Laws:** Liz has written to Gov't as per April minutes.
- **6. Greenway Update:** Recent construction of the new Woodville pathway is noted. Liz noted that there are significant problems with lack of lights between Actil Ave and Cheltenham Parade. Liz has rec'd comment re this from Colin Marr at DPTI.

**Action:** Liz will write to CCS re lack of lighting on the St Clair section of the Greenway.

Dave noted that a there is a similar issue from Park Trc to the tunnel near the Wier on the Torrens Pathway. This requires letter to Adelaide BUG and the City Council.

Action: Dave to investigate & possibly draft.

- 7. SA New Bike Laws: Liz has written to State Gov't communicating the BUG's support.
- **8. Bicycle Institute submission to the SBP:** Sam has provided a copy of our own recent letter to the Minister.

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Next PortBUG Meeting: 7pm, June 4<sup>th</sup>.