The feedback in the submissions were generally supportive of the intent of the draft Bass Point CMP with many comments to be considered through additional Aboriginal Heritage studies and a future master plan which will also include ongoing opportunities for community engagement.

Table 1 outlines the some of the key topics that were raised in submissions during the public exhibition period.

Table 1: Bass Point CMP (draft) - Outcomes of public exhibition

Topic	Feedback	Assessment of feedback
Heritage and Legislative	Respondent recommends conducting a comprehensive and systematic survey of the entire area, working closely with the Aboriginal community. This initiative would contribute to the preservation and protection of Aboriginal Cultural Heritage and support that the Reserve is managed in a way that respects and aligns with the values and aspirations of the Aboriginal community. A suggestions was made to further develop a cultural values map. Bass Point Shipwrecks to be identified on the map	A recent Aboriginal and Cultural Heritage Assessment (ACHA) has been completed at the Bass Point Reserve. In response to the submission further survey's, consultation and ACHAs will take place as required to inform the future Crown Reserve Plan of Management (Plan of Management) and future Master Plan of Bass Point Reserve (the Reserve) and will outline opportunities and specific projects. The development of a master plan will be informed by, and sensitive to the cultural values. Further development of actions against Volume 2 11.1 Recommendations no.2 - Management Agreement for Aboriginal cultural heritage. Updated CMP to show shipwrecks.

Access and Signage	Respondents recommend a well planned public walkway could be built, starting at one of the large car parks outside the reserve. Provision of a safe walkway for disabled and aged divers to access dive sites. Comments suggest signage strategy should include reference to the marine reserve and much larger and more directed.	The future Crown Reserve Plan of Management and future Master Plan for the Reserve will address access and signage in more depth with further consultation to be undertaken.
Road and Carpark conditions	Comments received on poor condition of the unsealed access road and car parking spaces are inadequate for peak demand periods. Comments that sealing the access road may better conserve the adjacent littoral rainforest and also improve public and emergency vehicle access.	Council is currently working through the early planning stages to seal the main access road which includes design and Development Application submission. Regular maintenance is ongoing and as a result of the severe weather events experienced and condition of the road Council was successful in securing funding to improve the surface and reduce maintenance requirements after rain events. Additional infrastructure and facilities are addressed within the CMP. No change required to the draft CMP.
Flora and Fauna	The expectation that current marine and terrestrial biodiversity surveys be used	The draft CMP has been amended to highlight that there are opportunities for

	to update the CMP. Comments that there are limited protections to the marine life and conservation areas.	planned cooperation between stakeholders and dive groups to survey and list the marine species within Bushrangers Bay and other marine areas for Bass Point Reserve. Further studies will be completed as required in the future master plan and specific projects to improve protection identified through this process. The CMP identifies the need to develop the strategies for future protection and management of the Reserve. Policies within Volume 2 identify how this will be achieved in conjunction with 11.1 Recommendations.
Recreational Fishing, Diving and Marine Environment	Comments related to over fishing, no fishing zones, spear fishing and discarded fishing lines. Also advice that Grey Nurse Shark population information in the CMP is now out of dated and should be removed	The Grey Nurse shark information was removed The Bushrangers Bay Aquatic Reserve was declared a 'no take' reserve in 1982 to conserve local marine life and as a unique experience for snorkellers and divers. The regulation of fishing activities are outside of the scope of the CMP.

		Council will continue to work with DPI Fisheries to address concerns raised and improve signage. Page 1 CMP Introduction states "The Reserve is also a highly valuable natural and recreational asset for the local area where a range of activities such as diving, snorkelling, fishing, whale watching, bushwalking and picnicking are very popular."
Infrastructure and Maintenance	Comments received on opening and closing of the reserve including on Total Fire Ban days. Comments on weed infestations and the need for improvements to fencing. Comments on toilet facilities.	The operational decision to close Bass Pont along with other Reserves within Shellharbour during total fire bans is made through consultation with the RFS. Maintenance works including weed and vegetation management are addressed in Policy 3 of the CMP. Additional infrastructure and facilities are addressed within Volume 2 Section 10.4 CMP Policy 3 – Location and Setting of the Reserve and 8 - New services in conjunction with Policy 5 – Site Maintenance and Individual Element Management.

		No change required to the CMP.