

Clause 6 (a)(i) introduces the requirement that a dragon boat operates within 200m of shore. What consultation has occurred and where has this rationale come from? Was there any consultation with Dragon Boat ACT or the Australian Dragon Boat Federation?

This clause will have significant impact on dragon boating in the ACT -

1. It will impact on the areas that dragon boat clubs will be able to train on in Lake Burley Griffin
2. It will impact on Dragon Boat ACT's ability to host regattas as our current race course would exceed the 200m limit. Our local regattas attract interstate crews and we have also hosted Australian Championships in the past.
3. The inclusion of this clause will affect the viability of dragon boating as a sport in the ACT.