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CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 28 NOVEMBER 2001

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 26 NOVEMBER 2001

1 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present: Cr J Hollywood (Chairman)

Cr A Nixon Mr D Cluning Mr K Armstrong Mrs M Zakrevsky Ms K Clarke

Ms K Clarke
Mr S Magyar
Ms R McElroy
Mr J Wood
Mr D Hancock
Mr M Brundrett

Apologies: Mr M Norman

Mr R Henderson

In Attendance: Mr D Smith (Chief Executive Officer City of Joondalup)

Cr Hollywood declared the meeting open at 5.30pm.

2 CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the Conservation Advisory Committee held on 11 October 2001 were accepted as true and correct record, subject to the following amendment:-

Item 4.1 – Replace the second sentence with the specific request made by members at the meeting as follows –

"A number of committee members requested a summary of the City's expenditure year to date against budget for both conservation areas and natural areas, to be presented at the December and June meetings, giving a brief line item description of each activity being paid for. The purpose of this was for the whole committee to try to assess the effectiveness of the expenditure versus the on-the-ground results being achieved."

Moved: M Zakrevsky Seconded: K Clarke CARRIED

Cr Hollywood introduced Mr Denis Smith, Chief Executive Officer of City of Joondalup. Mr Smith spoke about a number of environmental issues and of his experience in both the public and private sector. He also spoke of commonwealth grants and funding availability; and briefly touched on recycling/waste management issues, environmental sustainability and landscape strategies.

K Clarke and M Brundrett entered the room at 5.50pm. Mr Smith left the meeting at 6.05pm.

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Cr Hollywood then introduced Mr Daniel Malan. Daniel spoke about his interest in forming a friends group to rehabilitate Lilburne Reserve in Duncraig. He stated that he has had good support from Council staff and is looking forward to a long-term association with the bushland at Lilburne Reserve.

M Brundrett from the Friends of Warwick Bushland was introduced and spoke briefly about his involvement with the Warwick bushland.

Cr Hollywood advised he had received a resignation from Mr David Hancock. Mr Hancock then stated his reason for resigning. He advised that he had recently formed a company, which had commenced operating on a number of bushland regeneration projects for the City of Joondalup. He stated that his position as a committee member might conflict with his current commercial relationship with the City.

3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING HELD 11 OCTOBER 2001

3.1 <u>Coastal Study Progress</u>

D Cluning advised the committee that Ecoscape Pty Ltd had been selected to undertake the coastal study. K Armstrong spoke about the process of public consultation that will be undertaken as part of the brief.

3.2 City of Joondalup Bushland Management Expenditure

D Cluning gave an overview of expenditure relating to the management of the City's bushland areas.

K Clarke questioned the amount of money spent on Fusilade application in the Warwick Bushland, She said a number of areas that she thought would be sprayed, were not covered as she had hoped. D Cluning said that her concerns were noted.

Discussion followed on the most appropriate time to apply Fusilade. R McElroy said that she had found that spraying in July seemed to have been successful. K Armstrong stated that there didn't seem to be a perfect time to spray because temperature and rainfall conditions had a profound effect on plant growth and therefore the best time to apply Fusilade could vary each year. He added that because spraying was undertaken by many local government bodies during the spraying season, obtaining the perfect window of opportunity to spray could be difficult because the contractor may be contracted elsewhere.

K Armstrong left meeting at 6.35pm.

4 GENERAL BUSINESS

4.1 Weeds Brochure Update

Mr Brundrett offered to assist K Armstrong in the preparation of the brochure and review information, if requested.

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4.2 Boundary Fence Warwick Public Open Space

D Cluning advised the committee that the bollards being removed from the eastern boundary of Warwick Public Open Space are being stockpiled and will be reused in other areas.

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K Clarke raised Cr O'Brien's suggestion that a skate park be situated on the limestone car park at the southern end of the tennis courts, adjacent to Lloyd Drive. She said that the Friends of Warwick Bushland are opposed to the suggestion and also added that the group supports the removal of the toilet block currently situated in the area.

4.3 Information Brochure to Residents

K Clarke spoke about the possibility of producing a brochure/information handout for residents adjoining Warwick Public Open Space. Discussion ensued on this matter and it was decided to take no further action at this juncture.

It was also requested that additional information signage be installed in Warwick Public Open Space covering litter and fire issues. Junior Rangers Program information could be utilised for educational purposes around the bushland.

4.4 Environmental and Sustainability Committee Update

K Clarke suggested that members of the Conservation Advisory Committee attend the Environmental and Sustainability Committee meetings as guests and that minutes of both committees' meetings be exchanged.

4.5 <u>Craigie Public Open Space</u>

J Wood requested the Power Point presentation given to councillors on Craigie Public Open Space be presented at the next meeting of the Conservation Advisory Committee.

4.6 Porteous Park

M Norman's letter to local residents and his positive comments on the recent work undertaken by Council in Porteous Park in Sorrento were noted by members.

5 OTHER MATTERS

5.1 Meeting Dates

M Zakrevsky requested the meeting dates for 2002 be held on a Wednesday.

<u>Korella Park – Rabbits</u>

M Zakrevsky advised that rabbits had become a problem in Korella Park Mullaloo.

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Cr Hollywood thanked D Hancock for his involvement in the Conservation Advisory Committee and wished him well for the future.

6 NEXT MEETING

To be advised

There being no further business Cr Hollywood declared the meeting closed at 7.40pm.

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Joondalup Community Coast Care Forum Inc

Joondalup Community, Caring for our coast.

MINUTES

General Meeting, Monday 22nd OCTOBER 2001

- 1. Meeting opened 7.35pm.
- 2. Attendance & Apologies. There were 11 people present as per attached sheet.
- 3. Minutes of previous meeting. Moved Robin Prangnell seconded Mitch Sideris that the minutes as circulated be adopted. CARRIED.
- 4. Business arising. Nil.
- 5. Correspondence.

To:

City of Joondalup re Tom Simpson Park, Mullaloo Precinct Plan and dual use path.

From;

City of Joondalup re dog trial at Mullaloo Beach. Thomas Werrett re Joondalup Gate Family Fun Day.

- 6. Business arising. Resolved to write to Thomas Werrett thanking them for the invitation and asking to be kept informed of future events.
- Guest Speaker.
 No guest speaker this month.
- 8. Reports.
 - 7.1 Treasurer. The Treasurer reported a credit balance of \$168.05. Report attached.
 - 7.2 Dune Restoration. Mike Norman reported that as a result of our meeting with the Mayor the Joondalup City Council had prepared a consultancy brief. We will be invited to speak to the consultants and must ensure that this results in the development of a good management plan for the coastal strip. It was resolved that Mike, Wendy Herbert, Bernadette Fee and Tony Logan represent us in this matter. It was resolved to write and thank the Mayor for his consideration of the issue and the prompt response. More weeding has been done at Sorrento and it was found that there has been an invasion of sea spinach. There will be more plantings at Sorrento to increase the density of the regenerating vegetation. Mike will redesign the proposed banner and Mitch will get a quote to pass on to Keith Armstrong. Signage for the Sorrento project is currently being constructed.
 - 7.3 Education. Bernadette reported on the article in the local paper and presentations to the schools who participated in the Mullaloo project. Bernadette then presented Wendy Herbert and Keith Armstrong with an engraved trowel as thanks for their help and support. It was resolved to write to City Of Joondalup thanking them for the donation of trowels, scarfs, ties

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and pins, publicity in the Council News and the photos of those who attended the Councils Volunteer Night.

- 7.4 Funding. Wendy reported on our funding application for \$7,075 for dune restoration south of the Mullaloo Surf Club.
- 7.5 Response. No issues.
- General Business.

The Our Bushland Newsletter is available quarterly by contacting Alice Stubber by Email at alice@ca.com.au

Mike informed the meeting that Transport had been seen surveying the Sorrento dunes apparently to create a bus lane. It was resolved to write to Transport.

Mitch reported that the Mullaloo Progress Association had requested funding for the unconstructed section of the dual use path at Mullaloo in the City Of Joondalup mid year budget review. The Progress Association has formed a committee to attempt to have the Merrifield Place blocks rezoned.

Keith Armstrong reported that the Coast Care grant money had been received. The Pinnaroo Point access road has been fitted with a gate and the Yatch Club has a key.

Bernadette raised the issue of the need to obtain an aerial photo of the entire coastal strip.

Resolved to write to the Iluka Residence Association to advise that we would be doing a letter drop in their area.

Resolved to support Wendy and Bernadette approaching Sue Brand re Cafés on the coastal strip.

Anyone interested in knitting suits for penguins can get information at www.tct.org.au or phone 03 6234 3552.

- 10. Next Meeting. Monday 26th of November.
- 11. Meeting Closed at 9.45pm.

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YELLAGONGA CATCHMENT GROUP Held on THURSDAY 25 OCTOBER 2001 at 9.00 am At the City of Wanneroo

1. PRESENT

Erik Leipoldt (EL)
Bernard Terry (BT)
Mike Barry COJ
Colin Hird (CH)
Cr Mike O'Brien (M'OB)
Erika Blunn (EB)

Marion Cahill (MC)
Paul Watt (PW)
Cr Glynis Monks (GM)
Una Buck (UB)
Gordon Matthews (GM)
Cr Sam Salpietro (SS)

2. APOLOGIES

Cr Andrew Nixon Tony O'Gorman MLA Sheila Cousins (SC) Jayson Puls CALM Len Castro (LC)

Dianne Guise MLA David Hancock (DH) (FOY) Ann Davies

IN ATTENDANCE

Elizabeth French (EF) Terry Sargent (TS)

The Chair requested, with the meetings permission, an extra item be added to future agendas, Correspondence.

3. MINUTES

Amendments

Nil

ACTION

The minutes of the last meeting were accepted: Moved PW, Seconded CH

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence out: Chair referred to two items of late correspondence, the first to Charles Johnson re funding for the Co Ordinator's position, the second to Alan Sands CALM. Both letters had been emailed beforehand to those with email, and were tabled and discussed.

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Ann Davies had requested for her comment to be noted at the meeting and the Chair read it to the meeting: "To ensure that all members may be fully involved in the activities of the group it is recommended that all members of the YCG be given the opportunity to comment on any significant correspondence emanating from the group."

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The Chair also relayed her comment on the wording of the letters which she would have written more 'dispassionately'.

This was discussed briefly. The letters had been produced in consultation with the Secretary/Treasurer and Co-ordinator. BT explained that the respective letters were seen as arising from a.) our ongoing efforts with the City of Wanneroo for an extra half day funding for the Co-ordinator position and b.) arising from issues presented at the September meeting of which clarification was needed. They were not seen as new issues that the YCG had not discussed.

The meeting agreed that in the ordinary course of events the group's Executive Members and Co-ordinator could continue to draft and send letters arising from YCG business. Any letters of significance where the YCG had not discussed the relevant issues would be circulated for comment if action was needed before a next monthly meeting. The meeting also agreed with EL that to do this with all correspondence would be unwieldy and ineffective.

The correspondence was adopted.

5. CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

The report was distributed with the meetings agenda. MC spoke to item 1, noting that the next weeding/revegetation activity is at Banyandah Blvd on Saturday 3 November.

5. SECRETARY/TREASURERS REPORT

A printout of the spreadsheet showing where the catchment group's money had been spent was distributed.

Funding Applications Outstanding

- SCULP Submitted 20 July 01 for 2002 revegetation project at Banyandah Boulevard; forwarded response to request for further information in early October. No response to date.
- City of Joondalup Community Funding Grants Submitted 19 October 01 for Yellow Fish Project. No response to date.
- IYV 2001 Small Equipment Grants Submitted 24 September 01 for additional equipment for groundwater monitoring program. Not successful.

Funding Applications Pending

Judy Edwards Community Conservation Grants – Due 9 November 01. Projects for consideration include fully equipped revegetation trailer for use on

Work for Dole Projects, plus other environmental group projects in the area; special projects officer for YCG activities as per Action Plan.

The Secretary/Treasurer's Report was adopted.

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6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

None

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Meeting procedures

A document on meeting procedures was tabled. The coordinator spoke to the points raised. The chair stressed the need for meetings to commence on time. MO'B requested a directory of exact meeting location within the building could be placed in the fover.

Meeting Procedures were adopted

7.2 Stormwater Working Party

The work party met and together with Erika Blunn developed a four-week work plan. A copy of the plan was distributed. Erika explained the points included in the plan. The coordinator spoke on the Yellow Fish project and market gardeners fertiliser use. Councillor Salpietro informed the group that a public meeting on the subject of market garden fertiliser use is to be called by COW in November. COJ are reported to be funding one remedial works on a stormwater outfall at Lake Goollelal.

The work plan was adopted

7.2.1 Ariti Drain Progress

Nothing to report. Monitoring the water at the outfall is a two year project.

CH raise the problem of maintaining the basins after construction. Of particular concern is the sump near San Rosa Rd. PW responded they were no maintenance regimes in place.

The problem of identifying those sumps needing work done on them and how many there were was discussed. It was felt that phone calls and letters to residents in the area was needed to highlight the construction of this sump. It is proposed that an inspection of the San Rosa sump be conducted by the Coordinator and the Work Experience student during next Friday's bore monitoring.

7.3 Membership Nominations/Confirmations

Nil

7.4 Catchment Stakeholders

It was agreed that the YCG must increase its focus on catchment issues. It was suggested it draw up a plan and strategy in order to start addressing wider issues such as groundwater quality, stormwater and polluting run-off.

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Direct stakeholders in these issues, such as turf growers, market gardeners, industrial users in Wangara, land developers and residents should be clearly identified and strategies pertinent to these individual groups developed.

SP informed the meeting that the COW would organise a meeting of turf growers and market gardeners in December and he would let the YCG know of the date and venue in order for us to be represented there.

ACTION:

- MC, EL, GM, to draft a plan including strategies to progress this issue.
- MC to liaise with SS

7.5 YCG Community Information Sheet

MC read out the suggestions that have been made to the draft, as tabled.

ACTION:

- It was agreed that we limit the list of contacts to include the chair and FOY.
- Some comment on the environment centre must be included.
- A press release from the YCG based on the contribution from Steve Magyar
 to be inserted into Community News separate to the YCG newsletter, while
 making a reference to it in the Newsletter.
- WP to complete amendments and circulate final draft at the next YVCG meeting

7.6 Web Page

The Twin Cities development is now on the go and we will be included. A link with COJ and COW is to be explored.

ACTION:

• MC to research links with CoJ and CoW

7.7 Report – most recent midge larvae monitoring results

Monitoring shows increasing larvae numbers, up to 2400 this week 2040 last week. The need to treat 3/5 of lake today (the same area as last spraying) today, Thursday. The need to keep part of the lake chemical free is most important for life of the lake.

COW agreed to look again into informing residents on what is being done in detail, and what individuals and what individuals can do themselves to minimise midge nuisance.

EF cited research findings that a large part of Lake Joondalup was now devoid of naturally occurring micro organisms and invertebrates.

Elizabeth French left the meeting to conduct the spraying.

7.8 Midge Calendars update/modifications

EF reported. No update – four calendars returned since July.

7.9 Reports

• Midge Action Group

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GM reported on the Midge Action Group. It had undertaken no action.

• Residents / Ratepayers Association

CH reported he was now the Vice Chair of the Wanneroo Residents /Ratepayers Association.

He agreed to explore how the Wanneroo Residents & Ratepayers Assoc. could play a role in the YCG's efforts on wider catchment issues.

7.10 Publicity/Profile

The Catchment Groups display was used Perry's Paddocks Field Day. The next occasion will be the Wanneroo show in November.

The coordinator presented an information kit from Greening Australia, which costs \$2. These could be sold to developers to assist new homebuyers to plant more 'water wise' gardens featuring native plants, and for other interested groups. The YCG has included an advertising sheet in each book for our activities.

7.11 Environment Centre

Dealt with under 7.5

7.12 Wanneroo/Joondalup Conservation Advisory Committee

City of Wanneroo Conservation Advisory Committee

BT reported on the item raised in the minutes of the last meeting. The item was drawing attention to the problem of the committee only holding workshops and having guest speakers instead of discussing real issues. PW responded by drawing attention to his limited resources.

7.13 Midge Steering Group Liaison

M Barry COJ spoke in an unofficial position, he is still awaiting Council approval, on issues raised at the Midge Steering Group. The budget for treating Lake Joondalup for midge, monitoring and research was \$170,000. There was a belief that this amount was for a five-year term. The Midge Steering Group intends to invite Jenny Davies to their next meeting to discuss alternative midge treatments. The group will now meet on the second Tuesday of each month and the financial statement for each authority will be reviewed. In future, the minutes of each meeting will be distributed to the YCG.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

MC spoke on the paper distributed last month regarding the use of scarce resources. One approach to the problem could to the appointment of a technical person to assist

the coordinator. Projects this person needs to be involved in were listed on the paper tabled.

Some discussion ensued. There is a need for further clarification of the needs to be addressed; where the gaps are and what strategies could be applied to these, ranging from recruitment and use of volunteers to seeking funding for paid staff.

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MC also presented details of the review of the catchment boundaries, currently being conducted by the Swan Catchment Centre. This item was raised for the interest of the committee as there could be implications for the YCG as it progresses further. EL suggested that the YCG invite a representative from the SCC to the next meeting.

ACTION:

MC and EL to develop a further proposal. MC to liaise with SCC

Meeting closed at 11.15am.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is Thursday 22 November 2001, at the City of Joondalup Library, 3-5 pm