

Point Nepean Community Trust Preparing the Quarantine Station for Use FACT SHEET



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Commonwealth Funding of Point Nepean

The Point Nepean Community Trust (PNCT) has managed the Quarantine Station/Norris Barracks since June 2004 on behalf of the Commonwealth Government. On 16 June 2006, the Commonwealth

made two important announcements impacting on the site's future when it provided \$27 million in

extra funding to the PNCT and added Point Nepean to the National Heritage List.

On 16 June the Federal Treasurer, Peter Costello raised the Commonwealth Government's Point Nepean financial commitment to \$48 million by announcing a one off payment of \$27 million in additional funding to the PNCT. The timing and break down of this financial commitment is as follows:

2003-2004

\$4 million in Centenary of Federation funds for heritage rectification works to Quarantine Station/Norris Barracks buildings prior to establishment of the PNCT.

June 2004

\$5 million with which to establish the PNCT

\$40,000 to the Boonerwrung Elders Land Council for an Indigenous Heritage Schools Program at Point Nepean

June 2005

\$9.7 million in operational funding for the Australian Maritime College to run a National Centre for Marine and Coastal Conservation at the Quarantine Station/Norris Barracks.

March 2006

\$200,000 to the Australian Maritime College for marine biosecurity research.

April 2006

\$2 million to the State Government for unexploded ordnance removal on handover by the Commonwealth of approximately 204 hectares of Defence land for inclusion in the Point Nepean National Park.

June 2006

\$27 million in additional funding for the PNCT to meet key Commonwealth commitments and to realise the long term potential of the Quarantine Station/Norris Barracks site leading to handover to the State Government of all remaining Commonwealth land including Police Point cliff area on or before June 2009.

Total Commonwealth financial commitment to Point Nepean: \$47.94 million

\$43 million of this amount constitutes the PNCT's approximate total funding over its remaining life. This consists of:

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\$4 million remaining from the original Commonwealth \$5 million allocation **\$27 million** in additional Commonwealth funding **\$2 million** approximately to be earned in interest on the additional funding **\$10 million** philanthropic donation (see below)

The PNCT will be the beneficiary of a **\$10 million** philanthropic contribution for the respite care of disadvantaged children and their families. In consultation with the benefactor and in accordance with the PNCT's Business Plan it will be expended on a mix of:

- community projects
- · respite facilities capital
- continuing respite operating costs

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