

## **Meeting of the Cooks River Alliance Executive Committee**

Wednesday 30 October 2013, 4.30pm – 5.30pm

Canterbury Council Mayoral Offices

### **Meeting Minutes**

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#### **Attendance**

Alliance Chair, Cr Brian Robson, Canterbury City Council

David Dekel, Coordinator Environmental Strategy, Rockdale City Council

Cathy Jones, Corporate Strategy Coordinator, Strathfield Council

Jim Fraser, A/Manager Environmental Services, Marrickville Council

Chris Hudson, Project Manager, Cooks River Alliance

Jasmine Payget, Community Engagement and Education Coordinator, Cooks River Alliance

#### **Apology**

Alliance Deputy Chair, Cr Philip Sansom, Rockdale City Council

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**Minutes of last meeting** – accepted

**Election of Chair and Deputy Chair** – incumbents sole nominations to date

#### **Discussion on budget options for 2014-2015 and beyond**

Bankstown is contributing substantially less than the funding formula according to Cr Robson advised billing them according to the formula, and to let him know any protestations.

#### **Discussions on proposed Agenda for 20 November Board meeting**

##### **Community facilities (from John Butcher)**

(Proposal for the Alliance to recommend to members they incorporate Cooks River references in any design and fit-out of community facilities in the Catchment, and consider environmental education functions)

The Executive discussed the pros and cons of including a recommendation on community facilities.

**Decision:** That this item is not appropriate for Board consideration at this stage, and that John Butcher should be invited to an Alliance Action Group meeting for discussions.

##### **Proposal to commission production of a catchment model for education, at around \$30,000 cost**

**Decision:** The Executive approved bringing this item to the Board.

#### **Annual report**

**Decision:** The Executive approved the Project Manager tabling an Annual Report at the Board meeting

#### **Update on Sydney Water**

The Project Manager advised Sydney Water are proposing development of a Strategic Plan for the Cooks River.

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