



City of Nedlands

# ***Agenda***

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

***6 February 2017***

### **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  
1 February 2017

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## City of Nedlands

**Notice of a meeting of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee to be held in the Meeting Room, 71 Stirling Highway, Nedlands on Monday, 6 February 2017 at 5.00 pm.**

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### **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, R M Hipkins  
Councillor N Shaw (Presiding Member)  
Councillor R Binks

**Committee Members** Ms B Channon  
Mr R Griffiths  
Ms B Tyson  
Mr M Yap  
Mr G Davies  
Mr E O'Loughlin  
Mr A Mangano

**Staff** Ms P Fisher Policy and Projects Officer

**Leave of Absence  
(Previously Approved)** Ms D Rees

**Apologies** Ms G Stubber

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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 5 December 2016**

The minutes of the Sustainable Nedlands Committee held 5 December 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 Gallop House Community Garden**

Ms B Channon will provide the Committee with an update regarding the progress of a proposed Community Garden at Gallop House, in conjunction with the National Trust.

### **7.2 Parking after Close of Business**

Ms B Channon will talk to the Committee regarding an idea to invite businesses to open their carparks during their out of hours for other nearby businesses that have insufficient parking at these times. It is proposed that a letter be developed and distributed to businesses in the interest of improving community relations.

### **7.3 Underground Power**

Mr A Mangano will talk to the Committee regarding the progress with the delivery of Underground Power in the Hollywood Ward.

**7.4 Allen Park Planning**

The following item for consideration has been submitted by Mr Ed O'Loughlin, please see Attachment 1.

**8. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of this Committee is scheduled for Monday 3 April 2017 commencing at 5.00 pm.

**Declaration of Closure**

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



Pollyanne Fisher  
Policy & Projects Officer  
1 February 2017

## **Attachment 1 – Submitted by Ed O’Loughlin 30 January 2017**

### **ALLEN PARK - PLANNING**

REASON FOR ITEM - The Terms of Reference for SNC require the committee to provide advice and recommendations to Council in nine areas. This item addresses: the natural environment; environmentally responsible design; social sustainability; and transport.

CURRENT USAGE - Allen Park (including Swanbourne Beach Oval) provides ovals, facilities and car parking for:

- Swanbourne – Nedlands Surf Club
- Shorehouse Restaurant which is a commercial development
- Allen Park Tennis Club
- Associates Rugby Union Club ,which was previously located at Nedlands Foreshore. Following concerns raised by local residents, the club was relocated to Allen Park
- WA Bridge Club which was previously located on Waratah Avenue. Following concerns raised by local residents ,particularly about car parking, this club relocated to Allen Park
- Allen Park Cricket Club
- Swanbourne Tigers Junior Football Club.

The level of activity outlined above far exceeds the club activity on any other park in the City of Nedlands. This area provides for both senior and junior sport and ,in my experience, the clubs welcome , and seek out, junior participants. My understanding is that clubs are in a sound financial position and memberships are increasing. The lower pavilion has recently had a major upgrade.

### **CONSIDERATIONS**

1. There are very adequate sporting facilities in this precinct and the time has come to shift the emphasis of development to restoring and enhancing the valuable environmental features of Allen Park.
2. The current generation should act now to protect the key aspects of the coastal vegetation before it is too late, and the opportunity is lost for future generations to experience this environment within the boundaries of Nedlands Council.
3. Valuable work has been done by Friends of Allen Park, in association with Council, to protect and enhance the “green” environment (see their website). Similarly, the Swanbourne Coastal Alliance continues to work to preserve the coastal vegetation. The Alliance’s mission includes “to conserve flora, fauna, and fungi ecological communities and ecosystem processes, as well as the marine environment and coastal processes”. The time is right for Council to increase its focus on the environment in Allen Park.
4. An unfortunate aspect of usage of the sporting facilities is that almost all users travel by car. Planning for car parking has been poor and there is an ever-present threat for more vegetation to be lost to car-parking. The recent bitumenising of a large space for car-parking for the WA Bridge Club lacks any softening features and the space does not have a single tree or shrub. Such ad-hoc “solutions” show little regard for the greening program.

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5. The traffic flow in the precinct should be considered in future development, especially the fact that Marine Parade finishes at the entrance to the Swanbourne-Nedlands Surf Club. Campbell Barracks prevent direct traffic flow along the coast in a northerly direction, forcing traffic flow into surrounding residential streets. Additional sporting clubs will increase existing traffic and parking issues.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That SNC:

1. SUPPORTS programs to preserve and enhance the environmental benefits of Allen Park for future generations, including current activities of volunteer associations.
2. NOTES current traffic flows into the sporting clubs, and that almost all users travel by car.
3. NOTES the high level of sporting facilities already provided.
4. MONITORS closely proposals for Allen Park that may be put forward during 2017.
5. OPPOSES regional-scale sporting facilities, such as a day/night hockey complex or day/night swimming complex in Allen Park.

30 January 2017