

CITY OF JOONDALUP

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON THURSDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2001 COMMENCING AT 17.55 PM.

MINUTES

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 17.55pm.

1. ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGIES

Attendance

Cr J Hollywood

Mr J Goldsmith

Mr J Kirton

Mr D Cluning

Mr S Hawkins

Councillor, Committee Chairperson

Sustainable Development Officer

Manager Organisation & Strategic Development

Manager Operations Services

Community Representative

Apologies

Cr A Nixon

Mr D Wake

Mr C Merry

Councillor

Community Representative

Community Representative

Non Attendance

Mrs Wood

Mr J Prefumo

Mrs J Richards

Dr R France

Community Representative

Community Representative

Community Representative

Community Representative

The Chairman welcomed Cr M O'Brien and Mr S Magyar as observers to the committee meeting.

2. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held on 16 August 2001.

(Refer to Attachment 1.)

MOVED Mr S Hawkins SECONDED Mr D Cluning that the minutes of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting held on 16 August 2001 (Attachment 1) be accepted as a true and accurate record.

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

MOVED Mr J Kirton SECONDED Mr D Cluning that Cr O'Brien be appointed as a deputy to Cr Nixon on the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee.

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

3.2 Sub-committee Minutes (Conservation Committee)

Refer to Attachment 2

MOVED Mr D Cluning SECONDED Mr S Hawkins that the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee endorses the recommendations presented in the minutes of the Conservation Advisory Committee meetings held on 9 August & 13 September 2001 (Attachment 2).

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

3.3 Minutes for noting by the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Minutes of the Yellagonga Catchment Group meeting of 23 August 2001 contained in Attachment 3 are provided for noting by the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Cr O'Brien provided an update regarding consultations with the State Government relating to the Yellagonga Regional Park Management Plan.

Mr Cluning updated the committee regarding the Yellagonga Regional Park Management Plan and recent discussions between the City of Joondalup and the Department of Conservation and Land Management. It was noted that the final management plan will be submitted to Council for endorsement.

MOVED Mr D Cluning SECONDED Mr S Hawkins that the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the minutes of the Yellagonga Catchment Group 23 August 2001.

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

4. Business Outstanding from Previous Meetings

4.1 Committee Terms of Reference and Aims and Objectives

At the Council meeting held on 11 September 2001, Council endorsed the Committee's recommendation in relation to the re-naming of the committee, amendment of the Terms of Reference and endorsed the aims and objectives of the committee.

4.2 Advertisement seeking Community Representative

An advertisement was placed in the Wanneroo Times inviting nomination for Community Representatives to serve on the Committee. Nominations will close on 25 September 2001.

Cr Hollywood requested that the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee meet to review the nominations and to make a recommendation to Council regarding the appointment of community representatives.

ACTION: Sustainable Development Officer Mr J Goldsmith

4.3 Resignation of Committee Member Dr Roy France

Dr Roy France has submitted his resignation from the Committee (Attachment 4).

MOVED Mr D Cluning SECONDED Mr S Hawkins that the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- 1. NOTES the resignation of Dr France;**
- 2. ADVISES Council of the revised Committee membership;**
- 3. THANKS Dr France for his involvement and contribution to the Committee.**

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

5. Business Items

5.1 Reports and Updates from Working Groups

Committee Working Groups updated the Committee:

- Cities for Climate Protection;
- Resources Waste Management;
- Sustainable Community;
- Biodiversity.

Cr Hollywood indicated that a site visit will be held to a secondary waste treatment site for the Resource and Waste Management Working Group (Cr Hollywood, Mr Hawkins and Mrs Richards).

Mr D Cluning suggested that a water quality/water resources working group be established.

5.2 Greenhouse gas emissions reduction target setting; Community Consultation

Sustainable Development Officer Mr Goldsmith provided an update on the community consultation process for the setting of Greenhouse gas emission reduction targets (refer to Attachment 5).

An introductory article regarding Global Warming and the setting of greenhouse gas targets appears on the front page of the current Council News, which describes the community consultation process.

The committee indicated their support and participation in the public meetings, scheduled for 18 October (Sorrento Recreation Centre) and 25 October (City of Joondalup Library).

5.3 Sustainability and Local Government

Mr John Goldsmith and Mr James Kirton attended a presentation by Professor Peter Newman at Edith Cowan University on Wednesday 5 September 2001.

Professor Newman outlined the Sustainability Policy Unit in the Department of the Premiers Cabinet. A briefing paper by Professor Newman provided for the information of the Committee is attached. (Attachment 6).

The web site of the Sustainability Policy Unit is www.sustainability.dpc.wa.gov.au

5.4 Sustainable Development Officer (Mr Goldsmith).

The committee is advised that the position title of officer John Goldsmith has been revised to reflect his role in economic, social and environmental sustainability. The revised position title (Sustainable Development Officer) represents the first staff appointment by the City of Joondalup focussing exclusively on sustainability and sustainable development.

5.5 Water Conservation (Mr Hawkins)

It has been reported in The West Australian Newspaper (September 5th 2001) that the Strathfield Municipal Council in Sydney voted recently to make it compulsory for new residential buildings to have a water tank as part of a push towards water conservation.

The rule applies to new residential dwellings and development applications that involve major renovations. The Local Government and Shire Association have backed the Council's move.

Mr Hawkins is currently awaiting further detail on the issue from the Strathfield Municipal Council.

ACTION. Mr Hawkins to investigate and report back to the committee.

5.6 National General Assembly of Local Government Greenhouse Abatement Motions

At the 11 September 2001 Council meeting, Mayor John Bombak noted an invitation to Council regarding the submission of motions to the forthcoming National General Assembly of Local Government (25/28-11-2001), regarding Greenhouse abatement.

MOVED Cr Hollywood SECONDED Mr Hawkins that Cr O'Brien and Cr Hollywood take forward the communiqué of the Woodville conference asking for Council support of the Toronto Agreement, to enable the Mayor to submit a motion to this effect to the forth-coming National General Assembly of Local Government.

The motion was Put and

CARRIED

5.7 Toronto Declaration

The International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) has invited Council to endorse the Toronto Declaration and to join with other CCP councils around the world who are taking local action on greenhouse. ICLEI has provided the information contained in Attachment 7.

(Refer to item 5.6.)

6. OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Community Funding Program

Sustainable Development Officer Mr Goldsmith advised the Committee that the next round of community funding will be advertised with funding applications closing on 19 October 2001. Guidelines are available on the City's web page.

Council has endorsed a revised funding policy, including a substantial expansion in scope of the community funding program to include environmental and sustainable development community projects.

Mr S Hawkins and Mrs J Richards were nominated to participate on the Community Funding Assessment Panel for the Environmental and Sustainable Development Community Fund.

ACTION: Mr Goldsmith to advise assessment panel members of the assessment panel meeting date.

6.2 Beverage Container Legislation (Cr O'Brien)

Cr O'Brien updated the Committee regarding Beverage Container Legislation (Refer to Attachment 8).

6.3 National Biodiversity Policy Document

Mr D Cluning tabled the above documents. Cr Hollywood suggested that the item be referred to the Conservation Advisory Committee for consideration.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

A special meeting of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee will be held on Friday, 5 October 2001, Conference Room 2, at 5.45 pm, to consider the community representative nominations.

The next scheduled meeting of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee will be held in Conference Room 2, Joondalup Civic Centre, Boas Avenue, Joondalup on Wednesday 17 October 2001 at 5.45 pm.

CLOSURE

Meeting declared closed 19.50 hrs.

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