

Central Metropolitan

Zone

Minutes

16 February 2023

Central Metropolitan Zone

Hosted by the City of Vincent
244 Vincent Street, Leederville
16 February 2023

Chair opened the meeting at 6.04pm

Acknowledgement of Country

We, the delegates of the Central Metropolitan Zone acknowledge the traditional owners of this land that we are meeting on today and pay our respects to Elders past, present and future.

Minutes

MEMBERS

Town of Cambridge

2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

Cr Kate Barlow
Cr Alaine Haddon-Casey

Town of Claremont

Cr Paul Kelly - **Chair**
Cr Peter Telford

Town of Cottesloe

Cr Chilla Bulbeck

Town of Mosman Park

Cr Andrew Baird

City of Nedlands

Cr Rajah Senathirajah
Cr Rebecca Coghlan (Deputy)

Shire Peppermint Grove

President Rachel Thomas
Cr Charles Hohnen

City of Perth

Cr Liam Gobbert

City of Subiaco

Cr Rosemarie de Vries

City of Vincent

Mr David MacLennan, Chief Executive Officer, Voting Delegate
Peter Varris (Observer)

WALGA Secretariat

Mr James McGovern, Manager Governance
Ms Vicki Coles, Governance Specialist

DLGSC Representative

Liam O'Neil, Acting Director Financial Policy, and Accounting Support
Amy Halliday, A/Principal Strategy Officer
Catherine Chiarelli, Local Government Policy and Project Officer

APOLOGY

Town of Cottesloe	Cr Helen Sadler Cr Craig Masarei Mr Matthew Scott, Chief Executive Officer
Town of Cambridge	Mr Kelton Hincks, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Town of Claremont	Ms Liz Ledger, Chief Executive Officer
Town of Mosman Park	Mayor Paul Shaw Ms Carissa Bywater, Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Peppermint Grove	Mr Don Burnett, Chief Executive Officer
City of Subiaco	Cr Lynette Jennings Mr Colin Cameron, Chief Executive Officer
City of Nedlands	Cr Kerry Smyth Mr Bill Parker, Chief Executive Officer,
City of Vincent	Cr Ashley Wallace
City of Perth	Cr Catherine Lezer Ms Michelle Reynolds, Chief Executive Officer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zone Delegates were requested to provide sufficient written notice, wherever possible, on amendments to recommendations within the State Council or Zone agenda prior to the Zone meeting to the Chair and Secretariat.

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date to your Council for distribution to Zone Delegates.

Confirmation of Attendance an attendance sheet was circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS WITHIN THE AGENDA

1. Draft Minutes Previous Meeting
2. President's Report
3. Zone Status Report
4. Standing Orders

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

2. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

2.1 Deputation Options

At the November meeting the Zone had resolved the following deputations for February to August:

Alternate suggestions for presentations to future Zone meetings as follows:

- *Building Compliance, Bronwyn Weir – further detail on what was presented during a concurrent session of the 2022 WALGA Local Government Convention*
- *South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council*
- *Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage to present on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act Review*
- *Cr Helen Sadler and Cr Chilla Bulbeck to present to the Zone on active transport*

Bronwyn Weir (Building Compliance) had been contacted to provide a presentation in February, however, is based in Melbourne and has offered to present virtually.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Peter Telford

Seconded: Cr Kate Barlow

That the following order of preference for Deputations be arranged for April to November:

- 1. Building Compliance, Bronwyn Weir – further detail on what was presented during a concurrent session of the 2022 WALGA Local Government Convention, and the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries on Child Safeguarding.**
- 2. Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage to present on the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act Review.**
- 3. South West Aboriginal Land and Sea Council.**
- 4. Cr Helen Sadler and Cr Chilla Bulbeck to present to the Zone on active transport.**

CARRIED

Cr Alaine Haddon-Casey entered the meeting at 6.11pm

2.2 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Representative Update Report.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries representative Liam O’Neil, Acting Director Financial Policy, and Accounting Support provided an update to the Zone on Local Government Legislative Reform.

Speaking points are attached to the minutes.

Noted

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rachel Thomas
Seconded: Cr Charles Hohnen

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Central Metropolitan Zone held on 24 November 2022 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone’s resolutions was enclosed as an attachment. Zone delegates requested a more specific update on Traffic Speeds in Urban Western Australia, given this item was first considered in August 2019.

Noted

5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION AND NOTING

(Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision and Items for Noting contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council)

The full State Council Agenda can be found via link: [1 March 2023 State Council Agenda](#)

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

Matters for Decision

7.1 Proposed Advocacy Position on Constitutional Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People

That the following Advocacy Position be endorsed:

WALGA supports constitutional recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People through the enshrining of a Voice to Parliament.

7.2 Community Disaster Resilience Strategy Submission

That the submission on the draft Western Australian Community Disaster Resilience Strategy be endorsed.

7.3 Child Safeguarding Advocacy Position

That the Child Safeguarding Advocacy Position as follows be endorsed:

Child Safeguarding

1. *Local Government supports:*
 - a. *the recommendations from the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse 2017, in particular Recommendation 6.12 which can be achieved by Local Government implementing and embedding child safeguarding across its functions with support from Governments at the national, state and territory levels; and*
 - b. *the ten National Principles for Child Safe Organisations (Australian Human Rights Commission).*
2. *The State Government through an Independent Oversight Body should provide financial, resourcing and capacity building support to Local Governments to implement and embed child safeguarding across its functions, through the provision of:*
 - a. *supporting materials such as template policies, procedures and guidelines;*
 - b. *consistent key messaging and resources to promote and share in venues and facilities and online;*
 - c. *examples of best practice, including case studies;*
 - d. *self-assessment tools to assist Local Government;*
 - e. *ongoing training and skills development for Local Government staff, including online training options;*
 - f. *funding for the delivery of the child safeguarding function within smaller, less well resourced (Band 3 and Band 4) Local Governments; and*
 - g. *expert officers within each region to provide support and guidance to Local Government on child safeguarding.*
3. *The Local Government sector supports Local Government participation in the State's National Redress Scheme, with full financial coverage by the State.*

7.4 Submission on Draft Guideline Minimising Noise Impact from Outdoor Community Basketball Facilities

That the submission on the Draft Guideline: Minimising noise impact from outdoor community basketball facilities be endorsed.

7.5 Main Roads Draft Roadside Advertising Policy and Application Guidelines

That the submission to Main Roads on its Draft Roadside Advertising Policy and Application Guidelines be endorsed.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Charles Hohnen
Seconded: Cr Chilla Bulbeck

That the Central Metropolitan Zone

Supports item 7.1 of the March 2023 State Council Agenda

LOST 4/9

FORESHADOWED ALTERNATE MOTION

Moved: Cr Peter Telford
Seconded: Cr Rachel Thomas

That the Central Metropolitan Zone supports a robust and respectful national debate on constitutional recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and requests the Commonwealth Government provide further details on the proposed Voice to Parliament.

AMENDMENT MOTION

Moved: Cr Chilla Bulbeck
Seconded: Cr Rosemarie de Vries

That the Central Metropolitan Zone

1. Support a robust and respectful national debate on constitutional recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and requests the Commonwealth Government provide further details on the proposed Voice to Parliament; and
2. Requests that the Commonwealth Government ensure that Local Governments and local communities across WA are meaningfully engaged with on this issue.

LOST 3/10

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Peter Telford
Seconded: Cr Rachel Thomas

That the Central Metropolitan Zone supports a robust and respectful national debate on constitutional recognition for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders and requests the Commonwealth Government provide further details on the proposed Voice to Parliament.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Charles Hohnen
Seconded: Cr Rachel Thomas

That the Central Metropolitan Zone

1. Supports 7.2 – 7.5 of the Matters for Decision as listed above in the March 2023 State Council Agenda; and
2. Notes all Policy Team Reports, Matters for Noting and Organisational Reports as listed in the March 2023 State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

6. ZONE BUSINESS

6.1 2023 Local Government Honours Program

The annual Local Government Honours Program affords significant public recognition and celebration of the outstanding achievements and lasting contributions made by Elected Members and Local Government officers to their respective Councils, the WA Local Government sector and the wider community.

Nominations for the 2023 Honours Program are open now.

There are six awards in the 2023 Program:

1. Local Government Medal
2. Life Membership
3. Eminent Service Award
4. Merit Award
5. Local Government Distinguished Officer Award
6. Young Achievers Award

Nominations will close at **5:00pm on Friday, 9 June** and the awards will be presented as part of the WALGA Annual General Meeting held on Monday, 18 September.

For more information or to submit a nomination, visit the WALGA website or contact Kathy Robertson, Executive Officer Governance, on 9213 2036 or via email at honours@walga.asn.au.

Noted

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1

NIL

8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 President's Report to the Zone

State Councillor, Cr Paul Kelly presented the President's Report.

Noted

8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA State Councillor Cr Paul Kelly presented on the previous State Council meeting.

Noted

9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

That the next ordinary meeting of the Central Metropolitan Zone be held on 20 April 2023 at the Town of Cambridge at 6:00 pm.

10. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7.32pm.