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Noosa River Stakeholder Advisory Committee Update

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Temporary appointment to ensure business continuity for River Stakeholder Committee

The Noosa River Stakeholder Advisory Committee has appointed a temporary new co-chair to fill the role left by retiring Noosa Council CEO Brett de Chastel.

Council's Principal Environment Officer for River Strategy and Engagement, Shaun Walsh, will take over the role, on a temporary basis, alongside remaining co-chair Jonathan Beatty while Mr de Chastel's replacement is found.

NRSAC spokesman Nick Hluszko said the new arrangements would ensure continuity for the committee and its work.

"Shaun, through his work with Council, has been working closely with the NRSAC since its inception and he is well informed on Noosa River issues and the focus of the committee," he said.

NRSAC's latest meeting discussed MSQ's planned review of Noosa River speed limits.

The committee will also meet with MSQ to put forward recommendations.

"At our latest meeting MSQ also updated us on their progress developing a policy position on the management of anchoring and liveaboards in Noosa River.

"They also briefed us on the process required to prepare and progress any proposed legislative amendments."

Mr Hluszko also said NRSAC was pleased the Department of Environment and Science had engaged with the committee over a formal review of the regulated environmental values and water quality objectives for the Noosa River Basin.

The committee will meet again in early December

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