



City of Nedlands

Minutes

Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

7 May 2012

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Minutes of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held in the Council Chambers, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 7 May 2012 at 6.00 pm.

Declaration of Opening

Councillor Nigel Shaw declared the meeting open at 6:03 pm and drew attention to the disclaimer below.

Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Committee Member Ms Bronwen Tyson
Mr Gordon Davies
Ms Bronwen Channon
Mr Rod Griffiths
Ms Kay Whyte
Ms Sue Hartley

Staff Mr Andrew Melville A/Director Sustainable
Infrastructure
Ms Phoebe Huigens Sustainability Officer

Councillors His Worship the Mayor, Max Hipkins
Councillor Nigel Shaw Presiding Member
Councillor Kerry Walker

Community Members Mr Phillip Whyte

Leave of Absence None
(Previously Approved)

Apologies Ms Agnes Pallagi

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Appointment of Presiding Member

There being no current Presiding Member of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee, Mr A Melville, Acting Director Sustainable Infrastructure called for nominations.

Councillor Shaw was the only nomination.

Moved – Councillor Walker
Seconded – Councillor Shaw
Abstain – Bronwen Channon

Councillor Nigel Shaw be appointed as the Presiding Member of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 8/0

1. Public Question Time

None.

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

None.

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/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 of interest 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 – 3 October 2011

Moved – Rod Griffiths

Seconded – Bronwen Tyson

Abstain – Mayor Max Hipkins, Councillor Shaw, Councillor Walker, Bronwen Channon and Sue Hartley

The Minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held on 3 October 2011 are confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY 3/-

7. Items for Discussion

7.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Discussion Document – Goals for 2012/2013

The following was discussed.

(i) Introductions

The Presiding Member asked everyone around the table to introduce themselves and state their qualifications and interests in sustainability matters.

(ii) Di-Com

Bronwen Tyson requested that the Sustainable Nedlands Committee attend a tour of the Di-Com processing plant at JFR (Jim) McGeough Resource Recovery Facility.

(iii) Subcommittees

The suggestion made by Councillor Walker to identify 4 (four) strategic areas for the Sustainable Nedlands Committee to work with was debated. The four areas of power, waste, water allocation and use and sustainable building were put forward. After some discussion, the strategic areas agreed upon are:

- Energy & Waste
- Water
- Transport
- Built Environment
- Natural Environment

Sub-committees were then formed around these five strategic areas. The members and convener of each are as follows:

Energy and Waste

Rod Griffiths (Convener)
Gordon Davies
Kay Whyte
Councillor Kerry Walker

Built Environment

Councillor Nigel Shaw (Convener)
Gordon Davies
Rod Griffiths
Mayor Max Hipkins

Water

Bronwen Tyson (Convener)
Mayor Max Hipkins
Bronwen Channon

Natural Environment

Bronwen Channon (Convener)
Bronwen Tyson
Councillor Kerry Walker
Sue Hartley

Transport

Sue Hartley (Convener)
Councillor Nigel Shaw

As Agnes Pallagi was absent for the meeting, she will be assigned to a subcommittee at a later date.

Each subcommittee is to meet in their own time (Convener to arrange meetings) to discuss the following four questions, and to report their progress at the next Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting:

- What are the key issues and challenges in the strategic area (local/national/global)?
- What are the up and coming issues and challenges in the strategic area (local/national/global)?
- What is being done elsewhere to address these issues and challenges, and how is it relevant to the City of Nedlands?
- What actions can be taken by the City of Nedlands to deal with these issues and challenges?

(iv) Presenters

The Presiding Member discussed the possibility of arranging a speaker or presenter for each meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee. Andrew Melville requested the Committee to suggest speakers that they would like, and requested that the Committee make contact with such speakers in the first instance. Gordon Davies noted that he would also like Administration to make some suggestions.

Councillor Walker suggested that each subcommittee put forward a suggested speaker. The Presiding Member requested that this not be a requirement of the subcommittees.

(v) Frequency of meetings

It was confirmed that formal meetings of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee be held every two months. The day was changed at the meeting to the **3rd Monday of every second month**. The next formal meeting is therefore to be scheduled for Monday, 16 July 2012.

The committee discussed plans for informal meetings in alternate months.

(vi) Website

The committee discussed whether they want their own website. Andrew Melville noted that the City's website already has a section for Sustainability, and Administration could edit this section as per the Committee's wishes. The Presiding Member recommended that all requests for website changes go through himself, and he will then forward on to Andrew Melville.

Councillor Walker is to set up a “cloud” or intranet for the Sustainable Nedlands Committee. This will be a portal for sharing of information amongst committee members.

It was agreed that Mayor Max Hipkins’ paper from the 2007 National Planning Conference be published on both the Sustainable Nedlands Committee intranet and the sustainability section of the City’s Website.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of this Committee is 16 July 2012.

Declaration of Closure

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 7.30pm.