

CITY OF JOONDALUP

Notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE will be held in CONFERENCE ROOM 2, JOONDALUP CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP on THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2002 commencing at 17:45 hrs.

Denis Smith
Chief Executive Officer
8 May 2002

Joondalup
Western Australia

Committee Members

<i>Cr J Hollywood</i>	Councillor, Committee Chairperson
<i>Cr A Nixon</i>	Councillor, (Deputy, Cr O'Brien)
<i>Mr S Hawkins</i>	Community Representative, Deputy Chairperson
<i>Mr J Goldsmith</i>	Sustainable Development Officer
<i>Mr D Cluning</i>	Manager Operations Services
<i>Mr D Wake</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr C Merry</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr R Kurup</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr S Magyar</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr V Cusack</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr W Carstairs</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr G Harnett</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr G Down</i>	Community Representative

Apologies

Mr Dennis Clunning Manager Operations Services

Guest

Mr Fabian Uzaraga Coordinator Sustainable Development

Terms of Reference of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee

“to recommend to the City of Joondalup Council on appropriate courses of action on matters that affect the environment and sustainability issues within the region.”

Committee Aims and Objectives

- *To recommend to the City of Joondalup Council on appropriate courses of action which promote and encourage ecologically sustainable development.*
- *Develop, implement and monitor a sustainability action plan for the City.*

- *To promote and encourage sustainable development based on the principles of Local Agenda 21 (integrated environmental, social and economic sustainability).*
- *To provide recommendations to the City of Joondalup Council in relation to sustainable development pilot projects, programs and activities which facilitate sustainable development within the City of Joondalup.*
- *To provide a co-ordinated communication link between Council and the City of Joondalup community, groups and organisations, in relation to sustainable development issues.*

Attachment 1 contains the 2002 committee workplan.

AGENDA

- 1. ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGIES**
- 2. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST**
- 3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**
 - 3.1 Minutes of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee held on 18 April 2002 (previously distributed).**

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting held on 18 April 2002 be accepted as a true and accurate record.

- 4. BUSINESS OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS.**

Committee members to be updated regarding action items and outstanding business arising from the 21 March 2002 committee meeting.

Committee members are requested to review the 2002 work plan (Attachment 1) and provide an update on action items.

4.1 Administrative comments on Air Quality/Wood Heater Local Law

Stuart Hawkin to update the committee.

4.2 Invitation for Edith Cowan University representation on the committee

Edith Cowan University has been invited to submit nominations for a representative on the Environmental Advisory Committee. Nominations will be referred to a future committee meeting.

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

5.1 Sustainability Web Site (Mr Goldsmith).

The City of Joondalup sustainability web site has recently been updated to provide an extensive information resource on sustainability and environmental topics.

The site includes;

(1) an **introduction** (opening address by the Mayor, a definition of sustainability, the City's submission on the State Government Sustainability Strategy, sustainability display, Joondalup Festival, sustainability outcomes)

(2) **The Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee** (Committee agendas and minutes archive, guidance note, committee membership, 2002 workplan)

(3) The City's **Environmental Sustainability Policy**

(4) **Key sustainability topics** (Cities for Climate Protection, future directions in waste management, the City's submission on the State Government Sustainability Strategy, sustainability Education, waste management).

(5) **Sustainability education** (Schools environment challenge, Edith Cowan University Ecosystem Health Conference, sustainability milestones at the City of Joondalup

(6) **Funding and awards** (City of Joondalup Community Funding Programme, Funding (Local, State and National Funding Sources), Awards (State, National and International Awards)).

(7) **Sustainability Links**

The sustainability web site provides a link to the Cities for Climate Protection programme.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommends that Council;

- 1. NOTES the City of Joondalup sustainability web site available at living.joondalup.wa.gov.au**
- 2. INFORMS selected stakeholders, including the Western Australian Local Government Association and the Sustainability Policy Unit, Department of Premier and Cabinet, of the City's sustainability web site.**

5.2 Draft Report "Progress Towards Achieving A Sustainable Future" (Cr Hollywood)

In the interests of recognising recent sustainability achievements by the City of Joondalup and the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee, a draft report has been prepared to summarise and highlight such achievements (Attachment 2). The draft report has been revised in the light of committee comments.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommends that Council:

- 1. NOTES the report "Progress Towards Achieving a Sustainable Future"**
- 2. LISTS the report on the City's Sustainability web site.**
- 3. REFERS the report to selected stakeholders, including the Western Australian Local Government Association and the Sustainability Policy Unit, Department of Premier and Cabinet.**

5.3 "Sustainable Futures 2002-2007" Sustainability Plan (Mr Goldsmith)

The committee is advised that the first meeting of the Sustainable Futures Working Group was scheduled for 15 May 2002, to review the draft Sustainable Futures Sustainability plan. The committee will be updated regarding the working group meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the update regarding the Sustainable Futures Working Group.

5.4 Public Lecture, “The Salinity Crisis: The History and Politics of Denial” (Mr Cusack)

Public Lecture by Dr Quentin Beresford “The Salinity Crisis: The History and Politics of Denial”.

ECU’s Centre for Ecosystem Management is delighted to invite members of the public to attend a free public lecture by Dr Quentin Beresford, Associate Professor of Politics and Government at Edith Cowan University. He is a specialist in public policy and is co-author with Dr Hugo Bekle, Associate Professor Harry Phillips, and Ms Jane Mulcock of the recently released book, *The Salinity Crisis: Landscapes, Communities and Politics*.

Lecture Synopsis; Salinity is one of Australia’s most serious environmental problems. It is destroying landscapes and threatening rural communities across Australia. Using the Western Australian Wheatbelt as a case study, this lecture will examine the history and politics of salinity. It will show the extent of successive governments’ knowledge about the threat posed by salinity. This knowledge developed at the various stages of the opening up to agriculture of the vast Western Australian Wheatbelt from the 1900s to 1980s. This public knowledge about salinity is frequently overlooked in the current public debate and largely denied by government in their policy responses to the current crisis. The lecture will examine the reasons behind the denial of salinity as a major threat to the environment and will raise issues relating to the responsibility of governments – and the wider community – to now deal with the environmental, economic and social consequences.

Date: Tuesday, 21 May 2002

Time: 7.00pm – 8.00 pm

Venue: Science and Health Building 19

Lecture theatre 19.141 ECU Joondalup Campus

RSVP by 17 May: Telephone Muriel Bertuch 9400-5089

For further information, contact Dorian Moro 9400 5143. Entry is Free

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee NOTES the public lecture.

5.5 Resignation of Mr Christopher Merry. (Cr Hollywood)

Mr Christopher Merry has submitted his resignation from the committee (attachment 3).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee recommends that Council accepts the resignation of Mr Merry.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Environmental and Sustainability Advisory Committee will be held in Conference Room 2, Joondalup Civic Centre, Boas Avenue, Joondalup on Thursday 20 June 2002 at 5.45 pm.

CLOSE OF MEETING

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