

## COMMUNIQUÉ

### MARINE NATIONAL FACILITY STEERING COMMITTEE

#### Meeting #86: Friday, 14 June 2019

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The 86<sup>th</sup> MNF Steering Committee (SC) meeting was held via video and teleconference on 14 June 2019. This meeting was convened to receive the final report from the *Review of the MNF Access Framework* undertaken by Dr Bruce Mapstone.

#### Final Report from the independent review of the MNF Access Framework

The SC received the final report from Dr Mapstone on his work reviewing the MNF Access Framework.

A total of 34 recommendations were made focussing on access allocation models, access criteria, application assessment processes and approach to schedule development.

Dr Mapstone attended the meeting to present his report and answer questions from the SC.

The SC confirmed that the Report met the Terms of Reference provided to guide the scope of the Review and thanked Dr Mapstone for his time, expertise and insight.

#### Thanks to Contributors

The SC noted the value added by the extensive consultation and breadth of input from various stakeholders.

The SC would like to pass on their thanks to those who took the time to provide submissions and/or meet with Dr Mapstone during the consultation phase.

#### Next Steps

The MNF will undertake work to explore the benefits and challenges of implementing the comprehensive list of recommendations.

A number of important recommendations are under consideration and MNF will consider the impact of each of them before developing a draft implementation plan for consideration by the SC at its next meeting in September 2019.

The MNF will seek input from key stakeholders as part of the process to finalise implementation of the recommendations adopted.

The outcomes of the review will be made publicly available, together with an agreed response, once this is finalised.

#### Farewell Ian

The SC recognised that this was Ian Poiner's final meeting and wished him well in his future endeavours having thanked him formally at the face-to-face meeting in April 2019.

*Dr Sue Barrell*  
*Incoming Chair, MNF Steering Committee*

