

ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
14 April 2009

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CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF ORDINARY MEETING OF THE ARMADALE CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 7 ORCHARD AVENUE, ARMADALE ON TUESDAY, 14 APRIL 2009 COMMENCING AT 7.07 PM

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Mayor, Cr Reynolds, declared the meeting open at 7.07 pm.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES / LEAVE OF ABSENCE
(previously approved)**

PRESENT:

Mayor, Cr L Reynolds AM JP presided over	Heron Ward
Deputy Mayor, Cr J Munn JP CMC	Lake Ward
Cr C J MacDonald	Lake Ward
Cr J Knezevich	Minnawarra Ward
Cr G Best	Neerigen Ward
Cr R J Tizard	Neerigen Ward
Cr H A Zelones JP	River Ward
Cr R Butterfield	River Ward
Cr L Scidone	Jarraah Ward
Cr P J Hart	Jarraah Ward
Cr J Everts	Palomino Ward
Cr W Mauger	Palomino Ward
Cr J A Stewart CMC	Heron Ward

IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr R S Tame	Chief Executive Officer
Mr A F Maxwell	Executive Director Corporate Services
Mr I MacRae	Executive Director Development Services
Mrs Y Coyne	Executive Director Community Services
Mr N Cain	Executive Manager Business Services
Mr G Davies	Manager Technical Services
Ms Y Ward	CEO's Executive Assistant (Acting)
Ms S Gasior	Executive Assistant – Community Services (Acting)

Public: 3
Press: Nil

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Leave of Absence previously granted to Crs Lethbridge.

APOLOGIES:

Nil

**3 ADVICE OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS
TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

6 PETITIONS

6.1 Petition for an Off Road Vehicle Area in the City of Armadale

Cr MacDonald tabled a petition signed by 137 residents, the prayer of which reads:

“We the residents and ratepayers of the City of Armadale, that have signed below, request the City of Armadale resolve to commence an inquiry into providing an area designated for the use of off-road vehicles including trail bikes and quad bikes within the City.

Providing a designated area would help to reduce the problems associated with the current off-road vehicle use in the City including safety concerns for the off-road vehicle users and others in areas used by them, damage to private and public property and unlawful use of the vehicles generally.”

MOVED Cr Butterfield that the petition be received and referred to the Development Services Committee.

77/4/2009

MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED

(13-0)

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

7.1 PREVIOUS ORDINARY MEETING OF COUNCIL
HELD ON 23 MARCH 2009

MOVED Cr Stewart that the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 23 March 2009 be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

78/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

8.1 Member of Parliament & Mayoral Bike Ride

This year's Member of Parliament & Mayoral Bike Ride was held on 24 March 2009 in the City of Sterling and attended by myself, Cr Zelones, Cr Best, and Mr Bruce. It has been suggested that Armadale, with a ride finishing at Champion Lakes, be the venue for next year. Our flat course will make up for the savage hill inflicted on us this year at Greenwood.

8.2 State Parliamentary Red Tape Reduction Group

On 25 March 2009, Mr Tame, Mr MacRae, Mr Bruce, and the Mayor, met with the State Parliamentary Red Tape Reduction Group to discuss examples of how State and Local Government Regulations could be reduced to speed up approval processes for a wide range of licences and clearances.

8.3 Launch of the PV Plus Switch your Thinking

On 26 March 2009, the Mayor attended the PV Plus (photo voltaic) Switch your Thinking launch in Welshpool, along with Mayors of other Councils involved in the competition. At that time, Armadale led with 7 installations to no more than 2 for any of the others. Currently, Armadale has 10 installations generating 13 kilowatts compared to the closest competitor Gosnells with 5, followed by Serpentine-Jarrahdale with 2, and Victoria Park with 1. No Belmont or South Perth resident has yet connected.

8.4 Meeting with Mr Mark Congerton

On 27 March 2009, along with Mr MacRae, the Mayor met with Mr Mark Congerton who is a relatively significant private large land owner in Forrestdale Stage 3 to discuss community type uses for some parcels of his land affected by zoning boundaries in the cell bounded by Armadale Road.

8.5 Inaugural Head of the River – Champion Lakes

On 28 March 2009, along with others, the Mayor attended the inaugural Head of the River at Champion Lakes. A crowd estimated at between 8 and 10,000 people enjoyed a high quality spectacle. A highlight was that never before have spectators been so close to the action with courses on the Canning River, and before that the Swan River, much further from spectators. It is understood that a lot of people who had opposed the shift in venue are now won over.

However, some parking issues, particularly within the existing residential neighbourhood near the finish line, need tightening up for these large events, and traffic congestion on the Tonkin Highway needs to be carefully managed.

8.6 Armadale Christian College Hills Heartbeat Festival

Also on 28 March 2009, Cr Munn attended the Armadale Christian College Hills Heartbeat Festival with Cr Tizard.

8.7 Roleystone Bushfire Awareness Meeting

On 29 March 2009, Crs Hart and Scidone attended the Roleystone Bushfire Awareness meeting along with about 120 locals. Our thanks go to Mr Watkins for organising a strong line up of speakers from FESA.

8.8 15 Year Plan Workshop

The first of our 15 Year Plan Workshops was held on 30 March 2009, with a review of the existing Plan and awareness raising of those issues and pressure points that had changed and which need to be built into the revised Plan.

8.9 Networking Barbecue with Local Chambers at Champion Lakes

On 1 April 2009, Cr Zelones and the Mayor attended the networking Barbecue with Local Chambers held at Champion Lakes. While there are some moves to change the way that the local business community is represented, the Mayor, on Council's behalf has suggested that Council will continue its support in whatever form it takes.

8.10 Minnawarra Festival – 4/5 April 2009

Congratulations to the Minnawarra Festival Committee and Council's events staff involved with this year's revamped Festival. Reports received by the Mayor, would indicate that it was very successful.

8.11 Dale Cottages Garden Party

On 5 April 2009, along with Cr MacDonald, the Mayor attended the Dale Cottages Garden Party sponsored by the RSL. This is the first of a number of events designed to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Dale Cottages service provision to senior members of our community.

8.12 Community Grants Program Morning Tea

On 8 April 2009, Cr Munn, Cr Best, and the Mayor attended a morning tea with Community Development staff for those groups that received funds via the second round of this year's Community Grants Program.

9 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN – WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

10 REPORTS

10.1 TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Report of the Technical Services Committee of 6 April 2009.

CORRECTIONS:

Page 4 Recommendation T21/4/09 – Disposal of Green Waste

Insertion of the word “high” in the second line of the recommendation, to read:

“That a report through the City Strategy Committee on the removal and disposal of fuel loading on properties within high fire prone areas be presented so that any costs and any associated risks which might be incurred can be considered in the 2009/10 Budget.”

Page 9 Recommendation T23/4/09 – Bungendore Park Strategic Directions Document

The insertion of the names of Cr Best and Cr Tizard in the second paragraph of text to be added to the list of persons consulted in regard to the Fire Management Plan.

Page 26 Recommendation T25/4/09 – Champion Drive Streetscape – Seville Drive to Williams Road

A new Drawing No. 09-03 was provided in substitution for the one appearing on page 26 of the Minutes.

MOVED Cr Knezevich that the report, subject to the above corrections, be received.

79/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation T28/4/09 – South Western Highway, Armadale – Footpath

MOVED Cr Knezevich that Recommendation T28/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

80/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL (13-0)

Recommendation T31/4/09 – Anti-Graffiti Service Light Commercial Vehicle

MOVED Cr Knezevich that Recommendation T31/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

81/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL (13-0)

MOVED Cr Knezevich that Recommendations T21/4/09 to T33/4/09, except those already dealt with, be adopted.

82/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.2 COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE

Report of the Community Services Committee held on 7 April 2009.

CORRECTION:

Page 4 Recommendation C5/4/09 – Dale Cottages 50 Year Celebrations

Cr Reynolds to be shown as declaring a non-financial interest in Recommendation C5/4/09 as he is “Patron of the Dale Cottages 50 Year Celebrations” not a member of the Dale Cottages Inc. Board.

Page 23 Recommendation C9/4/09 – Budget Variation – Lotterywest Interpretation of Cultural Heritage Grant 2008/09

The word “pursuit” to be amended to “pursuant” in the first line of Recommendation C9/4/09.

Page 40 Recommendation C13/4/09 – Councillors’ Items – Cr Tizard

Recommendation be numbered C13/4/09.

MOVED Cr MacDonald that the report, subject to the above corrections, be received.

83/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REPORT

Recommendation C5/4/09 – Dale Cottages 50 Year Celebrations

Cr Reynolds declared a non financial interest in Recommendation C5/4/09 on the basis that he is the Patron of the Dale Cottages 50 Year Celebrations. As a consequence, there may be a perception that his impartiality on the matter may be affected. Cr Reynolds declared that he would set aside this association, consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

MOVED Cr Macdonald that Recommendation C5/4/09 be adopted.

84/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

Recommendation C7/4/09 – Seville Grove Library Workroom Furniture Upgrade – Budget Variation

MOVED Cr MacDonald that Recommendation C7/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

85/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL (13-0)

Recommendation C8/4/09 – Visitor Centre Upgrades 2009/2010 Draft Budget Inclusions

MOVED Cr MacDonald that Recommendation C8/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

86/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL (13-0)

Recommendation C9/4/09 – Budget Variation – Lotterywest Interpretation of Cultural Heritage Grant 2008/09

MOVED Cr Tizard that Recommendation C9/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

87/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL (13-0)

Recommendation C10/4/09 – Replacement of Armadale Aquatic Centre Pool Cleaner

MOVED Cr MacDonald that Recommendation C10/4/09 be adopted.
SECONDED Cr Munn.

88/4/2009 MOTION DECLARED CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE (13-0)
MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

Recommendation C11/4/09 – Armadale PCYC – Annual Contribution

Cr Mauger declared a non financial interest in Recommendation C11/4/09 on the basis that he is a member of the Armadale PCYC Committee. As a consequence, there may be a perception that his impartiality on the matter may be affected. Cr Mauger declared that he would set aside this association, consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

MOVED Cr MacDonald that Recommendation C11/4/09 be adopted.

89/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

MOVED Cr MacDonald that Recommendations C5/4/09 to C13/4/09, except those already dealt with, be adopted.

90/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.3 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Report of the Chief Executive Officer as at 9 April 2009.

MOVED Cr Butterfield that the Report be received.

91/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

10.3.1 Councillors' Information Bulletin – Issue 6/2009

MOVED Cr Best that Council acknowledge receipt of Issue No. 6/2009 of the Information Bulletin.

92/4/2009 MOTION not opposed, DECLARED CARRIED (13-0)

11 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

**12 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR
 BY DECISION**

Nil

**13 MATTERS FOR REFERRAL TO STANDING COMMITTEES –
WITHOUT DISCUSSION**

Cr Butterfield That the matter of a planning tour be referred to the
Development Services Committee.

14 MATTERS REQUIRING CONFIDENTIAL CONSIDERATION

Nil

15 CLOSURE

The Mayor, Cr Reynolds, declared the meeting closed at 7.23 pm

MINUTES CONFIRMED THIS 28th APRIL 2009

MAYOR