



City of Nedlands

Minutes

Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting

5 October 2015

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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 October 2015 at 6.00 pm.

Declaration of Opening

The Presiding member Mayor Hipkins declared the meeting open at 6.02pm and drew attention to the disclaimer below.

Present and Apologies and Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Councillors His Worship the Mayor, R M Hipkins (Presiding Member)

Committee Members Ms B Channon
Ms B Tyson
Mr R Griffiths
Ms G Stubber
Mr M Yap

Staff Mr A Melville Manager Health & Compliance

Public There were no members of the public present.

Press None.

Leave of Absence (Previously Approved)

Apologies Councillor R Binks

Absent Councillor N Shaw
Mr G Davies
Ms S Wang

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1. Public Question Time

Nil questions received.

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

Nil.

3. Disclosures of Financial Interest

There were no disclosures of financial interest.

4. Disclosures of Interests Affecting Impartiality

There were no disclosures affecting impartiality.

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

None

6. Confirmation of Minutes

6.1 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Meeting – 10 August 2015

Moved: Ms B Channon
Seconded: Mr R Griffiths

The Minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held on 10 August 2015 are to be confirmed.

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7. Outstanding Action List

There was discussion regarding the Outstanding Actions List. The Item regarding the Health Island Effect is to be marked as complete. The list was updated as necessary.

8. Items for Discussion

8.1 Waterwise Garden Competition

Mr A Melville advised the meeting that the Waterwise Garden Competition closed with a total of 18 entries on 31 August 2015. Simon Pawley of Sustainable Outdoors, Native Landscaping & Landcare Services, recently completed judging of the entries. Prizes are to be awarded to the winners at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on 27 October 2015.

The committee questioned if there was a plaque to present with the certificate for the competition winner.

8.2 Switch your thinking

The Mayor outlined the 'Switch Your Thinking' program which is a local government initiative that inspires sustainable action in the community of Perth, Western Australia.

To achieve their objective of reducing local greenhouse gas emissions, they partner with Perth Councils, local businesses and community groups, to help the people of Perth to live and work in a way that meets their needs without jeopardising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

The Mayor suggested that the City of Nedlands join. The Mayor has requested that the City investigate what is involved with joining this initiative such as cost, and the program's Terms of Reference.

8.3 Sustainable Nedlands Newsletter

Ms G Stubber requested that the Committee enter discussion and give consideration to the production of a community newsletter.

It was suggested that the City develop a newsletter detailing not only what the City is doing but what is happening around the City in an easy to read format.

The committee is interested in developing an electronic format that is not clumsy to use, without the need to know the date the event is on to find it.

The Committee request a discussion from Administration with the IT or Communications manager to discuss ideas to improve the distribution of community information.

8.4 Commencement Time

Ms B Tyson requested that the Committee enter discussion and give consideration to schedule future meetings to start at an earlier time of 5pm.

With minimal discussion the matter has been deferred until the first agenda of the new committee following Council elections.

8.5 Sustainable Street Lighting

Ms B Channon requested an update on the status of the sustainable street lighting actions (see attached outstanding actions) from the Committee.

No additional discussion on this item. Ms B Channon is to email the Mayor as per action list.

Mr M Goodlet, the City of Nedlands Director Technical Services has been requested to discuss initiatives for sustainability undertaken within the Division.

8.6 Geocaching Competition

Ms B Channon provided the City with a proposal for a geocaching competition. There was general discussion on this item and it was positive. The Committee requested a discussion on this with the City's Youth Officer.

8.7 Sustainable Nedlands Committee Term

The existing members of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee are appointed for a term that expires at the conclusion of the 'next' Local Government election.

The next Local Government election is to be held on Saturday 17 October 2015. With this being the case, the existing Committee term ends on Friday 16 October 2015.

This opportunity is taken to extend a sincere thank you to the Committee for their hard work, dedication and achievements throughout their appointments.

Advertising will be carried out for Committee nominations from members of the community including for two elected members, and existing members are invited to re-nominate.

Interested members are encouraged to submit their applications to the City for Council appointment to the SNC.

9. Date of Next Meeting

This is the final meeting for this term of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee. Following Council's appointment of the new Committee, dates will be advertised.

Declaration of Closure

Moved: Ms G Stubber
Seconded: Ms B Tyson

The Sustainable Nedlands Committee investigate the My Great Idea entries application to the City of Nedlands and that this be added to the Sustainable Nedlands Committee Outstanding Actions List.

There being no further business, the Presiding Member declared the meeting closed at 6.54pm.

SNC OUTSTANDING ACTIONS

Date of Meeting	Item Discussed	Action	Assigned To	Comments/Completed
10 March 2014	Potential Recycled Water Project	Members to collate ideas regarding promotion of project within community	All members	Project deferred. No action at this time.
10 March 2014	Demonstration Energy-Efficient House	Members to bring ideas for possible energy efficient house project	All members	
5 May 2014	Greenwaste Bins	Discuss with full Council the provision of greenwaste bin services to churches	Mayor & Councillor Shaw	Director Technical Services to advise
7 July 2014	Heat Island Effect	Ask Gail Stubber to email to SNC members any relevant information gathered at the Heat Island Effect workshop that she attended	Councillor Shaw	Complete
7 July 2014	Innovation Award	\$2000 sponsorship for Innovation Award (and cease sponsorship of the Waterwise Garden award in 2015)	Gordon Davies	'My Great Idea' Award (innovation) – Complete 'Waterwise Garden Competition' – closed with awards to be made on 27 October 2015
1 September 2014	"Towards More Sustainable Street Lighting" practise note	1. Prepare a letter to the Honourable Dr Mike Nahan, Minister for Energy, to provide support for the Recommendations for State Governments contained within the "Towards More	Not assigned	BC to question NS at the informal meeting BC requested letter be followed up

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		<p>Sustainable Street Lighting” document, and request a response.</p> <p>2. Prepare a letter to Mr Paul Italiano, Chief Executive officer of Western Power, to provide support for the Recommendations for Utilities contained within the “Towards More Sustainable Street Lighting” document, and request a response.</p>		<p>Mayor to speak with Director Technical Services</p>
1 September 2014	Promotion of Sustainability at City Events	Discuss with administration an initiative to encourage sustainability at the City’s public events	Mayor	<p>The Committee is yet to decide what areas are to be promoted. There are a number of events that the City run. Consideration must be given to organisers of the events and their capacity for designated space.</p> <p>Policy and Projects officer to check the City’s marketing banners that relate to sustainability.</p>
1 September 2014	Youth (secondary school student) member	Provide an update to the SNC regarding the recruitment of a youth member	Administration	<p>Complete; Presented to SNC 1 November 2014 meeting</p>

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3 November 2014	Household energy usage	Develop a methodology for a concept of providing personal energy use to residents	Susie Wang	Susie Wang now has ethics approval from UWA. Next stage is to finalise the proposal.
10 August 2015	'My Great Idea' innovation award	'My Great Idea' ideas to be displayed at Administration front counter	Pollyanne Fisher	Complete
10 August 2015	'My Great Idea' innovation award – entry by June Hicks	To be investigated as a Council project through referral to the Arts Committee	Mayor	