



Northern Country Zone Minutes

Flying Minute Meeting Tuesday 27 April 2021



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- Item 6.0: State Council Agenda 5 May 2021
- Item 8.2: WALGA Presidents' Report to the Zone for May 2021
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- Item 9.1.1 a. Corro Out - Central Wheatbelt Association
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- Item 9.2: Feb/Mar 2021 Bank Statements
- Item 10.3.1: a. Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Issues Paper
b. Letter to Minister Templeman – Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme
c. Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Scoresheet Marked up

1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zone Delegates were requested to provide written notice on amendments to recommendations within the State Council agenda ASAP to the Zone Chair and Secretariat, to allow Zone members time to vote on the alternative recommendation.

2. PARTICIPATING MEMBERS

Shire of Carnamah	Cr Merle Isbister, President Mr Vincent Fordham Lamont, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
Shire of Coorow	Cr Moira Girando, President Ms Mia Maxfield, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
City of Greater Geraldton	Cr Tarleah Thomas, Deputy Mayor (NCZ Deputy Chair) Mr Ross McKim, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
Shire of Irwin	Cr Michael Smith, President Mr Shane Ivers, Acting Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
Shire of Mingenew	Cr Gary Cosgrove, President Mr Nils Hay, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
Shire of Northampton	Cr Craig Simkin, President Mr Garry Keeffe, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate
Shire of Three Springs	Cr Chris Lane Mr Keith Woodward, Chief Executive Officer non-voting Delegate

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil Received

4. ADJOURNED BUSINESS

Nil

5. MINUTES

5.1 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Attachment: Minutes NCZ Meeting 22 February 2021

Recommendation:

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA held on 22 February 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Northern Country Zone of WALGA held on 22 February 2021 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of proceedings.

Carried

5.2 Business Arising from Minutes

5.2.1 School Bus Services

Following receipt of correspondence at 10.1.2 (b) of the 22 February 2021 meeting, from Mr John Bailly, Manager School Bus Services, in response to the NCZ letter to Mr Richard Sellers CEO/Director General Public Transport Authority, members asked the Executive Officer to organise a meeting with Mr Sellers, as they were not satisfied that the response addressed the issues. Cr King and Cr Chappel volunteered to attend the meeting.

On contacting the Acting DG of Transport, Mr Peter Woronzow, after the February NCZ meeting, he requested that the NCZ Delegation meet with the Public Transport Authority and so on 30 March 2021 Cr King and Cr Chappel met with Mr Martin White, Executive Director of Transperth and Mr John Bailly, Manager of School Bus Services.

Refer to the Chair's Report at Item 8.1 for a summary of the meeting.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the follow up from the 22 February 2021 meeting on the School Bus Services issues.

Carried

6. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

Attachment: State Council Agenda 5 May 2021

The following items have been taken directly from the WALGA State Council Agenda for 5 May 2021.

The recommendation and summary only have been included. Please refer to the PDF version of the State Council Agenda for more detail and attachments.

6.1 (SC 5.1) Local Government Financial Ratios (05-034-01-001 FM)

By Tony Brown, Executive Manager Governance and Organisational Services

Recommendation:

That WALGA:

1. Advocate to the Minister for Local Government to amend the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* to prescribe the following ratios:
 - a. Operating Surplus Ratio,
 - b. Net Financial Liabilities Ratio,
 - c. Debt Service Coverage Ratio, and
 - d. Current Ratio.
2. Recommend that Local Governments consider including Asset Management ratios in their Annual Report.
3. Request the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to review the Asset Management ratios in consultation with the Local Government sector.
4. Continue the Local Government Financial Ratios Working Group as a reference group for the development of a Model set of Financial Statements and Budget Statements, and to establish new financial indicators.

Executive Summary:

- Over a number of years there has been mounting concern as to the appropriateness of the seven financial ratios which are prescribed for inclusion in Local Government annual financial reports.
- WALGA has formed a Sector Reference Group and Working Group to review the ratios and provide recommendations. The composition of the Groups included sector representatives together with officers from the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries, Office of the Auditor General and WA Treasury Corporation.
- The Working Group has provided a [Local Government Financial Ratios Report](#) with recommendations for the prescribed ratios and other related matters.

NB: An alternative motion proposed by the Shire of Coorow, that NCZ of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officer's recommendation except for point 2, was not supported by the majority of members.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officer's recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 5.1.

Carried

6.2 (SC 5.2) Roads Asset Preservation Model Review (05-001-03-0051 SD)

By Sebastian Davies-Slate, Policy Officer – Transport and Roads

Recommendation:

That WALGA:

- 1. Seek support from the WA Local Government Grants Commission to provide presentations on the inputs, operation of and outputs of the Road Asset Preservation Model at Zone or Regional Road Group meetings where requested.
- 2. Advocate to the WA Local Government Grants Commission to improve the formatting and labelling of the model and make it available via the Commission's website.

Executive Summary:

- The Local Government Grants Commission's Roads Asset Preservation Model is used to allocate road funding from State and Federal Government grants among Local Governments in Western Australia. WALGA has explored the need for and risks of advocating for a review of this model.
- Investigations to date highlight that the model is comprehensive, robust and been generally accepted by Local Governments, the Grants Commission and the State Government for more than 25 years, with few substantial changes. However, the model is complicated and not fully documented. Its operations are difficult to understand, resulting in a lack of transparency as to the model's operations.
- To help stakeholders understand the model, WALGA has prepared a [manual](#) explaining the principles and operation of the model.
- Local Governments and Zones expressed preferences ranging from retaining the status quo, through providing additional information to facilitate more informed decision-making, to seeking advocacy for a full review of the Road Asset Preservation Model when the matter was considered during February 2021.
- Improving the level of understanding of the model and potential implications of alternative approaches will assist future decision-making regarding the desired advocacy position.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 5.2.

Carried

6.3 (SC 5.3) Western Australian Development Index (05-104-01-0001 TL)

By Tim Lane, Manager Strategy and Association Governance

Recommendation:

That the development and implementation of the Western Australian Development Index, led by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, be supported.

Executive Summary:

- Governments at all levels in a number of jurisdictions are leveraging broad wellbeing data, beyond traditional metrics, to measure community and citizen wellbeing over time.
- To research this issue, and the relevance of wellbeing indices to Local Government, WALGA hosted a research intern whose final report is [available here](#).
- In addition, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) has been working with the Australian National Development Index (ANDI) to progress discussions on the development of a Western Australian Development Index (WADI), which would measure community wellbeing across a broad range of domains in Western Australia.
- Access to objective wellbeing data would provide Local Governments with opportunities to guide policy and budgetary decisions, and to advocate to other spheres of government for policy, program or infrastructure interventions.
- Importantly, the proposed WADI is not intended to be a tool for comparing Local Government performance, rather it is intended to aid decision making, policy interventions and advocacy to other spheres of government.
- The DLGSC is seeking non-financial support (in the form of a State Council resolution) from WALGA to seek State Government funding for the development of WADI.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 5.3.

Carried

6.4 (SC 5.4) Review of the State Industrial Relations System (05-034-01-0001 DH)

By Davina Hunter, Employee Relations Service Manager

Recommendation:

That WALGA:

1. Seek confirmation from the State Government on whether it intends to re-introduce legislation for Local Governments to operate solely in the State Industrial Relations System.
2. If the State Government reintroduces legislation to require all Local Governments to operate within the State Industrial Relations System, continue to advocate for the State Government to:
 - a. Amend the *Industrial Relations Act 1979* (WA) to include additional provisions to modernise the State IR system; and
 - b. Provide adequate funding and resourcing to ensure Local Governments are equipped with the appropriate tools and training to enable a smooth transition.

Executive Summary:

- Currently in Western Australia there is a dual system whereby Local Governments apply either the Federal or State Industrial Relations legislation.
- The State Government is seeking to have all Local Governments operate in the State Industrial Relations System based on recommendations made in a Ministerial Report (2017-19).
- The *Industrial Relations Legislation Amendment Bill 2020* (Bill) was passed by the Legislative Assembly on 20 August 2020 but failed to pass the Legislative Council before Parliament was prorogued on 7 December 2020.
- With the recent election results, the WA Labor Government has control of both houses of State Parliament. Therefore, if a new Bill is introduced in similar terms, it is unlikely to meet any opposition in Parliament.
- The transition of Local Government employees from the Federal to State Industrial Relations system will affect approximately 23,000 employees and will require Local Government employers and employees to navigate complex transitional legislation and arrangements.
- If legislation to mandate the transition is reintroduced into Parliament, it will be critical for Local Governments to secure State Government funding, resourcing and assistance to ensure the transition is smooth and positive for Local Government employees.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 5.4.

Carried

7. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR NOTING / INFORMATION

Attachment: State Council Agenda 5 May 2021

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7.1 (SC 6.1) New Regulations Update – Model Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates; and CEO Standards for Recruitment, Performance Review and Termination (05-034-01-0001 JM)

By James McGovern, Manager Governance

Recommendations:

That the information update on the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 2021* and *Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021* be noted.

Executive Summary:

- In December 2020, State Council adopted advocacy positions in relation to the *CEO Recruitment and Selection, Performance Review and Termination Standards Regulations* (Res: [146.6/2020](#) – p.55) and the *Model Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates Regulations* (Res: [147.6/2020](#) – p.61);
- In January 2021 State Council endorsed a submission on the Draft *Local Government Regulations Amendment (Employee Code of Conduct) Regulations 2020* (Res: [194.FM/2021](#))
- Three new regulations, relating to the above matters were Gazetted and commenced on 3 February 2021;
- WALGA's request for an implementation period in relation to the Council Member Code of Conduct and CEO Standards was unsuccessful.
- WALGA is providing support and assistance to the sector through guidelines, framework for a Complaints process for the Elected Member Model Code of Conduct and developing a Model Employee Code of Conduct.

7.2 (SC 6.2) State Election Campaign (04-001-03-0001 TL)

By Tim Lane, Manager Strategy and Association Governance

Recommendation:

That the update on the 2021 State Election Campaign be noted.

Executive Summary:

- WALGA ran a coordinated State Election Campaign that included
 1. Direct engagement with Members of Parliament, candidates for election, and political parties,
 2. Production of a campaign brochure and website, and
 3. A social media and electronic display ads campaign.
- The campaign generated engagement with Members of Parliament and candidates across the political spectrum, and the returned Labor Government made a number of commitments aligned with WALGA's policy agenda.

7.3 (SC 6.3) Draft Position Statement: Dark Sky and Astrotourism (05-036-03-0068 AR)

By Ashley Robb, Senior Planner

Recommendation:

That the endorsed submission on the draft *Position Statement: Dark sky and astrotourism*, be noted.

Executive Summary:

- The Western Australian Planning Commission has released the draft *Position Statement: Dark sky and astrotourism* for public comment. Submissions close on 26 March 2021.
- The position statement outlines a set of planning mechanisms that can be used by planning authorities to preserve dark sky locations for the purposes of supporting astrotourism activities.
- The People and Place Policy Team discussed WALGA's draft submission on 17 March 2021 and recommended that it be considered and endorsed by State Council through Flying Minute.

7.4 (SC 6.4) Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC) (01-006-03-0008 RNB)

By Rebecca Brown, (Manager, Waste & Recycling)

Recommendation:

That State Council note the resolutions of the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its 24 February meeting.

Executive Summary:

- This item summaries the outcomes of the MWAC meeting held on 24 February 2021.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes State Council Agenda Items numbers 6.1 to 6.4.

Carried

8. REPORTS

8.1 Report from the Chair / State Councillor – 27 April 2021

Report from the Chair, Cr Karen Chappel

A quick report in these difficult times. Our Zone has been affected significantly by Cyclone Seroja - it is not for me to say how everyone is faring, some much worse than others. My thoughts are with you all. The newly appointed State Recovery Controller, Mel Pexton, is familiar with Local Government from her time at WALGA and has promised to work closely with all of us. Recovery is going to be lengthy, please contact Nick Sloane at WALGA if you have any concerns.

Cr King and I met with PTA and Bus services at the end of March. The meeting resulted in Bus Services committing to involving Local Governments in the routing of Bus Routes. They acknowledged that there has been a breakdown in the processes - the bus contractors currently drive the route and advise Bus Services if the route is suitable. They now will require the Bus contractor to advise the LG so that we can also have an input as to whether the road is suitable. We asked that Bus Services too advise the Local Government. They also advised that Bus Routes can be found on Landgate. A report of the meeting is being formulated by Bus Services. I will forward it when it arrives.

I attended an ALGA Board meeting. The focus is currently on the Strategic Plan and getting the Federal Election advocacy underway. The National General Assembly is going ahead. This year they are encouraging the Members of Parliament to come to the Assembly rather than Elected Members having to go up to Parliament House all through the Assembly.

The WALGA Transport and Roads Forum that was deferred in February is to be held on the 14th May. Our newly appointed Minister of Local Government, John Carey, has met with our President and CEO. Minister Carey is keen to work with all Local Governments. We will invite him to our next Zone meeting in June. Take care everyone. Its tough times but we are resilient, our communities depend on us and we will recover.

Cr Karen Chappel, Chair

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the Chair/State Councillor's Report for 27 April 2021.

Carried

8.2 WALGA Presidents Report to the Zone – May 2021

Attachment: WALGA President's Report to the Zone May 2021

The WALGA President's Report outlining topical issues, upcoming events and the President's contacts since the last report, is attached.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the WALGA President's Report for May 2021.

Carried

8.3 Zone Status Report

Attachment – Zone Status Report April 2021

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone's resolutions is enclosed as an attachment.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the April 2021 Status Report outlining actions taken on the Zone's resolutions.

Carried

8.4 Midwest Suicide Prevention Steering Group Report

Nil to report

8.5 CA07 Restricted Access Vehicle Operating Condition Working Group Report

Nil to report

8.6 Coordinated Corella Control Working Group

At Item 9.7 of the 22 February 2021 meeting, it was resolved 'That the Executive Officer write to the three Recognised Biosecurity Groups to consider the likelihood of including corella control as a biosecurity threat in their Annual Plans.'

Those letters are attached at 9.1.1, Correspondence Out.

The responses, attached at 9.1.2, are as follows:

2 March 2021 - Northern Biosecurity Group (NBG):

The Executive Officer, Marieke Jansen, invited members of the Working Group to attend the meeting of the NBG on Friday 12 March 2021. Cr King attended on behalf of the Working Group. Mark Adams, Manager Urban & Regional Development at the City of Greater Geraldton, spoke to the NBG Executive Officer prior to the meeting and sent her information about the CGG program including Corella Management Program documentation, receiving positive feedback from her.

Cr King's report will be tabled at the June meeting.

8 March 2021 - Midlands Biosecurity Group:

The Executive Officer, Chris O'Callaghan, noted receipt of the Northern Country Zone correspondence.

15 March 2021 - Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association (CWBA):

The Executive Officer, Linda Vernon, reiterated the position of the CWBA regarding Corella Control and invited members of the Working Group to attend their next meeting on 26 July 2021 in Dalwallinu.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

The Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes the April 2021 status report from Coordinated Corella Control Working Group.

Carried

9. Zone Matters for Noting/Decision

9.1 Correspondence

9.1.1 Correspondence Out

9.1.1 (a) 02/03/2021 Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association (CWBA)

Attachment: Letter addressed to Executive Officer Linda Vernon

A letter requesting that the CWBA, along with the Northern and Midlands Biosecurity Groups, redirect some DPR funds towards a coordinated corella control program.

9.1.1 (b) 02/03/2021 Northern Biosecurity Group (NBG)

Attachment: Letter addressed to Executive Officer Marieke Jansen

A letter requesting that the NBG, along with the Central Wheatbelt and Midlands Biosecurity Groups, redirect some DPR funds towards a coordinated corella control program.

9.1.1 (c) 02/03/2021 Midlands Biosecurity Group (MBG)

Attachment: Letter addressed to Executive Officer Chris O'Callaghan

A letter requesting that the MBG, along with the Northern and Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Groups, redirect some DPR funds towards a coordinated corella control program.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA notes Correspondence Out at 9.1.1 (a), 9.1.1 (b) and 9.1.1 (c).

Carried

9.1.2 Correspondence In

9.1.2 (a) 02/03/2021 Northern Biosecurity Group (NBG)

Attachment: Email from Executive Officer Marieke Jansen

An email inviting members of the Working Group to attend the next meeting of the NBG on 12 March 2021.

9.1.2 (b) 08/03/2021 Midlands Biosecurity Group

Attachment: Email from Executive Officer Chris O'Callaghan

An email noting receipt of our letter emailed to them on 2 March 2021.

9.1.2 (c) 15/03/2021 Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association (CWBA)

Attachment: Email from Executive Officer Linda Vernon

An email reiterating the position of the CWBA regarding corella control and inviting members of the Working Group to attend the 26 July 2021 meeting in Dalwallinu to speak to the Board about corella control.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA receives Correspondence In at 9.1.2 (a), 9.1.2 (b) and 9.1.2 (c).

Carried

9.2 Detailed Income and Expenditure Statement and Bank Reconciliation at 31 March 2021

Author: Dianne Daniels, Executive Officer

Attachments: Bank Statements Feb/Mar 2021

Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA receives the Detailed Income Statement and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 March 2021.

Comments:

The Detailed Income Statement shown below represents the cash position of NCZ at 31 March 2021, as reconciled to the Bank Statement.

NORTHERN COUNTRY ZONE OF WALGA				
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT				
For the period ending				
31-Mar-21				
	Date	Ref	Amount	Description
Statement Balance B/F	01-07-20		21,130.81	
Deposits			10,000.00	2020-21 Membership Subscriptions x 10
			1.71	Interest received
TOTAL RECEIPTS			10,001.71	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE			31,132.52	
Payments Made	03-07-20		-2,805.66	Internet tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 202101 - EO services 01/05/2020 - 01/07/2020; Travel expenses
	05-08-20		-275.00	Internet tsf - North Midlands Accounting Service - Inv 2021-000003 - Audit Report for Year Ended 30 June 2020
	27-08-20		-408.24	BPay - Shire of Mingenew - Inv 9161 - Reimburse Catering for NCZ Meeting 22/06/2020
	27-08-20		-2,877.84	Internet tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 202102 - EO services 02/07/2020 - 25/08/2020; Travel/Stationery expenses
	30-11-20		-2,805.66	Internet tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 202103 - EO services 26/08/2020 - 26/11/2020; Travel
	04-01-21		-55.00	Internet tsf - Norris & Hyde IT - Inv 31842 - Domain name renewal 2 yrs
	02-03-21		-2,825.66	Internet tsf - Dianne Daniels - Inv 202104 - EO Services 27/11/2020 - 24/02/2021; Travel/Reimburse Water
	31-03-21		-303.18	BPay - Shire of Mingenew - Inv 9430 - Reimburse Catering for NCZ Meeting 22/02/2021
TOTAL PAYMENTS MADE			-12,356.24	
Closing Cash Balance	31-03-21		18,776.28	
NORTHERN COUNTRY ZONE OF WALGA				
BANK RECONCILIATION SUMMARY				
For the period ending				
31-Mar-21				
Statement Balance B/F	01-07-20		21,130.81	
Deposits and Credits			10,001.71	
Cheques and Payments			-12,356.24	
Total Cleared Transactions	31-03-21		18,776.28	
Add back o/s			0.00	
Reconciled Balance			18,776.28	
Bank Statement	31-03-21		18,776.28	
Difference I&E to Bank Statement			0.00	

Northern Country Zone Resolution:**Moved:** Cr Isbister**Seconded:** Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA receives the Detailed Income Statement and Bank Reconciliation for the period ending 31 March 2021

Carried

10. GENERAL BUSINESS

10.1 Regional Issues

As per the resolution at Item 9.1 of the February 2018 meeting, Regional Issues are a standing item on the Agenda.

Nil

10.2 Regional Tourism Initiatives

As per the resolution at Item 10.1 of the April 2019 meeting, Regional Tourism Initiatives are a standing item on the Agenda.

Nil

10.3 Other General Business

As per Item 35 of the Zone Standing Orders, a Delegate may under General Business introduce a motion relating to any item of interest to Local Government, but not otherwise.

10.3.1 Local Government Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme

Author: Nils Hay, Chief Executive Officer, Mingenew

Attachments: a. Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Issue Paper
b. Letter to Minister Templeman – Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme
c. Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Scoresheet Marked up

Recommendation:

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses Mingenew's Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Issue Paper, their letter to Minister Templeman on that subject and their proposed changes to the Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Scoresheet.

Comments:

The attached Issue Paper, letter to Minister Templeman and marked-up Scoresheet were recently endorsed by Wildflower Country members.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:**Moved:** Cr Isbister**Seconded:** Cr Girando

That the Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses Mingenew's Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Issue Paper, their letter to Minister Templeman on that subject and their proposed changes to the Wildflower Friendliness Award Scheme Scoresheet.

Carried

11. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Recommendation:

That the next ordinary meeting of the Northern Country Zone will be held on Monday 28 June 2021 at the Mingenew Sports Pavilion.

Northern Country Zone Resolution:

Moved: Cr Isbister

Seconded: Cr Girando

That the next ordinary meeting of the Northern Country Zone will be held on Monday 28 June 2021 at the Mingenew Sports Pavilion.

Carried

12. MEETING CLOSURE

The Flying Minute meeting closed at 12 noon on Tuesday 27 April 2021.