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## **Local Government News-Issue No.47.04**

26 November 2004

### **HEADLINES**

- POSITIVE ROAD FUNDING DEAL ANNOUNCED
- NOMINATIONS ON WASTE SITE SELECTION PROCESS EXTENDED
- COMMONWEALTH COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM
- FESA AWARE PROGRAM 2005/06
- CONGRATULATIONS
- CARETAKERS DWELLINGS IN INDUSTRIAL AREAS
- IMPACT OF THE ARTS IN REGIONAL WA
- LOCAL GOVERNMENT & THE AGEING POPULATION
- TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION EXPO (TIE)
- MEN'S HEALTH

### **MAILBAG**

- PURCHASING OFFICERS NETWORK UPDATE

## **ISSUES UPDATE**

### **POSITIVE ROAD FUNDING DEAL ANNOUNCED**

The Association has won a hard fought campaign to reinstate \$24 million of funding cut from Local Roads. The Minister announced at the Annual Roads Forum, that \$23.4 million has been made available for local road projects which were mothballed over the last two years. While the Minister has indicated a preference to have the additional funds expended in 04/05, it is recognised that some projects may not be completed by June 2005. Options for funding and potential carryovers are currently being examined.

The Minister has also announced a proposed new deal on funding available for a new five-year *State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement* due to commence on **Friday 1 July 2005**. The proposal is based on a set percentage of vehicle licensing fees, and therefore, a growth tax. This is something the Association has been working aggressively towards. The Association has cautiously welcomed the announcement of the new deal, subject to closer analysis of the detail.

*For further information, please contact Executive Manager, Transport & Roads, Debbie Terelinck, on (08) 9213 2031 or email [dterelinck@walga.asn.au](mailto:dterelinck@walga.asn.au).*

### **NOMINATIONS TO THE CORE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE ON WASTE (3C) – SITE SELECTION PROCESS EXTENDED**

The 3C has recently announced an extension of the period to identify a Hazardous / Industrial Waste Precinct Site, for **Friday 31 December**. This is great timing for either Serving Officers or Elected Members to nominate for a position on the 3C. Minister for the



Environment, the Hon Dr Judy Edwards, confirmed last month that an additional position on the committee had become available.

The committee meets every three weeks and sitting fees are set at \$220 for a full day or \$150 for a half day. Interested persons should address the selection criteria which can be downloaded from [www.walga.asn.au](http://www.walga.asn.au). The Terms of Reference can be accessed at [www.3c.org.au](http://www.3c.org.au).

*Please address your Expressions of Interest to Danielle Witham, WA Local Government Association, PO Box 1544, West Perth 6872 or email [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au) by **COB Friday 3 December**.*

*For further information, please contact Manager Waste and Recycling, Bernard Ryan, on (08) 9213 2037.*

#### **COMMONWEALTH COMMUNITY CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAM**

The National Community Crime Prevention Program's second round of grants is now open. Applications close on **Monday 7 February 2005**.

The National Crime Prevention Program's objectives are to identify and promote innovative ways of reducing and preventing crime, as well as the fear of crime. The program includes research and practical initiatives such as national pilot projects, local prevention activities, communications and training initiatives.

The key priorities for Crime Prevention and Community Safety are: Indigenous Justice and Crime Prevention; Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances and Crime Prevention; Crime Prevention for the Built Environment; Role of Communities in Crime Prevention; Evidence Base and Evaluation for Crime Prevention; and Workforce Development.

*For further information, please contact the Attorney-General's Department on (02) 6250 6711 or visit [www.crimeprevention.gov.au](http://www.crimeprevention.gov.au).*

#### **FESA AWARE PROGRAM 2005/06**

Expressions of Interest for the FESA Aware Program for 2005/06 have been forwarded to all Local Governments.

This year the scholarship option has been removed to enable additional services to be made available for the Project Coordinator of each successful application. Funding changes have also occurred through an increase to \$40,000 for mitigation strategies and / or treatment options, and \$30,000 for the funding of salary subsidisation. Applications close on **Friday 25 February 2005** with notification in the week of Monday 18 April 2005.

*For further information, please contact FESA AWARE Program Coordinator, Kathryn James, on (08) 9323 9342, email [kjames@fesa.wa.gov.au](mailto:kjames@fesa.wa.gov.au) or visit [www.fesa.wa.gov.au](http://www.fesa.wa.gov.au).*



### **CONGRATULATIONS**

The Association congratulates the following Councils for their outstanding achievements:

- **City of Bayswater** – National and State winner of the Australian Local Government Flower Garden Awards

#### **Tiny Town Award Winners 2004**

- **Shire of Kojonup** – Kojonup was named State Winner of the Tidy Towns Awards 2004
- **Shire of Ravensthorpe** – Hopetoun was named Goldfields-Esperance Region Winner
- **Shire of Derby-West Kimberley** – Looma Community was named Kimberley Region Winner
- **Shire of Ashburton** – Pannawonica was named Pilbara Region Winner
- **Shire of Boddington** – Boddington was named South-West Region Winner
- **Shire of Collie** – Collie was named South-West Region Winner
- **Shire of Exmouth** – Exmouth was named Gascoyne Region Winner
- **Shire of Irwin** – Dongara was named Mid-West Region Winner
- **Shire of Wickiepin** – Wickiepin was named Wheatbelt Region Winner

#### **2004 SGIO West Australian Environment Award Winners**

- **Shire of Mount Marshall** – Government Leading by Example
- **City of Joondalup** – Bush, Land and Waterways

### **CARETAKERS' DWELLINGS IN INDUSTRIAL AREAS**

The WA Planning Commission had approved a final Planning Bulletin concerning Caretakers' Dwellings in Industrial Areas.

The purpose of Planning Bulletin Number 70 is to highlight the issues associated with the establishment of caretakers' dwellings in industrial areas in the State, as well as outline a policy for dealing consistently with this demand through Local Town Planning Schemes and policy provisions.

This Planning Bulletin was released for public comment earlier this year and the final policy incorporates some of the issues raised in submissions received.

*For a copy of this policy, please visit [www.wapc.wa.gov.au](http://www.wapc.wa.gov.au).*



### **IMPACT ON THE ARTS IN REGIONAL WA – REPORT**

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee has released its Report on the Impact of Arts in Regional WA.

The Report's ten recommendations include: cultural planning is to be incorporated into all Local Government strategic planning processes; universal funding forms to be developed by arts agencies; and that the State establishes a network of regional arts development officers. The Association is represented on the Regional Services Committee of the Department of Culture and the Arts. This committee, comprised of Government and non-Government arts agencies, has been focusing on implementation of the Cultural Signposts Regional Arts Policy, in particular, the investigation of models for a network of arts officers across the region.

*For a copy of the report, please visit [www.parliament.wa.gov.au](http://www.parliament.wa.gov.au) or for further information, please contact Policy Manager Community, Michelle Mackenzie, on (08) 9213 2065 or email [mmackenzie@walga.asn.au](mailto:mmackenzie@walga.asn.au).*

### **LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE AGEING POPULATION**

The Productivity Commission has released a draft research report on the economic implications of an ageing Australia. The report finds that the ageing of the population will place increasing pressure on Local Government expenditure. There is likely to be an emerging fiscal deficit at the Local Government level under current policy settings, the number of pensioners and pensioner rate concessions is projected to increase Local Government revenue is unlikely to increase at a significantly, and a greater rate than the growth in GDP. Some components, such as Federal financial assistance grants, will grow at slower rates.

The Association is working with the State Government to plan the State Government Active Ageing Local Government Communication and Partnering Strategy. To support this strategy, \$1.35 million over three years is available commencing in 2005/06.

*For a copy of the report, visit [www.pc.gov.au](http://www.pc.gov.au) or for further information, please contact Policy Manager Community, Michelle Mackenzie, on (08) 9213 2065 or email [mmackenzie@walga.asn.au](mailto:mmackenzie@walga.asn.au).*

### **TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION EXPO (TIE)**

The Local Government Association of Queensland has posted to your Council the brochure for the inaugural Local Government Technology and Innovation Expo (TIE) to be held at the Gold Coast Convention Centre, Gold Coast, Queensland, from **Wednesday 1 to Friday 3 December**.

*For further information, please visit [www.lgaq.asn.au/Events/TIE2004](http://www.lgaq.asn.au/Events/TIE2004), contact LGAQ Conference Assistant Coordinator, Kareen Jones, on (07) 3000 2223 or email [karen.jones@lgaq.asn.au](mailto:karen.jones@lgaq.asn.au).*





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**MEN'S HEALTH**

Seven free A3 posters encouraging men to make better use of health and community resources are available. The posters are aimed at men who may be reluctant to use services and promote sound health and well being.

This simple, high impact and thought provoking poster series was developed as a joint initiative of the Men's Advisory Network and the City of Melville, and is sponsored by the Department of Health.

*For further information, please contact Executive Officer, Gary Bryant, on (08) 9218 8044 or visit [www.man.org.au](http://www.man.org.au).*

**MEDIA RELEASES**

25 November                      Endangered and Declining Bird Species in Perth's Reserves  
25 November                      WA Local Government Ageing Population Struggles

**DIARY DATES**

1 December                      State Council  
6 December                      Pilbara Country Zone Meeting



## **Local Government News-Issue No.48.04**

3 December 2004

### **HEADLINES**

- 2005 ELECTORAL STATUTORY ADVERTISING
- PREMIER'S LOCAL ACTIVITY GRANTS PROGRAM
- RRRS PERIOD 13 APPLICATION FORM
- TAX AND FINANCIAL SERVICES SEMINAR
- CONGRATULATIONS
- WESTERN POWER'S MANAGEMENT OF WOODEN POWER  
POLES
- WA WATER SAFETY FRAMEWORK
- LIVEABLE NEIGHBOURHOODS
- CONGRATULATIONS

### **MAILBAG**

- RRRS PERIOD 13 APPLICATION FORM
- TAX NEWSLETTER 73/04
- STATUTORY ADVERTISING FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT  
ELECTIONS INFORMATION PACK
- LHAAC – REVISED FOOD SAMPLING SCHEME
- COMMUNITY SAFETY & CRIME PREVENTION INFOPAGE
- TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT QUARTERLY CALENDAR  
JANUARY – MARCH 2005
- WORKPLACE SOLUTIONS BULLETIN 12
- LCC LINKAGES NEWSLETTER EDITION 27

## **ISSUES UPDATE**

### **2005 ELECTORAL STATUTORY ADVERTISING**

Included in this week's mailbag is an information and registration package for the composite statutory advertising campaign for the Local Government Elections 2005.

The Association program has been fully costed and will involve the sharing of an estimated \$80,000 of advertising space across Local Governments hosting in-person elections. In addition to providing cost savings, the program assists in raising the election profile and delivering administrative efficiencies.

The WA Electoral Commission has decided not to participate in the 2005 composite program; therefore, statutory advertisements for postal elections will not be managed by the Association. However, Local Governments hosting postal elections are advised that they do have the choice to place their first notice "Enrolling to Vote" through the Association program as this notice is a function of the CEO, not the Returning Officer.

*For further information, please contact Services Manager, Andrew Blitz, on (08) 9213 2046 or email [ablitz@walga.asn.au](mailto:ablitz@walga.asn.au).*



### **PREMIER'S LOCAL ACTIVITY GRANTS PROGRAM**

The Premier's Local Activity Task Force has completed assessment of applications submitted by Local Governments for assistance for physical local activity projects under Round 3 of the program with total grants of \$150,965. Within the next week, all applicants will receive notification in relation to their submissions.

The Premier's Physical Activity Taskforce has been extremely supportive of as many Local Governments accessing the Local Activity Grants as possible. At this stage, however, there are no further funds available to the program and the possibility of any future grants distribution will be subject to:

1. Assessment and the success or otherwise of projects funded under the first round of grants; and
2. Further funding being made available to the program

*For further information, please contact Policy Manager Community, Michelle Mackenzie, on (08) 9213 2065 or email [mmackenzie@walga.as.au](mailto:mmackenzie@walga.as.au).*

### **RESOURCE RECOVERY REBATE SCHEME PERIOD 13 APPLICATION FORM**

Application forms for Period 13 of the Resource Recovery Rebate Scheme (RRRS) have been distributed to all Local Governments in this week's mailbag.

The RRRS offers all Local Governments and Regional Councils in Western Australia the opportunity to share in approximately \$2.4 million per year. It is the responsibility of Local Governments to ensure they comply with the lodgement requirements for their applications. Please refer to the lodgement instructions on the covering page of the application form.

Please note applications received after **4.00 pm on Monday 31 January 2005** cannot be processed.

*For further information, please contact Waste Management Officer, Rebecca Brown, on (08) 9213 2063 or [emailrbrown@walga.asn.au](mailto:emailrbrown@walga.asn.au).*

### **TAX AND FINANCIAL SERVICES SEMINAR**

A two-day specialist program will be hosted by the Association for the financial management sector of Local Government on **Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 March 2005**.

Program highlights include a focus on financial management in an environment of organisational change and reform, a presentation on international financial accounting standards, case studies for innovation in financial management, and a nationally syndicated Local Government program for Fringe Benefits Tax.

*For further information or additional brochures attached to the Tax Newsletter in this week's mailbag, please email [lgtax@walga.asn.au](mailto:lgtax@walga.asn.au).*

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

The Association congratulates the following Councils for their outstanding achievements:



- **Shire of Augusta-Margaret River** – Received the Department of Environment's Ribbons of Blue Partnership Award 2004, recognising exemplary support and commitment of this environmental education program.
- **City of Geraldton** – The City's Peter Karczub received a Ribbons of Blue Regional Commendation Award

**WESTERN POWER'S MANAGEMENT OF WOODEN POWER POLES – PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Energy Safety Division of the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection is currently auditing Western Power's management of its wooden power poles.

Western Power has an estimated 800,000 wooden poles throughout Western Australia to carry power lines.

The audit will assess Western Power's compliance with Regulation 10 of the Electricity (Supply Standards and System Safety) Regulations 2001 that relate to structural safety of the wooden poles, which in turn may affect supply reliability.

As part of the audit, the public are invited to comment, particularly in relation to the inspection, reinforcement and replacement of wooden power poles.

A copy of the questionnaire has been posted to all Local Governments within the audit area. Submissions close on **Tuesday 21 January 2005**.

*For further information, or copies of the questionnaire, please visit [www.energysafety.wa.gov.au](http://www.energysafety.wa.gov.au) or telephone (08) 9228 1999.*

**MEDIA RELEASE**

29 November                      White Ribbons Help Save Lives

**DIARY DATES**

6 December                      Pilbara Country Zone Meeting





## **Local Government News-Issue No.49.04**

10 December 2004

### **HEADLINES**

- URBAN WATER AND WASTEWATER PRICING
- NATURAL DISASTER MITIGATION PROGRAMME FUNDING
- FESA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT KITS
- NEW LOCAL GOVERNMENT BILL PAYMENT SERVICE
- SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT – THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY
- RAMBO THE AMBO CHARITY DINNER

### **MAILBAG**

- INFO PAGE – ENERGY NOTEBOOK

## **ISSUES UPDATE**

### **URBAN WATER AND WASTEWATER PRICING**

The Economic Regulation Authority has amended the process for the Inquiry on Urban Water and Wastewater Pricing. The notice that explains the amended process is available at [www.era.wa.gov.au](http://www.era.wa.gov.au).

*For further information, contact Greg Watkinson, Manager Projects, on (08) 213 1965 or email [greg.watkinson@era.wa.gov.au](mailto:greg.watkinson@era.wa.gov.au).*

### **NATURAL DISASTER MITIGATION PROGRAMME FUNDING**

Applications for funding in 2005 / 2006 for the Natural Disaster Mitigation Programme are now OPEN.

In mid 2001, the Council of Australian Governments (COAG) commissioned a wide-ranging review of natural disaster relief and mitigation arrangements in Australia. The recommendations contained in the Review Report, *Natural Disasters in Australia: Reforming Mitigation, Relief and Recovery Arrangements, August 2002*, were endorsed in December 2003.

This report recommended fundamental reform as the foundation for a new approach to natural disaster management in Australia. The key principle is a shift beyond disaster response and reaction, towards anticipation and mitigation.

To support this principle, the Australian Government announced that it would provide funding for the new Natural Disaster Mitigation Programme (NDMP).

The NDMP funds a range of measures including natural disaster risk management studies, mitigation works, measures and other related activities that contribute to safer, sustainable communities better able to withstand the effects of natural disasters.

Together with local agencies, the Australian and State Governments will partner projects that reduce risk, damage and losses from natural disasters and thus achieve safer, more sustainable



communities. Under the NDMP, State agencies are required to match Australian Government funding with Local Government generally also making a contribution (including in-kind).

**Applications close on Friday 25 February 2005.** The application form and further information on the NDMP is available at [www.dotars.gov.au/naturaldisasters](http://www.dotars.gov.au/naturaldisasters).

*For any further information, the State contact for the NDMP is James Butterworth, FESA Manager, Mitigation Emergency Management Services, on (08) 9323 9580, 0408 918 641 or email [jbutterworth@fesa.wa.gov.au](mailto:jbutterworth@fesa.wa.gov.au).*

#### **FESA INCIDENT MANAGEMENT KITS**

The Association has been involved in discussions between FESA and Corporate Express to provide more efficient access to Incident Management Kits through the Local Government sector office supplies contract.

These new kits will be accessible through Corporate Express as a delegated supply. As a result of this arrangement, the cost of supply would be no different to ordering packages directly through FESA, allowing greater enhancement of the administrative process and efficiency of delivery. Several hundred kits will be held in stock for immediate dispatch from January 2005.

*A special order form will be required to access these kits, which can be obtained by emailing Neil Tremain on [neil.tremain@ce.com.au](mailto:neil.tremain@ce.com.au).*

#### **NEW LOCAL GOVERNMENT PAYMENT SERVICE**

Following an extensive review process, the Association is currently finalising a new preferred supply arrangement for Bill Payment Services. This new service meets the varied needs of ratepayers, by providing an integrated solution including telephone, internet and counter payments with credit and debit card options. The negotiation of transaction and merchant fee rates for this contract has been based on estimated collective volumes. Analysis has identified that collective savings of several hundred thousand dollars will be immediately accessible on baseline volumes, with typical savings for Local Governments of 30% to 50% off current expenditure levels for payment services.

Local Governments that are currently reviewing payment options for customers are encouraged to suspend their process until the contract details for this new service are released in January 2005. It is anticipated the new service will be immediately accessible from **January 2005**, allowing for full implementation across the sector prior to the 2005 rates round. Current Local Government BillPay customers are advised that transition to the new arrangements will be available without penalty, and with a significant reduction in transaction and maintenance costs.

*Please direct any enquiries relating to the new payment service contract to Services Manager, Brian O'Mara, on (08) 9213 2070 or email [bomara@walga.asn.au](mailto:bomara@walga.asn.au).*

#### **SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT – THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY**

This new Masters Degree program is designed for Executive Managers in Australian Local Government or business.

The Master of Sustainable Management from The University of Sydney will allow managers to better understand management in the new context of Australia's leading businesses. These



are businesses that successfully integrate financial, social and environmental management objectives to determine their own future of Australian and, indeed, world society.

This program recognises that leading business organisations are the key driving force behind the development of the economy and society. It is a program that will give Executive Managers the capability to be responsive and responsible leaders in moulding the world's future.

The Master of Sustainable Management from The University of Sydney is available online through the Faculty of Rural Management at Orange, NSW. Because study is by online distance education there is no need for those enrolled to leave their current employment.

*The next enrolment commences in July 2005. Information and application materials are available by phoning (02) 6360 5511 or from the website [www.orange.usyd.edu.au](http://www.orange.usyd.edu.au).*

#### **RAMBO THE AMBO CHARITY DINNER**

Plans are now under way for the *Rambo the Ambo Rally* Charity Dinner, which will be held on **Saturday 19 March 2005** in Perth.

Invitations will be sent to all Councils in the New Year so mark the date in your diary.

*For more information, contact Client Liaison Manager, Marie-Claire Cull, on (08) 9213 2036 or email [mccull@walga.asn.au](mailto:mccull@walga.asn.au).*

#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

8 December                      Waste Oil Program

#### **DIARY DATES**

19 March 2005                      Rambo the Ambo Rally Charity Dinner  
6 – 9 August 2005                      Local Government Week



## **Local Government News-Issue No.50.04**

17 December 2004

### **HEADLINES**

- TOWN PLANNING COMPOSITE ADVERTISING
- CURRENT VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES
- ARRB SEALED LOCAL ROADS MANUAL (1995)
- NEW COMMUNITY ARTS FACILITY FUND
- CONGRATULATIONS
- DRAFT AQUATIC FACILITIES LEGISLATION UPDATE
- TAX TREATIES
- MAGISTRATES COURT (CIVIL PROCEEDINGS) BILL 2003
- FERAL PIGEON CONTROL OPTIONS
- SEASON'S GREETINGS

### **MAILBAG**

- INFO PAGE – RURAL HEALTH
- MWAC INFORMATION BULLETIN DECEMBER 2004 ISSUE 72
- SUMMARY OF VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## **ISSUES UPDATE**

### **TOWN PLANNING COMPOSITE ADVERTISING**

The Town Planning Composite Advertising Program will not run advertisements on **Wednesday 29 December 2004** or **Wednesday 5 January 2005**. Should any urgent town planning notices require placement during this time, please contact the Association for details.

Regular notices will recommence on **Wednesday 12 January 2005**, with the deadline for placement on **Thursday 6 January 2005**.

A new advertising service and rates book will be distributed in early 2005 detailing the full suite of advertising services available through the Local Government program. Further information about the Town Planning Composite Scheme and details for 2005 registration will also be included.

*For further information, please contact Services Officer, Sue Wyncoll, on (08) 9213 2045 or email [swyncoll@walga.asn.au](mailto:swyncoll@walga.asn.au).*

### **CURRENT VACANCIES ON BOARDS & COMMITTEES**

The Association is pleased to advise that the current round of vacancies is now open:

- Community Advisory Committee
- Heritage Tourism Reference Group
- Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Advisory Committee
- Local Government Self Insurance Schemes Board
- South West Catchment Council
- Western Australian Water Safety Council (WAWSC)





Closing date for nominations is **COB on Wednesday 12 January 2005**.

If you wish to be directly notified (electronically) of vacancies on State and Federal Boards and Committees, please register your email address with Corporate Services Support Officer, Meredith Neilson, on (08) 9213 2013.

*For further information, or Vacancy Notices and Nomination Forms, please visit our website at [www.walga.asn.au](http://www.walga.asn.au) and click on the Committee Vacancies button.*

#### **ARRB SEALED LOCAL ROADS MANUAL (1995)**

The ARRB Sealed Local Roads Manual was published in 1995, and more than 2,000 copies have been distributed to Councils across Australia. This worthwhile technical publication provides easy to follow and practical guidelines on the better management of sealed local pavements.

With funding support from the Department of Transport and Regional Services (DoTaRS), ARRB is preparing an upgrade of the Sealed Local Roads Manual. In view of this, the Association is keen to gauge the use of the current manual amongst Local Government engineering staff.

*If you are currently using the ARRB Sealed Local Roads Manual, please email your details, together with any comments, to Roads Manager, Brad Lenton, at [blenton@walga.asn.au](mailto:blenton@walga.asn.au) by Friday 14 January 2005.*

#### **NEW COMMUNITY CULTURAL FACILITIES FUND**

The State Government has launched a new Community Cultural Facilities Fund (CCFF).

Modelled on the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund, the CCFF will support community arts and infrastructure such as art galleries, museums and theatres. The Association worked closely with the Department of Culture and the Arts to develop the draft policy and guidelines. Between December 2004 and February 2005, a consultation phase will seek feedback from Local Government and the community. Applications will be open in **March 2005** with \$500,000 available, and a further \$600,000 advertised in **July 2005**.

As the first round of funding is a pilot, there is an opportunity for Councils to provide feedback on the policy to ensure that the Fund is meeting community needs. Information on the fund is available on the Department of Cultural and Arts' website [www.cultureandarts.wa.gov.au](http://www.cultureandarts.wa.gov.au).

*For further information on the Community Cultural Facilities Fund, please contact Claire Hatch, on (08) 9224 7300 or email [claireh@dca.wa.gov.au](mailto:claireh@dca.wa.gov.au) or Policy Manager Community, Michelle Mackenzie, on (08) 9213 2065 or email [mmackenzie@walga.asn.au](mailto:mmackenzie@walga.asn.au).*

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

The Association congratulates the following Council for its outstanding achievement:

**Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku** – The Shire and the Tjulyuru Cultural and Civic Centre in Warburton won a Silver Medal for their stunning glass artwork at Pacific Flora 2004, an international gardening and horticultural exhibition held in Japan.



In addition, the Association's **Linking Councils and Communities Program** recently received an Award of Excellence from the Association of Consulting Engineers Australia in the IT Projects category.

#### **DRAFT AQUATIC FACILITIES LEGISLATION UPDATE**

After a lengthy process, including public consultation, the Department of Health has developed the *Draft Aquatic Facilities Regulations and Code of Practice*.

The document is now in the final stages of editing and all Working Party members, including the Association, will receive a copy for further consultation. The Association will distribute a copy of the document for further consideration and comment to all Councils that submitted a public submission. This feedback will be used to frame the Association's position. Councils that did not submit a public submission can request a copy of the draft document by contacting Policy Officer Community, Jodie Holbrook, on (08) 9213 2044 or email [jholbrook@walga.asn.au](mailto:jholbrook@walga.asn.au).

Whilst the Association is collecting feedback from its Members, the Department of Health, in order to address legal aspects within the regulations, will undertake further consultation until the end of February with the Water Slides Working Party, Strata Titles Association, the Department of Education and Training and the Legal Branch of Department of Health. After this time, the Working Party will review and discuss the amended document for proposed gazettal in **June 2005**.

*For further information, please contact Community Policy Officer, Jodie Holbrook, on (08) 9213 2044 or email [jholbrook@walga.asn.au](mailto:jholbrook@walga.asn.au).*

#### **TAX TREATIES**

The Federal Government is considering the extension of the non-discrimination article in Australia's tax treaties to cover all State and Local Governments.

In simple terms, for Local Government, this will mean that ratepayers cannot be discriminated against on the basis of their nationality, and that international ratepayers cannot be treated less favourably than domestic ratepayers.

At this time, the Association cannot see any grounds on which Local Government should object to this proposal as no real impact is likely on the flexibility and autonomy of the Local Government rating system. At the same time, it offers an extra safeguard from discrimination for general taxpayers which should be reciprocated internationally.

*For further information, please contact Policy Director, Wayne Scheggia, on (08) 9213 2024 or email [wscheggia@walga.asn.au](mailto:wscheggia@walga.asn.au).*

#### **MAGISTRATES COURT (CIVIL PROCEEDINGS) BILL 2003**

The above Bill has passed both Houses of Parliament and will come into operation during the first half of 2005. The new Act will have a significant impact on Local Government debt recovery processes.

The Association is aware of Member's concerns about the change, particularly what it means to the collection of outstanding rates, and the relationship that the new Act has with s6.56 of the Local Government Act.



Discussions have commenced with the Department of Justice to establish that practical impact of the changes on Councils. We will progress these discussions in the New Year and will keep all Members informed.

*Should you wish to discuss this issue, or for further information, please contact Policy Manager Governance, Bruce Wittber, on (08) 9213 2057 or email [bwittber@walga.asn.au](mailto:bwittber@walga.asn.au).*

#### **FERAL PIGEON CONTROL OPTIONS**

The Department of Agriculture, Conservation and Land Management, and Local Government and Regional Development recently produced a fact sheet entitled *Feral Pigeon Control Options*. This was done in response to the high volume of pigeon inquiries being dealt with by the three agencies, and a perception from the public that no one group was able to provide decent advice on the problem or take responsibility.

#### **SEASON'S GREETINGS**

This is the last edition of Local Government News this year. The next edition of Local Government News will be issued on **Friday 14 January 2005**.

On behalf of the State Councillors, Management and Staff of the Association, we hope that you have a safe and happy festive season.

*For further information, please contact Corporate Communications Manager, Maggie Johns, on (08) 9213 2051 or email [mjohns@walga.asn.au](mailto:mjohns@walga.asn.au).*

#### **DIARY DATES**

##### **2004**

22 December State Council Agenda Deadline

##### **2005**

20 January Peel Country Zone  
21 January Great Southern Country Zone  
24 January Pilbara Country Zone  
24 January South Metropolitan Zone  
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27 January East Metropolitan Zone  
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27 January Great Eastern Country Zone  
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27 January South East Metropolitan Zone  
28 January South West Country Zone  
28 January Central Country Zone  
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12 March Kimberly Zone  
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19 March Rambo the Ambo Rally Charity Dinner  
25 March Great Southern Country Zone  
28 March South Metropolitan Zone  
30 March South East Metropolitan Zone



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### **ALGA extends commiserations, best wishes to Rae Perry**



Ms Rae Perry

Acting ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, has sent the Association's commiserations and best wishes to Rae Perry who has defeated at the Local Government Elections in Victoria last weekend. Ms Perry, the former Mayor of Darebin City Council in Melbourne, was elected as ALGA President at the Association's Annual General Meeting on 10 November. The ALGA Board will meet on 9 December to elect a President for the balance of the two-year term. "Rae had the full support of the Board," Cr Bell said. "We look forward to her leadership of Local Government over the coming two years, but, as we all know, nothing is certain in politics. We wish Rae the very best for the future and thank her for her significant contribution to Local Government over the past few years."

### **Six Mayors defeated in VIC Elections**

Six Mayors were defeated, fifteen returned and four retired at Local Government Elections for 25 Victorian Councils held last weekend. The Election saw 826 candidates contest 208 vacancies across the 25 Councils. Around 75% of all recontesting Councillors (114) were returned to office. The number of women in the 25 Councils increased marginally, from 65 to 66 (32%). While nine Councils increased their number of female Councillors, two now





have no female representation (previously all 25 Councils had female representation). Three Councils have a majority of female Councillor representation – Yarra (6 of 9), Port Phillip (4 of 7) and Pyrenees (3 of 5). A full analysis of the results is available from the Municipal Association of Victoria ([www.mav.asn.au](http://www.mav.asn.au)).

#### **ALGA participates in first Housing Ministers' meeting**

ALGA will today attend, for the first time, the meeting of Federal, State and Territory Housing Ministers, formally known as the Australian Housing Ministers' Conference. ALGA's inclusion recognises the important role Local Government plays in housing issues. ALGA will be represented at the conference by Cr Ann Bennison, a member of the Brisbane City Council and Vice President of the Local Government Association of Queensland. The conference, to be held in Adelaide, will consider progress on a national framework for affordable housing, which is being prepared for a joint meeting of Housing, Local Government and Planning Ministers early next year.

#### **Ministers consider revised packing covenant**

Australia's Environment Ministers will consider releasing a revised national packaging covenant for public discussion when they meet at the Environment Protection and Heritage Ministers' Council (EPHMC) in Melbourne today. The Council has for some time been considering the future of the existing covenant. It is now broadly acknowledged that the covenant needs strengthening in a number of areas. ALGA has expressed strong concern that Local Government continues to carry the cost of dealing with increasing quantities of packaging waste. ALGA will push for a full Productivity Commission investigation of investment by the various sectors involved in the management of packaging including the packaging supply chain, Local Government and the packaging recovery chain. ALGA will also pursue other policy options including regulatory measures to manage and reduce waste that might work in parallel with the covenant. ALGA is represented on the EPHMC by the President of the Local Government Association of Tasmania, Cr Lynn Mason. The Ministers are expected to release a communiqué later this afternoon, which will be posted to the ALGA website on receipt.

#### **Bell defends Councils on business regulation**

Federal Industry Minister, Ian Macfarlane, has told a home-based business conference in Toowoomba that Local Government was 'about to be forced into mending its ways', according to a report in The Australian published on Tuesday. "I am really looking forward to seeing these Local Governments clamouring for money to do what they should have been doing anyways," he was reported as saying. He was referring to a Coalition Election commitment to set up a \$50 million grants program ([www.liberal.org.au](http://www.liberal.org.au)) to encourage Councils to streamline regulatory arrangements for home-based businesses. Acting ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, said that while some Councils could improve arrangements for home-based business, a significant number of Councils bent over backwards to assist them, a point acknowledged by the Prime Minister. Cr Bell said the 2003 Yellow Pages Small and Medium Enterprises Business Survey ([www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au)) found Local Government to be the most supportive of the three spheres of Government, receiving a net balance rating of plus 1%, as opposed to the minus 7% received by State Governments and the minus 15% received by the Commonwealth. "People in glass houses shouldn't throw stones," Cr Bell said.



### Final report on building regulation released



Cr Paul Bell

The Australian Government, as well as the State and Territory Governments, should continue to be actively involved in reform of building regulation, according to a report released by the Productivity Commission this week. The report – *Reform of Building Regulation* – responds to a request by the Australian Government to examine the contribution reform of building regulation has made and further reform could make to the performance of the building and construction industry. An interim report was released earlier this year. The Commission found that the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) has made progress in reducing regulatory differences across jurisdictions and in basing the Building Code of Australia (BCA) on performance requirements. However, there was scope for further reforms to building regulation to enhance productivity and to benefit the broader community. The Commission found that the future work agenda should also include continuing to reduce differences in building regulations across jurisdictions and better articulating the performance-based requirements. The Commission considers that a new intergovernmental agreement should be negotiated to take forward the future building regulation reform agenda.

More detailed commentary on the implications of the final report for Local Government will be provided in next week's ALGA News. ALGA's submission to the Commission is available on the ALGA website.

### Regional Partnerships inquiry

The Senate will conduct an inquiry into the *Australian Government's Regional Partnerships* program. The inquiry will consider allegations about the politicisation of regional funding in the lead up to the Federal Election. Deputy Prime Minister, John Anderson, says the funds have been distributed fairly. "Now one of the first things they will discover of course is [that] this program interestingly achieved pretty much the same outcomes in terms of percentage of successful applicants in terms of Labor seats, Independent seats and Coalition seats," he told ABC Radio yesterday. National Party Senator, Ron Boswell, said the inquiry was nothing more than an attack on regional and rural Australians. The inquiry will be conducted by the Senate Finance and Public Administration References Committee ([www.aph.gov.au](http://www.aph.gov.au)).

### Living Murray Initiative under way

Proposals agreed to by the Murray Darling Basin Commission last week, will see 240 gigalitres of water recovered from New South Wales and Victoria at a cost of \$179 million. The water will improve environmental flows for the Murray River and six ecological assets. The Commission agreed to four water recovery proposals under the Living Murray Initiative, subject to resolution of issues relating to the National Water Initiative by COAG. The proposals will lead to improved irrigation infrastructure, creation of a new separate tradeable water product in northern Victoria and reliable access to stock and domestic water for some landholders.



Murray River



The Commission has also reaffirmed the importance of future community consultation regarding the Living Murray Initiative.

#### Comment sought on energy efficiency measures

The Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) has released for public comment a draft package of energy measures for commercial buildings and a revised set of energy provisions for houses. The draft documents are available from the ABCB website ([www.abcb.gov.au](http://www.abcb.gov.au)), under the 'What's New?' and 'Energy' pages. Hard copies may be requested by email to [pamela.evans@abcb.gov.au](mailto:pamela.evans@abcb.gov.au). The closing date for comment is 15 April next year for RD 2004-01 (Class 5-9 Buildings) and 8 April for RD 2004-02 (5 Star Houses).

#### Win a hamper! Complete ALGA's coastal Council survey

Coastal ecosystems are particularly sensitive to introduced change and are largely not equipped to cope with the unprecedented growth. Often, it falls back onto Local Government to manage these pressures. ALGA has developed a coastal zone management project which includes a survey of coastal Councils ([www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au)). By completing the survey, Councils are providing ALGA with valuable information on their capacity and resource needs to better manage the coastline. Council Officers completing the survey before 10 December will be entered into a draw to win a Christmas Hamper.

#### Forthcoming events

- Transformations: An international conference looking at global and local trends in cultural diversity and sustainable development ([www.fecca.org.au/Transformations](http://www.fecca.org.au/Transformations)), 7 – 9 February 2005, Canberra
- 4<sup>th</sup> National Water Watch Conference ([www.waterwatch.org.au](http://www.waterwatch.org.au)), 7 – 10 February 2005, Melbourne
- WATER '05 – Implementing the National Water Initiative: From Catchment to Tap ([www.water05.com.au](http://www.water05.com.au)), 19 – 18 February 2005, Melbourne Convention Centre
- Commonwealth Local Government Conference ([www.clgc2005.org](http://www.clgc2005.org)), 15 – 17 March 2005, Aberdeen, Scotland
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- International Cities, Town Centres and Communities (ICTC) Conference ([www.ictsociety.org](http://www.ictsociety.org)), 31 May – 3 June 2005, Rydges Capricorn Convention Centre, Yeppoon, Queensland



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## **Codes of Conduct for Councils in New South Wales**

### **Ethical Frameworks Consulting**

Under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993 (NSW)*, Councils in New South Wales are required to develop revised code of conduct within 12 months of a general election. For most Councils in New South Wales, this means that a new code of conduct needs to be adopted by March 2005.

While the *Local Government Amendment (Discipline) Act 2004 (NSW)* will require the adoption of the prescribed Model Code of Conduct, it is also crucial that the code of conduct developed for your Council is relevant and meaningful to your organisation.

Ethical Frameworks Consulting, can help your Council to develop a relevant and meaningful code of conduct that:

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### **Paul Bell to lead Local Government nationally**

The President of the Queensland Local Government Association and long serving member of the Emerald Shire Council, Councillor Paul Bell, has been elected President of the Australian Local Government Association. Cr Paul Bell was elected by the ALGA Board of Directors to fill a casual vacancy following the recent defeat of former President, ms Rae Perry, at Local Government elections held in Victoria on 25 November. Cr Bell paid tribute to Ms Perry, saying she had made a solid and impressive contribution to the work of Local Government during her time on the ALGA Board. The President of the Municipal Association of Victoria, Cr Geoff Lake, was elected to fill the position of Vice President vacated by Cr Bell. Cr Bill Mitchell, the President of the Western Australian Local Government Association, has retained the other ALGA Vice President position.

### **Nineteen years of community service**

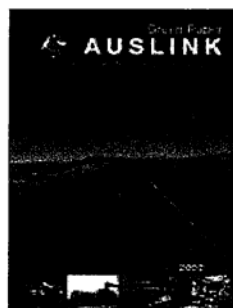
Cr Bell was first elected to the Emerald Shire Council about half way between Rockhampton and Longreach, in 1985. He was elected Mayor in 1991, a position he held for nine years. Cr Bell was elected to the Executive of the Queensland Local Government Association (LGAQ) in 2000 and as ALGA Vice President two years later. He was elected LGAQ President earlier this year. Cr Bell Chairs Australian Local Government Training Limited, a national industry training advisory board and is Deputy Chair of Queensland Rail and a Director of Ergon Energy Corporation.



### Cost shifting top priority for 2005

ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, has outlined three priorities for the year ahead. "The top priority must be securing a meaningful intergovernmental agreement between the three spheres of Government to help put an end to cost shifting – a practice that is estimated to cost Australia's 675 Councils between \$500 million and \$1.1 billion a year," Cr Bell said in Canberra yesterday. "There is plenty of good will to tackle this problem and meetings are already underway to make this agreement a reality. The work ahead will, however, be difficult and complex. It will require a great deal of skill and careful negotiation, but it's critical we see it through to secure an effective framework to guide the financial relationship between State and Local Government and between Federal and Local Government. We must also double our efforts to achieve fair funding for Local Government – and this means access to a fair share of national taxation revenue. ALGA would also work to strengthen and grow partnerships with the Federal Government.

### AusLink legislation tabled in Parliament



The AusLink and Roads to Recovery Mark II enabling legislation was tabled in Federal Parliament yesterday – the last sitting day for 2004. Key elements for Local Government include the *AusLink Strategic Regional Projects* and *Roads to Recovery* (R2R) sections. The R2R section contains fewer clauses than the current *Roads to Recovery* Act. The Department of Transport and Regional Services advised ALGA yesterday that the detail on funding, definitions and other criteria will be contained in the new R2R 'notes on administration'. Despite their length – two bills with more than 100 pages of documentation – the legislation is largely at the principles and framework level, with most of the funding allocation and administration detail yet to come via 'notes on administration' or guidelines.

### ALGA analysing AusLink bills

ALGA will analyse the two AusLink bills over the coming weeks. The will be debated in Parliament when it resumes in February next year. ALGA will consider a range of issues, including how Local Government is formally recognised as a partner in the AusLink process and how the renewed R2R program will be administered. In particular, ALGA seeks to ensure tight fund quarantining and monitoring of new administrative arrangements. In total, the renewed program will provide \$1.2 billion to Councils over four years commencing in July next year. In addition, \$150 million has been made available for the regional AusLink 'strategic component'. This includes \$30 million for roads in unincorporated areas. A significant amount of the remaining funds has already been committed to specific projects.

### Planning powers under attack from building regulation report

The Productivity Commission's report into the reform of building regulation, released last week, suggested changes to State legislation were required to 'reduce the erosion' of a national approach to building regulation caused by Councils exercising their planning powers. The Commission recommends that the Australian Building Codes Board (ABCB) should examine ways to reduce the scope for the 'inappropriate erosion of national consistency' of building regulation by Local Governments through their planning approval processes. The Commission also suggests Councils be required to seek prior approval from State Governments to apply building requirements that is inconsistent with the Building Code of Australia (BCA) and that any Local Government variation that is inconsistent with the BCA be approved by the responsible State Minister. ALGA believes these recommendations have



the potential to undermine the capacity of Local Government to respond to the expectations of their communities. The ALGA Board will consider the report's implications at its February meeting. ALGA's submission to the Commission is available at [www.alga.asn.au](http://www.alga.asn.au).

#### **IGA on building regulation reform proposed**

The Productivity Commission's report on building regulation reform acknowledged the fact that Councils can sometimes be frustrated by a lack of response from other spheres of Government in introducing controls that better respond to local need or which addresses issues like environmental agreement to be negotiated by the Australian Government and the States and Territories to take forward the future building regulation reform agenda.

#### **Ministers to consult on packaging covenant targets**

The Environmental Protection and Heritage Council last Friday received a proposal from the National Packaging Covenant Council for what it says is a 'strengthened' covenant to replace the existing agreement, which expires in 2005. The Council also agrees to release a regulatory impact statement on the amended covenant and other options for public discussion. In a communiqué issued on Friday, the Councils, comprising Federal, State and Territory Heritage and Environment Ministers (ALGA is an observer member), acknowledged efforts to strengthen the current draft covenant but highlighted the "need to incorporate real targets to measure the achievements of a future covenant term". Ministers have asked officials to consult with Local Government, non-government organisations and industry to develop overarching targets before a decision on the covenant is considered at the Council's next meeting in April.

#### **War on weeds – make importers pay**

Those who import plants which turn into invasive weeds should be billed for the cost of controlling them, according to a new report – *Turning Back the Tide* – table in Federal Parliament this week. Chairman of the Senate Environment Committee, Senator John Cherry (Australian Democrats), said the economic impact of invasive species on Australian agriculture is close to \$5 billion a year. Calling for a more coordinated and consistent approach among Australian Governments, Senator Cherry said the division of responsibility between Commonwealth, State and Local Government meant that Australia is 'losing the never-ending war against the spread of invasive species'. The report recommended that the Australian Government strengthen its leadership role in the national effort to combat invasive species by developing a robust national framework, in consultation with State, Territory and Local Government, to regulate, control and manage invasive species. The committee heard that between 1947 and 1985, 460 pasture grasses and legume species were trialled in northern Australia. Of these, 60 became weeds, 13 of which were now serious crop weeds, and only four proved useful without also causing weed damage.

#### **O'Brien on regional partnerships inquiry**

The Shadow Minister for Regional Services, Local Government and Territories, Senator Kerry O'Brien, has been appointed to the Senate inquiry into the Australian Government's handling of regional grants programs. The inquiry is being conducted by the Senate Finance and Public Administration References Committee, Chaired by Senator Michael Forshaw. The committee will have a wide ranging brief to investigate the administration of the Regional Partnerships and the Sustainable Regions programs. Senator Chris Evans, Opposition Senate Leader, said "If there's been any political interference or a lack of accountability, then it's the Senate's role to find out". The inquiry is due to report by 15 August next year.



### **More funding for regional broadband**

The Australian Government will make a further \$2.7 million available to rural, regional and remote Australia to improve broadband access. Announcing the second round of funding under the *Community Based Broadband Demand Aggregating Brokers Program*, Communications Minister, Senator Helen Coonan, said the program was open to applications from partnerships such as Local Governments, community organisations, regional technology centres, not-for-profit organisations, local education service providers, local health service providers, and other local associations. Senator Coonan also released a new Demand Aggregation Manual to assist community leaders in Local Government, business and in health and education organisations plan and implement their broadband demand aggregation initiatives. The manual includes advice on assessing infrastructure needs, seeding interest, and managing financial sustainability. Tender documentation is available online at [www.tenders.gov.au](http://www.tenders.gov.au) (Note: Back button disabled on this site). Applications close on Thursday 24 February at 3 pm.

### **States to land \$2.2 billion GST windfall next year**

State Governments would receive \$2.2 billion in 2004-05 from GST payments in excess of the amount guaranteed by the Commonwealth, the Federal Treasurer, Peter Costello, told Parliament this week. Mr Costello said the latest estimates would provide NSW with \$269 million in excess of the guaranteed minimum, Victoria \$360 million and Queensland \$796 million. No State would require a top up in 2004-05. During the current financial years, States would enjoy a windfall of \$2.9 billion over and above the amount they would have received under the old system of financial assistance grants. He said the Commonwealth would be arguing that those revenues be used to reduce indirect State taxes, such as stamp duties on non-residential conveyances, leases and mortgages.

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### *Christmas Edition...*

Seasons greetings from all at ALGA... This will be the final ALGA News for 2004, next edition – January 21, 2005. We look forward to working with you to advance the cause of Local Government in 2005.

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### **Gird you loins – big year ahead, says Bell**



Cr Paul Bell

2005 will be another big year for Local Government in Australia, ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, predicted this week. In an end of year message to Local Government, Cr Bell said Councils had come a long way over the past 12 months, securing renewal of the \$1.2 billion *Roads to Recovery* program, a raft of important policy commitments during the Federal Election and significant progress on cost shifting. "The major task in 2005 will be securing a meaningful inter-governmental agreement on cost shifting that will change the way we do business with State and Federal Governments," Cr Bell said. "That will take a lot of careful negotiation – but we've got to get it right if we are to get the cost shifting burden off our backs. If we can come out of 2005 with a meaningful draft intergovernmental agreement on cost shifting under our belt, we'd have done our job," Cr Bell said.

Other challenges include advancing the case for a fair share of taxation revenue and constitutional recognition of Local Government and full implementation of the renewed *Roads to Recovery* program and other key election commitments, including access to the Water Fund, emergency management grants and rural health funding.



### 2005 Key dates

- **February 8** Federal Parliament resumes – formal response to *Fair Share* Report expected early in the Autumn sitting
- **February 7-9** Transformations Cultural Diversity Conference, Canberra
- **April** Local Government and Planning Ministers Council expected to meet to consider progress on cost shifting IGA
- **April 25-28** Easter
- **May 10** Federal Budget
- **June 13** Queen's Birthday
- **July 3-5** ALGA's National Local Roads and Transport Congress, Launceston
- **November 6-10** National Assembly of Local Government, Canberra

### No nasties in AusLink bills

ALGA has analysed the two AusLink bills tabled in Federal Parliament last week. The bills replace the *Australian Land Transport Development Act 1988* and the *Roads to Recovery Act 2000*. Funding under the new legislation for the renewed *Roads to Recovery* program (commencing 1 July next year) appears to be guaranteed over four years and secure from diversion to other areas of AusLink. Key issues are set out below:



### Security of funding

The legislation uses the same mechanisms as in the current R2R legislation – that is, the Minister will publish a *Roads to Recovery* 'list' which will specify the amount each Council will receive over the four years of the new program. The list will be a legislative instrument, but once made, cannot be revoked. The legislation allows for alterations to be made where a Council name or boundary changes. This should give a level of funding security comparable to the existing R2R program. The Australian Government will, however, have the ability to change the annual funding profile (but not the total funding allocation) over the four years. ALGA will check that the R2R 'list' allocations total \$1.2 billion, the State shares match the AusLink White Paper, and the Council distribution formula remains unchanged. Other provisions appear to be unchanged from the current program.

### Strategic regional projects

Councils will also be able to bid for funding under the AusLink 'strategic regional projects' component, through wider regional / state / industry partnerships. However, it seems that much of the \$120 million allocated for these projects has already been committed.



### Passage of legislation

The AusLink bills should be debated in March, but are likely to be referred to the relevant parliamentary legislation committee when they reach the Senate. While passage may not occur until May or June, ALGA anticipates a seamless transition to Roads to Recovery Mark II.

### **ALGA raises heavy vehicle concerns**

ALGA has made a submission to the National Transport Commission on road pricing and heavy vehicle charges. Local Government recognises that road transport is an essential economic and social need; but it also imposes significant deterioration and maintenance costs on Council roads and bridge assets and can have negative amenity, safety and environmental impacts on local communities. ALGA is particularly keen that future heavy vehicle charging arrangements recognise the increasing use of local roads by heavy vehicles and where their impacts are substantial at a local level, there should be an appropriate charging mechanism to return at least incremental costs to the local community via Councils.

### **ALGA launches ageing project website**

ALGA has launched a new website to help Local Government plan for an ageing population. The website showcases the latest news, research, data, information and innovative practice. There is also an email discussion list to exchange ideas and information. The website is an initiative of the Australian Local Government Population Ageing Action Plan. The plan is the first step in a four-year partnership between ALGA and the Federal Department of Health and Ageing to engage Local Government in a planned and coordinated approach to population ageing issues.

*For further information, contact Alley Peck, ALGA's Assistant Director, Health and Ageing Policy, [alley.peck@alga.asn.au](mailto:alley.peck@alga.asn.au) or phone (02) 6122 9421.*

### **Ageing survey an Australian first**

ALGA invites Councils to participate in Australia's first online ageing awareness and action survey for Local Government. The survey aims to gauge awareness of population ageing within Local Government and to determine the level of Local Government action. The results will help ALGA build the capacity of Local Government to plan for an ageing population. The survey is an initiative of the Australian Local Government Population Ageing Plan.



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### **Applications open for mitigation funding**

Applications for funding in 2005-06 under the Natural Disaster Mitigation (NDM) and Regional Flood Mitigation (RFM) programs are now open. Some \$9 million is offered under the NDM for measures that contribute to safer communities better able to withstand the effects of natural disasters. A further \$9.6 million is being offered under the RFM specifically for flood mitigation works and measures in rural towns, regional centres and outer metropolitan areas of Australia. Councils are invited to submit applications to lead



agencies in their State or Territory. Application forms and contact details for lead agencies can be found on the NDM ([www.dotars.gov.au/naturaldisasters](http://www.dotars.gov.au/naturaldisasters)) and RFM ([www.dotars.gov.au/regional/rfmp](http://www.dotars.gov.au/regional/rfmp)) websites. Applications close on 25 February.

#### **EMA's research and innovation program**

Emergency Management Australia (EMA) is calling for expressions of interest for its Research and Innovation program for 2005-06. It is designed to 'capture and transfer' innovative practice and disaster research outcomes across the emergency management sector. Expressions of interest are sought from organisations wishing to participate in the program in many areas, particularly those focussed on nationally determined priorities for research and innovation in emergency management. Once expressions of interest have been received, successful proponents will be invited to submit a detailed proposal. Proposals will be accepted at two different levels:

- Scoping (a small grant to test an idea / concept for future project funding up to \$10,000)
- Major projects (up to approximately \$100,000)

Proposals will be considered more favourably if a portion of the funds or resource requirements is provided by the originator of the proposal, a stakeholder, or by other sources. The closing date for expressions of interest is 4 February. For further information visit the EMA website [www.ema.gov.au](http://www.ema.gov.au) and follow the research link. If questions still remain unanswered, please contact (02) 6256 4614, Mike Tarrant on (03) 5421 5219 or email [projects@ema.gov.au](mailto:projects@ema.gov.au).

#### **Water Commission bill passes Parliament**

The National Water Commission Bill was passed by Federal Parliament last week. The commission will be an independent statutory body that will assess the implementation and promote the objectives of the National Water Initiative. The commission will also provide the Australian Government with advice on the projects that will be funded under the \$2 billion Australian Water Fund, announced during the Federal Election. ALGA will be holding talks with the Australian Government in the New Year on how Local Government will access the Fund. In other water news, Rob Skinner, CEO of the City of Kingston, has been appointed Melbourne Water's new Managing Director.

#### **Financial reporting by Local Government**

At its December meeting, the Australian Accounting Standards Board considered the review of the accounting standard applied to Local Government (Exposure Draft 125). Based on the review's advice, the Board has made three changes:

- Aligning the financial reporting requirements for Local Government with the requirements for other entities;
- Defining Local Government as reporting entities and requiring them to prepare general-purpose financial reports; and
- Allowing additional information to be included in the general-purpose financial report provided it does not detract from the effective communication of the information required by the accounting standards.





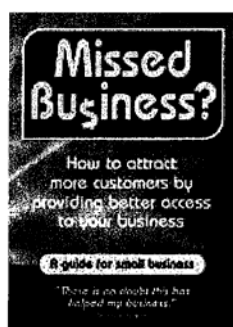
### **Green light for Optus / Vodaphone network**

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) will not oppose the third generation mobile radio access network (RAN) infrastructure sharing arrangement between Optus and Vodaphone. The two mobile network carriers signed an agreement on 19 November to co-locate RAN infrastructure in inner Sydney and Melbourne, and share RAN infrastructure throughout the rest of Australia. The ACCC said this week that infrastructure was a significant component of the cost of establishing a 3G mobile network. Optus said that by bringing together the resources of the Optus and Vodaphone teams, it was able to share costs of the network enabling us to roll out faster and more cost effectively to deliver the benefits of 3G to Australian consumers.

### **Coastal survey hamper winner**

ALGA is undertaking a survey of coastal Councils to determine their capacity to manage their natural resources in light of pressure from tourism and population growth. To encourage Councils to participate, a prize of a Christmas gift hamper was offered. The winner of the hamper is Alicia Clutterham of the City of Charles Sturt in South Australia. Congratulations Alicia and thank you to everyone who completed the survey. Analysis will be undertaken in the New Year, with results available on the ALGA website from mid-January.

### **Marrickville guides the way**



A practical guide for small businesses wishing to make their business more accessible for all customers, including those with disabilities, has been produced by the Human Rights and Equal Opportunity Commission and Marrickville Council. The guide – Missed Business? – provides suggestions on how small businesses can improve access for customers with a range of disabilities. The guide sets out the business and legal case for improving access and includes practical suggestions. The Marrickville specific form of the guide was launched recently and is available on the Marrickville Council website [www.marrickville.nsw.gov.au](http://www.marrickville.nsw.gov.au). The Commission will make a generic form of the guide available free of charge through its website as a text only Word document and as a downloadable final product.

Local Governments, small business organisations and community groups wishing to use the guide to work with local small businesses will be able to add local information and contacts.

### **Churchill Trust fellowships now open**

Each year the Churchill Trust awards between 80 and 100 fellowships to talented and deserving Australians to investigate a wide range of innovative projects that have as their primary focus, the betterment of the Australian way of life. Since the Trust was established, more than 2,800 Australians have received fellowships. The Trust is now seeking applications from Australians 18 years and over for fellowships to be awarded in June next year. The fellowship includes airfares, fees and a living allowance – the average value is about \$20,000. Download information and application forms from the Trust website or phone freecall 1800 777 231 or (02) 6247 8333 from a mobile. Applications close on 28 February.



### **Former Mayor to keep Australia beautiful**

The Keep Australia Beautiful National Association – Australia’s longest serving, community-based environmental organisation – has announced two new appointments. Cr Don Chambers has been appointed Chair of the National Association and Mr Scott Lyall recruited as National Executive Officer. Mr Chambers, former Mayor and current member of the Indigo Shire Council, is a Board Member of Eco Recycle Victoria and North-East Water. He succeeds Molly Robson, a former Queensland Environment Minister, as Chair of the organisation. National Executive Officer, Scott Lyall, brings environmental, marketing and sponsorship expertise to the organisation, having worked with World Wide Fund for Nature, Landcare Australia and Historic Houses Trust of NSW.

### **2004: The year in review**

<u>January</u>	Big win as \$1.2 billion <i>Roads to Recovery</i> program renewed for four more years
<u>February</u>	ALGA campaign defends role of councillors in DA process
<u>March</u>	ALGA, health groups launch 10 point plan on rural health care
<u>April</u>	ALGA lobbies hard for regional shares for R2R2 ‘strategic component’
<u>May</u>	Budget wins for Councils in transport, environment and regional development
<u>June</u>	AusLink announced more funding for transport, but concern continues on centralised allocation of R2R2 strategic component Historic roundtable on cost shifting held in Canberra – paves way for IGA
<u>July</u>	ALGA Roads Congress – Campbell concedes on ‘state shares’ for R2R2
<u>August</u>	Election called – ALGA releases <i>Better Communities</i> election policy document
<u>September</u>	Significant election commitments made to Local Government and another big win on ‘strategic component’ – an additional \$150 million provided to fund it
<u>October</u>	Coalition wins fourth term
<u>November</u>	General Assembly – PM outlines practical approach to working with Councils
<u>December</u>	Productivity Commission warns that ageing population will place increasing pressure on Local Government expenditure



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**8 December 2004**

### **Western Australians Embrace Used Oil Recycling**

The Western Australian Local Government Association's Municipal Waste Advisory Council is playing a part in the recycling of used oil which has increased by more than 40% during the last three years.

Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Senator Ian Campbell, yesterday released figures that the recycling of used oil had increased from approximately 160 million litres a year, to more than 230 million litres a year. Approximately 80% of the used oil generated last year was collected and recycled.

The Municipal Waste Advisory Council's contribution is through the administration of the \$1.6 million, two-year Used Oil Collection Infrastructure Program established in 2003. This Program provides used oil recycling infrastructure to Local Governments across Western Australia. The Program is designed to improve the distribution of, and access to, used oil collection infrastructure in Western Australia, and includes education and promotion activities to maximise the use of the facilities. The Program is open to all Local Governments and funding can be accessed for used oil recycling tanks of variable sizes and essential site works.

To date, 75 used oil collection units have been delivered to 39 Local Governments in Western Australia. The Municipal Waste Advisory Council expects an additional 15 Local Governments will receive 20 used oil collection units in the New Year as part of Phase 3 of the Program. Local Governments interested in participating in the final Phase 4 should contact the Municipal Waste Advisory Council.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, said, "To enable the proper collection, handling and storage of used oil, a significant initial investment is required to develop the necessary infrastructure. By encouraging Western Australians to pour their used oil back into empty oil containers and take it to the local used oil facility for recycling, Local Governments are helping to protect the environment and conserve a valuable resource.

"Disposing of used oil improperly has the potential to pollute land, waterways, reservoirs and the ocean, and can be poisonous if swallowed or inhaled. Used oil can be recycled, cleaned and used again in a variety of ways, such as industrial burner oil, mould oil, hydraulic oil, in bitumen based products, as an additive in manufactured products, or as a re-refined base oil for use as a lubricant, hydraulic or transformer oil. So, we need to recover and recycle as much as possible."

This initiative was made possible through funding from the Federal Government Department of the Environment and Heritage, through *The Product Stewardship Arrangements for Waste Oil Local Government Used Oil Collection Infrastructure Small Grants Program*.

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**10 December 2004**

### **Safer Local Streets**

The Western Australian Local Government Association welcomes the results of the 50 km speed limit evaluation and congratulates all Local Governments for their significant role in supporting this initiative to save lives on local streets.

A 50 km speed limit was introduced in urban areas in December 2001. The results of a comprehensive evaluation were announced yesterday, providing evidence that the initiative has been effective in reducing deaths and serious injuries on local streets.

Local Governments played a crucial role in supporting the introduction and implementation of the 50 km speed limit and in continuing to raise community awareness.

Western Australian Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, said, "The support of Local Government was critical to the success of this initiative and it is pleasing to see that this has paid off in terms of saving lives."

Although the 50 km limit has been effective in reducing road crashes and associated injury on local streets over the last two years there is a need to maintain the effort. Around one third of fatal crashes and a quarter of serious injuries still involve speed as a contributing factor.

Local Governments work closely with other road safety agencies such as Main Roads and the WA Police Service, especially through local Roadwise Committees to educate the community about the role travel speeds play in the incidence and severity of road crashes particularly in built-up areas.

Cr Mitchell said, "This doesn't mean we can rest on our laurels, we need to be ever vigilant and continue working with our road safety partners and the community to achieve lower travel speeds in general – to prevent the deaths of more Western Australians."

Local Government Roadwise Committees are undertaking many activities in the lead up to the festive season, such as distributing white ribbons to raise awareness of road safety at this busy time of year.

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**17 December 2004**

### **Don't Drive Tired This Christmas**

Fatigue is one of the major killers on our roads, and as part of the Christmas road safety campaign, Driver Reviver stops will be operating throughout the State over the Christmas break, offering motorists free coffee, tea, biscuits and a chance to take a break.

The stops are operated by RoadWise Committee members, WA Police Service, Emergency Services Volunteers and numerous other volunteer groups. They will provide thousands of free cups of coffee and tea to drivers during the holiday period.

Western Australian Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, said it was essential motorists to recognise fatigue and take breaks during a long journey.

Cr Mitchell said, "Fatigue is a major killer on our roads, but the risk can be reduced if drivers follow some simple tips, such as good nights rest before your trip, stopping for frequent breaks and sharing the driving.

"These Driver Reviver stops have been designed purely to reduce the number of fatigue related crashes on our roads this holiday period. Our main objective throughout this Driver Reviver campaign is to ensure every driver on our roads comes back safely this Christmas."

The Driver Reviver stops are a free service to assist motorists to arrive at their destination safely, kindly sponsored by Bushells and Arnotts.

For Driver Reviver locations, please contact Vanessa Jackson at RoadWise, on (08) 9213 2054.

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Government of Western Australia

**Media Statement**

	<b>The Hon. Alannah MacTiernan</b> MLA Minister for Planning and Infrastructure	 Notification Service
		 Statements Home Page

Statement Released: 21-Dec-2004

Portfolio: Planning and Infrastructure

**Bid to halt Champion Lakes Project rejected**

21/12/04

Planning and Infrastructure Minister Alannah MacTiernan has welcomed news of the Federal Government's decision to reject an application by an Aboriginal group to stop development of the Champion Lakes regional recreation park and rowing complex.

Ms MacTiernan said that she understood the Federal Minister for the Environment and Heritage, Senator Ian Campbell, had decided there was no justification for a stop-work order.

The application was one of two made in October last year by members of the Nyungah Circle of Elders.

The first, which was for an immediate cessation of works, also sought to stop work on the construction of the Tonkin Highway extension at Armadale, and was rejected in January this year.

Both applications argued that works should not proceed because the land involved was of particular significance to Aboriginal heritage.

Ms MacTiernan said that when the first application was rejected, the then Minister (David Kemp) commissioned an independent report on the site's significance in the long term under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Act 1984.

There was no requirement for the work on the project to stop while this was done.

"There was considerable overlap between the issues raised in both applications," Ms MacTiernan said.

"However, the Minister carefully considered the second application for permanent stop work and re-instatement of the site and decided there was no evidence to support a determination of the area as having any 'particular significance' to Aboriginal culture as defined by the Act and there was no justification to issue a stop-work order.

"This should now settle the matter. Our Government very much recognises that the area has cultural significance for the Aboriginal community and that must be recognised with an interpretation and enterprise project on the site."



The Minister said the Champion Lakes project would result in a world-class recreational facility and water-wise residential area.

It was given environmental approval in September last year, subject to certain conditions relating to water quality and protection of the Southern River, bushland and wetland.

"The Armadale Redevelopment Authority is progressing the design and initial planning for landscaping at the lake's edge and surrounding public open space and is implementing a water resource and water quality management regime," Ms MacTiernan said.

"There is widespread community support for an Aboriginal interpretive centre. The ARA has completed a draft concept plan for it and will progress this next year."

Minister's office: 9213 6400









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## 1.1 **EMPLOYEE MOVEMENTS**

### **New Staff:**

- ❑ Kana Pathmarajah has been appointed to the position of Special Projects Officer commencing with the City on 17 January 2005.
- ❑ Katie Fowler, Claire Nolan, Dawn Cresswell and Amanda Prapulenis have been appointed to the casual position of Library Clerk to relief Library staff on a casual basis.
- ❑ Steven Harding, Trent Mitchell, Liza-Jane Kopcsandy and Patrick Yates have been appointed to the casual position of Pool Lifeguard with the City's Aquatic Centre.
- ❑ Other casual staff appointed to relief staff during annual leave/long service leave, include:
  - Vanessa Wright, Acting Personal Assistant Planning
  - Jeff Howe, Acting Environmental Health Officer
  - Tim Dolling, Acting Building Surveyor
  - Llewella Eiszele, Acting Building Services Officer

### **Staff Leaving:**

- ❑ Christine King, Corporate Relations Assistant, 24 December 2004.

### **Other Staff Movements:**

- ❑ Tiffany Moore has returned from maternity leave and has been appointed to the part-time position of Building and Health Information Officer. This position is now shared with Yvette Pinkerton and both employees commenced on a part time basis in the first week of January 2005.
- ❑ Wendy Stanley has been transferred from the Technical Services Administration Department to the Chief Executive's Office to act in the position of Corporate Relations Assistant until the recruitment for the vacancy is completed.

### **Current Recruitment Activity:**

- ❑ Senior GIS Officer and GIS Officer, Development Services
- ❑ Trainee Clerical Officer
- ❑ Corporate Relations Assistant (to be advertised mid January)







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***COUNCILLORS' ITEMS – REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS – NOVEMBER 2004***

<b>REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS</b>		
<b>DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE</b>		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>DEPT.</b>	<b>ACTION / STATUS</b>
1. <b>D10/1/03</b> PAW Policy	Planning & Tech Services	Review being undertaken jointly between officers from Technical Services and Planning Dept. Report to October 2003 DSC Meeting, referred back to DSC for further consideration. Matter referred to Technical Services Directorate for consideration and report to Technical Services Committee.



**HEALTH SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL  
HEALTH PLAN FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2004**

**1. PROGRAM – HEALTH PROMOTION**

No. of lectures/talks to schools etc.  
No. of editions of Food Hygiene Newsletter issued

**2. PROGRAM – FOOD**

**2.1 FOOD PREMISES INSPECTIONS & FOOD HANDLER EDUCATION**

No. of inspections  
No. of premises overdue for inspection  
No. of premises exceeding Target RFS (7 or less)  
Average RFS of all premises  
No. of Improvement Notices  
No. of rectification directives (smoking) issued  
No. of Staff Training accreditations  
No. of Food Safety Plans implemented (High Risk)

**2.2 FOOD VEHICLE INSPECTIONS**

No. of inspections  
No. of vehicles exceeding Target RFS (7 or less)  
No. of rectification directives issued

**2.3 COMMUNITY EVENTS PLANNING AND APPROVAL**

Event Name: Highland Gathering  
Date: 20<sup>th</sup> November 2004  
No. of stalls exceeding Target RFS (7 or less)  
No. of stallholders operating without a SEP  
No. of stalls required to cease operation due to poor hygiene

**2.4 FOOD QUALITY CONTROL**

Number of Category 1 & 2 food recalls  
Prepaid analytical unit entitlement  
No. of units used  
Percentage of units used  
No. of samples taken  
No. of results received  
No. failing to meet prescribed standards  
No. of failures to meet labelling standards  
No. of prosecutions instituted  
No. of prosecutions concluded  
No. of prosecutions successful

**2.5 WATER SAMPLING – FOOD PREMISES, SPRINGWATER & OTHER SOURCED USED FOR PUBLIC CONSUMPTION**

No. of sites sampled  
No. of sites overdue for sampling  
No. of samples failing to meet prescribed standards  
Response time (max. days) to re-sample in cases of failure

	Current Year		Last Year	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
	0	0	0	1
	1	2	1	3
	98	318	58	367
	7	7	0	0
	2	9	1	5
	0.85	0.87	1.39	1.51
	9	25	11	101
	0	0	0	1
	2	4	0	1
	0	0	0	2
	2	7	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	2	0	0
7 stalls				
	0	3	1	3
	0	3	0	4
	0	0	0	0
	3	16	3	24
	-	825	-	825
	284	412	167	295
	34.45	49.94	18.2	33.7
	13	31	0	38
	10	18	8	11
	0	0	0	1
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	9	64	7	47
	0	0	0	0
	0	2	0	1
	N/A	2	N/A	N/A



**HEALTH SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE CITY'S ENVIRONMENTAL  
 HEALTH PLAN FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2004**

**3. PROGRAM – DISEASE CONTROL**

**3.1 IMMUNISATION AND CHILD HEALTH**

*Armadales Clinic*

- Adult Diphtheria – Tetanus
- Comvax (Hib and Hep B)
- Diphtheria – Tetanus – Pertussis
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal Disease
- Measles – Mumps – Rubella
- Poliomyelitis
- Pneumococcal Disease

*Kelmscott Clinic*

- Adult Diphtheria – Tetanus
- Comvax (Hib and Hep B)
- Diphtheria – Tetanus – Pertussis
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal Disease
- Measles – Mumps – Rubella
- Poliomyelitis
- Pneumococcal Disease

*Westfield Clinic*

- Adult Diphtheria – Tetanus
- Comvax (Hib and Hep B)
- Diphtheria – Tetanus – Pertussis
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal Disease
- Measles – Mumps – Rubella
- Poliomyelitis
- Pneumococcal Disease

*Brookdale Clinic*

- Adult Diphtheria – Tetanus
- Comvax (Hib and Hep B)
- Diphtheria – Tetanus – Pertussis
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal Disease
- Measles – Mumps – Rubella
- Poliomyelitis
- Pneumococcal Disease

*Other Clinics*

- Adult Diphtheria – Tetanus
- Comvax (Hib and Hep B)
- Diphtheria – Tetanus – Pertussis
- Influenza
- Hepatitis B
- Meningococcal Disease
- Measles – Mumps – Rubella
- Poliomyelitis
- Pneumococcal Disease

**TOTAL**

Current Year		Last Year	
Month	YTD	Month	YTD
3	3	0	2
6	38	9	40
7	58	13	53
0	0	0	0
4	11	0	5
2	22	10	23
3	18	10	22
6	52	13	51
0	0	0	2
0	0	0	4
5	23	8	39
10	35	12	54
0	0	0	0
1	2	0	13
5	16	6	23
6	18	4	15
8	32	12	45
1	3	1	1
0	0	0	3
4	37	14	44
3	55	15	65
0	0	0	0
0	1	0	5
2	13	9	33
2	12	9	22
2	54	15	59
0	0	1	4
0	0	1	4
8	27	9	32
15	48	12	57
0	0	0	0
1	3	0	5
2	25	2	22
1	16	4	20
14	45	11	52
1	2	3	5
0	0	0	10
0	0	0	3
0	773	0	10
0	0	0	0
0	773	0	575
0	0	0	15
0	0	0	10
0	0	0	12
0	0	0	0
122	2215	203	1459



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	Current Year		Last Year	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
<b>3.2 NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASE INVESTIGATIONS</b>				
<i>No. of completed investigations -</i>				
• Campylobacter	0	1	0	2
• Cryptosporidiosis	0	1	0	0
• Giardia	0	0	0	0
• Hepatitis A	0	0	0	0
• Ross River Virus	0	0	0	0
• Salmonella	0	0	0	2
• Shigella	0	0	0	0
• Other	0	0	1	1
<i>Response time (maximum in days) for cases HDWA recommends for immediate follow up</i>	N/A	3	1	1
<b>3.3 HAIRDRESSING &amp; SKIN PENETRATION PREMISES INSPECTIONS</b>				
No of premises inspected	4	16	0	17
No of premises overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of premises exceeding Target RFS (6 or less)	0	0	0	1
No of rectification directives issued	0	0	0	4
<b>3.4 SECOND HAND CLOTHING/FURNISHING PREMISES INSPECTIONS</b>				
No of premises inspections	1	5	2	6
No of premises overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of premises exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	0	0	0	0
No of rectification directives issued	0	0	0	0
<b>4. PROGRAM – PUBLIC SWIMMING POOLS</b>				
<b>4.1 WATER SURVEILLANCE</b>				
No of samples taken	8	30	4	17
No of pools overdue for sampling	0	0	0	0
No of unsatisfactory sample results	0	1	0	0
No of results necessitating closure of pool	0	1	0	0
<b>4.2 PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL INSPECTIONS</b>				
No of inspections	2	11	3	13
No of pools exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	0	0	0	0
No of pools overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of rectification directives issued	0	1	0	2
<b>5. PROGRAM – ACCOMMODATION</b>				
<b>5.1 PUBLIC BUILDINGS</b>				
No of inspections	7	45	3	64
No of buildings overdue inspection	5	5	0	0
No of public buildings exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	0	7	0	13
No of rectification directives issued (P/B)	0	12	2	32
No of notices/warnings re smoking encl pub places	0	0	0	0
<b>5.2 CARAVAN PARKS</b>				
No of inspections	0	5	2	5
No of parks overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of caravan parks exceeding Target RFS (7 or less)	0	0	0	0
No of rectification directives/infringement notices issued	0	0	0	1





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	Current Year		Last Year	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
<b>5.3 LODGING HOUSES</b>				
No of inspections	0	3	0	4
No of premises overdue for inspection	1	1	0	0
No of lodging houses exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	0	0	0	0
No of rectification directives issued	0	0	0	1
<b>6. WASTE DISPOSAL</b>				
<b>6.1 SEWAGE TREATMENT &amp; EFFLUENT DISPOSAL</b>				
No of new systems approved	12	41	5	23
Max. time taken to process applications (target 2 days)	2	5	2	3
Max time taken between final inspection & issue of certificate (target 2 days)	2	2	2	2
No of re-inspections due to unsatisfactory work	0	13	1	15
No of ATUs audited (target for the year – 9)	0	1	4	4
No of ATUs found not to be maintained to required standard	0	1	1	1
<b>6.2 INDUSTRIAL WASTE MANAGEMENT</b>				
No of inspections	0	5	0	0
No of premises overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of premises exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	0	0	0	0
No of rectification directives issued	0	1	0	0
<b>7. PROGRAM : NUISANCES/COMPLAINTS</b>				
<b>7.1 OFFENSIVE TRADES</b>				
No. of premises inspected	4	8	1	3
No. of premises overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No. of premises exceeding Target RFS (7 or less)	0	0	0	0
No. of rectification directives issued	0	0	0	0
<b>7.2 INTENSIVE HOUSING OF ANIMALS INSPECTIONS</b>				
No of premises inspected	4	18	1	19
No of premises overdue for inspection	0	0	0	0
No of premises exceeding Target RFS (5 or less)	1	1	0	0
No of rectification directives issued	1	2	0	2
<b>7.3 NOISE</b>				
No of complaints	4	21	4	20
No resolved	2	19	1	15
No recurring	1	9	2	12
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	3	4	2	2
No of directives issued	3	10	0	10
<b>7.4 PIGEONS/POULTRY</b>				
No of complaints	1	8	1	7
No resolved	1	8	0	5
No recurring	0	0	0	2
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	1	5	1	2
No of directives issued	0	5	0	4



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	Current Year		Last Year	
	Month	YTD	Month	YTD
<b>7.6 KEEPING OF ANIMALS</b>				
No of complaints	1	3	1	5
No resolved	1	3	1	4
No recurring	0	0	0	1
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	6	6	1	2
No of directives issued	0	0	0	4
<b>7.7 PEST CONTROL</b>				
No of complaints	1	1	1	5
No resolved	1	1	0	4
No recurring	0	0	0	0
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	2	2	1	2
No of directives issued	1	1	1	2
<b>7.8 HOUSING</b>				
No of complaints	0	3	1	6
No resolved	0	1	1	5
No recurring	0	0	0	0
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	N/A	3	1	3
No of directives issued	0	3	0	2
<b>7.9 EFFLUENT DISCHARGE</b>				
No of complaints	1	4	0	2
No resolved	0	3	1	2
No recurring	0	0	0	0
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	1	1	N/A	1
No of directives issued	1	2	0	1
<b>7.10 DUST</b>				
No of complaints	0	1	0	0
No resolved	0	1	0	0
No recurring	0	0	0	0
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	N/A	1	N/A	0
No of directives issued	0	0	0	0
<b>7.11 SMOKE</b>				
No of complaints	0	6	0	11
No resolved	0	6	0	9
No recurring	0	0	0	4
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	N/A	2	N/A	2
No of directives issued	0	1	0	2
<b>7.12 ODOUR</b>				
No of complaints	1	4	1	3
No resolved	0	3	0	2
No recurring	0	1	1	1
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	1	2	1	1
No of directives issued	1	2	0	2
<b>7.13 OTHER</b>				
No of complaints	0	5	4	14
No resolved	0	5	2	9
No recurring	0	0	1	4
Maximum response time (target 5 days)	N/A	1	1	1
No of directives issued	0	0	0	2



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**8 ADMINISTRATIVE TASKS**

- Local law review (due July)
- Procedure Manual reviewed (due November)
- Pamphlet stocks audited (due monthly)
  - Head Lice
  - Needle & Syringe Disposal
  - Alcohol & Health
  - Tobacco & Health
  - Drug & solvent Abuse
  - Other (as per Department of Health catalogue)
- Sharps Register maintenance checked (due monthly)
- Sharps containers checked (due monthly)

Current Year		Last Year	
Month	YTD	Month	YTD
1	1	0	1
0	0	0	1
1	4	1	3
1	4	1	3
1	4	1	3
1	4	1	3
1	4	1	3
1	4	1	3
2	6	1	4
1	6	1	3

**9. ACTION TAKEN UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY (PARTS IV, V, VII or VIII of the Health Act)**

- 9.1 Issue of a Notice under Section 184(1) of the *Health Act 1911* directing removal from premises being HN 24 Cabarita Rd, Armadale of material likely to attract or harbour rodents (inadvertently omitted from September Report).
- 9.2 Undertaking of works at HN 24 Cabarita Rd, Armadale pursuant to the provisions of Section 184(4) of the Act as a consequence of default in compliance with the Notice issued under Section 184(1).

**10. LEGAL ACTION**

Name	Address	Asst N°	Offence	Status
Coles – Myer	Coles Supermarket, Armadale Shopping City	A194629	Sale of food that is labelled in a false or misleading manner, contrary to the provisions of Section 246Q of the <i>Health Act 1911</i> (2 counts).	Adjourned until 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2004.
Messrs Peter & Paul Casotti,	Raeburn Orchards Lot 111 cnr Peet & Raeburn Rds Roleystone	A128600	Causing or allowing unreasonable noise.	Listed for hearing 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2004.



***PLANNING SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2004***

PLANNING DEPT MONTHLY STATISTICS		Development Applications		* Subdivision Applications		* Scheme Amendments		Sign Applications		Home Occupation Permits		Truck Parking Permits		Total	
		Number Received	Number Approved/Refused by Council	Number Received	Number Processed by Council	Number Initiated	Number Processed by Council	Number Received	Number Approved/Refused by Council	Number Received	Number Approved/Refused by Council	Number Received	Number Approved/Refused by Council	** Number Received / Initiated	Number Processed by Council
Jul	2003	49	58	2	2	0	0	2	1	19	13	7	5	79	79
Jul	2004	52	54	4	10	0	2	1	2	16	17	5	1	78	86
Aug	2003	54	39	2	7	2	0	0	2	8	10	3	3	69	61
Aug	2004	45	39	1	4	3	2	4	1	9	7	1	3	63	56
Sep	2003	51	59	1	2	2	1	1	0	12	10	4	1	71	73
Sep	2004	49	49	6	2	1	1	2	4	12	11	2	0	72	67
Oct	2003	53	40	8	4	1	1	3	2	13	12	3	3	81	62
Oct	2004	30	30	5	1	1	0	3	0	5	10	3	2	47	43
Nov	2003	44	44	5	1	1	2	0	1	10	6	1	3	61	57
Nov	2004	43	53	5	5	0	0	4	4	5	2	0	3	57	67
Dec	2003	43	47	10	6	0	1	0	1	11	14	2	2	66	71
Dec	2004													0	0
Jan	2004	35	26	6	3	0	0	4	2	11	12	0	2	56	45
Jan	2005													0	0
Feb	2004	47	42	4	8	1	0	1	0	6	7	2	0	61	57
Feb	2005													0	0
Mar	2004	58	42	7	7	1	1	6	1	7	10	2	2	81	63
Mar	2005													0	0
Apr	2004	52	39	10	5	1	1	4	3	13	11	2	2	82	61
Apr	2005													0	0
May	2004	49	45	5	12	0	0	1	2	6	5	1	1	62	65
May	2005													0	0
Jun	2004	42	39	7	5	1	1	7	2	13	8	2	0	72	55
Jun	2005													0	0
Total	02/03	577	520	67	62	10	8	29	17	129	118	29	24	841	749
Total	03/04	219	225	21	22	5	5	14	11	47	47	11	9	317	319

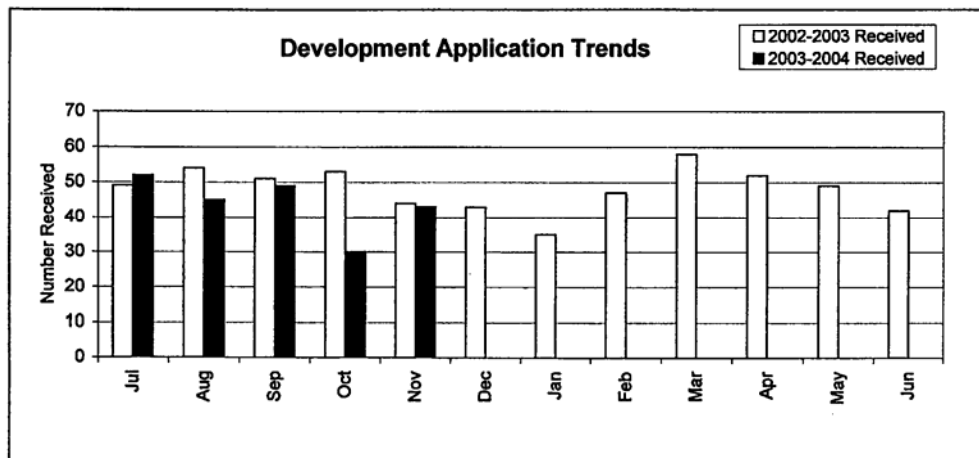
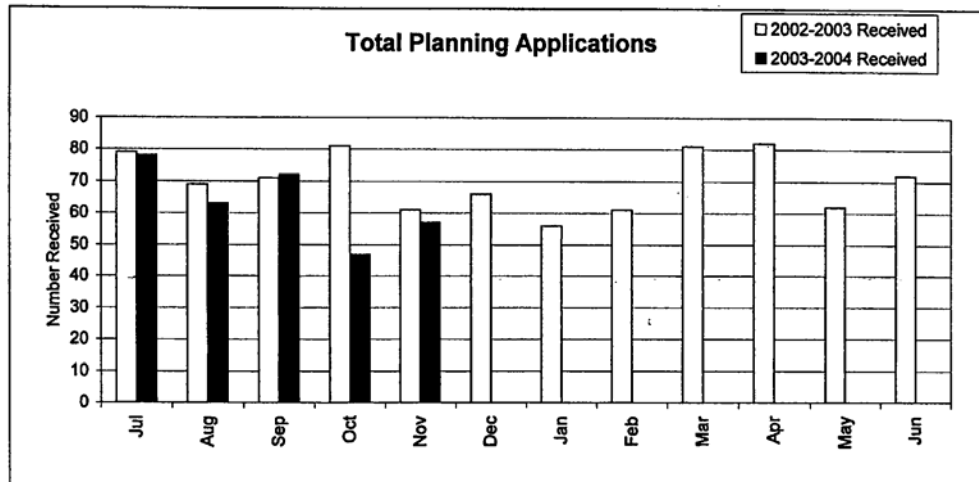
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- \* Subdivision Applications and Scheme Amendment figures represent the number of applications processed by City of Armadale and not the approval of these applications by the WAPC.
- \* Total number of applications received includes applications that have been cancelled or withdrawn.



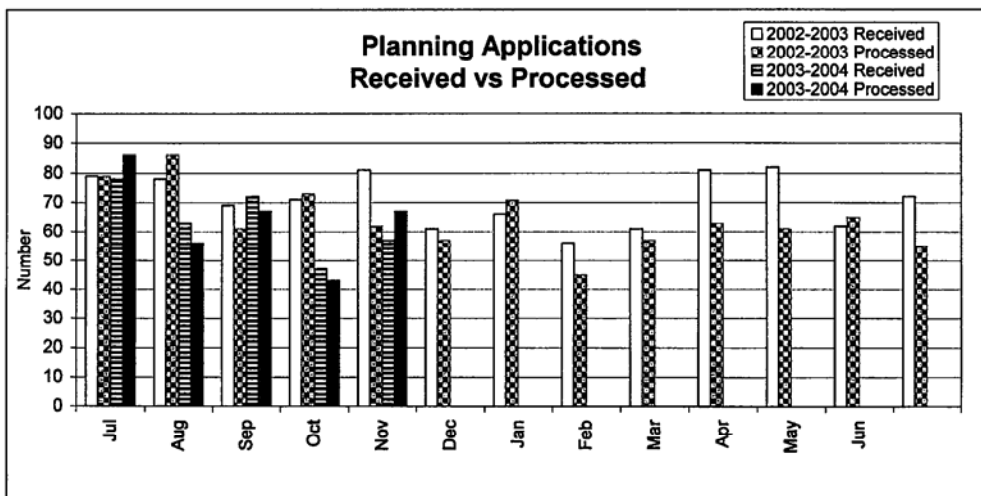
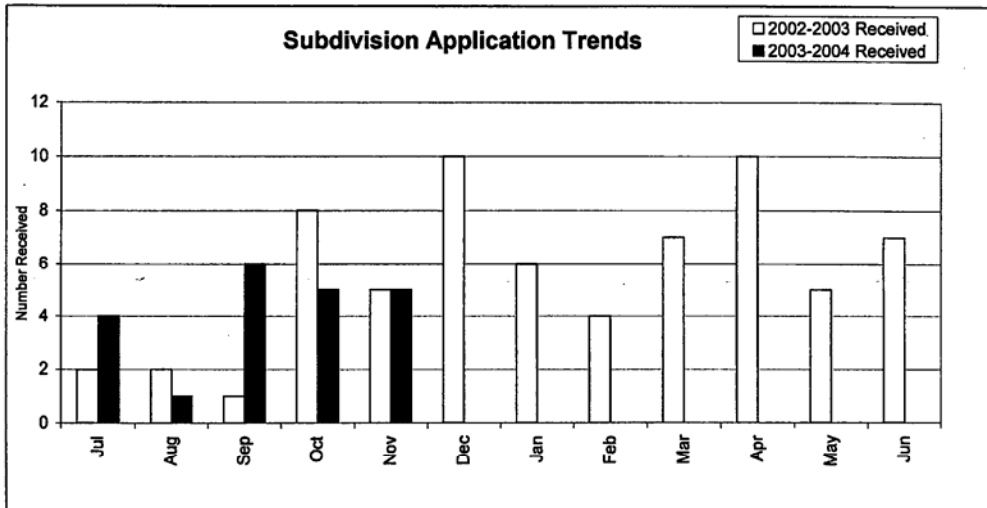


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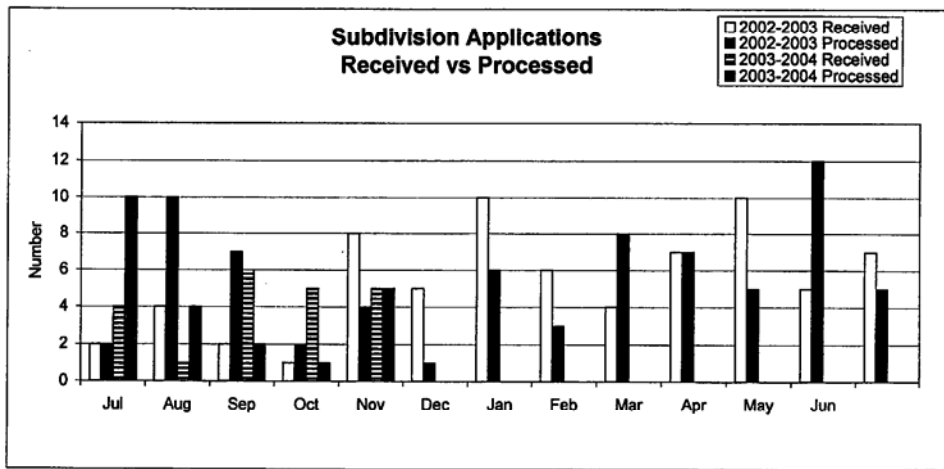
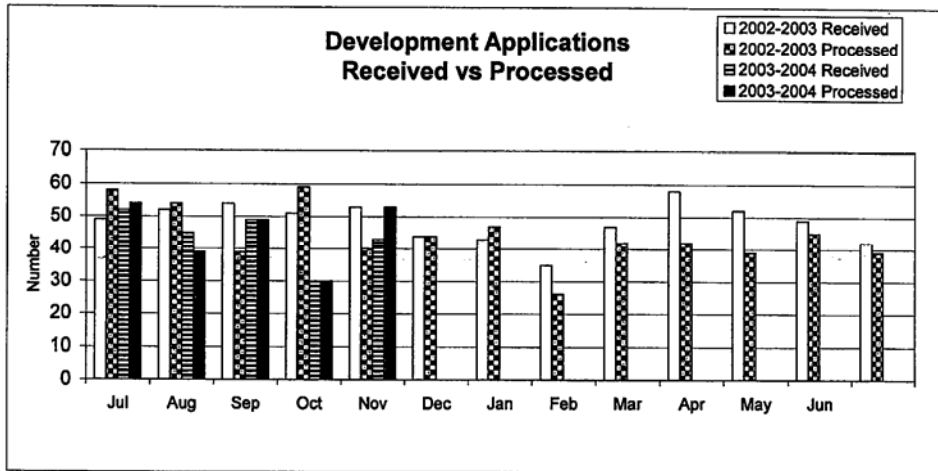


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**TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO.2 & NO.3 – SCHEME AMENDMENT ACTION TABLE**

No.	Street & Proposal	Initiation	Documentation & Costs	Environmental Review Required 28 days	Submissions Open	Submissions Closed	Environmental Conditions set by Minister	Adoption	Referred to DEP for action	Minister's Final Approval	Execution of Amendment Documents	Govt Gazette
143	Lots 6, 7 & 8 Wolfe Rd, Lots 421 & 449 Taylor Rd & Lots 27 & 501 Oxley Rd - "General Rural" to "Special Use - Rural / Residential"	21/7/97 & 23/4/01	2/12/97	Environmental review submitted to Council in June 2000.	22/8/01	2/10/01	Revised Conditions received 15/12/03	21/6/04	20/7/04			
175	Rezone Lot 250 Stone Rd, Armadale from "Special Use - Service Station" to "General Industry"	19/3/01	10/5/01	DEP - 11/6/01	27/6/01	8/8/01	N/A	17/9/01	Awaiting EPA Approval			
186	Rezone Lots 80 & 82 Ranford Rd, Forrestdale from "Rural-Kennells" to "Residential - Development Area & Showroom"	18/11/02	14/1/03	Referred to DEP 21/5/03 "not assessed"	30/7/03	10/9/03	N/A	17/11/03	23/12/03			
188	Rezone Lot 152 Anstey Rd, Forrestdale from "Rural C" to "Special Use - Road House and Truck Depot"	19/12/02	11/10/02	Referred to DEP 25/3/03		14/1/03	N/A	19/7/04				
190	Rezoning of First Stage Urban Land in North Forrestdale from "General Rural" to "Urban Development"	16/10/03		DEP 22/3/04 not assessed	21/4/04	2/6/06	N/A	23/8/04	6/10/04			
191	Change of minimum lot size, POS provision and SGP, Special Use Zone No.86, former Lot 55 Carns Road	1/9/03		Referred 28/10/03 "not assessed"	14/1/04	26/2/04	N/A	15/4/03	15/5/04			
193	Rezone Lot 104 Albany Hwy, Kelmiscott from "Special Use - Indoor Sport, Fitness & Health Centre" to "Special Use - Showroom"	15/3/04	15/4/04	Referred to DEP 5/5/04 "not assessed"	2/6/04	14/7/04	N/A	23/8/04	5/10/04			





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194	Rezoned Lot 681 Canns Rd, Bedfordale from "Rural C" to "Special Use - Rural Residential"	19/4/04	5/04/04	Referred to DEP 9/7/04								
195	Amend Development Table of Special Use Zone No.66 - Golf Course and Rural Residential Development (Araluen Residential Estate)	21/6/04	N/A	Referred to DEP 23/6/04 "not assessed"	21/7/04	1/9/04	N/A	20/9/04	29/9/04	7/12/04		14/12/04
196	Rezoning from Special Use No 18 "Service Station", Special Use 21 "Caravan Park" and "Shopping" to Special Use "Local Centre - Restricted Use" Lots 102, 103 & 104 Nicholson Rd Forrestdale	23/8/04		Referred to EPA 28/9/04 "not assessed, advice given" 25/10/04								
197	Rezoning from "Rural - Agricultural Protection" to Special Use "Rural Living 2ha minimum" Lot 15 Carradine Rd Bedfordale	23/8/04		Referred to EPA 28/9/04 "not assessed" 12/1/04	10/11/04	29/12/04	N/A					
198	Rezoning from "Rural - Groundwater Protection" to Special Use - "Depot for Electrical Pylon Storage" Lot 51 (897) Warton Rd Forrestdale	23/8/04		Referred to EPA 30/9/04 "not assessed" 18/10/04								
199	Text amendment to Special Use No. 76 to include "telecommunications infrastructure"	20/9/04		Referred to EPA 17/11/04	15/12/04	26/01/05	N/A					



**PEDESTRIAN ACCESS WAY CLOSURES – SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS DURING NOVEMBER 2004**

<b>PEDESTRIAN ACCESS WAY (PAW) CLOSURES SIGNIFICANT ACTIONS DURING NOVEMBER 2004</b>						
<b>CLOSURE NUMBER</b>	<b>LOCATION</b>	<b>REQUEST RECEIVED</b>	<b>AGREEMENT OF ABUTTING LANDOWNERS RECEIVED</b>	<b>ADVERTISED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT</b>	<b>CLOSING DATE OF ADVERTISEMENTS</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
WAY/7/97	PAW between Lots 201(12) and 202(10) Jarrah Close, Westfield	12/10/01	Yes	Yes	14/3/03	Comments received from Dept for Planning & Infrastructure. Further information requested including reasons for not supporting the closure.
WAY/1/93	PAW between Lots 114 & 35 Fifth Road and Lot 174 Sexty Street, Armadale	31/10/03	Yes	No	—	Response received from abutting landowners. Further assessment being carried out.
WAY/35/90	PAW between Lots 268 and 249 Logpine Cres & leading into Silver Mallee Close, Westfield	14/02/04	Yes	Yes	10/12/04	Report being prepared for submission to DPI.
WAY/3/04	PAW between Lots 705(10) & 714 (9) Clybucca Place, Armadale	18/3/04	Yes	Yes	Extended to 13/08/04	Report being prepared for submission to DPI



***SUBDIVISION APPLICATIONS – NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2004***  
***REPORT ON CONSEQUENTIAL ACTION OF COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION***

SUB NO.	OWNER & LOCATION	PROPOSAL	COA REC	COMMENTS
123511	I Chapman 32 Redtail Lane Roleystone <b>Lot 3 Redtail Lane</b> <b>ROLEYSTONE</b>	Create 2 Lots	REFUSE	WAPC Approval 23 November 2004
126163	P & A Bongiascia 64 Streich Ave, Seville Grove and Sparkle Nominees Pty Ltd 8 Salvia Court Ferndale <b>Lot 2 &amp; 6 Poad Street and</b> <b>Hesketh Avenue</b> <b>SEVILLE GROVE</b>	Create 71 Lots from 2 Lots	APPROVAL	WAPC Approval 23 November 2004



**COMPLIANCE OFFICER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2004**

REF : SA

1 FORM 2 CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL		No. of inspections	No. not complying	No. rectified	No. prosecutions instituted	No. prosecutions successful
<b>1.1 INDUSTRIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		0	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		0	0	0	0	0
<b>1.2 COMMERCIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		1	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		0	0	0	0	0
<b>1.3 RESIDENTIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		0	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		29	1	18	0	0
<b>1.4 RURAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		0	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		12	1	6	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL YEAR TO DATE</b>		<b>43</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>2 CAR WRECKS AND RELATED ISSUES</b>		No. of inspections	No. not complying	No. rectified	No. prosecutions instituted	No. prosecutions successful
<b>2.1 INDUSTRIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		0	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		0	0	0	0	0
<b>2.2 COMMERCIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		0	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		3	1	1	0	0
<b>2.3 RESIDENTIAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		7	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		26	4	8	0	0
<b>2.4 RURAL</b>						
Current Year - Month to Date		1	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		14	0	0	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL YEAR TO DATE</b>		<b>44</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>



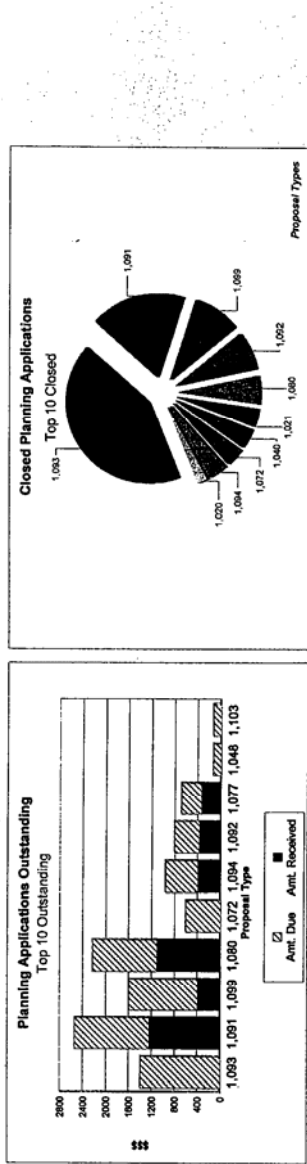


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3 TRUCK PARKING		No. of inspections	No. not complying	No. rectified	No. prosecutions instituted	No. prosecutions successful
3.1 COMMERCIAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		1	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		2	0	1	0	0
3.2 RESIDENTIAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		3	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		12	0	4	0	0
3.3 RURAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		3	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		7	0	1	0	0
SUB TOTAL YEAR TO DATE		23	0	7	0	0
4 OTHER TPS BREACHES		No. of inspections	No. not complying	No. rectified	No. prosecutions instituted	No. prosecutions successful
4.1 INDUSTRIAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		2	0	0	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		16	2	2	0	0
4.2 COMMERCIAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		7	0	3	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		17	0	4	0	0
4.3 RESIDENTIAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		9	0	3	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		74	4	21	0	0
4.4 RURAL						
Current Year - Month to Date		11	0	1	0	0
Current Year - Year to Date		48	2	8	0	0
SUB TOTAL YEAR TO DATE		150	7	34	0	0
5 TOTALS - MONTH TO DATE		45	0	7	0	0
TOTALS - YEAR TO DATE		262	15	75	0	0
6 PROSECUTION DETAILS		PROPERTY	OFFENCE	OUTCOME		
KC NOMINEES P/L		Lot 1 Clifton St., Lots 2, 3 & 21 Gilwell Ave. Kelmscott	Unauthorised use	Matter part heard 24.11.04 adjourned to 16.2.05		



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1020 - Commercial Vehicle Parking				49 Doorigo RD ARMADALE	B G Brooks	309 Railway Ave Armadale WA 6112	21/10/2004	10/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									1
1021 - Commercial Vehicle Parking (Renewal)				577 Armadale RD FORRESTDALE	C A Horton	577 Armadale Road	29/10/2004	08/11/2004	Approved
18/1				10 Gertrude AV CHAMPION LAKES	K A Silver	10 Gertrude Avenue CHAMPION	28/10/2004	08/11/2004	Approved
35/1									
<b>Total:</b>									2
1040 - Home Occupation Renewal									2



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**1040 - Home Occupation Renewal**

App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Clsd Dt	Determined
23/1				22 Andross ST SEVILLE GROVE	R G Piau	22 Andross Street SEVILLE GROVE	01/11/2004	02/11/2004	Completed
24/1				43 Loflies ST FORRESTDALE	P J Sullivan	43 Loflies Street FORRESTDALE	01/11/2004	08/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									

1040 - Home Occupation Renewal

\$0.00

2

**1048 - Legacy Industrial**

App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Clsd Dt	Determined
40207/1	\$0.00			34 Brant RD KELMSCOTT	H & E Design & Drafting	34 Brant Rd Kalmiscott WA 6111	11/10/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									

1048 - Legacy Industrial

\$0.00

1

**1072 - Residential Building**

App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Clsd Dt	Determined
60/1		J Jacques	52A Salisbury Street	8 Blissett DR BEDFORDDALE	Content Living	Unit 210/596 Scarborough Beach	15/11/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
40202/1		C N Hart	23 Celeste Wy RIVERTON WA	37 Waterwheel RD N BEDFORDDALE	Content Living	Unit 210/596 Scarborough Beach	07/10/2004	10/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									

1072 - Residential Building

2

**1077 - Legacy Commercial**

App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Clsd Dt	Determined
40074/1	\$345.00	Aspen (champion)	82 Champion Dr Seville Grove WA	82 Champion DR SEVILLE GROVE	Aspen (champion) Pty L	82 Champion Dr Seville Grove WA	10/08/2004	23/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									

1077 - Legacy Commercial

\$345.00

1

**1080 - Legacy Single Residential**

App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Clsd Dt	Determined
30770/1	\$575.00	P R Andrews	15 Locke View BEDFORDDALE	15 Locke View BEDFORDDALE	Debbie England	15 Locke Vw Bedforddale 6112	04/05/2004	24/11/2004	Approved
40124/1	\$211.58	A Dawson	46 Maguire Avenue BEECHBORO	11 Morolo ST SEVILLE GROVE	J-Corp T/A Homestart	67 Walters Drive OSBORNE PARK	06/09/2004	03/11/2004	Completed
40211/1	\$329.31		280 Canning Mills RD ROLEYSTONE	280 Canning Mills RD ROLEYSTONE	Tangent Nominees Pty	280 Canning Mills Rd Roleystone	13/10/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>									

1080 - Legacy Single Residential

\$1,115.89

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<b>1091 - Legacy Miscellaneous Development</b>									
40142/1	\$400.00		186 Brookton HWY KELMSCOTT		Gangemi P	186 Brookton Hwy Kelmscott 6111	02/09/2004	03/11/2004	Approved
40168/1	\$50.00		88 Fifth Rd ARMADALE		Dykestra Planning	27 Dumas Dr Bedfordale WA 6112	21/09/2004	08/11/2004	Approved
40169/1	\$100.00		37 Dumas DR BEDFORDALE		Collins NB	27 Dumas Dr Bedfordale WA 6112	22/09/2004	12/11/2004	Approved
40168/1	\$150.00		281 Albany HWY BEDFORDALE		Johnston CI	281 Albany Hwy Bedfordale WA 6112	24/09/2004	29/11/2004	Approved
40180/1	\$150.00		0 Equestrian AV BEDFORDALE		A Van Der Sluys	0 Equestrian Ave Bedfordale WA	28/09/2004	02/11/2004	Completed
40187/1	\$50.00		24 Tredale AV MT RICHON		Buckingham Gw	24 Tredale Ave Mt Richon WA 6112	27/09/2004	18/11/2004	Completed
40203/1	\$50.00		14 Bassant Court WESTFIELD		Watson CI	1 Keena Court Maddington WA 6109	08/10/2004	02/11/2004	Approved
40206/1	\$100.00		121 Croyden Rd Roleystone 6111		Jarvis & Rogers	121 Croyden Rd Roleystone 6111	11/10/2004	23/11/2004	Approved
40213/1	\$0.00		95 River Rd KELMSCOTT		Standing Rr	95 River Rd Kelmscott WA 6111	14/10/2004	03/11/2004	Approved
					David Tilbrook				
Total:			1091 - Legacy Miscellaneous Development						
				\$1,250.00					10
<b>1092 - Demolition</b>									
40186/1	\$50.00		25 Hicks Rd KELMSCOTT						
40211/1	\$329.31		78 Lowanna Way ARMADALE		Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Cisd Dt	Determined
			133 Clifton St Kelmscott WA 6111		Ministry Of Housing	14 Fontaine Street Belmont 6021	27/09/2004	18/11/2004	Approved
			260 Canning Mills Rd ROLEYSTONE		Uniting Church Ia Prop	78 Lowanna Way ARMADALE WA	27/09/2004	18/11/2004	Approved
					Ward SJ	133 Clifton St Kelmscott WA 6111			
Total:			1092 - Demolition						
				\$379.31					4
<b>1093 - Incidental Development</b>									
18/1			3 Doradel Avenue MT NASURA						
19/1			786 Albany HWY BEDFORDALE		K A Schiebaan	3 Doradel Avenue MT NASURA WA	28/10/2004	01/11/2004	Approved
20/1			35 Foster Road KELMSCOTT WA		Coastline Sheds	Lot 101 Byron Road Armadale WA	27/10/2004	01/11/2004	Completed
21/1			285 South Western HWY ARMADALE		D Coles	7 Winney Place LEEMING WA	28/10/2004	02/11/2004	Approved
25/1			2 Coachmans Place		J Riggs	285 South Western Highway	27/10/2004	17/11/2004	Approved
26/1			13A Gymsa Ct ARMADALE		Ese Patos	39 Gilliam Drive Kelmscott	29/10/2004	03/11/2004	Approved
33/1			14 Waterwheel North Rd		Highline Building	9 Feispar St Welshpool WA 6106	29/10/2004	03/11/2004	Approved
34/1			7 Grono Rd BEDFORDALE		Kenlow Pty Ltd	1970 Albany Highway	01/11/2004	24/11/2004	Approved
37/1			137 Wungong Road WUNGONG		Concept Steel	630 Armadale Road Forrestdale WA	03/11/2004	04/11/2004	Approved
					LE Trainer	137 Wungong Road WUNGONG	01/11/2004	15/11/2004	Approved
Total:			1093 - Incidental Development						
				\$379.31					23





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38/1	T E Griffiths	4 Trewarm Place BEDFORDALE	4 Trewarm Pl BEDFORDALE	Highline Building	9 Felspar Street WELSHPOOL WA	04/11/2004	29/11/2004	Approved
41/1	D Binks	24a Challis Rd Armadale WA 6112	24A Challis Rd ARMADALE	Jim Killey's Outdoor-Wc	Unit 1/1 Tinga Place KELMSCOTT	05/11/2004	10/11/2004	Approved
43/1	C Studley	11 Todd Pl HUNTINGDALE WA	118 Lathwell St ARMADALE	Stormpower Pty Ltd	25 Davison Street Maddington WA	08/11/2004	16/11/2004	Approved
44/1	J Richardson	14 Magpie Place BROOKDALE	14 Magpie Pl BROOKDALE	J Richardson	14 Magpie Place BROOKDALE WA	08/11/2004	10/11/2004	Approved
46/1	K C Nominees Pty	53 Gilwell Avenue KELMSCOTT	463 Third AV KELMSCOTT	Highline Building	9 Felspar Street WELSHPOOL WA	11/11/2004	17/11/2004	Approved
48/1	D Wilson	158 Springfield Road	158 Springfield Rd BEDFORDALE	Avalon Sheds & Stables	30 Runyon Road Midvale WA 6056	11/11/2004	17/11/2004	Approved
49/1	B D Thystrup	194 Croyden Road ROLEYSTONE	194 Croyden Rd ROLEYSTONE	B D Thystrup	194 Croyden Road ROLEYSTONE	10/11/2004	16/11/2004	Approved
50/1	N J Quake	11 Lofties Street FORRESTDALE	11 Lofties St FORRESTDALE	G C Bathgate	25 Davison Street Maddington WA	11/11/2004	18/11/2004	Approved
58/1	G C Bathgate	22 Frances Gregory Drive	22 Frances Gregory Dr BEDFORDALE	Stormpower Pty Ltd	25 Davison Street Maddington WA	12/11/2004	18/11/2004	Approved
61/1	J M Skiba	2 Waters Place BEDFORDALE	2 Waters Pl BEDFORDALE	G C Bathgate	2 Frances Gregory Drive	12/11/2004	22/11/2004	Approved
62/1	K T Marsh	4 Devonshire Terrace ARMADALE	93 Poast St CHAMPION LAKES	Highline Building	9 Felspar Street WELSHPOOL WA	15/11/2004	24/11/2004	Approved
65/1	L E Percy	3 Chipper Close BEDFORDALE	3 Chipper Cl BEDFORDALE	Highline Building	9 Felspar Street WELSHPOOL WA	22/11/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
66/1	A V Galeley	34 Frances Gregory Drive	34 Frances Gregory Dr BEDFORDALE	Patios 2000	3 Chipper Close Bedfordale WA	23/11/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
73/1	J D Dekok	30 Dumas Drive BEDFORDALE	30 Dumas Dr BEDFORDALE	Precision Patios & Horr	13 Pogus Street Thornlie WA 6108	25/11/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total: 1093 - Incidental Development 23</b>								
<b>1094 - Development Envelope Modification 2</b>								
App. No	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Cisd Dt	Determined
39/1	T E Griffiths	4 Trewarm Place BEDFORDALE	4 Trewarm Pl BEDFORDALE	Highline Building	9 Felspar Street WELSHPOOL WA	04/11/2004	29/11/2004	Approved
40156/1		4 Leys Rise Mt Richon	4 Leys Rise Mt RICHON	Ashmy Pty Ltd	4 Leys Rl Mt Richon WA 6112	17/09/2004	15/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total: 1094 - Development Envelope Modification 2</b>								
<b>1099 - Single House 5</b>								
App. No	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Cisd Dt	Determined
14/1	D J Reilly	40 Oulgan Way MEDINA WA	38 Walford Rd N BEDFORDALE	Dale Alcock Homes	136 Hasler Rd Osborne Park	21/10/2004	15/11/2004	Approved
15/1	M J Beattie	1 Banyard Avenue KELMSCOTT	7 Hill St Mt NASURA	M J Beattie	1 Banyard Avenue KELMSCOTT	26/10/2004	23/11/2004	Approved
42/1	A Geurts	52 Albany Highway BEDFORDALE	52 Albany Hwy BEDFORDALE	W Geurts	52 Albany Highway BEDFORDALE	05/11/2004	18/11/2004	Approved
70/1	H Christie	564 Rowley Road OAKFORD WA	11 Triangie WY KELMSCOTT	Ashmy Pty Ltd	5 The Esplanade Mt PLEASANT	23/11/2004	29/11/2004	Approved
40156/1		4 Leys Rise Mt Richon	4 Leys Rise Mt RICHON	Ashmy Pty Ltd	4 Leys Rl Mt Richon WA 6112	17/09/2004	15/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total: 1099 - Single House 5</b>								

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<b>1102 - Revised Application</b>		\$0.00	1						
App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Cled Dt	Determined
7/1	\$0.00		14 McKenzie GR	14 McKenzie Grove	M Markovic	KELMSCOTT	20/10/2004	30/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>			1102 - Revised Application	\$0.00	1				
<b>1103 - Second Residence</b>			1						
App. No	Rec. Amt	Owner Name	Owner Address	Primary Property	Applicant Name	Applicant Address	Rec. Dt	Cled Dt	Determined
7/1		D H Tripp	197 Canns Road	0 Canns RD	Dykstra & Assoc	BEDFORDALE	25/10/2004	29/11/2004	Approved
<b>Total:</b>			1103 - Second Residence		1				
<b>Grand Total:</b>				\$3,902.80					55

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***INQUIRY INTO DEVELOPER CONTRIBUTIONS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH LAND DEVELOPMENT – PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE REPORT***

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The Inquiry into Developer Contributions for Infrastructure Costs Associated with Land Development was established by the Public Accounts Committee in November 2003. The main aim of the Inquiry was to look into the extent to which government is subsidizing land development and the use of developer contributions to discourage urban sprawl.

The City of Armadale made a submission in February 2004. The Inquiry received 49 submissions in total.

The Inquiry concluded that:

- There are advantages of having a centralized control of the planning and subdivision system in WA.
- Structure and Outline Development Plans are not being used to their full capacity as tools to coordinate infrastructure provision
- Local authorities should require developer contributions at the development or subdivision application stage.
- The Redevelopment Authority model will become more important in the future as land development shifts from urban expansion to redevelopment.
- The Outer Metropolitan Community Fund offers grants to outer metropolitan local government and while this could be seen as subsidizing outer area development – it is a relatively small subsidy.
- Outer area local governments are concerned at the issue of maintaining infrastructure and operating community facilities. Some developers have made voluntary contributions for ongoing maintenance through the establishment of a trust fund made up of the difference between what the shire would normally expend over time and what the developer believes is the standard for its ongoing maintenance.
- Local governments are not able to seek contributions from developers for the purpose of funding general community services such as libraries – which occurs in other states. Local government infrastructure charges in WA are modest compared with Sydney where \$64,000 per lot is charged.
- From research throughout Australia it is concluded that developer contributions are not necessarily passed on to the end purchaser. Instead increased in the development costs tend to reduce the value of undeveloped land. Accordingly increasing developer contributions does not necessarily seriously impact on housing affordability.
- While WALGA argued that \$5000 should be contributed to Local Government for each lot to pay for community infrastructure it is hard to justify that each residential lot generates the need for \$5000 in new community infrastructure at the time the lot is developed. The imposition of higher costs would result in many projects becoming financially unfeasible.
- Maximising the use of existing infrastructure in established areas can provide significant cost savings to government.
- Local Governments should have the ability to recoup infrastructure costs through their town planning schemes if set out in an Outline Development Plan with funds managed in a trust account.
- Outer area populations generally have lower incomes than inner area populations while rates paid are generally higher.
- From research in early 1990s between 70 and 78% of the costs of urban fringe development in Perth is met by the public sector.
- Developer Agreements based on Outline Development Plans or Schemes can provide significant benefits for government, land developers and the public.



- While further developer contributions towards social infrastructure may be justified, they should only be by amendment to the WAPC Planning Bulletin 18.
- From the review of systems in NSW, Victoria and Queensland - In NSW the considerably greater developer contributions are partly due to the need for governments to purchase land for public purposes at full market value. The situation in NSW is very different to that in WA consequently its developer contribution model is not suitable for WA.
- The Victorian system provides greater certainty to developers. It allows local government to charge for community facilities to a capped figure of \$450 (soon to be increased to \$1000) per lot.
- Developer contributions can help stop premature development and where leapfrog developments occur the developer should pay for the extra costs associated with leapfrogging the urban front.
- The government should identify underutilized infrastructure and utilize it for infill.
- Land developers should be required to contribute to the true costs of developing and servicing land but they should not pay a levy directed at guiding the location and form of urban development.

In conclusion the Inquiry has not clearly set out what it is reasonable to impose on developers as their contribution towards the cost of infrastructure in new suburbs. However, the door has been left open to use existing processes to establish reasonable payments. The Inquiry has confirmed that there are savings to be derived from infill development, but has not gone as far as suggesting that new development should be penalized as it is recognized that community preferences need to be taken into account.

The implications for the City of Armadale of the Inquiry are significant. Planning at North Forrestdale has reached the stage at which infrastructure contributions from developers can be secured. While certain infrastructure elements can be legitimately funded in accordance with State Policy (or WAPC Planning Bulletin No. 18), there are other areas which may be provided by mutual agreement between the developers and the City. This clearly occurred in Ellenbrook and the Inquiry did not suggest that it was not appropriate. These areas relate to community infrastructure and the setting aside of a trust fund to finance future management over and above what would normally be picked up from rate income.

IAN MACRAE  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

14 December 2004





**WALGA VACANCIES**

If any Councillor is interested in the following WALGA Vacancies, please contact Executive Director Development Services on 9399 0144.



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**Vacancy for W.A. Local Government Association Member**

**WESTERN AUSTRALIAN WATER SAFETY COUNCIL (WAWSC)**

**Member (1)**

**NOMINATION PROCESS:**

Nominees are asked to complete the attached Nomination Form and email by **COB Wednesday 12 January 2005** to [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au). Completed forms may also be faxed or posted. Late nominations will not be accepted. At the close of the nomination period the Selection Committee will meet and resolve on preferred candidates or make recommendations on preferred candidates to the WALGA State Council.

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

It is important to note that your nomination is photocopied for the Association's State Council and/or Selection Committee and where relevant, the Minister and Committee Chairman. It is important that profile information be complete, up to date and typed.

Appointments are conditional on the understanding that nominees will resign when their entitlement terminates, that is, they are no longer Elected Members or Serving Officers of Local Government.

**EQUALITY:**

It should be noted that the Government is committed to providing equal selection opportunity for both indigenous and non-indigenous people and both genders and the W.A. Local Government Association encourages nominations accordingly.

**REASON FOR VACANCY, TERM AND COMMENCEMENT DATE:**

The WA Water Safety Framework Management Group have created the WA Water Safety Council to implement the Framework 2004-2007. Membership to the council will be reviewed after 18 months. Commencement date is upon appointment.

**MEETING DETAILS**

Meetings: Quarterly meetings: Meeting dates for 2004/2005 are  
Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2005 - 10.00am - 12 Noon  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2005 - 10.00am - 12 Noon  
Venue: Health Department - 189 Royal Street East Perth  
Duration: 2 hours  
Travelling allowance: Appropriate travel costs will be covered by arrangement with non-metropolitan appointees.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Nominee to address the following Selection Criteria:

- Are you a current Elected Member / Serving Officer? Yes/No
- Are you available to undertake the responsibility? Yes/No
- What is your relevant experience as an Elected Member/Serving Officer? Please provide examples.
- What are your experiences, skills, attributes or qualifications to support the nomination? Please provide examples.
- Please outline your demonstrated interest in the position.
- What is your capacity to represent the interests of Local Government and the Association?



**WALGA VACANCIES**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

In accordance with the Western Australian Water Safety Framework 2004-2007: A Strategic Framework for Addressing Drowning, Near Drowning and Related injuries in Western Australian, the Water Safety Council for the implementation of the Framework. The Following terms of reference for the WAWSC are proposed:

- To provide a mechanism that facilitates and encourages coordination and collaboration among government and non-government groups for improved strategic management of water safety in Western Australia.
- To use the 'collective wisdom' in expertise, knowledge, skills, resources and service provision across government and non government sectors towards the implementation of the framework
- Identify any gaps in the strategic management of water safety initiatives in relation to the strategies necessary for the prevention of drowning and near drowning in WA ;
- Advise, guide and support working groups to develop action plans that address areas of identified need and outline strategies to reduce near drowning and near drowning at a State and regional level with the following four strategic directions:
  1. Water Safety Education and Awareness
  2. Research and Evaluation
  3. Policy, Standards, legislation and Enforcement
  4. Surveillance and Rescue

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Roles and Responsibilities of the WA Water Safety Council:

- Provide strategic thinking and planning to implement the Water Safety Framework 2004-2007.
- Provide a chair for the Working Groups at their respective meetings ( if required).
- Active contribution and sharing to develop detailed action plans.
- Advise and provide guidance on aspects of policy implementation, evaluation and monitoring.
- Attend and contribute to quarterly meetings.
- Provide feedback on the action plans in its various stages.
- Assist in providing a mechanism for communication and engaging the sector.

**MEMBERSHIP:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Department of Sport and Recreation</li><li>• Injury Control Council of Western Australia</li><li>• Royal Life Saving Society – WA Branch</li><li>• Injury Research Centre – UWA</li><li>• WA Police Service – Water police Branch</li><li>• Department of Education and Training</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Department for Planning and Infrastructure – Marine Safety</li><li>• Department of Conservation and Land Management</li><li>• Department of Health</li><li>• WA Local Government Association</li><li>• Paraplegic Benefit Fund – Australia</li><li>• Kidsafe WA</li></ul>
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**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE COMMITTEE PLEASE CALL:**

Nicole Bennett  
Manager Injury Prevention Branch  
Ph: 9222 2083  
Email: [nicole.bennett@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:nicole.bennett@health.wa.gov.au)

**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE NOMINATION PROCESS PLEASE CALL:**

Meredith Neilsen  
W.A. Local Government Association  
Ph: 08 9213 2013 or email [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au)

**Nominations must be submitted by the closing date to:**

**WA Local Government Association - Attention: Meredith Neilsen,**

- by preferably email to [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au) ;
- by facsimile: 9322 2611; or
- by post to 15 Altona Street, West Perth WA 6005.

Ricky Burges  
Chief Executive Officer



**WALGA VACANCIES**



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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Vacancy for W.A. Local Government Association Member</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>FLUORIDATION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Member (1) (Panel of 3 names)</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">(APPROVAL BY MINISTER)</p>
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**NOMINATION PROCESS**

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**MINISTERIAL APPROVAL**

Appointment to the positions requires panels of 3 names to be submitted by WALGA to the Minister for each position. The Minister will nominate one person for appointment to each position to the Governor. It is **essential** that a curriculum vitae be submitted with your nomination form.

**EQUALITY**

It should be noted that the Government is committed to providing equal selection opportunity for both indigenous and non-indigenous people and both genders and the W.A. Local Government Association encourages nominations accordingly.

**REASON FOR VACANCY , TERM AND COMMENCEMENT DATE**

The term of appointment is 2 years. Commencement date is upon appointment.

**MEETING DETAILS**

Meetings: As Required  
Venue: 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, A Block 187 Royal Street, East Perth 6004.  
Duration: 1 – 2 hours (afternoon).  
Sitting Fee: Nil.  
Travelling allowance: Nil

**SELECTION CRITERIA**

Nominee to address the following Selection Criteria:

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- What is your capacity to represent the interests of Local Government and the Association?



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**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Advisory Committee, established under the *Fluoridation of Public Water Supplies Act 1966*:

- Consider Fluoridation in Public Water Supplies
- Public Water supply testing by Councils; and
- And provides advice the Minister on Fluoridation

**CURRENT REPRESENTATIVE AND REASON FOR VACANCY**

Expiration of term of present Members:

Mr James Riley, City of Bayswater

Terms expires 24 February, 2005. Present members continue in office until replacements are appointed.

**MEMBERSHIP**

The Committee comprises representatives from ::

- Health Department of Western Australia
- Water Corporation
- Chemistry Centre
- Australian Medical Association
- Dental Association
- Local Government

**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE COMMITTEE PLEASE CALL**

Dr Paul Psaila-Savona

Chairperson

Health Department of Western Australia

Ph: 9222 2239

**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE NOMINATION PROCESS PLEASE CALL**

Meredith Neilsen

W.A. Local Government Association

Ph: 08 9213 2013 or email [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au)

**Nominations must be submitted by the closing date to:**

**WA Local Government Association - Attention: Meredith Neilsen,**

- **by preferably email to [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au) ;**
- **by facsimile: 9322 2611; or**
- **by post to 15 Altona Street, West Perth WA 6005.**

Ricky Burges  
Chief Executive Officer





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**Vacancy for W.A. Local Government Association Member**

**HERITAGE TOURISM REFERENCE GROUP**

**MEMBER (1)**

**NOMINATION PROCESS:**

Nominees are asked to complete the attached Nomination Form and email by **COB Wednesday 12 January 2005** to [nominations@walga.asn.au](mailto:nominations@walga.asn.au). Completed forms may also be faxed or posted. Late nominations will not be accepted. At the close of the nomination period the Selection Committee will meet and resolve on preferred candidates or make recommendations on preferred candidates to the WALGA State Council.

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

It is important to note that your nomination is photocopied for the Association's State Council and/or Selection Committee and where relevant, the Minister and Committee Chairman. It is important that profile information be complete, up to date and typed.

Appointments are conditional on the understanding that nominees will resign when their entitlement terminates, that is, they are no longer Elected Members or Serving Officers of Local Government.

**EQUALITY:**

It should be noted that the Government is committed to providing equal selection opportunity for both indigenous and non-indigenous people and both genders and the W.A. Local Government Association encourages nominations accordingly.

**REASON FOR VACANCY, TERM AND COMMENCEMENT DATE:**

The term of appointment is ongoing and the commencement date is upon appointment.

**MEETING DETAILS:**

Meetings: 4 to 6 times a year. Schedule available upon commencement  
Venue: Heritage Council 108 Adelaide Terrace East Perth  
Duration: 2 – 3 hours  
Sitting Fee: Nil.  
Travelling allowance: Appropriate travel costs will be covered by arrangement with non-metropolitan appointees.

**SELECTION CRITERIA:**

Nominee to address the following Selection Criteria:

Are you a current Elected Member/Serving Officers? Yes/No

- Are you available to undertake the responsibility? Yes/No
- What is your relevant experience as an Elected Member/Serving Officer? Please provide examples.
- What are your experiences, skills, attributes or qualifications to support the nomination? Please provide examples.
- Please outline your demonstrated interest in the position.
- What is your capacity to represent the interests of Local Government and the Association?

**TERMS OF REFERENCE**

To consider issues pertinent to Heritage Tourism in Western Australian and to assist in the development and adoption of the Heritage Tourism Strategy 2003-2008. Terms of Reference will be made available upon appointment.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The Western Australian Heritage Tourism Strategy is designed to provide leadership direction rationale and a framework for decision makers and practitioners involved directly and indirectly in heritage tourism. It seeks to replace fragmented and uncoordinated approaches with a concerted systematic approach.



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**MEMBERSHIP:**

The Reference group is made up as follows:

- Chairman, Heritage Council
- Tourism WA
- Department of Local Government and Regional Development
- National Trust
- Department of Culture and the Arts
- WA Maritime Museum
- Curtin University
- FACET
- WAITOC
- Peel Development Commission
- City of Albany

**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE COMMITTEE PLEASE CALL:**

David McCulloch  
Heritage Council of Western Australia  
Ph: 92204136 or 040 999 3945

**FOR FURTHER PARTICULARS ABOUT THE NOMINATION PROCESS PLEASE CALL:**

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**Core IT Systems Implementation**  
**Status / Progress Report as at 23rd December 2004**

The following table presents the current status / progress for Phase 3 of the Core IT Systems Implementation Project. (Phase 1 and Phase 2 are now operational)

The implementation tasks mentioned in the following table are, in the main, common to all modules and are briefly explained as follows:

- Overview:** The Overview or introductory task is open to all staff, its purpose being to raise general awareness of the concepts and functionality of each module. These sessions allow time for discussion of scenarios specific to the City and the related implications.
- Administration:** The Administration training focuses on the detailed functionality and operation of the module. Accordingly, these sessions are attended by fewer staff who are generally either responsible for or directly involved with the set-up of the module and / or the ongoing system maintenance operation.
- Set Up / Operation:** This task is generally for officers that attend the Administration Training and involves the detailed design and establishment of parameters and codes in readiness for data entry or transfer of migrated data. It also covers the detailed operational aspects.
- Data Migration:** This task is applicable when information from the City's legacy system (Administrator) is extracted, converted and transferred into the new Authority module. It should be noted that not all modules would entail data migration; the typical reason being there is no current equivalent system.
- Testing:** The testing task is where staff are required to validate the data that was migrated from the legacy system (if applicable) and to also test the different functions within each module to ensure that the module operates effectively and meets the City's requirements. Key staff, (generally those that require use of the module) will be involved.



PHASE 3 IMPLEMENTATION as at 23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2004						
Module Name	Implementation Task	Done	To be Done			
			Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Asset Management	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ ✓ ✓ In progress			✓	
Contracts	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ ✓ ✓ nil		✓	✓	
e-Services	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	nil			✓ ✓ ✓	✓
Work Orders (deferred until the Assets Module is operational)	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ (Note below refers)				
Electronic Document Management System (EDM)	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	In progress	✓ ✓		✓	✓
Electronic Business Papers	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ nil				✓
Policy and Procedures	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	nil				✓ ✓ ✓
Electoral Roll (not yet scheduled)	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	(Note below refers)				
Facilities Bookings	Overview Administration					✓ ✓ ✓



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Module Name	Implementation Task	Done	To be Done			
			Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
	Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	nil				✓
Human Resources	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ ✓ nil		✓	✓	✓
Hierarchy Manager	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ nil			✓	✓
Infringements	Overview Administration Set up / Operation Data Migration Testing	✓ ✓ nil			✓ ✓	
Report Development (in progress)				✓	✓	✓

The implementation of the Electronic Business Papers Module has been rescheduled to meet the needs of the organisation and will be completed by April 2005.





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Project No.	Project	Project Sponsor/Manager	Importance Rating/Mgmt Effort (6-60)	Timeframe	Comment
Op-3-01	Recreation Centre, Review and Implementation	Carl Askew / Pat Quinlivan	H / 31	Stage 4 – Oct 2003 to Jun 2004 Stage 5 – May – October 2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development Application is awaiting approval.</li> <li>Quotations for the new storage facilities have been obtained and the contractor is ready to commence work once the necessary approval has been obtained.</li> <li>Expected completion date is now January 2005.</li> </ul>
Op-9-01	Organisation/Executive Development	CEO / Marka Haasnoot			Not scoped as a project. HR Business Plan drafted for development as a Strategy.
Op-10-01	Staff Development	CEO / Marka Haasnoot		Ongoing	Project Management and other Corporate Training deferred temporarily to allow for (training relating to) implementation business system.



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Op-11-01	Review of Emergency Services Policies, Plans, Strategies and Procedures  Review of Urban Animal Management Strategy	EMCS / Brian Watkins  Carl Askew/Brian Watkins	H / 35	<del>Dec-2001</del> —April 2002 August 2002 <del>Dec-2001</del> —May-2002 Dec 2001 – June-2003 <del>Jun-2004</del> Ongoing	The Urban Animal Management Strategy will be finalised following the review of the <i>Dog Act 1976</i> , which is currently being conducted by the Department of Local Government. Recent advice from the DLG is that they are currently preparing drafting instructions for the Parliamentary Counsel. The Parliamentary Counsel will, if satisfied, authorise the drafting of the Bill, which will be presented to Parliament.  The DLG is not prepared to provide a timeframe for this to be achieved however it is expected that substantial progress will be made over the next three (3) months.
Op-12-02	Administration Centre – Future Accommodation Options	Andrew Bruce / Glyn Davies	H / 35	July 2002 to <del>June</del> <del>June</del> —July—August June 2005	<i>Development approval for temporary accommodation approved by ARA in December 2004.</i> <i>Tenders were received and a report will be presented to Council on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2004. Offsite fabrication will commence in January 2005, fencing and footings will commence at the beginning of April with the Building being delivered 5<sup>th</sup> April. Cabling and fit-out to be completed by 26<sup>th</sup> April. Flooring and final fit-out work completed by 4<sup>th</sup> May and completion and handover expected on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2005.</i>



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Op-14-03	Disability Services Plan Review	Carl Askew / Yvonne Coyne		October–2003–May 2004	Draft Consultants Document being reviewed by officers via MANEX
Op-16-03	Fifteen Year Financial Plan and 2005-06 Annual Budget	Tony Maxwell / Nathan Cain	H / 45	Oct 2004 to Aug 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oct 2004: MANEX to review plan to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identify and quantify any gaps;</li> <li>- Confirm or otherwise the principles / financial parameters that underpin the plan.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Oct - Nov 2004 – prepare draft timetable setting out the steps and timeframes to develop the plan and Annual Budget.</li> <li>• Dec 2004 – MANEX to review plan to:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Identify and quantify any gaps</li> <li>- Review and confirm the principles and financial parameters that underpin the plan.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• January 2005 – prepare draft timetable setting out the tasks and target dates to prepare the financial plan and annual budget.</li> </ul>



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Op-17-03	Plan & Review the future of City of Armadale Library Services	Carl Askew / Patricia Walker	H / 43	Sep 2003 – Dec 2004	<p>In October Council resolved to include for consideration on the 2004-05 Draft Budget, the appointment of a Consultant to undertake the required research related to the future strategic direction for the City's Library Service. An amount of \$25,000 has been included in the 04/05 year of the Five Year Financial Plan. A Consultant's Brief has been prepared to action this matter if approved by Council when adopting its 04/05 Budget.</p> <p><b>Sept 04</b> – The draft Consultant's Brief is being finalised with a view to calling Expressions of Interest from appropriate consultants prior to the end of October 2004.</p> <p><b>Nov 04</b> – the Consultant's brief has been finalized, but due to new developments associated with the Local Area Education Planning project and the impact this will have on the Armadale Library that could then influence library services from other branches in the City, the decision was made to delay the consultant appointment until early in the new year. It is still anticipated that the consultant's report will still be received within the current financial year.</p>
Op-18-04	Rushton Park Redevelopment	Carl Askew / Patrick Quinlivan		Sep 2004 – July 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Update report submitted to the December Community Services Committee.</i></li> <li>• <i>Works scheduled to commence early in 2005.</i></li> </ul>





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S-1-01	Review of Strategic Plan	CEO	H	October 2004 – December 2005	Draft Strategic Plan has been released for public comment for two weeks ending 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2004. Plan to be released in the New Year. <i>A report presented to Council on 20 December 2004. One submission was received.</i>
S-2-01	Southern Link Road	Andrew Bruce	H / 19	Sep 98 – May-2002 <del>Dec-2003</del> Dec 2005	Amended Report presented to Steering Group on 15 <sup>th</sup> Mar 04. DPI finalising outcomes. Report for presentation in May 04. The Southern Link Road final report has been presented to the Steering Committee prior to submission to the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure. A report will be presented to TSC in November / December 2004.
S-5-01	Transport Strategy	Glyn Davies / Project Engineer	H / 27	Stage-1 Jun 2001 – Jan 2002 Stage-2 Feb 2002 – <del>Nov-2002</del> <del>Jan-2003</del> Dec 2005	DPI has assigned Integrated Transport Planning a low priority and is not allocating resources. Local Government wide concern is being expressed and advocacy for appropriate leadership from DPI is being mobilised.



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S-7-01	Business Systems Implementation	Tony Maxwell / Nathan Cain	H / 36	Oct 2003 – <del>Jan-2004</del> (all phases to be completed <del>Jan-2005</del> ) <del>Jan-2005</del> . Mar 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All matters within Phase 1 were successfully implemented in accordance with the Project Management Plan and are now operational.</li> <li>Phases 2 &amp; 3 have been implemented in accordance with the revised Project Management Plan and are now operational.</li> <li>The last phase, Phase 3 of the project plan has now been rescheduled – target completion date is now March 2005.</li> </ul>
S-8-01	North Forrestdale Future Planning	Ian MacRae / James Robinson	H / 38	Aug 2001 – <del>Dec-2002</del> <del>May-2003</del> Structure Plan – October 2004 – April 2005 MRS Rezoning – September 2004	<p>Amendment No. 190 for the first stage of development of North Forrestdale was adopted for final approval – August. MRS amendment has completed its tabling in Parliament and awaits finalisation. The developers have finalised the Structure Plan and are working on an Infrastructure Provision Submission to Council. Stocklands tour held on 24 September.</p> <p>Structure Plan approved for public advertising at Special DSC Meeting on 26 October. Public advertising period closes on 13<sup>th</sup> December. <i>The public meeting held on 8 December 2004 was well attended. 28 submissions were received by close of the advertising period on 13 December 2004.</i></p>



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S-12-01	Kelmscott Enquiry by Design	Ian MacRae / James Robinson		June 2004 – March 2005	Proposed undertaking of Canning Precinct Study. Prepared submission for funding from WAPC Communities Program. Discussions held with DPL, PTA and MRWA on implementation of Kelmscott Enquiry by Design on 26 August. Council resolved on 15 November to support ARA's involvement in planning the central area of the Kelmscott townsite. <i>In the process of appointing consultants for the Canning River Precinct Study.</i> <i>The ARA has purchased the land previously owned by Syd Chesson to facilitate the Davis Road underpass.</i>
S-13-01	Tonkin Highway	Andrew Bruce	H / 60	Jan 2001 – Jun 2007	Work on Tonkin Hwy North between Mills Road, Wungong Brook and Champion Lakes excavation has commenced. Site inspections are being organised at infrequent intervals.



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S-15-01	Public Open Space Strategy	Ian MacRae / Environmental Officer	M / 42	Sep 2001 – Dec 2006	A seven-stage implementation process approved in Sep 2001. Recommendations for Stages 1 to 5 agreed to by Council following public consultation. Stages 1 to 5 embedded in draft Town Planning Scheme No 4. Stage 6 commenced in October 2004. <i>Currently being advertised for public comment.</i>
S-16-01	Kuhl Park Redevelopment	Andrew Bruce	M / 53	June 2000 – Jun 2005	Project Manager appointed to progress sale of land. Department of Housing & Works is being monitored to facilitate the purchase of Kuhl Park for its department. Offer received and accepted from Department of Housing & Works. In order to expedite the works, funds up to \$42,600 have been deferred from the footpath programme to enable commencement of works at Kuhl Park up to this amount, pending receipt of the sale proceeds. Light Poles, Cricket Nets and Pitch have been removed. New Poles and Gazebo ordered. Quotations obtained for concreting and Electrical work, the lights have been ordered. Detailed design work has been undertaken for the Gazebo and it is anticipated that the Paths and Gazebo will be installed in January 2005.





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S-17-01	Government Partnerships – State and Federal	CEO			<p>Council at its meeting on 17 May 2004 adopted a number of key Federal and State priorities for which the City need to engender Government support in the lead-up to the respective elections.</p> <p>The following were put to various candidates in the lead-up to the Federal election.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Centre of Learning – approaches coordinated with the ARA</li> <li>• Aboriginal Interpretive Centre</li> <li>• Rowing Course Infrastructure / White-water Project</li> </ul> <p>*NB – All Champion Lakes Projects subject of submission to Federal Government &amp; member for Canning. Currently approaching opposition.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feasibility Study to develop a major strategy to deal with the ageing population – Community Development Officers are undertaking research to develop a Seniors' Plan for City of Armadale.</li> <li>• High quality broadband access in the Hills area – subject of Creative Communities audit with the ARA.</li> </ul>



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S-18-01	City Image and Marketing	CEO		State Priorities A strategy is under preparation to escalate pursuit of the following State Priorities:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rowing Course Infrastructure/White-water Project</li> <li>• Kelmscott Station [Min. for Planning has been approached re programming of this upgrade].</li> <li>• Aerial bundling and the Western Power infrastructure</li> <li>• Infill Sewerage Program [Advice from Health Services Manager forwarded to Crs on 1-9-04]</li> <li>• Road funding</li> <li>• State Health Service Model</li> <li>• Heated Indoor Swimming Centre</li> </ul> All matters relating to Champion Lakes are subject to continuing dialogue. Discussions anticipated with the Minister for Works and Minister for Recreation.	A Draft Marketing Strategy is under preparation. It is hoped to schedule a workshop on this matter in the New Year.



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(2)	City Centre Projects (formerly Enquiry By Design) Cinemas	Ian MacRae	H	<del>Contract signed – Mar 2003</del> Design Completed – Sep 2003 Cinemas Open – April 2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Development Application approved by Council in May 2003.</li> <li>- Building Licence issued December 2003.</li> <li>- Deed signed June 2004.</li> <li>- First Meeting of Cinema Promotions Committee 21 October 2004 – meetings being held fortnightly.</li> <li>- <i>Cinema opening on 17 January 2005.</i></li> </ul>
(3)	Gateway Project	Andrew Bruce	H	March – Nov 2002 (Concept Finalisation Phase) Dec 2003 – Completion First development phase	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Southwest corner of Armadale Road/South Western Hwy intersection being landscaped to the Gateway Plan as part of the roadworks associated with the Harvey Norman development. Expected</li> <li>- Joint Council/ARA Steering Committee and Technical Group meetings held. Consultant appointed to develop brief for 1<sup>st</sup> stage strategy document for comment.</li> <li>- ARA Consultants to brief ARA Board and Council on the Gateways Project on 1 Nov 2004.</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> Subdivided into major projects as listed from (1) to (6) under City Centre Projects.



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(6)	Armadale Redevelopment Authority	CEO	H	Ongoing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Issues arising from the monthly ARA Board meetings are being circulated to Councillors via a memo.</li> <li>- The usual quarterly briefing by the ARA took place on 1 November 2004.</li> </ul>
S-23-01	Forrestdale Industrial Business Park	Ian MacRae / James Robinson Sponsor: ARA	H	Completed all planning and design work December 2002	<p>Consultancy brief for review of infrastructure costing prepared by ARA. Landowners being involved through working group established by ARA.</p> <p>Subdivision and development approval for AFC to locate within estate.</p> <p>Site is subject to Armadale Redevelopment Scheme 2004 recently gazetted.</p> <p>Application referred to the City by ARA for approval of Coles/Myer distribution centre – November 2004.</p>
S-25-01	Town Planning Scheme No.4	Ian MacRae / James Robinson	H / 46	Complete Dec-2003 May 2005	<p>Local Planning Strategy, Scheme Maps and Scheme Text and related Local Planning Policies approved for advertising by Minister in Jan 2004.</p> <p>Formal advertising 30 March to 28 June 2004. Councillors' Workshop – 8 September 2004. Report to Council – September 2004.</p> <p>Submitted to DPI October 2004.</p>





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Project No.	Project	Project Sponsor/Manager	Importance Rating/Mgmt Effort (6-60)	Timeframe	Comment
S-26-01	Champion Lakes Implementation	Ian MacRae  Sponsor: ARA	H / 48	Feasibility and Government Agency coordination and commitment phase Jan – Dec 2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Declaration under s. 9 and 10 made by Nyungah Circle of Elders.</li> <li>- Council agreed to lease Wright Lake to ARA on 15/12/03.</li> <li>- Letter forwarded to Jackie Kelly, Member for Lindsay, Penrith seeking support for Federal funding (Feb 2004).</li> <li>- Discussions continuing with Canoeing WA re Whitewater Park.</li> <li>- Excavation of lake now well advanced.</li> <li>- PB Consultants have been appointed to develop a concept plan for the Aboriginal Interpretive and Enterprise Centre. Part of the consultative process includes an 'open day / sausage sizzle' at the Champion Lakes site on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September.</li> <li>- Dept. of Sport &amp; Recreation called Registration of Interest for Whitewater Park on 15 May, which closed on 29<sup>th</sup> June. City to lodge an ROI. City advised it was unsuccessful with application.</li> <li>- <i>Federal Minister for Environment and Heritage has determined that the site not be subject to S.10.</i></li> <li>- <i>CEO and ARA met with successful applicant for White Water Park and discussed key issues relating to the Champion Lakes site.</i></li> </ul>



<b>PROGRESS REPORT ON CONTINGENCY, OPERATIONAL &amp; STRATEGIC PROJECTS</b>					
<b>OPERATIONAL PROJECTS – As at 5 January 2005</b>					
Project No.	Project	Project Sponsor/Manager	Importance Rating/Mgmt Effort (6-60)	Timeframe	Comment
S-28-01	Brookdale Residential Development	Ian MacRae / James Robinson	H / 38	Feb 2003 – Dec 2006	<p>ARA extended planning controls over Brookdale in Dec 2003, with gazettal of Redevelopment Area (Extension) Regulations.</p> <p>Water Symposium held on 30<sup>th</sup> &amp; 31<sup>st</sup> October 2003. Following the symposium a workshop was held for Technical officers at LandCorp in Dec 03.</p> <p>Inclusion of Brookdale in draft ARA Scheme format expected in next 12 months.</p> <p>Workshop held at CSIRO on 2 September 2004 outlining preliminary consultant work.</p> <p>Comment on ARA proposal to establish an interim scheme to introduce moratorium on development agreed by Council on 18 October 2004.</p>



<b>CITY STRATEGY COMMITTEE REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS DECEMBER 2004</b>		
<b>ITEM</b>	<b>Directorate</b>	<b>ACTION/ STATUS</b>
<b><u>Electronic set up for Agendas/ Minutes</u></b> <i>[Refer CS77/02 of 13 Aug 2002]</i>	Corporate Services	This matter will be addressed in Phase 3 of the computer core systems replacement project which is scheduled to occur April 2005.
<b><u>Cost Savings – Five Year Plan</u></b> <i>[Refer CS32/6/03 of 10 Jun 03]</i>	Technical & Development Services	To be investigated and a report to be submitted to the respective Committees.
<b><u>Special Award for Australia Day</u></b> <i>[Refer CS4/2/04 of 10 Feb 04]</i>	Community Services	The matter has been considered by ATSIAC who have asked for the item to be recommitted. Following consideration by ATSIAC a report will be submitted to City Strategy Committee.
<b><u>Public Relations &amp; Communication with Residents</u></b> <i>[Refer Council Resolution of 23 Aug 04]</i>	CEO's Office	Whilst resolved as a "matter of urgency" this issue was subject of discussion by the Panel determining Strategic Objectives for the CEO. It was agreed this should be subject of a Workshop involving all elected members in October.



**SOUTH EAST REGIONAL ENERGY GROUP**

**Minutes from the Meeting held on Thurs 2 December 2004**

**Meeting Opened: 8.40am**

**Present:** Cr J Munn (Chairman / City of Armadale), Cr D Griffiths (City of Gosnells), Cr P Hart (City of Armadale), Cr D Needham (Shire of SJ), C Eldridge (Manager of Sustainability – Shire of SJ), R Van Delft (Env Planner – City of Armadale), W van Lieven (Env Coordinator – City of Gosnells), and J Menzies (Regional Greenhouse Coordinator).

**Apologies:** Cr C Matison (City of Gosnells), Cr J Scott (Shire of SJ),

**Confirmation of Previous Minutes – 7 October 2004:**

*Motion 011204: That the Minutes of the meeting held Thursday 7 October 2004 be accepted as a true and accurate record.*

*Moved: Cr J Munn                      Seconded: Cr P Hart                      CARRIED.*

***S Nahajski (Stockland) joined the meeting at 8.45am.***

**Business Arising:**

- 1) Sustainable Demonstration Home Project (12.1)

S Nahajski (Stockland, Project Officer) delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining Stockland's activities in the south-east corridor over the next 5 years. It includes the development of 2 new residential estates in Armadale – New Haven (approx 1500 lots) and Vertu (approx 600 lots – higher end of the market, more boutique) – both estates will be opened in 2005. Stockland have already received 100 EOI's from people interested in buying lots at New Haven.

Construction of 14 display homes will commence at New Haven Estate as early as February 2005. Construction of display homes at Vertu Estate will commence in the second half of 2005.

S Nahajski advised the REG that Stockland are keen to work in partnership with the REG Councils in an effort to develop a Sustainable Demonstration Home, and sustainable Estates in general.

S Nahajski suggested the logical first step would be to develop a Memorandum of Understanding.

***S Nahajski left the meeting at 9.40am.***

REG members discussed which Council/s should sign the proposed MOU. It was resolved that the City of Armadale and Stockland would be the signatories. All members agreed that the MOU needed to be progressed as soon as possible.





The proposed MOU with Stockland would need endorsement from Council before signing. It was decided that the REG would meet on the 24 January 2005 at the *Agonis*, the City of Gosnells' new Civic Centre, to review the unsigned MOU, with a view to endorsing it and sending it to Council for consideration in February.

*Motion 021204: J Menzies continues negotiations with Stockland, in cooperation with Officers at each Council, to develop a suitable MOU to take to Council in February 2005.*

*Moved: Cr P Hart                      Secoded: Cr D Griffiths                      CARRIED.*

## 2) Marketing and Promotion

J Menzies circulated a copy of the marketing strategy and timeline of events to REG members.

6-months of intensive advertising will be conducted from Dec 2004 – Jun 2005.

J Menzies advised the REG that a review of the success of the SYT programme to date, and all forms of promotion, will be conducted in Jun / July 2005 – 2-years after the launch of phase 2.

*Motion 031204: That J Menzies marketing and promotion report be received and endorsed.*

*Moved: Cr J Munn                      Secoded: Cr D Griffiths                      CARRIED.*

## 3) Terms of Reference

J Menzies advised the REG that he had received no suggested changes to the final draft of the ToR circulated at the beginning of November.

R Van Delft raised the issue of possibly extending an invitation for a representative of the ARA to sit on the REG. After some discussion, all members agreed that the idea had merit given the large amount of land vested in the ARA's control, and the synergies that existed between the REG's *RCGAP (2001)* and the ARA's *Sustainability Strategy (2004)*.

The REG decided to amend Item 4 in the final draft of the ToR document, to allow the REG to invite representatives from other organisation, to sit on the REG, from time to time.

*Motion: That Item 4 in the final draft of the ToR be amended to allow the REG to invite representatives from other organisations, to sit on the REG, from time to time, when and where deemed appropriate, as an ex-officio member.*

*Moved: Cr D Griffiths                      Secoded: Cr D Needham                      CARRIED.*



4) 2004/05 Official SYT Breakfast Launch

J Menzies advised the REG that he had received very positive feedback from sponsors.

Cr D Needham suggested that next year the REG re-vamp the format – an evening function was suggested as a possible alternative. Cr Needham also offered to host the function at the new SJ Recreation Centre in 2005.

All members agreed to re-vamp the 2005/06 launch.

*Motion 041204: That the 2005/06 Launch be re-vamped, with an afternoon / evening function to be considered as an alternative.*

*Moved: Cr D Needham                      Seconded: Cr P Hart                      CARRIED.*

5) 2004/2005 Draft Budget

J Menzies walked REG members through the 2004/05 Draft Budget drawing attention to 3 main items:

- 1) The \$5000 listed in the Implementation Expenditure Budget – allocated to cover the establishment of a waterwise garden at the new SJ Recreation Centre (as determined by the REG in Aug 2004).
- 2) The \$2500 listed in the Implementation Expenditure Budget – allocated to cover the evaluation of the SYT programme to date (to be carried out in Jun / Jul 2005), and
- 3) The \$29,000 listed in the Implementation Expenditure Budget – which is to be rolled over to 2005/06 (i.e. one-off 100% increase in Council's annual contribution).

*Motion 051204: That the 2004/05 Draft Budget prepared by J Menzies be adopted and endorsed.*

*Motion: Cr D Needham                      Seconded: Cr P Hart                      CARRIED.*

6) 2004 SGIO Environment Awards

J Menzies advised the REG that whilst unsuccessful in winning Category 10 (Energy Efficiency) at the WA Environment Awards held on 19 Nov 2004, the REG would still benefit from the SYT programme being a Finalist in this year's Awards (i.e. ability to use the 2004 WA Env Awards - Finalist logo in SYT marketing, increased exposure for sponsors etc).

Members of the REG commended J Menzies on his successful submission.



7) Sustainably Retrofitted Home Project

J Menzies advised the REG that after a successful second meeting with the Dept of Housing & Works (DHW), they had given a verbal commitment to provide a house in Maddington / Kenwick (Madd/Ken) for the REG to use for the SRH project.

The DHW is currently reviewing its property list and will offer the REG the choice of one or two houses in Jan / Feb 2005. The house will be provided for a period of 1-year (max), during which time it will act as a display home. After this time it will be rented back out by the DHW.

J Menzies advised the REG that a suitable Agreement needed to be drafted and signed in Jan / Feb 2005 (CoG and DHW as the proponents). Issues such as financial contributions by each party, sponsorship, security etc still need to be resolved.

J Menzies will conduct a workshop in early 2005, inviting interested parties to be a part of the project (i.e. contractors, builders, retailers etc).

Cr P Hart suggested that J Menzies also approach organisations such as the Good Sammy's and St Vincent De Paul's to try and involve them in the project (i.e. recycled furniture and fittings).

W van Lieven recommended that J Menzies go up to Northam, to view a weatherboard home which was also recently retrofitted as part of a project run by the Shire of Northam.

REG members also expressed interest in seeing the sustainably retrofitted home in Northam.

*Motion 061204:*

- i) That J Menzies go to Northam as soon as possible, to view the retrofitted home.*
- ii) That R Van Delft organise a bus to take other REG members to Northam early next year, to view the retrofitted home.*

*Moved: Cr D Griffiths*

*Seconded: Cr D Needham*

*CARRIED.*

**General Business**

8) Grants

J Menzies advised the REG that we were successful in our 2 grant applications to SEDO. We received \$35,000 to run two projects – Switched on Living and the Regional Housing Retrofit Projects.

9) Regional Housing Retrofit Project

Currently liaising with J Pidgeon (Project Coordinator, Maddington / Kenwick Sustainable Communities Partnership, City of Gosnells) in an effort to secure \$10,000, in return for conducting 100 household audits in the Mad / Ken area. This money will then in turn be used for the Sustainably Retrofitted Home project.



J Menzies will start recruiting participants (up to 200 households) in late-February 2005, with a view to starting audits in March 2005.

G Down (Energy Consultant for pilot project) has been approached and is keen to once again conduct household audits for the SEREG. J Menzies to prepare Project Brief and seek a quote.

J Menzies queried how the REG wanted to run the project (i.e. allocate a certain number of audits to each member Council or first in, first served basis?). After some discussion the REG resolved to split the 200 audits between Gosnells and SJ, as Armadale had had the pilot project (171 audits) run exclusively in Armadale.

*Motion 071204: That the 200 audits conducted as part of the RHR project be primarily available to Gosnells and Serpentine – Jarrahdale. Any un-used audits remaining at the end of April will be made available to residents of any member Council, on a first come, first served basis.*

*Moved: Cr J Munn*

*Seconded: Cr D Griffiths*

*CARRIED.*

*W van Lieven left the meeting at 10.10am.*

#### 10) Switched on Living Project

J Menzies is currently seeking quotes on energy-efficient and waterwise promotional products.

J Menzies will commence advertising and recruiting participants on 16 Dec 2004. Workshops will commence in late-February 2005 and run through till June 2005 – one set of 4-workshops conducted in each City / Shire.

Interested households will be able to register to participate through the SYT website and by phone.

#### 11) Sponsorship

J Menzies advised the REG that sponsors such as Solahart, Cool or Cosy and the Water Corporation have offered to supply free products for either the SRH or SDH projects.

J Menzies to follow up and invite them to the SRH workshop.

#### 12) CCP Program

J Menzies advised the REG that he has secured two \$4,000 grants from the AGO to help the CoG and CoA complete Milestone 5 of the CCP Program.

CoG will complete and submit M5 report before the end of the year.

CoA will commence M5 in early 2005, depending on availability of Consultant (S Cummins).





J Menzies also applied for an \$8000 grant for SJ to implement an on-the-ground community project aimed at reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Grant application was successful, however due to tight schedule in first half of 2005, no new projects could be developed.

13) City of Armadale – Aquatic Centre – Pool Blankets

J Menzies advised the REG that after a successful meeting with C Askew (Director Community Services), P Quinlivan (Manager Aquatic Centre) and R Van Delft, the CoA is seeking to purchase a pool blanket in early 2005. Item being prepared for Council early next year. Pool blanket will result in potential savings of \$20,000 and 200T CO2 p.a. (payback period < 2-years).

14) RGC Annual Leave

J Menzies will be on annual leave from 20/12/04 and will return to work on 17/1/05.

*Motion 081204: That the RGC's December Activities Report be received and endorsed.*

*Moved: Cr D Griffiths      Seconded: Cr D Needham      CARRIED.*

*Motion 091204: That the RGC, J Menzies be commended for his outstanding work over the past 12-months.*

*Moved: Cr P Hart      Seconded: D Needham      CARRIED.*

**Meeting Closed:** 10.30am

**Next Meeting:** Monday 24 January 2005, 9.00am at the City of Gosnells (*The Agonis*).





