

MINUTES

Conservation Advisory Committee

MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

HELD ON

MEETING DATE

WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE 2007

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MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE 2007.

ATTENDANCE

Committee Members:

Cr Steve Magyar	<i>Presiding Person</i>	
Cr Michele John		<i>from 1805 hrs</i>
Cr Brian Corr		
Cr Marie Macdonald		
Mrs Marilyn Zakrevsky	Friends of Korella	
Mr Ralph Henderson	Friends of Hepburn Heights	
Mr Barry Fitzsimmons	Friends of Periwinkle	
Ms Phyllis Robertson	Joondalup Coast Care Forum	
Mr John Chester		
Dr Marjorie Apthorpe		

Officers:

Mr Murray Ralph	Manager, Infrastructure Management Services
Mr Keith Armstrong	Conservation Co-ordinator
Mrs Jill Hewison	Administrative Secretary

DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Presiding Person declared the meeting open at 1803 hrs.

APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr Sue Hart
Mrs Wendy Herbert
Ms Alice Stubber

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 30 MAY 2007

MOVED Mr John Chester SECONDED Ms Phyllis Robertson that the minutes of the meeting of the Conservation Advisory Committee held on 30 May 2007 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

The Motion was Put and

CARRIED (10/0)

In favour of the motion: Crs Magyar, Corr, John, Macdonald, Mr B Fitzsimmons, Mr J Chester, Ms P Robertson, Mrs M Zakrevsky, Dr M Apthorpe, Mr R Henderson

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION

The Presiding Person referred to the recent Councillor's column in the Joondalup Times and advised that an incorrect figure had been quoted. The column stated the figure for which the City was irrigating in regards to parks and road reserves was 538,988 hectares where in actual fact the figure was 538 hectares.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil.

IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY SIT BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Nil.

PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS

Nil.

REPORTS**ITEM 1 CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PLANNING WORKSHOP**

WARD: All

RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR: Dave Djulbic
Infrastructure Services

PURPOSE/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report enables the Conservation Advisory Committee (CAC) to review notes taken at a strategic planning workshop held in December 2006. The workshop was held to review the current CAC Strategic Plan which was compiled in 2005.

BACKGROUND

The Conservation Advisory Committee is a Council Committee that advises Council on subjects relating to biodiversity and the management of natural areas within the City of Joondalup. The CAC meets on a monthly basis.

The Committee membership comprises of five Councillors, a representative from each of the City's Bushland Friends Groups and community members with specialist knowledge of biodiversity issues.

At the May 2007 meeting of the Conservation Advisory Committee, a report was requested which would detail the notes and outcomes of a CAC Strategic Planning Workshop held in December 2006. The workshop was organised to allow the Committee Members to review the existing CAC Strategic Plan which was compiled in 2005, and to outline the future direction for the Committee's activities. Committee Members, City of Joondalup staff and a facilitator attended the Workshop.

DETAILS

At the 2007 Workshop participants considered a range of issues in relation to the future of the CAC including vision, principles and values, challenges and future opportunities.

The notes and outcomes from the workshop form attachment 1 of the report.

Issues and options considered:

The Conservation Advisory Committee produced a Strategic Plan in 2005. This Plan lapses in 2008. Some of the strategies and actions associated with the plan included the following:

- Support the completion of assessment of Joondalup's natural areas and prioritisation process.
- Recommend establishment of a natural area's management team.
- Recommend natural areas statutory protection that has been prioritised for protection.

The above recommended strategies and actions have been completed by the City or are in the process of completion. For example, thirty four bushland remnants are being protected under Schedule 5 of the District Planning Scheme.

The CAC expressed a desire at the Planning Workshop in looking at other aspects of the City's rich natural biodiversity including landscape master planning, community education, the use of native signature trees in the urban landscape and the expansion of eco-tourism.

Link to Strategic Plan:

Key Focus Area

Caring for the environment.

Outcomes

The City is environmentally responsible in its activities.

Objectives

To plan and manage the City's natural resources to ensure environmental sustainability.

Strategies

- 2.1.1 Maintain and protect natural assets to retain biodiversity.
- 2.1.2 Further develop environmentally effective and energy-efficient programs.
- 2.1.3 Develop a coordinated environmental framework, including community education.

Legislation – Statutory Provisions:

The Local Government Act 1995 allows a council to establish committees to assist a council to exercise the powers and discharge duties that can be delegated to a committee.

Risk Management considerations:

Not Applicable

Financial/Budget Implications:

Not Applicable

Policy implications:

Not Applicable

Regional Significance:

Not Applicable

Sustainability implications:

Environmental

Conservation Advisory Committee objective - "To make recommendations to Council for the Conservation of the City's natural biodiversity".

Social

To promote partnerships between Council and the Community to protect the City's natural biodiversity as contained within its various natural areas (bushland, wetlands and the coastal environment).

Consultation:

The Conservation Advisory Committee provides a forum for community consultation and engagement on natural areas.

COMMENT

It is considered appropriate for the Conservation Advisory Committee to review the CAC Strategic Plan and make recommendations in relation to this Plan to Council.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1 Conservation Advisory Committee Strategic Plan Review
(Workshop Notes)

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

The Conservation Co-ordinator gave an overview of the report. Discussion ensued.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Conservation Advisory Committee RECEIVES the report titled "Conservation Advisory Committee Planning Workshop".

MOVED Cr Michele John SECONDED Mr Barry Fitzsimmons that the Conservation Advisory Committee RESOLVES to hold a strategic planning workshop at its next meeting on 25 July 2007 and that the Conservation Advisory Committee requests that the following documents be made available for that workshop:

- **Strategic Plan 2005 – 2008**
- **Environmental Plan**
- **December 2006 Workshop Notes**
- **Dry Park List**
- **City of Wanneroo policy on dry parks**
- **Aerial photos of bushland parks within City of Joondalup**

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MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil.

REQUESTS FOR REPORTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION

The following report was requested:

- A report on coastal water quality

CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Person declared the Meeting closed at 1850 hrs; the following committee members being present at that time:

Cr Steve Magyar
Cr Michele John
Cr Brian Corr
Cr Marie Macdonald
Mrs Marilyn Zakrevsky
Mr Ralph Henderson
Mr Barry Fitzsimmons
Ms Phyllis Robertson
Mr John Chester
Dr Marjorie Apthorpe