

# Meeting Notes

## Pioneer Lake Advocacy Group Meeting

Monday, 30 March 2026 | Council Chambers – 2 pm

### 1. Acknowledgement of Country (Chair)

### 2. Introductions (Chair)

Invited Stakeholders:

Organisation	Representative Name
Tasmania Parks and Wildlife	Julian Gill (online) Fiona Steel (online)
Anglers Alliance / Inland Fishery Advisory Group	Howard Jones (online)
Break O'Day Sports Angling Club	<i>No representative present</i>
Mineral Resources Tasmania	<i>No representative present</i>
Scottsdale High School	John LeFevre - <i>apology</i>
Mt Cameron Field Study Centre Advisory Committee	David Waldron Craig Searle - <i>apology</i>
Tasmania Police	<i>No representative present</i>
Sanbar	Nick Palmer (online)
Pioneer Recreational Users' representative	<i>No representative present</i>
Pioneer Residents' representatives	Jenny Bellinger Linette Simpson
Pioneer Progress Association	Alana Keygan (online)
Inland Fisheries	Paul Middleton (online)
Marine & Safety Tasmania (MAST)	Daniel Woods (online)
Dorset Council	Mayor Rhys Beattie (Chair) Councillor Nick Bicanic General Manager: John Marik Director – Infrastructure / Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator: Kerry Sacilotto (online) Executive Assistant: Sarah Forsyth (note taker)

### 3. Previous Meeting – 1 December 2025 (General Manager)

- a. Confirm attached previous meeting notes:
  - i. All present confirmed
- b. Update on Actions from previous meeting:
  - i. Noted – all listed for discussion at Meeting

### ACTIONS

Who	Action
Council	Terms of Reference to be updated, circulated to stakeholders and updated on Council's website.
<b>Response:</b> Terms of Reference updated, circulated on 10 December and placed on Council's website. <b>COMPLETE</b>	
PWS	Provide general advice on lease / licence options available which include infrastructure.
<b>Response:</b> No update available, carried over to next meeting. <b>IN PROGRESS</b>	

### 4. Status update Pioneer Dam wall / Procurement (PWS)

- Advised that final contractor documentation is underway, with a meeting this week to confirm schedule of works.

- Monitoring last completed in mid-March – risk has not changed, with monitoring continuing until risk is mitigated.

## 5. Scope of Use | Pre / Post Closure and Access to Site (Group)

- PWS advised that the area remains closed until risks are mitigated, with group in agreeance to defer this discussion until risk mitigation works are underway / completed.

## 6. Question Time / General Discussion (Group)

### Inland Fishery Advisory Group representative:

*Will the Lake (once risk mitigated) be opened back up for fishing?*

PWS: Yes.

### Pioneer Residents' representatives:

General idea put forward that in the future, Pioneer Lake is not used as a ski lake, with day users moved to Big Blue Lake. Discussion around the table regarding this suggestion, with many believing that Blue Lake would not be large enough.

*What will be the management post risk mitigation and access for the public?*

PWS: Access will revert to pre-risk status, being no formal management and not designated as a camping area.

### Inland Fisheries representative:

*Once final documentation with contractors is completed, is there any ballpark date for reopening for anglers?*

PWS: Post meeting this week regarding the schedule of works, will know more. Happy to discuss specific logistics outside of the meeting.

### Dorset Council and Mt Cameron Field Study Centre Advisory Committee representatives:

*Would be great if the schedule of works / proposed completed date would be circulated to all stakeholders, if possible? Currently, the Mt Cameron Field Study Centre Advisory Committee is scheduling in forward school groups bookings at different locations due to the closure, so would be great to know?*

PWS: Can provide update back to the Group for distribution to all stakeholders on confirmed work schedule with contractors.

## 7. Next Meeting

Discussed that there is no point scheduling another meeting until the schedule of works is confirmed. Agreed that a date will be arranged post hearing from PWS on schedule of works.

## **ACTIONS**

Who	Action
PWS	Provide general advice on lease / licence options available which include infrastructure.
PWS	Provide update on finalised schedule of works with contractors to Advisory Group.
Council	Schedule next meeting once notification is received from PWS on schedule of works.