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Kalamunda Environmental & Sustainability Advisory Committee

6pm Thursday 11 August 2022

Operations Centre Boardroom

10 Raymond Road Walliston

1.	<p>Opening of Meeting and Acknowledgement of Traditional Owners – Presiding Member</p> <p>The Presiding Member opened the meeting at 6:00pm.</p>																						
2.	<p>Attendance and Apologies – Presiding Member</p> <p>Attendance</p> <p><u>Committee Members</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Victoria Laurie</td> <td>Presiding Member</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cr Kathy Ritchie</td> <td>Deputy Presiding Member</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mark Schilling</td> <td>Community Representative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bill Bateman</td> <td>Professional Expert Representative</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>Staff</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Brett Jackson</td> <td>Director Asset Services</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Janine Morton</td> <td>KESAC Support Officer</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chris Lodge</td> <td>Manager Strategic Planning</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Carli O'Brien</td> <td>Environmental Planner (via Teams)</td> </tr> </table> <p>Apologies</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Mick Davis</td> <td>Community Representative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Rupert Duckworth</td> <td>Community Representative</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Peter Forrest</td> <td>Community Representative</td> </tr> </table>	Victoria Laurie	Presiding Member	Cr Kathy Ritchie	Deputy Presiding Member	Mark Schilling	Community Representative	Bill Bateman	Professional Expert Representative	Brett Jackson	Director Asset Services	Janine Morton	KESAC Support Officer	Chris Lodge	Manager Strategic Planning	Carli O'Brien	Environmental Planner (via Teams)	Mick Davis	Community Representative	Rupert Duckworth	Community Representative	Peter Forrest	Community Representative
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3.	<p>Confirmation of Minutes</p> <p>Committee Meeting of 12 May 2022</p> <p>That the Minutes of the Ordinary Committee Meeting of KESAC held on the 12 May 2022 as published and circulated, are confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.</p> <p>Moved: Mark Schilling Seconded: Cr Kathy Ritchie Voted: Carried Unanimously</p>																						
4. 4.1	<p>Disclosure of Interests</p> <p><u>Disclosure of Financial and Proximity Interests</u></p> <p>a) Members must disclose the nature of their interest in matters to be discussed at the meeting. (Section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i>).</p> <p>b) Employees must disclose the nature of their interest in reports or advice when giving the report or advice to the meeting. (Section 5.7 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i>).</p> <p>Nil</p>																						



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<p>4.2</p>	<p><u>Disclosure of Interest Affecting Impartiality</u></p> <p>a) Members and staff must disclose their interests in matters to be discussed at the meeting in respect of which the member or employee has given or will give advice.</p> <p>Nil</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>Nil</p>
<p>6. 6.1</p>	<p>Items for Committee Consideration</p> <p>Urban Forest Strategy – Overview of review outcome by Chris Lodge (Manager Strategic Planning) & Carli O'Brien (Environmental Planner).</p> <p>The Manager Strategic Planning (MSP) presented the overview and update of the recent Urban Forest Strategy review to the Committee.</p> <p><u>UFS Presentation/Discussion</u></p> <p>MSP explained the key driver for the review of the UFS / LBS was undertaken as issues were identified with the advertised strategies (i.e. data, case studies, implementation) that warranted further consideration. Data issues picked up as part of the review were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ DPLH/CSIRO data which: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - included state forest and large regional reserves. - included polygons (data layers) extending beyond the boundaries of the City of Kalamunda. <p>KESAC members then held a discussion to clarify the detail of the presentation.</p> <p>The Presiding Member asked for clarification on what defines an 'urban' forest? MSP outlined the scope of 'urban' forest as being areas that are inhabited which includes the City's rural zoned areas. However, it does not include national/regional parks or state forest. It was noted that the methodology for what is included/excluded is to be detailed in the UFS report.</p> <p>KESAC discussed the merit of considering understorey as well as canopy to meet the City's objectives, particularly for smaller lots. MSP confirmed the scope from the start of the UFS preparation has been focussed on canopy over 3m in height, aligning with the capability of remote mapping over time. However, the actions can make reference to supporting other forms of 'greening' constrained urban areas that may be better included in the Local Biodiversity Strategy.</p> <p>The group also discussed how the LBS will include more information about protecting / enhancing native understorey.</p> <p>MPS then discussed the actions and implementation of the UFS as follows:</p>



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- The actions will be focussed on the objectives of the strategy (Protect, Enhance, Improve, Partner and Investigate), particularly on matters within the City's direct influence and will be structured in a way that will be achievable and measurable for the life of the Strategy.
- The strategy lifespan being 20 years rather than the previously proposed 10, and the justification for having a longer term vision.

KESAC agreed there is a need to include both aspirational and interim targets given the length of the proposed strategy.

Discussion about data informing the Local Biodiversity Strategy

MSP presented some key issues with comparing native vegetation extent data between 2005 and 2020, that informed the 630Ha of loss figure cited in the previous draft LBS. Several anomalies amounting to significant areas of vegetation have incorrectly informed the figure (e.g. plantations, cleared areas being included but then excluded due to more detailed mapping).

KESAC discussion to clarify the nature of clearing examples and mapping anomalies.

KESAC then discussed the importance of communicating the data anomalies to the community and clearly articulating the City's strategic priorities proportionate to the issues identified.

Next Steps

MSP outlined timeframes for presenting KESAC with draft reports for review.

KESAC discussed the need to balance the priorities towards the end of 2022 given the UFS, LBS and Climate Change Action Plan are all due to be considered and finalised.

The draft UFS will be sent to KESAC members for their review and feedback late September.

6.2 Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP) – overview of community feedback

The Director Asset Services advised that raw data on the survey (which closed on 10 August) has returned 86 surveys with feedback along with some independent submissions (which have yet to be collated). A community engagement report will now be compiled and then a further draft of CCAP will be circulated to KESAC for comment.

Mark Schilling has collated and drafted comments from the KESAC members into a draft document with their recommendations for submission to the City for consideration.



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	<p><u>General Comments:</u></p> <p>The Presiding Member stated that KESAC, while pleased with the City's commitment to CCAP, identified a major deficit in the current CCAP draft as a lack of detail in actions and a lack of timelines for achieving specific climate change targets. City residents expect the City to set an example, and KESAC believes the City would earn more kudos by adopting this bolder and more detailed approach. She listed the following points from KESAC's abovementioned document:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Next draft to incorporate heavy graphics and be more user friendly (desktop publishing). ▪ Community engagement has been previously sought. ▪ Reformat the document to show the City first in all actions, and residents and business later. ▪ Drainage Catchment Strategy - needs to include private property, not just commercial and business properties. ▪ SMART targets – mentioned several times in draft and requires further detailed explanation. The City needs to be more specific in actions as to what these will be and by when executed. <p>The Director Asset Services informed KESAC that a progress report to Council on CCAP will be presented at the December 2022 round of meetings. The final report will be scheduled in early 2023 for adoption.</p> <p><u>Resolution</u></p> <p>It was resolved that KESAC recommends to Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The recommendations as listed in KESAC's first draft of the CCAP for the City to consider. <p>Moved: M Schilling Seconded: Cr Katy Ritchie Voted: Carried Unanimously</p>
7.	<p>Urgent Business with the Approval of the Presiding Member</p> <p>Nil</p>
8.	<p>Date of Next Meeting</p> <p>It was proposed and agreed that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, 27 October 2022, noting that this meeting is dependent upon receipt of the UFS by end of September to allow enough time for KESAC to review.</p>
9.	<p>Closure</p> <p>Meeting closed at 7:50pm</p>