



MINUTES

of the

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL

held on

Tuesday, 9 May 2017

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Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Collie Shire Council to be held in Council Chambers, 87 Throssell Street Collie, on Tuesday, 9 May 2017 commencing at 7:00pm.

1. OPENING/ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

PRESENT:	Wayne Sanford	Councillor (Presiding Member)
	Glyn Yates	Councillor
	Gary Faries	Councillor
	Nola Green, JP	Councillor
	Jodie Hanns	Councillor
	Elysia Harverson	Councillor
	Joe Italiano	Councillor
	Neil Martin	Councillor
	Ian Miffling JP	Councillor
	John Piavanini	Councillor
	Sarah Stanley	Councillor
	David Blurton	CEO
	Allison Fergie	Director Corporate Services
	Brett Lowcock	Director Technical Services
	Andrew Dover	Director Development Services
	Khushwant Kumar	Finance Manager
	Belinda Dent	CEO PA
	Alison Kidman	Information Services Manager

APOLOGIES:

GALLERY:

- 1.1 Councillors granted Leave of Absence at previous meeting/s.
- 1.2 Councillors requesting Leave of Absence for future Ordinary Meetings of Council.
- 1.3 Councillors who are applying for Leave of the Absence for this Ordinary Meeting of Council.

2. AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY

Citizenship at 6.30pm for Mr & Mrs Homan and Aaron Homan.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

4. RESPONSES TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

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5. DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

The Chief Executive Officer advised that Disclosures of Financial Interests had been received from Councillors/staff as listed below:

Councillor/Staff	Agenda Item	Disclosure
Cr Sanford	15.3 Allanson Bush Fire Brigade Shed	Impartial – Member of the Collie Veteran Car Club
Cr Piavanini	15.3 Allanson Bush Fire Brigade Shed	Impartial – Member of the Collie Veteran Car Club

6. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS/SUBMISSIONS

Nil

7. NOTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

Nil

8. ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD DUE TO INTEREST BY ATTENDING PERSONS

Nil

9. CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS OF COUNCIL MINUTES

7403

Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Miffing

Seconded: Cr Harverson

That Council confirms the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 18 April 2017.

CARRIED 11/0

10. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

Director of Development Services – Andrew Dover asked to advise the time frame for ACROD Parking within the CBD in relation to Item 15.1 Parking Facilities Local Law 2012 Amendment.

Response:

It is not normal practice to have time limited parking in ACROD bays. There appears to be a high turnover of cars in the ACROD bay in front of the chemist which demonstrates that timed parking is not required at this location.

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Additional information was also provided to Councilors in relation to the method of board installation undertaken on the footbridge.

Moved Cr Green

Seconded Cr Faries

Seek legal advice on the matter

Lost 1/10

7404

Moved Cr Miffing Cr Faries

That Council seek clarification if any offsets were provided.

CARRIED 11/0

11. RECEIPT OF MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD SINCE THE PREVIOUS MEETING OF COUNCIL

11.1 Receipt of the Minutes of the Museum Advisory Committee

7405

Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Martin

Seconded: Cr Stanley

That Council receives the Minutes of the Museum Advisory Committee held on 26 April 2017.

CARRIED 11/0

11.2 Adoption of the Recommendations of the Museum Advisory Committee

7406

Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Martin

Seconded: Cr Stanley

That Council adopts en block the recommendations contained within the minutes of the Museum Advisory Committee held on 26 April 2017.

11.2.1: That Council authorise:

1. the Museum Advisory Committee to establish an action plan and priority list for reopening the museum; and

2. staff to develop an operating budget for the consideration of the committee and Council based on reopening the Museum on 1st July 2017 with opening hours from 10am to 3pm Thursday to Monday.

3. staff to engage an employee on a 25 per hour week basis to manage the museum utilizing the existing funding available from the operating grant that has been withheld in recent years.

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4. prepare a press release to inform the community of the progress of the Museum Advisory group.

11.2.2: That an application for funding in the 2017 Community Heritage Grant Round be submitted.

CARRIED 11/0

- 12. RECEIPT OF NON COUNCIL COMMITTEE MINUTES PRESENTED TO COUNCIL**
Nil

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13. CEO REPORTS

13.1 Local Government Week and WA Local Government Association Annual General Meeting - 2017

Reporting Department:	Chief Executive Office
Reporting Officer:	Belinda Dent – CEO PA
Accountable Manager:	David Blurton – Chief Executive Officer
Legislation	N/A
File Number:	GVR/001
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 1
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

Advise Council of the upcoming 2017 Local Government Week and WA Local Government Association Annual General Meeting.

7407

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Green

Seconded: Cr Italiano

That Council:

- 1. Nominates the Shire President and Deputy Shire President as voting delegates at the 2017 WA Local Government Association Annual General Meeting;**
- 2. Authorises interested individual Elected Members to attend Local Government Week 2017, requiring registration forms to be completed by Councillors and submitted to the CEOPA prior to 4.00pm Tuesday 20 June 2017.**

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the WA Local Government Association (WALGA) will be held as part of the Annual Local Government Week on Wednesday, 2 August, 2017 in Perth at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre.

The Council is provided with the opportunity to submit any Agenda Items to be discussed at the AGM. In addition the Council is provided with the opportunity to nominate up to two (2) voting delegates. Proxy voting is available if the nominated representative is unable to attend. Closing date for submission of motions is Monday, 5 June 2017.

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Statutory and Policy Implications:

Policy 8.2 – Attendance at Conferences by elected members requires an authorising resolution of Council. Policy also details accommodation and reimbursement provisions.

Budget Implications:

Costs associated with attendance at the Annual General Meeting and Local Government Week will be incurred in accordance with Council Policy

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

Nil

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

2.5 – Our Council Priorities

Good governance and an effective, efficient and sustainable organisation

- Good governance and leadership

Goal 5 – Our business

Good governance and effective, efficient and sustainable organisation

Outcome 5.1 – Good governance and leadership

Strategy 5.1.2 – Promote the role of Council by informing, resourcing, skilling and supporting Elected Members

Action 5.1.2.2 – Provide professional development for Councillors as required

Relevant Precedents:

The WALGA Annual General Meeting and Local Government week are held yearly.

Comment:

Local Government Week will be held at the Perth Convention Exhibition Centre commencing on Wednesday, 2 August 2017 and finishing on Friday, 4 August 2017. Local Government Week also offers Elected Member training opportunities. Details of the various Local Government Week sessions and training opportunities will be available late April/early May.

The WALGA AGM provides the opportunity for member Councils to submit written motions which will be included as part of the AGM proceedings. The final date by which notice of motions must be provided to WALGA is **Monday, 5 June 2017**. Each notice of motion provided by the Council must include research and the relevant background information to provide the members of WALGA sufficient information to make determination on the matter.

Any motions proposing alterations or amendments to the Association's Constitution must be received by **Friday, 12 May 2017** in order to satisfy the 60 day constitutional notice requirements.

In the event an individual Councillor has matter they wish to be raised at WALGA, it must gain the support of the entire Council. As a consequence Councillors are invited to provide the CEO with any written notice of motion (including relevant background and research) which they would like Council to consider submitting to the WALGA AGM at this meeting of Full Council.

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13.2 Wellington National Park Extension

Reporting Department:	Chief Executive Office
Reporting Officer:	David Blurton – Chief Executive Officer
Accountable Manager:	David Blurton – Chief Executive Officer
Legislation	WA Local Government Act 1995
File Number:	WTR/004
Appendices:	No
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

For Council to consider its position in regards to the proposed expansion of the Wellington National Park.

Officer's Recommendation:

That Council request that the state government undertake a full business case assessment of the proposal to expand the Wellington National Park so that economic and social aspects on Collie and the SW region are understood.

7408

Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Harverson

Seconded: Cr Italiano

That Council advise:

- 1. It does not support the plan to expand the Wellington National Park,**
- 2. If the state government decides to proceed with its plan to expand the GWNP that the state government undertake a full business case assessment of the proposal to expand the Wellington National Park so that economic and social aspects on Collie and the SW region are understood.**

Carried 6/5

Background:

A report was prepared for the consideration of Council at its meeting on 25th October 2016 in regards to a proposal to expand the Wellington National Park. At the same meeting, the Council received a presentation from the Greater Wellington National Park Group (GWNPG) on the benefits which an expanded National Park would bring.

The position of the GWNPG is that "...an expanded Wellington National Park as the

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centre piece for world class sustainable eco-tourism that will provide ongoing recreation, education, business and employment opportunities for surrounding communities, the state and beyond.”

The revised greater national park will increase from 17,500 hectares to 30,000 hectares in size should the proposal be successful and the group have provided a petition template to the WA Legislative Council on the issue.

The Council moved the following motion at this meeting;

7200 That Council

- 1. Seek comment from industry stakeholders regarding impacts of the proposal to expand Wellington National Park.**
- 2. Staff prepare a report at the close of consultation for the consideration of Council.**

Following this, the Council received a presentation from Ms Melissa Haslam from the Forest Industry Federation of WA. Ms Haslam outlined the detrimental impacts to the local timber industry that expanding the National Park would have.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

N/A

Budget Implications:

N/A

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

Media Statement.

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

Strategy 2.2.3: Advocate for improved water quality and utilisation of the Wellington Dam for recreational purposes.

Action 2.2.3.1 Attend appropriate events and meetings to lobby for the improvement of facilities and access to the Wellington Dam

Regional Tourism Strategy

4.7 Dams

Investigate participation in the Interagency Working Group and Master Plans for (proposed additional) recreational activity at Harvey, Wellington and other dams and inland waterways throughout the region. HIGH 2016-2017

7.2 DPaW

Open dialogue with DPaW's regional managers to investigate product development opportunities at Ludlow Tuart Forest and Wellington National Parks, Wellington Dam and Harvey Dam. HIGH 2016-2019

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7.4 Interagency Working Group

LGAs open dialogue with the Water Catchment Interagency Working Group to participate in master planning for recreation use in Wellington and Harvey dams. MEDIUM 2016-2019

Reimagining Collie Report

Whilst the report does not specifically reference the expansion of the national park, the report does identify that an enhanced tourism industry is a real opportunity for Collie moving forward.

Having said this, it also acknowledges the important role that forestry currently has in the local economy and identifies the potential expansion of this industry as an opportunity for economic growth. It notes that for every 100ha of plantation approximately 1.5 jobs are created.

Relevant Precedents:

N/A

Comment:

As per the decision made by Council at its October 2016 meeting, The CEO has sought comment from several stakeholders identified below.

Stakeholder	Comment on the proposal to expand Wellington National Park.
DPAW – local office	<p>Native hardwood timber harvesting is not permitted in national parks. There would therefore be a potential effect on the timber industry, timber industry harvest plans and the Forest Management Plan.</p> <p>Limited departmental resources currently exist to manage an expanded national park.</p> <p>Camping is currently permitted in designated areas of state forest. Change of tenure to national park is not expected to result in a greater availability of camping in the short term.</p> <p>Proposed economic benefits from an expanded national park requires exploration.</p>
Forest Products Commission	<p>An expanded national park couldn't include areas currently under pine plantation as there are state agreements in place with plantation operators.</p> <p>Expansion would result in a reduced native logging area which could cause the local native timber industry to be unsustainable.</p>
Wespine	<p>Expressed concern over fire management of an expanded National Parks and the parks being in close</p>

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	proximity to pine plantations. Noted that some areas identified for expansion are most suitable for additional pine plantations.
Forest Industries federation of WA	<p>Council has previously received a presentation from Melissa Halsam who outlined the potential impacts of the proposal on the timber industry.</p> <p>“From our point of view, the proposal to expand Wellington National Park will take in several high-value regrowth forest blocks that the timber industry accesses and adding those areas to national parks will undermine existing contracts for the industry,” she said.</p> <p>Ms Haslam said the total timber industry generates over \$1 billion annually and employs 5400 people directly. “ source Collie Mail.</p>

The issue was considered by the Shire of Dardanup at its February 2017 meeting of Council where it resolved;

THAT Council:

- 1. Acknowledge the request from the Greater Wellington National Park Group to consider supporting the expansion of the Wellington National Park by 20,000ha.***
- 2. Acknowledge the opposition expressed by the WA Forest Communities Network and the Wellington Discovery Forest group.***
- 3. Advise the Greater Wellington National Park Group that without a formal analysis of the claims made in their submission being addressed and published by the Department of Parks and Wildlife, Council is unable to support the proposal.***

The City of Bunbury considered the issue at its meeting on 1 November 2016 in regards to supporting the proposal. The city resolved;

- 1. That the City of Bunbury writes to the Western Australian Minister for Environment, to investigate and consider the expansion of the Wellington National Park, from its current size of 17,500 hectares to 30,000 hectares.***
- 2 . The City refers the matter to the South West Local Government Zone for discussion.***

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The matter was referred to the SW zone meeting in November 2016 as the following motion;

THAT the proposal by the City of Bunbury for the Minister to investigate and consider the expansion of the Wellington National Park, from its current size of 17,500 hectares to 30,000 hectares be supported.

The above motion lapsed for want to of a seconder at the zone meeting.

Leading into the state election a commitment was made by the WA Labor party in regard to supporting the expansion of the park. Refer below.

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A McGowan Labor Government will work with the local community and local industries to expand the Wellington National Park.

Visiting Wellington National Park today, Shadow Environment Minister Chris Tallentire and Collie-Preston MLA Mick Murray said the expansion would boost tourism, create new jobs and preserve the natural environment.

Any expansion would be implemented in consultation with other industries and the local community.

Mr Tallentire said the expansion would provide strong protection to the area's unique flora and fauna and open up the forest to be better used for recreation activities such as mountain biking or hiking.

Mr Murray said the expansion would create a central recreation and conservation hub linking the Donnybrook-Balingup, Collie, Dardanup, Harvey and Capel shires – providing new opportunities for local tourism.

Comments from Shadow Environment Minister Chris Tallentire:

"The bushland and wildlife in the Wellington Forest area is absolutely stunning. We'll protect it by expanding the Wellington National Park.

"This will be a job-creator. An expanded National Park will provide new opportunities for local tourism, support small business and create jobs.

"I know how popular the area is with mountain bike riders, so we'll be investigating how best to enhance the trails and look into boosting other day use activities. Mountain bike riders and hikers come from far and wide and love to enjoy the tourism offerings here.

Comments from Collie-Preston MLA Mick Murray:

"The expansion will link the five shires in the area to create a new central forest recreation area for day use activities like hiking and mountain biking.

"The expanded National Park will create new jobs in tourism, hospitality and small business, for the benefit of the whole South West.

"We also plan to open up some parts of the National Park to locals and campers to be able to walk the family dog.

"Locals will be very much involved in guiding this plan. We will engage the community in a full consultation process to guide planning and management to protect the area's biodiversity while opening it up for recreation activities.

<http://www.mickmurray.com.au/local-news/> 1

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Without a detailed business case being developed for the proposal, it is difficult to quantify the economic impacts for both Collie and the region an expanded national park would bring. It is certainly debatable whether the original declaration of the Wellington National Park has provided any substantial benefits for Collie.

Given the claims made from both sides, it is suggested that a more detailed analysis should be undertaken to appreciate the economic and social impacts for Collie and the region prior to Council forming a position in order to fully understand the proposal in detail. This assessment should be carried out by the state, perhaps through the South West Development Commission.

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13.3 Regional Waste Facility – Country Local Government Funding Agreement

Reporting Department:	CEO Office
Reporting Officer:	David Blurton - CEO
Accountable Manager:	David Blurton - CEO
Legislation	WA Local Government Act 1995
File Number:	WAT/009
Appendices:	Yes – Provided as a separate attachment.
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

To seek direction from Council in regards to the Grant Funding allocated through the Country Local government Scheme (CLGS- 2012/13 round) to the Bunbury Wellington Group of Councils (BWGC) for the development of a regional waste site.

7409

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Yates

Seconded: Cr Miffling

That Council

- 1. Support the notion of retaining the CLGF funding 50% towards the development of site 16 (new site) and 50% (approx.) towards development of new cells at the Stanley road site.**
- 2. propose that \$150,000 of the CLGF funding be set aside for feasibility assessment of a waste to energy / biomass facility preferably located in Collie.**

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Bunbury Wellington Group of Councils (BWGoC) was formed in 1998 and consists of the following members:

- Shire of Capel
- Shire of Dardanup
- Shire of Collie
- Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
- Shire of Harvey
- City of Bunbury
- Shire of Boyup Brook

The Bunbury Wellington Group of Councils received \$4.1m in grant funding through the Country Local Government Scheme for the development of a regional waste site in the 2012-13 funding round. The original funding agreement required these funds to be spent on the development of a new site by 30 June 2015.

Originally the BWGC identified a site known as "Banksia Road" which is located in the Shire of Dardanup and was previously owned by Shire. Unfortunately the identified

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site did not come to fruition due to the Council decision of Shire of Dardanup to dispose of the site by public tender in 2014.

Following this, the project was broadened to include the shires of Margaret River, Manjimup, Bridgetown-Greenbushes and the City of Busselton. Council also received the Regional Waste Strategy in September 2015 as prepared by Talis consulting. A key part of this work was to identify alternative suitable sites for the development of a regional waste site facility. A site in the Shire of Capel has since been identified and is currently under assessment.

Over the duration of the Funding Agreement, several options were considered in relation to the future of a South West Regional Waste Strategy and proposals for the use of the Country Local Government Funding allocations originally identified for the purchase and development of the Banksia Road site.

Correspondence has recently been received from the Department of Regional Development (DRD) regarding the requirement to spend and acquit all the CLGF Regional Funding by 31 December 2017. The department has indicated that further preservation of funds to allow time to allow the development of the new site will not be supported, the group is required to consider its preferred option moving forward. The department have indicated that a response is required by 31 May 2017.

A meeting of BWGC is planned to be called on or around 12 May 2017 to consider the correspondence and alternative proposals. In this regard, The City of Bunbury (COB) have resolved as follows;

- 1. That Council authorise the options proposed for the Country Local Government Funding Regional Allocation and South West Regional Waste Management Site to be submitted for consideration at the next Bunbury Wellington Group of Councils Meeting, with Option 1 being the preferred Council position, along with the two other recommendations contained in the report.***
- 2. That in the event that there is no support for Option 1, the Mayor be authorised to consider alternatives provided by the other Local Governments and support a position which will see a positive outcome for the City.***
- 3. That Council support the funding of a project officer and the progressing of the required studies for the site identified in accordance with the CLGF Grant***

The options referred to above by COB are as follows;

Option 1

Based on discussions at the BWGC CEO Meeting, a two-pronged approach was recommended. This approach is still consistent with the original intent of the funding and would continue with the development of a Regional Waste Facility.

This approach will see the CLGF Funds (which currently sit at \$4,561,663.16) requested to be distributed between a new Regional Waste Site (Site 16) and a new lined cell at Stanley Road to ensure that the project can continue and secure a long term solution for all South West local governments.

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Option 2

A second option would be to allocate all of the CLGF funding to the SW site (Site 16) and progress with studies to ensure that the site is suitable for the long term use as a regional landfill site.

This would not result in all of the funds being spent and put at risk the balance of funds being required to be returned to the Department of Regional Development.

Option 3

A third option would be the allocation of all funding to the development of a lined cell at the existing Stanley Road site.

Whilst this option would see the funds spent by the end of the year, there has been some reluctance to support this option previously due the geographic location and the fact that this is a separate Regional Council of which the majority member local governments currently do not utilise.

Approval has been given by the City of Bunbury to circulate the confidential discussion paper which was provided to the City of Bunbury Councillors. This has been provided to Councillors as a separate attachment.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

N/A

Budget Implications:

N/A

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

Media Statement.

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

Outcome 2.3: Effective waste diversion and recovery.

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| Strategy 2.3.1: | Provide waste collection, recycling and disposal services. |
| Strategy 2.3.2: | Promote recycling, reuse and minimisation of waste in the community. |
| Strategy 2.3.3: | Support development of appropriate regional waste management strategies. |

Council is about to review its own Waste Management Plan 2009 document which will focus largely on the operation of the existing Landfill site on Gibbs road. This will also determine the remaining life left at the current site.

Relevant Precedents:

N/A

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Comment:

In the development of this report the CEO rang the Bunbury – Harvey Regional Council (BHRC) CEO, Mr Tony Battersby to ascertain the status of the Stanley road site. Details are provided below;

- BRHC are about to submit plans for two new cells at the current site to Department for Environment. This will give them an additional 30 years life span at the site.
- BRHC are confident that this application will be approved.
- BHRC are confident that they could spend grant funds by 31st December 2017 on a new cell if required.
- BRHC are open to accepting waste from other Councils. They currently receive some waste from the metropolitan area.

Council may wish to consider supporting any of the options put forward by the City of Bunbury, or an alternative option as it sees fit.

Rather than returning funds, it is recommended that an amount be retained to undertake further analysis of a combined waste to energy / biomass plant as per the Regional Waste Strategy. From a community perspective, it would be preferable if this facility was located in Collie as it ties in with previous work indicating that a waste to energy plant would only be viable if power could be sold to industry as well as election commitments relating to biomass for the Collie-Preston electorate made by incoming government.

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14. CORPORATE SERVICES REPORTS

14.1 Shire of Collie Record Keeping Plan

Reporting Department:	Corporate Services
Reporting Officer:	Alison Kidman – Manager Information Services
Accountable Manager:	Allison Fergie – Director Corporate Services
Legislation	WA Local Government Act 1995
File Number:	INF/002
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 2
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

To present to Council the Shire of Collie Record Keeping Plan 2017-2022.

7410

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Martin

Seconded: Cr Miffling

That Council adopt the Shire of Collie Record Keeping Plan 2017-2022 as presented Appendix 2.

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Shire of Collie Record Keeping Plans are prepared in order to comply with the State Records Act 2000, which provides for the keeping of State records and related purposes.

Section 19 of the Act requires that every government organization must have a recordkeeping plan that has been approved by the State Records Commission.

The Record Keeping Plan (RKP) sets out the matters about which records are to be created by the Shire of Collie and how it is to keep those records. The RKP provides an accurate reflection of the record keeping program within the organisation including information regarding record keeping systems, disposal arrangements, policies, practices and processes.

The objectives of the RKP are to ensure:

- Compliance with the State Records Act 2000;
- Record keeping within the shire is progressing towards compliance with State Records Office Standards and Records Management Standard AS ISO 15489;
- Processes are in place to facilitate the complete and accurate record of business transactions and decisions;

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- Recorded information can be accessed quickly, cheaply and accurately when required; and
- Protection and preservation of the shire's records.

In accordance with Section 17 of the Act, the RKP applies to:

- All Shire of Collie employees;
- Shire of Collie contractors;
- Organisations performing outsourced services on behalf of the Shire of Collie; and
- Elected members.

Shire of Collie Record Keeping Plans were prepared previously in 2007 and 2012 without significant amendments. Due to changes since then in organisational structure, operational procedures, priorities, objectives, strategic planning, administrative equipment available software, records staff made the decision to revise, review and update the RKP in 2017.

The RKP was approved by the State Records Commission on 17 March 2017.

Statutory and Policy Implications: State Records Act 2000; Local Government Act 1995; Shire of Collie Record Management Policy 2015

Budget Implications: Nil

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7) Nil

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

KEY OBJECTIVE 5.0

Our Business

Good governance and an effective, efficient and sustainable organisation.

Outcome 5.1

Good governance and leadership

Strategy 5.1.5 Administer local laws and ensure compliance with statutory obligations

Outcome 5.2

Effective and efficient people and corporate services

Strategy 5.2.3 Ensure information and communication services support efficient service delivery and meet compliance requirements.

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Relevant Precedents: Nil

Comment:

The benefits of good record keeping are many and include protecting the interests of the shire, enabling reviews of processes and decisions, retaining corporate memory and helping research activities.

The RKP underpins all of these activities and clearly sets out guiding principles for record keeping at the shire.

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14.2 Adoption of Fees and Charges for 2017/18

Reporting Department:	Corporate Services
Reporting Officer:	Khushwant Kumar – Finance Manager
Accountable Manager:	Allison Fergie – Director Corporate Services
Legislation:	WA Local Government Act (1995)
File Number:	FIN/005
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 3
Voting Requirements:	Absolute Majority

Report Purpose:

For the Council to consider the schedule of fees and charges for the 2017/18 budget year.

7411

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Martin

Seconded: Cr Stanley

That Council adopts by an ABSOLUTE MAJORITY, the attached schedule of fees and charges (Appendix 3) as part of the 2017/18 draft budget document with an amendments to copying charge from \$30 to \$3 and an increase to fees associated with trading in public places by 20%.

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

Council has adopted the annual schedule of fees and charges separately from the budget document to enable more time to consider each proposed charge for the forthcoming year.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

Section 6.16 to 6.19 of the WA Local Government Act (1995) governs the imposition of fees and charges.

Many of the fees and charges listed on the attachment are statutory charges and cannot be modified by the Council. They are included on the list to provide readers of the final budget document with a complete list of charges which the Council may levy.

Budget Implications:

Changes to proposed fees and charges will have an impact on the revenue collected for 2017/18. Anticipated revenue for each individual account will be fully disclosed upon budget adoption.

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As required by section 6.17 of the Act, the following was taken into account in determining the amount of a fee or charge for a service;

- (a) the cost to the local government of providing the service or goods;
- (b) the importance of the service or goods to the community; and
- (c) the price at which the service or goods could be provided by an alternative provider.

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

The final schedule of Fees and Charges is required to be made available for comment as part of the budget document. A copy of the proposed Schedule Fees and Charges for 2017/18 can be found at Appendix 4.

Certain fee changes such as Cemetery Fees are required to be gazetted if the Council wishes to increase for 2017/18.

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

KEY OBJECTIVE 5.0

Our Business

Good governance and an effective, efficient and sustainable organisation.

Outcome 5.3:

Financial sustainability and accountability, with emphases on the below strategy;

5.3.5, provide corporate financial services that support the Shires operations and meet planning, reporting and accountability requirements.

Comment:

Most of the fees & charges are kept at the same level. Other fees are increased by the previous 12 months Perth CPI figure which is 1.0% with some exceptions. Fees were also assessed to determine whether they reflected the true Council expenditure associated with the revenue. Some notable exceptions and new fees and charges are as follows:

Fee for lodgement of Structural plan (under Scheme amendment/structure plan) has been reduced based on actual hourly rates.

Document Search-complex (under miscellaneous planning fess) has been increased more than CPI index due to extra labour time required for this task. Advertisement of Development application-1 and 2 have been separated and charged based on actual cost of advertisement in Collie Mail.

Annual permit fee (under miscellaneous trading fee) has not changed in the last three years. So, these fees are increased more than the CPI index increase. Dog, Cat and stock impound fee (under poundage charges) have also not changed in the last two years. So, these fees are increased more than the CPI index.

A separate fee for spectators (non-swimming) at swimming pool has been introduced in 2017/18 fee and charges.

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At Roche Park, a separate category of charges has been introduced for hiring of stadium court for Association training. Further, charges for hiring small meeting room has also been introduced in the fee and charges. Urn hire charges and tea/coffee at Roche Park facilities have been introduced for the 2017/18 budget year.

Most of Cemetery fees are increased at the same level of CPI index but few charges are more than the CPI increase. The reason for this increase is analysing and comparing the revenue received and the expenditure associated with the various cemetery services. It was established that the existing Council set fees were not covering the labour, plant and material costs. A comparison of Council's fees with other local governments in the region indicates that our cemetery fee level is still below the other surrounding council. Interment surcharge of \$250 has been introduced to cover overtime and extra work done by labour for gravel work after 2 PM.

A separate category of charges at the transfer station has been introduced for disposal of bed mattresses.

The setting of rubbish collection fees, recycling collection fees and tip levies will occur at budget adoption once more detailed rates modelling has been undertaken.

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15. DEVELOPMENT SERVICES REPORTS

15.1 Home Business - Hair And Beauty

Reporting Department:	Development Services
Reporting Officer:	Kelly Beauglehole – Shire Planner
Accountable Manager:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Legislation	Planning and Development Act 2005 WA Local Government Act 1995
File Number:	A5432
Appendices:	Yes - Appendix 4 Site Plan, Floor Plan
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

To seek Council Approval for a Home Business for Hair and Beauty at 34 Gladstone Crescent, Collie in accordance with Local Planning Scheme No. 5 as per Appendix 4.

7412

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Harverson

Seconded: Cr Stanley

That Council:

pursuant to the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2005, hereby resolves to grant approval to Benita Spencer for the use of land as a 'Home Business - Hair And Beauty' at 34 Gladstone Crescent, Collie 6225 subject to the following conditions:

1. The business shall not employ more than 2 people not members of the occupier's household.

Hours of operation shall be limited to:

Mon- Fri: 7:00am – 7:00pm

Sat: 8:00am – 7pm

Sun/ Pub Hol: 9:00 – 5:00pm

2. The use/development is not to interfere with the amenity of the locality or cause nuisance by reason of the emission of noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, water products or grit, oil or otherwise.

3. The business shall not occupy an area greater than 50 square metres.

4. In relation to vehicles and parking, the business shall not result in the requirement for a greater number of parking facilities than normally required for a single dwelling or an increase in traffic volume in the neighbourhood, shall not involve the presence, use or calling of a vehicle more than 2 tonnes tare weight.

5. Signage must not exceed a single advertisement/ sign that is a maximum of 0.5m² in total area, is incorporated as part of a building wall, fence or entry statement and is not illuminated.

6. This approval is valid for a period of 1 (one) year from the date of issue and is subject to annual renewal due on 31st January every year thereafter. The

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approval is liable to cancellation without compensation at any time for infringement of any breach of any conditions under which it is issued.

CARRIED 9/2

Background:

The applicant has applied to operate a home salon providing hair and beauty appointments from an existing outbuilding on the property.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

Schedule 2 cl. 60 Requirements for Development Approval

Schedule 2 cl. 66 Matters to be Considered by Local Government

- (a) the aims and provisions of this Scheme and any other local planning scheme operating within the Scheme area;
- (b) the requirements of orderly and proper planning including any proposed local planning scheme or amendment to this Scheme that has been advertised under the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 or another proposed planning instrument that the local government is seriously considering adopting or approving;
- (g) any local planning policy for the Scheme area;
- (m) the compatibility of the development with its setting including the relationship of the development to development on adjoining land or on other land in the locality including, but not limited to, the likely effect of the height, bulk, scale, orientation and appearance of the development;
- (r) the suitability of the land for the development taking into account the possible risk to human health or safety;
- (s) the adequacy of —
 - (i) the proposed means of access to and egress from the site; and
 - (ii) arrangements for the loading, unloading, manoeuvring and parking of vehicles;
- (t) the amount of traffic likely to be generated by the development, particularly in relation to the capacity of the road system in the locality and the probable effect on traffic flow and safety;
- (v) the potential loss of any community service or benefit resulting from the development other than potential loss that may result from economic competition between new and existing businesses;
- (w) the impact of the development on the community as a

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whole notwithstanding the impact of the development on particular individuals;

- (y) any submissions received on the application;

Local Planning Scheme No. 5

The subject lot is zoned Residential (R15). The proposal has been assessed in accordance with the following clause(s) of the Scheme:

Part 4 – Zones and the Use of Land

Table 1 – Zoning Table

Local Planning Policy 4.1: Home-Based Businesses:

Budget Implications:

Nil

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

The proposal has undergone public advertising in accordance with the following policy objectives:

1. *Providing regular and consistent communication on Council's projects and activities to all stakeholders*
2. *Creating a positive and professional image for the Shire of Collie through open, transparent communication and increased awareness of Council's projects and activities*
3. *Fostering meaningful community consultation processes in Council's activities.*

The public advertising period ran from 6th April until 20 April 2017 and communications were made in the following ways:

- An advertisement in the Collie Mail on 6th April;
- Letters mailed to adjoining land owners in the locality;

A total of one submissions were received as a result of the public advertising period, however no objections were received from the affected adjoining land owners.

The Schedule of Submissions is recorded below:

No.	Name	Address	Nature of Submission	Planning Comments
1.	Jan Magill	Unknown – website submission	I am not in agreeance to this proposal as I feel there are enough salons and home beauty salons already in the CBD area and all paying Rent, rates and staff wages. Come on Collie Shire look after the business people and employers and employees and keep our shops open.	The nature of the submission is in regard to commercial competition with established businesses in the CBD. The ability to establish home businesses for personal services is not restricted by commercial competition. The application is assessed based on providing minimal interruption to the immediate residential amenity. In addition, the applicant

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				has stated that she has a working relationship with a local salon to accommodate overflow bookings.
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Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

Goal 3: Our Built Environment

Outcome 3.1 Appropriate Land Use, Development and Conservation of Heritage;

Strategy 3.1.1: Ensure appropriate Planning Controls for land use and development through the administration of the local planning scheme and strategies.

Relevant Precedents:

The Shire currently has two approved home salons the are subject to annual renewal. We have received no complaints from residents regarding the operation of either salon and both are subject to health inspection upon request to ensure compliance with the Health Act in the same manner as salon establishments in the commercial premises.

Comment:

The salon complies with the principles of the local planning policy- Home-Based Businesses and will be renewed on an annual basis subject to compliance with the applied conditions.

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15.2 Final List of Places Local Heritage Survey

Reporting Department:	Development Services
Reporting Officer:	Kelly Beaglehole – Shire Planner
Accountable Manager:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Legislation	Planning and Development Act 2005 Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990 WA Local Government Act 1995
File Number:	LUP/003
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 5 & 6 -Proposed List of Places, Existing List of Places
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

To seek Council Approval for additional budget funding to complete the Local Heritage Survey (Municipal Inventory) as per resolution 7353 “That Council refer the Heritage Survey back to staff for further review and report back to Council”, and proceed with the legislative requirements under the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990 to adopt the Survey.

7413

Officer’s Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Yates

Seconded: Cr Green

That Council,

- 1. Allocate an amount of \$12,500 for consideration in the Draft 2017-2018 budget in addition to carrying over the remaining 2016-2017 budget allocation of approximately \$12,700 to assess the additional proposed properties;**
- 2. Provide any additional nominations, addresses and reasons for nominations to staff for inclusion on the Proposed List of Places by 01 June 2017; and**
- 3. Pursuant to the provisions of the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990, hereby resolves to grant approval to advertise the completed additional draft Place Records to be added to the draft Shire of Collie Local Heritage Survey in accordance with s 45 of the Act for a period of 21 days and return the complete list to Council for its consideration.**

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Draft Local Heritage Survey (formerly Municipal Inventory) has been prepared to identify and record places that are, or may become, of cultural heritage significance to a local government, and is used to prepare a Heritage List established under the Local Planning Scheme Deemed Provisions. The reviewed existing MHI was presented to Council on 7 March 2017 but was deferred until such time as a complete

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list of culturally significant properties was collated and presented together as a complete list.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990

S45. Local Government to compile etc. Inventory of buildings with cultural heritage significance

State Cultural Heritage Policy 2011

Policy Objectives

- *Recognise*
- *Protect*
- *Promote*
- *Partner*

Heritage Bill 2016

The Heritage Bill is a seriously entertained document that will be considered in parliament in 2017. The term 'Local Heritage Survey' replaces the current 'Municipal Inventory' under the current requirements of s45 of the Heritage Act of Western Australia 1990. For consistency with upcoming legislation the document has been titled accordingly as a Local Heritage Survey (prepared in accordance with section 99 of the Heritage Bill 2016).

Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015

Schedule 2 Deemed Provisions

Part 3 – Heritage Protection

Part 7 – Requirements for Development Approval

Part 8 – Applications for Development Approval

Part 9 – Procedures for dealing with applications for Development Approval

Local Planning Scheme No. 5

5.2 Residential Design Codes

5.7 Variations to Site and Development Requirements

Residential Design Codes

2.2 Single House Approval

Budget Implications:

- The existing budget that remains unspent from this financial year was to be used to further the works in small stages. Due to the importance of getting the

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existing list reviewed and the Heritage List adopted, we now need the additional funds to assess all of the additional sites in one stage.

- The total remaining project can be done with \$25,000 and therefore a request for an additional \$12,500 for the Shire to be able to contract a consultant to conduct the assessments of the additional sites is require (currently there are 106 sites to assess).
- After preparation, there will be minor costs associated with the public notification process.

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

The proposal will undergo public advertising in accordance with section 45 of the *Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990* for a period of 21 days.

The following methods of public consultation will be implemented:

- A letter to land owners of all affected properties to invite comments and to offer the opportunity to meet with Shire Staff to discuss the listing.
- Public advertisement in a locally distributed newspaper for 2 consecutive weeks and a total of 21 days.
- Public advertisement listed on the Shire's website and the opportunity to submit online.
- Printed advertisement on the Shire's Notice Board at the Shire Office.

The advertising of the draft Survey satisfies the following objectives of the Corporate Business Plan:

1. *Providing regular and consistent communication on Council's projects and activities to all stakeholders.*
2. *Creating a positive and professional image for the Shire of Collie through open, transparent communication and increased awareness of Council's projects and activities.*
3. *Fostering meaningful community consultation processes in Council's activities.*

Strategic Community Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

Goal 3: Our Built Environment

Outcome 3.1 Appropriate Land Use, Development and Conservation of Heritage;

Strategy 3.1.1: Ensure appropriate Planning Controls for land use and development through the administration of the local planning scheme and strategies.

Relevant Precedents:

The current Municipal Inventory was adopted in 1996 and has not been maintained since its adoption. The completed draft document presented in March 2017 will remain in draft form and the new properties will be added to the document.

Comment:

The Shire of Collie Municipal Inventory (MI) was adopted in 1996 and has 148 places of cultural significance listed.

In the years between 2010-2012 the Shire commenced a review of the MI which was never completed through to adoption. The review of an MI should take place every four years, therefore a review of the Draft document was required. From the draft

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documents prepared by the previous staff and Heritage Review Committee, it is now possible to complete the review of the MI. This proposal includes consideration of 159 places, this does not mean that all of the properties assessed will comply with the assessment criteria. Council are invited to include any properties to the list that have not already been considered but warrant investigation.

After the period of public and landowners consultation, the additional draft place records will be compiled with the existing draft document that will be presented to Council for consideration of the submissions and final place records. The final adopted Shire of Collie Local Heritage Survey will then be presented to the Heritage Council of WA.

After this final stage, the Heritage List will then be prepared including any new submissions from the additional places and presented to Council for advertising and adoption thereafter.

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15.3 Expression of Interest for Allanson Bush Fire Brigade Shed

Reporting Department:	Development Services
Reporting Officer:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Accountable Manager:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Legislation	N/A
File Number:	R6684 P2
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 7
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

For Council to consider calling for expressions of interest for the use of the former Allanson Bush Fire Brigade shed.

7414

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Yates

Seconded: Cr Martin

That Council:

- 1. Authorise staff to advertise for expressions of interest for the use of the former Allanson Bush Fire Brigade shed; and**
- 2. Allocate an amount of \$20,000 for consideration in the Draft 2017-2018 budget to remove the derelict building to the front of Reserve 6684 to allow a future use of the site or hand it back to the Department of Lands.**

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Allanson Bush Fire Brigade formerly occupied premises on Bedlington Street in Allanson prior to their relocation to the new facility adjacent to the Allanson oval. The Bedlington Street site has been vacant since the Brigade moved to the new premises.

Several groups have verbally expressed interest in the use of the shed at the old site, and staff have now received correspondence from the Veteran Car Club of WA (Inc) Collie Branch requesting permission to dismantle the shed for relocation the Club's site in Medic Street (see Appendix 7).

Given the community interest in the site, staff consider it timely to call for expressions of interest in the use of the shed so that Council can consider the options available.

Statutory and Policy Implications:

N/A

Budget Implications:

The advertisement of the expressions of interest can be included in the current advertising budget.

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The demolition of the derelict building to the front of the reserve is estimated to cost \$20,000.

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)
Local advertising for expressions of interest.

Community Strategic Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

GOAL 3: Our Built Environment Infrastructure, land use and development that supports the needs of the community.

Outcome 3.4: Council buildings and service related assets that support community needs.

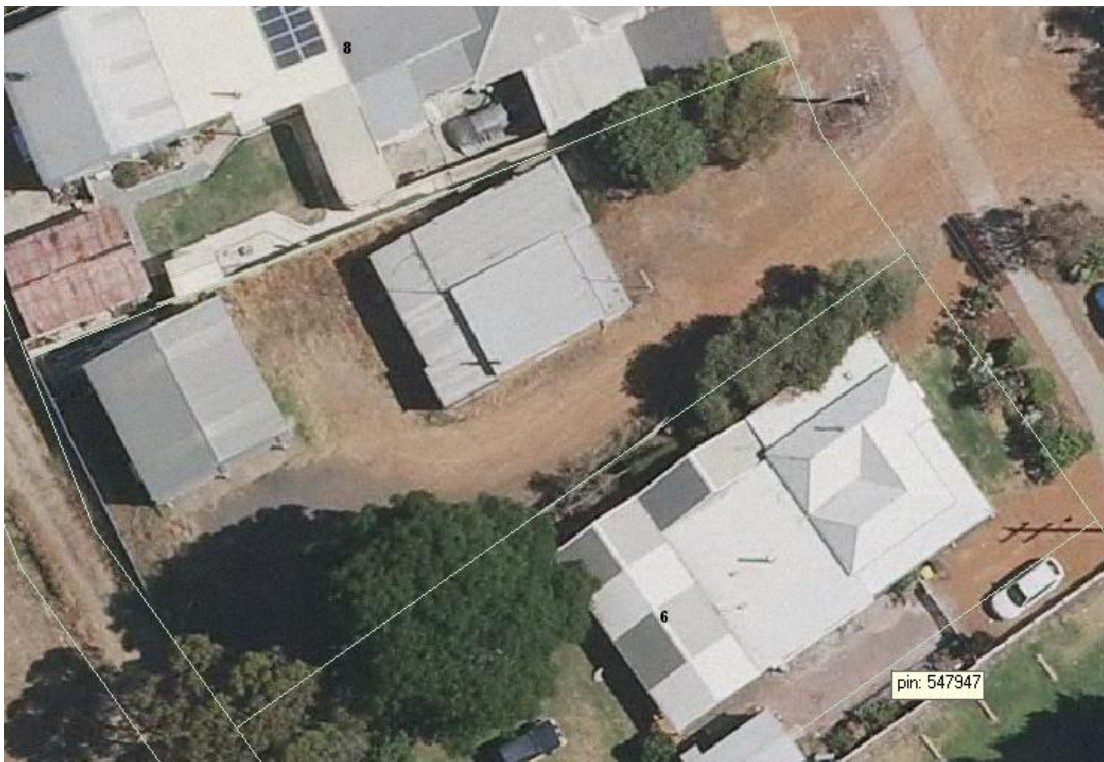
Outcome 3.5: A sustainable asset and infrastructure base.

Relevant Precedents:

N/A

Comment:

There are two buildings on the site of the former Allanson Bush Fire Brigade site – the shed and another building in poor condition. The second building is considered unsuitable for further use and it is planned that this building be demolished. This demolition is required regardless of what is planned for this site.



This site is vested in the Council by the Department of Lands (DoL). As such, Council may resolve to hand this site back to DoL. However, the buildings must first be removed and the Shire certifies that there are no contamination issues impacting the

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land. Alternatively, the Council may seek a new use for the site and apply to DoL to change the purpose of the current vesting. This is an administration process only. As a number of community groups have expressed their interest in this site and its central location within Allanson, it is recommended that this process be undertaken.

Calling for expressions of interest for the use of the shed would provide Council with information on opportunities that the community identify, and to make an informed decision on the future of the shed and site.

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15.4 Expression of Interest for Buckingham Hall

Reporting Department:	Development Services
Reporting Officer:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Accountable Manager:	Andrew Dover – Director Development Services
Legislation	N/A
File Number:	R23255
Appendices:	Yes – Appendix 8
Voting Requirement	Simple Majority

Report Purpose:

For Council to consider calling for expressions of interest for the use of Buckingham Hall.

7415

Officer's Recommendation/Council Decision:

Moved: Cr Martin

Seconded: Cr Stanley

That Council authorise staff to advertise for expressions of interest for the use of Buckingham Hall.

CARRIED 11/0

Background:

The Buckingham Hall is currently a disused building with significant heritage and cultural value to the Buckingham residents and beyond. This building is currently on the Council's Municipal Heritage Inventory. The draft place sheet is attached. Council also considered a motion moved at its meeting on 20th December 2005:

That Council advises the Buckingham Progress Association (BPA) that:

- 1. It is Council's preference to have the Buckingham Hall retained within the Buckingham Community; and**
- 2. That Council staff continue to liaise with the Buckingham Heritage Group, which is nominated to restore the Buckingham Hall.**

Over the years interest has been expressed to the use of the hall, however these groups were not considered suitable to undertake a lease with the Shire. Staff also have received correspondence from the Buckingham Heritage Group who are interested in the preservation and use of this building.

Given the community interest in the site, staff consider it timely to call for expressions of interest in the use of the shed so that Council can consider the options available.

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Statutory and Policy Implications:

N/A

Budget Implications:

The advertisement of the expressions of interest can be included in the current advertising budget.

Communications Requirements: (Policy No. CS 1.7)

State and local advertising for expressions of interest.

Community Strategic Plan/Corporate Business Plan Implications:

GOAL 3: Our Built Environment Infrastructure, land use and development that supports the needs of the community.

Outcome 3.4: Council buildings and service related assets that support community needs.

Outcome 3.5: A sustainable asset and infrastructure base.

Relevant Precedents:

N/A

Comment:

The Buckingham Hall building is structurally sound, however requires significant work prior to occupation. Estimates vary from \$50,000 to \$80,000 to refurbish this building depending on the eventual intended use. This may be part funded though grant funding, interested community groups and the eventual user group. This building is suitable for a large variety of uses including for community groups, outback pubs, scout/church retreats etc due to the proximity of the end of the Collie-Darkan Rail Trail and Buckingham Pool.



This site is vested in the Council by the Department of Lands (DoL). Council may request permission from DoL to enter into a commercial lease depending on the results from the expressions of interest.

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Calling for expressions of interest for the use of the building would provide Council with information on opportunities that the community identify, and to make an informed decision on the future of the building and site.

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16. TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORTS
Nil

17. MOTIONS FOR WHICH PRIOR NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

7416

Moved Cr Miffing

Seconded Cr Green

That Council write to the local Member of Parliament, Hon Mick Murray MLA, Minister for Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering; Sport and Recreation requesting him to liaise with the Premier Hon Mark McGowan MLA to ensure the reintroduction of the former Public Transport Authority of WA TransWA bus service (as promised as an election commitment at the meeting between Mr McGowan, Mr Murray and Council in October 2016) as follows –

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday mornings from Bunbury to Brunswick and then on to Collie (after collecting passengers from the Australind train service travelling to Collie and any other passengers travelling from Bunbury through to Collie and beyond); and

Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons from Collie to Brunswick and then on to Bunbury (to deliver passengers from Collie to the Australind train service and any other passengers travelling on the bus through to Bunbury).

CARRIED 11/0

BACKGROUND:

A few years ago the Public Transport Authority of WA cancelled the bus service as mentioned in the above Notice of Motion. Collie then went from a reasonable service generally meeting the needs of the local community to a less than adequate service.

The current TransWA bus service (put into place after the cancellation of the above mentioned previous service) leaves East Perth on Monday and Wednesday arriving in Collie at 4.00pm (and then on to Pemberton).

On Tuesday and Thursday the TransWA bus service leaves Pemberton to Collie and leaves Collie at 10.20am for East Perth via Bunbury and arrives at East Perth at 2.00pm.

There is no weekend bus service (either TransWA or South West Coach Lines) in or out of Collie.

It is noted that the start and end point of East Perth is not terribly convenient as it then requires a journey from East Perth into the City centre (the Australind train service delivers passengers right into Perth city).

The current TransWA bus service does not connect with the Australind train service so the option of direct travel into the City centre is non-existent.

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The previous TransWA service which the Premier promised to reinstate ran on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Under the previous service the Australind train departed Perth at 9.30am arriving at Brunswick at 11.35am where passengers were met by a TransWA bus which came out from Bunbury. This bus brought passengers to Collie arriving at 12.10pm (it then headed off with passengers to Boyup Brook arriving there at about 1.15pm). The bus returned from Boyup Brook to Collie and collected passengers (leaving Collie at 2.10pm) to join with the afternoon Australind train at 3.00pm in Brunswick (arriving in Perth at 5.12pm).

The TransWA bus out of Bunbury (via Brunswick to collect Australind train passengers) also offered a service to passengers who just wished to travel from Bunbury to Collie.

On the same days, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, the TransWA bus service out of Collie at 2.10pm allowed passengers to connect with the Australind train at Brunswick at 3.00pm – the bus then travelled on to Bunbury for passengers only going to Bunbury

The previous bus services allowed for options – passengers needing to go to Bunbury for early appointments could leave Collie on the 7.30am Southwest Coach Lines bus (arriving in Bunbury at 8.30am), conduct their appointment/s and return to Collie on the TransWA bus at 11.05am (via Brunswick to collect Australind train passengers).

The current position of not having any weekend bus transport between Collie and Bunbury or Perth effects many locals as well as visitors, including Bibbulmun Track walkers who could use the previous service to arrive in town at lunch time on Friday and head off on their walk and return to Collie on Sunday to take a bus service back to Perth (this is what they could once do but can't anymore).

Many elderly people and those without cars have been disadvantaged because of the lack of a weekend service (TransWA service has been reduced now, as mentioned above, from 5 days a week to 2 days a week (to Perth on Tuesday and Thursday and from Perth on Monday and Wednesday).

The current (unsatisfactory) service also limits the services people can use such as their free pension travel vouchers because South West Coach Lines does not accept them – they can only be used on TransWA. Often people would use them out of Collie on the TransWA bus/Australind train service to then meet up with TransWA services out of Perth but, their options are now limited unless of course they can obtain private car travel down to Brunswick to meet the Australind train.

COMMENT:

All public transport in WA runs at a loss (subsidised by Government) and to single out the former bus service for Collie as a service that required downgrading is insulting to our town. Anyone who travels the Kwinana Freeway on a frequent basis will always observe trains on the Perth-Mandurah line running at less than capacity, sometimes

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with hardly anyone on them but it could be assumed this would be no reason for the service to cease operating. In addition the Public Transport Authority provides FREE train travel on weekends to cater for late night passengers travelling home from city entertainment venues. The public transport system can afford to subsidise these services so why should a decent bus service for Collie be any different?

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18. QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS FOR WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

19. URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER OR BY DECISION

Nil

20. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND COUNCILLORS

Cr Stanley

- 19 April 2017 - The first meeting of the Collie entrepreneur program's advisory group was held, and suggestions for emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in our community to act as ambassadors for the program were taken. All ambassadors that were approached have eagerly accepted the role, and will have their first meeting/event later this month.
- 10 May 2017 - Sectors Collide, a business-to-business event in the format of speed dating, is being held at the Federal Hotel in Collie tomorrow followed by an informal networking session at 12.30pm. Councillors and staff are invited to attend.

Cr Yates

- 25 April 2017 – Attended the ANZAC Day Dawn Service and ANZAC Day Service at 11.00am at Soldiers Park it was well attended over 1000 strong.
- Attended a Water for Food Program with the aim of crop protection in agriculture and the Department of Agriculture implementing a feasibility study in the Shire of Collie.

Cr Sanford

- 27 April 2017 – Attended the ANZAC Service “Of the Vacant Chair” at the Masonic Pioneer Lodge.
- 28 April 2017 – Attended the SW Zone Meeting in Manjimup.

Cr Hanns

- Advised that she has been nominated to sit as a representative on the entrepreneur program for the Youth link to Council.

Mr Blurton

- 19 July 2017 – Attended first meeting of emerging leaders and entrepreneurs in our community.
- 20 April 2017 – Presentation to the Collie Rotary Club
- 25 April 2017 – Attended the ANZAC Day Service at 11.00am and laid a wreath at the Memorial at Soldiers Park.
- 28 April 2017 – Attended the SW Zone Meeting in Manjimup
- 3 May 2017 – Attended a meeting of the Collie Golf Club relating to potential project to reuse waste water

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21. COUNCILLOR DOCUMENTS OF INTEREST

- Building Approvals for April 2017 (Attached)
- Building Statistics Comparison Table (Attached)

22. ELECTED MEMBERS TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Please refer to the **attached** 2017 WALGA Training Calendar and contact CEO PA on 9734 9004 for any training you may wish to undertake

23. STATUS REPORT ON COUNCIL RESOLUTIONS

Summary reports on the status of Council's resolutions are;

- 'Closed Since Last Meeting' at Appendix 9
- 'All Open' at Appendix 10

24. CLOSURE OF MEETING TO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Nil

25. CLOSE

The Shire President thanked Council and Staff for their attendance.

The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed 8.37pm.

I certify that these Minutes were confirmed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday, 30 May 2017.

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Presiding Member

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Date