

## **SUMMARY OF FEEDBACK FROM MAPUA BOAT RAMP MEETING**

Feedback forms were submitted after the public meeting in Mapua on December 14th.

Two forms simply asked where would a new ramp be.

Most submitters wanted some other site including Rough Island (1), Causeway (1), Waterfront Park (1), unspecified (4). Grossi Point was also supported (3) with a request for Council to establish an observer there and collect user information over summer. Another advocated a new ramp and facility at the west side of Grossi Point with excavation and reclaiming involved.

Other suggestions included taking note of the reduced quick rescue capacity and safety of Wharf swimmers with a restricted Wharf ramp.

Another submitter wanted old ramp, jetty and access maintained.

One submitter noted public/private partnerships are often part of the solution as in Thames.

Dale Smith was misreported in the meeting record and his comments are below:

*“Dale Smith said that the Leisure Park too had Health and Safety considerations around boat owners and access to the sea. There were 100 to 120 boats coming here in the summer, but they were not planning to relocate.”*

Dale commented: “I have no connection with the Leisure Park and made no statements on their behalf ( I am a boat club committee member). What I intended to communicate were the following points:

1. Boat numbers at Mapua increase by 100-120 in the summer with visitors to both the Leisure park and family and visiting friends of Mapua residents
2. The Leisure Park no longer has a functioning boat ramp.
3. With new restrictions at the Mapua Wharf boat ramp extra trailer boat pressure is being placed on Grossis Point which is a popular picnic and swimming area.
4. TDC should monitor this situation during summer 2015-2016.

Thanks for the opportunity to respond to the report”