

# **Report to Manly Dam State Park Advisory Committee**

# New Crown Land Management Act 2016

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#### **Reporting Officer**

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#### **Purpose**

To seek input on the proposed land categorisation of Manly Dam and Aquatic Reserve

## Background

- The new Crown Land Management (CLM) Act 2016 legislates for Crown land managed by Council to be managed as community land in line with the Local Government (LG) Act 1993.
- The Crown requested that Council provide advice on preferred land categories for 169 reserves. The options for land categories in line with the LG Act are:
  - o General Community Use,
  - o Park.
  - Natural Area (sub-categories of Bushland, Foreshore, Watercourse, Escarpment or Wetland),
  - o Sportsground, and
  - o Area of Cultural Significance.
- The guidelines request that one initial category be assigned for each reserve purpose. This process resulted in an issue for reserves that already have PoMs with detailed categorisations, many of which involved public hearings as part of their consultation.
- Council has requested multiple (part) categories that reflect existing PoMs and on ground use.
- Subsequently, the execution of the CLM Act is being reviewed and consideration is being given to allowing for categorisations that reflect what is happening on the ground and is likely to be proposed in a draft PoM (new or updated), i.e. part/multiple categorisation.
- Councils will be notified in due course of the outcome of this potential change in process. The assessment of Council's preferred categories is on hold pending the review.

## Manly Dam and Aquatic Reserve

- Reserve 68892 was reserved for the purpose of public recreation and includes Manly Dam and Aquatic Reserve.
- The current Manly Warringah War Memorial Park PoM excludes Aquatic Reserve.
- There is uncertainty around the State Government's interest in Aquatic Reserve.
- The Crown has advised that in light of potential changes at Aquatic Reserve, there is no urgency with respect to assigning categories for reserve 68892.

### **Discussion point**

 Council staff have recommended categories for reserve 68892 and are seeking feedback from the Committee. The recommended categories are:

Category	Feature
Natural Area	Bushland, Waterway
Park	Picnic areas, playground, Golf course
Sportsground	Baseball fields and facilities
General Community Use	Warringah Aquatic Centre, car parks, Manly Dam office
Area of Cultural Significance	War Memorial, Dam Wall

### **Attachments**

**Attachment 1** Category Definitions

**Attachment 2** Map of Reserve 68892 Boundaries