

NRPG Minutes

23 December 2014

Attendance: Tony, Margaret, Steve (No quorum)
Apologies: Elaine, Vicki, Katharine, Mary

Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting of 17 November 2014: Defer to mtg w/quorum

Business Arising:

- Shire sponsorship – c/f
- Maida Vale Primary School Initiative – c/f Vicki & Elaine update in new year
- PAP Master Plan submission to Ken Wyatt and Greg Hunt – see Gen Bus.

Correspondence Out:

- MRS amend. 1271/41 Lot 59 Wilkins Rd. NRPG submission made.
- Copy to UBC and Conservation Commission
- NRPG letter to CEO on Glyde Rd development proposal.

Correspondence In:

- ACNC update request (on-line) Action: Tony send by end Jan 2015.
- Copy of UBC submission on MRS amend. 1271/41 Lot 59 Wilkins Rd.

Reports:

President: Missed Environmental Consultative group (Perth airport) + Aviation Group meeting, both on 3/12/14.

Treasurer: No change from last meeting.

CSAC:

Recycling Report by Sam Assad, Mgr Infrastructure & Operations:

Kal Advancing: Strat Community Plan 2023 requires reduction of waste produced, max recycling, and re-use.

Old kerb collection did not necessarily result in it going to recycling.

Approx 23.7% of tot waste is recycled last year, Aim is for 57% red'n in 2015/16, but likely to be only 31%.

Walliston Transfer Stn (WTS) is now recycling 3 times as much greenwaste. Problem is it needs to be pasteurised. (Sam says 2-yr stockpile req'd by Aust Std - but Aileen disputes - Aileen to check).

EMRC is certified to pasteurise mulch, but 45 mins truck trip ea way, so not viable - will continue to mulch at WTF.

mulchnet.com.au which provides fresh mulch from local neighborhood, but risk of spreading disease such as Marri Canker, etc.

Belmont Takeover report by Darrell Forest, Mgr Governance:

Kal shire ceases to exist after 30 June 2015.

Elections Oct 2015, in which time Belmont Council rules.

Governor no longer has any political roles, so has no say on amalgamations.

CSAC would like to have input into options after takeover as Belmont & Kalamunda environment is totally different, so Kal knowledge should be of value.

Forrestfiled Airport Link (FAL) Train station by Andrew Fowler-Tutt (AFT), Mgr Development Svcs:

District Structure Plan (DSP) will go to Council, then be avail for CSAC review for Feb mtg. Planning to integrate wildlife corridors with bushforever & other bush links created, potentially with cycleways etc - TBD in review.

Parking will be north & south to allow more attractive for people outside the station. Parking will be minimised but not multilevel.

Should be space for Aged Care.

Urban density will be high but will encourage multi-level to reduce footprint & allow more space for vegetation.

CSAC requested that the area be reviewed for significant vegetation in addition to other such as Bush Forever - AFT agreed to.

Wikins Rd rezoning by AFT:

Steve asked of criteria Shire used to select Aged Care sites, with regard to Wilkns Rd. AFT to provide this and list of shire selected sites.

Maureen Robinson (CSAC Chair) raised issue that Wilkins Rd is part of Darling Range Regional Park as she is on the DRRP Committee which has investigated and their evidence indicates it should be, however this contested by Noreen Townsend (Cr). Steve advised the history of this is documented in NRRPG just-completed submission to MRS.

Steve asked whether cost of land was considered and whether bushland is particularly attractive as it would be cheap. Tamara stated that bushland was not necessarily cheap and could be similar cost. Steve argued that if that is the case, then more private land should be considered, of which there are numerous options, including the new Forrestfield area, and recent advertising for govt land sales. Steve raised issue that unless an development approval has a requirement for aged care to be provided, past experience with 'option' for aged care has resulted in no aged care being built due to lack of financial viability, due to inadequate funding/incentives by Govt or other. Unless these two conditions are in place, it is likely that no aged care will be built, so not only is bushland destroyed, but no aged care results.

AFT advised Minister Day is pushing for this site and public comment period on Wilkins Rd starts soon for 60 days. (Post note: This is now out for public comment)

Cons. Council: Awards eve held – Mary Gray rec'd Bessie Reischbeth award.

Ken Wyatt Environmental Advisory Group: Alan Hill & Aileen Reid continue to be part of this group.

Volunteer hours

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| Toornaart Creek 5 | Crumpet Creek 3 | Poison Gully ? | Ray Owen ? |
| Quenda Creek ? | Lesmurdie Falls ? | Other n/a | |

General Business

- Emails to NRRPG members: Ensure requests to remove names from “General Interest” are implemented as soon as received. Continue sending to emails list as updated by Margaret to date, plus include subnote on emails to offer to unsubscribe if desired. Clarify two lists: 1) NRRPG & Local Shire related, 2) General interest (including political if it is for an environmental outcome). **Action: Margaret coordinate with Katharine.**
- ACNC update - ongoing
- Newsletter after Christmas. **Action: Margaret & Katharine.** Include request to members to raise any issues regarding their local reserves, such as development proposals.
- Wilkins Rd update: Aged Care Today (Candy Gordon) letter to the Echo 13 Dec 2014 “...agrees that areas of environmental significance should not be cleared.” This is promising way forward.
- Wilkins Rd rezoning by Shire to amend LPS from Regional Reserve - Parks and Recreation to Special Use (Aged Residential Care). Submissions due 16 February 2015.
- Re: J Day's push for Wilkins Rd rezoning: **Action: Tony to discuss ACT concerns with NRRPG's that bush should not be cleared, and need for all 3 tiers of govt to be involved in this issue, plus need for strategic planning instead of ad-hoc.**
- Aged Care developments: Ken Wyatt & shire to look at alternative sites.
- PAP Master Plan Submission : **Action: Tony to send.**
- AGM: Booked for Tues 10 Mar 2015. Margaret suggested to ask Kanyana to make presentation. **Action: Tony to ask June.**
- Dickson Rd submission: Tim Colegate has put Tony in contact with concerned Dickson Rd resident.
- Steve moved a vote of thanks for Tony's many submissions on behalf of NRRPG. Seconded: Margaret.

Next meeting: 20 Jan 2015 (not at Steve's place as will be away)

Meeting closed: 21:05