LOWER SOUTH EAST MARINE PARKS LOCAL ADVISORY GROUP

RECORD OF MEETING

Meeting No 5: Monday, 2 May 2011
Southgate Motel Mt Gambier

The objectives of Marine Park Local Advisory Groups (MPLAGs) are to facilitate effective communication between the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and regional communities and to assist in the development of draft marine park management plans.

Members Present: Grant King (Chair), Lionel Carrison, Gary Clifford, Jim Godden, Ken Jones, Richard Sage, Bob Oliver, Peter Whitehead, Joel Redman, Peter Dunnicliff, Maureen Christie, Biddie Tietz.

Apologies: Ruth Beach.

DENR staff: Karen Heaver (Minute taker), Phil Hollow, Shane Holland, Robyn Morcom, David Miller, Steve Bourne.

Gallery: Six members of the public attended

• The Chair welcomed LAG members, DENR staff and members of the public to the meeting and advised that this meeting was to produce a final position to the Minister on sanctuary zones.

• Chair provided an overview of correspondence received. There was considerable discussion and some concern regarding advice from the Minister regarding completion of the LAG process.

• Chair invited all members present to share feedback from the community. All members commented.

• An assessment of the possible sanctuary zones as an outcome of LSE MPLAG meeting # 4 was presented by Departmental staff.

• Members held a lengthy “in camera” discussion to consider all information available for developing final advice on the MPLAG sanctuary zones.

• It was reaffirmed that the sanctuary zoning advice provided at LSE MPLAG meeting # 4 was still reflective of community feedback on the subject and the LAG agreed to provide that position to the Minister as final advice.
• Departmental staff outlined the next steps and members expressed thanks to staff and other LAG members for their support and input.