



# Kevin Humphries MP

## Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water

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### HASTINGS PLAN OF MANAGEMENT ADOPTED

The Plan of Management for the Hastings Regional Crown Reserve Precinct “A” at Port Macquarie has been formally adopted after comprehensive consultation with Port Macquarie-Hastings Council and the local community, Minister for Natural Resources, Lands and Water Kevin Humphries and Member for Port Macquarie Leslie Williams said today.

Precinct “A” encompasses Crown coastal foreshore lands between Settlement Point and Town Beach and includes the adjacent submerged lands (part of the bed of the Hastings River).

Mr Humphries said the plan was prepared by NSW Trade & Investment, Crown Lands in conjunction with Port Macquarie-Hastings Council and the Foreshore Lands Advisory Group (FLAG).

“Following a 28 day public exhibition period during October and November last year, nine submissions from the community and stakeholders have been analysed, with a number of improvements made to the draft plan,” Mr Humphries said.

“The adopted plan provides a strategic framework for the management of the foreshore lands in Port Macquarie for the benefit of the local community and the people of NSW.

“The foreshore is an important community asset for Port Macquarie and the plan sets out a vision that will enhance its recreational values as well as catering for the various demands placed on it by the local community and visitors to the area.

“The PoM identifies and promotes Koolumbung Creek, Plaza Car Park, Fisherman’s Wharf and the CBD mooring sites as potential redevelopment opportunities along with a substantial number of other recreational, environmental and other improvements to the Precinct.”

Member for Port Macquarie Leslie Williams said the PoM will provide sound economic, social and environmental outcomes for Port Macquarie and the wider region.

“I would like to acknowledge the significant contribution of FLAG members and the support of the general community in developing and finalising this plan, and look forward to seeing progress as the plan is implemented over coming years,” Mrs Williams said.

A copy of the final Plan can be obtained from the Crown Lands’ website – [www.crownland.nsw.gov.au](http://www.crownland.nsw.gov.au).

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