

Contentious Issues

Ex-HMAS *Tobruk*

- Ex-HMAS *Tobruk* was scuttled in Great Sandy Marine Park on 29 June 2018. The vessel landed in the intended location but on its starboard side.
- While the original intent was for the wreck to be in an upright position, the outcome of a complex operation to scuttle a ship of this size could not be guaranteed.
- Four commercial dive operators have been awarded tourism permissions to operate on the wreck, all four operators have now dived on and inspected the wreck. Operators have also been presented with preliminary information on the feasibility of righting the ship, the risks, advantages and disadvantages.
- There are divergent views amongst operators on the best way forward. While most would have preferred the vessel upright all agree it will be an amazing dive experience regardless of its final orientation.
- The contractor has submitted its initial post scuttle report to the department and this is currently under consideration.
- To inform the decision on the ship's final orientation, the Department of Environment and Science will receive further information from the contractor evaluating the risks, costs and timelines associated with the option of righting the vessel, by Monday 23 July 2018.

Ex-HMAS Tobruk

Key Facts

- On 29 June 2018, ex-HMAS *Tobruk* was scuttled in the Great Sandy Marine Park landing on its starboard side.
- The initial dive design of the ship was based on the ship landing in an upright position.
- Bundaberg Regional Council, Fraser Coast Regional Council and the four commercial dive operators have expressed a preference for the ship to be righted.
- Commercial dive operators are concerned their earning and market potential may be adversely impacted by the orientation of the wreck.
- Media have been reporting that "...the ship may not be able to be rectified due to damage during the scuttling event", and "...the starboard side has collapsed" and "...rear door/ramp is moving in the tide".

Key Issues

- Independent appraisals have been conducted on both righting (parbuckling) the ship and leaving it in-situ.
- The extreme risks, protracted time delays and very high costs (approximately \$20 million) mean parbuckling is not a feasible option.
- An independent dive survey and inspection undertaken by Mr Terry Cummins, a longstanding and well respected representative of the recreational dive industry in Australia, who has dived 76 wrecks, has indicated with some dive design reconfiguration ex-HMAS Tobruk will still be a unique and premier dive experience.
- The scuttling contractors, Birdon, have agreed to cover the reconfiguration costs of approximately \$1.1 million.
- Safety inspections have identified some minor damage was caused during the scuttling event, however this was expected.
- The starboard side has not collapsed, however, the rear door/ramp is loose and moving slightly but can be secured.

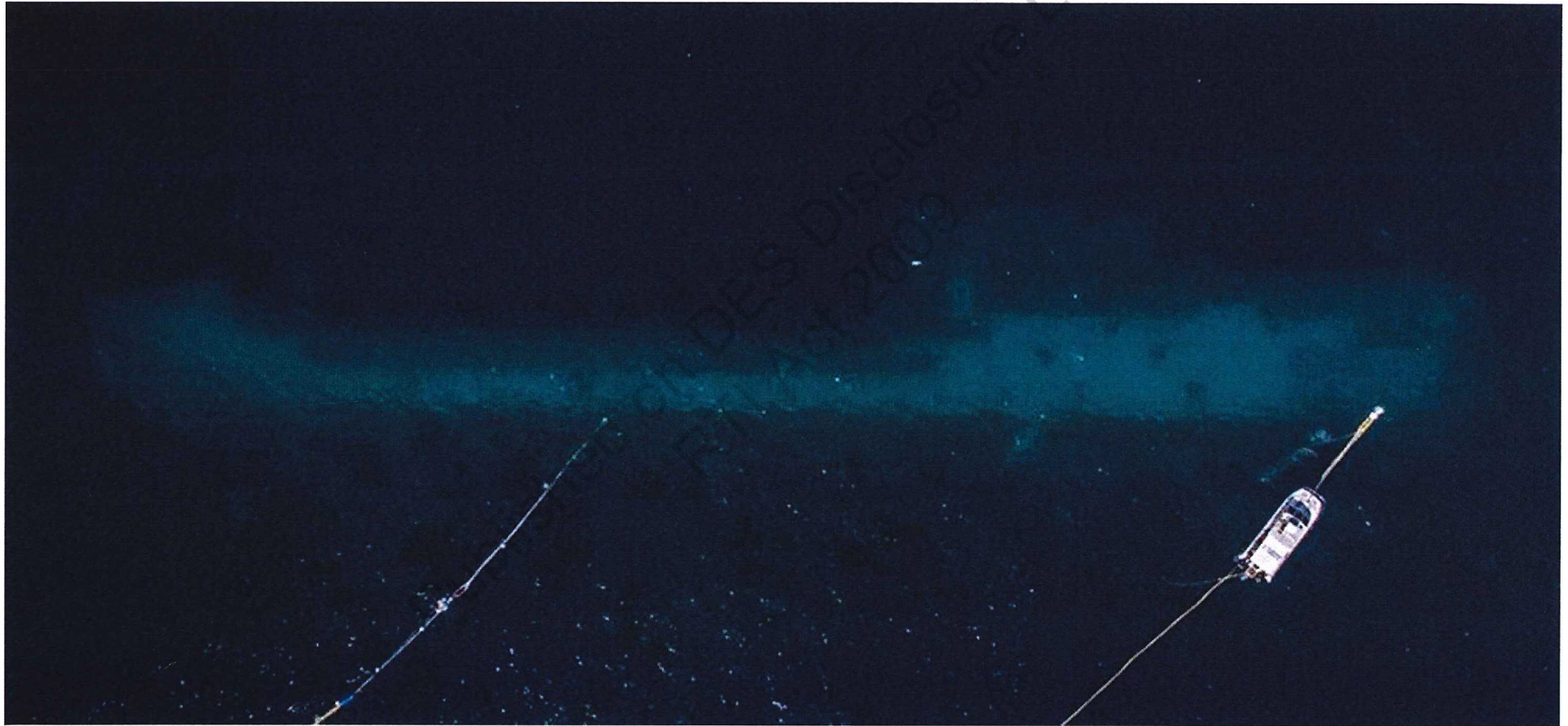
Queensland Government response

- Independent assessments conducted on righting the ex-HMAS Tobruk have identified that attempting to right the ship carries extreme risks to the structure of the wreck; will generate protracted time delays (at least 12 months); and would incur very high costs (approximately

\$20 million). Such an operation cannot be guaranteed to be successful, meaning this is not an acceptable option.

- A detailed plan has been developed by contractors Birdon, in consultation with the Department of Environment and Science on the works required to enhance the diver experience and improve diver safety in its current orientation. These modifications will ensure the wreck continues to provide a world class dive experience.
- Ex-HMAS Tobruk will remain in-situ with a modified dive design.
- These works will be undertaken at no cost to the Government over the next couple of months.
- The Government has committed to investing \$1 million to fund a promotional and marketing campaign focusing on the tourism opportunities in the Bundaberg and Fraser Coast Regions, including the ex-HMAS Tobruk dive experience.
- It is expected that ex-HMAS Tobruk will be open to the public and dive operators this summer.

Ex-HMAS Tobruk Post Scuttling



Ex-HMAS Tobruk Scuttling Summary

- Scuttling 29 June 2018
- Scuttling Results:
 - ✓ In correct location
 - ✓ Correct heading
 - ✓ No fish/mammal injuries
 - ✓ No recorded environmental harm
 - ✓ No injuries to personnel
 - ✓ No damage to equipment
- **X** In an upright position
- ✓ World class dive wreck



Can Ship be righted?

• Possibly ??

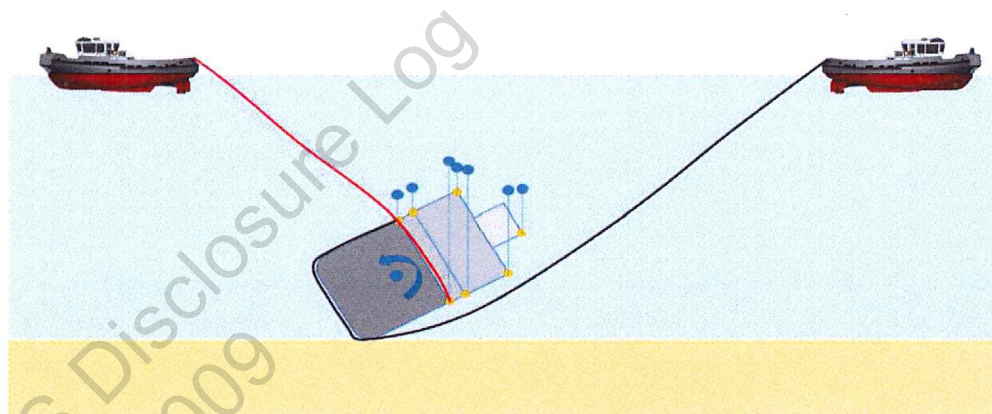
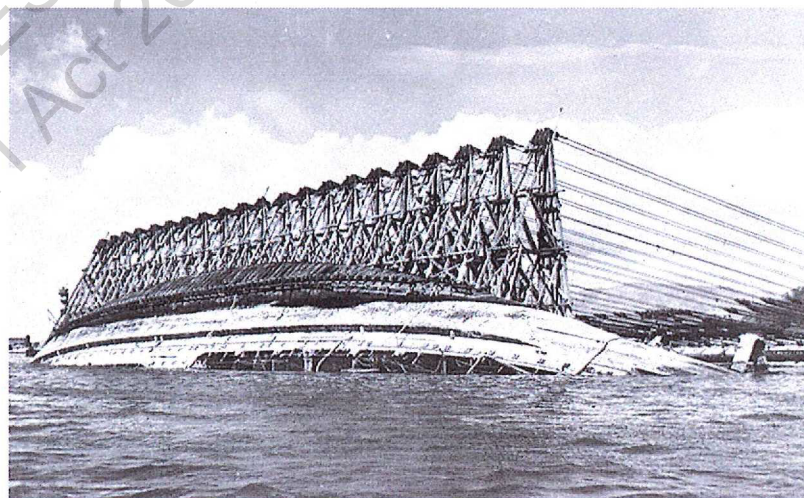
- Parbuckling
- Heavy lift ship barge

- QPWS and Birdon have engaged some experts in Marine Salvage to provide detailed assessment of methodology and risks associated with righting

Ships have been righted in the past

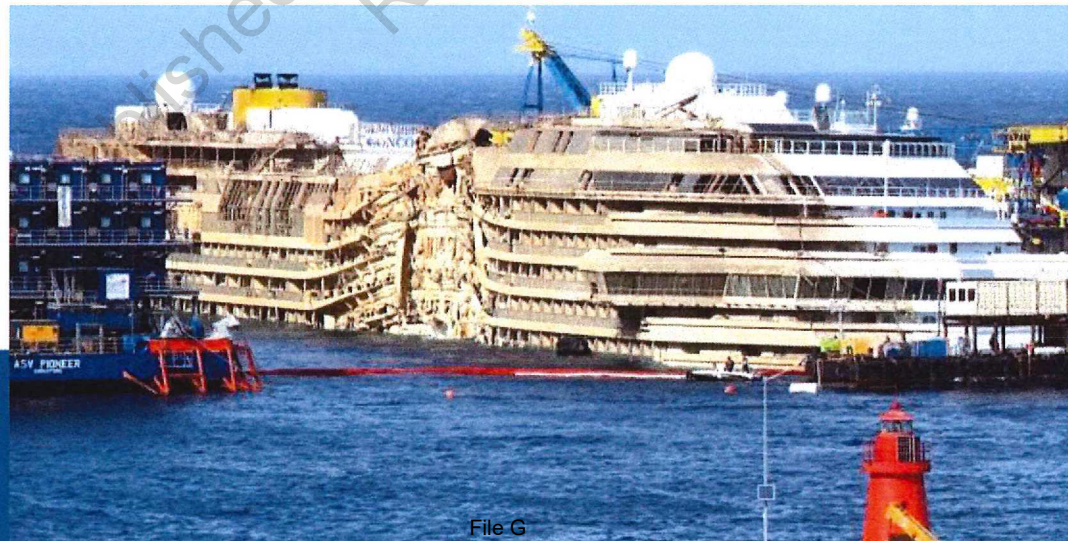
- Costa Concordia
- Oklahoma

Righting for salvage purposes – not as a dive wreck



Risks of Righting

- Structural Damage to Hull
 - Creating attachment points will require cutting slots in hull
 - Risk of lift / tow point structural damage, hull crushing, warping
 - Potential to render unsafe for diving?
- Change of location and orientation
- Stability on bottom once upright (build-up of seabed material as vessel righted)
- Timeframe to complete - major works requiring specialised equipment and favourable conditions)



Can ship be left on side

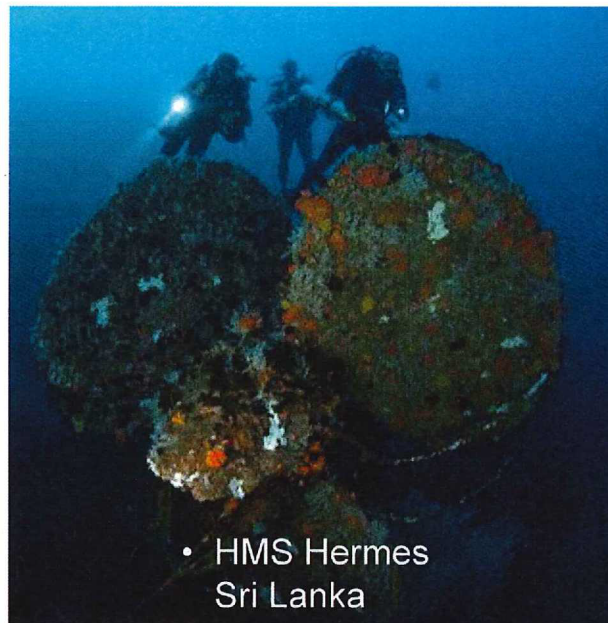
- **Yes** – with some works

Application of Dive Design Principals to the ship on new orientation would require additional works including:

- Additional diver access / egress holes – especially on port side (upper faces)
- More internal access between deck levels in shallower areas
- Additional holes to prevent 'airlock' areas
- Close off areas deemed unsafe due to entrapment potential
- Ensure divers can see light and exit from all locations within ship
- Redesign dive design diagrams
- Provide diver landing sites on port side



Great Shipwrecks of the world – on their side



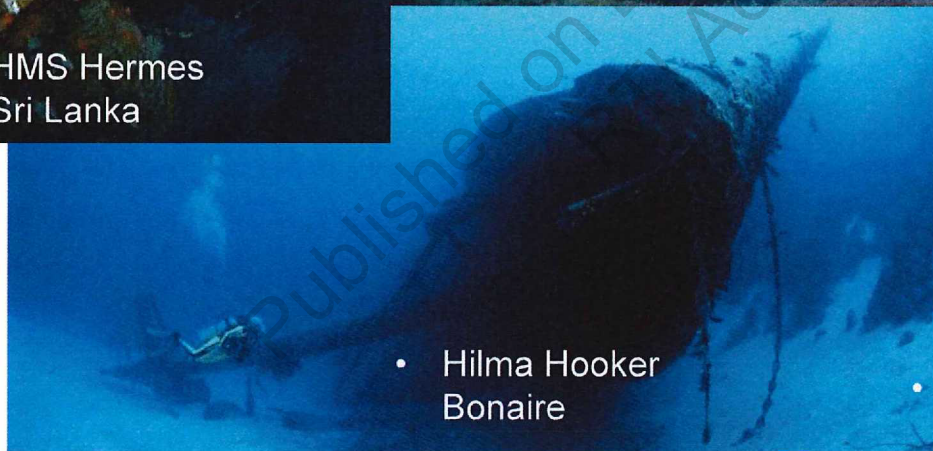
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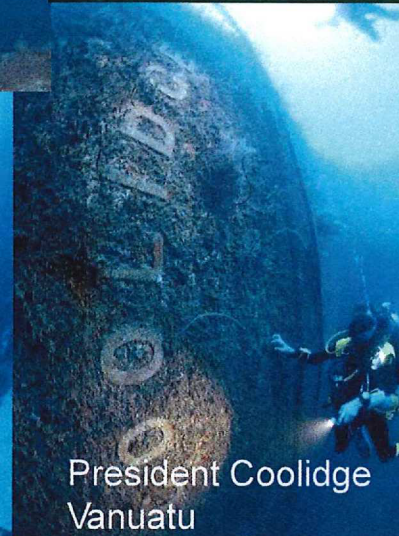
- Zenobia
Cyprus



- Blockship Tabarka
Scotland



- Hilma Hooker
Bonaire



- President Coolidge
Vanuatu

Ex-HMAS Tobruk – Current Myths (side orientation)

Myth	Reality
Ship not accessible to open water divers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Side of ship is in ~12m water • Similar volume of ship in less 18m water
Penetration of ship will not be permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Not all divers able to enter dive wreck regardless of orientation • Penetration of dive wreck requires appropriate skills, experience and training • Scuba schools offer wreck diving specialty courses
Side orientation will limit tourism potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All levels of divers could continue to enjoy the site • Many worlds best shipwrecks lay on side • Others including Yongala do not allow divers to enter ship • Recruitment of marine life unaffected by ship orientation • Orientation provides different opportunities – some areas less accessible others such as propellers have greater accessibility
Dive will be more advanced	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dive was designed to cater for many different levels of divers – this is case regardless of orientation

*Raymond
Economic
Assessment*

Next Steps

- Collecting further detailed advice on process and risks for righting – including costs and timeframes
- Scope out detailed plan of works for ship if left on side – including costs and timeframes
- Conduct independent dive audit of site by recreational dive expert
- Commence monitoring on marine recruitment
- Continue to engage with councils, commercial tourism operators and community
- Compile information and provide to Minister for decision
- Commence works
- Deliver world class dive wreck to community

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Thank you for your time!



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Subject: FW: FOR APPROVAL: media release ex-HMAS Torbuk
Attachments: 260918 - MR - Ex-HMAS Tobruk set to open soon.docx

Hi Ben

I've fixed up the typos and some sentences that didn't make a lot of sense.

Cheers
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Subject: FOR APPROVAL: media release ex-HMAS Torbuk

Hi Ben – attached is a media release for your approval. Approved by Senior DLO, ODG. Pls note the below information – and can you please advise if you are ok with the interview request?

Additional information: This media release has been approved by QPWS A/DDG Geoff Clare. TEQ and Minister Jones' office has also looked over this draft and do not wish to add any quotes.

We understand the business unit is meeting with the MO tomorrow to finalise the decision re Tobruk's position and will then hold a meeting with Bundaberg Regional Council possibly at the end of this week. We understand this media release is planned to be issued directly after the meeting with council.

If a departmental spokesperson is needed to take part in media interviews, Project Manager Steve Hoseck has participated in multiple media interviews about Tobruk previously. Ben - Do you approve of Steve participating in further interviews about the project following this announcement?

Media QAs will be finalised following tomorrow's meeting with the MO and will also be sent up via MECS shortly after.
thanks



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From: WHEELER Eliza

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Cc: Media DES; DLO DES; CLARE Geoff; HEAD Damien; HOSECK Steve; CLIFTON Daniel

Subject: DES corro: media release for DG/MO approval/distribution via MECS

Hi CS comms,

Please find attached and below a draft media release announcing the department's decision to leave ex-HMAS Tobruk on her side, as this is the safest, more timely and cost effective option for Queensland. Could you please add this to MECS so it can be approved/distributed by the MO?

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"Experienced recreational divers, commercial dive operators, vessel salvage experts, naval architects and marine engineers provided Queensland Parks and Wildlife Service with expert advice after assessing the ship in its current position," Ms Enoch said.

"They pointed out a number of serious risk factors associated with the option of righting the ship.

"The main risk was that of seriously twisting or damaging the ship in the process of righting it. On top of that, it may be at least 12 months before the ship could be used as a dive site.

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ENDS



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Draft media release

Deadline:	Briefing officer: Steve Hoseck
Media Services contact: Eliza Wheeler	Phone:
Phone: 3330 5140	DDG: Geoff Clare
Approved: Steve Hoseck, Damien Head, Geoff Clare	Phone:
Geographical area/s of interest: Wide Bay, State-wide	

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Draft date: 280918

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – NOT FOR PUBLICATION:

This has been sent to TEQ/Minister Jones’ office and they do not wish to add any quotes.

Ministerial Releases:

	Department to advise
Is this release tied to a particular date? If so, when? Please include any relevant timeline details.	Yes – when the local council is made aware of DES’ decision to leave the ship on its side.
If this relates to funding outcomes or award winners etc., do the organisations/people know? If not, when will they be made aware?	N/A
Are relevant third-party quotes included?	Yes

Have quotes from other Ministers been approved by the relevant Department, or the relevant Minister's office?	In progress
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Key Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ex-HMAS <i>Tobruk</i> project is a Queensland Government project in partnership with the Bundaberg Regional Council (BRC) and Fraser Coast Regional Councils (FCRC). On 29 June 2018. Ex-HMAS <i>Tobruk</i> was scuttled in Great Sandy Marine Park landing on its starboard side. The initial dive design of the ship was based on the ship landing in an upright position. BRC, FCRC and the four (4) commercial dive operators have expressed a preference for the ship to be righted. Independent appraisals have been conducted on both righting (parbuckling) the ship and leaving it in-situ. The extreme risks, protracted time delays and very high costs (approximately \$20M) mean parbuckling is not a feasible option. An independent dive survey and inspection undertaken by Mr Terry Cummins, a longstanding and well respected representative of the recreational dive industry in Australia, who has dived 76 wrecks, has indicated with some dive design reconfiguration ex-HMAS <i>Tobruk</i> will still be a unique and premier dive experience. The scuttling contractors, Birdon have agreed to cover these reconfiguration costs of approximately \$1.1M Commercial dive operators are concerned their earning and market potential may be adversely impacted by the orientation of the wreck. To allay these concerns options proposed by the Department include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> waver minimum commercial operator fee requirements for the first 12 months promote the wreck through a targeted dive marketing campaign Intention is, with prompt notification of Birdon, complete the 40 days of reconfiguration works and have the dive wreck open by Christmas. Brief has been prepared and is currently being approved by the ODG for the Minister.
Attending Officer/s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Geoff Clare, Acting Deputy Director-General Damien Head, Acting Executive Director Steve Hoseck, Project Manager, ex-HMAS <i>Tobruk</i>

More from Terry Cummins:

- The dive industry literature and tourism reports indicate that there is no direct relationship between the diver visitation numbers and the resting orientation of other wrecks.
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- The challenges that are more relevant for those that will be diving the ex-HMAS *Tobruk* than its orientation are safe visitations, especially for those involving access to the interior of the vessel. These include, but may not be limited to:
 - Weather and underwater conditions on the day
 - The level of diver training and certification
 - Diver experience
 - Quality of dive planning and briefings
 - Underwater guiding and leadership skills and
 - Proper dive protocols developed and followed by operators.

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Sent: Wednesday, 25 July 2018 8:02 PM
To: 'KLAASSEN Ben (Ben.Klaassen@des.qld.gov.au)'
Subject: FW: Fraser Coast Mayor Tobruk invite letter
Attachments: Fraser Coast Mayor Tobruk invite letter.docx

Hi Ben

Suggest this comes through MECS and we can add the time when we have it. From my perspective, the contractors findings should be provided at the meeting so context can be given when they are presented.

Cheers
Alena



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Regards
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Hi Angus

I'll get this letter progressed through the system. As soon as you have a time, please let me know so I can add it to the letter. From my perspective, I would suggest not providing the contractor's report prior to the meeting, if asked, as we need to be able to provide context, etc to it through conversation at the meeting.

Cheers
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From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 4:48 PM
To: ASTON Erin
Subject: FW: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk



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Subject: RE: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk

Hi Robyn

Thank you for your prompt reply, advising that the Deputy Mayor and Mr Steele will attend the meeting on Friday on behalf of Mayor Dempsey.

Kind regards



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Subject: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk
Importance: High

Good Afternoon

Thank you for your letter of 31 July 2018 and invitation to attend a meeting with Mr Jamie Merrick, Director-General & officers from your Department on Friday 3 August 2018 at 10am.

Unfortunately Mayor Jack Dempsey already has a prior engagement and has asked for Deputy Mayor, Cr Bill Trevor and Council's General Manager of Community & Environment, Mr Gavin Steele, to represent him at this meeting.

Could you please advise the location of the meeting on Friday?

Kind regards
Robyn

ROBYN SILCOX
Executive Assistant – Mayor & CEO

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Sent: Tuesday, 31 July 2018 9:37 AM

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Subject: CTS No. 21810/18 - Letter from the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts

Good morning

On behalf of the Minister for Environment and the Great Barrier Reef, Minister for Science and Minister for the Arts, please find attached a letter for your consideration.

Kind regards



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To: 'MERRICK Jamie (Jamie.Merrick@des.qld.gov.au)'
Subject: FW: Tobruk
Attachments: SW_BIR_EHTS_exHmasTobruk_PostScuttleInspectionReport.pdf; HMAS Tobruk - Attachment 4 - Risk Assessment, Mitigation Measures, Conti....pdf

FYI

From: KLAASSEN Ben
Sent: Wednesday, 18 July 2018 3:27 PM
To: DLO DES
Cc: Corro DES QPWS DDG; TRACEY Alena
Subject: FW: Tobruk

Hi DLO

Information for Angus as requested.

- Dive inspections of the ex-HMAS Tobruk have been completed by Birdon's contracted commercial dive company 'SubSea Works'. Consistent with the requirements of the contract, a post scuttle inspection report (attached) was received by QPWS on 15 July 2018.
- This report outlines the condition of the ship and the minimum works required to provide safe diver access if left on its starboard side. The report, and subsequent QPWS dive inspections confirm the vessel remains stable on the seafloor and there is evidence of marine life starting to occupy the wreck.
- In order to make an informed decision about the future orientation of the ship, QPWS have instructed Birdon to provide a detailed assessment of the two options – leaving in situ or righting the ship. The assessment is to provide;
 - A detailed plan on how, under the existing orientation, the ship could be made safe for divers, including new diver entry/exit holes, areas that need to be closed to divers, new areas to be opened, possible installation and location of diver safety guide lines, engineering advice on security of heavy items in ship (such as engines) that are now attached to vertical faces
 - Scope the method, likelihood of success and risks associated with righting the ship
 - Accurate comparison figures for accessible volumes in ship in both orientations for open water divers (above 18m)
 - Estimates of timeframes and costs associated with both options of preparing the ship (righting or redesigning diver safety on starboard side)
- To ensure the best outcome possible it is important that this assessment is thorough and its evaluation completed in full.
- On receipt of the report, QPWS will prepare a brief and provide recommendations to the Minister as to the best and final orientation of the wreck.
- Regardless of the option chosen and recognising the ship was not prepared for diving in its current orientation at the very least 3-4 months of preparatory or modification works will be required before it will be open to the public. This would still see it operational within the original project completion timelines of December 2018.
- To date no formal discussions have occurred between the Department and Birdon regarding financial obligations associated with the rectification works required.
- QPWS currently has \$ 3.82 million remaining of the initial \$10.25 million budget
- Notwithstanding this, the contract explicitly states the obligation resided with the contractor to design and implement a scuttling process to ensure the ship settles on the seabed with its structural integrity maintained and is in an upright position, in the correct location, depth and orientation.



- Since scuttling, all 4 commercial dive companies have dived on and inspected the wreck. Operators have been presented with preliminary information on the possibility of righting the ship, the risks, advantages, disadvantages.
 - There are divergent views amongst operators on the best way forward. Most would have preferred vessel upright but recognise advantages and disadvantages of both orientations however agree it will be an amazing dive either way.
 - One operator (Lady Musgrave Experience) is of the strong belief that to create a world class dive site and maximise economic potential the ship must be righted.
- QPWS officers conducted a briefing with Fraser Coast Regional Council on 16 July 2018. Council expressed some concern over the orientation of the ship, the successful delivery of the project and their financial contribution to this project.

The risk assessment pre scuttling is also attached for the information of the Minister's office.

Regards

Ben

Ben Klaassen

Deputy Director-General

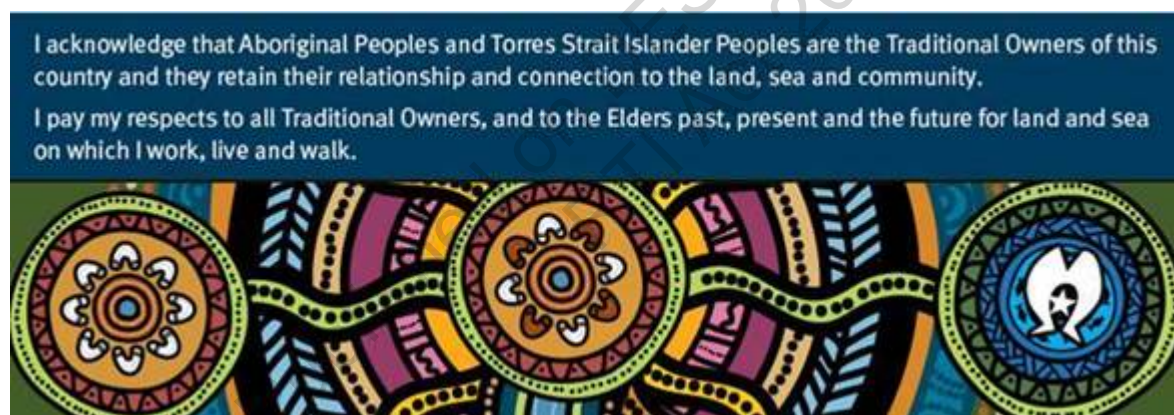
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Subject: Tobruk

Hi Ben,

Can I get an update on where this are at with the Tobruk today please?

<https://readnow.isentia.com/Temp/126230/983198047.pdf>

Cheers

Angus

Angus Sutherland

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MEETING BRIEF – DIRECTOR-GENERAL

SUBJECT Meeting with Bundaberg Regional Council and Fraser Coast Regional Council regarding ex-HMAS Tobruk

Date: 3 August 2018

Time: 10:00am

Attendees: Bill Trevor, Deputy Mayor (Bundaberg Regional Council)
Gavin Steele, General Manager of Community and Environment (Bundaberg Regional Council)
Louise Knol, Executive Manager Community (Fraser Coast Regional Council)
Jamie Merrick, Director-General (Department of Environment and Science)
Ben Klaassen, Deputy Director General (Department of Environment and Science)
Dan Clifton, Senior Project Officer (Department of Environment and Science)

Purpose of meeting: Ex-HMAS *Tobruk* Post Scuttling Works

Summary of the issues:

- Ex-HMAS *Tobruk* was gifted to the Queensland Government in 2016 to be prepared and scuttled in the Great Sandy Marine Park as a world class dive wreck.
- The original dive design planned for the ship to rest in an upright position.
- Following 18 months of preparation works, ex-HMAS *Tobruk* was scuttled on 29 June 2018.
- The ship has come to rest in 28-30 metres (m) of water on its starboard side.
- Prior to scuttling four (4) dive operators were granted commercial activity authorities through an Expression of Interest (EOI) process.
- Following the scuttling there has been some speculation that the ship in its current orientation on its starboard side may limit commercial opportunities and the tourism potential of the ship.
- Funding for the preparation of ex-HMAS *Tobruk* is \$10.25 million:
 - \$8 million – Queensland Government
 - \$1.125 million – Bundaberg Regional Council
 - \$1.125 million – Fraser Coast Regional Council
- Councils have also committed to funding up to \$25k each per year to support ongoing management and monitoring of the site.
- 17 temporary full time local jobs were created from the preparation, towing and scuttling operations, generating economic benefits to the Region.
- Approximately 20 new commercial tourism jobs are due to be created.
- On 20 July 2018, Fraser Coast Regional Council Mayor, George Seymour, wrote to both Minister Enoch and Director-General Jamie Merrick seeking input into the decision-making process regarding final orientation of the ship.
- Minister Enoch responded to Mayor Seymour on behalf of both offices advising that the Department of Environment and Science (DES) is in discussions with contractors (Birdon) regarding options, risks, costs and timing associated with righting the ship or leaving it in-situ and invited Mr Seymour to meet with DES representatives to discuss post scuttling options.

Points of relevance:

- A presentation to councils on Friday 3 August 2018 has been prepared (**Attachment 1**).
- Initial diver safety assessments have been completed.

Contact: Dan Clifton, A/Project Manager, Ex-HMAS Tobruk
Business area: QPWS
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Endorsed: Ben Klaassen
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Date Endorsed: 2 August 2018

- Commercial operators that have been granted commercial activity authorities to ex-HMAS *Tobruk* site have been given access to the ship.
- DES staff are currently working with the preparation and scuttling contractor, Birdon, to assess options for the dive site post scuttling.
- Option 1 – Righting ship - TMC Marine is providing expert advice on righting options:
 - A preliminary report was received on 23 July 2018. QPWS have sought more specific advice relating to ex-HMAS *Tobruk* including advice from additional salvage experts to gain a second and independent opinion.
 - Complications identified with righting the vessel include:
 - Potential structural damage to hull
 - Change of location and orientation
 - Stability on bottom once upright
 - Associated timeframes – major works requiring specialised equipment, personnel and favourable conditions.
- Option 2 – Leave ship in-situ and implement amended dive design:
 - Additional works to maximise safety and diver experience would include:
 - Additional diver access / egress holes
 - Additional internal access between deck levels
 - Additional holes to prevent airlock areas
 - Closing off areas deemed unsafe due to entrapment potential
 - Ensuring all open diving spaces are well-lit with natural light.
- Many great shipwrecks across the world are on side or do not allow diver penetration:
 - Yongala (Townsville)
 - President Coolidge (Vanuatu)
 - Zenobia (Cyprus).
- There are opposing opinions regarding the ex-HMAS *Tobruk* and possible outcomes if the ship is left in-situ:

Opinion	Reality
Ship not accessible to open water divers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top of ship (port side) is in ~12m of water - well accessible to open water divers who are limited to dive depths of 18m. Volume of ship accessible above 18m will remain about the same regardless of orientation.
Penetration of ship will not be permitted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Entering a dive wreck is a specialty activity and requires appropriate skills and experience. Diver penetration of a wreck is dependent on level of accreditation regardless of its orientation. Scuba diving schools offer specialised training and accreditation to allow for wreck diving. Queensland Government is committed to allow for safe penetration of the ex-HMAS <i>Tobruk</i> and as such , elements of the dive design would need to be amended to suit new orientation.
Side orientation will limit the tourism potential of ship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the great ship wrecks of the world are on their side (President Coolidge, Zenobia). Others (Yongala) do not allow any diver penetration of a ship. While some areas of the ship that were to be accessible to divers if the ship was upright will have to be closed off, the current orientation provides other opportunities for divers to experience eg. the propellers.
Dive will only cater for more advanced divers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The dive will be designed to cater for divers of many different skills levels from beginner to advanced and technical divers. Less experienced divers will still be able to access some areas

- DES is committed to ensuring the best outcome possible, and to this end it is essential to ensure a thorough evaluation of options is completed, independent expert advice is sought and consultation occurs with dive operators and the project's partners - Bundaberg and Fraser Coast Regional Councils occurs.

A decision on the final orientation of the ship will be made based upon inspections of the vessel's integrity, consideration to diver safety, and assessment of the option that will deliver the best dive experience.

- Birdon has remained fully engaged throughout this process and are equally committed to securing the best outcome possible and accepted costs in remedying and preparing the vessel if it remains in-situ.

- Indicative costs on righting the vessel are highly speculative, need further analysis of options and ship engineering but would be upwards of \$3-4M.
- Regardless of this decision, what is known is the Ex-HMAS *Tobruk* will be a world-class dive site, and there are local dive companies eager and waiting to showcase the Ex-HMAS *Tobruk* to a whole new generation of people.

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Tobruk Post Scuttling Presentation

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From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Thursday, 9 August 2018 6:50 PM
To: HANSON Anna
Cc: DLO DES; LAWRENCE Rob; STEELE Mary; Media DES
Subject: Re: ALENA - for approval - Tobruk - CMail (for 11am Fri deadline)

Hi - endorsed

Thanks

Alena

Sent from my iPhone

On 9 Aug 2018, at 6:15 pm, HANSON Anna <Anna.Hanson@des.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Hi Alena

Attached is a DDG approved media response due in the morning.

Note, the expenditure figure was provided in Estimates. Transcript below..

Thanks, Anna

Mr CRISAFULLI: In reference to page 12 of the SDS and the service area highlight of establishing ex-HMAS *Tobruk* as a premier dive destination for the Wide Bay area, how much of the \$8 million outlined in Budget Paper No. 4 from 2017-18 has been spent to date?

Ms ENOCH: I thank the member for the question. The total funding that was allocated for this project was \$10.25 million—\$8 million from the Queensland government and \$2.25 million from Bundaberg and Fraser Coast regional councils. The expenditure as at the end of June 2018 is \$4.681 million.

Mr CRISAFULLI: Have all payments been made currently to the contractor involved?

Ms ENOCH: Just to be clear, we do not want to be moving into commercial-in-confidence arrangements around contracts et cetera, but what I can confirm is that expenditure as at the end of June is \$4.681 million.

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To: Media DES <Media@des.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Courier Mail - Tobruk inquiry

Hi guys,

I'm just chasing an update on the ex-HMAS Tobruk.

1. Has the government decided whether to leave the ship on its side or to pull it upright?
2. Has the government spoken with any of the accredited divers after they submitted reports?
3. How much money has the government spent on the project to date?
4. How much more work has to be done before the site can be dived?
5. Any further comments you wish to add.

My deadline is 11am tomorrow.

Thank you,

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From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Thursday, 30 August 2018 6:22 PM
To: KLAASSEN Ben
Subject: RE: Dive expert

Thanks



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From: KLAASSEN Ben
Sent: Thursday, 30 August 2018 5:50 PM
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Subject: RE: Dive expert

Hi

The plan is for the dive to occur within the next week subject to weather. A report should be available within a week of the dive being completed.

Regards
Ben

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Subject: RE: Dive expert

Thanks Ben. A

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Subject: Dive expert

Hi Angus and Alena

The person we have organised to dive Tobruk is Terry Cummins. He is a very experienced diver who has travelled extensively diving many sites around the world.

His resume is attached and he is President of Dive Qld so well regarded in the sector.

Will check when the dive is occurring.

Regards
Ben



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To: 'Hannah Jackson'
Cc: ASTON Erin
Subject: RE: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk

Yep – Erin will sort first thing in the morning.

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Subject: FW: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk
Importance: High

Alena, will your office advise the Mayor's offices about the location of the meeting?

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Subject: Meeting Acceptance - Bundaberg - 3 August 2018 - Scuttling of ex-HMAS Tobruk
Importance: High

Good Afternoon

Thank you for your letter of 31 July 2018 and invitation to attend a meeting with Mr Jamie Merrick, Director-General & officers from your Department on Friday 3 August 2018 at 10am.

Unfortunately Mayor Jack Dempsey already has a prior engagement and has asked for Deputy Mayor, Cr Bill Trevor and Council's General Manager of Community & Environment, Mr Gavin Steele, to represent him at this meeting.

Could you please advise the location of the meeting on Friday?

Kind regards



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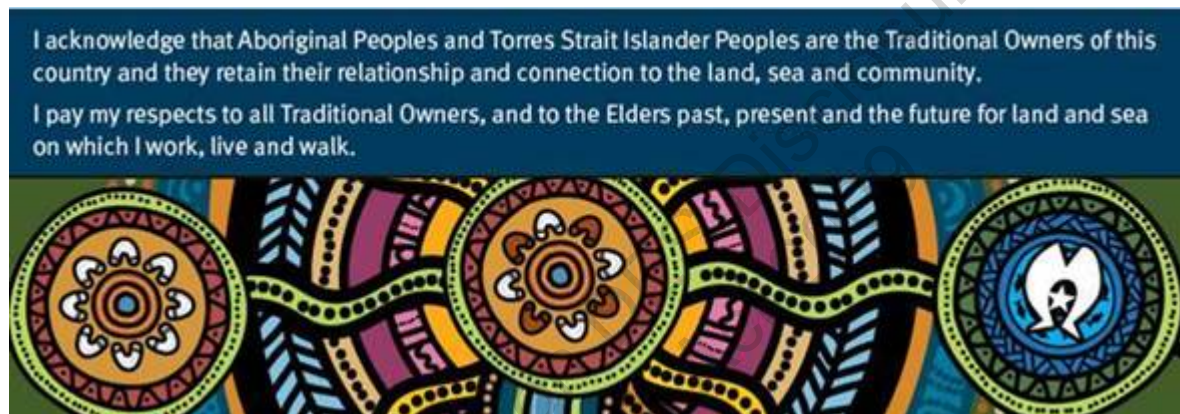
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Cc: BRITTINGHAM Anita <Anita.Brittingham@des.qld.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Tobruk email

Hi Ben

Apologies, this one got lost in the chaos of the last few days. More than happy for you to work with Angus on getting clearance for this one.

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Subject: Tobruk email

Hi Alena

Below is a draft email to provide an update to Councils. Based on discussion today I am sure Angus would want to see it but it is fairly general and does not give any of the detail.

Jamie did commit to updating the Councils and it is almost 4 weeks so would be good to send something.

Are you happy to liaise with Angus or do you want me to?

Regards
Ben

Dear xx

I am pleased to provide you with an update on the work the Department of Environment and Science has been doing towards informing a decision about the future of the ex-HMAS Tobruk wreck. Since our meeting on 3 August 2018 officers have requested additional information from the Principle contractor Birdon (QLD) Pty Ltd.

A hydrographic study of the site was conducted by Port of Brisbane on 1 August 2018. Information received from this survey indicates that the internal volume of the wreck open to divers in water above 18 metres will be very similar whether the ship is upright or on its starboard side.

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Regards
Jamie

BAKER-LOWE Andrew

From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Friday, 7 September 2018 9:04 AM
To: BRITTINGHAM Anita
Subject: RE: Tobruk update for Councils



Done



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Sent: Thursday, 6 September 2018 5:32 PM
To: KLAASSEN Ben; TRACEY Alena; LANCASTER Annie
Cc: Corro DES Minister and DG; DES Director General
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From: KLAASSEN Ben
Sent: Thursday, 6 September 2018 5:25 PM
To: TRACEY Alena; DES Director General; BRITTINGHAM Anita
Subject: Tobruk update for Councils

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Hi Anita –

The email addresses for the Chief Executive Officers of both councils are as follows:

Mr	Stephen	Johnston	Chief Executive Officer	Bundaberg Regional Council	PO
Mr	Ken	Diehm	Chief Executive Officer	Fraser Coast Regional Council	PO

I hope this helps.
Thanks
Em



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Categories: 2. Erin

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Alena

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Thanks,
Raylene

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From: STEELE Mary
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 4:13 PM
To: TRACEY Alena; CLARE Geoff; HEAD Damien
Cc: ADAMS Karen; HANSON Anna
Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

Hi All

Just to follow up – Megan Saunders is away until tomorrow morning but I will touch base with her then just to keep all communication lines open.

Kind regards

mary

From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 1:07 PM
To: CLARE Geoff <Geoff.Clare@des.qld.gov.au>; HEAD Damien <Damien.Head@des.qld.gov.au>
Cc: STEELE Mary <Mary.Steele@des.qld.gov.au>; ADAMS Karen <Karen.Adams@des.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Re: Wide Bay diving

That's great, ta

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From: CLARE Geoff
Sent: Thursday, October 11, 2018 11:45:29 AM
To: HEAD Damien
Cc: STEELE Mary; ADAMS Karen; TRACEY Alena
Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

Ok. I had a good chat with Michael Branagh after the Program Control Group meeting this morning.

Michael is in the program delivery side of TEQ

Megan is head of their comms area.

They are comfortable with the model of the money coming to TEQ with a brief for what it is to deliver. This is their standard model. They assured me this is fine to be non competitive as long as it is for the purposes of tourism promotion.

For next couple of days we deal with Megan as required around what and when Min announces - so they are in the know in case they are approached for comment. In terms of the announcement Alena's version below still sounds like the message to be encouraging the Minister to stick to if she wants to refer to the campaign.

Post announcement we then work with Michael to come up with a financial agreement/written brief.

The issue of the campaign needing to be broader than Tobruk and indeed broader than diving was raised and sorted easily. I told him that is exactly what Min wants and is seeking approval for. It's about getting synergies from the multiple attractions in the area.

So probably no need for further tic tacing with TEQ at this stage.

Angus has no further advice re contacting operators so we are still holding on that.

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Geoff

From: HEAD Damien

Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 9:54 AM

To: CLARE Geoff

Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

I rang Megan at Angus' requests as there was some concern that money could be used the way we wanted. Once I indicated the sub

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Did want it all just focus on Tobruk.

Wanted a slightly broader focus – whale watching, mon repos, fraser, sth GBR.



Damien Head

A/Executive Director

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From: CLARE Geoff

Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 9:48 AM

To: HEAD Damien <Damien.Head@des.qld.gov.au>

Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

So probably nothing to check out with Damien on tobruck then. Both Damien and Jeff are here so I will see if I can talk to both of them re moreton.

Did Megan ring you or did you contact her?

G

From: HEAD Damien

Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 8:56 AM

To: CLARE Geoff

Subject: Re: Wide Bay diving

Just FYI.

I spoke briefly with Megan Saunders (in email chain below) about the proposal of \$1m to teq. She had no concern as long as it could be applied across more than just dive wreck promotions in the two regions.

Seeing Damien w mention chance to mention Moreton permit too.

Sent from my iPhone

On 11 Oct 2018, at 8:40 am, CLARE Geoff <Geoff.Clare@des.qld.gov.au> wrote:

Thanks Alena. Should see Damien W this morning and if I get a chance will check in with him and then take from there.

Geoff

From: TRACEY Alena
Sent: Wednesday, 10 October 2018 8:10 PM
To: CLARE Geoff; HEAD Damien
Cc: STEELE Mary; ADAMS Karen
Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

Hi Geoff and Damien

I got to speak to Jamie briefly tonight. He has not had any further contact with TEQ, however thinks Damien Walker, DG DITID has been engaging with them.

I agree with talking to TEQ at officer level and that any announcement should, at most, flag that we will be seeking to work with TEQ, due to their expertise and industry connections, to develop a fabulous campaign.

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From: CLARE Geoff
Sent: Wednesday, 10 October 2018 6:59 PM
To: HEAD Damien
Cc: STEELE Mary; ADAMS Karen; TRACEY Alena
Subject: FW: Wide Bay diving

Damien,

I talked to Alena and she sent me this as all she had on the engagement with TEQ. There might have been further conversations but she is not aware. She is going to talk to Jamie. There may be penetration direct to TEQ as a result of the sub too.

But on face value there is certainly some risk here that the announcement (or an answer given to a media question on Saturday) inadvertently conveys something preemptive about how it will actually work. That's assuming CBRC approves the money and the Min choses to mention it of course.

I am thinking that if CBRC approves and Jamie is OK for us to do so, you and Mary's team should have a phone conversation with TEQ on Friday to help us know what can be said safely on Saturday. But lets see how things play out over the next 24 hours.

Geoff

From: TRACEY Alena **On Behalf Of** MERRICK Jamie
Sent: Wednesday, 10 October 2018 4:45 PM
To: CLARE Geoff
Subject: FW: Wide Bay diving

fyi

From: Megan Saunders <Megan.Saunders@Queensland.com>
Sent: Wednesday, 3 October 2018 3:03 PM
To: WALKER Damien
Cc: MERRICK Jamie; Michael Branagh
Subject: RE: Wide Bay diving

Thanks Damien, hello Jamie

I'll have a chat to Michael and we'll get back to you

Jamie what is the best contact number for you?

Cheers

Megan

From: WALKER Damien <Damien.Walker@ditid.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Wednesday, 3 October 2018 2:05 PM
To: Megan Saunders <Megan.Saunders@Queensland.com>
Cc: MERRICK Jamie <Jamie.Merrick@des.qld.gov.au>
Subject: Wide Bay diving
Importance: High

Megan,

Jamie is keen to undertake some marketing to highlight diving ops in Wide Bay (including the Toobruk). Jamie has funding.

Can you and Michael B make contact with him to work through how TEQ could assist.

Regards

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Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 4:12 PM
To: DLO DES; Hannah Jackson
Subject: RE: URGENT APPROVAL: ** DDG, QPWS approved ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough



This is fine. A

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Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 2:18 PM

To: Hannah Jackson <Hannah.Jackson@ministerial.qld.gov.au>; Angus Sutherland <Angus.Sutherland@ministerial.qld.gov.au>

Subject: URGENT APPROVAL: ** DDG, QPWS approved ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi Hannah and Angus – the department has prepared an extra brief for DPC – Tobruk. For your approval prior to sending to DPC.
thanks

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From: TONES Peter

Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 2:14 PM

To: DLO DES

Subject: RE: URGENT APPROVAL: ** DDG, QPWS approved ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Reviewed and approved

Kind regards



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From: Corro DES QPWS DDG

Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 12:14 PM

To: DLO DES

Cc: Corro DES QPWS DDG

Subject: ** DDG, QPWS approved ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi DLO,

Attached approved by DDG, QPWS.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

Michelle Law



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Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 12:05 PM

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Subject: RE: ** for DDG, QPWS approval ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Approved

Ben Klaassen

Deputy Director-General

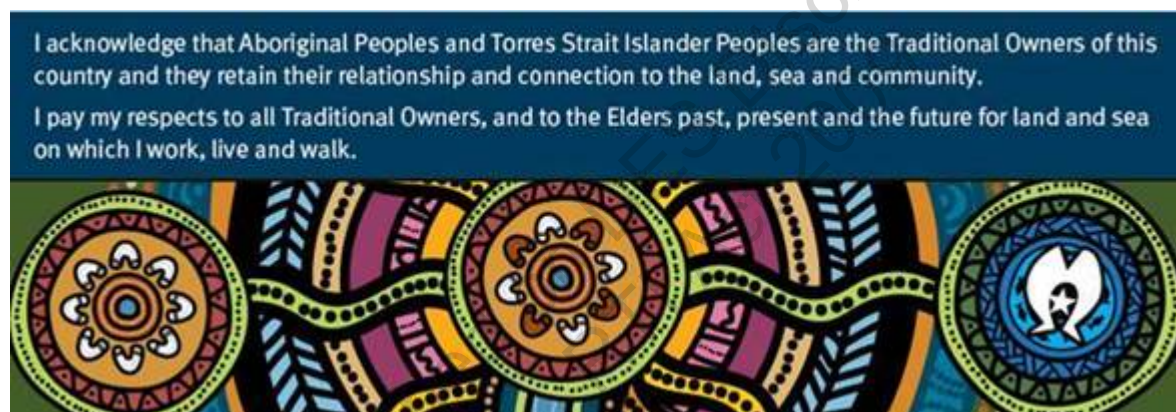
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Cc: Corro DES QPWS DDG <DESQPWSDDG.Corro@des.qld.gov.au>

Subject: ** for DDG, QPWS approval ** Tobruk updates for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi Ben,

We received extension until 2pm today for this.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: FW: URGENT: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Morning Michelle,

Attached contentious issues brief for ex-HMAS Tobruk.

Appreciated the extension on this one.

Thanks,



Brydn McDonnell

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Subject: FW: URGENT: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi Brydn, timeframe below for submission to DLO today.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

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Sent: Monday, 15 October 2018 10:25 AM

To: Corro DES QPWS DDG <DESQPWSDDG.Corro@des.qld.gov.au>

Subject: URGENT: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi – can you please provide a brief on Tobruk – due today by 2pm.



thanks
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From: Corro DES QPWS DDG
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 1:05 PM
To: DLO DES
Cc: Corro DES QPWS DDG
Subject: FW: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi Peta,

Please note QPWS will be providing a nil response to this request. Noting that information on Tobruk will be provided on Monday as previously agreed.

Thanks,
Alicia

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From: CLARE Geoff
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 12:52 PM
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Subject: RE: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

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From: Corro DES QPWS DDG
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 12:12 PM
To: CLARE Geoff
Cc: HEAD Damien; Corro DES QPWS DDG; Corro DES QPWS GBRMCI
Subject: RE: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Hi Geoff,

Apologies I now understand that DLO have granted an extension until Monday for the issues of Tobruk only post the Ministerial Media announcement to be made this Saturday.

Thanks,
Alicia

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Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 11:56 AM
To: Corro DES QPWS DDG <DESQPWSDDG.Corro@des.qld.gov.au>
Cc: HEAD Damien <Damien.Head@des.qld.gov.au>
Subject: RE: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough

Alicia,

When is the Premiers visit? Perhaps we should include the Tobruk as things stand now and add that an announcement may occur before the Premier visits in which case we could update.

Geoff

From: Corro DES QPWS DDG
Sent: Thursday, 11 October 2018 9:55 AM
To: CLARE Geoff
Cc: Corro DES QPWS DDG
Subject: **For your approval** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough
Importance: High

Hi Geoff,

For your approval please QPWS is submitting a nil response for the Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough. Noting no updates are able to provide about Tobruk at this time.

Thank you,
Alicia

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Subject: ** For Action ** Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough
Importance: High

Hi teams,

If applicable, please complete attached template with highly contentious issues for Premier regional visit to Hervey Bay and Maryborough.

For return by cob Tuesday, 9 October 2018 including advice of **NIL** please.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,

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Subject: URGENT Regional Visit to Hervey Bay Electorate - due to DLO 2pm 10/10
Importance: High

Hi All – please see below request from DPC. Can you please fill in the attached template with **highly contentious issues** only for Hervey Bay (Hervey Bay and Maryborough Electorates). DES only needs to provide 10 or less.

All responses including nils are due back to the DLO inbox by 2pm 10 October 2018.

thanks

Peta Johnston

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From: SABBriefs <SABbriefs@premiers.qld.gov.au>

Sent: Friday, 5 October 2018 1:02 PM

To: MCGREGOR Donna; 'DATSIP - CLLO'; DCDSS - CLLO; 'DCSYW - CLLO'; DLO DES; 'DESBT - CLLO'; 'DHPW - Workflow'; CLLO Support; 'DJAG - Parliamentary Services'; DNRME CLLO; 'DoE - David Pugh'; 'DSDMIP - Christine Brown'; 'DTMR - Ministerial Parliament'; Neil McGregor (PSBA); 'QCS - Correspondence'; 'QFES - Correspondence'; 'QH - CLLO'; 'QPS - CLLO'; 'QT - CLLO'

Cc: Corro DAF Minister; Matthew English; Sarah K Mellors; Valerie Musu; 'DCDSS - CLLO'; 'DCSYW - CLLO'; 'DCSYW - Susie Pedersen'; JOHNSTON Peta; Jennifer Boles; 'DESBT - Samantha Pennisi'; 'DHPW - Cynthia Sparks'; 'DHPW - Fran Glover'; 'DHPW - Kelly-Lee Pitt'; MURRAY Michael; 'DJAG - Laura Davis'; 'DJAG - Lee Durkin'; 'DLGRMA - CLLO'; jodie.meerten; HENSTRIDGE Michelle; 'DoE - Catherine Howe'; 'DoE - CLLO'; 'DSDMIP - CLLO'; 'DTMR - Kamala Brooks'; 'DTMR - Lynda Rushworth'; 'DTMR - Rebecca Barry'; Janette McLeod; PSBA - CLLO; 'QCS - CLLO'; QCS - Steven Scougall; 'QFES - Chantelle Marsh'; 'QFES - Cheryl D'Silva'; 'QFES - Margot Gladstone'; Cheryl.brennan; 'QPS - Ministerial'; 'QT - Lynda Koci'; 'jaye.risson@health.qld.gov.au'; Sarah Thomson; 'Troy.Schultz@csw.qld.gov.au'; NOBES Jackson

Subject: URGENT Regional Visit to Hervey Bay Electorate

Importance: High

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CONTENTIOUS ISSUES BRIEFS

Premier's Visit to the [Hervey Bay area](#)

Good afternoon

The Office of the Premier has requested a Regional Visit Brief for an upcoming visit to the [Hervey Bay area](#).

On this occasion, we are requesting that **briefs** be prepared for what are considered the **top 5 contentious issues** specific to the [Hervey Bay and Maryborough Electorates](#).

Please use the template which is attached. It would assist us greatly if the template was forwarded to your business units and the formatting strictly adhered to, with one brief to a page.

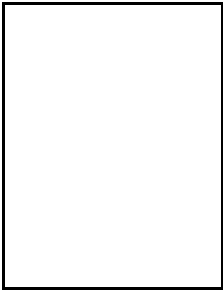
To meet the deadline set, please email information using the attached template, or advise of a nil response, to SABbriefs@premiers.qld.gov.au by **12pm, Thursday 11 October 2018**.

Note – LOCAL COUNCILS SHOULD NOT BE CONTACTED as the meetings arrangements have not been finalised.

Should you have any queries, please contact Cabinet and Parliamentary Services.

Thank you for your assistance.

Kind regards



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