

WIPA and GCCA are seeking five commitments

• Support the long-term evolution of Wedge and Grey settlements as unique tourist and recreation destinations that maintain and utilise the heritage character of existing shacks and cultural lifestyle

Why?

- The settlements sense of place needs to be retained to maximise the potential to service all sectors of the public
- > The provision of formal tourism facilities will be staged and complement regional strategies
- > A mix of Aboriginal and European cultural experience is available if planned effectively
- Funding can be self generated

• Appoint an independent Planning Project Manager to deliver a collaborative process to finalise master plans for implementation by 2020.

Why?

- > DPaW is conflicted as a stakeholder controlling the planning process
- > DPaW has started the planning process addressing details not the overall vision
- Focus is on roadblocks not solutions
- > DPaW operate on open ended timeframes.
- > Our framework does not require a complete re-start but is a logical pathway

• Support formal listing of W & G settlements on the State Register of heritage places.

Why?

- > SHO has finally released its assessment which corroborates the GML Report
- > This should now 'inform' the DPaW planning process, not act as a roadblock.
- The protection of the confirmed heritage values then facilitates economic growth through the potential to develop cultural tourism products to meet the market gap

• Retain the majority of the existing dwellings.

Why?

- Sovernment agencies are focussed on shack removal rather than public benefit
- > Linked to heritage protection, cultural tourism and makes economic sense
- We acknowledge an expected level of attrition and the need to consider some relocation (possible removal) due to environmental or cultural reasons. However this is considered minimal and the adaptive response of managed retreat under SPP 2.6 is appropriate.
- Retaining the majority of both settlements provides the critical mass to sustain the economic viability of the sites.

• Deliver the shack owners universal lease tenure of 21 years with a 21 year renewal option.

Why?

- > This should be an easy ask as the model has been agreed at Donnelly River.
- > Caveats can cover any perceived concerns e.g. risk of sea level rise
- > Has been flagged previously to reduce the long winded arguments with DPaW.