

Fisheries Management Committee 2025

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Date: 5.00pm Wednesday 4th June 2025

Location: George Fam Council Chambers

1. Declaration of Opening

FMC Chairperson Azmi YON opened the meeting at 5pm.

2. Record of Attendance / Apologies / Leave of Absence / Declaration of Financial, Proximity or Impartiality Interest

2.1 Record of Attendance

Chairperson
Committee

Azmi **YON**
Gordon **THOMSON**
Shahrin **JAMIL**
Kelvin **LEE**
Kristen **SHANYGINA**
Chris **SU**
David **PRICE**

2.2 Leave of Absence

2.3 Apologies

Brady **COLLETTE**

2.4 Declarations of Financial, Proximity or Impartial Interest

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

3.1 Confirmation of FMC meeting of 14 May 2025

FMC Resolution

Moved: David PRICE

Seconded: Kelvin LEE

Res. No: FMC9/25

That the minutes of the 14th May 2025 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Carried: 7/ 0

For:
Azmi YON
Shahrin JAMIL
David PRICE

Gordon THOMSON
Kelvin LEE

Kristen SHANYGINA
Chris SU

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4. Action Items / Business Arising

- 4.1 Dr Kendra TRAVAILLE sent through the costs of attending the Australian Fish Biology (AFBA) Annual Conference in Darwin in August 2025 to CEO David PRICE.
- 4.2 CEO David PRICE met with Sharon JONES about the proposed FMC participation at the Darwin ADFA Conference, and fishing boat license (FBL) queries raised by FMC.
- a) Sharon JONES supported the FMC participation at the Darwin AFBA Conference
 - b) SOCI CEO and Chris SU discussed the commercial fishing boat license from the FMC as follows:
 - i) *Can there be a reduction in FBLs from five to three?*

Yes. This may commence with the Dept. raising this to the FAC for their consideration as advice to the Minister.
 - ii) *Can FBLs have as a condition that the fish caught can only be sold in the territory of CI?*

Yes, this may be considered as a condition of new FBL applications as a possibility.
 - iii) *Is it possible to prevent the sale of FBLs from person to person?*

Sharon JONES advised that at present the Minister has no ability to stop a transfer between parties.
 - iv) *Is it possible for the Minister to request clarification from FBL holders who have not exercised their fishing rights for 24 months as to why they should be granted a renewal?*

Yes. Sharon JONES advised that the current reporting regime has FBL holders report their activity, and that it will be clear if an entity reaches a 24-month period of inactivity.

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5. Agenda

5.1 Australian Society for Fish Biology Annual Conference, Darwin, August 2025

FMC Resolution

Moved:

Seconded:

Res. No: FMC10/25

That Shire Fisheries Ranger Shahrin JAMIL and Brady COLLETTE attend the 2025 Australian Society for Fish Biology Annual Conference in Darwin, 18-21 August.

Carried: 7/ 0

For:

Azmi YON
Shahrin JAMIL
David PRICE

Gordon THOMSON
Kelvin LEE

Kristen SHANYGINA
Chris SU

6. General Business:

7. Close of Business:

Chairperson Azmi YON closed the meeting at 5.15pm

8. Next Meeting Date: