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#### MEDIA RELEASE

#### 10 January 2006

#### Mental Health Planning has to be Fair for All

Councils should not be expected to "run roughshod" over the interests of local residents to enable the State Government to build mental health facilities.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell said today that Local Government had "long been calling" for improved mental health facilities, but planning for those facilities still needed to consider the interests of all the community.

Cr Mitchell was responding to comments by Health Minister, Jim McGinty that Councils may "stall plans" for new accommodation facilities for mental health patients.

"Local Government will always support the State Government in providing better facilities within its communities, however there needs to be consideration of all those affected," Cr Mitchell said.

He said applications to build the facilities would need to go through the correct and established planning approval process to ensure compliance with the expectations of the local communities.

"Local Government is not established to stall any planning application, but it is also not there to rush through applications either," Cr Mitchell said.

"Councils cannot be expected to run roughshod over the conditions and zonings of their planning process. Town Panning Schemes are generated with extensive public consultation and need to be adhered to so as to meet what each local community has said it wants.

"It would not be fair to expect residents who have made substantial investments in their homes on the understanding that certain conditions existed to then accept change being forced upon them.

"The Association has long been calling for improved mental health facilities and if there is now a delay in the State Government providing those facilities, it is as a result of the State Government not allowing time for the proper processes to take place, rather than any stalling by Local Government."

Cr Mitchell also said today's announcement by the Minister was the first the Association had learned of the proposal which demonstrated a complete lack of community consultation which was in conflict with the Local and State Governments' partnership agreement signed by Premier Geoff Gallop.

"In June 2004, the Premier agreed to genuine and credible communication and consultation with Local Government on key issues, but more and more his Ministers are failing to comply."

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#### 1.1 EMPLOYEE MOVEMENTS

#### New Staff:

 Andrew Head has been appointed to the permanent position of Parks Technical Officer. He commences on 16 January 2006.

#### Staff Leaving:

Nil

#### Other Staff Movements:

Nil

#### **Current Recruitment Activity:**

- □ Parks Maintenance Operator interviews scheduled 11 January 2006.
- □ Streetscape Maintenance Operator (x2) interviews scheduled 10 January 2006.
- □ Apprentice Horticulture interviews scheduled 11 January 2006.
- □ Trainee Clerical Officer interviews scheduled 9 January 2006.
- □ Library Clerk (x2) Part-time applications close 6 January 2006.
- $\,\square\,\,$  Website Designer interviews scheduled 17 January 2006.



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# TECHNICAL SERVICES WORKS PROGRAMME DECEMBER 2005 - FEBRUARY 2006

	December	January 2006	February
Civil Works	Construction	Construction	Construction
	Champion Dr Extension (Road)	Champion Dr Extension (Road)	Crovden Rd
	<ul> <li>Armadale Rd – Weld St – End</li> </ul>	■ Armadale Rd – Weld St – End	■ Wymond Rd
	<ul> <li>Seville Dr mid block</li> </ul>	■ Cul de Sacs	Church / Commerce Aves
	<ul> <li>Gillam Dr/Railway roundabout</li> </ul>	Resealing Program	Roundabouts
	<ul> <li>Cul de Sacs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Footpath contract</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Resealing programme</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Resealing Program</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Commerce Ave</li> </ul>	Kevin Rd
	<ul> <li>Footpath contract</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Croyden Rd</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Keates Rd main drain</li> </ul>
	Fisher St	Kevin Rd	Footpath contract
	Girraween St traffic calming	<ul> <li>Keates Rd main drain</li> </ul>	•
	Gillam Dr/Railway R/about	<ul> <li>Braemore St traffic calming</li> </ul>	Maintenance
		-	<ul> <li>Bridge maintenance</li> </ul>
	Maintenance	Maintenance	<ul> <li>Open drain maintenance</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Car park maintenance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Car park maintenance</li> </ul>	•
	<ul> <li>Bridge maintenance</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Bridge maintenance</li> </ul>	
Design &	Development	Development	Development
Development	Development   24 & 25 Seville Drive Sub	<ul> <li>24 &amp; 25 Seville Drive Sub</li> </ul>	■ 24 & 25 Seville Drive Sub
	<ul> <li>Newhaven Precinct 1A</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Newhaven Precinct 1A</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Newhaven Precinct 1A</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Chevin Woods Estate 4</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chevin Woods Estate 4</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Chevin Woods Estate 4</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>Churchman Brook Stg 7 &amp; 8</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Armadale Shopping Centre (ING)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Armadale Shopping Centre (ING)</li> </ul>
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	<ul> <li>420 Taylor Road, Subdivision</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>420 Taylor Road, Subdivision</li> </ul>
Design & Engineering	■ Corondale Stg 7	Corondale Sto 7
<ul> <li>Jarrah/Wygonda Road (traffic</li> </ul>	36 Westfield Road	36 Westfield Road
 management proposal)	<ul> <li>Brookwood Stg 5</li> </ul>	■ Brookwood Stg 5 & 6
 ■ Wymond Road (Stage IIa)	Design & Engineering	■ Lot 20 & 28 Westfield Road
<ul> <li>Ranford Road</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Jarrah/Wygonda Road (traffic</li> </ul>	• Chiltern Estate - Sto 6
<ul> <li>Traffic Calming- Braemore (St II),</li> </ul>	management proposal)	Lot 38B Wright Road (Arion Fstate
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<ul> <li>Old Station Road</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>■ Girraween Street – Traffic Calming</li> </ul>	Design & Engineering
<ul> <li>Seville Drive- Traffic Calming</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Croyden Road</li> </ul>	McNess Drive
<ul> <li>Croyden Road</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Old Station Road</li> </ul>	Ranford Road
	<ul> <li>McNess Drive</li> </ul>	■ Girraween Street – Traffic Calming
Drainage Works	<ul> <li>Seville Drive – Traffic Calming</li> </ul>	Old Station Road
<ul> <li>Slab Gully Creek</li> </ul>	Railway Avenue	Seville Drive - Traffic Calming
		Rushton Park - Carnark
	Drainage Works	Railway Avenue
	<ul> <li>Slab Gully Creek</li> </ul>	Culs-de-sac - Various
	<ul> <li>Gross Pollution Traps</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Corfield Street/Lake Road</li> </ul>
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		Drainage Works
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		<ul> <li>Dog Faeces Disposal Units</li> </ul>	Dog Faeces Disposal Units
	Maintenance		New Park litter bins (rationalisation)
	<ul> <li>Seasonal Mowing</li> </ul>		
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	Interim CDD/Shaming Dang		
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	- Lake Road Street Scape Maintenance		<ul> <li>Industrial Areas (SAR)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Firebreak Management (Nature</li> </ul>	■ Interim CBD/Shopping Precincts	■ CBD/Shopping Precincts
	Reserves)	■ Lake Road Street Scape Maintenance	Maintenance
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	■ Demolition of Old Kelmscott Library ■ Armadale Arena Main Roof Repairs	<ul> <li>Armadale Arena Main Roof Repairs</li> </ul>	)
	and the Kelmscott Child Health		
	Centre Building.		
	Demolition of old Scout Hall Frye		
	Park.		
	<ul> <li>Frye Park Pavilion – Sand Blast</li> </ul>		
	External Walls		
	<ul> <li>Central Archives Building at Depot</li> </ul>		
Waste			
Services			

## CITY OF ARMADALE BUNGENDORE PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT

#### Background

The Bungendore Park Management Committee are a Committee of Council who's role it is to assisting with the preparation, review and implementation of the Bungendore Park Management Plan.

The Committee advise Council on it's opinion and attitude on matters arising in respect to Bungendore Park, providing a means of communication between the City of Armadale and users of Bungendore Park.

The objectives of the Committee are as follows.

- Management to protect, restore and enhance the natural bushland environment.
- <u>Conservation</u> to conserve the indigenous plant, fungi and animal species and their habitats to meet the needs and aspirations of future generations.
- <u>Education</u> to promote awareness and better understanding of the natural environment and appreciation of its views.
- <u>Recreation and Tourism</u> to facilitate public enjoyment of the natural attributes of the park without compromising conservation and Management Plan objectives.
- To make recommendations to Council regarding budget priorities for the provision of services, activities and facilities for Bungendore Park.

The Bungendore Park Management Committee has prepared an Annual Report for 2004/2005 (follows). The reporting period coincides with the City of Armadale's Bushcare and Environmental Advisory Committee's reporting period from October 2003 to October 2004. Comments or questions can be directed to the City of Armadale's Environmental Officer on 9399 0194 or email <a href="mailto:cgaskin@armadale.wa.gov.au">cgaskin@armadale.wa.gov.au</a>.

#### BUNGENDORE PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2004-2005



#### BUNGENDORE PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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#### ANNUAL REPORT 2004 - 2005

Cr Jim Everts Chairman, Technical Services Committee City of Armadale

The following report is an account of the activities of the Bungendore Park Management Committee and related information for the Bushcare & Environmental Advisory Committee (BEAC) year ending 30<sup>th</sup> September 2005 and is submitted to the Technical Services Committee for its reference and presentation to Full Council.

Fun for Bont Guenter Best, 23rd November 2005

#### WHAT WE DO

#### Committee's Aim

To conserve and manage Bungendore Park as a conservation reserve for low-impact usage.

#### Responsibility

The Bungendore Park Management Committee is responsible to the Technical Services Committee, a standing committee of the Armadale City Council.

#### Committee's Objectives

The primary objectives are -

- Management to protect, restore and enhance the natural bushland environment.
- Conservation to conserve the indigenous plant, fungi and animal species and their habitats to meet the needs and aspirations of future generations.
- <u>Education</u> to promote awareness and better understanding of the natural environment and appreciation of its views.
- <u>Passive Recreation</u> to facilitate public enjoyment of the natural attributes of the park without compromising conservation and management objectives.

#### Terms of Reference

Procedures for Committee's operation and legal framework between Armadale Council, City administration and Bungendore Park Management Committee was formalised in October 2004. Insurance issues, declaration of interests and other aspects from recent enquiries into Local Government were also included to satisfy recent legal changes. Management of Bungendore Park is described in the Bungendore Park Management Plan 1997-2007.

#### Tenure and Management

The City of Armadale is proposing to transfer vesting and management of Armadale Settlers' Common to either WA Planning Commission or Department of CALM. The City also proposes to transfer the vesting and management of Bungendore Park to CALM which Bungendore Park Management Committee does not endorse. Meetings have been sought to discuss the City's proposal to express Committee's concerns and seek answers to a range of questions

#### **COMMITTEE STRUCTURE**

#### Membership

The Bungendore Park Management Committee is a community-based committee formed from local groups and interested community members.

Committee membership of 12 comprises:

Cr Guenter Best (Chairman) [from May 2005]

Mr Bill Ladyman (Secretary)

Mrs Irene Morcombe (Treasurer)

Mr Don Griffiths

Mr Ron Withnell

Mr Kim Sarti (Projects Co-ordinator)

Ms Miriam Stanborough (Weeds Co-ordinator)

Mr Ian Thompson Mrs Penny Versteeg

Mr James Hutchinson [from June 2005]

Mrs Elaine Hutchinson [from June 2005]

Mr David Harrison [from June 2005]

Mr Chris Raabe [until February 2005]

Mr David Allen [until March 2005]

Cr Frank Green [until April 2005]

#### Other organisations

Bungendore Park Management Committee is a member of four other organisations viz.

- Heritage Country Tourist Association,
   Greening Australia (WA),
- Urban Bushland Council, and
- Armadale Bushland & Environmental Advisory Committee [BEAC].

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

#### **Community Involvement**

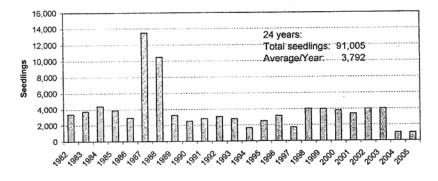
Committee, with the assistance of the local community, has been undertaking habitat restoration and revegetation of disused gravel pits in the park since 1982. Community Planting Day was held 16<sup>th</sup> July where 500 seedlings were planted by 31 people in and around Pit 10. School Planting Day, 29<sup>th</sup> July, saw 97 students and 3 staff from Armadale Christian College plant another 500 seedlings in and around Pit 6 and Admiral Road entrace bringing the planted total Admiral Road entrance bringing the planted total since 1982 to 91,005 seedlings (see graph below). Slow-release fertiliser was applied to the seedlings at the time of planting. Articles about the planting activities were in *The Examiner* and school newsletter. Armadale Wildflower Society grew the seedlings from seed collected from plants within the park to maintain genetic integrity.

Armadale Lions Club members painted some interpretive signs and totems, provided refreshments at the Djilba Spring Walk and cooking at the Bungendore Bush Breakfast.

Students from Armadale Christian College removed some weeds from along Dryandra Drive.



#### **Bungendore Park Revegetation**



#### Public Awareness

The Bungendore Bush Breakfast, held 7th November 2004, was attended by 40 people who enjoyed a fully-cooked breakfast in the bush setting. The rare Star Sun Orchid Thelymitra stellata was seen by those who went on the bush walk following breakfast.

The refurbished display shelter with updated information and photographs was unveiled by Deputy Mayor Cr Jeff Munn at the Bush Breakfast. Publicity articles appeared in local newspaper and bushcare group newsletters.

Action Outdoors Association held a walk in the park in November 2004. Generally 35-40 walkers attend these functions.

At the City of Armadale's 2005 Australia Day function, Committee received a Certificate of Nomination for its Environmental Contribution of the Year (2004) award.

A copy of Handbook of Western Australian Birds Volume 2 was presented by Committee to the Armadale Christian College at a school assembly. The copy was signed by the author, Mr Ron Johnstone (Curator of Ornithology, WA Museum). A photograph and article appeared in the Comment News 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

WA Naturalists' Club held an excursion, led by Kim Sarti, on the western side of the park on a bleak and rainy day in August.

A list of mammals seen and trapped in Bungendore Park, information on changes in populations and known sightings of feral cats in the park was provided to Ms Maggie Lilith who is a completing a PhD thesis on "Impact of Domestic Cats on Native Areas".

In conjunction with City of Armadale, the Djilba Spring Walk was held 11<sup>th</sup> September; 62 people registered on the day. An article was printed in *The Blurb* following the walk.

#### Other Activities

Activities in which committee members participated included -

- Corresponding with City of Armadale regarding the unauthorised clearing and widening of Tracks 8 and 13 west of Pit 10.
- Attending the BEAC End-of-Year function and Awards presentation at Araluen Botanic Park.
- Commenting on the development proposal for Lot 14 (No 281) Albany Highway for erection of horse stables.

- Attending the Risk Management workshop held by City of Armadale.
- Attending a breakfast function in February to receive the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program cheque for 2005.
- Making a submission to the City of Armadale on the proposed development of 802 (Lot 12) Albany Highway by Armadale Noongar Corporation.
- Conducting a review in April 2005 of previous year's revegetation plantings and to discuss locations for this year's plantings and fertiliser application.
- Updating the Bungendore Park map with track, pit and signage information for City of Armadale's records and printing by its Planning Department.
- Attending a "Managing Phytopthera Dieback in Australia" seminar at Perth Zoo on 1<sup>st</sup> July hosted by the Dieback Information Group.
- Attending (as a guest) an on-site training session for botanists and others involved in assessing bushland in the City of Armadale

#### **EXTERNAL FUNDING**

#### Successful grant applications

- Swan Alcoa Landcare Program 2005 (\$2,700) to purchase seedlings, continue weed control, feral bee control and Dieback treatment.
- Community Conservation 2005 (\$2,200) to undertake weed control, fauna survey work, feral bee control and Dieback control work.
- CALM Regional Parks Community Grant 2004/05 (\$1,155) to undertake weed control on adjacent CALM-managed land.

#### Grant applications awaiting decision

- Swan Alcoa Landcare Program 2006 (\$4,370) to purchase seedlings, continue weed control, feral bee control and Dieback treatment.
- CALM Regional Parks Community Grant 2006 (\$2,555) to fund weed control and to revise and reprint Flora of Bungendore Park report.

#### Unsuccessful grant application

nil

#### Other funding sources

- Sale of posters and books at Armadale Tourist Centre, City of Armadale administration office and at organised events.
- Donation tin at organised events.

#### Acknowledgements

Committee receives an allocation of money (\$5,660 for 2005/06) from the City of Armadale for its administration expenses and to assist in the management of this 498 ha reserve. Many of the projects that committee undertakes would not be possible without funds from external sources. Committee thanks the WA State Government and the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program for their continued financial support.

#### **VOLUNTARY HOURS**

Bungendore Park Management Committee keeps a tally of the number of hours involved by community members assisting in the activities within the park. The community hours recorded for 2004/2005 were –

Activity	Hours
MANAGEMENT	
Rehabilitation programme	331
Construction	100
Education/Public relations	124
Rubbish removal	8
Patrolling	156
Vandalism repair	10
MONITORING	
Surveys, inc. success of past activities	517
TRAINING	
Training	12
ADMINSTRATION	
Minutes	69
Secretarial & accounting	33
Meetings	145
Grant applications, reports etc.	36
TOTAL	1,541

Based on \$20/hour volunteer rate, this equates to a \$30,820 input by the community.

#### **PROJECTS**

Projects in which Committee has some involvement (either continuing or completed) include –

- Removal and herbicide treatment of woody weeds (Eastern States wattles and eucalypts and Victorian Ti-tree) in Pit 3.
- Repairing of mortar and laterite stonework of Albany Highway boundary entrance sign.
- Arranging of a Post Office box for secretarial and financial mail to overcome delays and collection problems.

- Liaising with the City's Environmental Officer for advertising and recruitment of replacement members to Committee.
- Repairing of damaged southern boundary fence and box section.
- Liaising with the Manager Parks to vary the Management Plan to burn a 100m x 300m buffer area along part of the western boundary fire access track W1.
- Liaising with City of Armadale and CALM on a suggested track from Richon Heights cul-de-sac across CALM-managed land to link up to the park's western boundary track.
- Installation of a 120-litre bin with dog-poo bag facility near Firegate 'E'.
- Relocation of information display shelter from Pit 2 to new location in Pit 3.
- Installation of additional interpretive plaques and new walk track signage.
- Continuing Dieback control of buffer and affected areas. Some 2,620 lineal metres were treated in a 15 to 50 metre buffer width. Approximately 9,100 litres of Phosphite fungicidal spray was used and approx. 2,800 injections of trees completed.
- Removing fallen trees across fire access tracks.
- Investigation of an additional fire access track leading from Pit 6 in south-westerly direction to meet Track S2. As the proposal traversed dieback-free areas, it has not been pursued.

An alternative proposal is to re-instate the track westwards from Gate 'C' through Pit 5 down the scarp to meet Track W2.

- Single-tyne ripping of the three sites prior to this year's revegetation planting.
- Repairing of bollard and Gate 'K' on southwest corner of the park.
- Reviewing fire access tracks and fences for damage following severe winter storms in June.
- Removing logs and pruning of overgrowth from bridle trail.
- Planning for a bush breakfast scheduled in the park in early November 2005.
- Relocating bridle trail sign to the correct point on the north-west park boundary with Lot 24.
- Installing a culvert at Cooliabberra Spring due to erosion on former fire access track that was re-graded without Committee's knowledge.
- Planned removal of Acacia saligna plants in Pit 10 as part of Weedbuster Week activities.

## CITY OF ARMADALE BUSHCARE AND ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 2004/2005

#### **Background**

The City of Armadale Bushcare and Environmental Advisory Committee (referred to as BEAC) were formally established under the Local Government Act 1995 in September 1999 charged with six key roles to fulfil.

In order to fulfil the Committee's communication role between with Council and the community, BEAC prepare an Annual Report. The BEAC Annual Report from October 2004 to October 2005 follows. Comments or questions can be directed to the City of Armadale's Environmental Officer on 9399 0194 or email <a href="mailto:cgaskin@armadale.wa.gov.au">cgaskin@armadale.wa.gov.au</a>.

#### Major achievements of BEAC (from the 2004/2005 BEAC Annual Report)

- Hosting of plenary sessions, awareness walks, recognition events, and the presence of
  displays at community events assisted the Committee to fulfil the role of facilitating
  communication between community groups and individuals concerned with the
  protection of the environment.
- Provision of advice to council on City of Armadale environmental policy and strategy.
- Implementation of the Volunteer Recruitment Strategy.
- Appointment of new membership.

Whilst the presentation of awards to environmental volunteers by BEAC occurred outside the reporting period (4 December 2005), considerable effort was invested into this event in the 2004/2005 reporting period. Ninety nine volunteers reported their volunteer contribution and received a thank you gift of certificates, sun-cream, hats and t-shirts. A bbq picnic for volunteers at Canning Dam was well attended.

#### **Volunteer Contribution**

Ninety nine environmental volunteers across twelve different groups reported volunteer hours to BEAC totalling in excess of 5,500 hours (an increase of 27 volunteers and approximately 500 hours from 2003/2004). This is considered to be an underestimate of the true volunteer contribution, as many committed volunteers did not report their contributions back to BEAC.

The contribution of those who reported volunteer hours has an estimated value of in excess of \$87,000 to the City of Armadale.

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#### Introduction and overview

The Bushcare and Environmental Advisory Committee (here after referred to as 'BEAC') were formally established under the *Local Government Act 1995* and in September 1999 charged with six key roles to fulfil.

In reviewing how the Committee should fulfil its roles, the Committee decided that preparation of an Annual Report would help fulfil its role in terms of communication with Council and the community.

This report covers activities conducted by the Committee from October 2004 to October 2005, and has been structured to report against each of the Committee's roles.

The Committee considered it would be useful to include short annual reports from community conservation groups in it's annual report to illustrate to Council and each of the other groups, the amount of good work being undertaken by community volunteers.

The annual reports provided by community conservation groups demonstrate the enormous amount of community effort going into improving the environment in the City. In total 99 individuals reported in excess of 5,500 volunteer hours for the period October 2004 to October 2005. Twelve community groups reported their volunteer contributions (see Section 4).

# Report on Committee activities October 2003 - October 2004

#### Administrative and general matters

#### Membership

Following an ordinary election of Council that was held in May 2005, the following individuals were appointed as members of BEAC.

- · Mrs Pat Hart as member, Mrs Gwen Watson as deputy;
- · Mr Adrian Choules as member, Mr Bob Noakes as deputy;
- Mr Kim Fletcher as member;
- · Mr Cam Clay as member and Mr Ken Downsborough as deputy;
- Mr Leo Den Hollander as member, Mr Michael Moltoni as deputy;
- · Mr David James as member, Mr Rod Giblet as deputy;
- Mr Alexander Agofonoff as member, Mrs Liz Agafonoff as deputy;
- Mrs Marjorie Vincenti as member, Mr Ian Colquhoun as deputy.

Cr Tizard was appointed Armadale City Council delegate, with Cr Best his deputy.

Cr Pat Hart was appointed the position of Chairperson, and Mr Cam Clay appointed the position of Deputy Chairperson.

Members of the Committee are affiliated with nine of the City's environmental groups. Three memberships of BEAC remained vacant.

Previous BEAC members have been thanked for their valuable contributions.

#### **Terms of Reference**

In March 2005, BEAC discussed the need for Council consider developing a policy that will have the overall effect of giving Committee members four-year terms with a 50% turnover every two years. This matter is expected to be considered before the next ordinary Council election.

In June 2005, BEAC considered amending their Terms of Reference to reduce the number of community member offices and to increase the likelihood of achieving quorum attendance for a meeting. The Committee recommended not changing the Terms of Reference at this point in time.

#### Meeting Agenda

In 2005 the standard agenda of BEAC was altered to facilitate a guest speaker at each meeting. The purpose of this change was to increase the attendance to the Committee, and to regularly receive updates on topics of interest. The Committee has since received the following addresses.

- Presenter: Mr Kim Fletcher. Topic: Volunteering experiences as volunteer guide of Kings Park.
- Presenter: Mr Bob Sutton. Topic: Amendments to the Litter Act.
- Presenter: Mr Jason Menzies. Topic: Activities and directions of the Regional Energy Group.
- Presenter: Mr Paul Lanternier. Topic: City processes for the undertaking of fire management responsibilities.

Guest speakers were thanked by the Committee.

The annual calendar of BEAC was amended to ensure that calls for nomination of new Committee members occurs in each March prior to Council elections. This is to ensure that there is sufficient time to advertise vacancies and receive submissions prior to Council elections.

#### Funding

In 2004, in excess of \$10,000 was allocated to friends groups through BEAC Grants. A further \$1,300 was committed to pay the insurance premiums of the Roleystone Dieback Action Group. In 2005, \$9,000 was allocated to Friends groups through BEAC Grants (including the allocation of funds for the insurance premiums of Roleystone Dieback Action group).

#### Training

A number of BEAC members and deputies attended a training workshop provided by the City of Armadale. The workshop provided a review of the roles of local government committee's such as BEAC under the Local Government Act.

#### Actions to meet BEAC's Roles

The following sections are numbered in accordance with the standard numbering system in the BEAC Terms of Reference.

# 2.1 To provide the primary formal link between Council and community groups or individuals concerned with protection and rehabilitation of the natural environment.

In the 2004/2005 reporting period, BEAC advertised its role to the community primarily through newspaper advertising and use of display material at community events and in libraries. New display material was produced.

Nine of the City's friends groups are directly represented on BEAC. Committee meetings were utilised as an avenue to raise various site-specific environmental issues to Council's attention.

The City's Reserve Custodians were invited to the June 2005 meeting of BEAC. Custodians raised any concerns about environmental matters in the City of Armadale with the Committee.

# 2.2 To facilitate communication between community groups and individuals concerned with protection and rehabilitation of the natural environment.

Springtime walks were organised by the City of Armadale at Bungendore Park, Wungong Gorge, Armadale Settlers Common, Churchman's Bushland and through Roleystone along the river. Walks were well attended.

Additional walks were also hosted by BEAC at Kings Park, Churchman's Bushland, Roleystone Scarp, Powerline Rd Bushland, and Ellis Brook Valley. City of Armadale environmental volunteers, as well as the volunteer groups that care for areas outside the City of Armadale were invited to attend. These walks provided an opportunity for environmental volunteers to share experiences across municipal boundaries.

Members of BEAC prepared a number of press releases that appeared in local newspapers in the 2004/2005 reporting period. These included articles on topics such as biological control agents for pests, and living with Bandicoots.

Plenary sessions encourage interaction between community groups and individuals concerned with protection and rehabilitation of the natural environment. Plenary Sessions are described under Role 2.6 below.

# 2.3 To advise Council on this Committee's opinion and attitude on environmental issues in the City of Armadale.

BEAC discussed and provided advice to Council on the following matters;

- the environmental impacts of erosion and sediment movement from new subdivisions into river systems;
- burning off programs;
- firebreak maintenance procedures;

- the need for a brochure that identifies common weeds that escape gardens and damage local bushland; and
- contacting Reserve Custodians prior to Council works occurring on a reserve.

Members of BEAC also considered the City of Armadale's State of the Environment Report during initial planning and public comment stages. Members were invited to a workshop designed to identify key areas of concern, and suggest actions for management. The workshop was well attended by BEAC members and by other interest groups.

BEAC considered and often provided advice to the City or Council in response to draft documents, policy matters and proposals, and regional projects and proposals as detailed below.

- Draft Strategic Trails Network Plan
- Draft Policy for the translocation of brown and rainbow trout (Fisheries management Paper 179)
- Swan Natural Resource Management Strategy
- Tonkin Highway Project

The Committee also considered various Town Planning Scheme and Metropolitan Regional Scheme amendments.

BEAC members were also invited to attend the Canning River Precinct Visioning Workshop held by the City of Armadale.

#### 2.4 To assist Council in creating and reviewing policies.

BEAC recommended Council amend its Dieback Policy to ensure plant material is only purchased from Nurseries accredited as selling Dieback free stock. This recommendation followed from proceedings received from an international conference on Dieback, suggesting that the main source of introduction of the pathogen is through nursery stock. This policy is currently under internal review.

# 2.5 To assist in developing, implementing and reviewing strategic conservation strategies.

BEAC sought more information on the erosion control practices being used by the City of Armadale to minimise erosion during development. Particular concern related to the need to ensure development proposals adequately address potential erosion sources. Potential environmental impacts of sub-soil drainage works on hydrological patterns were also discussed. Shortfalls in the Western Australian Planning Commissions process for the approval of developments were identified. Consideration of this matter is ongoing.

Procedures for the management of verge weeds was considered by the Committee, who discussed the environmental impacts of different methodologies and timing.

BEAC also considered verge management procedures undertaken by the Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale whereby chemical and plants are supplied to landholders as incentive to manage verge weeds and promote local plants.

# 2.6 To foster and facilitate care and concern for the natural environment, development of "Friends" groups and actions by individuals that protect or rehabilitate the natural environment.

One of the most significant achievements of BEAC in 2004/2005 was the hosting of an awards presentation event for City of Armadale environmental volunteers. The awards presentation event was held in December 2004 at Araluen Botanic Park. Approximately 50 people attended the event and received a token of appreciation from the City of Armadale. This hosting of a volunteer awards event as an outcome of the BEAC Volunteer Strategy, developed in 2003/2004.

A Plenary Session was hosted by BEAC on 15 February 2005 titled "The Perth Hills-up in Flames". Invitation to attend was open to the general public. Guest speakers from the Department of Conservation and Land Management (CALM) spoke on the environmental impacts of the hills fires that occurred early in 2004. Forty five people attended the event, and feedback on the success of the information session was received back from CALM.

BEAC displays were on-show at the Kelmscott Show, Rushton Park Community Day, Minnawarra Festival & Forrestdale Community Day. Displays included new laminated 'bush pig' theme posters, information displays promoting volunteers and explaining the role of BEAC and weed themes promoting the use of native plants.

Throughout 2005, advertisements outlining the benefits of volunteering and calling for new volunteers were run in the Comment and Examiner newspapers. These advertisements were developed as part of the BEAC Volunteer Strategy.

The following newsletters are tabled at BEAC meetings and then put on display at the Armadale Library:

- Association of Bush Regenerators Newsletter;
- Urban Bush Telegraph Urban Bushland Council's Newsletter;
- The Web Threatened Species Network Newsletter;
- Living on the Swan;
- Environmental Weeds Action Network Newsletter;
- Swan Avon Integrated Catchment Management Information Sheet;
- Ecoplan News.

#### Reports from Community Conservation Groups

#### Groups that report separately

The Bungendore Park Management Committee, Armadale Settlers Common Management Committee and the Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group prepare annual reports that are communicated directly to Council. These reports are not included in this report.

#### **Armadale City Rivercare Group**

The Armadale City Rivercare Group (ACRG) consists of local residents who have a passion and commitment for the long-term health of the Canning River and its

tributaries. The group works closely with Kelmscott Primary School, which is involved in Busy Bees and planting days at least three times a year.

ACRG has been established for over ten years to facilitate and participate in projects along the waterways. The group is represented on the Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group, and links closely into the works undertaken by this key organisation. The group keeps a close watch on the Canning River and associated waterways and have input into many aspects of their management.

In 2005, its main area of focus continued to be the City of Armadale's C-Class Reserve behind Kelmscott Primary School, where vegetation establishment between the school and the river has been an on-going task since 2000. The group has also continued with the work of the Kelmscott Fishcare Group, recently planting about 800 rushes and sedges along the Canning riverbanks. It is hoped that the group will be able to continue re-vegetating along the river to the Martin Street crossing over the next couple of years.

Armadale City Rivercare Group has contributed more than 200 volunteer hours over the reporting period, excluding the contributions of casual volunteers on workdays. These hours were down a little this year as the propagation of rushes and sedges for the riverbanks was unsuccessful and as an alternative the students at Kelmscott Primary School assisted farmers in the York district affected by salinity, by growing York gums. Consequently their hours of volunteer work are not included, however, a representative from ACRG assisted them with that project.

#### Armadale Wildflower Society (inc)

The beginnings of the Armadale Wildflower Society go back to March 28<sup>th</sup> 1961; it was one of the first wildflower societies in WA and started when 22 local residents who were interested in wildflowers and the environment met at the Armadale Town Hall.

It is worth noting that some of the members from 1961 are still involved today. The issues and interests that help to form the beginning of the Armadale Wildflower Society are still relevant today. This year has been very busy and interesting with the launch of our book on The First Forty Years of the Armadale Wildflower Society. This makes great reading for anyone interested in the history of Armadale or the local environment.

Excursions, seed picking and meetings with interesting guest speakers have also been well received by the many members.

A real highlight of the year was hosting part of the Association of Society for Growing Australian Plants. Armadale hosted 280 visitors from all over Australia and took them to the Bob Blackburn Reserve in Armadale. Here they were able to see magnificent displays of Kangaroo Paws, Smoke Bush and Woody Pear. They also toured Ellis Brook in the Gosnells Hills with its beautiful scenery and fabulous display of Grass trees and Heath lands. Our guests left amazed at the large variety and natural beauty of our local plants.

Thanks to the generosity of the City of Armadale's Bushcare and Environmental Advisory Committee the Armadale Wildflower Society was successful in receiving a grant to revegetate and beautify the area around The Martin St Cairn to commemorate the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the settlement of Kelmscott.

#### Friends of Forrestdale

Thomson's Lake.

The Management Plan for Forrestdale Lake Nature Reserve was finally released earlier this year. The Friends are now concentrating on trying to ensure that adequate resources are set aside by the State Government for it to be implemented. One pressing issue is the need to eradicate Typha reeds to ensure the maintenance of the conservation value of waterbird habitat under the Ramsar convention on wetlands of international importance. Forrestdale Lake shares a joint nomination with

Another pressing issue is the construction of a raised walkway to replace the timber boardwalk destroyed by fire in 2003. CALM are developing a design and seeking quotes for it construction.

The book about Forrestdale that the Friends have been working on for several years has finally been completed. The group are currently seeking funding and a publisher to get it published. One application for Commonwealth funding was unsuccessful. The group were successful, however, with the expression of interest we submitted to the Lotteries Commission. We will be submitting a full application in February and we are currently in negotiations with a couple of publishers. If we can get funding, it promises to be a visually appealing book with photos and other illustrations of Forrestdale, some of which date back over 100 years.

The group continues to undertake an array of on-ground works, including weeding, fence maintenance, provision of information brochures, rubbish clean up and tree planting.

#### Friends of Goolamrup

As the members of the Friends of Goolamrup get older, illness and injury reduces the involvement of some members. Inspite of this, a core of five or six regulars has continued with the watsonia eradication this year. It is interesting that at the end of each winter everyone is happy that there is no more of this pest on the site. However, with the early winter rains of the next winter a new crop pushes through. Members take heart in the fact that each year the crop is diminishing. Perhaps one year no young plants will appear!

Various types of 'veldt' like grasses are also being eradicated. This task is made difficult by the good stands of native grasses present on the reserve. At most times of the year it is difficult to differentiate between native and 'veldt' type exotics.

Madeira vine has been detected along the river below Goolamrup. It is receiving eradication treatment. The very effective germination methods of this serious threat to our river (even after herbicide use) calls for continual vigilance. The Friends of Goolamrup played a major role in the discovery of the escape of this dreadful plant.

The reserve is in need of signage, and the drain that has solved the past problems associated with the free flow of street stormwater across the reserve is in need of maintenance. This need will be addressed in the near future.

#### Friends of Hillandale Bushland

Another successful year for Hillandale Bushcare, Roleystone.

In combination with Roleystone Dieback Action Group Inc, the Eskdale and Jarrah Road bushland saw the complete area treated for dieback. Degraded areas were also replanted and weed contractor employed to take out large areas of invasive weeds and grasses.

Signage was installed on corner of Jarrah and Andreas Roads recognising the corner reserve as "Jarrah Road Bushland".

Capital works were undertaken adjacent to the reserve by the City of Armadale to ensure run-off was not directed towards bushland to prevent erosion and the potential spread of dieback.

Assistance was given to Dieback Working Group for the Spring Launch of Dieback at Banjup as well as manning the information display at Kings Park Wildflower Festival. The usual collection of rubbish, supplying morning teas to Roleystone Dieback Action Group and general custodian work saw many hours recorded.

All areas are in pristine condition with a great variety of spring flowers on display this season, and a prolific growth in wildlife frequenting the areas.

#### **Roleystone Dieback Action Group**

It was another successful year for the Roleystone Dieback Action Group. During the dieback treatment season the group protected three bushland reserves in Roleystone, Sylvania Park, Hillandale Reserve and Hookway Reserve. The Group also worked with the Department of Conservation and Land Management volunteers to treat the trees around the Boulder Rock car park in Karragullen.

The replanting of local seedlings into disturbed bushland reserves took place from June to August. Hillandale Reserve, Stonegate Reserve, Hall Bridle Trail and Eskdale Road Reserve were all weeded and replanted with seedlings of local plant species. This program continues to be successful with financial support from the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program. The \$9,600 grant from this program went to purchasing the seedlings but also to providing the services to a professional weed control contractor.

With financial assistance from the Department of Conservation and Land Management the Group published an information pamphlet about dieback disease and what can be done to stop its spread and minimise its impact. For the first time at the Kings Park Wildflower Show a dieback information stand was erected to provide information to the public. Members of the Group attended the Show to pass on their knowledge to the many visitors to the stand.

#### Friends of Wright Brook

The "Friends of Wright Brook" was formed in early 2004. The group aims to control weeds such as watsonia, grasses and giant reed from a 300 metre stretch of Wright Brook and its banks and to revegetate the area with native species. Over the past winter approximately 3,000 seedlings, including sedges and grasses, were planted and unwanted vegetation was sprayed on several occasions, resulting in a marked improvement.

Funding has been obtained from BEAC for two signs to be made and erected, one on either side of the brook.

The group numbers fluctuate but there is a core of dedicated workers who have contributed over 200 hours of the past year with gratifying results and an attractive babbling brook, which is a haven for native fauna.

#### Other groups active in the community

The following environmental groups are also active in the City of Armadale.

- Brookwood Residents Association
- · Churchman's Bushland Association
- Kelmscott Fishcare Group
- Friends of Canning Mills Reserve
- · Friends of Mathew Stott Reserve
- Palomino Reserve Catchment Group
- · Friends of Lloyd Hughes Reserve

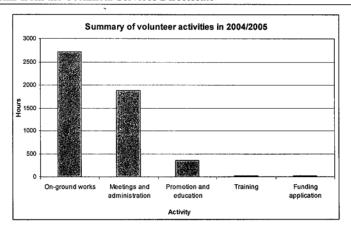
# Summary of volunteer contributions of environmental volunteers

#### Volunteer hours

For the 2004/2005 reporting period, ninety nine volunteers reported in excess of 5,500 volunteer hours from across twelve community environmental groups. The number of volunteers reporting hours, and the number of hours reported, has increased since 2003/2004.

This recorded volunteer contribution to the conservation and improvement of the environment equates to a value in excess of \$87,000 per annum (based on \$15.90/hr calculation).

The following graph illustrates the key activities of environmental volunteers. This graph demonstrates that a majority of volunteer time was dedicated to on-ground works and meetings and administration.



#### **Funds Attracted**

The following table lists some of the external grant funds received by community conservation groups in 2004/2005. In excess of \$58,000 has been attracted by volunteer groups to the region in 2004/2005. In addition to the grants listed below, the Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group have been successful in securing an additional \$40,000 (\$25,000 from the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program and \$15,000 from Riverbank) for on-ground works in 2005/2006.

GROUP	GRANT	FUNDS	PURPOSE
Bungendore Park	Swan Alcoa Landcare	\$2,700	Seedling purchase,
Management Committee	Program		weed control and
			dieback treatment.
Bungendore Park	Community	\$2,200	Weed control, fauna
Management Committee	Conservation Grant		survey, feral bee &
			dieback control.
Bungendore Park	Conservation and	\$1,155	Weed control
Management Committee	Land Management		
	Regional Parks Grant		
Roleystone Dieback	Swan Alcoa Landcare	\$9,600	Weed control and
Action Group	Program		revegetation
Armadale Gosnells	Swan Alcoa Landcare	\$26,576	Various on-ground
Landcare Group	Program		works
Armadale Gosnells	Riverbank	\$16,205	Various on-ground
Landcare Group			works
TOTAL		\$58,436	

#### ANNUAL PERTH TO ARMADALE VETERAN CAR RUN

The Veteran Car Club of WA (Inc) will be holding their 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Veteran Car Run on Sunday 5 February 2006 which will commemorate the 103<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the original run, recognised as the first organised motoring event in the State.

In this regard the Club is seeking Council's permission to park approximately 30 of their vehicles (90 to 100 year old) in the Jull Street Mall from approximately 12.00 whilst their members partake of lunch in one of the eating facilities in the Mall. The reason to park in the Mall is that many of their members are not much younger than their cars and with restricted mobility, walking more than 20 meters takes considerable effort. It also provides the opportunity to display their vehicles to the public.

The request has been handled administratively with approval given subject to the Veteran Car Club being responsible for any damage to mall furniture and any clean-up required after the event (oil leaks etc).

#### TRANSPORT ROUTES FOR SODIUM CYANIDE SOLUTION

Advice has been received from Australian Gold Reagents Pty Ltd (AGR) in regard to the future transport routes for the transportation of sodium cyanide from AGR's manufacturing facility in Kwinana to the Murchison region by road.

Details of the letter in part is as follows"

"In 1995, Australian Gold Reagents Pty Ltd (AGR) received approval from the Minister for the Environment to transport sodium cyanide solution from its manufacturing facility in Kwinana to the Murchison region by road.

The transport route out of the metropolitan area was selected from the class of Category 1 roads – deemed suitable for the transport of dangerous goods – and was approved by the Competent Authority. This route, or an intended new route, includes roads that pass through your jurisdiction.

The current route travels:

Kwinana Beach Road Patterson Road Thomas Road South Western Highway Albany Highway Tonkin Highway Roe Highway Great Northern Highway

Now that significant improvements have been made to road infrastructure, AGR will be modifying the route used for transporting sodium cyanide solution out of Perth.

AGR's current preference is to turn off from Thomas Road onto Nicholson Road, and then:

Armadale Road Tonkin Highway Roe Highway and Great Northern Highway

Once the Tonkin Highway is linked to Thomas Road, AGR's preferred option will be to travel:

Thomas Road Tonkin Highway Roe Highway and Great Northern Highway

An alternative to this will be to use the new section of Roe Highway, traveling:

Thomas Road Kwinana Freeway Roe Highway and Great Northern Highway

The Department of Consumer and Employment Protection has been consulted regarding the new routes.

AGR sees these changes as minimizing risk to the public, because the new routes follow newer, well designed roads, and provide a greater buffer to residential areas. Metropolitan transport of sodium cyanide solution is generally carried out before 6am to avoid interaction with commuter traffic.

In changing the preferred route, AGR is not relinquishing its right to transport along any of the other Dangerous Goods approved routes, provided that the requirements of the Australian Dangerous Goods Code, and the transport approval under the Environmental Protection Act, are upheld."

In order to commence the transportation of Sodium Cyanide Solutions along the new proposed route, the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection (DOCEP) as well as AGR requires written confirmation from Council to this effect.

Technical Services' Officers support the proposal and agrees that the new proposed route reduces the risk to the general public and provides a greater buffer to residential areas.

Unless Council objects to the proposed new routes written consent will be handled administratively advising that Council acknowledges that in the interim the route will be changed to the Tonkin Highway traveling:

Thomas Road Tonkin Highway Roe Highway and Great Northern Highway

However Council's ultimate preference is Roe Highway traveling:

Thomas Road Kwinana Freeway Roe Highway and Great Northern Highway

#### HIGH WIDE LOAD CORRIDOR 2 - KWINANA TO KEWDALE



MAIN ROADS
Western Australia
ABN: 50 860 676 021

Enquiries: Our Ref: Your Ref: Kevin Smith 03/2895

28 November 2005

Mr R Tame Chief Executive Officer City of Armadale Locked Bag No 2 ARMADALE WA 6112

Dear Ray

#### HIGH WIDE LOAD CORRIDOR 2 - Kwinana to Kewdale

I am writing to you to provide an update on the planning and development of High Wide Load (HWL) corridors in the metropolitan area and seek your endorsement in principle to the establishment of HWL Corridor 2 between Kwinana and Kewdale.

As you would be aware large indivisible loads, including prefabricated modules and large mining and earthmoving equipment, are currently transported on the existing road network in the metropolitan and regional areas of the State. The Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCI) and its members are of the view that the numerous height, width and weight restrictions on the road network make the movement of such large loads costly and inefficient. Continuation of these restrictions is likely to have ongoing and increasingly detrimental impacts on the State's heavy fabrication and resource industries and ultimately the economy.

In response to this issue the State Government agreed in principle to the progressive development of a limited road network to facilitate the efficient movement of HWL's up to 8 metres high, 8 metres wide, 24 metres long and 200 tonnes mass. A clearance envelope of 10 metres high by 10 metres wide is required to accommodate the movement of a HWL.

A Steering Committee, chaired by the Department for Planning and Infrastructure, with representatives from State government agencies, the Western Australian Local Government Association and industry has overseen the planning and development of HWL corridors. Main Roads is responsible for project scoping and implementation of works on HWL trunk routes.

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The proposed metropolitan HWL trunk corridor network to link heavy fabrication centres in Kewdale, Welshpool and Kwinana to the Australian Marine Complex (AMC) and to regional resource areas are:-

- Corridor 1: Henderson to Kwinana and Singleton at the metropolitan area boundary and connection to south regional areas.
- · Corridor 2: Kewdale to Kwinana
- Corridor 3: Kewdale to the metropolitan area boundary and connection to north and east regional areas.

These HWL corridors are shown on the enclosed Map 1.

HWL routes have been categorised as "trunk" and "access" routes. HWL "trunk" routes are multi-user routes which link the heavy fabrication centres, port facilities and regional resource areas. The establishment of HWL "trunk" routes is a State responsibility. HWL "access" routes are single-user routes, which link individual industrial firms or resource sites to the designated "trunk" route. The approach adopted for the establishment of "access" routes is that industry would be responsible for the development of these routes in consultation with local government and State government agencies. To date HWL planning and development work has focussed on "trunk" routes.

A considerable amount of planning work has been undertaken to scope and cost works required for the implementation of the HWL trunk routes in the metropolitan area. These works include intersection modifications, power line relocation, bridge strengthening and holding/pull off bays. More work is required to confirm the preferred HWL trunk routes in regional areas.

HWL clearance envelope requirements have been completed for Corridor 1 (Henderson to Singleton), which is successfully used for movement of HWL's primarily between Kwinana and the AMC. Implementation of HWL works on Corridor 2 (Kwinana to Kewdale) is considered the next highest priority after Corridor 1. Establishment of Corridor 3 is considered a lower priority.

HWL Corridor 2 between Kwinana and Kewdale generally follows Anketell Road, Thomas Road, Tonkin Highway, Roe Highway, Orrong Road and Kewdale Road and includes State and local government roads. In 2004/05 HWL funding was allocated to part fund modification of power lines on HWL Corridor 2. HWL roadwork's have been completed as part of the Tonkin Highway extension project.

The Government recently allocated additional funding to complete HWL Corridor 2 trunk route works in 2005/06 and 2006/07, including works proposed on local government roads. Main Roads and Western Power are currently undertaking investigations to confirm the outstanding HWL works required for the Corridor 2 trunk route. In the City of Armadale the outstanding HWL works include power line relocation and vehicle holding/pull off bays along Tonkin Highway.

Consultation regarding the planning and development of the HWL network to date has generally been through stakeholder agencies represented on the HWL Steering Committee and industry groups through CCI. Main Roads met recently with officers of the other local government authorities along HWL Corridor 2 to discuss and clarify any issues regarding the establishment of the HWL Corridor 2 trunk route.

It is proposed to deliver the HWL roadwork's for the Corridor 2 trunk route through the existing Main Roads metropolitan, Term Network Contract. There is an opportunity for local government's to deliver HWL roadwork's proposed on local government roads. HWL power line modifications will be undertaken by Western Power and co-ordinated with roadwork's. Intersection modifications and power line relocations will be completed initially followed by vehicle holding/pull off bays.

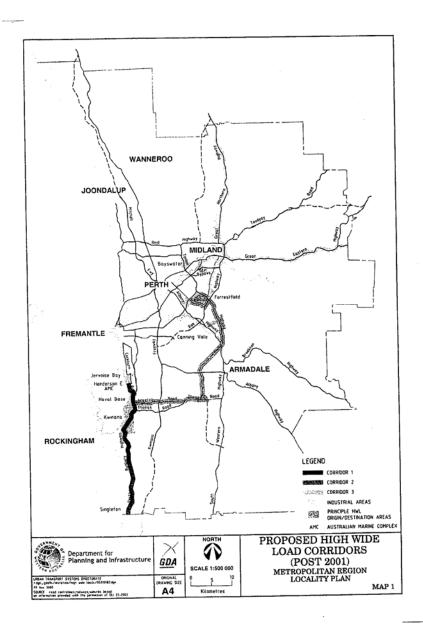
I seek Council's endorsement in principle of the proposed HWL Corridor 2 trunk route.

If you require any additional information or assistance from Main Roads please contact Kevin Smith on 9323 4516 or Greg Campbell on 9323 4384. In reply please quote file reference 03/2895

Yours sincerely

John Erceg /

MANAGER ROAD NETWORK OPERATION



### 2005 SPORTS AND RECREATION INDUSTRY AWARDS

Hon. Helen Morton MLC Member for East Metropolitan Region

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Dear Paul,

Congratulations on receiving an award in the service to parks category in the 2005 Sports and Recreation Industry Awards.

Having worked in the City of Armadale for many years I know what a credit the parks and gardens are to the municipality and how much they are used and appreciated by the people. Minnawarra Park, in particular, is a showpiece for the city of which you must be very proud.

Municipal parks and gardens are an important focus of public leisure time and the City of Armadale can be proud of providing a top venue for many public and private events.

Congratulations again on your award and my best wishes for the future.

Yours sincerely

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### CITY OF ARMADALE STREAMCARE PROMOTION 2005

#### Introduction

This report provides an executive summary of the Streamcare 2005 Report that follows.

### Background to Streamcare:

Mapping for the City's 2000 State of the Environment Report found 64% of the 57km of watercourse on private property had less than the desirable width of vegetation, with 20km having no vegetation at all.

In 2002, the City of Armadale *Streamcare* Promotion commenced (refer to as *Streamcare*).

Streamcare was tailored to respond to threats to waterways that intersect private property. The program aims to revitalise local streams and improve the habitat of native fish and wildlife through the planting of native flora and the careful use of weed control, fertilisers and pesticides by landholders. Not only does Streamcare increase the overall health of our riparian environments in the City of Armadale, but can increase property value for the landholder participating.

#### What Streamcare involves:

- Identification of landowners adjacent to targeted waterways.
- 2. Establishment of contact through the sending of letters and the City's Streamcare brochure (that highlights the benefit of *Streamcare*).
- Booking of appointment with interested landowners by the City of Armadale's Streamcare Promotor, Ms Gwen Watson. Landowners who do not respond are followed up with a phone call.
- Subsequent visit to private residences by Streamcare Promoter to provide landowner with a Streamcare Kit (resource pack) and technical advice relevant to the waterway and land management.

### Results of Streamcare 2005:

Streamcare has run for four years (2002 to 2005) and most landholders with streams running through, or in close proximity to their properties, have been approached (approximately 211 landholders).

In 2005, Streamcare continued with landowners interested from previous years and contacted thirty eight new landholders who may have been missed in previous years (for example where properties had changed hands). Thirteen of these (34%) participated in the program. None of the landholders that were contacted in the Wungong and Stinton Creek Catchments were interested in participating in the program.

Streamcare 2005 again proved successful with thirty nine landowners expressing an interest in continuing with the program in 2006. Ten of these continuing landholders where approached in 2005, the remaining are continuing for 2002, 2003 or 2004. In fact, of the landholders that have been involved in the program from 2002 to 2004, 93% have expressed an ongoing interest in participating in the program. This high level of commitment to the program by people previously involved, demonstrates the on-going confidence in the *Streamcare* Program.

### Future Direction - Streamcare 2006:

The 39 landholders who have expressed an ongoing interest in the program will be contacted in 2006. In addition, a selection of landholders along the Canning River will be contacted for the first time.

Evaluation of the program will occur in 2006. This will involve telephone interviews with past participants in the program to identify the current status of involvement, and on-ground foreshore assessments of those properties more actively involved.

### Further Information:

Questions relating to *Streamcare* can be directed to the City of Armadale Environmental Officer, Ms Corinne Gaskin on 9399 0194 or email cgaskin@armadale.wa.gov.au.

# Report on

# City of Armadale "Streamcare" Promotion

# 2005

Prepared by Gwen Watson

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### 1. Introduction:

The Waterways Restoration project "Streamcare", developed by the City of Armadale, commenced in 2002, was run in 2003, 2004 and again in 2005 (for previous results see Streamcare Reports for 2002, 2003 and 2004, prepared by Gwen Watson).

The aim of 'Streamcare' is "to revitalize the local riverside or wetlands environment and improve the habitat for native fish and wildlife....through the positive planting of native flora and the careful use of weed control, fertilizers and pesticides".

In 2002 and 2003 hills, riparian landowners at the top and middle reaches of the river system were targeted. In 2004 and 2005 riparian landowners in the lower reaches of the Canning River tributaries and landowners near Forrestdale Lake and the Wungong Brook were contacted, as well as those landowners from previous years who had expressed an on-going interest with the project.

As before, the offer was made to the first forty 'new' landowners to respond, that they would receive free plants and personalized advice on revegetating their streambanks or wetland.

### 2. Method:

- 2.1 Two different letters were sent out on 19 April, 2005 to the landowners contacted for Streamcare 2005.
  - 2.1.1 The first letter with "Streamcare" brochure attached, was distributed to the following landowners who were being contacted for the first time:
    - 18 hills landowners (from 2 catchments);
      - 10 Wungong landowners; and
    - 10 'new' landowners from 4 catchments that had

### previously

been covered by 'Streamcare' (ie. the property had changed hands).

- 2.1.2 The second letter was sent to 29 landowners from 2002-2004 (from 8 catchments), who had requested an on-going involvement with the program.
- 2.2 When landowners new to the program responded to the letters, appoint-ments were made to view the property, advise on

revegetating and complete an Action and Weed Control Plan and plant application, if applicable.

2.3 Streamcare Kits were also distributed and discussed at the time of the appointment. Wetland Kits (as prepared last year for Forrestdale landowners) were available for distribution to Wungong landowners.

In some cases, landowners were only interested initially in looking at the Kits and these were dropped off to them accordingly.

- 2.4 For those landowners involved in 2002-2004 who responded to the letter, **appointments** were made to review previous plantings, discuss on going works and complete plant applications if required.
- 2.5 Plant request applications were double-checked, collated and finalised by mid June and forwarded to AGLG.
- 2.6 Where no response to the letter was received, a follow-up **telephone**

was made during office hours and, later, if still no response was received a call was made on the weekend or evening to those landowners whose names and addresses could be located in the telephone book. If no telephone number was available, a Streamcare brochure and business card were left in the landowner's letterbox.

(NB. Therefore, for the 2005 results there is no provision for "uncontactable". If a letter was sent and no acknowledgement was received and no telephone number was obtainable, a brochure and business card were left in the landowner's letterbox. If there was still no acknowledgement, this was recorded as "Not interested".)

If a message was left on an answering machine and no response was received this was recorded as the landowner being "not interested".

"Not interested" also covered the situation where a landowner did not want to be involved in the program because they:

- were running stock;
- stated there was no stream on the property or it was piped.
- 2.7 Upon receipt of the plants, assistance with plant placement was arranged if required.
- 2.8. New landowners were provided with free aerial photographs and had the opportunity to subscribe to the Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group newsletter.
- 2.9.1 Where Bridal Creeper was noted, the landowner's name was included on a list, so they could be advised when the **Bridal Creeper rust** fungus was available.

### 3. Results:

### 3.1 Overall Results:

- 3.1.1 The result of the "Streamcare" promotion for new participants in 2005 was 34% were interested in being involved in Streamcare. The Wungong and Stinton Creek catchments recorded no interest at all. See Fig 1 for details.
- 3.1.2 For landowners involved from 2002/2004 on-going interest was 93% of landowners were still supportive of the program, to varying degrees. See Fig.2.
- 3.1.3 From the information collected, a list has been compiled of a total of 39 (10 'new'/29 previously contacted) 2002/2005 applicants to continue with "Streamcare" in 2006 (See Fig 3).
- 3.1.4 **19 plant applications** were completed for Streamcare landholders, with requests for plants totalling 1,700 plants (including rushes & sedges).
- 3.1.5 Aerial photographs of properties were supplied to 8 landowners.
- 3.1.6 3 landowners were interested in being included on the mailing list for Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group's (AGLG) "Living on the River" newsletter.
- 3.1.7 5 landowners were recorded to receive the **Bridal Creeper rust** fungus control.
- 3.1.8 See **Appendices 6 & 7** for results of all **contact/non contact** with landowners canvassed under Streamcare 2005.

# Fig 3. LIST OF CONTACTS FOR "STREAMCARE" 2006

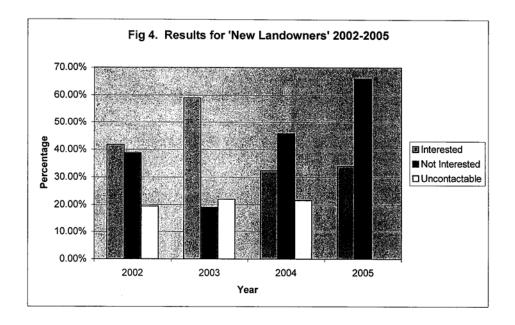
Figure three does not appear in this report as it contains personal information.

### 3.2 Results Specific to 2002/2004 Contacts:

Of the landowners who received plants in 2004, the success rate of their plantings varied significantly with the results averaging 50% success (ranging from 6-80%). Factors such as rabbits and frost were cited as reasons for limited success.

# 3.3 Comparison of Results from 2002-2005 Streamcare

3.3.1 Fig 4 shows a comparison of the results over the four years that Streamcare has run (NB. no 'Uncontactable' data for 2005 – see 'Method').



3.3.2 The Streamcare maps (See Apps. 1,2,3 & 4) have been updated to show the properties where landowners have had a 'positive' or 'negative' response to Streamcare 2005.

### 3.4 Other Results:

From visiting Streamcare properties, it is apparent that the rust fungus is very well established in the Stony Brook (from Canning Mills Road to Brookton Highway) and Canning River (McKenzie Grove and Buckingham Road) areas.

### 4. Conclusions & Recommendations:

### 4.1 Conclusions

### 4.1.1 'New' Landowners

The disappointing result from the landowners contacted for the first time this year was largely due to nil interest in two catchments. Looking at each of the catchments invited to participate in 2005:

- Buckingham Road/Canning River tributary (See map App.4):
   58% of landowners contacted either:
  - organised an appointment or requested they be put on the list for Streamcare 2006; or
  - advised that their creekbanks were already vegetated and received a Streamcare Kit (one of these properties currently has a bad outbreak of arum lily).

The remaining 42% ignored the letter, answer machine messages, leaflet/business card drop or did not return calls after initial conversations.

This catchment comprises quite a few "lifestyle" properties and it would be well worth expending effort to work closely with these landowners to improve creek and river vegetation.

An invitation to surrounding landowners to participate in the naming of these 'winter creeks' may be one way of focusing attention on the well being of these small, seasonal tributaries.

One landowner included in this group does in fact live on Stony Brook and although the brook is not part of her property, she and her neighbours maintain the riparian vegetation, albeit as lawn at the moment. She has commenced removing the grass and weeds ready for revegetation in 2006.

 Stinton Creek tributary (Brookton Hwy, Karragullen) (See map at App.3):

Landowners (all orchardists) in this catchment showed no interest with responses including:

- "the water only runs for a couple of weeks a year";
- "the stream is underground".

No response at all was received from three landowners after telephone messages were left or to a leaflet/business card drop.

The above response is somewhat predictable as it is similar to that received in 2002 from orchardists in the upper Stony Brook catchment in Roleystone.

### Wungong Brook:

No interest was received in this catchment. Letters, telephone calls and follow up leaflet drops were ignored by the ten landowners approached. The two landowners I did speak with showed no interest in or awareness of the well being of the brook. It has since been advised that the area canvassed comes under the control of the Armadale Redevelopment Authority and is therefore likely to be considered by landowners for future development.

A Streamcare Demonstration site in this area was to be one of my recommendations, however, having recently viewed the wetland in the midst of the Hopkinson Road tip, the Streamcare message in this area is seriously undermined by the City's treatment of that seasonal wetland (see photograph at App.5).

### New landowners contacted in 2005 in areas previously covered by Streamcare 2002-2004 (Change of Ownership)

Five of the ten landowners contacted were interested in being involved in Streamcare, with comments as follows on each of the catchments covered:

### Canns (See map at App. 1):

Contact was made with three landowners and one (who is not directly on the creek) was visited, a Streamcare Kit was provided and they are to be involved in 2006. The remaining two landowners did not respond to the letter, telephone call or leaflet/business card drop. One of the properties had been involved with Streamcare under previous ownership.

### Carradine (See map at App.1):

Two landowners were contacted and one is very interested in being involved in 2006. This landowner lives in line with three other landowners who are actively involved in Streamcare. No response was received to the letter or leaflet drop from the remaining landowner.

### Neerigen (See map at App.1):

Three landowners were contacted and two are very interested. A visit was made to both properties, Streamcare Kits were provided as well as Action and Weed Control Plans completed. The remaining landowner was not interested in being involved.

### Stony (See map at App.4):

One set of landowners contacted is extremely interested in working with Streamcare. They are a knowledgeable couple with some landcare background and they live amongst neighbours who are

already strongly involved in Streamcare. There was no response received from the letter or leaflet drop from the other landowner.

### 4.1.2 Landowners 2002 - 2004

The involvement of landowners interested from 2002 -2004 continuing on the program at a rate of 93% is excellent. Looking at each catchment in turn:

# <u>Canning River Tributary (McKenzie Grv, Kelmscott) (See map at App.4):</u>

Interest in this small catchment is strongly driven by one landowner. The support of a family of another landowner who passed away last year has been lost for the time being and there was no response received from another landowner.

Contact with Harry Hunter Rehabilitation Centre was made but no commitment was received this year. They were not yet ready to be involved in such a program but suggested we make contact again in 2006 when they will reassess their situation.

### Canns (See map at App. 1):

Interest in the Canns Creek catchment is still patchy with only one of four landowners (who continued on with Streamcare) being actively involved in 2005 although all four have expressed an interest in being involved next year.

Another new landowner has also become involved this year, taking the total number to five; however, their properties are widely dispersed along the creek. No further contact has been made with or received from four other landowners who were previously interested in Streamcare (one has since sold and the new landowner showed no interest in Streamcare).

### Carradine Creek (See map at App.1):

One landowner of the two contacted is still very active; both have requested they be included on the 2006 list.

With the addition of a new interested landowner this year and one who was active in 2003, this catchment will have four adjacent properties involved in Streamcare, to varying degrees.

No contact was made with or received from the other seven of the eight landowners previously interested in Streamcare. The one landowner contacted indicated he had received sufficient plants (he has an exotic garden along the stream) for his property and the adjacent property for which he previously received plants. It is thought that at least two other

landowners are continuing with Streamcare but did not require more plants in 2005.

### Churchmans Brook (See map at App.1)

No contact was made with or received from landowners in that catchment.

### • Forrestdale Lake (See map at App.2):

Support for Streamcare is now quite strong in Forrestdale with four interested landowners from 2004 continuing on into 2006. Three of these landowners are neighbours. The landowner of a fifth property (that it was agreed would be covered under WWF's Wetland Watch area) advised that she did not need plants this year.

It is apparent that the 2004 workshop with WWF and AGLG has had ongoing networking benefits, by helping landowners work together with more understanding and common goals.

The comment was made by at least one landowner that developers who were interested in purchasing their property had approached them.

### Neerigen Brook (See map at App.1)

Only two of the four 'interested' landowners on Neerigen Brook were active this year, although all four wish to remain on the contact list for 2006. No contact has been made with or received from nine other landowners who previously showed an interest in Streamcare. The caretaker of "Narbethong" was referred to me by Ron Van Delft for assistance with creekline revegetation and rushes were allocated to him.

A further two new landowners contacted this year are very interested and will be included on the contact list for 2006. However, all landowners are widely dispersed along the Brook. One landowner at the very top of the Brook has done some networking with her neighbours (not contacted by Streamcare) and has passed on a Streamcare Kit to one of them.

### • Stinton Creek, Karragullen (See map at App.3)

Four landowners in this catchment are still committed to Streamcare and are maintaining and adding to their earlier plantings although one property lost their entire Streamcare plantings in the bushfire earlier this year. No contact was made with or received from the other two landowners who previously were interested in Streamcare.

### Stony Brook (See map at App.4):

Of the seven landowners contacted this year, all expressed an ongoing commitment to Streamcare, to varying degrees. Four received plants; two were assisted with information while the remaining landowner is unfortunately moving out of the area (this property will be included on the 2006 list so contact is made with the new landowner).

The Urch Road section of this catchment is strongly represented as there are five adjacent properties working on Streamcare and at least another six landowners nearby who are supportive of Streamcare. However, no one has stepped forward to act as representative for a 'friends of' group.

In 2003, Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group (AGLG) offered to carry out weed mapping to help identify the order of priority for working on the many weeds occurring in the valley (fortunately the Bridal creeper rust fungus appears to be very well established in this site) and then funds would be sought for priority weed control in this catchment. Due to various reasons, the weed mapping has still not been completed. Steve May (from AGLG) has recently resigned, again leaving the project pending.

One of the landowners has suggested that once the weeds have been identified and prioritised it would be helpful to have a laminated A4 sheet showing pictures of the weeds in their order of priority for control and the recommended control methods. Steve had started to put this information together and passed it on to me prior to his departure.

No contact has been made with or received from four of the landowners who previously expressed an interest in Streamcare. Contact was made with one other landowner from the upper reaches of Stony Brook (Canning Mills Road) whose grandson had planned to carry out some revegetation work during 2005; however, this has not come to fruition. It was pleasing to see that the Bridal creeper rust fungus was well established in this location.

The properties of the three Stony Brook Streamcare participants on Pound Place, Roleystone (1), and Keays Road, Kelmscott (2) do not encompass the brook and are widely dispersed. The Pound Place landowner, with the strong support of her next-door neighbour, has cleared down to the brook and is keen to carry out revegetation although many weeds are on the Regional Park side of the brook. As detailed in 2004's report the weed problem on the riparian reserve adjoining one of the Streamcare properties on Keays Road is well beyond the control of one person with limited time. As indicated in the first paragraph, the remaining landowner has recently sold.

### Wungong Dam Tributary (See map at App. 1)

No contact was made with or received from the one landowner in this catchment who had previously shown interest. Due to his poor health, nil interest from surrounding neighbours and a very large blackberry problem, Streamcare is unable to assist at this time. One adjoining property is included on the 2006 contact list due to a change of ownership.

#### 4.1.3 General Conclusions:

### • Streamcare 2002-2005 Evaluation

Streamcare has run for four years (2002 – 2005) and most landowners with streams running through, or in close proximity to, their properties have now been approached. Evaluation of Streamcare is programmed for 2006.

Updating of the Streamcare maps is needed as in several cases previously interested landowners have not actively continued with the program (although they may still be revegetating or maintaining revegetated sites). Consequently, I have not shown results that include these landowners because no contact has been made or received. In 2006 it would be worthwhile contacting these landowners to assess whether they are still working towards Streamcare goals and if the Streamcare program could assist them.

As part of the evaluation, it is proposed a simple foreshore assessment be prepared and completed jointly with each actively 'interested' landowner, to assess progress to date.

Completion of such an assessment will readily identify those landowners who:

- are genuinely and actively interested; and
- have made progress from when they commenced (the aim would be to quantify progress where possible and use photos where they are available to demonstrate change, etc.).

For those landowners who were recorded in earlier years as "interested"

but have not continued on with Streamcare, a short telephone questionnaire would be suitable to identify those who:

- are interested and are working towards Streamcare values themselves;
- used the scheme to obtain plants but had no genuine on-going interest in Streamcare aims; or
- obtained a Streamcare Kit but have done nothing.

### • Streamcare Program Expansion

In previous years, Streamcare has been limited only to those properties selected by the City of Armadale.

Reporting on the program has mainly been in the form of articles in the "Living on the River" newsletter as well as presentations to BEAC (2005) and the Organic Growers Society (2003).

In 2006 the program should be opened up to the public to identify any other CofA landowner who thinks they may qualify. Specific criteria would be in place to ensure they have a wetland/stream/wintercreek/river encompassed by or adjacent to their property.

It is suggested that articles in the local paper reporting on Streamcare should include:

- the CofA's Streamcare aims;
- results from 2002-2005;
- details of the existing Streamcare demonstration sites (eg. Brookton Hwy. [seasonal] and Kelmscott Primary School) for landowners to view;
- name the catchments where landowners are actively involved;
   and
- quotes and photos from active Streamcare landowners.

Publicising the program, with positive comments from participants, may encourage neighbours who were previously hesitant about the program or were inadvertently missed out, to participate. Advertising the program positively may also help to reduce the suspicion some landowners obviously feel when offered assistance by their local authority!

Such an approach would also publicly acknowledge the positive efforts of those landowners who have been actively involved in Streamcare.

### • Streamcare Workshops

To consolidate Streamcare work to date in those catchments where considerable interest has been shown, eg. Canns, Carradine, Neerigen, Stony and Canning River tributary (Buckingham Rd), landcare workshop/s should be run.

After the Forrestdale workshop, it was identified that one of the greatest benefits had been the opportunity for attendees to network with their neighbours as well as the opportunity to learn the "right" things to be doing for their environment.

### 'Friends of' Groups

At the outset of Streamcare one of the aims had been to create 'friends of catchment groups' or similar to refer on to AGLG, however, this has proven to be difficult due to AGLG's workload. With reduced staffing levels they have been unable to support any more of these groups. To some extent Streamcare, working in conjunction with AGLG, provides a conduit for assisting these landowner 'groups'.

### WWF 'Wetland Watch'

Inquiries were made with the WWF Wetland Watch Officer regarding the success of their methods to involve landowners in 'Wetland Watch'.

It was advised that to date, the conservation covenants had not been particularly successful and even a grant offering up to \$10,000 per landowner had not been widely taken up. The WWF Wetland Watch Officer was providing landowners with personalized reports and information folders rather than the previously more generalized approach, however, this did create considerable paperwork.

WWF's Wetland Officer had also come to the conclusion that workshops, similar to the one we had run jointly at Forrestdale last year, offered the best results

### Streamcare Plants

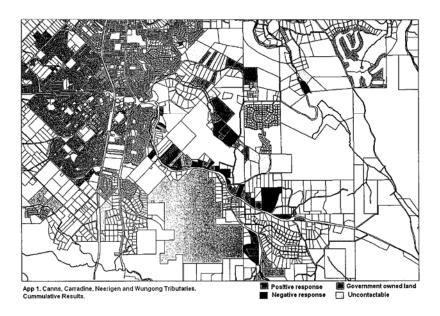
This was the first year since the program commenced that plants were not provided via AGLG's Understorey/Overstorey program. Due to AGLG's staffing situation some problems were experienced with plant supply, quality and distribution with much more hands-on involvement required by the Streamcare Promoter in sorting and organising plants.

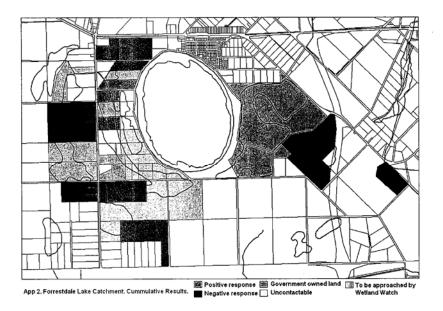
A request has been made by AGLG that orders for plants are placed with them by no later than December, 2005. Funding for the plants will need to be identified.

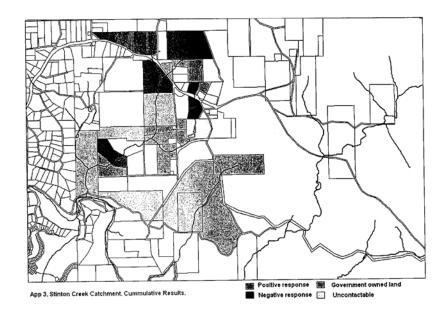
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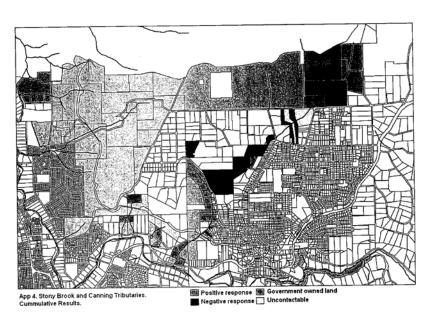
- 4.2.1 The Streamcare program be expanded and publicized in local papers during March/April, 2006, inviting any other landowner whose property encompasses or borders a stream/wetland (including winter creeks) etc. to join the program.
- 4.2.2 In April, 2006, letters be forwarded to the 39 landowners interested in continuing with Streamcare.
- 4.2.3 A Streamcare evaluation for 2002-2005 be conducted via:

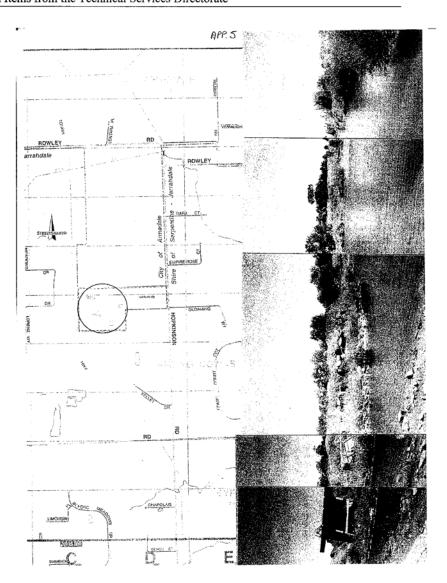
- completion of a Foreshore Assessment for each actively participating property; and
- a telephone questionnaire to revisit all previously 'interested' landowners with whom no contact has been made/received in 2005, to identify the current status of their involvement.
- 4.2.4 The Streamcare Promoter, with AGLG/SERCUL assistance, to run landcare workshop/s for interested landowners in June/July, 2006. Depending on demand, workshops could be run on the basis of catchments to enhance neighbourhood networking opportunities.
- 4.2.5 The Streamcare/Wetland Kit continues to be updated with brochures relevant to the landowner's area and situation. Action and Weed Control Plans continue to be completed with new landowners and revisited/ updated with existing landowners (from an adult education viewpoint, ownership by the landowner of the preparation of the Action and Weed Control Plan is imperative).
- 4.2.6 Liaise with AGLG/SERCUL to finalise Stony Brook/Urch Road weed mapping. Laminated A4 sheet of prioritised weeds identified in Stony Brook/Urch Road catchment be prepared for distribution to all landowners in the vicinity whether participating in Streamcare or not. Similar sheets could also be distributed to all Canning River tributary (Buckingham Road) landowners or modified for specific catchments. Funding would need to be identified for this project.
- 4.2.7 The problems with plant supply be discussed with AGLG to identify an improved approach for 2006. Funding to be organised and plant orders to be placed with AGLG by December, 2005. A planting pamphlet be available for distribution to landowners with the plants, detailing the need for prompt planting in July/August, follow up watering and weed control.













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# **OUTSTANDING REPORT**

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ITEM	DEPT.	ACTION/STATUS
Lease – Armadale Golf Course  That Council refer the matter of tenure and implementation of appropriate management controls for the Armadale Golf Club Clubhouse to the Community Services Directorate for consideration and report back to the Community Services Committee.	Recreation Services	Golf Course Lease has been finalised. Negotiations underway with Armadale Golf Club re: Management Agreement for the clubhouse facility. Matter to be finalised by February 2006.
Kelmscott Soccer Club – Proposal to Use Pries Park (February 2004) (August 2004) That a report to the October 2004 Community Services Committee meeting be prepared that identifies the issues associated with the Kelmscott Soccer Club's future, canvassing possible options for Council's consideration and recommending a strategy for the future use and development of both Frye Park, Pries Park and other relevant alternatives. (C120/8/04)	Recreation Services	Matter reported to the November 2004 Community Services Committee Meeting. Council resolved not to approve the Kelmscott Soccer Club's request to relocate to Pries Park at this time. Further consultation to occur with the Club and an additional report to be presented to January 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.
Dog Free Reserves (April 2005) That Recommendation C38/4/05 be not adopted and be recommitted to the Community Services Committee for further investigation on some of the implications of the amendment to this local law. (C38/4/05)	Ranger & Emergency Services	In further researching this matter it became apparent that there is a requirement for a complete review of the current application of Dog Free and Dog Exercise areas throughout the area.  Progress on this issue is currently under way and following its completion will be included as part of the overall report to the February 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.
Indoor Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study (June 2005) That a further report be presented to the September Community Services Committee Meeting on the outcome of the community response to Council's preferred option for provision of an indoor aquatic facility in the City. (C68/6/05)	Recreation Services	Subject to workload and available resources, matter to be reported to the January 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.
Pioneers' Reunion Venue and Criteria (August 2005)  That Council recommit the matter of the criterion of becoming a pioneer to a future meeting of the Community Services Committee pending broader discussion between Elected Members and officers in relation to the purpose of the function and qualification. (C79/8/05)	Community Development	Subject to workload and available resources, the matter to be reported to the February 2006 Community Services Committee.

# LIBRARY & HERITAGE SERVICES GENERAL MONTHLY REPORT – DECEMBER 2005

### 1. LIBRARY SERVICES

#### 1.1 Statistical Performance Indicators

The Library Department's statistical performance indicators report for the months of November and December 2005 are attached. (Refer to Attachment "CA-1.)

### 1.2 Library Extension Activities

### 1.2.1 Ripper Readers Report

(Report prepared by Shirley Reilly, Librarian Westfield Library)



Report – Ripper Readers Party & General Report

Activity: Ripper Readers Annual Party, Certificate presentation and General

Report.

Presenter: Grant Cottrell - storyteller Date: Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2005

Time: 4-5.30 pm

Venue: Westfield Library

No. Attending: 53 children + 44 adults

### Comments

The 'Ripper Readers' end of year party was held at the Westfield Library on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2005.

Children who had joined the Ripper Readers club for Year Ones were sent an invitation to the party. Siblings and parents were also welcome to attend.

The format for the afternoon commenced with a performer to entertain the children. Storyteller Grant Cottrell presented two tales – the first about a dinosaur and then a Christmas story that captivated the children.

Participation certificates had been organized and signed by the Mayor, Mr. Linton Reynolds, who kindly presented them personally to the children who attended the

party, along with words of encouragement to continue reading and using the library. Those who were unable to attend have had their certificates posted to them. Next on the agenda was afternoon tea which was enthusiastically consumed by all!

This event and the program in general were very successful in promoting literacy to children in Year One in the City of Armadale. Library staff visited schools commencing in Term 1, 2005 inviting children to join the club, providing them with a 'goody' bag to take home including information for parents about the program, a bookmark to be taken to the library each visit to be stamped or have a sticker placed on it, a colouring in sheet and some stickers. Once the child had visited the library five times, a pencil was given as a 'half-way mark' incentive. When the child had been to the library ten times, the reward of a special 'Ripper Readers' library bag was presented to the child. A special sticker was placed on the child's library card too denoting they are a 'Ripper Reader'.

This program was based on similar initiatives in the Fremantle and Stirling libraries.

All primary schools in the City of Armadale were sent a letter asking permission for a librarian to come and visit Year Ones in the school, read some stories and promote visiting the library and joining the club during the first formal year of learning to read at school. There are twenty two primary schools in the City of Armadale and eleven schools participated in the programme.

There are about 800 Year One school children in the City of Armadale, and 83 children joined the club. 47 children became members of the library for the first time as Ripper Readers and 36 existing members joined the club. It is hoped that next year we will be able to visit schools who did not participate in the programme in 2005.

Special thanks go to a great team - Assistant Librarian, Helen McKissock, who organized the party invitations and certificates. Marketing Librarian Heidi Linck organized publicity for the party. Shirley Reilly organized the logistics of the program and visited schools along with Rita Lennon and Sheena Bell.

Name of Schools	Which Schools Participated	Date of visit	Number of Students who Participated		
			Already Members	New Members	Total
Armadale Adventist Primary	No				
Armadale Christian College	Yes		1		1
Armadale Pioneer Village Primary	No				
Armadale Primary School	Yes	8/04/2005	8	7	15
Carey Baptist College	No				
Challis Primary School	Yes	10/05/2005	1	4	5
Clifton Hills Primary School	Yes		2	5	7

Name of Schools	Which Schools Participated	Date of visit	Number of Students who Participated		
			Already Members	New Members	Tota
Dale Christian School	Yes	3/05/2005	4	3	7
Forrestdale Primary School	Yes	22/3/2005		3	3
Good Shepard Primary School	No				
Grovelands Primary School	Yes	30/03/2005	2	2	4
Gwynne Park Primary School	Yes	6/04/2005	1	2	3
John Calvin Christian College.	No				
John Wollaston Anglican Community School	No				
John Calvin Primary School	No				
Kelmscott Primary School	No visit		1	1	2
Kingsley Primary School	No visit			1	1
Neerigen Brook Primary School	Yes	23/03/2005	2		2
Roleystone Primary School	Yes		7	10	17
St Francis Xavier School	No				
Westfield Park Primary School	No				
Willandra Primary School	Yes	07/06/2005	. 7	9 -	16
Total	Reference and the state of the		36(43.4%)	47(56.6%)	83=

# 1.2.2 Family Christmas Party

(Report prepared by Rita Lennon, Librarian Armadale Library)



# Report - Family Christmas Party

Presenter: Patrick Cordier, Magician

Date: Friday 9th December 2005

Time: 5.30 – 7.00pm Venue: Armadale Library

No. Attending: Approx. 50 kids and 30 adults - Total: 80

#### Comments

Armadale Library hosted the annual Family Christmas Party this year, which was attended by at least 50 children, from babies to teens. Parents, grandparents, friends, relatives, and adults without accompanying kids joined the happy throng. Patrick Cordier entertained and enthralled the crowd with his magic tricks, leaving us wondering how he managed to make a dove and a rabbit seemingly appear from thin air. Fortunately, there was a display of books on magic for those wishing to learn some of the magical secrets.

When the children had finished patting the rabbit, Santa arrived to hand out lolly bags and spread even more Christmas cheer. Each family received a Narnia-inspired Christmas leaflet, which included information about our school holiday activities. The evening concluded with the distribution of inflated red balloons with "I love my library" printed on them, a memento of a happy time spent in the library.

### 1.2.3 Seniors' Christmas Party

(Report prepared by Bill Leigh, Branch Librarian Westfield Library)

Topic:

Seniors Christmas Party

Date:

30 November 2005

Time: Venue: 10.00 - 11.30am

Attendees:

Westfield Library

The City of Armadale Library services celebrated another successful year of providing services to its senior library members with its traditional party at Westfield Library. Guests were treated to entertainment from 'The Agelink Reminiscence Theatre' who performed "The Second Oldest Profession": an original comedy and music routine depicting the development of theatre through the ages. The traditional cake cutting ceremony was enhanced by an impromptu and moving speech from one of the library's long-standing patrons who thanked the library staff for their kindness and dedication.

The Mayor presented gifts to the library's volunteers in gratitude for their support throughout the year.

### 1.2.4 Writing Group/Books on Wheels special event

(Report prepared by Bill Leigh, Branch Librarian Westfield Library)

Topic:

Combined Writing Group/Books on Wheels event

Date:

7 December 2005

Time:

10.00 - 11.30am

Venue: Westfield Library

Attendees: 4

This year marked the fifth anniversary of the foundation of the 'Westfield Writers' group at Westfield Library. To celebrate the milestone, group members generously agreed to prepare and read their original work to the seniors Books on Wheels Group which shares the library venue each Wednesday. The pieces were many and varied: some hilarious and some deeply moving, receiving extremely positive comments from the audience. Members of the Books on Wheels group have asked that the event be included in their annual programme of activities.

### 2. HERITAGE SERVICES

### 2.1 Heritage Statistical Performance Indicators

The Heritage Department's statistical performance indicators for the months of November and December are provided. (Refer to Attachment "CA-2".)

### 2.2 Birtwistle Local Studies Library.

December was a busy for the Birtwistle Local Studies Library with the Bedfordale Centenary Celebrations being held on Saturday 10th at the Waterwheel Gallery in Bedfordale. For some months, and more particularly in the two weeks prior to the event, there was a great deal of activity at the library as Cr Bob Tizard, Local Studies Librarian Lorraine Pearce, together with the assistance of volunteers Kim Fletcher and Joanne Harris, worked on an exhibition outlining the history of Bedfordale from early European exploration of the area to the present day. The exhibition remained on display at the Waterwheel Gallery until 18 December following which it was relocated at History House Museum.

The event was well attended by 200 people who not only enjoyed the display but also the afternoon tea provided by the City of Armadale. The celebration also presented the opportunity for people to be reunited with old friends and acquaintances from the Bedfordale area.

The Birtwistle Local Studies Library benefited greatly from the event as people volunteered to be interviewed for oral histories, added information in the comment book and donated materials, all of which has been added to the collection.

### 2.3 Volunteer Lunch.

Heritage Service volunteers enjoyed a lunch provided by the City of Armadale in appreciation for the amount of hours they had contributed to the Service throughout the year. In an address given by the Manager Libraries & Heritage the important events and changes that had taken place during 2005 were highlighted and the

volunteers were congratulated on the number of volunteer hours they had contributed during 2005.

### 2.4 History House Museum

December has been a very quiet month. Volunteers have continued updating and completing records on the Mosaic database.

The Bedfordale Centenary Display has been set up in the Museum.

The Museum Curator, Christen Bell, attended a meeting of Local Government Curators on the 7<sup>th</sup> of December. The purpose of this group is to discuss common issues facing local government museums and to look at ways that we can work together and form partnerships. Topics discussed included ways to develop joint projects, avoid duplicating education programs and issues involving working with children. The group intends to meet again in the New Year.

# MANAGER RANGER & EMERGENCY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT FOR DECEMBER 2005

### 1. Animal Control

### 1.1 Dogs

Ranger Services received two hundred and fifty one (251) requests for assistance during the report period. The primary focus of Ranger Services is managing the response to the community for requests for service. This has again increased over the last twelve (12) months as can be demonstrated by the overall number of requests for assistance as compared to the corresponding period of 2004.

### 1.2 Court Action

The following information relates to legal action taken by Ranger Services, these matters were heard and determined in the Armadale Magistrates Court, during this report period.

NAME	OFFENCE	FINDING OF COURT	PENALTY \$	COSTS \$	TOTAL \$
Jodye Sargent	Dog Act 1976 Dog Attack on another animal	Guilty	800	100.70	970.70
Jodie-Marie Lax	Dog Act 1976 Dog attack on another person	Guilty	1,200	100.70	1,300.70
Kenneth Emery X 2	Dog Act 1976  Dog attack on another person	Guilty	500 ea	201.40	1,201.40
Larisa Baron	Dog Act 1976 Dog attack on another person	Guilty	1,000	100.70	1,100.70
Bradley Summers	Dog Act 1976 Dog attack on another person	Guilty	800	100.70	900.70

### 2. Vehicles

### 2.1 Parking

Ranger Services attended to forty four (44) general enquires relating to the unlawful parking of vehicles during this report period.

### 2.2 Commercial Vehicles (Trucks)

There has been a definite reduction in the number of reports received in relation to trucks being parked in residential areas for extended periods, Rangers will continue to be vigilant in this area of operations.

### 2.3 Control of Vehicles (Off Road Areas)

Ranger Services attended to twelve (12) reports of vehicles (motor cycles) being driven in a prohibited area during the report period.

### 3. Fire Services

Rangers continue a high profile in relation to hazardous blocks and offer advice to land owners with regard to fuel reduction and ongoing maintenance of firebreaks.

Ranger Services attended to sixty eight (68) enquires, during this report period, mainly associated with alternative style firebreaks and advice regarding general fire safety.

Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades have experienced a lower than usual amount of calls to bush/scrub fires during December, however due to the cool conditions and the excellent response from members, they have been able to deal with those incidents in a timely and effective manner, thereby reducing the potential for a major fire situation.

### 4. General

Ranger Services is now actively engaged in the annual firebreak inspections programme. This year Rangers have been particularly vigilant in targeting vacant land with long dry grass especially in light of the amount of late rain experienced thereby increasing the fuel growth.

# 5. <u>December 2005 Statistics</u>

DOGS	December 2005	December 2004	(Half Yeardy) 2005/2006 Progressive Total	2008/2005 Progressive -Totals
Wandering	40	23	279	272
Dogs for Pick Up	23	26	180	164
Barking	26	21	151	150
Attacks	15	13	111	91
Lost & Found	68	63	389	286
General Information	7	. 8	57	49
Total	1179	154	1167	2 1012
Office Phone Enquiries	72	74	881	736

PARKING / VEHICLES	Discomber 20005	December 2002	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
General Parking	12	25	67	97
Trucks	1	1	14	29
School Parking	0	0	12	22
Taxi Parking	0	N/A	0	N/A
Abandoned Vehicles	14	8	91	49
Off Road Vehicles	12	4	80	40
Total	39	38	264	F 15 5 237
Office Phone Enquiries	17	22	66	84

LIVESTOCK	Degambar 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Lost & Found	1	2	4	12
General	8	11	53	53
Total	9	13	57	65
Office Phone Enquiries	2	4	28	38

LITTER	Десаш <b>ь</b> эт 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Prograssive Trotal	2004/2005 Pirograssiva Tiotal
General Information	0	0	0	2
Private Property	0	1	4	9
Roadside / Reserve	1	4	21	22
Verge	4	1	13	14
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Office Phone Enquiries	1	2	6	11

FIRE	December 2005	Deegmber 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	
Burning Off / General Information	6	0	17	15
Firebreak / Hazard	26	29	104	87
Total	32	29	5.1 121	102
Office Phone Enquiries	36	30	276	332

GENERAL	December 2005	1979cambar 2004)	2005/2005 Prograssive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
General Information	3	4	29	31
Total	3		29	31
Office Phone Enquiries - Cats	8		86	
Office Phone Enquiries - General	12	16	66	157

TOTAL	December 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Total Reports / Complaints	267	244	1676	1494
Total Office Phone Enquiries	148	148	1409	1358

WARNINGS	December 2003	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Ilotal	2004/2005 Progressive Roni
Dogs	13	12	98	104
Parking	6	6	82	67
Off Road Vehicles	0	0	2	0
Litter	0	2	7	3
Fire & Fire Orders	8	9	53	115
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	27)	29	242	289

INFRINGEMENTS	Devember 2006	2004 December	2005/2006 Progressive (Poet)	2004/2006 Progressive Trout
Dogs	28	24	207	185
Parking	13	22	152	167
Off Road Vehicles	0	0	3	0
Litter	2	1	5	14
Fire	40	35	40	37
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	83	82	407	403
NUMBER WITHDRAWN	10	1	46	35
Number Paid	57	N/A	280	N/A

IMPOUNDED DOGS	December 2005	Фесатра 2004)	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive floral
Claimed	22	22	182	193
Sold	4	6	25	22
Destroyed	18	14	97	70
Vet / Rescue	2	5	34	53
Stolen	0	0	0	0
Total	46	47	338	338

IMPOUNDED VEHICLES	Фэсепфет 2005	Devember 2009	2005/2006 Progressive Tropi	2004/2005 शिलुप्रस्थापर प्रतासी
Vehicles	11	3	30	19
Motor Cycles	0	0	0	4
Total at the entry his at		<b>PLANTED BY</b>	30	23

IMPOUNDED LIVESTOCK	December 2005	December 2004)	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progresive Pogl
Sheep	0	0	2	4
Horses	0	0	0	0
Cows	0	0	0	0
Goats	0	0	4	1
Pigs	0	0	0	0
Deer	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	0.00	0	6	5

COURT PROSECUTIONS	December 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Rotal
Dog	6	0	19	20
Fire	0	0	0	0
Parking	0	0	0	0
Litter	0	0	0	0
Off Road Vehicles	0	0	0	0
Total	6	0	建造機等計畫計 19	20
No. of Guilty Verdicts	6	0	19	18

FINES ENFORCEMENT	Devember 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Propressive Total
Infringements sent to FER	0	0	95	130

# MONTHLY OFFICER REPORTS

DOG REGISTRATIONS	Фесентва: 2005	Юесентіст 20004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Tropi
New Dog Registrations	61	N/A	432	N/A
Renewed Dog Registrations	226	N/A	1838	N/A
Total 1	287	0.	432	# # W 0

PHONES CALLS	December 2005	December 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Ro <u>af</u>	2004/2005 Brogressive Total
Office – Rangers calling Office	12	29	124	198
Office – Messages for Staff	52	35	309	313
Office - Referred to Other	15	10	111	88
Calls to Rangers' Private Residences via Diverter	15	21	91	157
TOTAL	94	95	635	756

# MINUTES FROM OCCASIONAL/ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Committee Meeting of 2 November 2005. (Refer to Attachment "CA-3".)

Disability Advisory Committee Meeting of 4 October 2005. (Refer to Attachment "CA-4".)

Minnawarra Festival Committee Meeting of 2 August 2005. (Refer to Attachment "CA-5".)

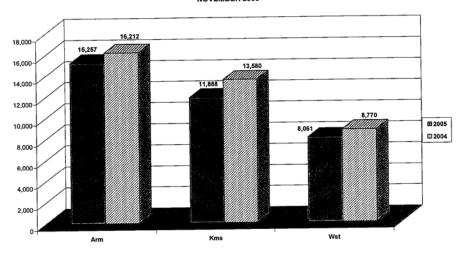
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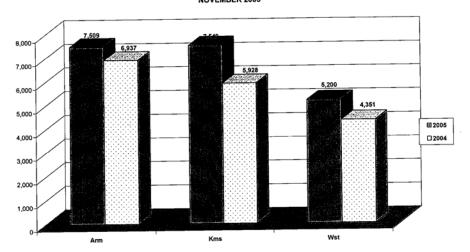
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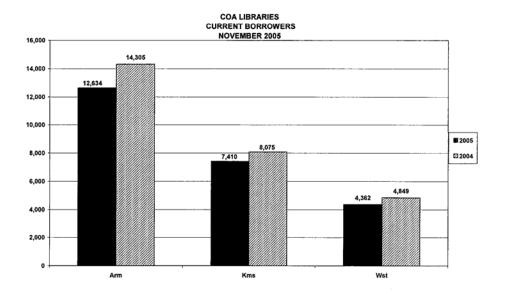


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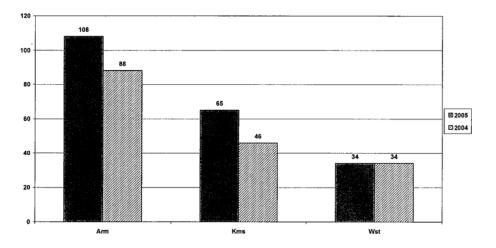


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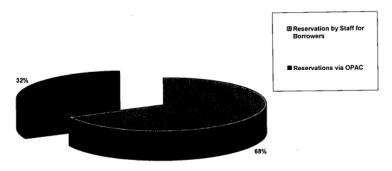




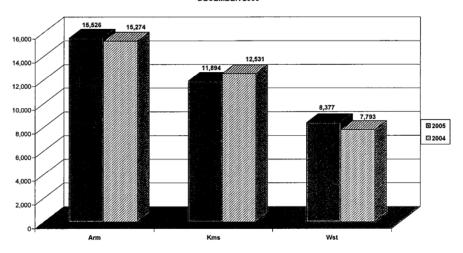
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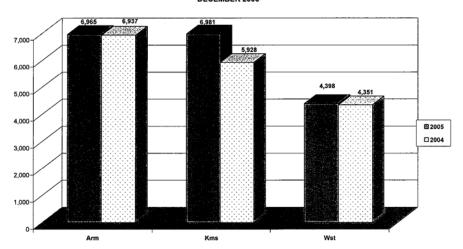
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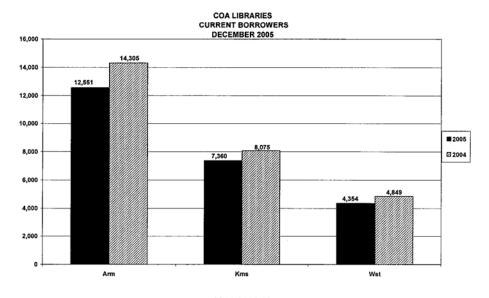


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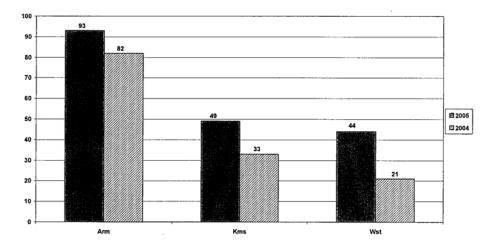


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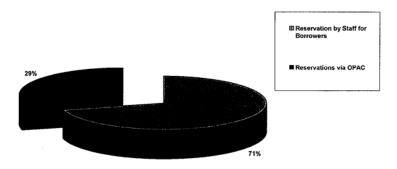




COA LIBRARIES NEW BORROWERS MONTH/YEAR



COA LIBRARIES RESERVATIONS DECEMBER 2005



Month: November

2005

2004

**History House Museum** 

Thotoly floude maceum				
Visitor for month	172	273		
Visitors this year	1777	3183		
Volunteer Hours for month	137	-		
Volunteer Hours this	1363	-		
year				

Birtwistle Local Studies Library			
Reference Enquiries	0	-	
Research Enquiries	5	-	
Photograph Requests	0		
Visitor Attendance	0	-	
Volunteer Hours	0	-	
Oral History Programme			
Letters Sent	0	-	
Interviews Completed	0	-	
Transcripts Completed	0	-	
Interviews in Progress	0	-	
Transcriptions in Progress	0	-	
Volunteer Hours – Transcribing	0	-	
Volunteer Hours - Interviewing	0	-	

Month: December

2005

2004

**History House Museum\*** 

Visitor for month	28	151		
Visitors this year	1802	3334		
Volunteer Hours for month	68	-		
Volunteer Hours this	1431	-		
year				

Birtwistle Local Studies Library				
Reference Enquiries	2	-		
Research Enquiries	2	-		
Photograph Requests	0	-		
Visitor Attendance	16	-		
Volunteer Hours	48	-		
Oral History Programme				

Letters Sent	1	-
Interviews Completed	2	-
Transcripts Completed	1	-
Interviews in Progress	0	_
Transcriptions in Progress	4	-
Volunteer Hours – Transcribing	4	-
Volunteer Hours - Interviewing	0	-

<sup>\*</sup>To the 18th of December when Museum closed for Christmas

## CITY OF ARMADALE

# MINUTES

OF THE ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON WEDNESDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2005 AT 1.00 PM

PRESENT:

Mr A McNamara

(Acting Chairman)

Mr A Garlett Ms M Sheppard Mrs M Hill Ms C Pickett Ms L Murray Mr R Barlow Mr D Coid

Community Representative Community Representative Community Representative Community Representative Community Representative Dept. of Housing & Works Armadale Health Service

[1.00 pm to 2.00 pm]

**APOLOGIES:** 

Mrs V Hansen

Mr G Hansen

**OBSERVERS:** 

Ms H Brahim

Ms N Allen Ms S Collard Waminda Aboriginal Corporation Waminda Aboriginal Corporation Waminda Aboriginal Corporation

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms T McCourt

Community Development Co-ordinator

City of Armadale

Mr L Hogg

Disability Services Commission

[1.25 pm to 2.55 pm]

Mr R Thorne Mr J Walley

Aboriginal Family Support Service

Armadale Health Service

Mrs Y Ward

Minute Secretary - City of Armadale

Ms J Cameron

Consultant [1.00 pm to 1.55 pm]

Public: Nil

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The Disclaimer for protecting Committee and staff from liability of information given at Committee meetings was not read by the Chairman, given no members of were present.	
DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS	
Nil	
QUESTION TIME	
Nil	
DEPUTATION	

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Nil

Attachment "CA-3"

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# ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## 1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 5 OCTOBER 2005

## RESOLVED

Minutes of the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee Meeting held on 5 October 2005, are confirmed.

Moved: Mr Richard Barlow Seconded: Ms M Sheppard

CARRIED

Ms Lesley Murray commented that, at its meeting on 5 October 2005, ATSIAC resolved to donate a sum of \$750 from the Reconciliation budget towards transport costs for the Raiders Football Team's attendance at the Bunbury Carnival and not \$450 as recorded in the Minutes. The consensus of opinion of those present at that meeting was that the resolution of \$450 was in fact correct. The remaining \$300 is a bond amount that is the responsibility of the hirer.

## 2. BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

## 2.1 Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Draft Plan 2005-2008

At the September meeting, Committee received the Draft Plan developed by Jill Cameron – Consultant. Committee members were asked to peruse the Plan and give feedback to this meeting.

Lance Hogg joined the meeting at 1.25 pm.

## RESOLVED

That ATIAC support the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Draft Plan 2005–2008, with the suggested changes, as attached to these Minutes at Attachment "A-1".

Moved: Mr Richard Barlow Seconded: Ms Margaret Sheppard

CARRIED

## 2.2 Aboriginal Family Support Service Working Group

The AFSS Sub-Committee has recently experienced difficulties in meeting on a regular basis. The AFSS is needing to relocate to a new venue. There are changes to the current funding program which have an impact. It is proposed that instead of continuing with the AFSS Sub Committee, that a working group be formed to deal with these current issues. This group can continue to meet on an ad hoc basis depending on issues as they arise. Robin Thorne and Yvonne Coyne will form part of the working group with further nominations from ATSIAC.

Trish McCourt requested nominations from members for an Aboriginal Family Support Service Working Group to replace the AFSS Sub-Committee.

Committee was supportive of forming an AFSS Working Group and nominated the following persons:

Nic Jollowing perso Vivienne Hansen Allen Garlett Albert McNamara Carleen Pickett Lesley Murray

with the option for a community representative from the Aboriginal community.

The first informal meeting date proposed of 15 November 2005 was unacceptable to the nominated members and it was proposed to change the date to Thursday, 17 November 2005 at 9.00 am, subject to the availability of a meeting room and the ability of Yvonne Coyne to attend. It was requested that the first meeting be held at the former PCYC building in Champion Drive.

## RESOLVED

That the AFSS Sub-Committee be abolished and replaced by an informal working group to include Yvonne Coyne, Robin Thorne, Vivienne Hansen, Allen Garlett, Albert McNamara, Carleen Pickett and Lesley Murray, with the option for a representative from the Aboriginal community.

Moved Ms Carleen Pickett Seconded Ms Margaret Sheppard

**CARRIED** 

Donald Coid left the meeting at 2.00 pm.

## 3. INFORMATION ITEMS

## 3.1 Reconciliation Budget

Some confusion has arisen in regard to the use of the Reconciliation Budget and the following serves to clarify the situation.

The City of Armadale has a Council Assistance Policy that guides how the Council considers requests for financial assistance and has allocated funds for specific categories including donations and grants. These are separate to the Reconciliation budget.

The City's Reconciliation Budget has been allocated for events, programs and activities that bring together Aboriginal people and non-Aboriginal people in harmony such as NAIDOC and Minnawarra Festival and which usually occur within the City's boundaries.

The Reconciliation Budget has been used for requests outside of the above in the past, but in light of Council's adopted Policy this is no longer appropriate. All applications and requests for financial assistance must be directed to the City so that they can be evaluated against Council Policies. Where applicable and appropriate, Council officers will refer applications to its Advisory Committees for advice only. The final decision of allocation of funds is the responsibility of the Council and those officers to whom they have delegated authority for decisions.

Trish McCourt further clarified that the intention of the Reconciliation Budget was for reconciliation events/projects, where Aboriginal and Non Aboriginal people are invited to attend rather than events that are only open to the Aboriginal Community or Aboriginal groups.

There was considerable discussion regarding the use of the Reconciliation Budget

Carleen Pickett suggested that the Reconciliation Budget be reviewed to accommodate Aboriginal only events/projects.

## RESOLVED

That the Reconciliation Budget be reviewed so that it is not just for the black and white community but also for the black and black community.

Moved: Ms Carleen Pickett Seconded: Ms Lesley Murray

CARRIED

## 3.2 Training Feedback

Certificates have been received from WALGA for those who attended the recent Governance training in regards to Council-appointed Advisory Committees. Certificates were presented at this meeting and feedback was requested in regard to the training which asked the following questions:

- · In what ways was the training worthwhile?
- What new information did you learn?
- What will you do different in the future?

Committee members provided feedback in regard to the training undertaken as follows:

- the section in regard to disclosure of interests was considered of value;
- the training reinforced information already known;
- to speak up and not sit back and listen, what you have to say is just as valuable;
- try to be prepared for committee meetings;
- the committee is about getting everybody working towards getting things happening.

Carleen Pickett advised that she was still unsure of ATSIAC's role and in particular Council's working partnership.

There was discussion on issues such as Minnawarra Festival and how partnerships are expected to work.

Carleen requested a clearer explanation of what Council's relationship is to ATSIAC.

The following is included from the Advisory Committees Terms of Reference for the ATSIAC which seeks to give clarity.

### 1.0 PURPOSE

1.1 To advise and make recommendations to Council, (via the Community Services Committee), on a range of issues which affect the quality of life of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the City of Armadale.

#### 2.0 OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 Assist with advice and support for the provision of services, activities and facilities for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander persons residing in the City of Armadale.
- 2.2 To assist Council officers to research the needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people living in the City of Armadale.
- 2.3 Through research and consultation, to identify opportunities to develop services and facilities relevant to the needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. This will include consideration of the support needs of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community based organisations and adequate resourcing and identification of funding options.
- 2.4 To promote a positive image of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in the City of Armadale.
- 2.5 To assist in promoting those organisations which provide services for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people within the City.

## 3.3 Relocation of Orchard House

A copy of a letter addressed to Hon. A MacTiernan in regards to the relocation of Orchard House has been received by the City. An in-house meeting is being organised in the near future to discuss the matter.

Robin Thorne expressed his concerns regarding the consultation process that has occurred regarding the relocation of the services that operate from Orchard House.

Carleen Pickett and Helen Brahim requested that Council respond to the copy of the letter sent to Hon. A MacTiernan.

Trish McCourt responded by saying that the original letter was addressed to Alannah MacTiernan so Council does not necessarily need to respond.

There will be an in-house meeting to discuss the relocation of services that operate from Orchard House.

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4.	URGENT ITEMS	
	Nil	
5.	NEXT MEETING	
	Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> Decembe <del>r at 1.00pm in the Com</del> Monday, 28 <sup>th</sup> November at 1.00 pm in the Co	<del>mittee Room</del> ommittee Room

MEETING CLOSED AT 2.55 PM

#### CITY OF ARMADALE

# MINUTES

OF THE DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON TUESDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2005 AT 10.00 AM

PRESENT:

Mrs P Hart

City of Armadale Councillor - Chairperson

Mr B Bothma

Southern Districts Support Association

Mrs A Banks Mr R Fisher

Community Representative Community Representative Disability Services Commission

Mr L Hogg Mr T Cutajar

Community Representative

Mr J Glassford

City of Armadale Property Services Manager

APOLOGIES:

Mr I Townson

City of Armadale Building Services Manager

**OBSERVERS:** 

Nil

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms K Wood Mr J Ifould

City of Armadale Community Services Trainee

City of Armadale Community Development

Officer (Seniors & Disabilities) - CD Officer Ms Anita Woodmass Armadale Redevelopment Authority

Public: Nil

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## DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Mr Fisher declared an impartiality interest for item 2.1

### DEPUTATION

Nil

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# DISABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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## 1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 24 JUNE 2005

## 1.1 Ordinary Meeting 2 August 2005

## RESOLVED

The minutes of the Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting held on 2 August 2005, are confirmed.

Moved:

Mr Cutaiar

Seconded:

Mr Fisher

## CARRIED (7/0)

## 1.2 Special Meeting 9 August 2005

The minutes of the Special Disability Advisory Committee (DAC) meeting held on 9 August 2005 were reported to be incomplete and that the item would need to be carried forward.

Moved:

Cr Hart

Seconded:

Mr Bothma

CARRIED (7/0)

## 2. BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

## 2.1 Armadale Train Station

Mr Fisher declared an impartiality interest due to his involvement with the Blind Citizens' Association of WA. Mr Fisher stayed in the room.

## Mr Fisher moved that:

'Due to limited response received by himself on the Committee's behalf from the Public Transport Authority (PTA) in regards to the progress of works at the Armadale Train Station involving the installation of tactile paving and directional finders, the City pursue the matter at a higher level'

Cr Hart moved that this motion be supported in full with the amendment as follows:

'Due to limited response received by himself on the Committee's behalf from the Public Transport Authority (PTA) in regards to the progress of works at the Armadale Train Station involving the installation of tactile paving and directional finders, the City pursue the matter through the Community Services Committee and Council'

Mr Fisher supported this amendment to his original motion.

Moved:

Mr Fisher

Seconded:

Mr Glassford

CARRIED (7/0)

#### 2.2 City Centre Access Issues

The CD Officer reported that the decision that needed to be made was related to the course of action needed to be taken by the City and/or the DAC in relation to the issues highlighted on the walk through of the City Centre on the 19<sup>th</sup> of August. The CD Officer informed Members that from a Strategic standpoint the matter fell under the City's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) 2005-2009 and that he had been informed that a report from the DAC/Community Services Department was required by the Design, Traffic & Development Division of the Technical Services Department before further action could be taken.

The CD Officer stated that the intent of inviting all the key stakeholders along was to avoid having to do this due to lack of professional knowledge and experience in this area. The CD Officer advised that as a result he had taken limited notes and would need to make arrangements with the relevant persons to acquire these details.

Based on the CD Officer's report to the Committee Mr Cutajar moved that:

"The CD Officer makes the necessary arrangements and steps to progress the issues as highlighted during the City Centre walk through and as discussed previously at Committee level"

Moved:

Mr Cutajar

Seconded:

Mr Glassford

CARRIED (7/0)

## 2.3 Transport for Students Update

Mr Hogg moved that:

"The issue of transport for students be explored in relation to the City's DAIP, and reported back to the Committee, whilst further investigation is undertaken by himself through relevant contacts"

Mr Hogg reported that some progress was being made in relation to the Education Department covering the shortfall of funds available to students with disabilities created through limitations of HACC transport programs. Mr Hogg informed Members that students could acquire transport through the Taxi User Subsidy Scheme but that this was not generally available to address school transport and that the only other avenue was to go directly to the Minister to seek support.

Mrs Banks tabled a media release with details about a similar service in Joondalup that could be used during investigations.

Moved: Seconded: Mr Hogg Mrs Banks

CARRIED (7/0)

#### 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS

## 3.1 Announcements by the Chair

The Chairperson moved that:

- (a) 'The Committee to meet on a monthly basis, excluding January, for a trial period of 12 months and re-evaluate this change at that time'

  AND
- (b) 'The Committee to meet at 9am instead of 10am'

The Chairperson proposed that the main purpose for the change to a monthly basis is to better monitor strategies within the City's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2005-2009, attend to and make recommendations on matters affecting the City in a timelier manner, and enable more efficient meetings of the Committee. The Chairperson added that the change in time would be a more practical one being that it is not such an in-between time for Officers and organisational representatives.

The CD Officer added that the proposed change did not affect the Terms of Reference of the Committee to the degree that a formal recommendation to Council was required.

All Committee Members agreed that the proposed changes would not negatively affect their participation.

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Moved: Cr Hart Seconded: Mr Fisher

CARRIED (7/0)

## 3.2 COA Community Development Officer Report

#### 3.2.1 Media Watch

The CD Officer tabled three local newspaper articles for Members' interests.

## 3.2.2 Armadale Community Safety Plan Update

The CD Officer reported that the Plan was endorsed by Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> of September after due consideration of all comments received from advisory committees, including the DAC. The CD Officer notified Members that it would be available on the City's website soon with the launch of the plan on the 27<sup>th</sup> of October.

## 3.2.3 Metro South Commonwealth Carer Respite Centre – Older Carers Program

For Members' information the CD Officer revealed that the Australian Red Cross has undergone a restructure whereby the support for this program has been cut to one home visit only. The CD Officer added that there is only one Commonwealth Carelink Centre in the Southern area now with Metro South West lost. The CD Officer informed members that they are looking into making their brochures available via email.

## 3.2.4 Disability Service Commission – disAbility Update Newsletter

The CD Officer advised that he would get the IT Department at the City to convert the next Newsletter to PDF and forward to members and relevant contacts.

## 3.2.5 Wayfinding Australia Pty Ltd - Symposium

The CD Officer reported that there was no further update on this item.

#### 3.2.6 Caring into the Future Book

The CD Officer informed members that there were three copies now available, one in each of the City's Libraries.

#### 3.2.7 Rates Notices

The CD Officer notified members that these had gone out on the 26<sup>th</sup> of August and included an information booklet. The CD Officer explained that although there was no specific reference to keeping pathways clear in consideration for people with disabilities the first paragraph, in the Rubbish Collection section on page 21 of the booklet, was very clear and included a picture and diagrams showing the correct placement of bins and rubbish away from the footpath. The CD Officer also pointed out that the Rates Notices themselves had strategically placed bin placement information that would be 'hard to miss' as well.

### 3.2.8 DAC Promotional Brochure

No update.

## 3.2.9 Correspondence Received

The CD Officer tabled the following for Members' interests:

- Heritage Individual and Family Support Association Notice of AGM
- As We Are Art Exhibition Flier
- COA Disability Service Plan Public Comment Response
- Independent Living Centre Equipment for Living Grant Notice
- International Day of People with DisAbility Letter and Poster
- Accessible Communities Award Letter and Brochure
- Kalparrin Cares September Newsletter

## 3.3 Disability Services Commission - Local Area Coordination (LAC) Update

Nothing further to report.

## 3.4 Southern District Support Association (SDSA) Update

Mr Bothma reported that the SDSA had acquired some new computers for their day centre and was currently looking at issues surrounding lack of volunteers.

## 3.5 Community Representative Update

## 3.5.1 Main Roads WA Pedestrian Advisory Group Update

Mr Fisher advised that the next meeting of this group was scheduled for the  $18^{\text{th}}$  of October.

## 3.5.2 Roadwise Committee Update

Nothing to report.

## 3.5.3 Member Updates

Nothing to report.

## 3.6 COA Development & Technical Services Updates

Nothing to report.

## 3.7 ARA Update

Ms Woodmass informed Members that there was a delay in getting the Smartcard facilities at the Armadale Train Station but that next stage of the development was about to get under way. Ms Woodmass indicated that stage two would ensure direct access to the platform with the bus stops a lot closer to help meet connections. Ms Woodmass reported that they were still negotiating with the Public Transport Authority about the location of car parks. Ms Woodmass also mentioned that as part of this development there would be some work on a reserve area and would include apartment style housing. Ms Woodmass indicated that the later stages of this development some government buildings would be built but that these were at least two years away from starting.

Ms Woodmass informed Members that after the special meeting on the 9<sup>th</sup> of August the ASRA had drafted a letter to the City regarding the Jull Street Access Issues raised. The feedback received from the City advised that in all instances vehicle access had right of way. Ms Woodmass added that the Access way between Cash Converters and the Commonwealth Bank on Jull Street would be closed by ING when Whitehead Lane was completed and opened to traffic.

## 4 NEXT MEETING

The next Meeting of DAC will be held on Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> December at 10am

**MEETING CLOSED AT 11.20AM** 

## MINNAWARRA FESTIVAL COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES**

OF THE MINNAWARRA FESTIVAL COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 2 AUGUST 2005 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM AT THE CITY OF ARMADALE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM.

## 1. COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1.1 Council at its meeting held on 7 June 2005 resolved (C48/5/05) and (T53/5/05) to appoint the following Councillor representation on the Minnawarra Festival Committee:

Cr J A Stewart

Cr A L Cominelli

Cr R Butterfield

(Deputy)

Cr G Best

(Deputy

- 1.2 Council at its meeting held on 7 June 2005 (C49/5/05) resolved to:
  - 1. Amend the Minnawarra Festival Committee Terms of Reference to reduce the number of Community Representative positions from 5 to 2.
  - 2. Appoint the following persons to the Minnawarra Festival Committee:
    - Mr Gordon Mason (Armadale Kelmscott Lions Club);
    - Mr John Lemmey (Rotary Club of Armadale);
    - Mr Paul Jones (Armadale Tourist Centre);
    - Ms Bree Hartley (Community Representative);
    - Ms Lesley Murray (Community Representative)

Council is appreciative of the donation of time given by the nominated members for the two-year period 2005-2007.

## RESOLVED

That the information be received.

## ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

The Manager Recreation Services invited nominations for the position of Presiding

John Lemmey nominated Cr Alison Cominelli and Cr Cominelli accepted the nomination.

#### **Presiding Member** 2.1

#### RESOLVED

That Cr Alison Cominelli be elected to the position as Presiding Member of the Minnawarra Festival Committee for the period up until the next Local Government elections in May 2007.

Cr Cominelli assumed the Chair and invited nominations for the position of Deputy Presiding Officer. Cr Jim Stewart was nominated for the position and accepted the nomination.

#### 2.2 **Deputy Presiding Member**

## RESOLVED

That Cr Jim Stewart be elected to the position as Deputy Presiding Member of the Minnawarra Festival Committee for the period up until the next local Government elections in May 2007.

## ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

## **Present**

Cr A Cominelli Cr J Stewart

City of Armadale City of Armadale Rotary Club of Armadale John Lemmey

Paul Jones

Community Representative

Patrick Quinlivan Bree Hartley

City of Armadale Community Representative

## **Apologies**

Melanie Green

## DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

## 5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

#### RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Minnawarra Festival Committee of 26 April 2005, be confirmed.

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING

#### 6.1 Art Exhibition

The Chair advised the Committee of a Memorandum that she had received from the Executive Director of Community Services that clarified the role of the Committee with regard to the Art Exhibition.

The Memorandum explained that whilst the Art Exhibition was an important feature of the Festival, the organization of the Exhibition and the finances associated with the exhibition were separate to the running of the Festival. The Festival Committee would continue to be kept informed of the progress of the Art Exhibition but it was outside the Committee's role to be directly involved with the organisation of the event.

The Memo also advised that although there were no plans for the exhibition to run separately to the Festival, the option remained open for Council to consider this in the future. General discussion took place regarding this matter and the Committee expressed its support for the continuation of the current scheduling of the Festival and the exhibition, which was seen to benefit both events.

## RESOLVED

That the Committee supports the continuation of the current arrangement whereby the Minnawarra Festival and Minnawarra Art Award are jointly conducted in early April each year.

## 7. ALLOCATION OF PORTFOLIOS

## RESOLVED

That portfolios be allocated as follows:

Multicultural Zone	Lesley Murray
Amusement Rides and Amenities	John Lemmey
Art Exhibition	Events Coordinator
Children's Activities	Events Coordinator, Bree Hartley
Craft Vending	Paul Jones
Displays and Exhibits	Events Coordinator
Entertainment	Cr Stewart, Events

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	Coordinator & Bree Hartley
Finance	Events Coordinator
Marketing and sponsorship	Events Coordinator
Youth Zone	<b>Events Coordinator</b>
Seniors' Activities	<b>Events Coordinator</b>
Site Set up/Pack Away	Committee

## 8. PORTFOLIO REPORTS

#### 8.1 Multicultural Zone

Nil report

## 8.2 Amusement Rides and Amenities

Nil report

## 8.3 Art Exhibition

Nil report

## 8.4 Children's Activities

Nil report

## 8.5 Craft Vending

Nil report

## 8.6 Displays and Exhibits

Committee members were requested to be on the look out for any vendors or displays that would be suitable for the festival and pass the information on to the Events Coordinator.

## 8.7 Entertainment

Committee members were requested to be on the look out for any acts or performers that would be suitable for the festival and pass the information on to the Events Coordinator.

## 8.8 Finance

Nil report

## 5.9 Marketing and sponsorship

Nil report

## 5.10 Youth Zone

The Manager Recreation Services advised that a grant application had been submitted to Healthway requesting a \$10,000 grant to run a series of "Kids" arts activities.

## 5.11 Seniors' Activities

Nil report

## 5.12 Site set up/pack away

Nil report

## 9. CORRESPONDENCE

#### **Inwards**

## **Outwards**

Healthway - grant application

## 10. GENERAL BUSINESS

## 10.1 Site Layout

General discussion took place and Committee suggested that the food vendors all be located in the area of the Park near the Orchard Avenue pathway entrance and the large shade tree.

## 10.2 Interactive Zone

Discussion took place on the advantages and disadvantages of the Interactive Zone being set up either as a separate area with its own stage, or the activities being integrated into the Festival. In the past it had worked well in the amphitheatre, but apparently there were concerns with the location of the transportable toilets and that site was not favoured.

Committee suggested that further discussions take place with Lesley Murray and Community Arts Network to try and work out the best way forward.

The Manager Recreation Services advised that a request had been received for the City to provide \$9,600 for the Interactive Zone. The Minnawarra Festival budget did not provide scope to fund this request.

### RESOLVED

That further discussions take place with Lesley Murray and Community Arts Network to work out the most appropriate way to present the Interactive Zone.

## 11. NEXT MEETING

To be held on Tuesday, 4 October 2005, commencing at 6.00 pm.

# 12. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 7.20pm

## ARMADALE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES**

## OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CITY OF ARMADALE FUNCTION ROOM ON MONDAY 31st OCTOBER 2005, COMMENCING AT 5:00PM

#### 1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present:

Ms Katie Hully Community Member

Ms Melissa Northcott Cecil Andrews Senior High School

Mr Matthew Baskerville John Wollaston Anglican Community School

Mr David Thoomes Community Member

Mr Leighton Cotter Roleystone District High School Armadale Senior High School Mr Borun Murray

Ms Megan Farr Community Development Officer - Youth

Apologies:

Ms Sam Marlowe Community Member Mr Ben Shaw Community Member

Cr. Ruth Butterfield Councillor

#### 2. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

Minutes were not recorded from the last meeting (3/10/05). Quorum was not achieved and the meeting was adjourned.

#### BUSINESS OF THE MEETING 3.

#### 3.1 Overview of Planning Day

YAC members were provided with a draft copy of the YAC Plan (05/06) and were asked to review the document prior to the meeting to ensure that is a true and accurate recording of outcomes from the YAC Planning Day (10/09/05).

All members present at the meeting agreed that the draft YAC Plan (05/06) accurately represented and recorded the outcomes of the YAC Planning Day. The committee confirmed that the draft YAC Plan does not require any alterations and will therefore become the official YAC Plan 05/06 in its current form.

Megan Farr to action.

#### 3.2 **YAC Member ID Badges**

Committee members received a YAC ID badge prior to the meeting and were asked to comment on its style and format. Megan Farr created the badges to enable YAC members to be identifiable during events and activities.

All members present at the meeting approved of the style, format and purpose of the badges. The committee agreed that it is a good idea to have YAC badges for identification during events and activities, and when representing the committee on formal occasions.

YAC members were issued with lanyards and casing for the badges to enable them to be work around the neck.

#### 3.3 Committee Training

Megan Farr reminded committee members that they are booked in for training on Monday the 7<sup>th</sup> of November. Training will be provided by WALGA (Western Australian Local Government Association) on the role of committee members, conduct of meetings and relevance of Advisory Committees in Local Government.

Katie Hully, Melissa Northcott, David Thoomes and Leighton Cotter indicated that they would be attending the training. Matthew Baskerville is unable to attend as he has an exam the following day. Borun Murray was not sure if he would be able to attend.

## 3.4 Forrestdale Urban Art Project: Youth Event - Saturday 29th

YAC members were invited to attend the event and assist with the painting and sausage sizzle. Melissa Northcott and Cr Ruth Butterfield were present on the day.

The event did not attract as many young people as desired. Saturday mornings may not be the most appropriate time for events as many young people have sporting commitments.

The project will continue with another date planned in late November for further painting at the skate park. A group of young people present on the day were very interested in painting 'Grind Zone' on one of the ramps and will submit a design idea for consideration.

## 3.5 Youth Concert - March 06

A summer concert was discussed during the YAC Planning Day. An event has been proposed for March 06 to be conducted in partnership with Armadale Youth Resources. The following preliminary details were discussed;

Format of event

- Battle of the Band competition, supported by a couple of established acts and interactive workshops
- All genres of music welcome individual, duo or group
- · Call for Battle of the Bands submissions to begin late November
  - YAC School Representatives to promote within their respective schools.
     Megan to produce a flyer for distribution

## Location/Date

- Possibly John Dunn Oval (Megan to investigate)
- Concert March 18th
- Heats March 10<sup>th</sup>
  - o Katie Hully suggested that the heats be held at Heritage FM. Katie to follow-up and report at next meeting.

Tasks to be completed before the next meeting

- Confirmation of dates and location (Megan Farr)
- Confirmation of heats (Katie Hully)
- Identification of potential judges (David Thoomes)
- Contact with Rip it Up Youth Inc (Megan Farr)
- Initial advertising within schools (Megan Farr)

Further planning of the event will continue at the next meeting.

## 4. FURTHER BUSINESS

No further business

## 5. NEXT MEETING

28 November 2005, 5pm

## 7. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 6.20pm



#### CITY OF ARMADALE

# MINUTES

OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE FUNCTION ROOM, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON MONDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2005 AT 5.00 PM

PRESENT:

Cr R Butterfield

Councillor

Ms Katie Hully

Community Member

Ms Melissa Northcott

Cecil Andrews SHS Representative

Ms Carol Surgeon

Community Member

Mr Leighton Cotter Mr David Thoomes Roleystone DHS Rrepresentative Community Representative

Mr Rohan Pickett

Community Member

Mr Matthew Baskerville John Wollaston Anglican Community School

Representative (Chair)

APOLOGIES:

Mr Ben Shaw

Community Member

Ms Sam Marlowe Mr Ben Ritacca

Community Member Community Member

**OBSERVERS:** 

Nil

N ATTENDANCE:

Ms Megan Farr

City of Armadale Community Development

Officer (Youth)

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# **DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**

Nil.

#### 1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

#### 1.1 Ordinary Meeting – 31 October 2005

RESOLVED

Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee meeting held on 31st October 2005, are confirmed.

Moved:

Ms Melissa Northcott

Seconded: Ms Katie Hully

CARRIED

#### 2. BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

#### 2.1 New Member

Ben Ritacca has recently expressed interest in joining the YAC as a Community Representative. Unfortunately Ben was unable to attend the meeting due to school commitments. Ben will endeavour to attend the Advisory Committee Recognition Evening.

## 2.2 Armadale Battle of the Bands Competition - Name of Event

Carol Surgeon moved the decision to change the name of the youth Battle of the Bands event from 'Live and Loud' to 'Rock n Dale'. The committee unanimously support the name change and agree that 'Rock n Dale' is a catchy title which is appropriate for the event. Rock n Dale was also preferred over Live and Loud as it makes reference to the Armadale region. Advertising and promotion of the event will now commence following the decision to call the event 'Rock n Dale'.

Cr Butterfield suggested that that title 'Rock n Dale' may not be well received by Council and the community. Cr Butterfield felt that the word 'Rock' may give people the impression that the event is limited to rock music and that 'Dale' may lead to people from suburbs such as Kelmscott and Roleystone feeling excluded.

The YAC took these suggestions on board but decided to go ahead with 'Rock n Dale'. The YAC is of the opinion that 'Rock n Dale' will appeal more to young people, and that any issues with exclusion can be avoided through marketing and promotion.

Moved:

Carol Surgeon

Seconded:

Leighton Cotter

**CARRIED** 

#### 2.3 Armadale Battle of the Bands Competition - Date, Location and Time of Event.

Megan Farr suggested holding the event during National Youth Week 2006 (1-9 April) at the City of Armadale's Minnawarra Festival (1 and 2 April). The Office of Children and Young People is offering grants for activities held during National Youth Week. Funds could be accessed through this grant to support the event and allow for additional activities to create a 'youth space'. Conducting the event at the Minnawarra Festival would assist with promotion and reduce costs associated with venue hire and support services (toilets, security etc).

Katie Hully moved the decision to hold the Battle of the Bands competition at the Minnawarra Festival after the YAC unanimously voted in favour of the suggestion. David Thoomes suggested including a number of youth attractions (such as interactive workshops and displays) in the youth zone to create a hub of activity and increase appeal. Megan Farr will look into incorporating a range of activities and events at the festival, and will discuss with Mal Osbourne and CANWA for ideas and assistance.

Megan Farr also suggested that it would be a good experience for the YAC to be involved in preparing the grant application for the Office of Children and Young People. Megan will bring the application form to the next meeting to work through together.

Moved:

Katie Hully

Seconded:

Melissa Northcott

CARRIED

# 2.4 YAC 'Drama Armour' Workshop

The YAC reviewed the information provided in the agenda on the 'Drama Armour' workshop. The committee all voted to participate in the workshop as a team building activity. Megan Farr to follow-up.

Moved:

Carol Surgeon

Seconded:

Katie Hully

CARRIED

#### 3. INFORMATION ITEMS

# 3.1 2006 Youth Careers Expo

Megan Farr informed members that planning for next year's Careers Expo is underway. The 2006 Armadale Youth Careers Expo will be held at Armadale Senior High School in August. High Schools in the City of Armadale and surrounding regions will be invited to send students to the event. The Careers Expo will include information on employment, training, apprenticeships and tertiary education opportunities. The event will include a combination of information stalls, interactive displays, live presentations,

workshops and entertainment. Feedback and input from the YAC will be requested in the lead up to the event.

#### 3.2 Skate Park/Youth Precinct

Megan Farr informed the committee that Council has approved the release of funds to go towards a feasibility study for a Skate Park/Youth Precinct in central Armadale. Additional funds will also be sourced to match Council's contribution and allow for the employment of a Consultant to conduct the study. The study will determine if a 'Youth Precinct' is feasible for the Armadale region and cover aspects such as location, community support, management, cost and on-going maintenance.

Megan Farr also commented on recent skate activity in the CBD. The number of skaters in the Jull Street mall has increased and, unfortunately, these skaters have shown disrespect to the Authorities and the general public. Council does not approve of this behaviour and, as a result, is re-considering their support for a central skate park. Council does not want a central skate park to attract more of this antisocial behaviour and is therefore hesitant about its construction.

The YAC understands Council's concerns and believes that, in order to prevent any antisocial behaviour, the skate park must be a supervised facility with restricted/monitored access. Katie Hully suggested that a skate park could in fact assist the Rangers with nuisance skaters as they could re-direct them to the park, therefore providing them with a reasonable alternative to skating in the mall. The skaters could no longer use the excuse 'there's nowhere to skate in Armadale'. The YAC again voiced their support for a centrally located multi-purpose youth centre (including a youth health centre, counselling services, career advice, internet café etc) attached to a skate park. Cr Butterfield suggested that the YAC make a motion to Council to express their support for the facility.

#### 3.3 Feedback - Advisory Committee Training

Megan Farr requested feedback from the committee in regards to the WA Local Government Association Training session attending by the committee.

The YAC generally agreed that the training was worthwhile. All members learnt something new about Local Government and the role that Advisory Committees play in the Council decision making process. Many members also commented on the value of learning how the City of Armadale operates and interacts with Council (including guiding principles and staff accountability). The YAC are more informed about their role, responsibility and influence within the organisation.

Several members did comment on the delivery of the training. The YAC feels that the training would've been more effective is it included some hands on and interactive activities. The YAC struggled to maintain interest and take in everything that was said.

Cr Butterfield suggested that it may be worth having a follow-up training session for YAC members who did not attend the initial training. Cr Butterfield would also be interested in further training to cover in greater depth the role of Local Government, Council and Advisory Committees.

# 3.4 Advisory Committee Sundowner with Council

Megan Farr reminded the YAC about the Advisory Committee Sundowner with Council on the 20<sup>th</sup> of December. Council wishes to acknowledge Advisory Committee Members for their hard work and commitment to the community and the City of Armadale. It is also proposed that a YAC member make a brief presentation at the event to provide an overview of up-coming YAC initiatives.

Melissa Northcott volunteered to deliver the presentation. The YAC agreed that Melissa should do the presentation. Megan Farr will work with Melissa to prepare a brief speech for the evening.

#### 4. URGENT ITEMS

There are no Urgent Items to report

# 5. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting was declared closed at 6.45pm

The next meeting is 30th January 2006, 5pm Function Room



# PUBLIC HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

# **MINUTES**

# THURSDAY 4<sup>th</sup> August 2005 – 7:00PM BIRTWISTLE LOCAL STUDIES LIBRARY

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# 1 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES, LEAVE OF ABSENCE & DISCLAIMER

Member /Deputy Member	Affiliations
Mrs Faye Clay	Public History Friends Group
Mr Kim Fletcher	Community Representative
Mr Terry Holton	Community Representative
Ms Hazel James	Community Representative
Ms Kath Coulthard	Armadale and Districts Brickworks Preservation Group Inc.
Mrs Colleen Fancote	Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc.
Linton Reynolds	City of Armadale, Council Representative
David Smith	Heritage Country Tourist Association Inc.
Staff	
Ms Patricia Walker	City of Armadale, Manager Libraries & Heritage
Mr Christen Bell	City of Armadale, Museum Curator
Mrs Lorraine Pearce	City of Armadale, Acting Historian/ Local Studies Librarian
Miss Maureen Chew	Systems Librarian

#### **APOLOGIES**

Member /Deputy Member	Affiliations
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# 2 DISCLOSURES OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Members and employees must disclose any financial interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting (Sections 5.65 & 5.70 of the *Local Government Act 1995*). Sections 5.65 & 5.70 do not apply if an interest arises only because the person is a member of a body with non-profit making objects.

# 3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

If members of the public are present, Council's disclaimer should be read before questions are invited.

#### 4 DEPUTATIONS

Non-member groups or individuals who wish to comment on items raised in this Agenda or to raise other matters of concern can do so at this time. Please contact the City's Acting Historian/Local Studies Librarian – Lorraine Pearce who can be reached by telephone on 9399 0641or by e-mail on <a href="mailto:lpearce@armadale.wa.gov.au">lpearce@armadale.wa.gov.au</a>

#### 5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

**Moved:** Mr Terry Holton – subject to alteration of Committee name where it appeared in the confirmation of the previous minutes as History House Management Committee instead of Public History Advisory Committee.

Seconded: Mrs Faye Clay.

That the Minutes of the Public History Advisory Committee held on Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> April 2005 be confirmed.

# 6 PERFORMANCE INDICATOR REPORTS

Presented to the committee as a tabled item in a new format with the suggestion that the proposed format be used in the future.

#### Agreed:

The new format was a functional way to present History House Museum and Birtwistle Local Studies Library statistics.

The question was raised as to why the number of visitors to History House Museum was less than the same time last year.

This was attributed to the need for staff to have police clearances resulting in school groups not visiting the museum and library in 2005.

#### 7 BUSINESS ARISING (From Previous Minutes)

## 7.1 Election of Committee Positions.

Mrs Patricia Walker called for nominations.

- Mr Terry Holton moved that Mr Kim Fletcher continue as Chairperson. The motion was seconded by Ms Hazel James and accepted by Mr Fletcher.
- Mr Terry Holton nominated Ms Hazel James for the position of Deputy Chair. The motion was seconded by Mr Kim Fletcher and accepted by Ms James.

# 7.2 History of the City Rewrite.

Mrs Patricia Walker informed the committee that the history of the City rewrite is on the project budget shortlist to be decided upon when the end of year financial position is determined.

# 7.3 Kelmscott's 175th Anniversary.

Mr Christen Bell presented a written report.

Mr Terry Holton queried the hiring of a steam train and was informed that it was considered too expensive, the cost being \$8,000.

Mrs Patricia Walker advised on that the anniversary celebrations program needed to be approved by Council and that an agenda item would be considered at the Community Services Committee meeting of 23 August .

Options for advertising outside of the local district were considered with an ABC radio interview and Channel 31 suggested.

Mr Christen Bell recommended that Public Relations Coordinator Catherine Buck organise flyers.

Mr Terry Holton questioned the involvement of a vintage car group and was informed by Mr Christen Bell that he had been unsuccessful in reaching the necessary people.

Cr Linton Reynolds made the suggestion that the Battye Library and Perth Museum be approached for any assistance they may be able to give.

#### 7.4 Memorial Plaques for Parks.

Mrs Patricia Walker presented a draft copy for Kuhl and Rushton Parks.

#### Agreed:

The wording can be condensed by shortening dates using years without months and using the word Council instead of the full title of Armadale-Kelmscott Shire Council.

An agenda item will be presented to the 23 August Community Services Committee meeting seeking Council endorsement of the wording.

Wording for the Cross Park plaque is the next priority as this can be financed with money allocated for the development of the Park.

# 8 BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

#### 8.1 Signage for Minnawarra Historic Precinct.

Mr Christen Bell and Mrs Lorraine Pearce sought the Committees input on more adequate signage in the Minnawarra Historic Precinct, in particular the Birtwistle Local Studies Library.

Mr Christen Bell suggested the following:

Interpretation of the site with information on the buildings and the park. This
would enable visitors to the precinct to enjoy the history without the library
and museum being open.

 The application for a grant that will enable a skilled person to be employed for the task.

#### Agreed:

That Mr Christen Bell prepares a project proposal with associated costing.

# 9 ANNOUNCEMENTS & REPORTS

# 9.1 Public History Friends Group update - Mrs Faye Clay.

Mrs Faye Clay expressed thanks to Council for the Christmas in July lunch and the support shown by Council in recognising the work volunteers contribute to the running of the City's heritage services.

# 9.2 Armadale & Districts Brickworks Preservation Group Inc. update – Ms Kath Coulthard

- The group will be moving from their current premises to the Dale Cottages.
- A talk is to be given at the Armadale Primary School that will involve the children participating in brick making

# 9.3 Western Australian Genealogical Society Inc. update - Mrs Colleen Fancote

Mrs Lorraine Pearce to present talk about the role of local studies libraries in September 2005 at a seminar organised by the W.A. Genealogical society.

# 9.4 Heritage Country Tourism Association Inc. update - Mr David Smith.

- The Young Australia League Centennial Celebration timetable is to be produced.
- Mr Christen Bell has contacted the Young Australia League regarding a display and is waiting for a response.
- Armadale has been accepted as the first stage of the Harvest Highway.
- · An Autumn in Armadale festival may possibly be organised.

#### 9.5 Community Representative updates

#### 9.5.1 Mr Kim Fletcher -

Proposal for filling in the Armadale Dale Quarry with a committee to be formed by Council. Cr Linton Reynolds informed that the main purpose in filling in the site was for safety reasons.

#### 9.5.2 Mrs Hazel James -

Ms Hazel James enquired about the progress of obtaining police clearances for the History House Museum Curator and Birtwistle Local Studies Library Librarian.

Mrs Patricia Walker will further liaise with the City's Human Resources Manager who is progressing this matter inline with new legislation.

# 9.5 City of Armadale, Council Representative Update. No report.

# 9.6 City of Armadale Officer updates.

# 9.7.1 Oral History Update.

Mrs Lorraine Pearce informed the committee that three interviews had been completed involving the dismissal of Matron Olive Galliers in 1964. With permission from Miss Olive Galliers the interviews will be used to promote the oral history programme on completion of the transcripts.

# 10 NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of PHAC will be held on Thursday, 6th October 2005 at 7.00 pm

**MEETING CLOSED AT 8.15PM** 

