

# Agenda

# Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

# **3 October 2016**

#### ATTENTION

This Agenda has yet to be dealt with by the Committee.

The Administration Recommendations, shown at the beginning of each item, have yet to be considered by the Committee and are not to be interpreted as being the position of either the Committee or Council.

The Minutes of the meeting held to discuss this Agenda should be read to ascertain the decision of the Committee.

Before acting on any recommendation of the Committee a check must also be made in the Ordinary Council Minutes following the Committee Meeting to ensure that Council did not make a decision at variance to the Committee Recommendation.

Pollyanne Fisher Policy & Projects Officer 28 September 2016

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#### **City of Nedlands**

Notice of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee to be held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 3 October 2016 at 5.00 pm.

#### Sustainable Nedlands Committee Agenda

#### **Declaration of Opening**

The Presiding Member will declare the meeting open at 5.00 pm and will draw attention to the disclaimer below.

(NOTE: Council at its meeting on 24 August 2004 resolved that should the meeting time reach 11.00 p.m. the meeting is to consider an adjournment motion to reconvene the next day).

#### Present and Apologies and Leave Of Absence (Previously Approved)

Councillors	His Worship the Mayor Councillor N Shaw Councillor R Binks	r, R M Hipkins (Presiding Member)
Committee Members	Ms B Channon Ms B Tyson Mr R Griffiths Ms G Stubber Mr M Yap Mr G Davies Ms Diana Rees Mr Ed O'Loughlin Mr A Mangano	
Staff	Ms P Fisher	Policy and Projects Officer
Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)	None	
Apologies	Nil	

#### Disclaimer

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#### 1. Public Question Time

A member of the public wishing to ask a question should register that interest by notification in writing to the CEO in advance, setting out the text or substance of the question. Questions tabled at the meeting may be unable to be answered due to the requirement for technical research and will therefore be answered direct afterwards.

Questions must relate to a matter contained within the agenda of this meeting.

## 2. Addresses By Members of the Public (only for items listed on the agenda)

Addresses by members of the public who have completed Public Address Session Forms will be invited to be made at this point.

#### 3. Disclosures of Financial Interest

The Presiding Member to remind 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 is discussed.

A declaration under this section requires that the nature of the interest must be disclosed. Consequently a member who has made a declaration must not preside, participate in, or be present during any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter the subject of the declaration.

However, other members may allow participation of the declarant if the member further discloses the extent of the interest. Any such declarant who wishes to participate in the meeting on the matter, shall leave the meeting, after making their declaration and request to participate, while other members consider and decide upon whether the interest is trivial or insignificant or is common to a significant number of electors or ratepayers.

#### 4. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

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

Councillors and staff are required, in addition to declaring any financial interests to declare any interest that may affect their impartiality in considering a matter.

This declaration does not restrict any right to participate in or be present during the decision-making procedure.

The following pro forma declaration is provided to assist in making the disclosure.

"With regard to ..... the matter in item x.... I disclose that I have an association with the applicant (or person seeking a decision). As a consequence, there may be a perception that my impartiality on the matter may be affected. I declare that I will consider this matter on its merits and vote accordingly."

The member or employee is encouraged to disclose the nature of the association.

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

Members who have not read the business papers to make declarations at this point.

#### 6. Confirmation of Minutes

#### 6.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting 13 June 2016

The minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held 13 June 2016 are to be confirmed.

#### 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 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Terms of Reference

Mr E O'Loughlin requested that the Committee review it's terms of reference, noting in particular its role to provide advice and recommendations to Council under nine terms of reference.

#### 7.2 Future Water Supplies to Parks and Gardens

Mr E O'Loughlin requested that the Committee receive an update on the future water supplies to parks and gardens, further to the presentation provided by the Director Technical Services on 1 February 2016.

#### 7.3 "Greening" of Swanbourne Beach Oval at Allen Park

Mr E O'Loughlin requested that, with reference to Council's Planning Strategy, the Committee supports the "greening" of the Swanbourne Beach Oval environs of Allen Park, and opposes further development of clubs such as hockey and swimming. Such developments would lead to more traffic movements, more car parking, more bitumen and the loss of valuable green space. It is noted that 99% of the users of current sporting facilities and the WA Bridge Club in this precinct use private cars and not public transport.

#### 7.4 Underground Power

Mr A Mangano requested that a motion be raised by the Committee, supporting Council investigating underground power in the remaining areas of Nedlands without it, as it is now quite clear there is no State Underground Power Program (SUPP) funding forthcoming.

#### 7.5 Travel at Community Events and Meetings

Ms R Griffiths requested that optimising travel at community events and meetings (including sports/schools) be tabled for discussion.

#### 7.6 'Did you know?' Sustainable Initiatives

Ms R Griffiths requested that a "did you know" facility to alert residents of sustainable initiatives they could adopt or pursue be tabled for discussion.

#### 7.7 Gallop House Heritage Community Garden

Ms B Channon requested that the Gallop House Heritage Community Garden be tabled for discussion.

#### 7.8 Street Tree Retainment

Ms B Channon requested that retaining street trees be tabled for discussion.

In particular the POST published a story recently regarding the removal of two street trees in Leon Road. The removal of the trees was undertaken following the City receiving a letter citing concerns regarding infrastructure damage. An inspection was undertaken and the tree species Ficus macrocarpa var. hillii - Hills Figs, was located on the Council nature strip in close proximity to the residential boundary. Damage to the City's and private infrastructure was identified.

A report regarding the tree was presented to Council in June 2016, this is available online, item TS09.16. Options for managing the root issues were investigated, but due to their proximity to the property and the wall, root management was not an option. The Council resolved to remove the two trees and replace with four new trees.

Residents in proximity to the location were advised in advance of imminent removals and the trees were removed by Council contractors.

#### 8. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday 5 December 2016 commencing at 5.00 pm.

#### **Declaration of Closure**

There being no further business, the Presiding Member will declare the meeting closed.

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