

ATTACHMENT A

CITY OF JOONDALUP

**MINUTES OF AN INFORMAL MEETING OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN CONFERENCE ROOM 3, JOONDALUP
CIVIC CENTRE, BOAS AVENUE, JOONDALUP ON THURSDAY 19 July 2001
COMMENCING AT 5.45 PM**

1. ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGIES**ATTENDANCE***Committee Members*

<i>Cr J Hollywood</i>	Councillor
<i>Cr A Nixon</i>	Councilor

<i>Mr J Kirton</i>	Manager Organisation & Strategic Development
<i>Mr D Wake</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr S Hawkins</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mrs J Richards</i>	Community Representative

APOLOGIES

<i>Mr J Goldsmith</i>	Local Agenda 21 Officer
<i>Mr D Cluning</i>	Manager Operations Services

*No Apologies received
from:*

<i>Dr R France</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr C Merry</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mrs C Wood</i>	Community Representative
<i>Mr J Prefumo</i>	Community Representative

There being no quorum present, the meeting was counted out at 18.15 hrs.

An informal meeting followed.

2. ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

Due to the informal meeting, the election of the Committee chairperson was deferred to the next committee meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of financial interest.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee held on 21 June 2001.

The minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting held on 21 June 2001 will be confirmed at the next Committee meeting. These informal minutes were noted by Council on 24 July 2001, CJ237-07/01 refers.

5. Business Items

5.1 Presentation by Mr Martin Brennan on the Cities for Climate Protection program (CCP)

Mr Brennan outlined to the committee the CCP program and commented on the presentation made to a number of Councils that had reached specific milestones of the program. Of particular significance was the City of Melville's achievement of Milestone 5 under the CCP program. The City of Melville has become the first council in the State to achieve this Milestone. The City of Joondalup has achieved Milestone 1 and is currently working on Milestones 2 and 3. One of the initiatives undertaken by City of Melville was the introduction of LPG vehicles. The City of Joondalup has addressed the issue of LPG vehicles and a report to the Council on fleet management resolved that LPG would be considered as an alternative fuel as part of the tender evaluation for future vehicles.

5.2 Tamala Park Site Visit

Cr Hollywood opened discussion on this item and referred to the report and proposed recommendation in relation to the construction of a second landfill pit and secondary waste treatment facility. Mr S Hawkins proposed an that a "proviso" be included as part of the recommendation that "60-70% of waste or a certain tonnage of waste to go to the secondary waste treatment facility".

Mr Wake tabled a response prepared on the Tamala Park report providing in principle support for a secondary treatment facility and opposing the second landfill pit (Attachment A). In discussion on his response Mr Wake referred to a number of reports on Tamala Park and also a number of government reports on the issue of waste management.

5.3 Impact of reticulation on the Joondalup water table.

Cr Hollywood commented details had been sought on the City's water usage in relation to reticulated parks and other area. There was general discussion on the impact on the Joondalup water table.

5.4 The amalgamation of the Conservation sub committee and the Environmental Advisory Committee.

Cr Hollywood raised the issue of amalgamating the two committees and opened discussion on the proposed revised Terms of Reference of the Environmental Advisory Committee as proposed in the report. A number of members considered that commented on the need for the committee to address the broader agenda associated with the “triple bottom line”. Cr Hollywood proposed a joint meeting with the Conservation committee to address the Terms of Reference and possible amalgamation with the conservation committee.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be held in conjunction with the conservation committee at Joondalup Civic Centre, Boas Avenue, Joondalup on Thursday 9 August 2001 at 6.00 pm.

CLOSURE

There being no further business the informal meeting closed at 19.20 hours.

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City of Joondalup Environmental Advisory Committee members.

A resolution supporting a second landfill at Tamala Park and secondary waste treatment has been proposed, to be considered at tonight's committee meeting. I do not support the resolution, my thoughts follow:

In principle I **support secondary treatment, but** whether we collectively want to support it as an advisory committee should depend very much on the detail. We are yet to see this – there are a number of secondary waste treatment options that are to be assessed by the Mindarie Regional Council/its consultants. Secondary waste treatment has been spoken of for more than a decade, but we are yet to see it happen.

I do not support another landfill pit at the Tamala Park site and do not think an Environmental Advisory Committee needs to or should endorse further landfilling of waste in an environmentally sensitive location.

Why:

- the landfill would encroach on **regionally significant bushland**, this bush land forms a link between Neerabup National Park and bushland north of Burns Beach – one of very few east-west links possible on the coastal plain; so it is important to keep what little bush remains on the site not clear it for more landfill
- a well managed landfill is preferable to an unlined one as we have now, but it is still landfill and its capacity could well stall serious efforts to reduce and recover waste
- it could impact on residents, current and future, given the proximity of existing homes and earmarking of land on Lot 17 for urban development.

Protecting natural capital is critical in moving towards sustainability, clearing bush for a landfill and perpetuating this approach to waste management is unacceptable.

What is needed:

- protection and better management of remnant bush on the site
- better management of the existing landfill – is limited capacity increase possible, is mining of part of the landfill possible, ...
- a serious shift to reduction and recovery through a comprehensive strategy and investment by Joondalup and other member councils.

In considering this matter we may want to consider environmental conditions attached to approval of landfilling at Tamala Park/Mindarie, Bushplan and Bush Forever, the Master Plan for Lot 17, the Waste 2020 strategy and state and national recycling/waste reduction strategies, and what other local councils/regional councils are doing (I don't think what is proposed can be seen as best practice).

David Wake
19 July 2001



Bushplan Site 323 provides an important west-east linkage between two other Bushplan Sites, the Burns Beach Bushland (Bushplan Site 322) to the west and Neerabup National Park (part of Bushplan Site 383) to the east.

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