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Shire of Kalamunda

# General Services Committee

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Minutes for 3 July 2006



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## SHIRE OF KALAMUNDA

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Minutes of General Services Committee  
held in the Council Chambers,  
2 Railway Road, Kalamunda  
Monday, 3 July 2006

1.0 OFFICIAL OPENING

1.1 The Chairman opened the Meeting at 7pm and welcomed Councillors staff and members of the public gallery.

2.0 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

**Present**

**Councillors**

E Taylor	(SHIRE PRESIDENT) NORTH WARD
S Blair	NORTH WARD
D McKechnie	NORTH WARD
N Sadler	(CHAIRPERSON) SOUTH WEST WARD
D Sadler	SOUTH WEST WARD
A Morton	SOUTH WEST WARD
P Tonkin	SOUTH WARD
J Giardina	SOUTH WARD
M Casey	NORTH WEST WARD
M Cresswell	NORTH WEST WARD
J Winterhalder	EAST WARD

**Officials**

D Vaughan	CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
G Parslow	EXECUTIVE MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES
K O'Connor	EXECUTIVE MANAGER COMMUNITY SERVICES
S Burrows	EXECUTIVE MANAGER PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES
M Singh	EXECUTIVE MANAGER ENGINEERING SERVICES
B Millan	EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT
R Briede	MANAGER LIBRARY SERVICE
J Smith	MANAGER HEALTH SERVICE
F Lund	MINUTE SECRETARY

**Apologies**

S Bilich

SOUTH WARD

**Observers**

Nil

**Newspapers**Echo  
Hills Gazette

## 3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

*A period of not less than 15 minutes is provided to allow questions from the gallery on matters relating to the functions of this Committee. For the purposes of Minuting, these questions and answers are summarised.*

3.1 Nil

## 4.0 PETITIONS

4.1 **Residents of Yorna Road and surrounding streets, Kalamunda**

Request for the construction of several footpaths.

## 5.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 That the Minutes of the General Services Committee Meeting held on 6 June 2006 is confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings.

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr Tonkin)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 6.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

6.1 **Cr Taylor presented the Chief Executive Officer with a card from Councillors, congratulating him on his new appointment as the Chairperson of the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council's CEO Advisory Group.**

## 7.0 MATTERS FOR WHICH MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

7.1 Nil

## 8.0 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

### Disclosure of Financial and Proximity Interests

- (a) Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting. (Sections 5.60B and 5.65 of the Local Government Act 1995)
- (b) Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting. (Sections 5.70 and 5.71 of the Local Government Act 1995).

### **Item 70 – Traffic Calming, Bruce Road**

Cr N Sadler disclosed a Proximity Interest, as she lives adjacent to Bruce Road.

### **Item 70 – Traffic Calming, Bruce Road**

Cr D Sadler disclosed a Proximity Interest, as he lives adjacent to Bruce Road.

### Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality

- (a) Members and staff must disclose their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting in respect of which the member or employee has given or will give advice.

## 9.0 REPORT TO COUNCIL

### ***Please Note:***

*Strategic and Policy related items are bolded and will be dealt with as the first items of business.*

*Declaration of financial/conflict of interests to be recorded prior to dealing with each item*

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## REPORTS

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### **67. Creditors Accounts Paid For June 2006 (FI-CRS-002) (Corporate Services)**

**Refer Item:**

**Applicant:**

**Owner:**

#### **Purpose of Report**

1. To receive creditors' accounts paid for the month of June 2006.

#### **Background**

2. It is a requirement of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 (Regulation 12) that a list of Creditors' Accounts Paid be compiled each month.
3. This is required to show the payee's name, amount of payment, provide sufficient information to identify the transaction and the date of the meeting of Council to which it is to be presented.

#### **Comments**

4. Accordingly, the list of Creditors paid from 1 June 2006 to 27 June 2006 is attached. ([Attachment 1](#))
5. **Councillors were informed that cheque number 53547 is an adjustment to GST and will be reflected as a reduction in cash assets.**
6. **Cheque number 53636 - Constable Care Child Safety Foundation. A Councillor asked The Executive Manager Community Services to provide clarification for this expenditure, as Council had resolved previously not to support this programme. This question was taken on notice.**
7. **Councillors also asked for additional explanation, regarding cheque numbers 53537, 53592, 53647.**

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 67/2006

1. That the list of Creditors Paid from 1 June 2006 to 27 June 2006 as per ([Attachment 1](#)) be received by Council in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 12 of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Moved: (Cr McKechnie)

Seconded: (Cr Taylor)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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**68. Financial Statements For The Month Ending 31 May 2006  
(FI-SRR-006) (Corporate Services)**

**Refer Item:**

**Applicant:**

**Owner:**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To receive financial and operating statements.

**Background**

2. Attached ([Attachment 1](#)) is the summary of the financial statements for the period ending 31 May 2006. In accordance with Section 34 (1) (e) of the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 a statement showing net assets is included.
3. Additionally, in accordance with the Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996, an operating statement ([Attachment 2](#)) is included for the same period.

**Comments**

4. Nil

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 68/2006

1. That the financial statements and the accompanying operating statement for the period ending 31 May 2006 be received.

Moved: (Cr Winterhalder)

Seconded: (Cr Cresswell)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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*Declaration of financial/conflict of interests to be recorded prior to dealing with each item*

**69. Ray Owen Sports Centre Management Committee - Nomination For Membership**

**(CO-CCS-010) (Community Services)**

**Refer Item: N/A**

**Applicant: Shire of Kalamunda**

**Owner: Shire of Kalamunda**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To accept a nomination for the appointment of a member to the Ray Owen Sports Centre Management Committee.

**Background**

2. Anthony Hemmings has nominated to represent the Kalamunda and Districts Netball Association on the Ray Owen Sports Centre Management Committee.
3. Rules and Guidelines for the Ray Owen Sports Centre Management Committee state that

“the membership of the Management Committee shall not exceed six (6) members, comprising the following members:

- a) Two representatives from the Kalamunda & Districts Netball Association, appointed from a meeting of that Association.
- b) Two representatives from the Kalamunda & Districts Basketball Association, appointed from a meeting of that Association.
- c) Two representatives from the Kalamunda Shire Council, one member being a shire councillor and an appointed non voting staff member.”

**Comments**

4. Kalamunda and Districts Netball Association are currently represented solely by Sue Broad.
5. Anthony has been actively involved in the community and local sport for several years. He is currently the vice president of the Kalamunda and Districts Netball Association.

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COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 69/2006

1. That Council appoint Anthony Hemmings as a member of the Ray Owen Sports Centre Management Committee.

**ABSOLUTE MAJORITY**

Moved: (Cr Tonkin)

Seconded: (Cr Giardina)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

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Cr N Sadler disclosed a Proximity Interest, as she lives adjacent to Bruce Road.  
Cr D Sadler disclosed a Proximity Interest, as he lives adjacent to Bruce Road.

***The Chairperson vacated the Chair at 7.15pm.***

***The Deputy Chairperson took the Chair at 7.15pm.***

***Cr N Sadler left the Council Chambers at 7.15pm.***

***Cr D Sadler left the Council Chambers at 7.15pm.***

**70. Traffic Calming - Bruce Road Maida Vale  
(BR-40/GEN) (Engineering Services)**

**Refer Item:**

**Applicant: Mike Brown**

**Owner:**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To consider a request for the installation of speed humps in Bruce Road Maida Vale.

**Background**

2. A petition was received earlier this year requesting the removal of the existing traffic calming devices in Bruce Road Maida Vale, which was tabled at the General Services Committee meeting of 6 March 2006 (which was later withdrawn by the proponents). This petition contained 11 signatories.
3. Council received another petition requesting the installation of speed humps in Bruce Road Maida Vale, to reduce excessive speeds, which was tabled at the Ordinary Council Meeting of 17 April 2006. The petition contained 20 signatories.
4. Traffic counters were placed in Bruce Road after receipt of the original petition, which provided the following results:

Recorded 85 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed	Recorded Average Speed
63 km/hr	53 km/hr
5. Prior to the installation of the traffic calming devices a traffic count was taken (1999), which provided the following results:

Recorded 85 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed	Recorded Average Speed
76 km/hr	64 km/hr
6. In the five year period from 1 January 2001 to 31 December 2005, there were 3 accidents recorded on Bruce Road, with one of the accidents recorded at the intersection of Sultana Road. Of the two remaining accidents, one accident involved a vehicle colliding with the traffic management device, and one vehicle involved a collision with a power pole.

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**Comments**

7. After the installation of the traffic calming devices, there was a reduction in the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speed of 13 km/hr. Traffic Calming Devices assist in reducing the average and 85<sup>th</sup> percentile speeds in streets, but cannot be designed to control maximum speeds. The traffic count data suggests that these devices have been successful in achieving their purpose, although a small number of vehicles may be continuing to drive beyond the road speed limit and an appropriate speed for the road.
8. Although the installation of speed humps may further reduce vehicle speeds, they are not considered an ideal device due to the effect on ambulances and patient transport vehicles. Additionally, speed humps create increased road noise through the breaking, accelerating, and suspension 'bounce' of each vehicle. This problem is likely to be worse where a speed problem already exists with some vehicles accelerating and breaking 'hard' and crossing the speed hump at higher speeds.
9. The small number of accidents on Bruce Road are not statistically significant, indicating a driver fault in each case.
10. In view of the effect the existing devices have had on reducing vehicle speeds in Bruce Road, and the conflicting requests received for removal and installation of additional traffic calming devices at this location, it is recommended that no further action be taken with regard to these devices.
11. **Ward Members were invited to the meetings related to this issue. Unfortunately due to prior commitments, they were unable to attend.**

## COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL

GS 70/2006

1. That no further action be taken to remove or install additional traffic calming devices in Bruce Road Maida Vale.

Moved: (Cr Taylor)

Seconded: (Cr Blair)

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY***Cr N Sadler returned to the Council Chambers at 7.16pm.**Cr D Sadler returned to the Council Chambers at 7.16pm.**The Deputy Chairperson vacated the Chair at 7.16pm.**The Chairperson took the Chair at 7.16pm.*

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10.0 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS OF WHICH DUE NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

10.1 Nil

11.0 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS WITHOUT NOTICE

11.1 Shell Site – Corner Railway Road and Mead Street, Kalamunda (Cr Taylor)

Q. I was requested on the weekend to find out what is happening in relation to the Shell site. It still hasn't been cleaned up. What can be done about this Shell site to clean it up?

A. The CEO responded that it is private property, and there is no formal basis for Council would be involved. The meeting was informed that no further action has taken place since this matter was last dealt with in Council and that the site does not constitute a fire hazard.

11.2 Canning Road and Heath Road Intersection – Request for Engineers Report (Cr McKechnie)

Q. Can the Council have an Engineering Department report on the Canning/Heath Road intersection? The reason I ask is that I have had phone calls from ratepayers, who say that unless you have a four wheel drive, the visibility coming up the hill is very bad, due to the roses.

A. Your question is noted.

12.0 URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION

12.1 Nil

13.0 MATTERS BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

13.1 Nil

14.0 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.20 pm.

I confirm these Minutes to be a true and accurate record of the proceedings of this Council.

Signed ..... Chairman

Dated this .....day of .....2006