



City of Nedlands

# ***Minutes***

## ***Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting***

***5 May 2014***

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## City of Nedlands

**Minutes of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 5 May 2014 at 6:00pm.**

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### **Declaration of Opening**

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 6.03 pm and drew attention to the disclaimer below.

### **Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)**

<b>Councillors</b>	His Worship the Mayor, Max Hipkins Councillor N Shaw (Presiding Member)	
<b>Committee Member</b>	Ms Bronwen Tyson Mr Gordon Davies (from 6.05pm) Ms Bronwen Channon Mr Rod Griffiths Ms Kay Whyte (from 6.16pm) Ms Agnes Pallagi Ms Gail Stubber Ms Paula Kay	
<b>Staff</b>	Mr Andrew Melville	Manager Health and Compliance
<b>Community Members</b>	None	
<b>Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)</b>	None	
<b>Apologies</b>	None	

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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 5.56 of the *Local Government Act 1995* 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 the Council's Code of Conduct in accordance with Section 5.103 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

There were no disclosures of interest affecting impartiality.

Mr G Davies entered the meeting at 6.05pm

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

Nil.

**6. Confirmation of Minutes**

**6.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting – 10 March 2014**

Moved: Ms B Channon  
Seconded: Ms A Pallagi

That the Minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held on 10 March 2014 are confirmed.

Carried 9/-

**7. Items for Discussion**

**7.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee report**

The Committee considered presenting a report to Council highlighting the group's achievements during 2013.

Mr R Griffiths noted that Mr Paul Hardisty, a presenter to the Sustainable Nedlands Committee during 2013 as going to speak to Council along with the Committee. The Mayor advised that Mr Hardisty is scheduled to speak to Council on 17 June 2014 at 6pm for approximately 1 hour.

It was also suggested that the report include Activities and Achievements within the title.

Cr N Shaw requested that the presentation of Mr Tony Blackwell which took place prior to December 2012 where he spoke to the Committee on matters relating to the widening of Stirling Highway be included within the report.

Following the completion of the report by Committee members, Mr A Melville advised that he would ensure that the report is included in the weekly report to Councillors following its submission.

**7.2 Waterwise Garden Competition**

Ms B Channon introduced the discussion of the awarding of plaques to winners of the Waterwise garden competition.

The Mayor advised that he was supportive of the City awarding a small plaque to winners to display on a letterbox.

Mr A Melville advised that following a decision of the City's Executive the competition will only be open to those properties where the work can be seen from the front of the property. The reasons for the decision were that this avoided the judges having to gain access to a property and the garden was visible to the public thereby improving ongoing public awareness.

Mr A Melville also advised that the entry forms are available on the City's website via the following link:

<http://www.nedlands.wa.gov.au/sites/default/files/Waterwise%20Garden%20Competition%202014%20entry%20form.pdf>

Ms K Whyte entered the meeting at 6.16pm

Ms B Tyson advised the Committee that the City of Vincent competition entry form is attached to their rates notice. It was asked if this is an option for the City of Nedlands.

Mr A Melville agreed to send out the City's Nature Strip Development Guidelines along with the application form with the Minutes of this meeting. Again, these are available on the City's website.

### **7.3 Innovation Award**

Discussion was raised for an Innovation Award to be awarded by the City. The Committee were advised that an award is being considered by Executive and Council during the 2013/14 budget deliberations.

The Mayor advised that this will be discussed in the budget deliberations beginning tomorrow night Tuesday 6 May 2014.

There was discussion raised by Ms B Tyson regarding the provision of greenwaste bin services to churches. The Mayor and Cr N Shay advised that this is an option that Councillors will raise with the City's Executive.

### **7.4 Subcommittee Reports**

Mr A Melville was advised by Mr R Griffiths that this section was to be re-named and titled "Informal Meeting Suggestions".

Members raised concerns regarding the amount of leaf litter removed from around trees at the Heritage Precinct in Allen Park.

Ms B Channon advised that the street lighting mapping process being progressed by Mr R Griffiths and herself is being developed into a proposal for consideration by Council and the City's Administration. Presentation to representatives of Western Power is intended prior to the information being presented to Council.

Other matters raised at the informal meeting included ideas for increasing the awareness of recycled water and there was general discussion regarding innovative sustainable design in housing and for granny flats.

**8. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday, 7 July 2014 commencing at 6.00 pm.

**Declaration of Closure**

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7.05pm.