KAVHA ADVISORY COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES OF 5TH MEETING 30 – 31 AUGUST 2017 GOVERNMENT HOUSE, KAVHA, NORFOLK ISLAND

CHAIR:

The Hon Eric Hutchinson

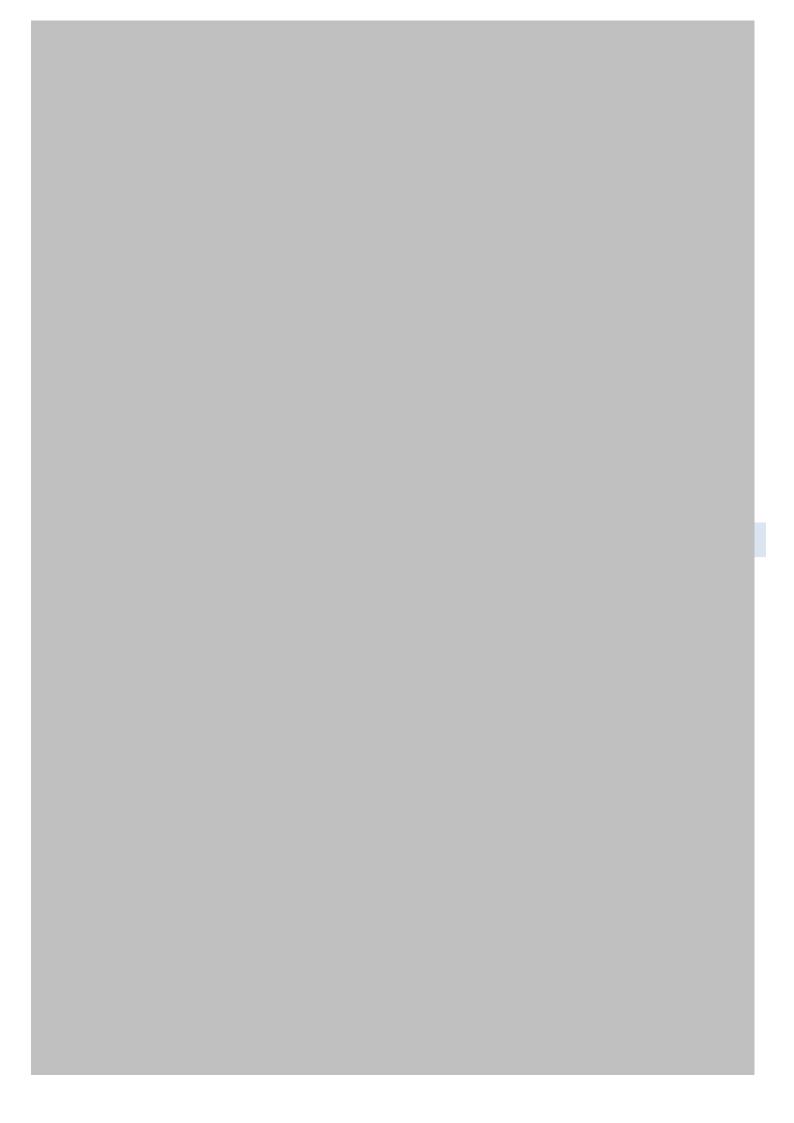
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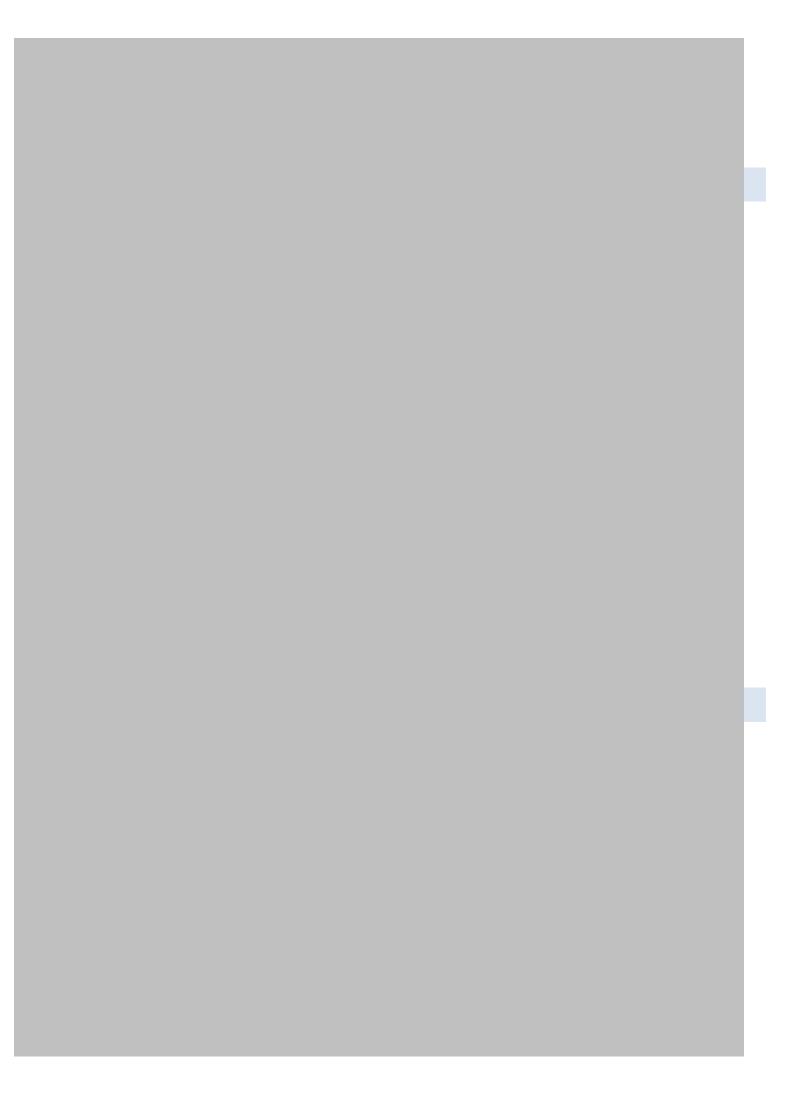
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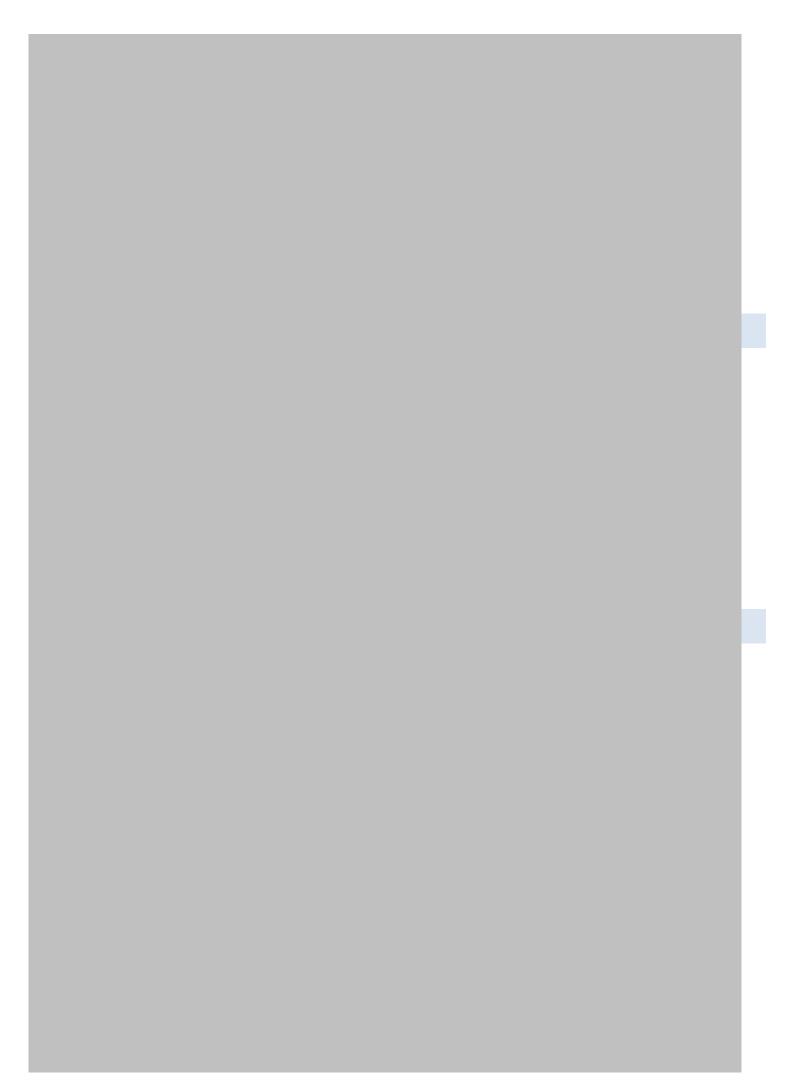
ALSO ATTENDING:

1. WELCOME

Eric Hutchinson welcomed all participants to the meeting and thanked the Secretariat for preparing a comprehensive set of meeting papers.



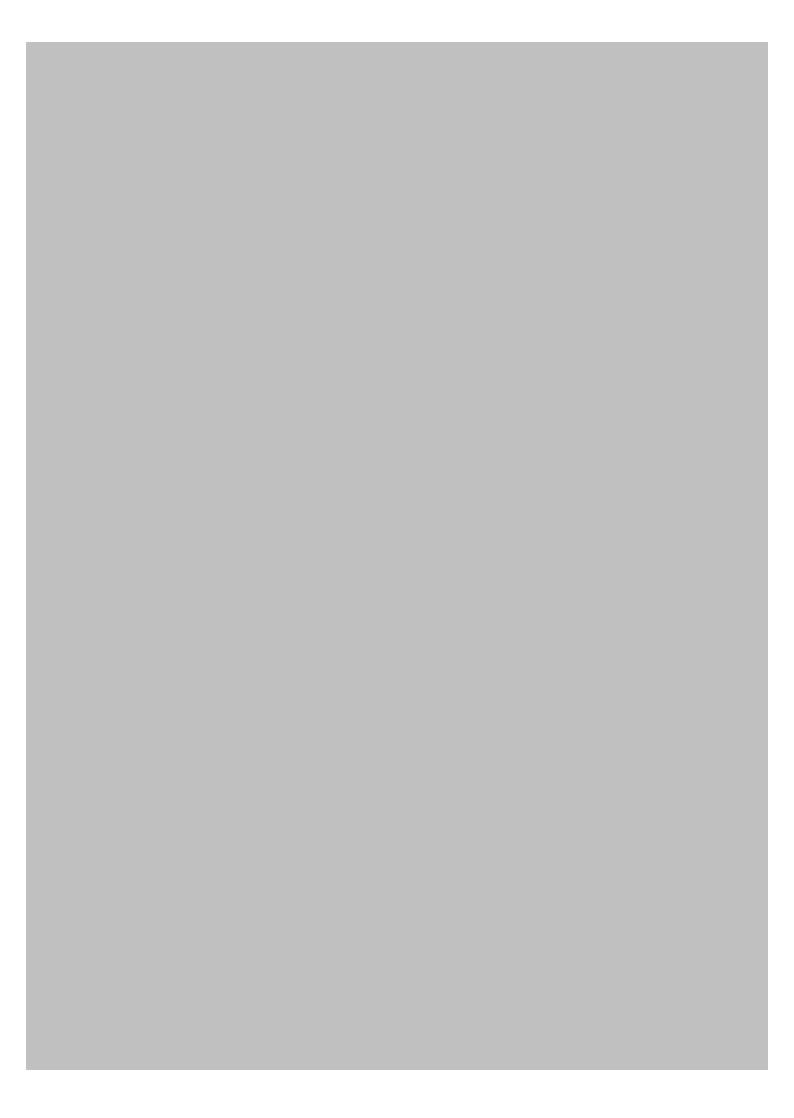


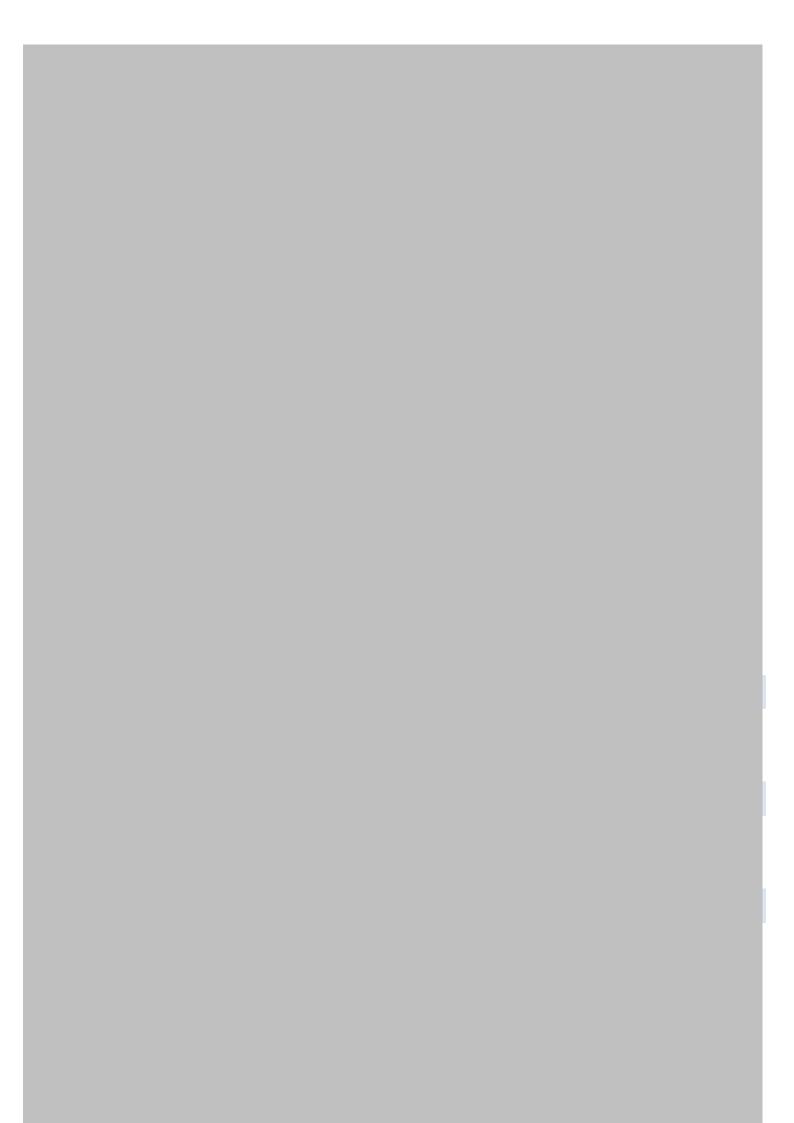


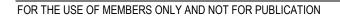
- acting immediately on the recommendations of the Government House Gardens Report to selectively remove trees to protect heritage assets and restore historical views, (recommendations 1.1, 1.2 1.3, 2.2 and 4.3)
- scoping projects for the future implementation of Recommendations 1.5, 8.1 and 8.2 of the Government House Gardens Report

The following actions were agreed:

- 19. The meeting communique to clearly state an intent to selectively remove trees. The Communique should also thank the works crew for their efforts over the past year.
- 20. The Commonwealth Heritage Manager to develop a project plan and seek approval for tree removals.











Appendix 1: Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area Advisory Committee Communique, September 2017

The Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) Advisory Committee met on island this week, in conjunction with a meeting of the Australian Convict Sites Steering Committee (ACSSC). The ACSSC comprises representatives of each of the eleven sites that make up the Australian Convict Sites World Heritage listing.

The Advisory Committee was pleased the ACSSC was able to travel to Norfolk Island so that members could experience first-hand the outstanding heritage and community values of KAVHA, and the immense beauty of Norfolk Island. The Advisory Committee considers KAVHA has greatly benefitted from the sharing of expertise, ideas and networks of ACSSC members.

The Advisory Committee remains committed to preserving KAVHA's unique character as an important place for the community to work and play, and maintaining a close relationship between heritage protection and economic development.

Building on observations of its visit to the Port Arthur Historic Site in May 2017, the Advisory Committee remains committed to laying the foundations for KAVHA as a world class heritage tourism destination. With the assistance of a grant from the Commonwealth's *Protecting National Historic Sites* program, a Cultural Landscape Management Plan will be developed for KAVHA consistent with the recommendations of the KAVHA Heritage Management Plan. The plan will help ensure the many community uses of the site, its buildings and environment are integrated and managed as a living, cultural landscape. This will include looking at options to reconstruct significant historical landscape elements and surfaces, and will be developed in close consultation with KAVHA landholders and leaseholders, and the Norfolk Island community.

The Advisory Committee is excited that visible markers of change toward our vision for KAVHA will become evident over the coming year. The Committee agreed on a concept for new entry signage to provide visitors with a sense of arrival at a quality world heritage site as they enter KAVHA.

Acting on the recommendations of the recent Government House Gardens Report and several previous reports, the Advisory Committee has recommended that the Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development take action to protect assets and restore historical views. While the Advisory Committee understands that trees are an important part of the KAVHA heritage landscape, it has recommended the selective removal of a number of trees identified in the Government House Gardens Report that are damaging heritage assets, blocking vistas and have no known historical associations. The community is encouraged to notify the Commonwealth Heritage Manager if they have similarly identified other trees that may be damaging assets or impeding the heritage and cultural values of the KAVHA landscape.

Importantly, the KAVHA Advisory Committee is working with the Department to identify effective and practical solutions to replacing the Cemetery Beach retaining wall and addressing the integrity of the Bounty St Bridge.

The Advisory Committee recognises the limitations of the current governance and funding model in realising KAVHA's potential, and is continuing to work with the Department toward a long term model that supports improved conservation management, employment and staffing, visitor experiences and community facilities. The Advisory Committee also considers the site has great potential for developing and showcasing vocational education and skills in heritage conservation and other trades.

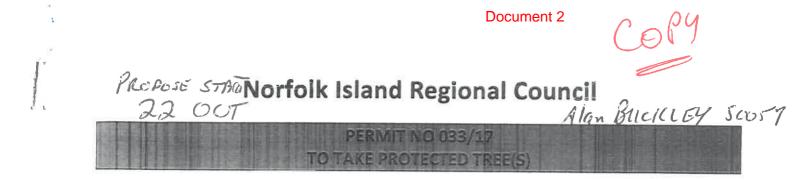
The Advisory Committee considered the draft report of the KAVHA economic study, which will be a key plank for underpinning our case for governance and funding reform for KAVHA.

While resourcing for KAVHA capital projects has increased substantially in 2017-18, there is still a long way to go and the Advisory Committee appreciates the need to get more people employed on site at KAVHA for conservation and visitor services, and to return to a cyclical program of maintenance.

We would like to sincerely thank the KAVHA works crew for the professional and meticulous work they have done over the past year in maintaining and improving the KAVHA site. The Committee would also like to acknowledge the opportunity the Norfolk Island Regional Council has provided for three of the team to attend heritage trades workshops in Tasmania this week.

The Advisory Committee will meet again on Norfolk Island in March 2018.

Mr Eric Hutchinson Chair, KAVHA Advisory Committee 1 September 2017



- I, Mike Johnston, Acting Manager Local Services & Assets/Conservator delegate to the executive director in accordance with section 26 of the *Trees Act 1997* and acting in accordance with the objectives of the same Act, hereby grant a permit under section 9 of the same Act to take protected tree(s) described below subject to the following conditions:
- 1. The permit holder shall allow an inspection by an authorised officer after the taking of the tree(s) to which this permit relates.
- 2. This permit is valid for twelve months from the date shown below unless extended in writing by the executive director or delegate for the purpose of section 9 of the *Trees Act 1997*.
- 3. This permit cannot be transferred or extended to include tree(s) that were not subject to the application to which this permit relates.

Permit holder

(Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development)

Portion number

"Government House, Bligh Street, Flood zone of the Serpentine, Flagstaff Hill

| | | Species |
|--------------|---------------------------|---------|
| 138-157/17 | 20 x Norfolk Island Pine | |
| 158 - 162/17 | 5 x white oak | |
| 163 - 187/17 | 25+ x Norfolk Island Pine | |
| 188-189/17 | 2 x Norfolk Island Pine | |

Authorised and signed by (Delegate to the executive director for the purposes of section 9 of the Trees Act 1997)

Mike Johnston

Date

10 November 2017

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Trees Act 1997

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO TAKE PROTECTED TREE(S)

About this form: You must use this form to apply to the 'Conservator of Public Reserves', c/- the Norfolk Island Regional Council for a permit to take protected tree(s)

How to complete this form

- 1. Ensure that all fields have been filled out correctly in BLOCK LETTERS.
- 2. Please note that fields on this form marked with an * are mandatory and must be completed before submitting this form
- Once completed you can submit this form by mail, email or in person. Please see Lodgement 3 Details for further information
- Application fee of One Fee Unit (\$28) to be paid at Customer Care, 9 New Cascade Road, 4. Norfolk Island
- If there is insufficient space to provide details on this form, please attach a separate sheet(s). 5.

Privacy

Your personal information will be collected, stored, used and treated in compliance with the Privacy Act 1988 (Cth) and the Australian Privacy Principles (APP) in force from time to time. Where they are not inconsistent with the above Commonwealth laws, Section 739 of the Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)(NI) (protection of privacy) as well as the NSW Model Privacy Management Plan for Local Government and the Privacy Code of Practice for Local Government (NSW) may also be or become applicable to our management and use of your personal information.

NAME OF APPLICANT *

Address *

PO BOX 27, NORFOLK ISLAND 2899

| Email | * |
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Phone *

Location of tree(s). (Please provide road name, portion number and describe location within the property) *

GOVERNMENT HOUSE GROUNDS - TREES IMPACTING HERITAGE FABRIC:

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THE ROW OF 11 PINES AND 5 SELF-SEEDED WHITE OAKS ALONG THE BOUNDARY WALL TO QUALITY ROW.

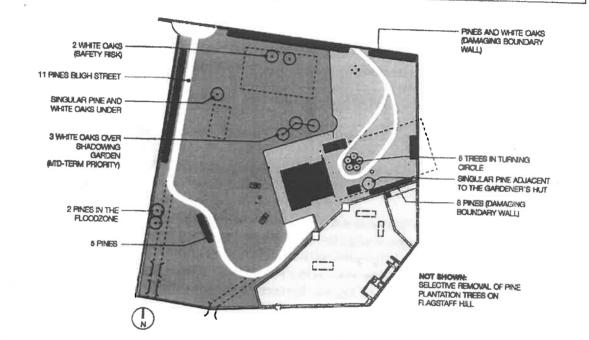
GOVERNMENT HOUSE GROUNDS - TREES IMPACTING HERITAGE LANDSCAPE:

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- THE TWO PINES WITHIN THE FLOOD ZONE OF THE SERPENTINE.
- THE FIVE MID-SIZED PINES ON THE LOWER SIDE OF THE DRIVE TO GOVERNMENT HOUSE. SELECTED PLANTATION PINES ON THE EAST FACE OF FLAGSTAFF HILL ON ALIGNMENT WITH
- THE FLAGSTAFF IN THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE FORMAL GARDEN. SINGULAR PINE, AND WILD WHITE OAKS UNDER, IN THE PADDOCK BELOW GOVERNMENT
- HOUSE IN THE LINE OF SIGHT FROM BLIGH STREET.

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SIX PINES IN THE TURNING CIRCLE AT THE REAR OF THE HOUSE.



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| Tree Number | Species | Reason for taking tree(s) |
| 20 138-15717 | | ADVERSELY IMPACTING SIGNIFICANT HERITAGE |
| 158-162/17 | WHITE OAK | ADVERSELY IMPACTING SIGNIFICANT HERITAGE FABRIC |
| 25+ | NORFOLK ISLAND PINE | SIGNIFICANTLY IMPEDING VIEWS TO AND FROM GOVERNMENT HOUSE – SIGNIFICANT HERITAGE LANDSCAPE IMPACT |
| 2188 18917 | WHITE OAK | DISEASED – SAFETY RISK |

Business/Company Name (if applicable) Department of Infrastructure and Regional **Development**

ABN/ACN number 86 267 354 017

| Signature of applicant | * | Г | |
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You can lodge the completed Application by: Mail: 'Conservator of Public Reserves' c/- Norfolk Island Regional Council PO Box 95

NORFOLK ISLAND 2899

Email: customercare@nirc.gov.nf

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In Person: C/- Customer Care Team 9 New Cascade Road NORFOLK ISLAND

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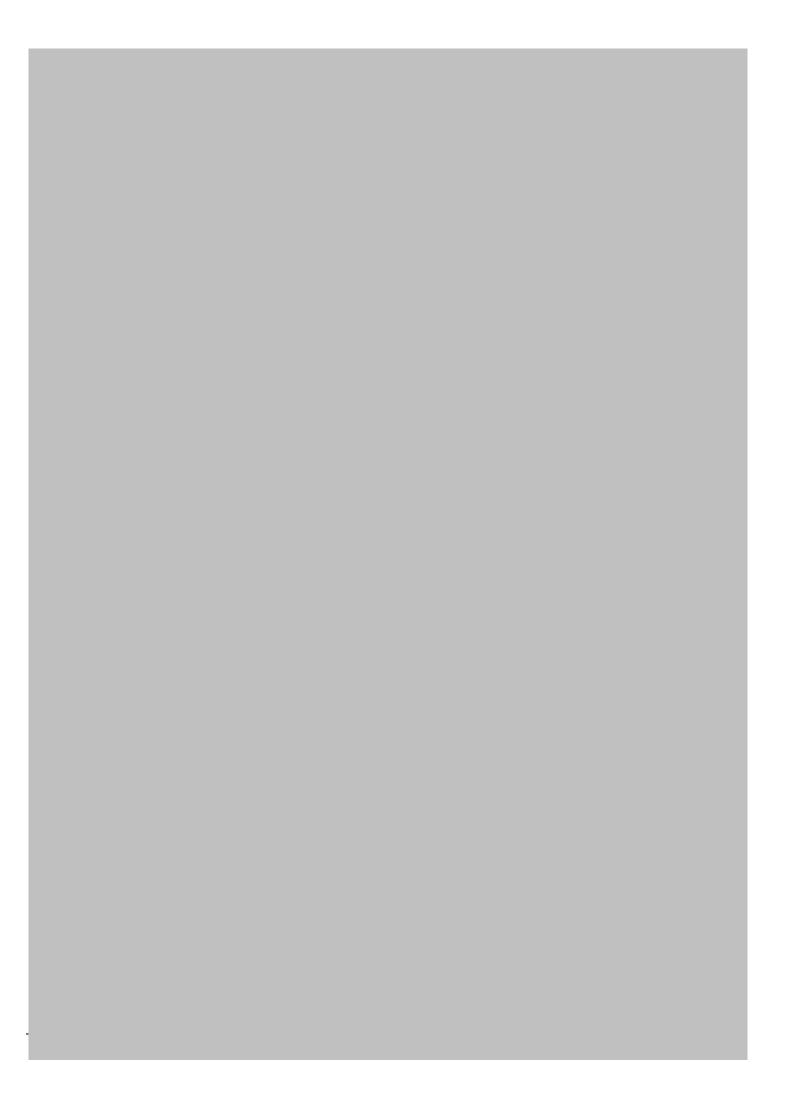
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KAVHA ADVISORY COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES OF 7TH MEETING 29-30 AUGUST 2018

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, KAVHA, NORFOLK ISLAND

| CHAIR: | Eric Hutchinson | |
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| MEMBERS: | Kristal Buckley Kevin Sumption Duncan Evans David Evans | |
| ALSO ATTENDING: | | |
| Day 1: 29 August 2018 | | |





The following priorities were put forward, in no particular order, with a focus on visual improvements to the site that benefit the community, and implementing key recommendations of the Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP) and KAVHA Safety Hazard Study:

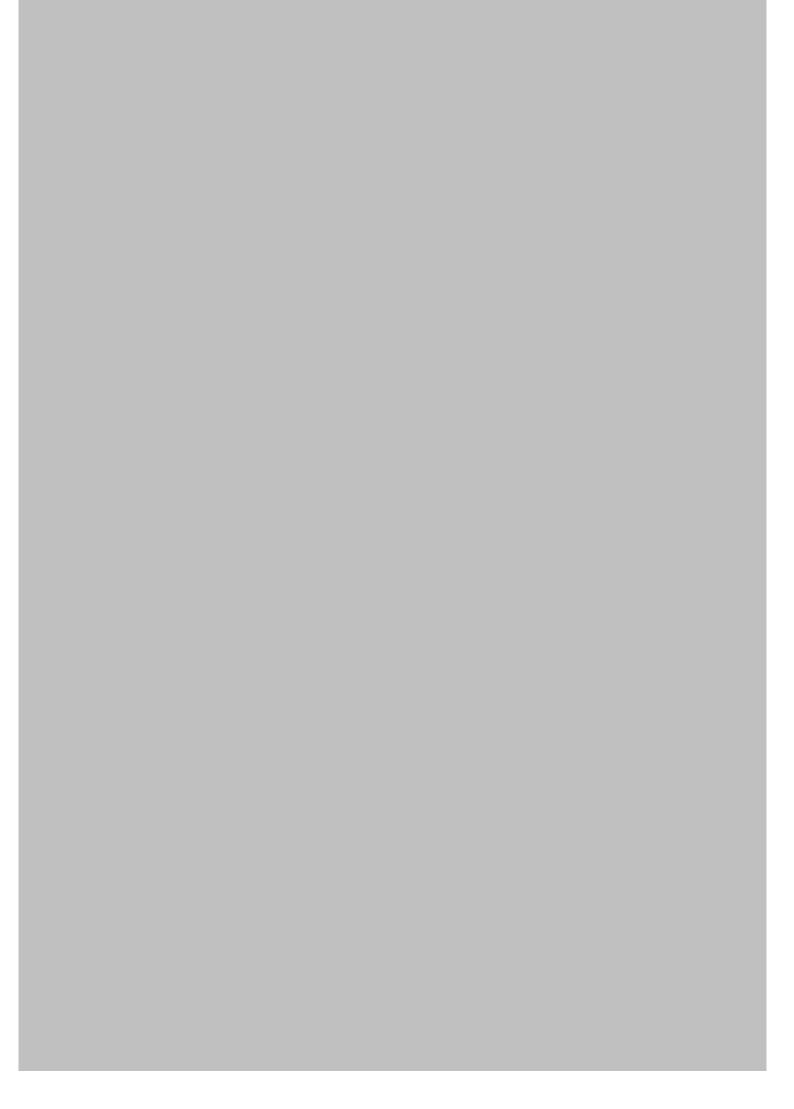
• Remove inappropriate trees, including removal of pine trees from the Polynesian site

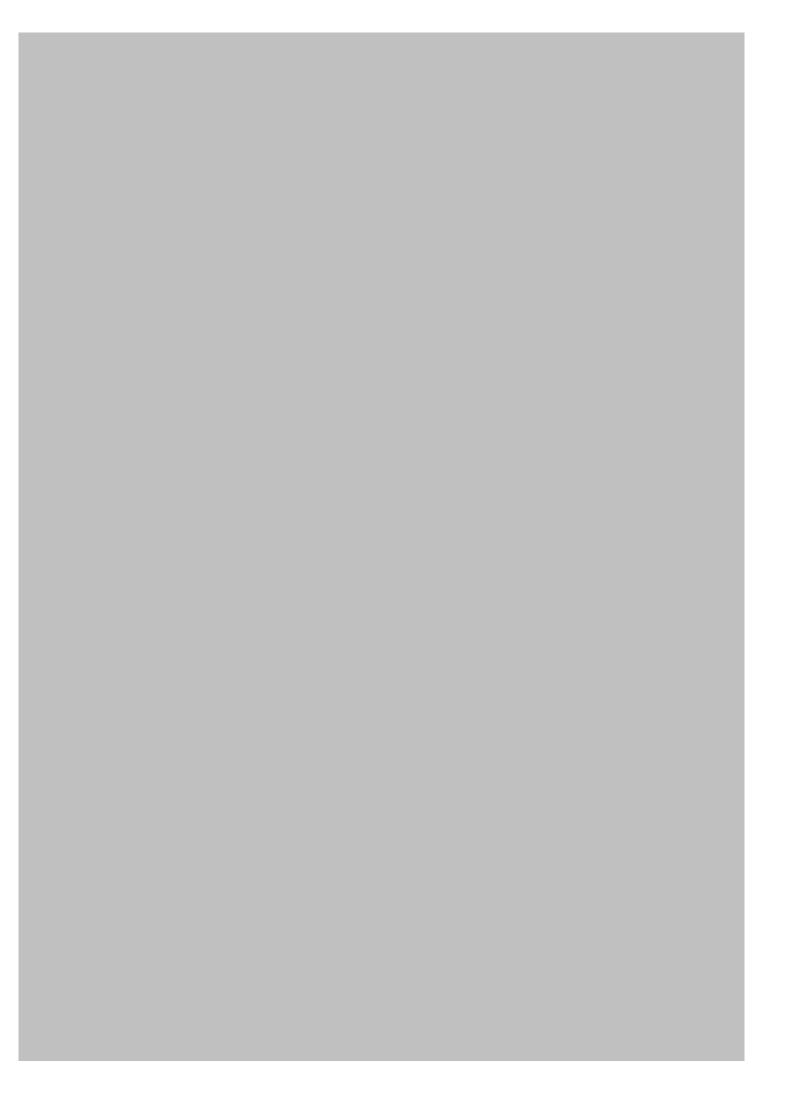
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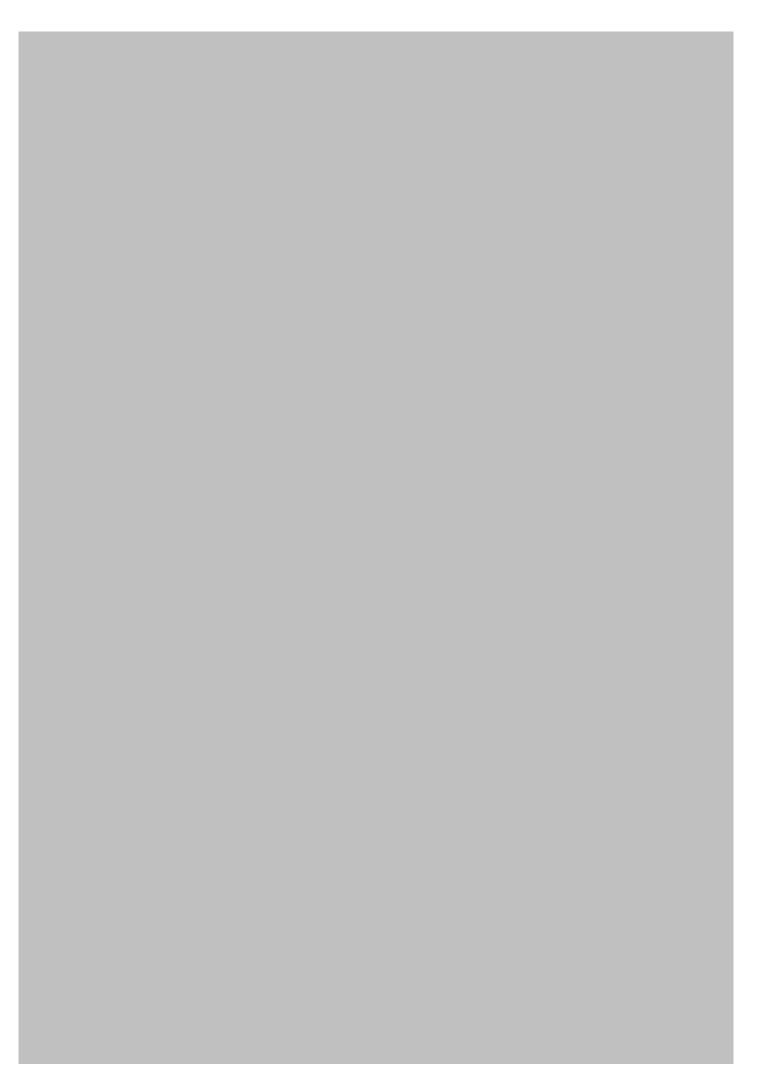
APPENDIX 1: KAVHA ADVISORY COMMITTEE WORKSHOP—CLMP AND SHSS, 29 AUGUST 2018







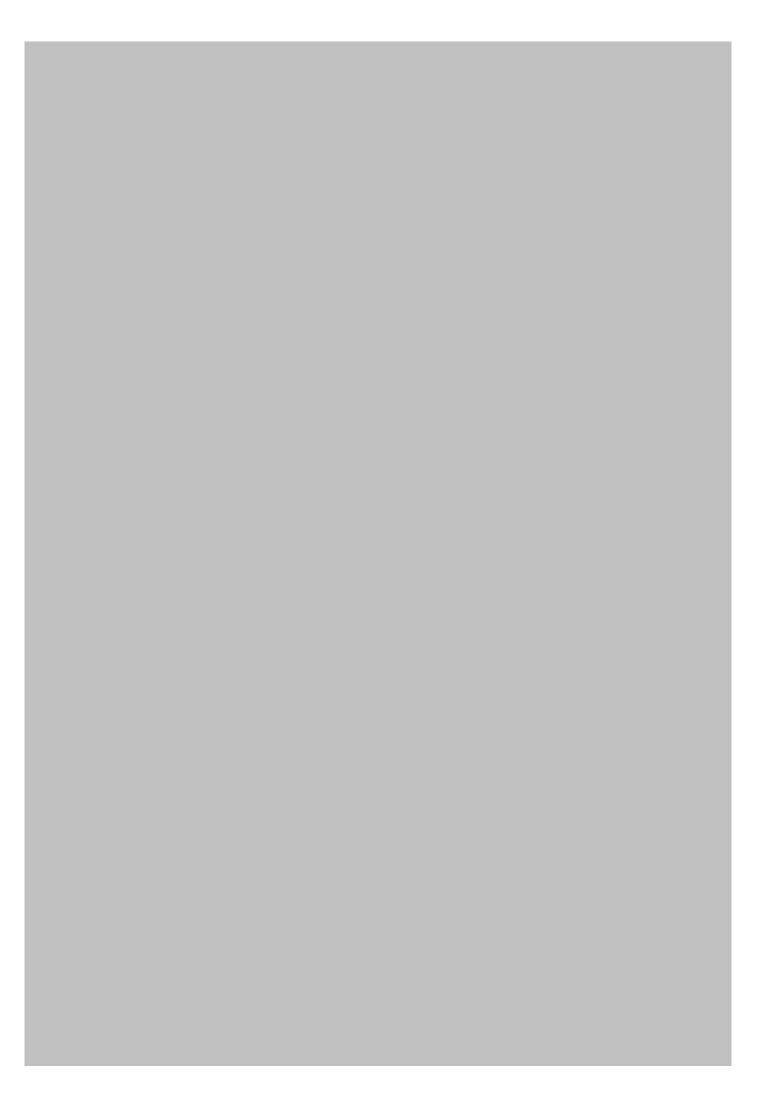
- Tree removal—removal of 56 trees already approved—need to inform community of actual proposed removals:
 - trees damaging historic walls;
 - strategic removal to open significant views, to and from Government House;
 - thinning on Flagstaff Hill—view to Government House and convict site (staged cautious approach required because of erosion issues); and
 - thinning at Emily Bay—marae and dune (cautious approach required because of potential archaeological sensitivity).



2.2.3 Sensitive Projects

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- Tree removal.

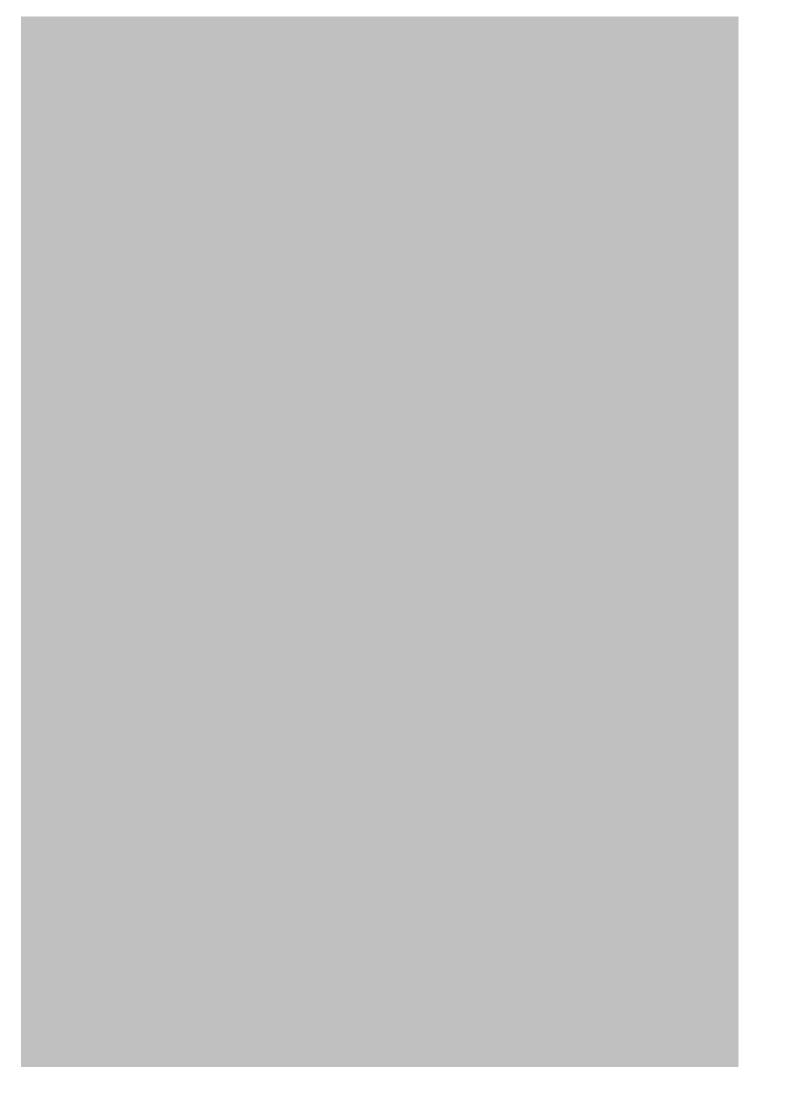
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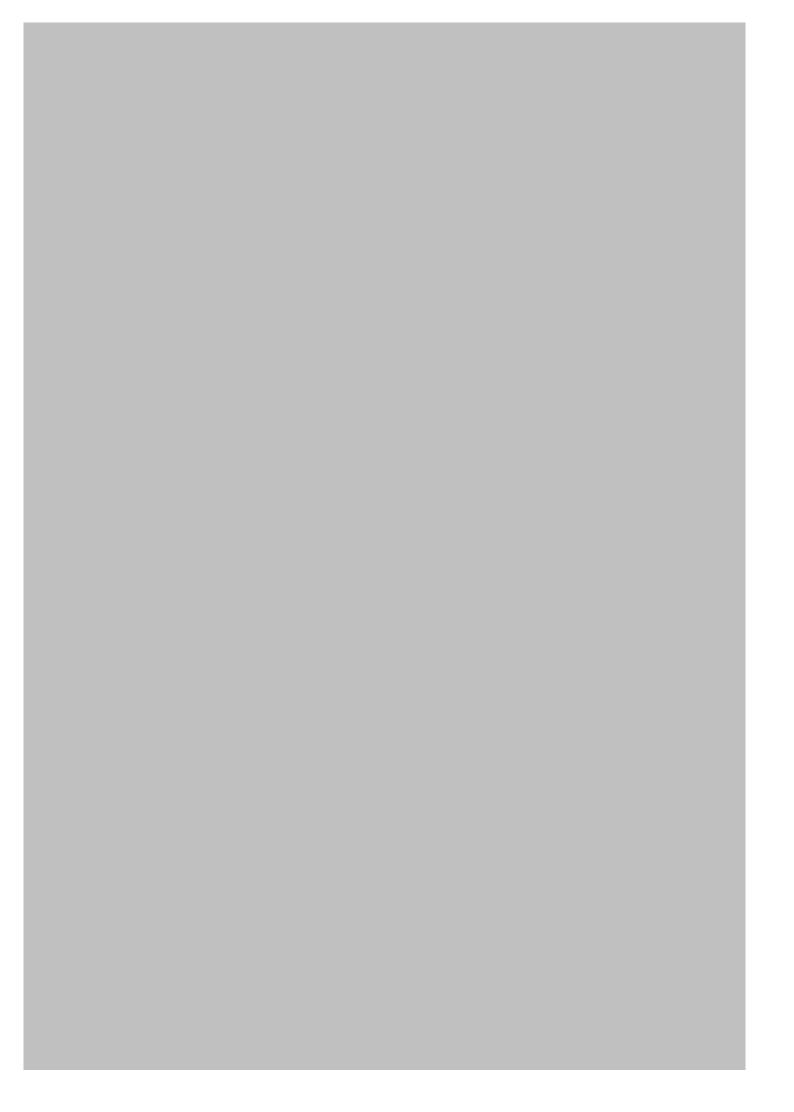


2.4.3 Projects Requiring Communication

tree removal;







Interpretation opportunities and linkages were however noted at other points during the workshop in relation to specific projects, including the Crank Mill and tree removal, for example.





Appendix 2: Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area Advisory Committee Communique, September 2018

The Advisory Committee for the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) recently met on island to discuss key projects for the site. The members of the Advisory Committee are Mr Duncan Evans, Mr David 'Dids' Evans, Mr Kevin Sumption, Ms Kristal Buckley and myself as Chair.

Getting people on the ground at KAVHA was a focus of discussions, and the Advisory Committee was pleased that additional resources have been provided to the Norfolk Island Regional Council (NIRC) to boost the KAVHA maintenance crew under the Service Delivery Agreement. This includes a full time KAVHA Team Leader and getting the skilled tradespeople back on site and fully employed in the upkeep of KAVHA's buildings and grounds.

The Department is working to engage a new Commonwealth Heritage Manager as soon as possible, and is investigating options to cover the role in the short-term. The recruitment process for a new Contracts and Building Works Supervisor is complete. The Supervisor will drive and manage capital works projects at KAVHA in consultation with the Commonwealth Heritage Manager.

Protection of water quality within KAVHA and at Emily Bay is a high priority. The Advisory Committee recommended engagement with the Cattle Association to decide on the best approach for managing livestock movement at KAVHA to protect water quality. The Committee was also pleased to note that the Department is consulting with NIRC to replace septic tanks within the KAVHA site.

Improving community and visitor safety and access to key buildings is paramount, and the immediate focus is on protecting heritage buildings from damage, reducing the risk of falls and improving access for people with limited mobility. Actions supported by the Advisory Committee include the installation of low timber barriers similar to those already in place at KAVHA to guide vehicles and pedestrians, and identify parking areas at key locations such as the Pier area and Emily Bay.

Given the importance of the Pier area to both the local community and visitors to the site, the Advisory Committee has recommended the upgrading of the road surface between the Crankmill and the Surgeon's Quarters to improve community access to the Pier.

Focusing on Government House, a number of trees will be selectively removed at KAVHA to address safety concerns and protect heritage assets. The Advisory Committee also supports the carefully planned removal of reeds and weeds from the channels on the Kingston Common.

Local input and community engagement is important, and the Advisory Committee has recommended the establishment of a Community Advisory Committee to provide the community with greater involvement in decisions about the management and conservation of KAVHA. A similar model has worked well for the Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority, with the Community Advisory Committee considered critical to informing the Board on local issues.

The Advisory Committee would like to thank Dr Jane Harrington of the Port Arthur Historic Site Management Authority for sharing her knowledge and expertise, and Mr Brian Prince for his dedicated service in the role of Commonwealth Heritage Manager.

The Advisory Committee will meet again on Norfolk Island in February 2019.

Mr Eric Hutchinson Chair, KAVHA Advisory Committee 13 September 2018

KAVHA Advisory Committee - CLMP and Safety hazards study

Wednesday, 29 August 2018 8:25 AM

Catherine Forbes, Christina Dyson: GML + Context Kristal Buckley, Kevin Sumpton, Jane Harrington Dids Evans, Duncan Evans Eric Hutchinson,

Vegetation management

CD: Tree removal

: pines on Flagstaff hill have been there for a long time - slow growing due to poor ground conditions and erosion.

would need to re-establish

has had some concern expressed by one member of the community about the approved tree removal. Has an explanation of the why we are doing it - we can use this information to communicate that we are doing the work - careful communication required -

give the timber to the Lions, other groups. we have to get the trees out of the Polynesian marae- critical.

A: tree removal (all),

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Vegetation management

Trees and reeds

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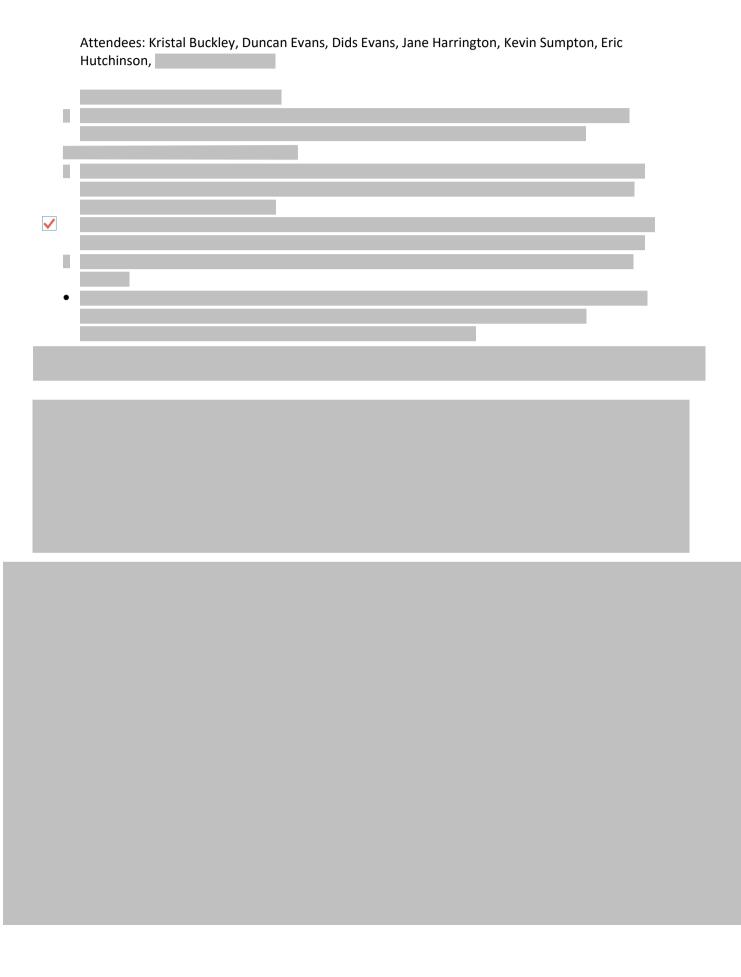
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KAVHA Advisory Committee

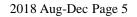
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13.0 Action Plan

Dids: Community want to see visual improvements that are beneficial to their use of the site.

- Tree removal
- 2. Pine tree removal from the marae site





Action Plan - Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA)

The following actions will be undertaken within KAVHA in 2018/19. The plan aims to address some of the highest priorities identified in the 2016 KAVHA Heritage Management Plan and subsequent studies, and was prepared with the assistance of the KAVHA Advisory Committee.

- Undertake selective removal of trees which have been identified as a risk to public safety and heritage fabric
- Undertake public consultation and, where feasible, selective removal of trees from Polynesian site, to restore historic sightlines, and minimise erosion



Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities

Simple Procurement Plan (less than \$80,000)

KAVHA, Norfolk Island – Staged Tree Removal for Government House, Kingston, Norfolk Island

Guidance

Please complete the sections below relevant to your specific procurement. Planning should be commensurate with the value, risk and complexity of the procurement. Please remove the guidance material written in blue italics in this document upon completion. Once the Procurement Plan is completed, it should be submitted to the appropriate financial delegate for their approval in principle of the project/procurement. Once the delegate has given their approval, an online Procurement Registration and Approval Form should be created in the myWorkplace Procurement System.

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1. Procurement Description/Outcome

The objective of this project is to undertake the staged removal of trees that are encroaching on the built fabric of Government House, Kingston, Norfolk Island and that are presenting a safety risk to the visitors and staff at KAVHA.

2. Specifications

The Government House complex including the Government House and its grounds are a significant cultural landscape within KAVHA.

Constructed in 1828-9 during the island's second penal settlement period, the Government house is located atop a modified hilltop overlooking the convict settlement below. Today this site is a working residence for the Island's Administrator, a venue for formal and community events and a key component of the KAVHA landscape.

In order to preserve and highlight the exceptional significance of this place, the Department is seeking to identify a contractor who will be able to:

- Undertake the immediate removal of trees as identified below giving priority to trees that are encroaching on the built fabric and/or are diseased.
- Undertake the removal of timber from the site and clean up of the site when work is completed.

The initial trees that need to be removed are trees that are impacting or have the potential to impact on heritage fabric including:

- The outside row of 8 trees along the north boundary of the Stockyard and the tree on the inside row closest to the present-day gardener's shed; and
- The row of 11 pines and 5 self-seeded white oaks along the boundary wall to Quality Row.
- The removal of trees that are in poor health.

A permit for the removal of these trees has already been given by NIRC to the Department on 10 November 2017. In parallel to the above, the Department will seek to extend this permit in writing for an additional twelve months and identify a heritage specialist that may be needed to supervise the removal of trees due to historic nature of the site.

It is expected that the immediate removal of trees will be completed this financial year by 30 June 2019.

3. Market Research

There is a small number of contractors on Norfolk Island with the ability to undertake this work. The Norfolk Island and Jervis Bay Branch will:

• approach the market through a Limited Tender process.

It is unlikely that contractors not based on Norfolk Island would provide a better value for money proposal, as a provider not present on island would incur substantial travel and accommodation costs. In addition, locally based contractors have intimate knowledge of the materials and equipment limitations on Norfolk Island.

4. Existing Arrangements

Nil

5. Estimate Value

The estimated cost of the service is \$75,000 including GST.

6. Estimated time-frame

| Milestone name | Milestone description | Date for Completion |
|--|---|-------------------------------------|
| Procurement Plan | Procurement plan completed and submitted for approval. Covering brief. | 15 October 2018 |
| | Delegate approval of Procurement Plan | 26 October 2018 |
| Extension of permit | Department to obtain extension of permit for tree removal in writing by NIRC | 2 November 2018 |
| Identification of Heritage specialist | Department to identify heritage specialist who is able to supervise tree removal works | 2 November 2018 |
| Request for quotes | Project advertised according to the procurement plan. | 9 November 2018 |
| Contract Execution | Execution of contract | 30 November 2018 |
| Tree removal | Tree removal and development of staged plan | 3 December 2018 – 7 June 2019 |
| Finalisation of payments and acquittals for FY 2018-19 | The Department will carry out all financial administrative steps towards pending payments and acquittals. | 10-21 June 2019 |

The contract term is expected to be around 6 months, commencing in early December 2018 ending by early June 2019 in line with the extended permit for the removal of trees.

7. Procurement Method

Approach to Market – Limited tender

The department will seek quotes from Norfolk Island suppliers who can carry out the removal of the trees. A limited tender approach will be used for the procurement in order to identify suppliers with the appropriate skills and expertise.

It is unlikely that contractors not based on Norfolk Island would provide a better value for money proposal, as a provider not present on island would incur substantial travel and accommodation costs. In addition, locally based contractors have intimate knowledge of the materials and equipment limitations on Norfolk Island.

8. Procurement Type

General goods and services.

9. Risk

Key risks include:

- Insufficient funds
 - Unforeseen issues may arise during the removal of the trees due to the historic nature of the site. Depending on the value of the unforeseen works provided, consider negotiating with the preferred provider to reduce or modify the scope of works.
- Inability of potential providers to complete the works in the required timeframe.
 - Approach to market will request proponents to clearly confirm their availability (and the availability of their supplies) to undertake the project.
- Need for approvals and/or archaeological expertise
 - A permit to remove trees has already been granted by the NIRC to the Department closing on 10 November 2018. Should works not be able to be completed by this date, the Department will need to seek an extension in writing by the executive director or delegate for the purpose of section 9 of the *Trees Act 1997*.
 - A heritage specialist may be needed to supervise the removal of trees due to historic nature of the site.

The Commonwealth Heritage Manager and/or their representative will monitor the risks and mitigation strategies will be developed as needed.

10.Other Details

Funding Source: Administered Capital Budget funding for FY 2018-19

Branch: Norfolk Island and Jervis Bay Branch

Division: Territories

Project Officer: I

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ANNEX A – Approval to Proceed

This authorisation approves the Business Owner to proceed with the project/procurement as described in this template. Commitment of Relevant Money and Future Year Commitment Approval, if required will be sought via the SAP Procurement Solution upon approval of this procurement plan.

Approval

| | Position | Signature | Date |
|-----------|--|-----------|----------|
| Ruth Wall | General Manager, | | |
| | Norfolk Island and Jervis Bay Territories | | 12/10/12 |
| | Branch | | |

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Conditions/Comments



FY1819 ACB Governance Board

Minutes – Quarterly Meeting to ACB Projects and Governance

Thursday, 18 October 2018

| Attended by: | | | | | |
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| Governance Board | | | | | |
| Christin | Christine Dacey, Executive Director, Territories Division | | | RW | |
| Ruth W | Ruth Wall, General Manager, Norfolk Island and Jervis Bay Territories Branch | | | RW | |
| Karen L | indsay | /, Acting Gene | ral Manager, Indian Ocean Territories Bran | ch | KL |
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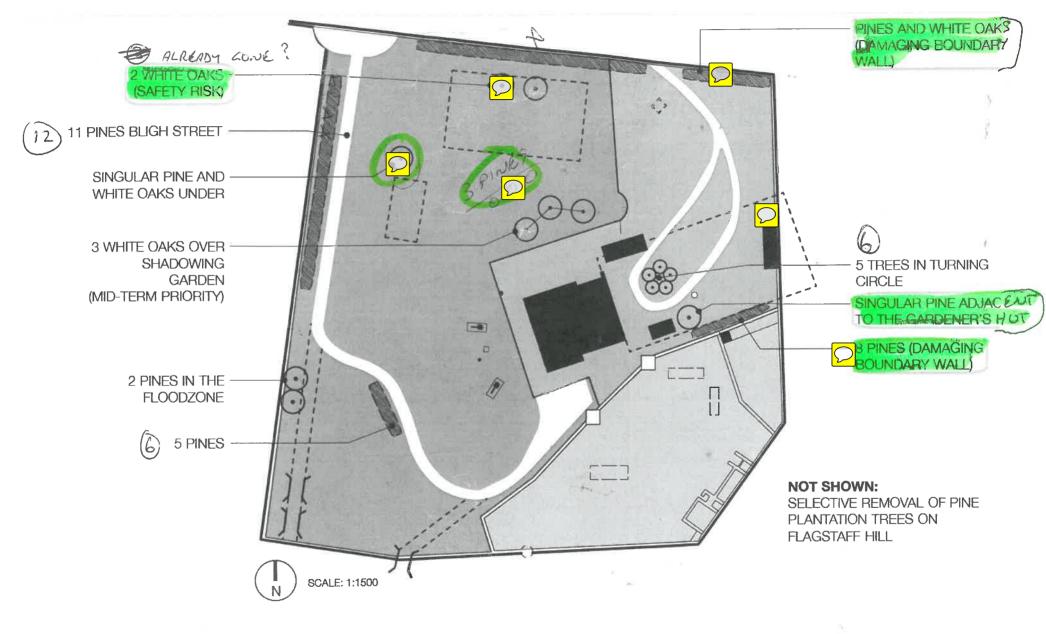
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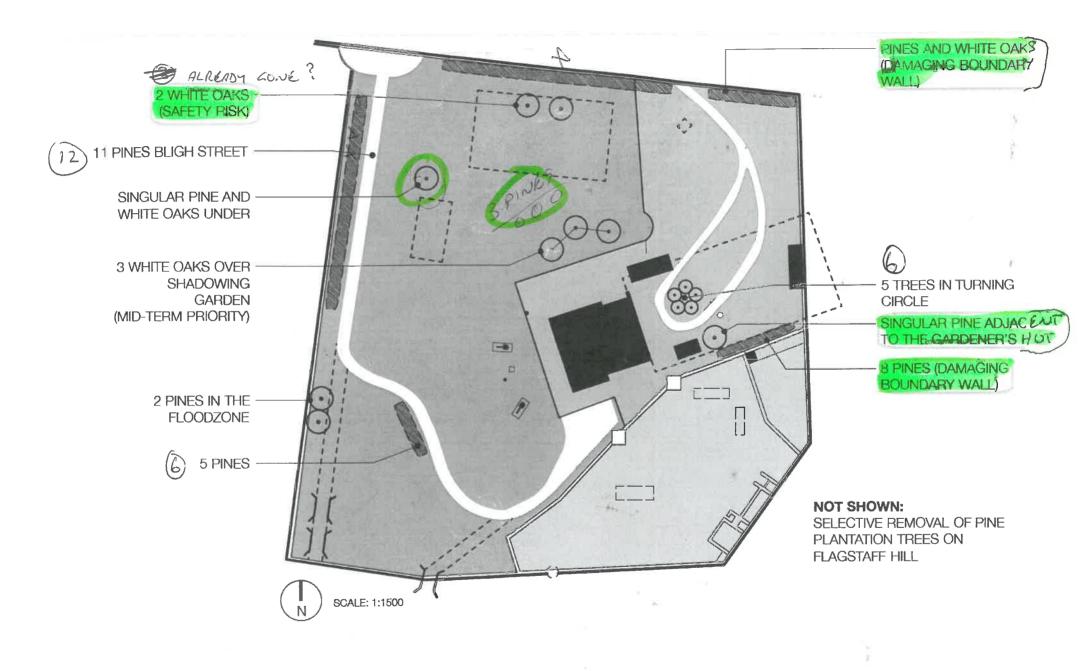




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please do include the hollow pine tree on the list. Thanks for clarifying that the trees with root rot are pines, not white oaks.

Regards,

From: Sent: Wednesday, 16 January 2019 4:39 PM To:

10.

Subject: RE: Government House Tree Removal [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi

I am seeking confirmation that the hollow pine tree should be included in this list as the last communication on this tree was to have a heritage impact assessment.

Please find attached the previous communication.

Please also note dot point three should read three pines with root rot not white oaks.

Regards,

From: Sent: Tuesday, 15 January 2019 11:47 AM

To: Cc:

Subject: RE: Government House Tree Removal [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hello

, I approve removal of the following trees without the need for a separate heritage assessment:

ines and white oaks damaging boundary wall (Northern boundary).

ight pines (damaging boundary wall) - including the additional trees which may need to be removed to enable access.

Three white oaks with root rot.

singular hollow pine tree.

The pine at the northern end of the structure on the eastern boundary is not to be removed until a permit is obtained as I don't believe that it is covered by the current permit from NIRC:

please use your judgement to ensure that the removal of these trees does not cause any damage to heritage buildings or landscape elements.

please also ensure that information is provided to the community that these trees will be removed, prior to their removal. This could take the form of a notice in the Norfolk Islander and, if you wish to go down that path, the Comms team over here can draft it and insert it at the time that suits you. Please let me know if you'd like me to get them involved.

Regards,

| Director Heritage and Economic Development Section |
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| Norfolk Island and Jervis Bay Territory Branch Territories Division |
| Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities |
| GPO Box 594, Canberra ACT 2601 |

From:

Sent: Tuesday, 15 January 2019 8:28 AM

To:

Subject: FW: Government House Tree Removal [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi

Could you please respond to this email with approval to proceed with Government House Tree Removal.

Thanks

From: Sent: Monday, 14 January 2019 1:17 PM To: Cc: Subject: RE: Government House Tree Removal [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi

The KAVHA Work Crew wants mulch for gardens and landscaping throughout the site, so it is an ideal opportunity to use and stockpile some for future use.

The approved trees are quoted.

I do not understand the last part of your email "and permission has been granted to commence work", we are still waiting for approval and last communication on the matter stated that she was waiting for someone to come over and do a Heritage Impact Statement before we could proceed.

Could you please clarify this for me?

Regards,



From: Sent: Monday, 14 January 2019 10:53 AM To:

Subject: Government House Tree Removal [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Hi

Please see attached, approved Procurement Plan and NIRC approval permit to remove the trees around Government House. had a question in relation to

your previous email with quote attached. "Onsite chipping/mulching of green waste where able with resultant mulch to be left onsite" she would like to know what you or would do with the left over mulch? As per previous email form on 14/11/18 (below) could you please confirm the approved trees are quoted and permission has been granted to commence work.

Morning

Thanks for the updated information and the photos. Working through the comments on the PDF, my responses are as follows:

Pines and white oaks damaging boundary wall (Northern boundary) – yes, the group of trees identified in the description is to be removed.

Pine at northern end of structure on eastern boundary – not to be removed yet, heritage impact to be assessed.

Light pines (damaging boundary wall) – agree that the additional trees can be removed to enable access.

Three white oaks with root rot – agree that these can be removed.

Singular hollow pine tree – not to be removed yet, heritage impact to be assessed.

Attached is the permit for tree removal that has been provided by NIRC. We have had the end date of the permit extended, as per the attached email from You will see that the permit allows for removal of quite a few trees, however trees other than the ones that are shown in the procurement plan are not to be removed until community consultation has been carried out. We can remove the ones that are safety related after we've informed the community of this planned action.

Regards,

Could you please confirm with ToM the quote to include approved tree removal, cost and timing for removal.

Thanks

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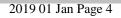
Wednesday, 13 February 2019 9:12 AM

Focus on who is employed here, around the HM

Iree removal from the marae - about 20-30 trees (Eric suggested using Dids, Duncan and the CAG as the mechanism to get info from the community)

a. Convergence: The name is technical and the acronym is not 'poetic' and it doesn't use

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KAVHA ADVISORY COMMITTEE DRAFT MINUTES OF 8TH MEETING 13-14 FEBRUARY 2019

GOVERNMENT HOUSE, KAVHA, NORFOLK ISLAND

CHAIR:

Eric Hutchinson

MEMBERS:

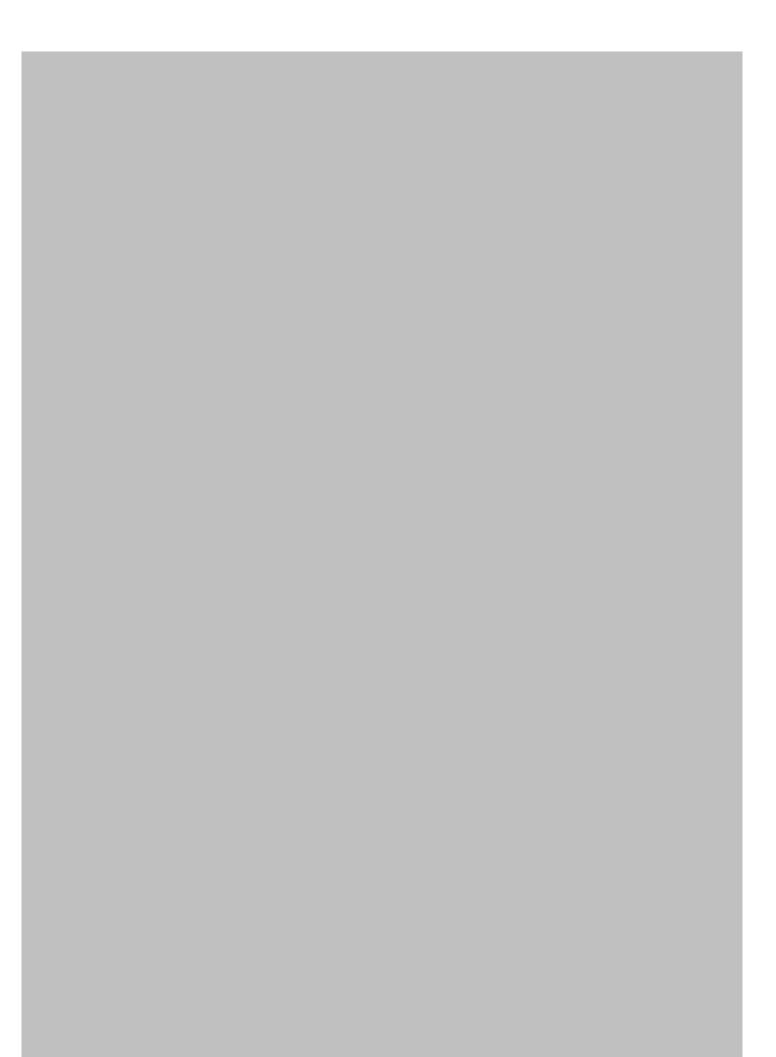
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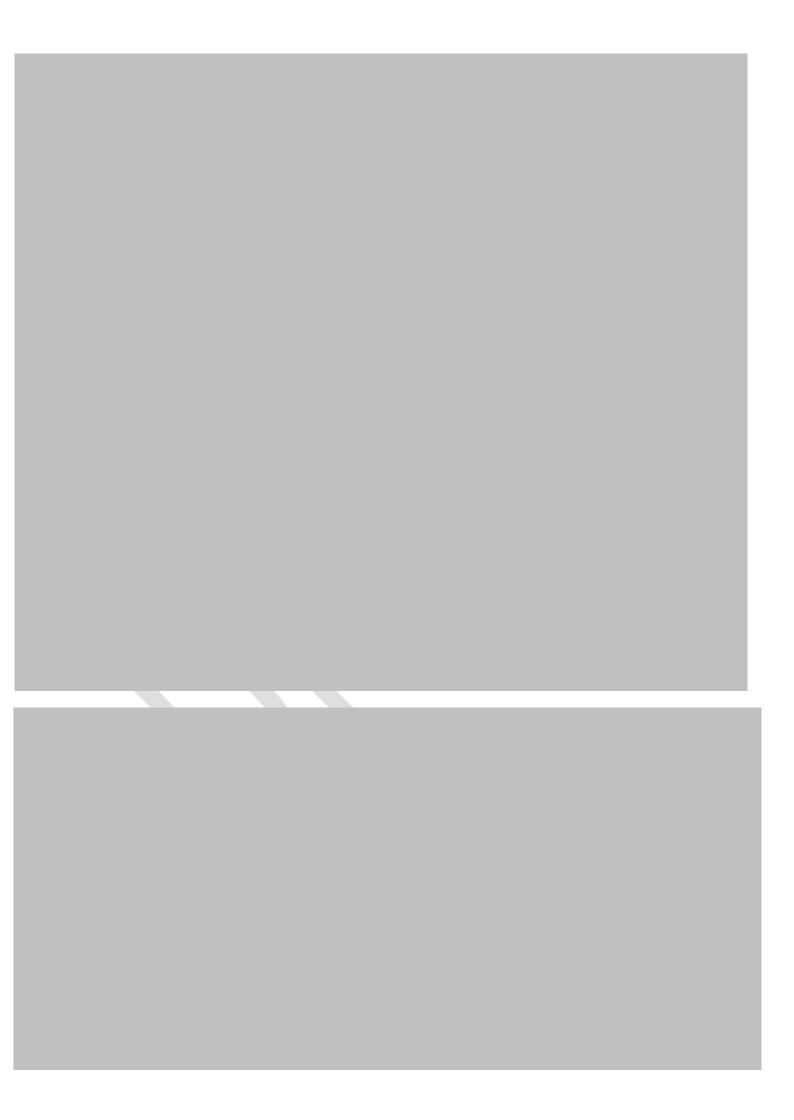
ALSO ATTENDING:

Day 1: 13 February 2019

1. WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS AND APOLOGIES

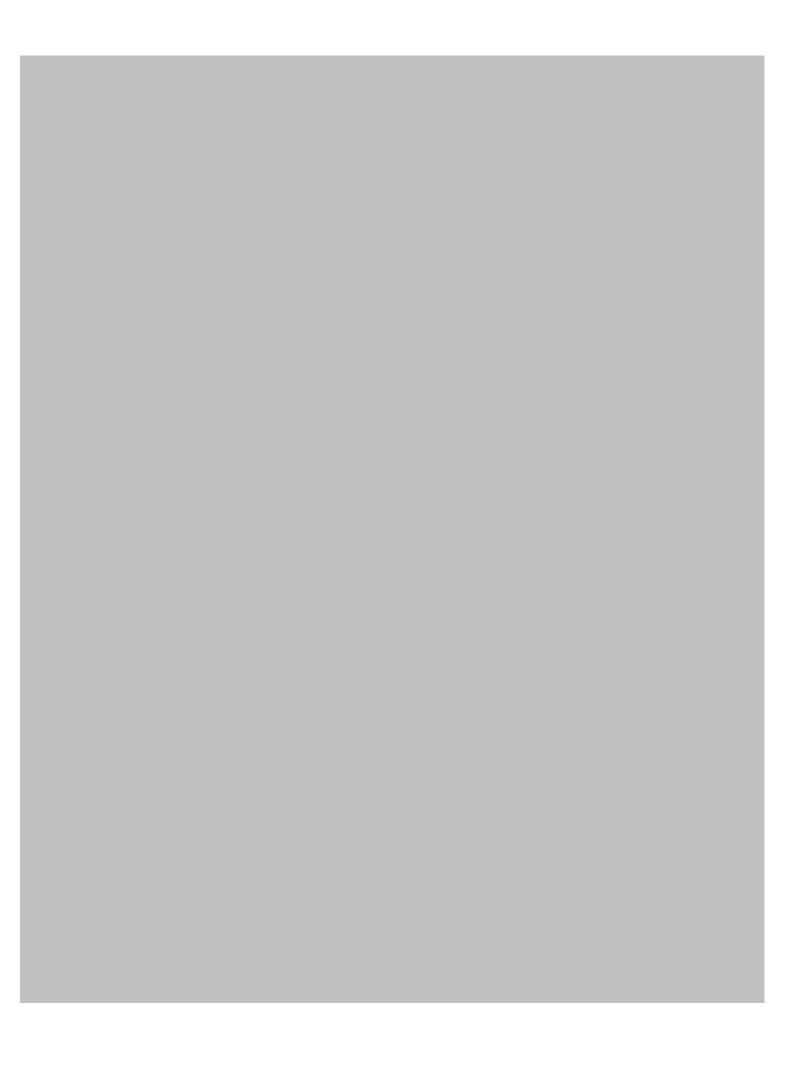
The Chair welcomed all participants to the meeting, including new Heritage Manager Mr. Martin Purslow.

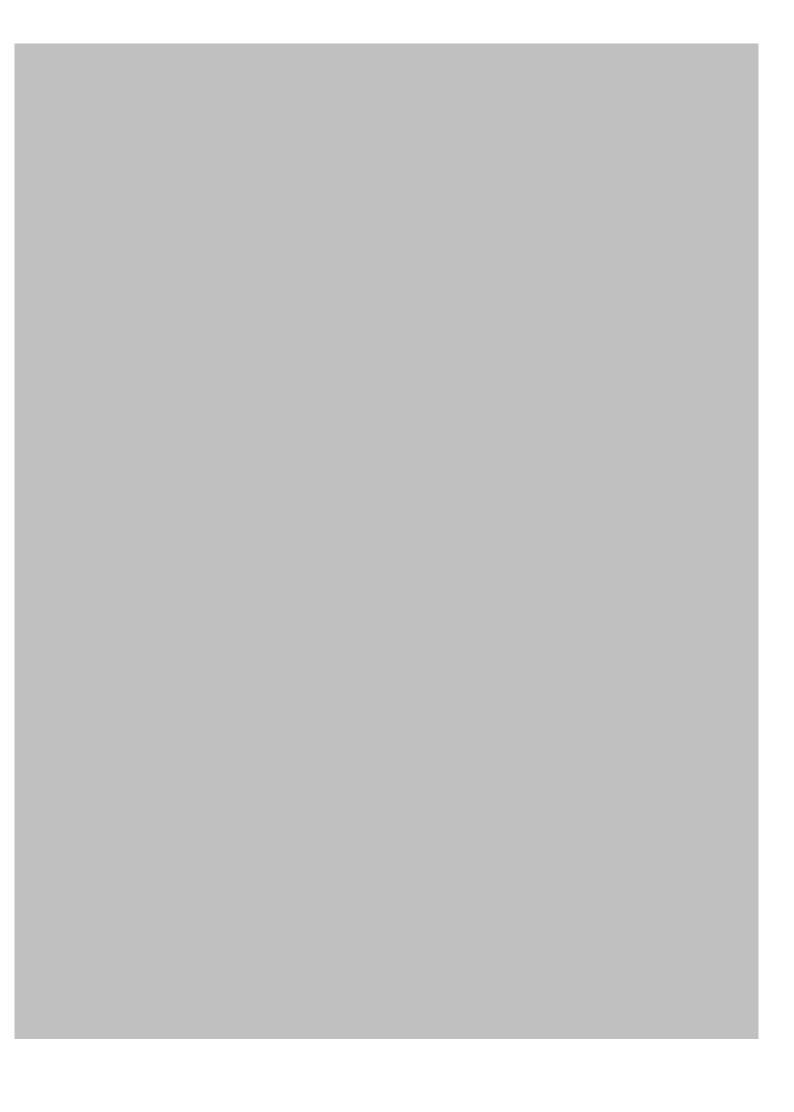


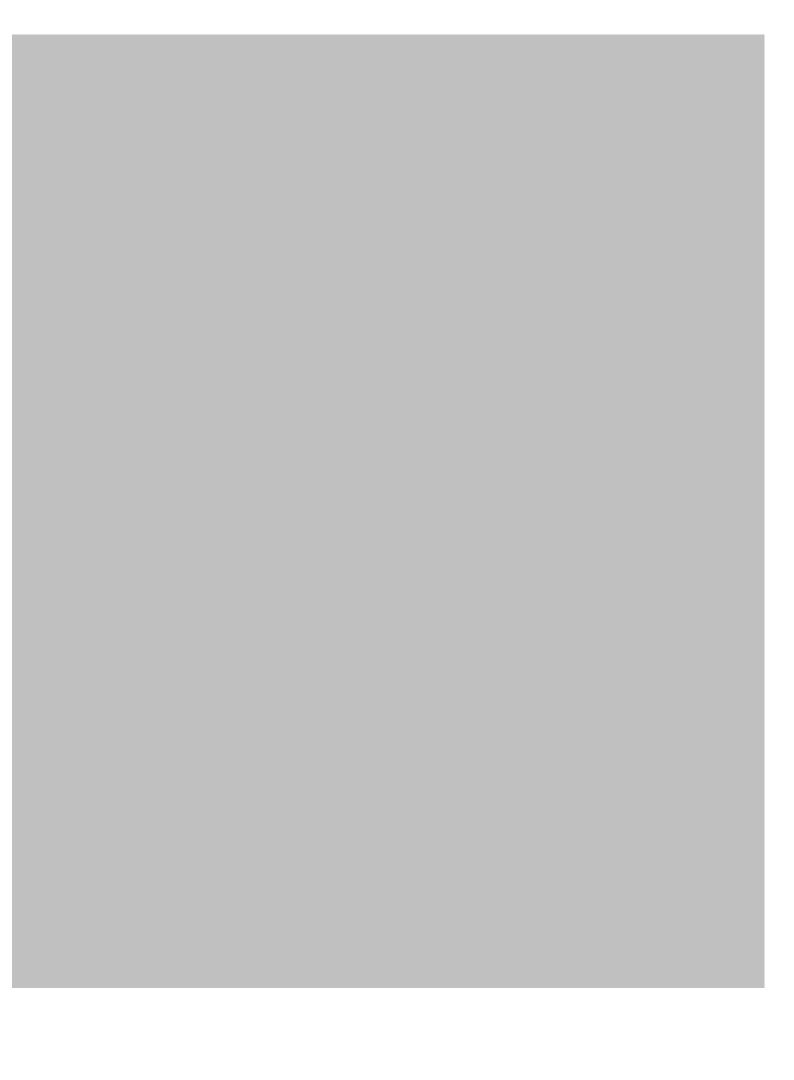


Members of the Advisory Committee noted:

• support for the removal of trees from the Polynesian Marae site.







16. OTHER BUSINESS

Day 1

highlighted the need for:

• removal of trees from the Polynesian Marae site







Appendix 1: Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area Advisory Committee Communique, February 2019

The Advisory Committee for the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) met on Island last week to discuss key projects and priorities for the site. There was a strong feeling among the members of the Committee that management of the site had 'turned a corner' and that we are tracking toward some tangible changes and improvements.

A highlight of last week was the first meeting of the new KAVHA Community Advisory Group. It was clear at the meeting that this group of community members are passionate and enthusiastic about contributing to KAVHA's future direction. Establishing the Community Advisory Group was an initiative recommended by the Advisory Committee, and I look forward to working with the Group in the future.

Members of the Advisory Committee recognise that progress at KAVHA has been slow over the last six to twelve months, particularly without a Heritage Manager on site. Members were pleased and encouraged to see more people back on the ground at KAVHA.

The Advisory Committee welcomed the new Heritage Manager, Martin Purslow. Martin brings a wealth of experience to KAVHA, and is well supported by recently appointed on-Island staff Claire Quintal and Rod Bunk. Combined with Jimmy Quintal as Council's Team Leader of the dedicated KAVHA Works Crew, I expect the community will see a noticeable increase in activity and improvements at the site.

The museums and research centre at KAVHA continue to attract the interest of visitors and locals alike. The Advisory Committee would like to congratulate Helen Brackin, and her team of museum staff and volunteers, for their thoughtful care of the collections and development of new and engaging exhibitions.

Several strategic projects are in progress, or are on the horizon for KAVHA, including the Cultural Landscape Management, Archaeological Zoning and Management, Interpretation and Development Control Plans for the site. While planning can be time consuming, the Advisory Committee is confident that we are very close to having a set of quality foundation documents to underpin and guide future site management in a coordinated and considered way.

The Advisory Committee visited the Polynesian Marae site and recommended progressing the removal of a selection of trees to protect the archaeology of the area and improve interpretation of the Polynesian settlement. This and other important issues around the practical management of vegetation, livestock, traffic and water quality will be discussed during upcoming community consultations on the draft Cultural Landscape Management Plan.

The Interpretation Plan will consider new and innovative ways to present the site, with a focus on the Pier precinct as the primary visitor hub. Valuable input has already been obtained from the community, and the draft Plan will be available for review and feedback in the coming months.

The creation of a Development Control Plan for KAVHA is an important tool in improving the site's governance. The aim of the Development Control Plan is to clarify allowable activities at KAVHA to better enable future works and activities by site managers, landholders and the community. The project team will work closely with Norfolk Island Regional Council's Senior Strategic Planner to progress the development of the plan, which will also be available for public review later in the year.

The Advisory Committee expects to meet again on Island in August 2019.

Mr Eric Hutchinson Chair, KAVHA Advisory Committee February 2019

Norfolk Island Regional Council

EXTENSION OF PERMIT NO 033/17 TO TAKE PROTECTED TREE(S)

- I, Bruce Taylor, Group Manager Services, delegate to the executive director in accordance with section 26 of the *Trees Act 1997* and acting in accordance with the objectives of the same Act, hereby grant an extension of this permit under section 9 of the same Act to take protected tree(s) described below subject to the following conditions:
- 1. The permit holder shall allow an inspection by an authorised officer after the taking of the tree(s) to which this permit relates.
- 2. This permit is valid for twelve months from the date shown below unless extended in writing by the executive director or delegate for the purpose of section 9 of the *Trees Act 1997*.
- 3. This permit cannot be transferred or extended to include tree(s) that were not subject to the application to which this permit relates.

Permit holder

(Department of Infrastructure and Regional Development)

Portion number

Government House, Bligh Street, Flood zone of the Serpentine, Flagstaff Hill

| Tree No | Species | |
|--------------|---------------------------|--|
| 138 - 157/17 | 20 x Norfolk Island Pine | |
| 158 - 162/17 | 5 x white oak | |
| 163 - 187/17 | 25+ x Norfolk Island Pine | |
| 188 - 189/17 | 2 x Norfolk Island Pine | |

Authorised and signed by (Delegate to the executive director for the purposes of section 9 of the *Trace* Act 10071

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Date

February 2019

Minutes of Meeting Community Advisory Group 17th April 2019 – 5.30pm – 7.45pm Location - Administrator Office Ground Floor Meeting Room Kingston

Attendees

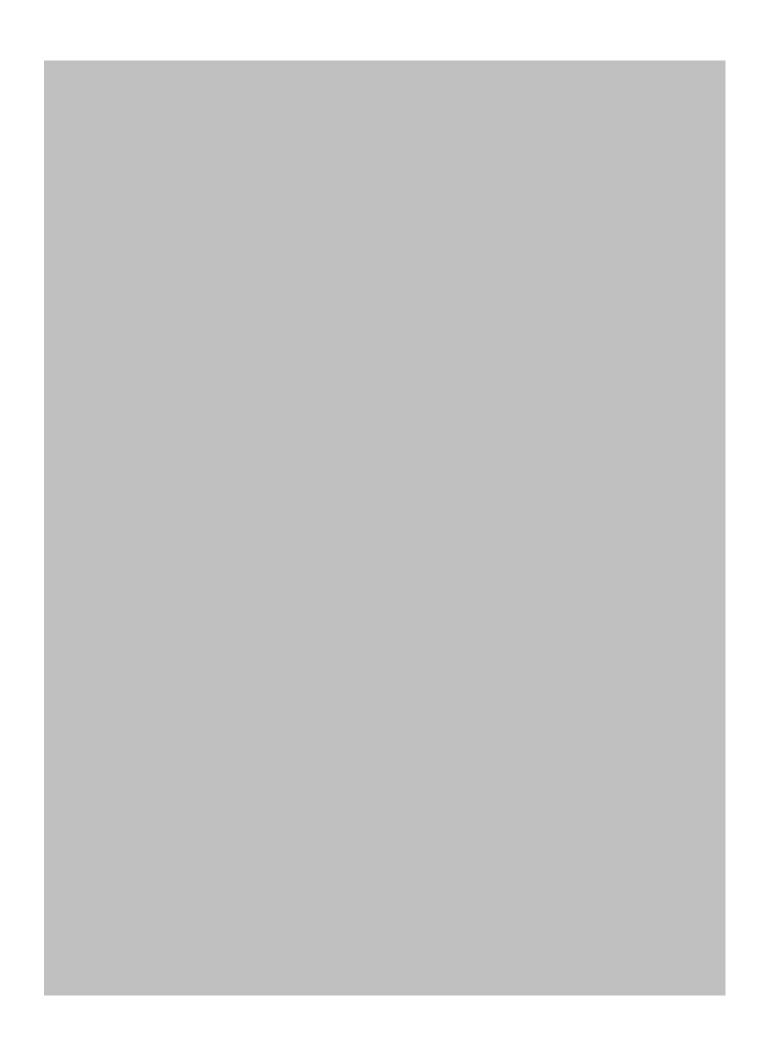
Apologies

In Attendance

1 Meeting Agenda / Title - Discussion of CAG Priorities

Meeting had been called to discuss general activity and priorities for CAG in 2019.

2 Minutes and Key Points



- CAG want to help get people on island more informed.
- Acknowledged that the recent tree issues whilst communicated over a long period, reinforced that not everyone is reading the paper etc. so we need new communication strategies to build community Trust.



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KAVHA Action Plan Progress Report (Quarter 3, 2018-19)



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| Activities/Projects | Status | Comments |
|--|-------------|---|
| Undertake selective removal of trees which have been identified as a risk to public safety and heritage fabric Undertake public consultation and, where feasible, selective removal of trees from Polynesian site, to restore historic sightlines, and minimise erosion | In progress | Government House tree removal was undertaken in March 2019. The community was consulted on the removal of trees from part of the Polynesian Marae site as part of the Cultural Landscape Management Plan consultations. Permit approval and quoting is |
| | | in progress. |

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Permit holder

(DIRD)

Portion number

Government House Grounds Reserve, Kingston

| Tree numbers | Species |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| 29/19 - 50/19 | 22 x Norfolk pine trees |

Authorised and signed by (Delegate to the executive director for the purposes of section 9 of the *Trees Aet 1997*)

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| | 20 | May 2019 | | | |



Trees Act 1997

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO TAKE PROTECTED TREE(S)

About this form: You must use this form to apply to the 'Conservator of Public Reserves', c/- the Norfolk Island Regional Council for a permit to take protected tree(s)

How to complete this form

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- 1. Ensure that all fields have been filled out correctly in BLOCK LETTERS.
- 2. Please note that fields on this form marked with an * are mandatory and must be completed before submitting this form
- 3. Once completed you can submit this form by mail, email or in person. Please see Lodgement Details for further information
- 4. Application fee of One Fee Unit (\$28) to be paid at Customer Care, 9 New Cascade Road, Norfolk Island
- 5. If there is insufficient space to provide details on this form, please attach a separate sheet(s).

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Your personal information will be collected, stored, used and treated in compliance with the *Privacy Act 1988 (Cth)* and the Australian Privacy Principles (APP) in force from time to time. Where they are not inconsistent with the above Commonwealth laws, Section 739 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)(NI)* (protection of privacy) as well as the NSW Model Privacy Management Plan for Local Government and the Privacy Code of Practice for Local Government (NSW) may also be or become applicable to our management and use of your personal information.

NAME OF APPLICANT *

Address *

PO Box 201, Norfolk Island 2899

Email *

infrastructure.gov.au

Phone *

Location of tree(s). (*Please provide road name, portion number and describe location within the property*) *

The location is along Bay Street in the Government House Grounds Reserve at the Polynesian Settlement Site. The trees identified are within the Polynesian site excavation area. Please see attachments.

| Provide details of tree(s) to be taken | | |
|--|----------------------|--|
| Tree Number | Species | Reason for taking tree(s) |
| 22 | Norfolk Island Pines | To further protect a significant heritage site uncovered during excavations. To ensure that archaeological remains of the only Polynesian settlement site in Australia are not further damaged by tree roots. To enable appropriate long term management and interpretation of a significant cultural heritage site. |

Business/Company Name (if applicable) Department of Infrastructure Regional Development and Cities

| ABN/ACN number | |
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| 86 267 354 017 | |
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| Signature of applicant | * |
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Date

20/5/2019

LODGEMENT DETAILS

You can lodge the completed Application by:

Mail: 'Conservator of Public Reserves' c/- Norfolk Island Regional Council PO Box 95 NORFOLK ISLAND 2899

Email: customercare@nirc.gov.nf

Subject: Attention: 'Conservator of Public Reserves'

In Person: 'Conservator of Public Reserves' C/- Customer Care Team 9 New Cascade Road NORFOLK ISLAND

What now: Once your application is received an Officer will respond within 10 working days.

| OFFICIAL USE ONLY | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|--|
| Receiving Officer - Name: | Date: | |
| Receiving Officer - Signature: | | |

Permit number

Date Issued

Receipt number

'Application for Permit to take Protected Tree(s)' Last updated: 11 May 2017

Norfolk Island Polynesian Settlement Site at Emily Bay

Talking points — Martin Purslow - radio interview – Friday, 14 June 2019

- As communicated in the CLMP consultations and in my KAVHA Update in the Norfolk Islander and Norfolk Online News last month, a tree removal permit has now been granted by the Council for the removal of a number of trees at the former Polynesian site at Emily Bay.
- Work is expected to take place between the 18th and 28th of June.
- We apologise, in advance, if anyone is inconvenienced by any aspects of the work.
- This work is being undertaken to safeguard the archaeology in this area that dates back to the Polynesian settlement of Norfolk Island.
- It is also a public safety measure given that a number of the trees are damaged or diseased.
- All of the trees are grouped closely together in the hollow that housed the Polynesian archaeological excavations.
- The work is confined to this area at the extreme west end of the pine plantation and <u>no other</u> <u>areas are affected.</u>
- In total 22 plantation grown trees will be removed.
- A ring of mature pines will be left around the higher ground on the perimeter of the site.
- The work will open visual access and allow better interpretation of the Island's Polynesian story.
- Care is being taken to ensure that native flora and fauna are not unduly affected and that habitat is enhanced by the work.
- Trees will be felled well above ground level and stumps left to rot down naturally.
- The more open space, which will be created through these works, will be maintained to encourage native plant growth at the site's periphery.
- It is great that Professor Robert Varman is back on Island. I was delighted to walk through Kingston with Professor Varman and benefit from his knowledge about archaeology in the First Settlement area and at the Polynesian site, recognising the pre-eminent importance of both to our shared heritage.
- I was also excited to see his involvement in unveiling the other Bounty Cannon on Bounty Day.
- I'd also like to thank the Community Advisory Group, which is made up of local community members and has now met several times, for their enthusiasm and helpful input. If time permits, talk about works around KAVHA focusing on improving the site's amenity for the community.

Users of KAVHA will have noticed recent improvements around the site to:

- the new timber steps to Slaughter Bay
- three new timber pedestrian bridges on the creeks
- restoration of picnic benches, with more benches to come before next spring
- restoration of BBQs, which will continue over winter
- improvements to the public toilets at Emily Bay
- improvements to the toilets and change facilities at Slaughter Bay are scheduled to start on 1 July, with the work lasting for several weeks
- information will be posted on the toilet doors once we know the construction commencement date
- I would like to apologise for any inconvenience to any visitor to the site during these works, but we of course hope that you will enjoy the improved facilities provided.



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At the request of the department, five additional activities (some planned, others proposed) for the KAVHA site were also noted in the consultation sessions:

1. planned removal of trees within the Government House grounds (already approved):

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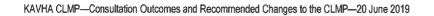




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3.4 Vegetation Management

- 1. Remove selected trees to restore the visual prominence of Government House and to protect walls.
- 2. Undertake thinning of trees to restore visual links between Flagstaff Hill and Government House.
- 3. Remove pine trees at the Polynesian Marae site to protect the important archaeological site.
- 4. Commence discussion with landowners about the pine plantations on private land and how their management for environmental and visual objectives can be improved.

3.4.1 Remove Selected Trees to Restore the Visual Prominence of Government House and to Protect Walls

In the consultation session (Managing Vegetation, 14 March 2019), this proposal was generally supported. Tree removal at Government House was not a concern for Interviewee 2.

One critical issue was identified and discussed at length, related to *Phellinus noxius*, a fungus that causes disease (brown rot) in trees. It is apparently present in some of the diseased trees on



Government House grounds, and elsewhere on the island. The risk associated with removal is spread of the disease. Local observations were that the risk of spreading is increased when stumps are exposed to oxygen (Managing Vegetation consultation).

The need to research the disease *Phellinus noxius* so that the disease is not spread was noted in a hand-written submission (received 14 March 2019).

The following question was asked: 'Have arboricultural measures been considered rather than tree removal? For example, root barriers, root pruning.'

Recommendation: Add Policy to CLMP: For tree removal, guidelines for good hygiene and for how to manage the disease Phellinus noxius should be followed. Refer to <u>https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/ data/assets/pdf file/0010/51211/phellinus noxius web.pdf</u> Arboriculture Australia may also have relevant guidelines.

Recommendation: To the CLMP, add a triage of considerations for diseased trees with the final step being removal, after consideration of arboricultural measures. This affects Policy 26, Policy 27 (possibly), and Conservation Actions for Objective 3, Table A3.1, Appendix A, p. xxxvi.

3.4.2 Undertake Thinning of Trees to Restore Visual Links between Flagstaff Hill and Government House

The proposal was supported, but the risks raised above (Section 3.4.1) were also noted in relation to this proposal. A suggestion to selectively top the trees, rather than them cutting down, was made (Managing Vegetation consultation session).

Removal of some pines was considered 'okay' and thinning 'okay' (Interview 3). Such actions at the Marae site were more overtly supported (Interview 3).

Recommendation: Topping individual pines, rows of trees, or specimen pines within KAVHA is **not recommended**, on the basis that it deforms the characteristic form of the tree, is not a medium or long-term solution (grows back in a relatively short period), and the tree with regrown top also appears malformed.

NB Lopping carried out on the pine trees in front of the Old Surgeon's Quarters (date unknown). The uncharacteristic shape – multiple leaders – was observed in March 2018 and again in March 2019. It is not desirable for trees with landscape value. The resultant malformation may be less problematic within a forest or plantation, but still it is not a long-term solution.

Recommendation: If thinning is carried out, it should be undertaken in a staged way and under close supervision by the heritage manager. On-site assessment should occur throughout the process, seeking to carefully reveal a narrow vista only, from the two lookouts on Flagstaff Hill, while also ensuring erosion is not exacerbated.

Where the forest is opened up by clearing, works will be required to ensure reestablishment and ongoing management of appropriate low-growing understorey species.

Related to selective removal of trees to restore visual prominence of certain features within KAVHA, concern was expressed at the proposal in the CLMP to remove some Norfolk Island pines on Salt House Point. The CLMP recommended that some of the trees be removed for visual reasons, to restore the prominence of the Salt House ruins and reduce overcrowding by Norfolk Island pines.



Apparently the younger trees were deliberately planted as part of a succession plan for replacing the bigger trees there (Managing Vegetation consultation session).

Recommendation: Succession planting needs to be carried out in accordance with the CLMP policy for Replacement of Significant Vegetation (Policy 27), when significant trees become senescent. Revisit the CLMP policy for replacement trees, taking into consideration trees with amenity value, and the tree population within the KAVHA site as a whole.

Lone Pine on Point Hunter – a Lone Pine has been at Point Hunter promontory since early drawings. The original Lone Pine may not be the current Lone Pine at Point Hunter, nor is there certainly that the current Lone Pine is in the exact same location. The issue of succession planting for the Lone Pine was raised (Managing Vegetation consultation session).

3.4.3 Remove Pine Trees at the Polynesian Marae Site to Protect the Important Archaeological Site

Supported (Managing Vegetation consultation session).

Supported (Interview 3).

Concern expressed about disturbance of archaeological evidence if it is proposed to remove the roots. If roots are to remain, then the issue of root rot is relevant to this proposal. There was concern about how many trees might be removed. There was support for only removing an inner ring of trees, largely the smaller trees that appear to be self-sown or more recently planted. There was discussion about further archaeological work in the area as a future project, with such work that might assist in better telling the Polynesian story of the island supported. One participant did not support thinning of the pine trees at Emily Bay, but wants to see the plantation managed.

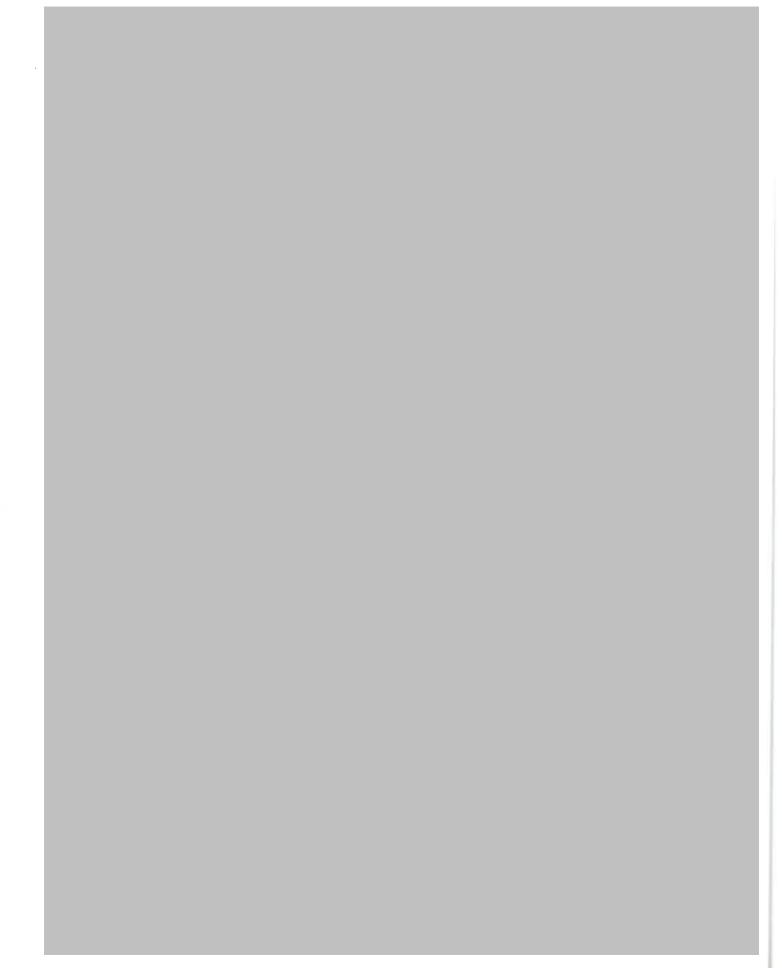
Recommendation: See recommendation above about root rot.

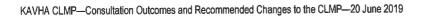
Recommendation: The proposal should be reassessed and methodology developed in accordance with the findings of the Archaeological Zoning Plan.

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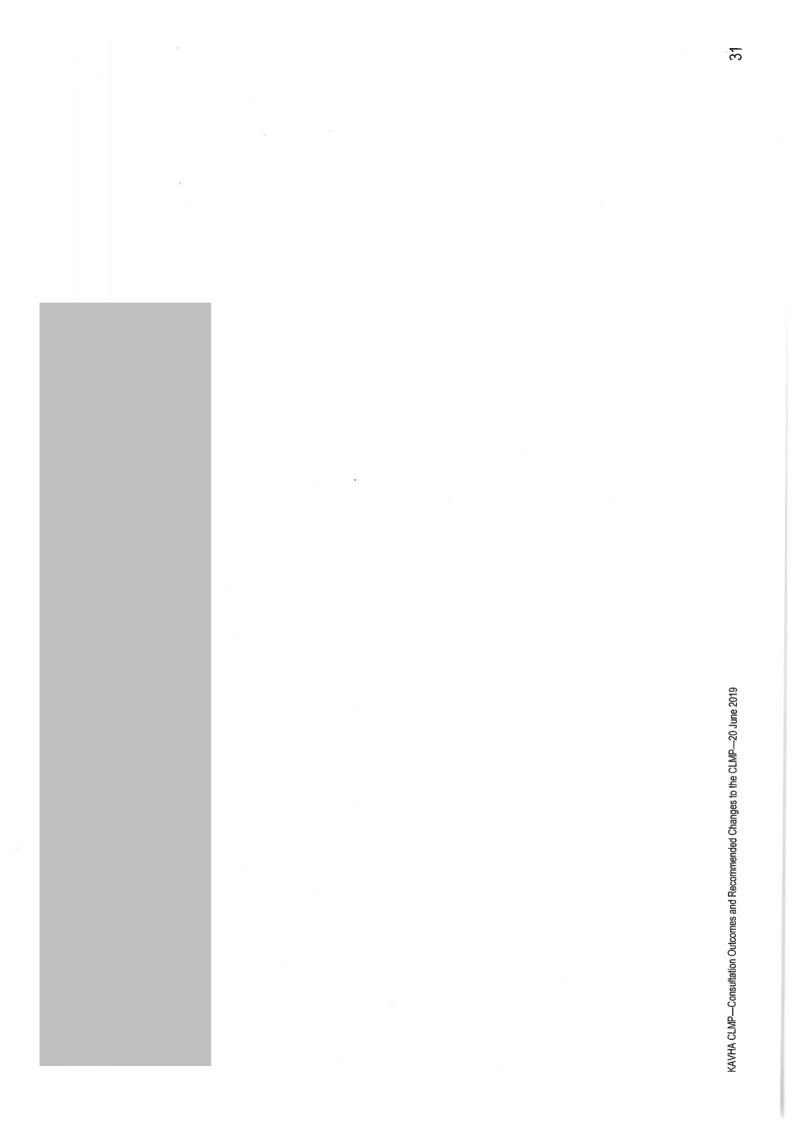


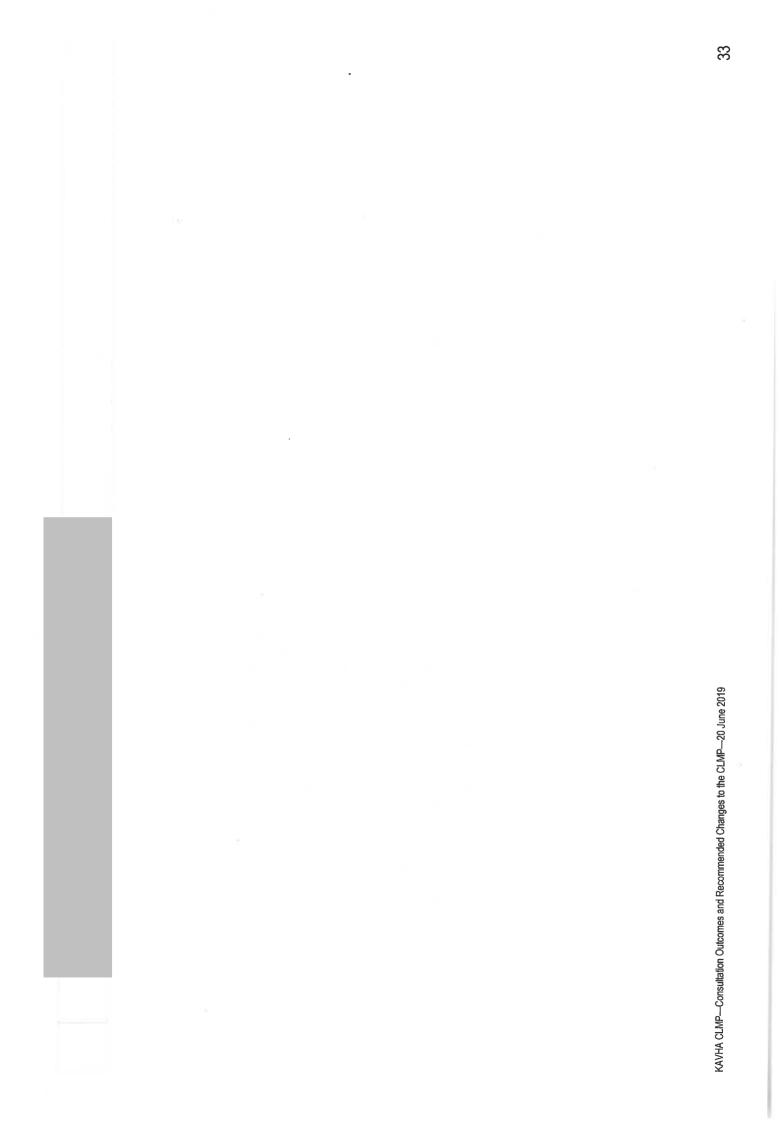




Section 2.0 of the CLMP provides a brief historic context of KAVHA. It is a summary of previous historical research prepared by others. Is there any important information missing that you feel should be included in the summary history?

| Inclusion of the commemorative plantings in the first bullet point (page 35) was to demonstrate the different types of plantings throughout the site that add to the mix of overly dominant pine trees. Not all the types are intrusive, rather the cumulative effect. Agree that it is misleading. Commemorative plantings to be deleted from this grouping. Review the section sub-titled <i>Commemorative Plantings and Structures</i> (p 35). The complexity of the layered meanings embodied in commemorative plantings and structures needs to more appropriately address current community values and the four layers of settlement. | |
|---|--|
| The commemorative plantings and structures represent the living nature of the site, and the continued importance of the area to Norfolk Island residents. They are not intrusive elements! To remove these is to remove aspects of cultural significance to the site and to the people who live here. The trees that are listed here as 'intrusive' are commemorative of Norfolk Island veterans, elders and descendants. The World Heritage listing for the KAVHA site comprises the whole history of the four settlements and this includes contemporary uses. | |
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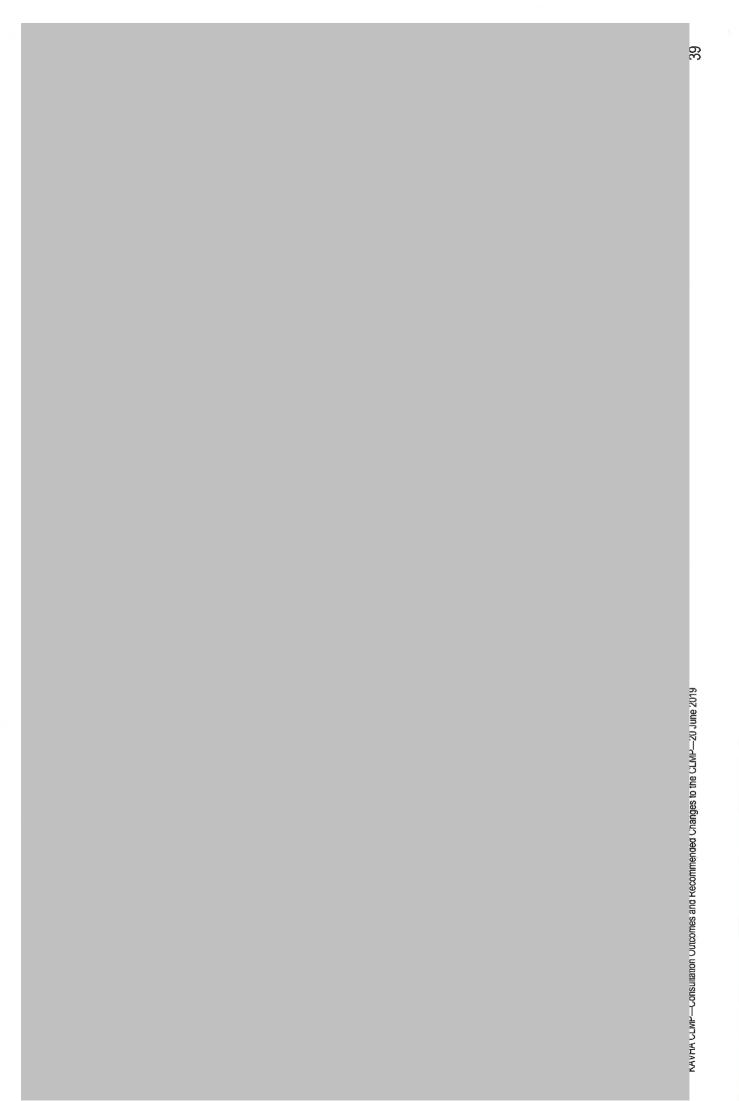
| Norfolk Island prines are indigenous to Norfolk Island, occurring naturally from coastal footslopes to higher elevations. The Policy 14 does not refer to cultural plantings of Norfolk Island pines. | No change. It is not agreed that the statement is sweeping. The full Conservation Action is: | 35 |
|--|--|---|
| Nortolk Island pines are not indigenous to the site, as mentioned previously. | Assessments of the conditions of trees should be undertaken before making a wide sweeping statement such as 'retain and conserve mature Norfolk Island pines and white oaks that date from pre-European settlement or First and Second Settlement periods' | KAVHA CLMP—Consultation Outcomes and Recommended Changes to the CLMP—20 June 2019 |
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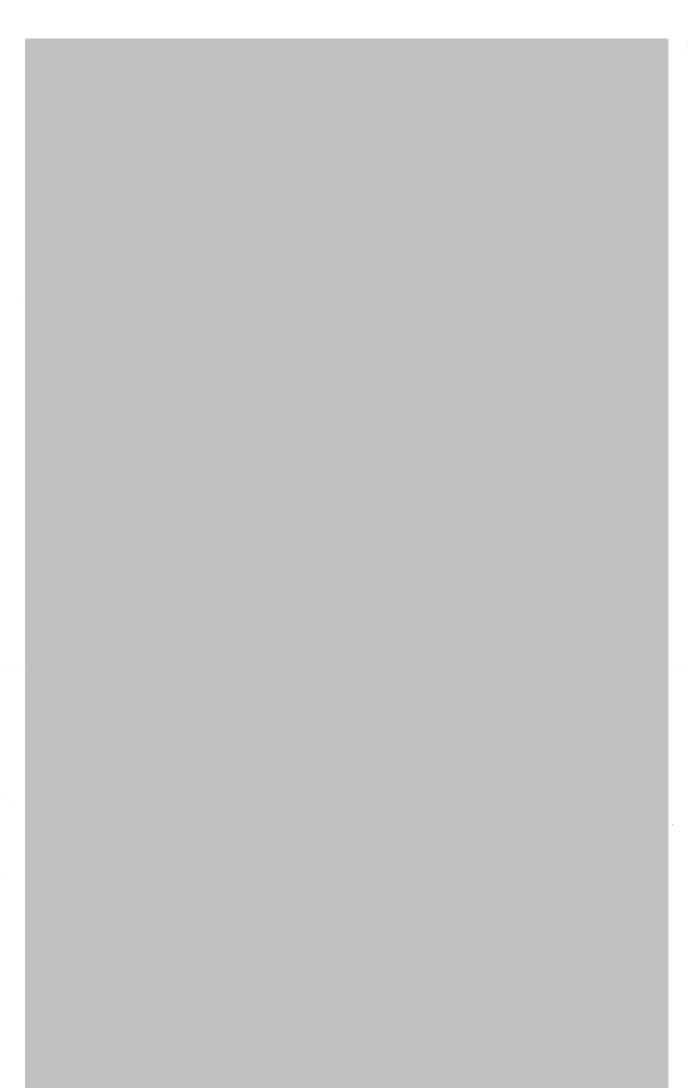
| Retain and conserve mature Norfolk Island pines (Araucaria heterophylla) and white oaks (Lagunaria patersonii) that date from pre-European settlement or First and Second Settlement periods, and commemorative plantings with local Norfolk Island community values. Significant trees and commemorative and memorial plantings should be regularly maintained, conserved and managed to extend their safe and useful life expectancy (SULE), in accordance with Policy 5 of this CLMP.' The words 'conservation' and 'maintenance' are used in accordance with the Burra Charter definitions, to mean 'all the processes of looking after a place so as to retain its cultural significance', and 'the continuous protective care of a place and its setting' (Articles 1.4 and 1.5). For a tree, this would include assessments of health and condition. | Assessment of condition and senescence should be carried out by an arborist with experience in historic trees with identified heritage values. Policy for Memorial trees and Commemorative plantings could be revised as follows. Delete the two 'Do not replace' Conservation Actions for Memorial trees and Commemorative plantings (p. 85). Revise first Conservation Action as follows: 'Replace trees that are significant for their design, historic or aesthetic values, or as landmark plantings.or for their demonstrated social value. When they become senescent or die.' | |
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| | I agree with most of the Conservation Actions, except that which states that memorial trees should not be replanted when they become senescent or die – who determines that they are senescent, and why would they not be replaced when the conservation actions call for other 'trees significant for their design, historic or aesthetic values, or as landmark plantings when they become senescent or die 'to be replaced. These memorial trees are important to Norfolk Island residents and represent a stage of the sites history and is significant culturally. | |
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Sections 5.0 and 6.0 of the CLMP provides conservation policy and recommended actions. Do you support the policy and actions? If yes, which policies and/or actions (add the number) do you particularly support, and why?

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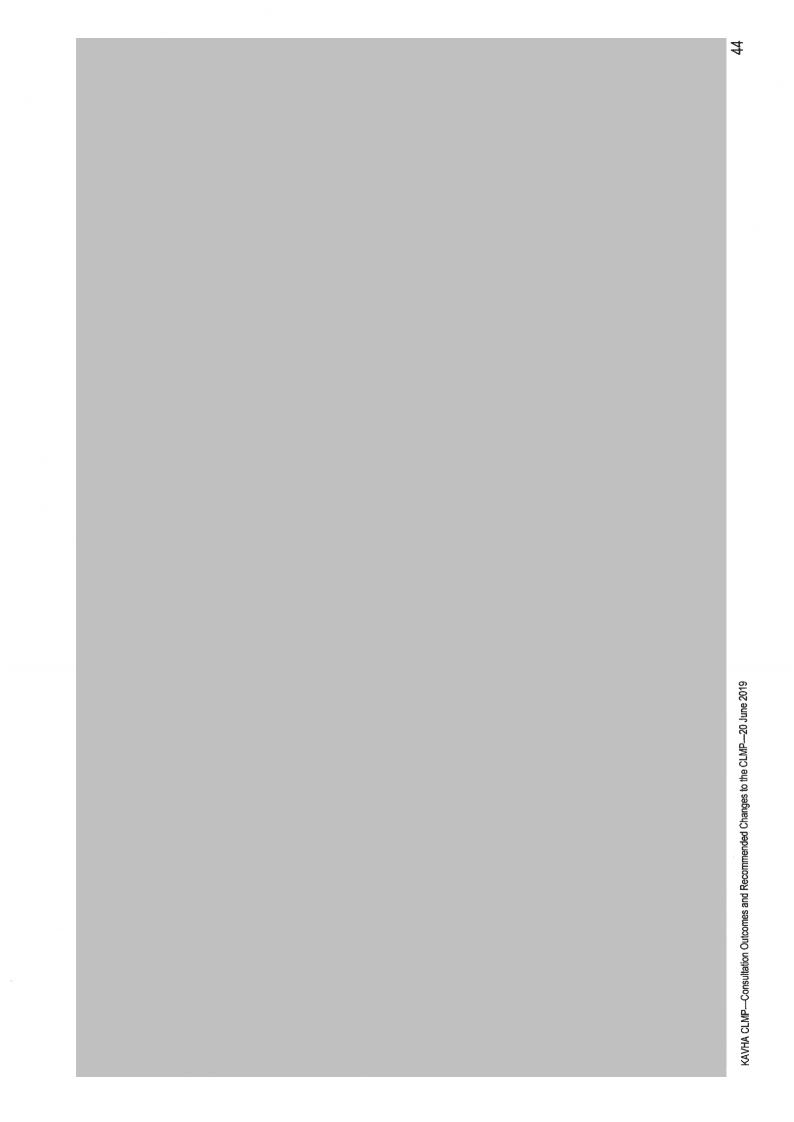


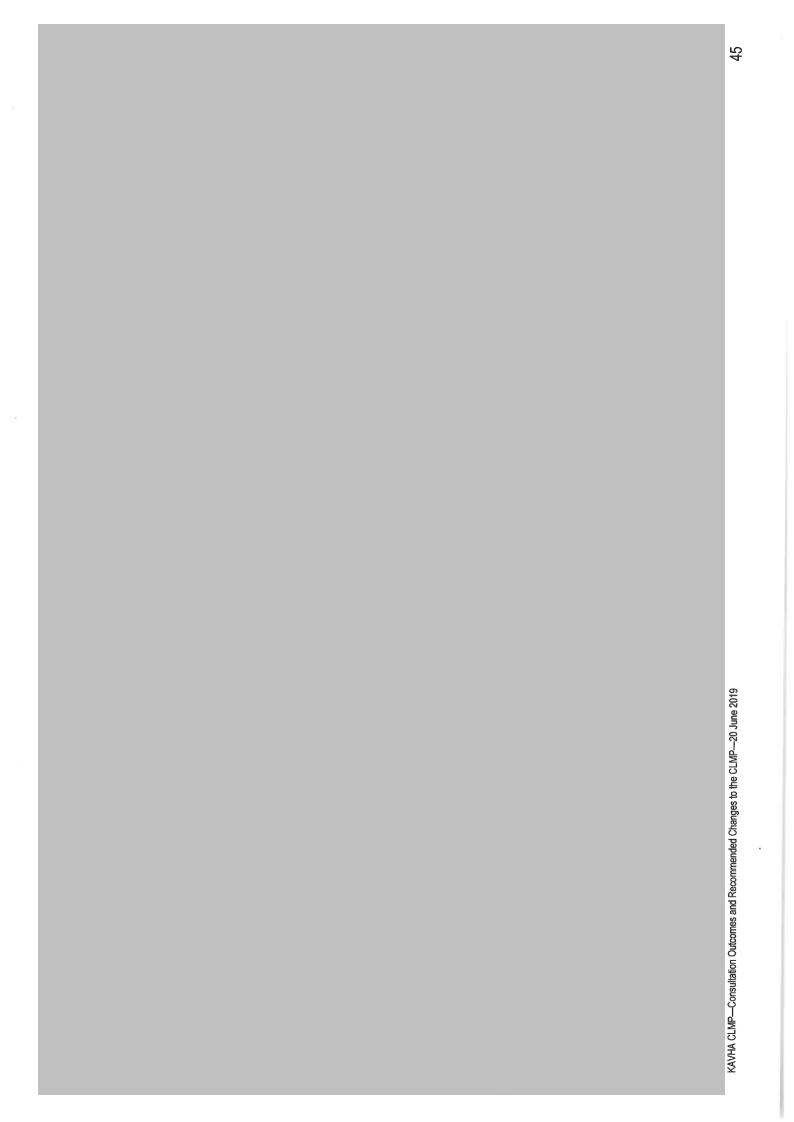


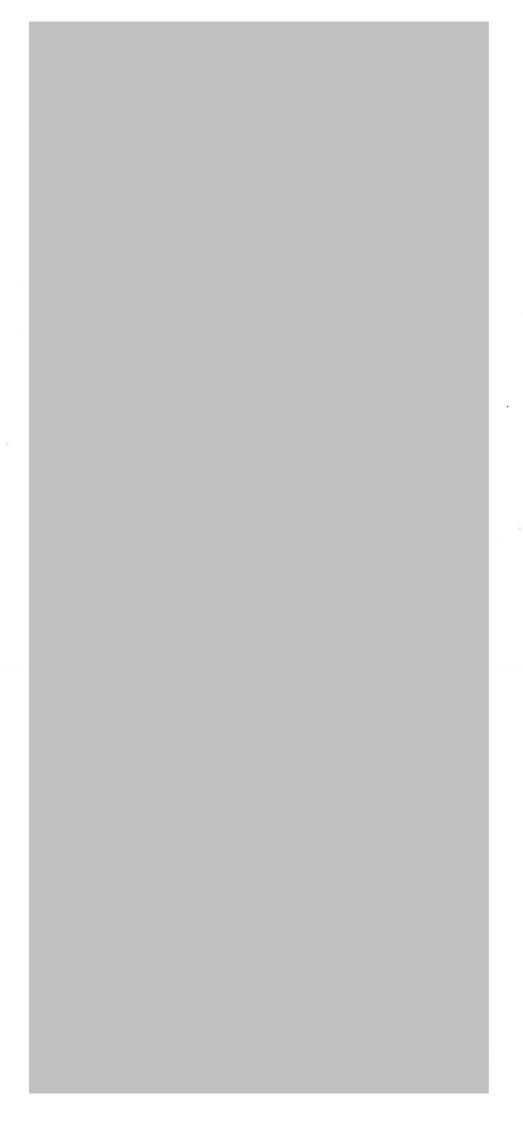
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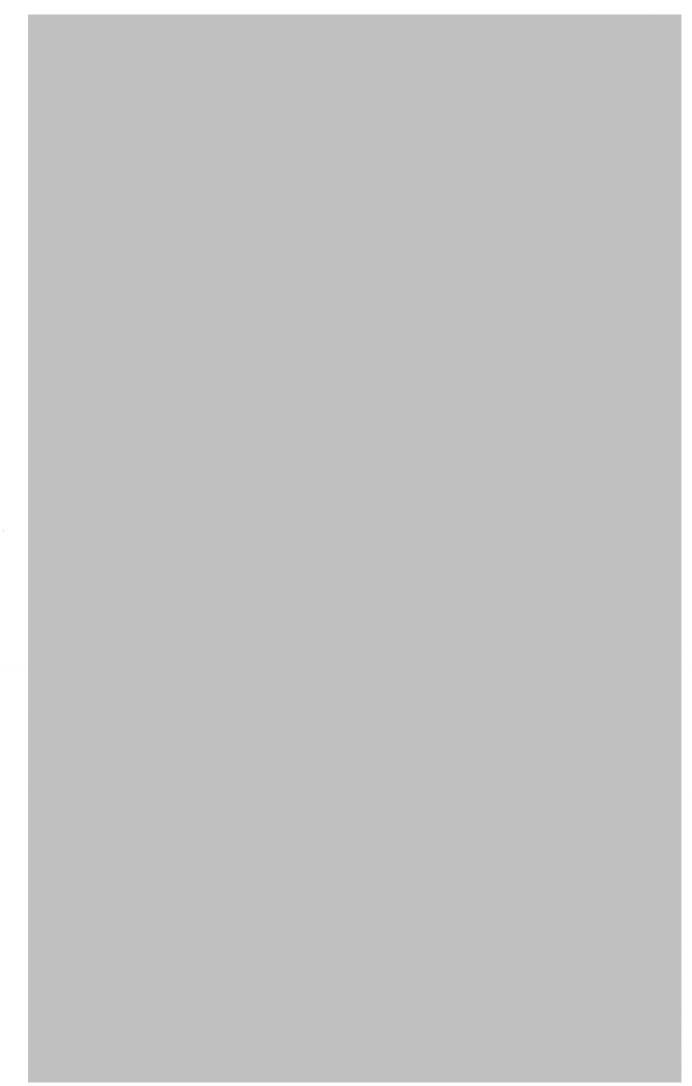
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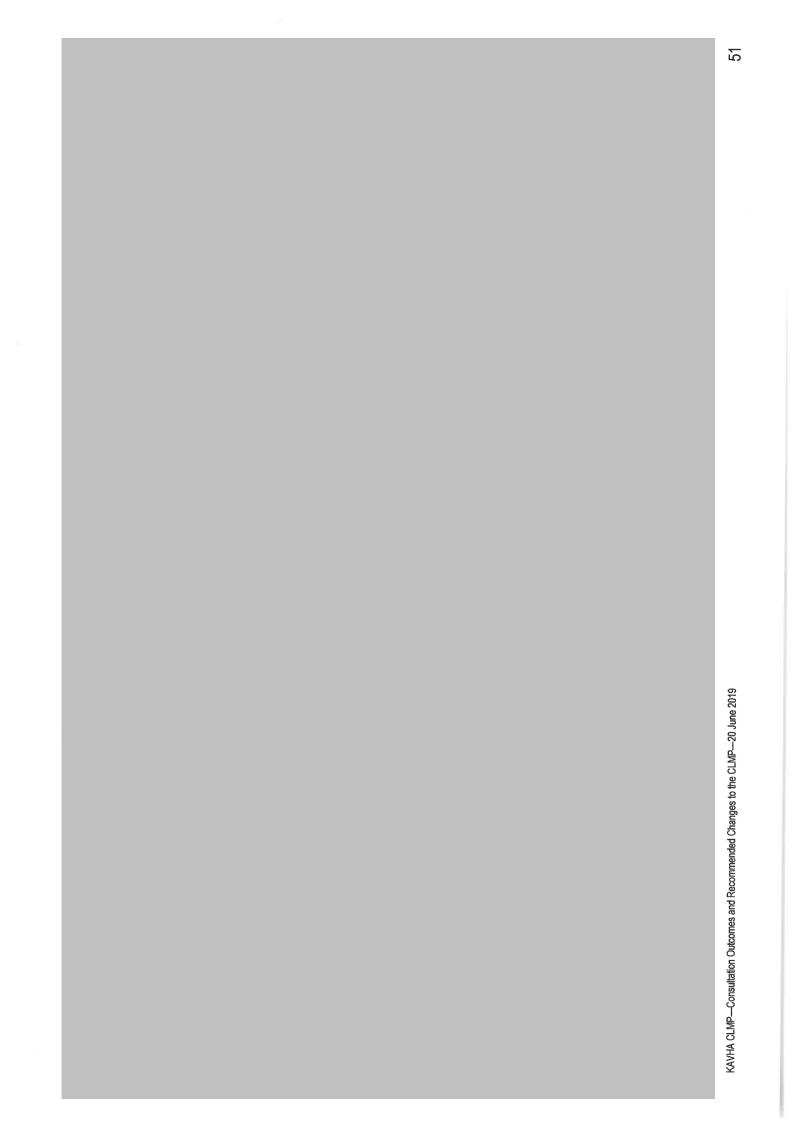
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| | | The importance of wind protection is mentioned, however, needs to be empirashed in terms of recreational activities. Complete an impact assessment before anything is implemented. Consider a phased approach and trialling. Consult with the community about requirements and rationale for removal' is informing not consulting. Seek community advice on culture and heritage and lessons learnt from past practices. The importance of the golf course and tourism needs to be acknowledged. The removal of the pines at the saft house does not consider the importance of shade for recreational activities and traditional gathering areas and family picnics. | Check CLMP text that mentions wind, and consider adding note about impacts of wind on recreational activities within KAVHA. Impact assessments are already required, and are the responsibility of the department. No change needed. Check CLMP text for phased/staged works and trialling: include if not already covered. The process to date has sought community advice on lessons learnt from past practices. Check HMP and CLMP for existing policy on this. If not there, consider including in Policy and Appendix A Conservation/Actions. Add note to Appendix A (Table A3.1, Objective 3) about importance of shade to recreational activities. |
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| | 3.0 | Before removing trees, details of when they were planted and who planted the trees should be documented. Tree Registers are a must!!! Heritage management of the vegetation should also include recent history. Removing coast trees would cause erosion Global warming, the focus is on retaining trees, not cutting down trees, and many of the recent trees removed appeared to be healthy trees. Invasive species weeds should be removed, but if sprays are used, great care must be taken not to damage surrounding areas or the coast water ecosystems. Better Public Notices when large areas are cleared, as the March 2019 has been distressing for many community members. There are important historic buildings and structures which are in risk of damage, consideration to the age and heritage value of the trees must also be taken into account. It is also important to consider when the first settlers arrived the vegetation, bush, trees, creepers where to the waters edge. The Norfolk Island Pine tree is very significant. It is one our flag, when communities around the world have planting to remove the trees. They are part of Norfolk Island history, it is the reason Capt contended settling Norfolk Island. | Significant Tree Register – supported. Noted, and agreed. Changes to policy on memorial/commemorative trees recommended elsewhere will address this. Trees were removed because they were diseased or dying, considered dangerous, or causing damage to historic walls. Make note of better public notices in Conservation Action about weed removal (Table A.3.1 Objective 6). Otherwise, weed objective and conservation actions as they stand address concerns raised. No change. Check Policy section is consistent with Appendix A, Table A3.1, Objective 6. |
| xiii xli | Appendix A.3 | It is a good idea to remove trees around the Polynesian Marae – how will this be done whilst protecting the site? | The note on the plan (p. xxxviii) specifies a detailed management plan to guide tree removal. Amend note on plan 'Detailed Area C – Emily Bay' to read: Selectively remove pine trees at the Polynesian Marae site, to protect the important archaeological site. The methodology for tree removal should be developed in accordance with the Archaeological Zoning Plan. Removal of trees must not disturb archaeological evidence. |

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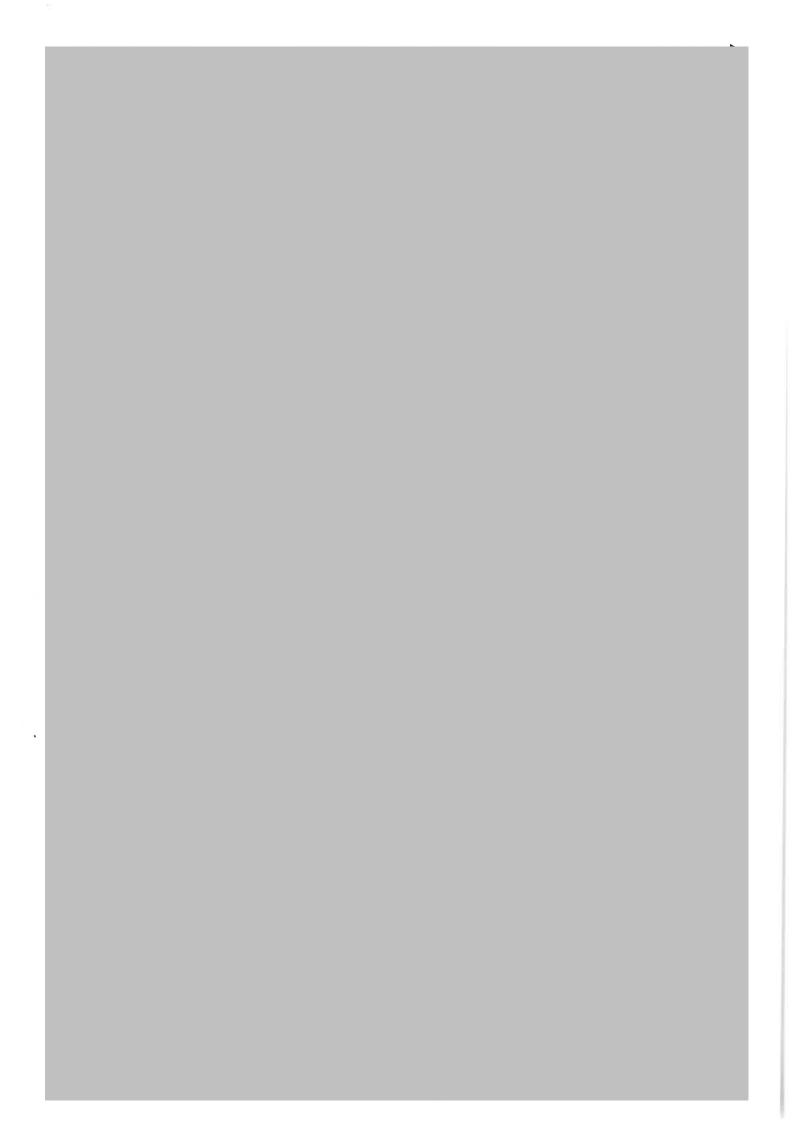
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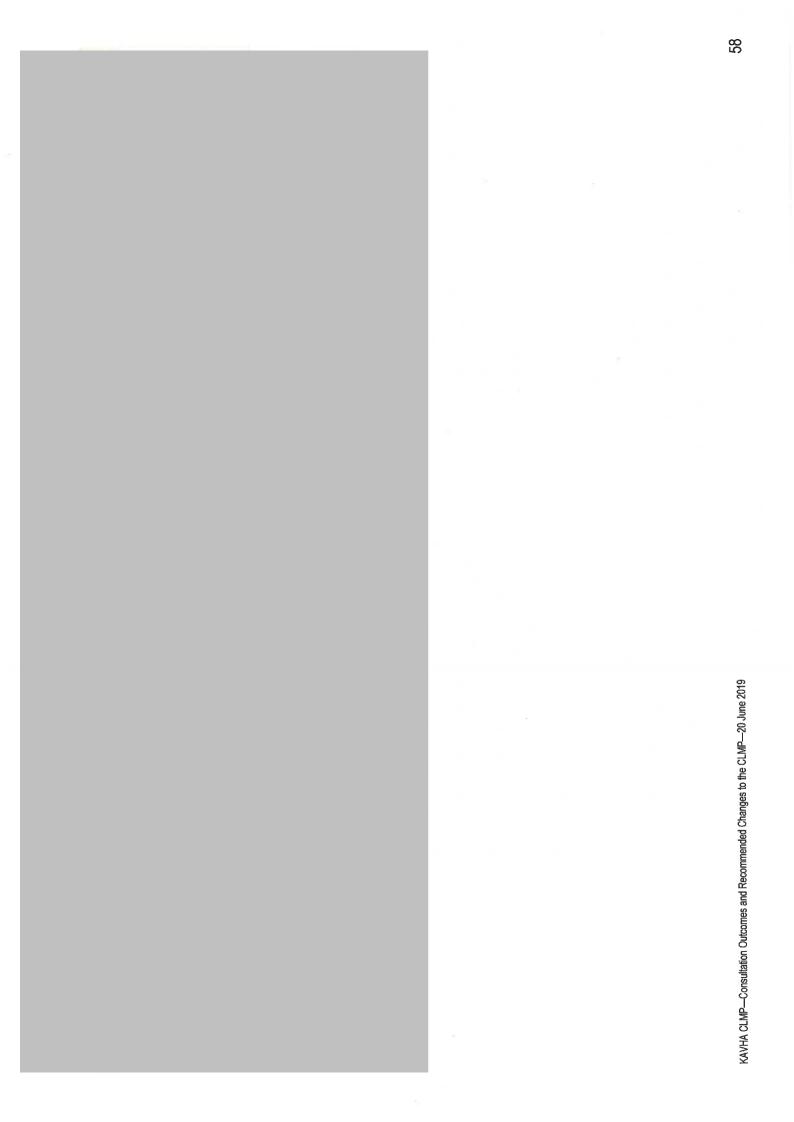


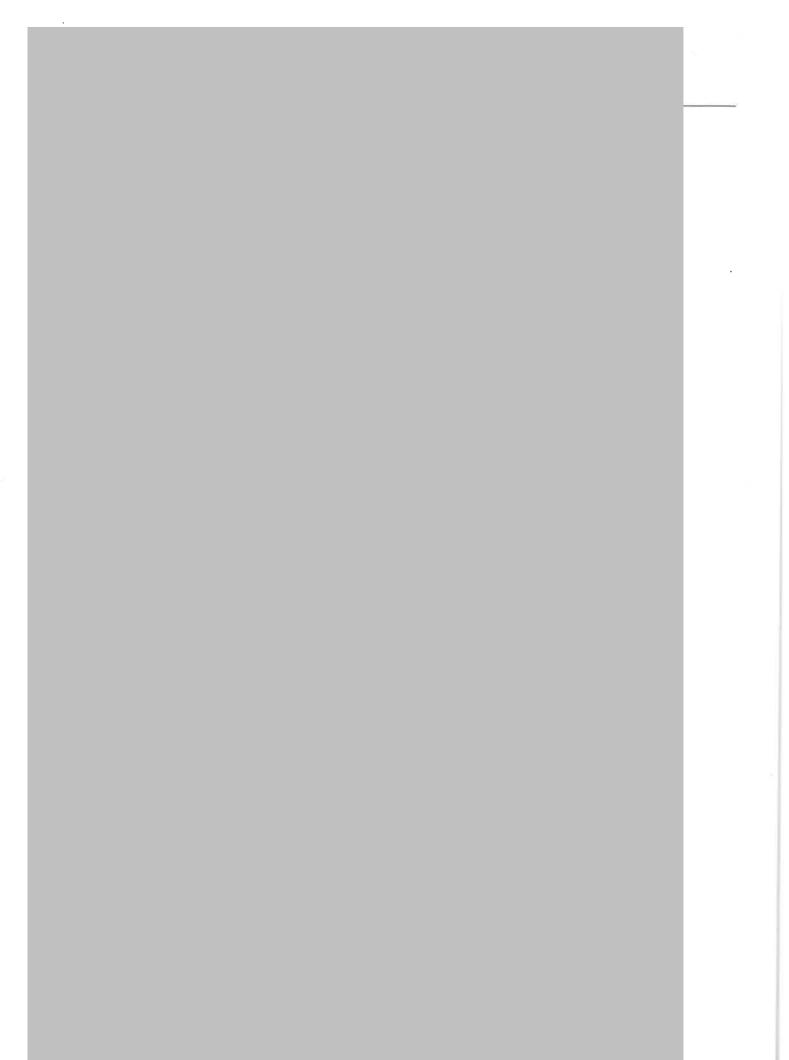


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isure a healthy system of creeks, waterways, swamps, channels and drains that minimise mental and health impacts, and which help convey the importance of the historic channel and re.

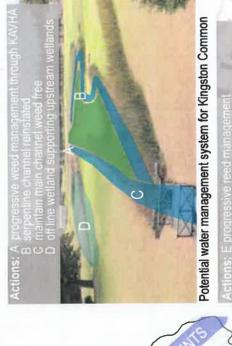
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vestigations and modelling to determine the most effective approaches to implementation of a water quality improvements throughout KAVHA.

and weeds around the Bounty Street and Pier Street bridges.

managing weeds and revegetating banks from upstream areas, moving downstream to KAVHA. going upgrade works to wastewater infrastructure within KAVHA. lems cannot be solved quickly. Works will require a staged approach, and input from different is commitment to resolving the problems and an obligation to conserve the natural and cultural l values of the adjoining marine environment.

I KAVHA to help improve water quality, this is a catchment wide problem that goes well beyond 3 will encourage the necessary catchment-wide approach to water quality improvement.





Weed & reed management Existing creeklines / channels

Channel reinstatement

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Water quality treatment Sediment control / traps

EGEND

Vew wetland basin

This pamphlet explains some of the conservation activities being considered for the K/ considered aim to address high-priority landscape issues identified within the site. The and pedestrian access, livestock, vegetation (including trees and weeds) and site drain will be guided by recommendations in the KAVHA Heritage Mangement Plan (2016) and Management Plan (2018).

1 Managing livestock

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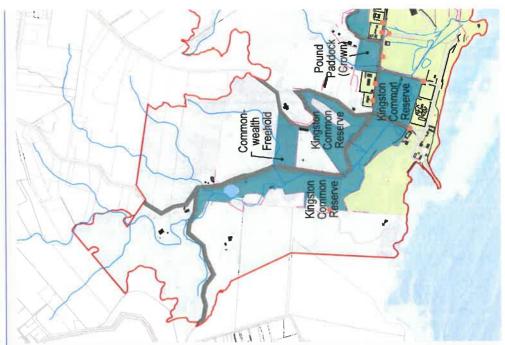
The grazing of livestock within KAVHA contributes to the cultural landsc production on Norfolk Island. However, it is also recognised that the pre KAVHA is a factor contributing to issues such as water quality, erosion,: avoid negative health and environmental impacts, the numbers and mov be managed.

What are we considering?

The goal is a solution for livestock management within KAVHA that solves identified issues but also retains the positives of livestock within KAVHA.

Proposed options will be discussed with key local stakeholders to establish management principles, such as:

- grid and fence locations for managing cattle movement within KAVHA wataring points and
 - watering points and stockyard locations at suitable distances from waterways.



tions for parking and drop-off areas. ear and accessible routes for

er bollards in select locations to protect le strips to slow vehicle speeds. dings and ruins.

- Create accessible footpaths and install warning markers. <u>ى</u>
- Introduce a one-way traffic system to the Pier and Bay streets triangular intersection.

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- Introduce subtle and appropriate way-finding signs.
 - Undertake investigations and remediation works to Bounty Street bridge structure ~ 00
- considering? What are we
- Remove pine trees at the Polynesian Marae site to protect the impol Commence discussions with landholders about the pine plantations Remove selected trees to restore the visual prominence of Governn Undertake thinning of trees to restore visual links between Flagstaff -4
- Control weeds and reeds in the channels on Kingston Common. Wo management for environmental and visual objectives can be improv
- areas near the Bounty Street bridge to enable the bridge condition to ي.



Appendix B



Australian Government

Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area

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KAVHA Cultural Landscape Management Plan

On-Island Stakeholder Consultation

The conservation, protection and presentation of KAVHA's rich and interwoven natural and cultural landscape is a key part of preserving the site's heritage values and its place in the everyday lives of the community.

The recent completion of a draft Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP) by GML Heritage + Context (GML) is an important step towards ensuring this ongoing protection. It will also assist with implementing priority policies and recommendations contained in the KAVHA Heritage Management Plan (2016).

The draft CLMP includes specific proposals relating to address to four high priority areas relating to KAVHA's cultural landscape – vehicle and pedestrian access; livestock management; vegetation management; and water management and site drainage.

The Norfolk Island community will be able to meet with the GML Heritage Project Team in the week of 11 March 2019. While on Island, GML will seek feedback from key stakeholders and interested community members on these themes through a series of meetings.

Livestock Management

Date: 12 March 2019 Time: 10.00 – 11.30am Location: Governor's Lodge

The Pier Area/Traffic Management Date: 13 March 2019 Time: 5.30 – 7.00pm Location: Paradise Hotel Water Management/ Weed and Reed Removal Date: 12 March 2019 Time: 11.45am – 1.15pm Location: Governor's Lodge

Vegetation Management Date: 14 March 2019 Time: 5.30 – 7.00pm Location: Paradise Hotel

A summary on each of these issues will be distributed to members of the Norfolk Island community through a letterbox drop to inform community consultation.

The draft CLMP is available for viewing at <u>kavha.gov.au/projects</u> and in hard copy at Customer Care and the Office of the Administrator.



United Nations -Educational, Scientific and -Cultural Organization - Australian Convict Sites inscribed on the World Heritage List in 2010



Community members can also have their say through a feedback form available online and in hard copy at these same locations. Feedback forms must be submitted online or to the Office of the Administrator by 31 March 2019.

To register for any of the meetings, please contact the Office of the Administrator on 23115 or office.administrator@infrastructure.gov.au by 6 March 2019.

The final CLMP will be informed by the outcomes of the consultations and is expected to be provided to the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities in May 2019.

Ends.

Eric Hutchinson February 2019

Appendix C

Consultation Attendees



Kingston and Arthurs Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) – Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP): Feedback Form

The draft KAVHA Cultural Landscape Management Plan (KAVHA CLMP) prepared by GML Heritage + Context (GML) in 2018 for the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities (the Department) is now open for public review.

The full draft KAVHA CLMP is available to read at kavha.gov.au/projects and in hard copy at Customer Care and the Office of the Administrator on Norfolk Island.

Your feedback on the draft CLMP is important. We are seeking your views on a number of key questions about managing KAVHA's cultural landscape. There is also space at the end if you would like to make additional comments.

Responses received via this feedback form prior to 31 March 2019 will be considered as part of finalising the KAVHA CLMP.

Filling in the Feedback Form

The feedback form will take 5–10 minutes to complete.

Your response is anonymous unless you choose to include your name at the end of this form.

The GML project team will analyse the responses. We are committed to protecting your personal information by complying with the relevant privacy principles set out in the *Privacy and Data Protection Act 2014*.

Questions

- 1. Have you attended, or are you planning to attend, one of the consultation sessions (on 12, 13 and 14 March 2019) on the four priority landscape issues identified in the KAVHA CLMP? Y/N
- 2. Section 2.0 of the CLMP provides a brief historic context of KAVHA. It is a summary of previous historical research prepared by others. Is there any important information missing that you feel should be included in the summary history? Y/N

Please provide additional information in the box below. [Comment box]

3. Section 3.0 of the CLMP provides a summary of existing statutory heritage listings for the KAVHA site. Are there any errors in this section? Y/N

Please provide additional information in the box below. [Comment box]

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- 4. Sections 5.0 and 6.0 of the CLMP provides conservation policy and recommended actions. Do you support the Policy and Actions ? Y/N If not, which ones don't you support (add the number), and why? [Comment box] If yes, which Policies and/or Actions (add the number) do you particularly support, and why? [Comment box]
- 5. Section 5.0 and Appendix A of the CLMP define four identified 'high priority' cultural landscape issues. These have been identified in response to previous heritage management and landscape reports, through community consultation and by the KAVHA Advisory Committee. The four high priority cultural landscape issues are:
 - a. vehicle and pedestrian access and parking;
 - b. livestock management;
 - c. vegetation management; and
 - d. site drainage and water quality.

Which specific proposals and actions recommended for resolving the high priority issues do you support, and why?

[Comment box]

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Which specific proposals and actions recommended for resolving the high priority issues do you not support, and why?[Comment box]

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site drainage and water qualityWhy?[Comment box]

6. Do you have any other thoughts or comments about the draft KAVHA CLMP? Y/N [Comment box]

7. About you.

To make sure we're hearing from a wide cross section of people in the Norfolk Island community, it would be helpful if you could provide the following information:

- What is your connection to the area? [Tick boxes. Can do multiple selections]
 - o Norfolk Island Resident
 - o Reside off-island
 - o Business owner
 - Work in the area
 - o Visitor
 - o Other [Comment box]
- Gender
 - o Male
 - o Female
 - o Other/prefer not to say
- Age
 - o Under 25
 - o **25-39**
 - o **40-59**
 - o **60-79**
 - o **80+**
 - o Prefer not to say
- Please provide your contact details if you'd be happy for a member of the project team to contact you if they need to clarify any of the responses in the feedback form.
 [Comment box]

KAVHA Cultural Landscape Management Plan (CLMP) consultation - Privacy Notice

The Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities (the Department) is collecting personal information (name, email address and or phone number), as part of consultation on the draft CLMP, in accordance with the *Privacy Act 1988*. The Department will disclose this information to GML Heritage for the purposes of contacting you regarding your submission if clarification is needed. The Department will otherwise store this information securely. If you do not provide the information



requested neither the department nor GML Heritage will be able to contact you regarding your submission.

The Department's <u>privacy policy</u> contains information regarding complaint handling processes and how to access and/or seek correction of personal information held by the Department. The <u>Privacy</u> <u>Officer</u> can be contacted on (02) 6274 6495.

Minutes of Meeting

Community Advisory Group

18th July, 11 Quality Row

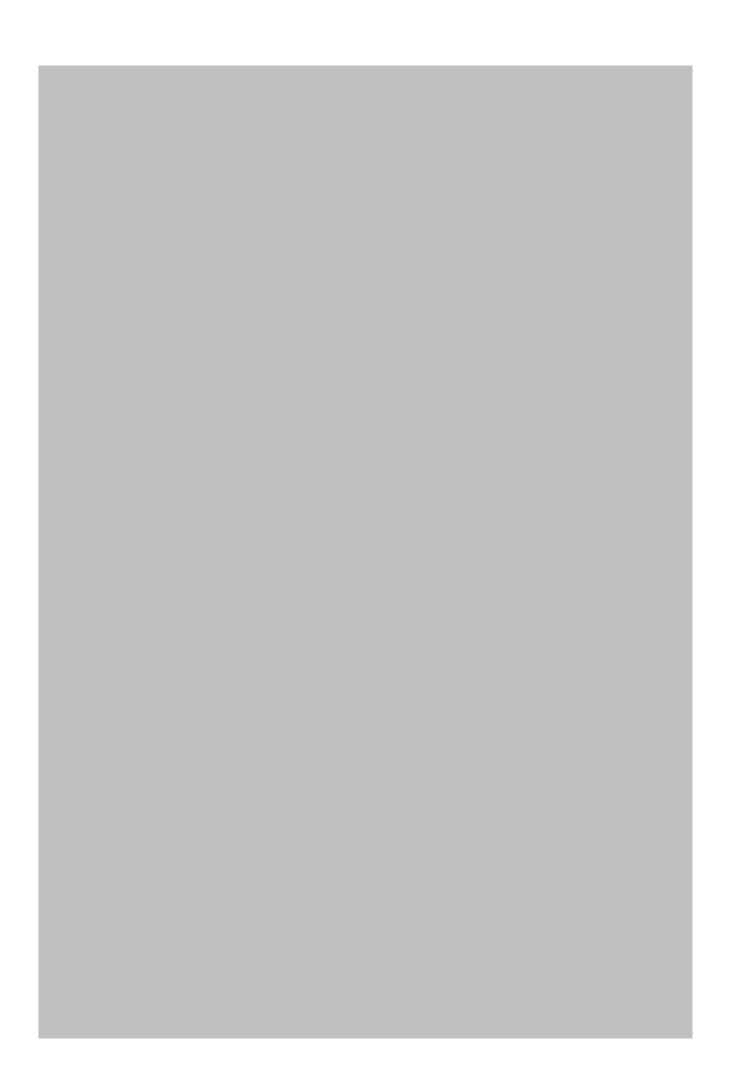
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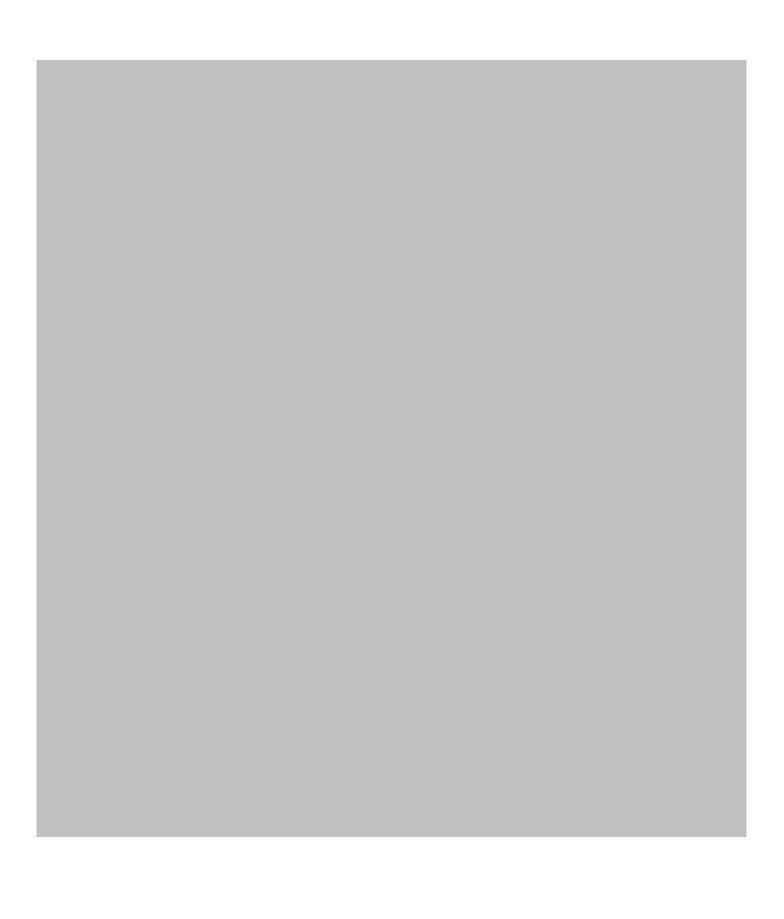
Apologies

In Attendance

3 Conservation Landscape Management Plan (CLMP)

• There was support expressed for some of the landscape tree works including opening up views of Government House. (AT)(RN)





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Subject: RE: Talking Points Trees and KAVHA - Additional information [SEC=UNOFFICIAL] Sensitivity: High

Thanks

One thing. Can we say how long the works will take?

Work will begin on-site after the Queen's Birthday Holiday, on Monday, and is expected to take around XXX days.

Cheers

From: Sent: Wednesday, 12 June 2019 3:58 PM To: Subject: Talking Points Trees and KAVHA [SEC=UNOFFICIAL]

Norfolk Radio Talking Points;

Reinforcing previous messaging in media and at community consultation and engagement sessions;

Polynesian Settlement Site at Emily Bay -

- As communicated in the CLMP consultations and in my KAVHA Update in the Norfolk Islander, a tree removal permit has now been granted by NIRC for removal of a number of trees at the former Polynesian site at Emily Bay.
- Work will begin on site after the Queens Holiday Monday and we apologise in advance if anyone is inconvenienced by aspects of the work.
- This work is being undertaken to safeguard the archaeology in this area dating from the Polynesian settlement of Norfolk Island.
- All of the trees are grouped closely together in the hollow that housed the Polynesian archaeological excavations.
- The work is confined to this area at the extreme west end of the pine plantation and no other area is impacted.
- In total 22 plantation grown trees including a number that are damaged and diseased will be removed.
- A ring of mature pines will be left around the higher ground on the perimeter of the site.
- The work will open visual access and allow better interpretation of the islands Polynesian story.
- Care is being taken to ensure that native flora and fauna are not unduly impacted, rather that habitat is enhanced by the work.
- Trees will be felled well above ground level and stumps left to rot down naturally.
- The more open light well created will be maintained to encourage native plant growth at the sites periphery.

If I get chance to talk about 'improvements around KAVHA focused on improving the sites amenity for the community, I will do.

- Users of KAVHA will have noticed improvements recently around the site to;
- The new timber steps to Slaughter Bay.
- Three New timber pedestrian Bridges on the creeks.
- Restoration of Picnic benches, with more benches to come ahead of next Spring.
- Restoration of BBQs, which will continue over the winter.
- Improvements to the public toilets as Emily Bay and imminently at Slaughter Bay.
- I'd like to apologise for any inconvenience to any visitor to the site during these works, but we of course hope that you will enjoy the improved facilities provided.

Commonwealth Heritage Manager, Norfolk Island Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development www.infrastructure.gov.au