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New committee on board today

A new chapter in the Great Ocean Road Coast Committee's six-year history is about to get underway with the new 12-member voluntary committee officially coming on board today.

Recently announced by the Department of Sustainability and Environment, the new committee includes four new members along with four current members, re-appointed for a further three years, and four members appointed late last year.

John Carlile, who stepped into the Chair's role following Peter Anderson's departure earlier this year, has been confirmed as new Chair of the committee, which is responsible for leading the day-to-day management, care, protection and appropriate development of Crown land reserves along the Great Ocean Road coast between Torquay and Lorne.

"I am looking forward to continuing to work with seven familiar faces and to welcoming four new faces on board. With a good mix of different skills and expertise, I am very confident that our four new members will each make meaningful contributions to support our work in managing the coast," said Mr Carlile.

Graham Brawn, Clinton Fraser, Ian Jupp and Daniel Marquet are the new committee recruits. They join Dennis Barker, Linton Drever and Joe Taylor – who, like John, have been reappointed for another three years – along with Peter Bauerle, Simon Coverdale, Clive Fitts and Ken Northwood who only took up their positions some seven months ago.

Graham Brawn has more than 30 years experience in helping communities and organisations achieve their visions and values in their built environments, having worked as an architect and academic. He is currently Professor Emeritus in Architecture at The University of Melbourne.

Clinton Fraser is a director with Davidsons, an accountant and business consultancy firm with offices in Torquay, Geelong and Melbourne. He specialises in providing tax and business services to the retail, tourism and accommodation, and property development sectors.

Solicitor Ian Jupp has practiced in Geelong for the past 29 years and is currently employed as a consultant with Ryan Carlisle Thomas. He has a lifelong association with the Great Ocean Road coast, having spent much of his spare time since boyhood surfing, bushwalking and pursuing other recreational activities.

Daniel Marquet is a partner of leading national law firm Corrs Chambers Westgarth and practices in the areas of litigation, insurance and trade practices law. He has a particular interest in insurance and risk issues relating to the management of public land.

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In welcoming the new recruits, Mr Carlile also thanked outgoing committee members Kathy Landos, Peter Lavis and Vanessa Schernickau for their contributions to the committee's work over the past few years.

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