



# Tomaree Headland Heritage Group Inc.

Newsletter Update  
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## Dear Members and Friends of Tomaree Headland

We would like to update you on our efforts to **TRANSITION** the Tomaree Lodge into Community Hands.



### CLOSURE of TOMAREE LODGE April 2021

The last remaining residents of Tomaree Lodge were relocated to their new housing in April this year. We requested the State Government to ensure the site was adequately secured following their departure resulting in agreement for 24hour surveillance.



### TOMAREE HEADLAND HERITAGE GROUP Inc.

THHG (originally known as 'Friends of Tomaree Headland') represents nine (9) Community Organisations who represent many thousands of local residents. The nine (9) community groups are listed on our website and the Vision Document.

[Link](#)

## KEY RECENT DEVELOPMENTS



### FUNDING PS Council

We received funding from Port Stephens Council to become an **Incorporated Association** and accordingly we have now become: Tomaree Headland Heritage Group Inc.



### GRANT Department of Veterans' Affairs

We obtained a **\$10,000 grant** from Dept Veterans' Affairs to undertake a complete military history of the Tomaree Lodge site and the neighboring headland area.



### GRANT Port Stephens Council

We have just received a **\$10,000 grant from PS Council** to commence Master Planning and investigation of a **MANAGEMENT TRUST** for the Tomaree Lodge site.



## VISION DOCUMENT

THHG Inc. – Updated June 2021

This document outlines our key objectives and achievements to date. [LINK: Vision Document June2021](#)



## HERITAGE ASSESSMENT

PS Council commissioned their Heritage Consultant to prepare a 'Heritage Assessment' of the Tomaree Lodge site which is now complete and outlines the opportunities that maybe available for the future adaptive reuse of the site.



## JETTY

### REINSTATEMENT PROPOSAL

We are seeking the reinstatement of the Jetty (with a Pontoon) which would facilitate access via ferry and cruise operator services to the Headland, Tomaree Lodge and the soon to be established '[Tomaree Coastal Walk](#)' which connects the Headland with Birubi.

# THE WAY FORWARD

## OBJECTIVES

Our key immediate objective is to enter into discussions with the NSW State Government:

- To identify the process for the transition of the Tomaree Lodge from the State Government to our Community
- To seek approval from the NSW State Government to arrange a tour of the Tomaree Lodge site including the building structures.



## MANAGEMENT TRUST

- We strongly favour the formation of a **MANAGEMENT TRUST** including representation from Port Stephens Council, Government Authorities and Community Members who would take over the long-term responsibilities for the future care and control of the Tomaree Lodge.

*Thank you for your ongoing support and we always welcome  
Community input.  
Regards*



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