

# CITY OF JOONDALUP

## MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON TUESDAY 31 AUGUST 2006

### ATTENDANCE

#### Committee Members:

Cr M John	- <i>Presiding Person</i>	South-West Ward
Cr R Fishwick	- <i>Deputy Presiding Person</i>	South Ward
Cr S Hart		South-East Ward
Cr S Magyar		North-Central Ward
Mr W Carstairs		Community Representative
Dr V Cusack		Community Representative

#### Observers:

Mayor T Pickard      *to 1800hrs*

#### Officers:

Chief Executive Officer:	G HUNT <i>to 1740 hrs</i>
Director, Governance and Strategy:	I COWIE <i>to 1900 hrs</i>
Manager, Strategic Development:	R HARDY
Senior Project Officer:	C THOMPSON

### DECLARATION OF OPENING

The Chief Executive Officer declared the meeting open at 1736 hrs.

### APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

#### Apologies:

Ms U Goeft  
Professor S Siggers

### ELECTION OF PRESIDING PERSON

*Section 5.12 of the Local Government Act 1995 requires a committee appointed by a local government, to appoint a presiding person as the first item of business at its first meeting. Schedule 2.3 of the Act requires the Chief Executive Officer to preside. Nominations for the position of presiding person are to be given to the Chief Executive Officer in writing, with the vote to be conducted by ballot.*

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations for the position of Presiding Person.

Cr Hart nominated Cr John. Cr John accepted the nomination.  
Cr Magyar self nominated.

A ballot was held and Cr John was elected to the position of Presiding Person.

The Chief Executive Officer left the Room at 1740 hrs.

Cr John assumed the Chair at 1740 hrs.

### **ELECTION OF DEPUTY PRESIDING PERSON**

*It is advisable that the committee appoints a deputy presiding person, who would chair the meeting in the absence of the presiding person.*

The Presiding Person called for nominations for the position of Deputy Presiding Person.

Cr Hart nominated Cr Fishwick. Cr Fishwick accepted the nomination.

There being no further nominations, Cr Fishwick was elected unopposed to the position of Deputy Presiding Person.

### **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

#### MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD 19 JANUARY 2006

**MOVED Cr Magyar SECONDED Dr Cusack that the Sustainability Advisory Committee ACCEPTS the minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting held on 19 JANUARY 2006.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Cr John welcomed Committee members to the Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting.

### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

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

Nil.

### **PETITIONS AND DEPUTATIONS**

Nil.

## ITEM 1            **SETTING MEETING DATES**

**WARD:**                    All

**RESPONSIBLE**        Mr Ian Cowie  
**DIRECTOR:**            Governance and Strategy

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### **PURPOSE/ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To provide a schedule of dates for meetings of the Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) for 2006/07.

### **DETAILS**

Schedule of Meeting Dates for the SAC:

The suggested dates for meetings of the SAC for 2006/07 have been scheduled at approximately eight-week intervals, excluding the month of January and the Easter period.

Proposed SAC meeting dates for 2006/07 for consideration by the Committee are as follows:

19 October 2006  
14 December 2006  
8 February 2007  
29 March 2007  
24 May 2007  
12 July 2007

**Link to Strategic Plan:**

**Key Focus Area: Organisational Development**

*Objective 4.3            To ensure the City responds to and communicates with the community*  
*Strategy 4.3.1        Provide effective and clear community consultation*  
*Strategy 4.3.3        Provide fair and transparent decision-making processes*

**Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

The Local Government Act 1995 is the legislation under which Local Government bodies are constituted and contains detailed reporting and operational requirements which a Council has a duty to comply with. The Act establishes the framework for the system of local government in Western Australia.

**Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

**Financial/Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable.

**Policy Implications:**

It is noted that the Sustainability Advisory Committee can provide advice to Council on policies that promote sustainability, for example:

Policy 1 – 2 Public Participation  
Policy 1 - 3 Sustainability

**Regional Significance:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for consideration of regional matters that may impact on local sustainability.

**Sustainability Implications:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee aligns with the Strategic Plan 2003-2008 and provides a forum for deliberation on a range of sustainability issues by elected members and community representatives with local knowledge and expertise. The Committee also provides a formal arrangement for making recommendations to Council on a range of sustainability issues.

**COMMENT**

There have been a number of instances in the past where the SAC has called for informal workshops to deal with specific strategic or topical matters and it is highly effective and efficient to utilise informal workshops for this purpose.

Such informal workshops will be held on an as needs basis.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee: AGREES the meeting dates for 2006/07 as follows:

- 19 October 2006
- 14 December 2006
- 8 February 2007
- 29 March 2007
- 24 May 2007
- 12 July 2007

Discussion ensued on the frequency and suitable time for the Sustainability Advisory Committee to meet in the future. It was suggested that future meetings commence at 6.00 pm.

Mayor Pickard left the Room at 1800hrs.

**MOVED Dr Cusack SECONDED Cr Sue Hart that the next meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee be held on 19 October 2006 and that a report on future meeting dates for the Committee be presented to that meeting for further consideration by the Committee.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

## **ITEM 2 RESIGNATIONS FROM AND NOMINATIONS TO THE SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** Mr Ian Cowie  
Governance and Strategy

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### **PURPOSE**

To advise of recent resignations of two of the members of Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC).

To advise of nominations received and recommended for appointment.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The Council at its meeting held on 24 May 2006 appointed elected members and community representatives with local knowledge, expertise with respect to sustainable development and connections within the community to serve on the Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Two resignations have recently been received from Mr Down and Ms Kinnear respectively, leaving a total of five vacancies on the Committee. Five individuals from the community have expressed an interest in serving on the Committee and have been nominated to that end.

This report recommends that the resignations from Mr Down and Ms Kinnear are accepted with a vote of thanks for their commitment and their significant contribution to the work of the Committee. The report further recommends that the five nominations to serve on the Committee received from Ms Barter, Mr Willet, Mr Dorney, Mr Godley and Ms Herbert are accepted and endorsed.

### **BACKGROUND**

The objectives of the SAC are as follows:

- (a) *To recommend to the City of Joondalup Council on policy, advice and appropriate courses of action which promote sustainability, which is (1) environmentally responsible, (2) socially sound and (3) economically viable.*
- (b) *To provide advice to Council on items referred to the Committee from the City of Joondalup Administration.*

Membership of the Committee comprises the following individuals:

1. Cr M John
2. Cr S Hart
3. Cr S Magyar
4. Cr R Fishwick
5. Dr V Cusack, Community Representative
6. Mr W Carstairs, Community Representative
7. Mr G Down, Community Representative
8. Mr K D'Arcy, Community Representative
9. Ms A Kinnear, Edith Cowan University
10. Dr M Brueckner, Edith Cowan University Lecturer
11. Ms U Goeft, PhD Candidate, Edith Cowan University
12. Professor S Saggars, Centre for Social Research, Edith Cowan University

Quorum: 6

## **DETAILS**

### **Issues and options considered:**

Resignations from the Committee have been received from Mr G Down and Ms A Kinnear.

Nominations for the Committee have been received as a result of Expressions of Interest from the following people:

- Ms Melanie Barter – replacing Ms Kinnear as a representative from Edith Cowan University
- Mr John Willet – from Jolin Consulting - a local business within Joondalup City who has previously served on the CBD Enhancement Committee
- Mr Brett Dorney – a new representative for West Coast TAFE
- Mr Dennis Godley – Manager of the Small Business Centre to represent business
- Ms Wendy Herbert – a member of Coastcare Forum and the Yellagonga Environment Centre Community Reference Group as a community representative

Given the levels of local knowledge, expertise with respect to sustainable development and connections to community that these people bring, it is recommended that the nominations are accepted and endorsed by the Committee.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

#### **Key Focus Area: Organisational Development**

<i>Objective 4.3</i>	<i>To ensure the City responds to and communicates with the community</i>
<i>Strategy 4.3.1</i>	<i>Provide effective and clear community consultation</i>
<i>Strategy 4.3.3</i>	<i>Provide fair and transparent decision-making processes</i>

### **Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

The Local Government Act 1995 is the legislation under which Local Government bodies are constituted and contains detailed reporting and operational requirements which a Council has a duty to comply with. The Act establishes the framework for the system of local government in Western Australia.

### **Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

### **Financial/Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable.

### **Policy Implications:**

It is noted that the Sustainability Advisory Committee can provide advice to Council on a range of policies that promote sustainability, namely:

Policy 1 – 2 Public Participation  
Policy 1 - 3 Sustainability

### **Regional Significance:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for consideration of regional matters that may impact on local sustainability.

### **Sustainability Implications:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee aligns with the Strategic Plan 2003-2008 and provides a forum for deliberation on a range of sustainability issues by elected members and community representatives with local knowledge and expertise. The Committee also provides a formal arrangement for making recommendations to Council on a range of sustainability issues.

### **COMMENT**

Nil.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Nil.

### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

Discussion ensued on the options available to the Committee to recruit new members should vacancies arise in the future. Manager Strategic Development was requested to follow up with the absent members to confirm their continuing membership of the Committee.

**MOVED Cr Magyar SECONDED Cr Fishwick that the Sustainability Advisory Committee recommends that Council:**

- 1 ACCEPTS the resignations of Mr Down and Ms Kinnear;**
- 2 THANKS Mr Down and Ms Kinnear for their contribution to the work of the Committee;**
- 3 APPOINTS Ms Melanie Barter, Mr John Willet, Mr Brett Dorney, Mr Dennis Godley and Ms Wendy Herbert to serve on the Sustainability Advisory Committee.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

### **ITEM 3 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION REVIEW OF CURRENT PUBLIC OPEN SPACE POLICY AND PRACTICE - [00906]**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** Mr Ian Cowie  
Governance and Strategy

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#### **PURPOSE/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To request that the Sustainability Advisory Council:

- Notes the contents of the report to Council (*CJ083 – 06/06 refers*) concerning the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) Public Open Space Review of Current Policy and Practice and the City's Interim Submission on the Review.
- Provide comments with respect to issues raised in points (2) and (3) of the recommendations from the Council report.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Public Open Space Review of Current Policy and Practice conducted by the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) was intended to clearly identify issues relevant to the allocation of public open space and the development, use and on-going management of recreational facilities and environmental resource areas. In June 2005, the City participated in a workshop with twenty six (26) metropolitan and rural local governments, State agencies and other interest groups to review and address concerns raised in regard to Public Open Space (POS) for inclusion in the Review. The WALGA report on the Review to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) and the City's Interim Submission on the findings and recommendations in the Review were presented to Council on 6 June 2006.

#### **DETAIL**

##### **Issues and options considered:**

Recommendations arising from the 6 June 2006 report included:

*That Council:*

2. *ADVISES the Western Australian Local Government Association that the matter of public open space is of such a high priority and significant impact for our residential community that more thorough research and analysis of the long-term implication of public open space on community life should be undertaken. Further, the lack of community involvement in the determination of the interim position of the Public Open Space Review to date needs to be addressed;*
3. *ACKNOWLEDGES that the issue of public open space will be a major focus for the community of the City in the review of District Planning Scheme No 2 in terms of:*
  - (i) community value and expectations;*
  - (ii) environmental impacts of development and bush land preservation;*



4. *REFERS the report and interim submission to the Conservation Advisory Committee and Sustainability Advisory Committee for further consideration having regard to the issues raised in Points (2) and (3) above.*

**Link to Strategic Plan:**

- Objective 1.3 To continue to provide services that meet changing demographic needs of a diverse and growing community.
- Strategy 1.3.1 Provide leisure and recreational activities aligned to community expectations, incorporating innovative opportunities for today's environment.
- Objective 3.1 To develop and maintain assets and built environment.
- Strategy 3.3.3 Create and maintain parklands that incorporate nature and cultural activities accessible to residents and visitors.

**Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

Not Applicable.

**Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

**Financial/Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable.

**Policy Implications:**

Not Applicable.

**Regional Significance:**

The outcome of the WALGA Review may have regional significance in terms of the allocation of regional POS under the Metropolitan Region Scheme, which could be favourable for the City.

**Sustainability Implications:**

Not Applicable.

**Consultation:**

By inviting comment and advice from the Sustainability Advisory Committee on both the Review and the City's submission, broader input into future policy and practice concerning Public Open Space is being achieved.

**COMMENT**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment 1 Council Report CJ083 – 06/06 Western Australian Local Government Association Review of Current Public Open Space Policy and Practice

Attachment 2 City Submission to the WALGA Public Open Space Review

## VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- 1 NOTES the contents of the report to Council with respect to the Western Australian Local Government Association Review of Current Public Open Space Policy and Practice as shown on Attachment 1 to this Report;
- 2 PROVIDES comment with respect to Points (2) and (3) in the recommendations to that Report.

Discussion ensued and it was agreed that the matter be raised at the September workshop.

**MOVED Cr Hart SECONDED Cr Fishwick that the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the contents of the report to Council with respect to the Western Australian Local Government Association Review of Current Public Open Space Policy and Practice as shown on Attachment 1 to this Report.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

## **ITEM 4 DRAFT GUIDELINES FOR THE DETERMINATION OF WETLAND BUFFER REQUIREMENTS - [00906]**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** Mr Ian Cowie  
Governance and Strategy

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## PURPOSE

To request that the Sustainability Advisory Council considers the City's submission to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) on the Guideline for the Determination of Wetland Buffer Requirements.

## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

A Draft Guideline for the Determination of Wetland Buffer Requirements (the Guideline) has been developed by the WAPC. This report serves to inform the Sustainability Advisory Committee of the Guideline and the City's submission, and to allow an opportunity for additional comments to be forwarded to the WAPC.

## **BACKGROUND**

A Draft Guideline for the Determination of Wetland Buffer Requirements (the Guideline) has been developed by the WAPC with the intention of assisting landowners, developers, planners, architects and designers to identify an appropriate buffer between wetlands and land uses that will enhance or maintain the significant attributes and values of the wetland. A report on the Guideline and the City's submission with respect to that document was presented at the meeting of Council on 6 June 2006 (*CJ048 – 06/06 refers*). The full report to Council on the matter can be found in Attachment A. The Guideline and the City's submission can be found in Attachments 1 and 2 of this report.

## **DETAILS**

### **Issues and options considered:**

At the meeting of Council on 6 June 2006, it was recommended that the City's submission to the WAPC on the Guideline should be referred to the next available meeting of the North Zone of the Western Australian Local Government Association, the Conservation Advisory Committee and the Sustainability Advisory Committee.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

The City's submission on the Guideline is supported by the following objective and strategy of the City's Strategic Plan 2003-2008:

Objective 2.1            To plan and manage our natural resources to ensure environmental sustainability.

Strategy 2.1.1        Maintain and protect natural assets to retain biodiversity.

### **Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

There are no statutory provisions associated with the Guideline. However, if adopted, it would assist as an assessment tool in the decision-making process.

### **Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

### **Financial/Budget Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

### **Policy Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

### **Regional Significance:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

### **Sustainability Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

**Consultation:**

By inviting comment and advice from the Sustainability Advisory Committee on the City's submission with respect to the Guidelines, broader input into future policy and practice on the maintenance and preservation of local wetlands is being achieved.

**COMMENT**

Nil.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 Council Report CJ084 – 06/06 and Draft Guideline for the determination of wetland buffer requirements

Attachment 2 The City's submission with respect to the Guideline

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- 1 NOTES the City's submission with respect to the Guidelines for the Determination of Wetland Buffer Requirements as shown on Attachment 1 to this Report;
- 2 PROVIDES comment on the Guidelines and the submission.

Discussion ensued and it was agreed that the matter be raised at the September workshop.

**MOVED Cr Fishwick SECONDED Dr Cusack that the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the City's submission with respect to the Guidelines for the Determination of Wetland Buffer Requirements as shown Attachment 1 to this Report.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

**ITEM 5 WASTE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY FOR CITY OF JOONDALUP - [00906]**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** Mr Dave Djulbic  
Infrastructure Services

**PURPOSE**

To provide the Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) with an update on outcomes of the waste management strategy for the City.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At its meeting on 19 January 2006, the SAC requested the results of the outcome of the Waste Management Strategy Survey be brought to the next meeting of the SAC.

In December 2005, Council adopted a Waste Management Strategy as shown in Attachment A to this report.

This report recommends that the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the report on the City's waste management strategy and the results of the survey.

## **BACKGROUND**

During 2004 the City commenced a significant review of its waste management strategy. A number of presentations were made to the SAC to gain members' feedback at various stages during the development the strategy.

In December 2005, Council adopted a Waste Management Strategy as shown in Attachment 1 to this Report - (*CJ277 - 12/05 - Waste Management Strategy Review 2005 refers*).

At its meeting on 19 January 2006, the SAC requested the results of the outcome of the Waste Management Strategy Survey be brought to the next meeting of the SAC.

## **DETAILS**

### **Issues and options considered:**

Since the adoption of its Waste Management Strategy by Council in December 2005, a number of milestones have been achieved. The following summarises those key milestones in order to provide the SAC with all the recent developments to date with respect to the implementation of the Waste Management Strategy:

- A tender for the purchase of new recycling bins will be advertised in late August 2006;
- A tender for the collection of recyclables at the kerbside will also be advertised in late August 2006;
- Implementation of the recycling system will be ongoing from September 2006;
- Budget approval for the universal recycling system was granted by Council in July 2006
- An agreement was reached with City of Swan and City of Wanneroo to upgrade the Wangara Materials Recycling Facility (MRF);
- An agreement with investors through the Mindarie Regional Council was signed for the development of the resource recovery facility (RRF), 11 August 2006; and
- An application for grant funding of \$300,000 with the National Packaging Covenant (a jointly industry and Government funded program) was submitted for the new mixed paper and plastic lines at the MRF (sorting plant), Wangara.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

The City's waste management strategy aligns to the following objective and strategy of the City's Strategic Plan 2003-2008.

Objective 2.2            To manage waste effectively and efficiently in alignment with environmentally sustainable principles.

**Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

Refer Council Report Attachment 1.

**Risk Management considerations:**

Refer Council Report Attachment 1.

**Financial/Budget Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

**Policy Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

**Regional Significance:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

**Sustainability Implications:**

Refer Council Report – Attachment 1.

**Consultation:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**COMMENT**

Refer Attachment 1.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 Council report CJ277 - 12/05 - Waste Management Strategy Review 2005

Attachment 2 Waste Management Strategy 2005

Attachment 3 Executive Summary – Report on Community Survey Results

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the report on the City's Waste Management Strategy and the results of the survey.

Discussion ensued and it was agreed that the workshop be facilitated by a City officer.

**MOVED Cr Fishwick SECONDED Cr Hart that the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the report on the City's Waste Management Strategy and the results of the survey and REQUESTS that updates are provided to the Committee at regular intervals.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

In favour of the Motion: Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

## **ITEM 6                    UPDATE        ON        SUSTAINABILITY        ADVISORY COMMITTEE - STRATEGIC WORKPLAN - [00906]**

**WARD:**                    All

**RESPONSIBLE  
DIRECTOR:**            Mr Ian Cowie  
                                 Governance and Strategy

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### **PURPOSE**

To recommend a review and update of the Strategic Work Plan (SWP) developed and endorsed in 2004 to provide direction to the committee.

### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

At its meeting held on 19 January 2006, the Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) requested an update to its Strategic Workplan October 2004 (SWP) and what is achievable through integrating the plan with the recent Federal Sustainable Cities Inquiry report.

To date many of the high priority actions within the SWP have been completed and with the recent election of a new Council it is timely that the SAC review its workplan.

This report recommends that SAC review its SWP at an informal workshop session to be held in September 2006.

### **BACKGROUND**

In 2003, the Sustainability Advisory Committee decided to undertake a workshop process to

*...develop a strategic direction for the Committee and also to clearly identify its role with regard to supporting sustainability principles within the City.*

High priority objectives and strategies were identified and presented in a SWP which was endorsed by Council at its meeting on 2 November 2004 (CJ251 - 11/04 referees) as follows:

*NOTE that the Sustainability Advisory Committee and Administration will further develop and update the Sustainability Advisory Committee's Strategic Work Plan;*

*NOTE that the Sustainability Advisory Committee will be provided with draft Corporate Key Performance Indicators being developed by the City's Administration for comment.*

A copy of the SWP is shown as Attachment 1 to this Report.

An update on progress in achieving SWP objectives was provided at the meeting of the SAC held on 5 May 2005 (Attachment 2 refers).

At its meeting held on 19 January 2006, the SAC requested an update on the SWP and what is achievable through integrating the recent Federal Sustainable Cities report.

## **DETAILS**

### **Issues and options considered:**

As some time has elapsed since the SWP was developed, a new Council appointed and some changes in the membership of the SAC have occurred, there is an opportunity for Committee members to review the document.

Further, given the release of the Federal Government Inquiry report – Sustainable Cities and the request from SAC to consider how their workplan can integrate with the findings of the Sustainable Cities Inquiry, it would be appropriate for the SAC to review its SWP through an informal workshop process.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

The City of Joondalup Strategic Plan 2003-2008 contains guiding principles, which guide the City's decision making. The principle of sustainability is related to this report.

#### *Sustainability*

- *We will provide for an integrated environmental, social and economic approach to all our activities*
- *We will focus on improving quality of life for current and future residents and ratepayers.*

### **Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

The Local Government Act amendments of 2004-05 requires that local government consider sustainability as a component of its decision making function.

Section 1.3 states:

*In carrying out its functions a local government is to use its best endeavours to meet the needs of current and future generations through integration of environmental protection, social advancement and economic prosperity.*

### **Risk Management considerations:**

In reviewing and developing a strategic workplan the SAC must ensure that the workplan can align to the existing strategic direction of the City and ensure that expectations and workload requests fall within the capability of the city resource to deliver outcomes.

### **Financial/Budget Implications:**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

### **Policy Implications:**

This report has a direct link to Council Policy 1-3 Sustainability.

### **Regional Significance:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee provides an opportunity for consideration of regional matters that may impact on local sustainability.



**Sustainability Implications:**

The Sustainability Advisory Committee aligns with the Strategic Plan 2003-2008 and provides a forum for deliberation on a range of sustainability issues by elected members and community representatives with local knowledge and expertise. The Committee also provides a formal arrangement for making recommendations to Council on a range of sustainability issues.

**Consultation:**

Not Applicable.

**COMMENT**

The SAC, when developing a future workplan should be cognisant of the role that the City will play and should endeavour to set actions and priorities that will enable the City to provide an adequate level of servicing to the SAC.

**ATTACHMENTS**

- Attachment 1 SAC Strategic Workplan October 2005  
Attachment 2 Copy of 2005 Status Report on SAC Strategic Workplan

**VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

Discussion ensued.

**MOVED Cr Fishwick SECONDED Cr Carstairs that the Sustainability Advisory Committee AGREES to review the Strategic Workplan at an informal workshop to be held on 28 September 2006.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

**ITEM 7 CITY OF JOONDALUP CITIES FOR CLIMATE PROTECTION MILESTONE FIVE REPORT AND GREENHOUSE ACTION PLAN - [00906] [59091]**

**WARD:** All

**RESPONSIBLE DIRECTOR:** Mr Ian Cowie  
Director Governance and Strategy

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**PURPOSE/ EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To present the City of Joondalup's Cities for Climate Protection (CCP) Milestone 5 Report.

The City has completed its Milestone 5 Report and been awarded for this stage in the CCP program. To proceed with the next stage of this program (CCP Plus) the City is required to

review its Greenhouse Action Plan (GAP) and progress further towards its greenhouse gas reduction target of 20 % by 2010.

This report recommends that the SAC NOTES the CCP Milestone 5 Report and that the review of the City of Joondalup GAP will be presented to the committee for comment.

## **BACKGROUND**

At its meeting on 8 August 2006, Council received Report CJ 128-08/06 – Cities for Climate Protection Program Milestone 5 Award (Attachment 1 refers). Attachment A provides background to the CCP program including its milestone processes.

Council requested that the CCP Milestone 5 Report (Attachment 2 refers) be referred to SAC for consideration and advice on options and alternatives for initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

## **DETAILS**

### **Issues and options considered:**

The CCP program is a high profile international program, which has 80% of councils participating nationally (82% in WA) and 600 councils worldwide. The City through its GAP has reduced greenhouse emissions by 8%, which was validated through the Milestone 5 processes.

CCP Plus requires the City to review its GAP and aim to reduce greenhouse emissions to achieve the targets agreed at Milestone 2. For the City of Joondalup this means that the City has committed to a reduction target of 20 % (or a stretch target of 35%) by 2010. The SAC in supporting the review of GAP will be provided with a draft copy of the reviewed GAP for their input and comment.

### **Link to Strategic Plan:**

The CCP program has provided the City with a structured approach to implement the *Key Focus Area 2: Caring for the Environment* objectives of the City of Joondalup Strategic Plan 2003 – 2008:

2.1: *“To plan and manage our natural resources to ensure environmental sustainability”* and

2.2: *“To manage waste effectively and efficiently in alignment with environmentally sustainable principles”*.

### **Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

The City meets key relevant requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995 (WA)* by participating in the CCP program. These include:

Part 1 – Introductory matters:

Section 1.3 (2):

- (a) “greater accountability of local governments to their communities;
- (b) “more efficient and effective local government”; and

Section 1.3 (3):

using “.. its best endeavours to meet the needs of current and future generations through an integration of environmental protection, social advancement and economic prosperity”.

**Risk Management considerations:**

Not Applicable.

**Financial/Budget Implications:**

Not Applicable.

**Policy Implications:**

Undertaking community and corporate resource efficiency initiatives using the CCP framework enables the City to meet Policy 5.4 – Sustainability objective and strategies.

**Regional Significance:**

As neighbouring Councils including the Cities of Wanneroo and Stirling are participating in the CCP program, collaborative efforts may be undertaken (eg. with specific initiatives or project planning) between the City and other Local Government Authorities in the greater region.

**Sustainability Implications:**

The City’s sustainability focus is highlighted in its Strategic Plan 2003 –2008 Key Focus Area 2: *Caring for the Environment - “The City of Joondalup is recognised as a leader in environmental sustainability, and continues to promote and enjoy a lifestyle which engenders social and economic sustainability”*. Through the CCP program the City has met and will continue to meet this sustainability focus in the following ways:

- Environmentally –
  - Reductions in greenhouse gas emissions/waste output and water consumption;
  - Encouraging greater levels of resource efficiency; and
  - Investigating and encouraging the use of alternative fuel sources.
- Socially –
  - Providing environmental education in response to community demand / interest eg. Great Gardens workshops, free energy audits and resource efficiency planning;
  - Encouraging behavioural change towards greater environmental concern;
  - Providing leadership of sustainable behaviour; and
  - Enhancing public health via educating the community in reducing pollution.
- Economically –
  - Promoting economic growth by educating the community in cost reduction practices; and
  - Increasing business development opportunities and additional investment eg. environmentally sustainable technologies.

**Consultation:**

The CCP program contains a community component of resource efficiency initiatives that may require community consultation. The extent of this will be established from the review of the GAP.

## COMMENT

The City of Joondalup Milestone 5 Report 2006 has provided the City with the opportunity to present its resource efficiency achievements while reviewing and assessing its progress in greenhouse gas emission reduction. The City managed to achieve a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions despite population and infrastructure growth.

The Milestone 5 Report identifies Future Abatement Measures / Incomplete Actions (Table 10 - Attachment 2). This along with the Milestone 5 Report's recommendations is designed to guide the GAP reviewing process.

## ATTACHMENTS

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| Attachment 1 | CJ 128-08/06 – Cities for Climate Protection Program Milestone 5 Award        |
| Attachment 2 | City of Joondalup Cities for Climate Protection Milestone 5 Report April 2006 |

## VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- 1 NOTES the City of Joondalup Cities for Climate Protection Milestone 5 Report April 2006 shown as Attachment 2 to this Report;
- 2 NOTES that the review of the City of Joondalup Greenhouse Action Plan will be undertaken and presented to the committee for comment.

Director Governance & Strategy provided a brief overview of the report. Discussion ensued.

**MOVED Dr Cusack SECONDED Cr Hart that the Sustainability Advisory Committee:**

- 1 **EXPRESSES SUPPORT for the City of Joondalup's Cities for Climate Protection Milestone 5 Report April 2006 shown as Attachment 2 to this Report.**
- 2 **NOTES that the review of the City of Joondalup Greenhouse Action Plan will be undertaken and presented to the committee for comment.**
- 3 **CONGRATULATES the staff of the City of Joondalup on achieving an excellent outcome with the completion of its Milestone 5 Report.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

**ITEM 8                    SUSTAINABILITY POLICIES - [00906]****WARD:**                    All**RESPONSIBLE  
DIRECTOR:**            Mr Ian Cowie  
                                 Governance and Strategy

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**PURPOSE/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

To re-submit to the Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC) the Council adopted City Sustainability Policy 5-4 for noting.

**BACKGROUND/DETAILS**

At its meeting on 19 January 2006 the SAC received a report shown as attachment A requesting that the SAC note the adopted City Policy 5-4 - Sustainability.

The SAC on the 19 January 2006 was unable to complete its agenda and it was moved by Mr Magyar and seconded by Dr Cusack that the Sustainability Advisory Committee DEFERS consideration of the City Sustainability policy until its next meeting to be held on the 9 March 2006.

The SAC did not hold a meeting on 9 March 2006 and this matter has now been referred to this meeting.

**Link to Strategic Plan:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Legislation – Statutory Provisions:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Risk Management considerations:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Financial/Budget Implications:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Policy Implications:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Regional Significance:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Sustainability Implications:**

Refer Attachment 1.

**Consultation:**

Refer Attachment 1.

### **COMMENT**

Refer Attachment 1.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment 1 SAC Agenda Item 3 -19 January 2006 - Report on Sustainability Policies

Attachment 2 Sustainability Policy 5-4

### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION:** That the Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the City Sustainability Policy 5-4 as shown as Attachment 2 to this Report.

Discussion ensued.

Director Governance & Strategy left the Room at 1900hrs.

**MOVED Cr Magyar SECONDED Dr Cusack that the Sustainability Advisory Committee:**

**1 REQUESTS Council to refer the following matters to the Policy Committee for further consideration:**

(i) **Statement of Intent of Policy 5.4 be changed to delete the second sentence and alter the third sentence to delete the words “and particular circumstances and read as follows:**

**“The purpose of this policy is to set a direction that will, over time result in the achievement of outcomes consistent with the principles of sustainability. The Council is mindful that in some instances there may be constraints through the need to act within legislation”;**

(ii) **That a similar change be made to Council Policy 1.3;**

(iii) **The discussion paper attached to the City Policy 5.4 on the website is also attached to the Council Policy 1.3.**

**2 REQUESTS Council to consider changing the terms of reference of all committees to allow a committee to refer items of business to other committees without having to seek a resolution of Council**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

**MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN****NOTICE OF MOTION – CR S MAGYAR - [61581]**

In accordance with Clause 26 of Standing Orders Local Law 2005, Cr Magyar has given notice of his intention to move the following motion at the meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee to be held on 31 August 2006:

*“That the Sustainability Advisory Committee:*

- 1 *INVITES Mr Brian Fleay, or another representative from the Australian Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas to give a presentation on the implications for the sustainability of Joondalup of peak oil at the next meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee;*
- 2 *INVITES all Elected Members and the corporate Executive to the next meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee to consider the implications of peak oil on the sustainability of Joondalup;*
- 3 *DETERMINES and ADVISES the Council of the long term implications of peak oil after the presentation on the issue of peak oil.”*

**Reasons for Motion**

Peak oil is an issue that the Sustainability Committee has not yet considered. The implications of the loss of cheap convenient fuel will make the sustainability of the City of Joondalup questionable.

**Officer’s Comment**

The Australian Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas (ASPO Australia) is an association of researchers, professionals and others with an interest in the study of peak oil and gas. ASPO Australia is part of a network of organisations around the world affiliated with the original Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas. The formation of ASPO-Australia is an initiative of the [Sustainable Transport Coalition](#).

Mr Brian Fleay is the WA contact for ASPO Australia.

In considering the motion before the Committee the following comments are provided to assist the committee.

- The provision of oil for future generations is of global concern and will require a global and national response to ensure alternative fuel solutions are brought forward to balance the global oil issue facing society today.
- From a City of Joondalup perspective the City needs to clearly define the role it wishes to play in supporting the community as oil price rises continue to impact on community life.
- There are many contributions that the Council and the City could make in pursuing a path to sustainability which currently include or may include:
  - Delivering Travelsmart programs that support the increasing use of public transport and alternative transport such as cycling.
  - Providing greater levels of support for CAT bus type services in and around the City and possibly suburban areas.

- Purchasing a greater number of hybrid vehicles or low fuel consumption and emission vehicles for the City's fleet.
- Continuing to provide new road treatments that restrict speed and/or deter vehicle usage where possible.
- Implementing a new planning scheme that provides for greater density around public transport nodes to encourage public transport use.
- Providing awareness raising programs that engage the community and provide the factual information that residents need to make alternative lifestyle choices.

Cr Magyar indicated it would be appropriate for an expert in this field to explain to the Committee the implications for the City of Joondalup in relation to Peak Oil and what other options may be available.

Discussion ensued.

**MOVED Cr Magyar SECONDED Mr Carstairs that the Sustainability Advisory Committee:**

- 1 INVITES Mr Brian Fleay, or another representative from the Australian Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas to give a presentation on the implications for the sustainability of Joondalup of peak oil at a meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee to be held in November/December 2006.**
- 2 INVITES all Elected Members and the corporate Executive to the next meeting of the Sustainability Advisory Committee when the implications of peak oil on the sustainability of Joondalup are presented and discussed.**
- 3 DETERMINES and ADVISES the Council of the long term implications of peak oil after the presentation on the issue of peak oil.**

**The Motion was Put and**

**CARRIED (6/0)**

**In favour of the Motion:** Crs John, Fishwick, Hart, Magyar, Mr Carstairs and Dr Cusack

## **REQUESTS FOR REPORTS FOR FUTURE CONSIDERATION**

### **Update on the City's Bicycle Plan.**

Manager Strategic Development advised that the Plan was in the process of being developed.

### **Gosford City Council's Best Practice Vehicle Report.**

Dr Cusack requested that an updated report on Gosford City Council's vehicle practice be provided to the Committee. Manager Strategic Development to follow up.

### **Best Practice Vehicle Report.**

Mr Carstairs requested that copies of the Best Practice Vehicle report be made available to all Committee members.



## **CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the Presiding Person declared the Meeting closed at 1926 hrs; the following Committee members being present at that time:

Cr M John  
Cr R Fishwick  
Cr S Hart  
Cr S Magyar  
Mr W Carstairs  
Dr V Cusack