

15 September 2015

## **Planning Permit PA1224236**

### **Addendum to the Conservation Management and Offset Management Plan at 210-238 Maidstone Street Altona**

A plan for the active ecological management of the native grassland reserve and associated buffer located at 210 – 238 Maidstone Street Altona has been prepared by Brett Lane & Associates Pty. Ltd. This plan is titled as follows:

*Lot 1 PS 613111 Maidstone Street, Altona Conservation Management and Offset Management Plan. Prepared for Ali Holdings#1 Pty. Ltd. December 2012 Report No. 10025 (7.1).*

In consultation with the City of Hobsons Bay it has been agreed that this plan will be endorsed as part of Planning Permit PA1224236 subject to the following amendments. These amendments are provided as an addendum to the existing plan. These amendments have been prepared by Stephen Mueck, Senior Consultant Botanist with Biosis, in consultation with David Murnane Coordinator - Parks & Gardens Services from the City of Hobsons Bay.

## **Addendum**

### **Section 3.3.1:**

An additional biomass management strategy which could be considered as follows:

- Mechanical removal of ground-cover biomass following strict plant hygiene practices. This would involve slashing and the physical removal of cut material from the reserve and/or mowing using a "catcher". This could only occur during late summer to early autumn when soil conditions are dry.

### **Section 3.3.2: Table 12**

**Responsible Person.** In all instances where the '*responsible person*' is not identified as the land owner by Table 12 then that responsibility will be identified as the landowner. While the landowner may contract out the completion of various tasks, the landowner remains ultimately responsible for the implementation of all components of this plan.

Page 23, fourth management action:

**Replace:** Rabbit Control to be carried out if required – Fumigate and collapse burrows where present.

**With:** Rabbit control should be managed through an appropriate pest eradication program.

Page 24, Weed control.

**Replace:** High threat weed cover benchmark not exceeded.

**With:** High threat weed cover reduced with a target cover of <5% to be achieved by the end of the ten year management period.

Page 25, first management action:

**Replace:** High threat weed cover benchmark not exceeded.

**With:** High threat weed cover reduced with a target cover of <5% to be achieved by the end of the ten year management period.

Page 25, second management action:

**Replace:** Report due 31<sup>st</sup> December 2013

**With:** Report due 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015

### **Section 3.3.2: Table 13**

**Responsible Person.** In all instances where the '*responsible person*' is not identified as the land owner by Table 13 then that responsibility will be identified as the landowner. While the landowner may contract out the completion of various tasks, the landowner remains ultimately responsible for the implementation of all components of this plan.

Page 26, first management action:

**Replace:** Rabbit Control to be carried out if required – Fumigate and collapse burrows where present.

**With:** Rabbit control should be managed through appropriate pest eradication.

Page 26, second and third management actions:

**Replace:** High threat weed cover benchmark not exceeded.

**With:** High threat weed cover reduced with a target cover of <5% to be achieved by the end of the ten year management period.

Page 27, second management action:

**Replace:** High threat weed cover benchmark not exceeded.

**With:** High threat weed cover reduced with a target cover of <5% to be achieved by the end of the ten year management period.

Page 28: first management action:

**Replace:** Report due 31<sup>st</sup> December 2015

**With:** Report due 31<sup>st</sup> December each year

### **Section 3.3.2: Table 14**

**Responsible Person.** In all instances where the '*responsible person*' is not identified as the land owner by Table 14 then that responsibility will be identified as the landowner. While the landowner may contract out the completion of various tasks, the landowner remains ultimately responsible for the implementation of all components of this plan.

Page 29, first management action:

**Replace:** Rabbit Control to be carried out if required – Fumigate and collapse burrows where present.

**With:** Rabbit control should be managed through appropriate pest eradication.

Page 29, second management action:

**Replace:** High threat weed cover benchmark not exceeded.

**With:** High threat weed cover reduced with a target cover of <5% to be achieved by the end of the ten year management period.

Page 30: last management action:

**Replace:** Report delivered to the Hobsons Bay City Council and DEPI no later than three months after the due date.

**With:** Report due 31<sup>st</sup> December each year. Report to be provided no later than three months after the due date.

#### **Section 3.4:**

None of the costings defined by Brett Lane & Associates are considered current or comprehensive of the likely management costs. Hobsons Bay has indicated it is prepared to have the native grassland reserve transferred into Council ownership. However this transfer will require the developer/owner to provide Council with funding for the implementation of the management plan for the full ten year period. Funding will include all relevant infrastructure such as fencing unless that infrastructure has been established by the developer to Council's satisfaction.

Costs for the implementation of this management plan will be subject to an agreement between the owner and Council prior to the transfer of the Conservation Reserve to the City of Hobsons Bay. Until this agreement has been confirmed the current owner is responsible for the management of the reserve and associated buffer as directed by this plan. Maidstone St Joint Venture Pty Ltd will provide council with a comprehensive list of tasks it has completed in association with the implementation of the conservation and offset management plan. A costing to establish any other infrastructure prescribed by the plan and for the implementation of ten years of prescribed management actions will also be provided prior to the start of negotiations with council.

#### **Section 3.5:**

The following text is added after the existing paragraph for this section.

Fencing of the grassland reserve will be established along the outer margins of the buffer zone (3 m wide). The buffer zone will effectively be incorporated into the reserve but incorporate management actions which, while a requirement for conservation management, are not necessarily beneficial for the area impacted (i.e. fence construction and maintenance work areas, constructed firebreaks, access tracks).