CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 27 MARCH 2002.

1. ATTENDANCE

Attendance's:

Cr Hollywood (Chairman)

Mr. J Wood

Ms M Zakrevsky

Mr. D. Pike

Mr. S Magyar

Mr. M Norman

Mr. K Armstrong (C.O.J)

Apologies:

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Cr. A Nixon

Ms Karen Clarke

Ms R Mc Elroy

Mr. R Henderson

Cr. Hollywood declared the meeting open at 5.35 p.m.

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

The minutes of the Conservation Advisory Committee held on 27 February 2002 were accepted as a true and correct record subject to the following amendment.

That the discussion relating to the Allenswood Road planting and herbicide applications on the median of discussed Greenwood at the meeting be reflected in the minutes.

Moved: M Zakrevsky Seconded: J Wood Carried

Mike Norman asked that his concerns regarding the extension of the current Council herbicide tender prior to its lapsing in April 2002 be noted in the minutes.

Moved: M Norman Seconded: M Zakrevsky

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD 27 FEBRUARY 2002.

3.1 Analysis of natural areas expenditure Mike Norman tabled a document he had authored titled City of Joondalup Maintenance

Expenditure – Remnant Vegetation Vs Parks.

Cr. Hollywood requested that M. Norman read out the document. M. Norman read out the document and answered questions from Committee Members. A copy of the document M. Norman tables is attached to these minutes.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Rabbits

M. Zakrevsky said she and other Committee Members were deeply concerned about the increase in rabbit numbers in the natural vegetation on the coastal strip and incidence of rabbit sightings in other parks. Cr. Hollywood said that he had observed an increase in rabbit populations in Burns Beach Area. Cr. Hollywood then requested K. Armstrong to submit a design to the next Conservation Advisory Committee meeting for a secure and safe baiting station.

4. OTHER MATTERS

5.1 Proposed fire station Hepburn Heights Bushland.

Cr. Hollywood read out an email from R. Henderson outlining the current situation in regarding the proposed fire station in Hepburn Heights Conservation Reserve.

5.2 Daniel Millan nomination to Conservation Advisory Committee

Daniel Millan represents The Friends of Lillburne Park. Daniel Millan was nominated by M. Norman to become a member of the Conservation Advisory Committee.

Moved: M Norman Seconded:M.Zakrevsky Carried

5.3 Beaumont Park Greenwood

Concerns were raised by M. Zakrevsky that Beaumont Park Greenwood was being watered five times a week. Cr. Hollywood said this seemed excessive and asked K. Armstrong to investigate.

5.4 Veldt Grass Control

A number of Committee Members stated that they were dissatisfied with the results of last season's herbicide control of veldt grass. Cr. Hollywood asked K. Armstrong to discuss with the Operation Services Manager the possibility of using an alternative contractor to apply

Fusillade Herbicide to the veldt grass in Warwick Open Space this year on a trial basis.

M. Norman added that he believed that all weed control in Councils bushlands reserves should be undertaken by qualified bush regenerators.

5.5 **Dual Use Pathway**

Cr. Hollywood requested that Operation Services staff conduct a survey of the usage of the coastal dual use pathway.

Cr. Hollywood declared the meeting closed at 7.20 p.m.

Next meeting Wednesday 24 April 2002