

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Direction of the Conservation Advisory Committee

M Norman stated that the Conservation Advisory Committee has been moving towards looking at wider local environmental issues. J Hollywood said that many of the issues discussed by the Conservation Advisory Committee and the Environmental Advisory Committee were of a similar nature. S Magyar suggested that members of the Conservation Advisory Committee attend the Environmental Advisory Committee meetings on occasions, as observers.

R Henderson stated that she was concerned that bushland issues may not receive the depth of scrutiny required by the Environmental Advisory Committee. M Zakrevsky was concerned that the issue of remnant bushland may be overlooked if the Conservation Advisory Committee was disbanded. She then requested details about the Verge & Median Committee.

R Henderson asked if the Conservation Advisory Committee reported to the Environmental Advisory Committee, could Conservation Advisory Committee recommendations be vetoed. S Magyar advised that this could happen, however it was unlikely to occur.

M Zakrevsky asked what other committees would report to the Environmental Advisory Committee. D Cluning advised the following committees may apply:-

Yellagonga Regional Park Advisory Committee
Verge & Median Development Committee
Urban Animal Committee.

D Pike outlined the committee structure operated by the City of Stirling.

4.2 The direction of the Conservation Advisory Committee was discussed, as many of the issues under discussion were also listed for consideration by Council's Environmental Advisory Committee. Committee members considered the option of restructuring the Conservation Advisory Committee to become a sub-committee of the Environmental Advisory Committee. The principle role of the Conservation Advisory Committee would then be to recommend/comment on items and issues relating to:-

- (a) designated conservation areas;
- (b) remnant vegetation within Public Open Space;
- (c) development of new conservation areas.

As a sub-committee, reports would be directed to the Environmental Advisory Committee for comment or submission to Council.

Following extensive discussion, all committee members agreed with the proposed changes.

MOTION

- (a) That the Conservation Advisory Committee be restructured to become a sub-committee of the Environmental Advisory Committee.
- (b) That a new Terms of Reference be prepared for consideration at the August meeting of the Conservation Advisory Committee.

**Moved: M Zakrevsky Seconded: D Pike
CARRIED**

5 OTHER MATTERS

- 5.1 M Norman advised that he and M Zakrevsky had just met with the Director Infrastructure Management, Manager Operations Services and Council's Conservation Officer to discuss the future management of bushland within the City of Joondalup. M Norman stated he would be organising a petition to Council to gauge support for an increased standard of bushland maintenance by the City.
- 5.2 D Pike enquired as to whether funding for bushland management had been increased in the 2000/2001 Budget. D Cluning advised that increased funding had been proposed and that a Bushland Regenerator will be utilised on a trial basis.
- 5.3 J Wood asked whether Council knew of more information about the chlorine buffer zone. K Armstrong advised he has had telephone discussions with Water Corporation and he will liaise with that organisation regarding location and timing of the buffer fence installation in Craigie Open Space.
- 5.4 J Hollywood asked about access by four wheel drive vehicles to Burns Beach. D Cluning advised that vehicles gain access via the privately owned bushland adjacent to Marmion Avenue and that to control this access was very difficult.
- 5.5 R Henderson asked what controls are in place to control clearing at the Pinnaroo Cemetery. D Cluning advised that the City has no powers in this area because the City of Joondalup does not own the site.
- 5.6 M Zakrevsky enquired as to whether a copy of the Pinnaroo Cemetery Management Plan can be obtained. K Armstrong will attempt to secure a copy.

Date of Next Meeting: 24 August 2000

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 7.25 pm