



City of Nedlands

Minutes

Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

5 August 2013

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Minutes of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 5 August 2013 at 6.00pm.

Prior to the meeting being opened, Mr M Goodlet, Director Technical Services presented to the Committee an opportunity to investigate wastewater reuse within the City of Nedlands.

The Committee supported Mr Goodlet's proposal.

Councillor Shaw and Ms K Whyte both left at the conclusion of the presentation.

Declaration of Opening

Mayor Max Hipkins declared the meeting open at 6.45pm and drew attention to the disclaimer below.

Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Councillors	His Worship the Mayor, R M Hipkins	
Committee Members	Ms B Channon Mr R Griffiths Ms B Tyson Mr G Davies	
Staff	Ms P Huigens Mr Mark Goodlet	Policy & Projects Officer Director Technical Services (Until 7.03pm)
Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)	Nil	
Apologies	Councillor N Shaw Ms A Pallagi Ms K Whyte	Melvista Ward

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1. Public Question Time

Nil.

2. Public Address Session (only for items listed on the agenda)

Nil.

3. Disclosures of Financial Interest

The Presiding Member reminded Councillors and Staff of the requirements of Section 5.65 of the *Local Government Act* to disclose any interest during the meeting when the matter was discussed.

There were no disclosures of Financial Interest.

4. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

The Presiding Member reminded Councillors and Staff of the requirements of Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the *Local Government Act*.

There were no disclosures affecting Impartiality.

5. Declarations by Members That They Have Not Given Due Consideration to Papers

Nil.

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting – 8 June 2013.

Moved – Ms Tyson
Seconded – Mr Griffiths

That the minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee meeting of 8 June 2013 were confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/-

7. Items for Discussion

NOTE: Regulation 11(da) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 requires written reasons for each decision made at the meeting that is significantly different from the relevant written recommendation of a committee or an employee as defined in section 5.70 (but not a decision to only note the matter or to return the recommendation for further consideration).

7.1 Water Reuse Proposal

The water reuse proposal discussion occurred prior to the meeting being officially opened.

7.2 Community Gardens Tours

Ms Huigens discussed the opportunity for the Sustainable Nedlands Committee to take part in upcoming tours of neighbouring community gardens. The dates of these are listed below:

Subiaco Community Garden Tour, Sunday 1 September 9.30-11.30am. Touring the West Leederville Community Garden and the Wandana Housing Complex. RSVP to city@subiaco.wa.gov.au or 9387 0942.

West Leederville Community Garden Open Day, Sunday 6 October 11am-3pm. No RSVP required.

7.3 Community Garden Funding

Funding of \$5000 has been allocated within the 2013/2014 Annual Budget for the purpose of investigating a community garden project.

The Committee would like to see this used to survey residents surrounding two potential sites to gauge community interest.

The two sites are:
Asquith Street, Mount Claremont
Mayo House, Swanbourne

Discussion of identifying possible future community garden sites around Nedlands for each community area of Nedlands. Possible sites were identified at the Committee's meeting of 10 December 2012.

7.4 Native Garden Competition

Ms Huigens reminded the Committee that the Waterwise Garden Competition is underway, and that only 4 entries have been received to date.

The Committee discussed the fact that obtaining permission from land owners for nominations is onerous. Ms Huigens agreed that Administration would send a confirmation letter on receipt of each nomination, giving the land owner opportunity to withdraw from the competition if they wished.

Ms Channon recommended that each SNC member nominates as least two gardens before the competition closes on 27 September 2013.

Mr Davies indicated that his company may be interested in sponsoring future Waterwise Garden Competitions. Ms Huigens confirmed that Administration would approach his office at the beginning of 2014 regarding this.

7.5 Innovation Awards

Mr Griffiths discussed the Committee's idea for an Innovation Awards program.

Moved – Mr Griffiths
Seconded – Ms Channon

The Sustainable Nedlands Committee recommends that Council adopts the Innovation Awards Program as attached, and allocates funds from the 2014/15 budget for its implementation.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 5/-

7.6 Subcommittee Reports

- 7.6.1 Energy and waste
Report attached
- 7.6.2 Water
No report received
- 7.6.3 Transport
No report received
- 7.6.4 Built environment
No report received

The Committee raised concerns regarding the discontinuation of the City's thermal pest control program, and the failure of the river wall at Beaton Park. The Committee requests that Mr Goodlet be invited to the next meeting of the Committee to present about the river wall. Ms Huigens agreed to list both items on the next agenda of the Committee.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next informal meeting of this Committee is Monday 2 September. The Committee requests that Administration send a reminder to the Committee one week prior.

The next formal meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday, 7 October 2013 commencing at 6pm.

Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7.25pm.