

CITY OF JOONDALUP

MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON WEDNESDAY, 25 MAY 2005

ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

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| Cmr M Anderson | <i>Absent from 1815 hrs</i> |
| Mr B Fitzsimmons | Community Representative |
| Ms K Clarke | Community Representative |
| Ms R McElroy | Community Representative |
| Mrs M Zakrevsky | Community Representative |
| Mr D Pike | Community Representative |
| Mr S Magyar | Community Representative |

Guests

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| Mr Jason Hicks | Environmental Manager Cardno BSD Pty Ltd |
| Ms Sue Bailey | Friends of Maritana Bushland |
| Ms M Apthorpe | Joondalup Community Coast Care Forum |

Officers:

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| Director, Infrastructure and Operations: | D DJULBIC <i>Absent from 1815 hrs</i> |
| Director, Planning and Community Development: | C HIGHAM <i>Absent from 1815 hrs</i> |
| Manager Infrastructure & Ranger Services | P Pikor |
| Coordinator Urban Design & Policy | G Catchpole |
| Conservation Officer | K Armstrong |

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 1735 hrs.

APOLOGIES

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| Mr J Wood | Community Representative |
| Mr R Henderson | Community Representative |
| Ms B Pederson | Dept of Planning & Infrastructure |

DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST/INTEREST AFFECTING IMPARTIALITY

None

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

MINUTES OF THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON 24th
NOVEMBER 2005

**MOVED M Norman SECONDED S Magyar that the minutes of the meeting of the
Conservation Advisory Committee held on the 24th November 2004 be
confirmed as a true and correct record.**

The Motion was put and

CARRIED

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Item 1 Burns Beach Foreshore Management Plan

The Chairman introduced Mr Jason Hicks Environmental Manager from Cardno BSD Pty Ltd. Mr Hicks gave an overview of the subdivisional development project that is proposed for the bushland situated west of Marmion Avenue and north of Burns Beach Road in the Suburb of Burns Beach. He spoke about the Foreshore Management Plan and about planning decisions and the process from which the plan evolved.

The Director of Planning and Community Development gave a short presentation on the City's approach to the future vesting of the foreshore reserve from a planning perspective.

Discussion ensued on the location of the proposed housing in relation to the coastline, a number of the Committee Members stated the reserve was too narrow and was not stable in terms of erosion caused by wave and wind action. A committee member showed aerial photographs, which indicated that the coastline had eroded by seven metres in the last ten years.

Committee Members told Mr Hicks that a number of discrepancies had been made in the Plan in relation to vegetation mapping of the foreshore reserve. Mr Hicks suggested that committee members and the botanist from Cardno BSD visit the site to ground truth botanical information found in the plan. The following motion was put and carried:

MOVED M Norman, SECONDED B Fitzsimmons. The Conservation Advisory Committee appreciates and accepts the offer from Mr Jason Hicks Cardno BSD Pty Ltd to allow Committee Members to jointly view the foreshore reserve at Burns Beach to ground truth botanical information contained with in the Burns Beach Foreshore Management Plan.

The motion was put and

CARRIED

Committee member discussed the environmental condition of a number of areas within the Burns Beach Foreshore Reserve; the consensus was that areas of natural blowouts should not be disturbed during any future dunal rehabilitation work.

The committee requested that the Lomandra plant species occurring in the area of the proposed turfed parkland area known on the plan as POS 6 be removed and planted elsewhere. Mr Hicks agreed with this proposal.

Committee members raised concerns that environmental damage that may be caused by the construction of the dual use pathway in the foreshore dunal system, and suggested the developers may wish to consider moving the proposed pathway parallel to the road way that forms the boundary between the development and the foreshore reserve. Mr Hicks said he would take this suggestion back to his project team for consideration.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES.

BUSINESS OUTSTANDING FROM THE CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 24TH NOVEMBER 2004

CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKSHOP

The Executive Summary from the recent series of Conservation Advisory Committee Strategic Planning Workshop was tabled . Committee Members were asked to examine the document. It then will be further considered at the June Conservation Advisory Committee Meeting.

General Business

Nil

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Conservation Advisory Committee will be held in Conference Room 2, Joondalup Civic Centre, Boas Avenue, Joondalup on Wednesday 29th June 2005.

CLOSURE

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 2015 hrs.



Conservation Advisory Committee

**Strategic Plan
2005 – 2008**

Executive Summary

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OUR VISION

Ensuring that the natural environment is recognised and preserved for future generations, enhancing Joondalup's sense of place and community.

OUR PRINCIPLES AND VALUES

Community Focused

We value community involvement and will work with community in achieving our vision together.

Advisory

We will add value in Council's decisions by working in partnership with the City to achieve aligned goals.

Partnerships

We will communicate and work in partnerships with community and the City.

FOCUS AREA: NATURAL AREA MANAGEMENT

Goal:

To achieve world's best practice for the protection and management of Joondalup's natural areas measured against appropriate benchmarks.

| Objectives | Strategies and Actions |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommend identification and prioritisation of natural areas of City of Joondalup for protection and management. <p>A1</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommend development of partnerships for expertise and resources across the full range of instrumentalities eg. contact NRM groups, government departments, universities. Recommend establishment of what is world's best practice for the natural environment unique to the City of Joondalup. Recommend establishment of appropriate benchmarks. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To manage more of the bush land remnants (new objective). <p>A2</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support completion of assessments of Joondalup's natural areas and prioritisation process. Assist in the development of highest priority management actions required to manage highest priority natural areas, through the development of an implementation plan. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To retain the most valuable areas of bush land long term. <p>A3</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommend natural areas for statutory protection that have been prioritised for protection. Determine statutory mechanisms within team planning for long term protection. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To support City of Joondalup in building capability for managing natural areas. <p>A4</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommend establishment of a natural area's management team within the City of Joondalup, supplemented by skilled contractors, all of whom have the necessary skills and expertise to manage natural areas at world's best practice standards. Recommend establishment of a natural areas protection and management department with the City. |

FOCUS AREA: EDUCATION

Goal:

Promote/raise community awareness and respect with respect to valuing its natural areas. (Key words: value, respect, treasure, community awareness).

| Objectives | Strategies and Actions |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To encourage the development of school education programmes to promote the understanding of local natural environment. <p>B1</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to build partnerships with local schools (talk to Principals). Create themes – ‘adopt the coast line’. Create environmental education via state education system. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage and increase community awareness and education of the natural environment <p>B2</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote awards and groups. Support major environmental events. Recognition of individuals and groups. Develop an itinerary of environmental events that the City could participate in Static displays/information package – citizenship ceremonies. Environmental awards – in relation to best kept reserves. Provide/promote information regarding natural events or issues. Support the development of a conservation web site. Create community themes – ‘adopt a coast line’. Utilise libraries and customer service centres and interface. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase environmental awareness and expertise within the community to manage bush land. <p>B3</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop bush management plans with education institutions. Traineeship/cadetship programmes. Mentoring programmes. Support and work with education programmes eg. ECU and TAFE (skills, expertise). |

FOCUS AREA: COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

Goal:

To encourage interest and participation within the community to protect the City's natural areas for future generations to enjoy.

| Objectives | Strategies/Actions |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Develop a sense of ownership and pride C1 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Encourage formation and utilisation of friends' groups and local community groups.Promote Neighbourhood Watch approach to protecting local natural areas.Bushland awards.Promote awards at a local level (best street, most improved). |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">Succession Planning – CAC C2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Encourage Friends' Groups.Promote committee work. |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">To encourage ecotourism to showcase the City's natural area. C3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Explore ecotourism opportunities. |

2005 – 2006 PRIORITY ACTIONS (IN DESCENDING ORDER OF PRIORITY)

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