

**CITY OF JOONDALUP**

**CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD WEDNESDAY MAY 26<sup>th</sup> 2004**

**1. ATTENDANCES AND APOLOGIES**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Mr M Norman</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
	<b>Mr D Pike</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mrs C Wood</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Ms K Clarke</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mrs M Zakrevsky</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mr S Magyar</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mr B Fitzsimmons</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mr R Henderson</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>

<b>Apologies:</b>	<b>Ms R Mc Elroy</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>
	<b>Mr J Wood</b>	<b>Community Representative</b>

**City of Joondalup Staff in Attendance**

<b>Mr P Pikor</b>	<b>Manager Infrastructure &amp; Ranger Services</b>
<b>Mr K Armstrong</b>	<b>Conservation Officer</b>

**Deputy Chair Karen Clarke opened meeting at 5.40pm and assumed the chair in the absence of Mike Norman.**

**2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**2.1** The Minutes of the Conservation Advisory Committee held on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2004 were accepted as a true and correct record of the meeting.

<b>Moved</b>	<b>C Wood</b>	<b>Seconded</b>	<b>K. Clarke</b>	<b>Carried</b>
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**3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2004**

**3.1** City of Joondalup's Bio-diversity Strategy

David Pike gave the Committee an overview of the progress being made with the City's Bio-diversity Strategy. He said the field survey work had been completed for the ninety nine reserves managed by the City that contain remnant bushland and that work will now commence to assess bushland on private land in accordance with the Perth Bio-diversity Project templates. David advised that during his field survey work he

was concerned by the number of irrigation sprinklers that were watering areas of bushland and that irrigation water was detrimental to the health of native bushland. He said that the greatest threat to the remnant bushland in the City's parks were as follows:

- Fire.
- Irrigation practices.
- Lawn mowers encroaching into bushland.
- Children building cubby houses and BMX tracks.
- Weed growth.
- Rubbish dumping.

#### **4 GENERAL BUSINESS**

##### **4.1 Address by Linda Taman of the Swan Catchment Centre**

Linda Taman, Regional Coordinator, North-East Catchment Committee, addressed the committee on a number of issues surrounding natural resource management on the Swan Coastal Plain. Linda spoke about the way funding from Natural Heritage Trust Stage Two (N.H.T.2.) will be devolved. She went on to explain that fifteen councils form the North-East Catchment area, including Wanneroo and the City of Joondalup. She added that four million dollars will be available to be spent on natural resource management in the metropolitan area.

S Magyar asked Linda what other funding was available other than N.H.T.2. Linda advised that funding is available to community groups through the Swan Alcoa Landcare Programme and the Enviro Fund. Linda will be contacting all councils in the North-East region in the next few weeks to see how the Swan Catchment Centre can assist them. Linda also gave a summary of the current projects she is involved in with other councils.

Mike Norman assumed chair 6.10pm

##### **4.2 Fusilade Application Winter 2004**

The Committee discussed the application of the selective herbicide Fusilade. Concerns were raised in relation to the effectiveness of the spraying program. It was highlighted that the City is taking a new direction in the rehabilitation and restoration of the City's natural areas. Council staff are formulating a tender that will encompass all tasks associated with natural area preservation works which will reduce the reliance on the weed spraying program.

D. Pike left meeting at 7.15pm.

The committee went on to discuss a range of subjects associated with bushland management.

C. Clarke left the meeting at 7.50pm.

**5 OTHER MATTERS**

5.1 Conservation Advisory Committee Strategic Planning Workshop

Peter Pikor informed the Committee that he is exploring the possibility of introducing a facilitator to organise a workshop to assist with the strategic direction of the Committee. Members fully endorsed the idea and Peter went on to say he envisaged the workshop to take place in July/August of this year.

5.2 Veldt Grass Control Freeway Reserve

Cherie Wood said that the Freeway Reserve was a source of veldt grass seed that was affecting the City's bushland reserves. K Armstrong said he would bring this issue to the attention of Main Roads.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8pm.

Next meeting 30<sup>th</sup> June 2004

## CONSERVATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### ACTION PLAN

MEETING DATE	ITEM	ACTION REQUIRED	STATUS	ACTION OFFICER/ MEMBERS
25/02/04	Biodiversity strategy	Bi-monthly Project update K.Armstrong D.Pike	Desktop assessments completed, fieldwork 75% complete	K Armstrong D Pike
25/02/04	CAC Terms of Reference	Document to be reviewed by CAC members <b>COMPLETED</b>	<b>ADOPTED 8 June 2004</b> <b>CJ124-06/04 refers</b>	<b>COMPLETED</b>
25/02/04	Bush Regeneration Contract	Documents to be completed	Being prepared	K Armstrong Bill Betts
24/03/04	Christmas trees Burns Beach subdivision	Comment to be made on structure plan by CAC	Structure plan in the process of being prepared by developers.	K Armstrong P Pikor
24/03/04	Icon Species	Provide examples of Icon plant species	Liaison with Committee Members	D Pike
24/03/04	Regional Natural Area linkages	Develop maps of natural linkages and Strategic Planting	In progress	D Pike
24/03/04	Strategic Planning Workshop	Arrange workshop and facilitator	Investigations underway. Proposed date July/August 2004	P Pikor