

Pilbara Country Zone Minutes

21 June 2024

**Hosted by WALGA
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Railway Parade, West Leederville**

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PRIORITISATION FRAMEWORK

How to use the Framework:

- If the majority of the factors are towards the left column, the issue is a high priority.
- If the majority of the factors are towards the middle, the issue requires action, but is not a high priority.
- If the majority of the factors are towards the right column, the issue is a low priority.

Impact on Local Government Sector Impact on Local Government sector without intervention	High	Medium	Low
Reach Number of member Local Governments affected	Sector-wide	Significant (multiple regions, Zones, or bands)	Few
Influence Capacity to influence decision makers	High	Medium	Low
Principles Alignment to core principles such as autonomy, funding, general competence	Strong	Partial	Peripheral
Clarity Policy change needed is clear and well-defined	Clear	Partial	Unclear
Decision-maker support Level of support among decision-makers (political and administrative)	High	Medium	Low
Public support Level of support among the public or other stakeholders	High	Medium	Low
Positive consequences for WALGA Prospect of positive consequences for WALGA. E.g. enhanced standing among members or leverage for other issues.	High	Medium	Low
Negative consequences for WALGA Prospect of negative consequences for WALGA for not undertaking the advocacy effort. E.g. diminished standing among members or other stakeholders.	High	Medium	Low
Partnerships Potential for partnerships with other stakeholders	Yes (3+)	Possibly (1-2)	No (0)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date.

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Minutes of previous meeting
2. June 2024 Update – Department of Local Government, Sports and Cultural Industries
3. Zone Status Report
4. President's Report

1 OPENING, ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

1.1 OPENING

The Chair opened the meeting at 11:27 am.

1.2 ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS

2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Karratha	Mayor Daniel Scott Cr Brenton Johannsen Ms Virginia Miltrup, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
Town of Port Hedland	Mayor Peter Carter Cr Ash Christensen Ms Lee Furness, Acting Chief Executive Officer, non-voting delegate
Shire of East Pilbara	President Cr Anthony Middleton Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks Chair Mr Steven Harding, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
Shire of Ashburton	Cr Brie Healy (Deputy) Cr Alana Sullivan Mr Kenn Donohoe, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
WALGA Secretariat	Daniel Thompson, Economics Manager Chantelle O'Brien, Zone Executive Officer

Guest Speakers

Regional Development Australia	Ms Nerida Kickett, Chair Mr Peter Long, Deputy Chair Mr Tony Simpson, Chief Executive Officer
National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA)	Mr Steve Kaleb, Policy Assistant Director

1.3 APOLOGIES

Shire of Ashburton	President Cr Audra Smith
Town of Port Hedland	Mr Carl Askew, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting delegate
DLGSC Representative	Mr Toby Cotterell, Regional Manager

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

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

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

4 DEPUTATIONS

4.1 NATIONAL INDIGENOUS AUSTRALIANS AGENCY

Steve Kaleb from National Indigenous Australians Agency provided some information on current projects and an opportunity for members to provide some input into the Indigenous Employment Program.

Noted

4.2 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA

Mr Tony Simpson, CEO Regional Development Australia and Chair, Ms Nerida Kickett provided an update to the Zone on current projects.

Noted

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Daniel Scott
Seconded: President Cr Anthony Middleton

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Pilbara Country Zone held on 18 April 2024 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

6 BUSINESS ARISING

6.1 STATUS REPORT

The Status Report for June 2024 contains WALGA's responses to the resolutions of previous Zone Meetings and was provided as an attachment within the Agenda.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Brie Healy
Seconded: Cr Alana Sullivan

That the Pilbara Country Zone notes the Status Report.

CARRIED

7 ZONE BUSINESS

7.1 WALGA'S EFFORTS TO BECOME AN EMPLOYER ORGANISATION

By Tony Brown, Executive Director Member Services

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- As previously detailed in an item to all Zones in April, WALGA has been considering amending the Association Constitution to enable WALGA to become a registered employer organisation under section 54 of the *Industrial Relations Act 1979 (WA)* (IR Act).
- Despite advocacy efforts by WALGA since December 2022, the State Government has not agreed a pathway for WALGA to be provided with standing as an employer organisation by being named in the IR Act.
- Becoming an employer organisation would provide WALGA with more opportunity to modernise the Local Government State Awards, intervene in industrial matters concerning the Local Government sector, and generally better represent Members' views.
- Whilst the benefits of becoming an employer organisation are considerable, legal advice received by WALGA suggests that the constitutional amendments necessary for WALGA to comply with the requirements for registration are considerable and unachievable without wholesale changes to the governance structure of the Association.
- WALGA will continue to advocate to the State Government for WALGA to be named in the IR Act and given the status of an employer organisation, without needing to make constitutional amendments.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The existing [Advocacy Position](#) on WALGA's registration as an Employee Organisation is contained in position 2.8.3:

That WALGA advocate for amendments to the Industrial Relations Act 1979 (WA) (IR Act) for WALGA to be named in the IR Act like the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Medical Association Incorporated (AMA) at s.72B and given the status of an employer organisation, including to the Minister for Industrial Relations, the Minister for Local Government and the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety.

BACKGROUND

Currently, WALGA is a registered industrial agent under the [Industrial Relations Act 1979 \(WA\)](#) (IR Act). This status allows WALGA to:

- appear as an agent for a WA Local Government or Regional Council in the Western Australian Industrial Relations Commission (WAIRC) and Industrial Magistrate's Court or Industrial Appeal Court; and
- provide advice or other services to Local Governments in relation to 'industrial matters' as defined in section 7 of the IR Act.

Since the mandate for Local Governments¹ to operate in the State industrial relations system from 1 January 2023, unions have commenced various Local Government State awards variation claims in the WAIRC to amend industry employment conditions.

¹ with the exception of the Shires of Christmas Island and Cocos (Keeling) Islands

Currently, WALGA can intervene in award matters, but is unable to represent named employers and the broader Local Government sector in its own right.

WALGA has been advocating to the State Government since late 2022 to amend the IR Act and name WALGA as an employer organisation in the Act. These advocacy efforts have been unsuccessful to date.

Without being named in the IR Act, WALGA would need to comply with strict governance requirements to apply to become an employer organisation. This would require significant amendments to the Association Constitution, as well as endorsement by State Council and Members.

Even if these constitutional amendments were made and an application supported by State Council and the membership, the ultimate decision as to whether or not to register WALGA as an employer organisation rests with the WAIRC.

COMMENT

As foreshadowed in an Agenda item to Zones in April, WALGA has been looking to amend the Association Constitution to enable WALGA to apply to become a registered employer organisation under the IR Act.

WALGA has recently engaged lawyers, Jackson McDonald, to provide legal advice as to what constitutional amendments must be made to ensure WALGA is best placed to make a successful application for registration.

The advice received indicates that the changes required would be substantial, costly and potentially unwieldy, involving significant changes to the current governance structure and election processes of WALGA.

In particular, the following three changes required under the IR Act are considered to be untenable with the current structure of WALGA, and would therefore prohibit the Association from making a successful application for registration:

1. Secret Postal Ballot

Section 56 of the IR Act requires that elections for the holder of each office within the organisation must be conducted by way of secret postal ballot. Due to the broad definition of "office" and "officer" in the IR Act, WALGA office holders include every State Council representative, as well as the President and Deputy President.

Whilst conducting the elections for President and Deputy President via a secret postal ballot would be achievable, a postal voting system for the election of State Council representatives by Zone Delegates across 17 Zones would be unmanageable. As well as timing issues (see below), there would be significant costs involved in conducting elections in this manner, with no benefit to Members.

To accommodate an election of State Council representatives by secret postal ballot, the election cycle of WALGA would need to be changed. Currently, the terms of State Councillors run from the day of the first Ordinary State Council meeting immediately following the biennial Local Government elections (being the first week of December), to the day before the first Ordinary State Council meeting immediately following the next Local Government elections (2 years later). To allow for sufficient time for an election by

postal ballot (an unavoidably slow process), the terms for State Councillors would need to be amended to commence at the next meeting (being March the year following the Local Government elections). In the meantime, the composition of State Council would be subject to the results of the Local Government elections (which may result in vacancies, with representatives needing to leave their State Council position due to no longer being on Council).

2. Independent Returning Officer

Section 56 of the IR Act requires that the rules of an employer organisation must provide for the conduct of every election to an office within the organisation by an independent returning officer, not being the holder of any other office in, and not being an employee of, the organisation. As described above, WALGA office holders include the President, Deputy President and State Councillors.

An independent returning officer could be engaged relatively easily for the election of President and Deputy President. However, engaging independent returning officers to conduct the election of State Council representatives at all 17 Zone meetings in the weeks following the biennial Local Government elections raises significant concerns in terms of cost, administrative burden and timing.

At present, the State Council elections are conducted in mid-November, about 4-5 weeks after the Local Government elections. In the interim, Councils are required to meet and elect or appoint their Zone Delegates. This leaves very little time for an independent returning officer to carry out a formal nomination and election process.

This difficulty would only be compounded if the postal voting requirement were also adopted for State Council elections.

The Commissioner must refuse an application for registration if they are not satisfied that the rules conform with the election requirements in section 56 (including secret postal ballot and independent returning officer).

3. Secretary

The IR Act requires the creation of a position of "Secretary". Under the current governance structure of WALGA, the functions of Secretary are held by the CEO. However, under the IR Act, the Secretary is considered an "office", meaning it is subject to the same election requirements as other offices. Therefore, on a strict view, the Secretary should be the President, Deputy President or a State Councillor, not the CEO.

Once again, this is a significant non-compliance risk that jeopardises the likelihood of WALGA's application for registration being successful.

NEXT STEPS

For the reasons described above, it is proposed that WALGA does not proceed with the original plan to amend the Association Constitution and apply for registration as an employer organisation under the IR Act.

Instead WALGA has the following options to seek standing to become a registered organisation of employers under the IR Act:

1. Option 1 – Advocate to the Minister for Industrial Relations to either:

- a. name WALGA in the IR Act as an employer organisation similar to the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Medical Association Incorporated under s. 72B; or
 - b. amend the IR Act provision to permit WALGA to register as an employer organisation without making modifications to its Constitution or governance model. This might be achieved by amending the provisions to permit dual registration of organisations or making modifications to the election procedures of organisations.
2. Option 2 – Establish a new entity to apply for registration as an organisation of employers which will require separate management/committee, a motion approving an application for registration to the WAIRC under s. 54 of the IR Act and a Constitution which complies with all aspects of Part II, Division 4 of the IR Act.
 3. Option 3 - In the event that neither Option 1 or 2 are achieved or considered appropriate, the final option will be for WALGA to establish protocols with Member Local Governments to notify WALGA when new union claims are made and to work with Members to bring award variations in the names of Local Governments.

WALGA met with the Minister for Industrial Relations, Hon Simone McGurk MLA, on 13 June to again advocate for WALGA to be named in the IR Act. The importance of WALGA becoming an employer organisation was discussed, alongside the complexities of amending the Association Constitution to adhere to IR Act registration requirements (as detailed above).

WALGA will keep the Zones updated on any progress on this item.

Noted

7.2 CITY OF KARRATHA ADVOCACY POSITION STATEMENTS

By the City of Karratha

The City of Karratha tabled their Advocacy Positions Statement to members and proposed that a similar document be developed from all four member Council's to bring to a future Pilbara Zone meeting to be endorsed. The project has been forwarded to the Chief Executive Officers Group in the first instance.

Noted

7.3 LIVE SHEEP EXPORTS BY SEA

By the Shire of East Pilbara

BACKGROUND

The Australian Government has announced the export of live sheep by sea will end on 1 May 2028. The Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry, Senator the Hon Murray Watt, announced the decision on 11 May 2024 together with the release of the government response to the report of the Independent Panel and a transition support package.

Legislation will be introduced in this term of the Australian Parliament to end the trade in law.

Trade can continue until the end date without any additional restrictions such as caps or quotas. The prohibition will not apply to other livestock export industries, such as live cattle exports, nor will it apply to live sheep exports by air.

The pastoral industry in the East Pilbara District is predominantly focussed on cattle production, with meat sheep production in Western Australia focussed in the southern agricultural region, with less than 3% of the State's sheep (including wool) produced in the Southern Rangelands (the Gascoyne, Murchison, Goldfields and Nullabor).

The WA Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development states the WA sheep industry accounted for 43% of the value of all livestock industries in the State in 2021/22. The combined sheep meat and wool industries contributed a gross value of production of \$1.35b to the WA economy, up from \$1.18b the previous year. Of the total contribution from the sheep industry, wool made up \$655m or 21% of the value of all livestock industries, while the sheep meat sector was worth \$692m or 22% of the value of the livestock sector.

The majority of sheep exported from Australia originate in WA and 100% of sheep exported by sea are exported from Fremantle. The number of sheep exported live has been on a declining trend over the last decade or so, as evident below. Sheep exported live declined from 2.6m in 2009 to 1m in 2019, a decline of 59%.

The sharp decline between 2017 and 2018 was largely due to the mid-year trade suspension and reduced stocking rates on ships imposed following the Awassi Express incident of 2017. Between 2019 and 2021 numbers declined again due to the loss of major markets such as Qatar following the removal of the subsidy for Australian sheep by the Qatari government. In 2023 live sheep exports from WA totalled 670,900, a 29% increase compared to 2022.

While not quite as consistent a decline as seen in the quantity of sheep exported live, there has been a likewise decrease in the value of live sheep exports, both nationally and from WA over the last decade. In 2019 live sheep exports from WA were worth \$136.2m, but this dropped to \$69.6m in 2023.

Table 1: Live sheep exports by head – Australia Wide (Source: DAFF). On a per head basis though the value per sheep has risen due to rising prices. In 2017 sheep were valued at \$126 per head exported live. This increased to \$131 in 2019 and \$155 in 2022, and reduced to \$104 in 2023.

The Federal Government has indicated its move towards a ban on live exports by sea will only apply to sheep exports. However, it is noted that a level of public opposition to all live exports remains and it is expected that opposition will continue to agitate for a broadening of the ban to include live cattle exports at some time in the future.

In 2023, approximately 600,000 cattle were produced in WA, with 30% destined for live export markets accounting for nearly one-third of Australia's total live cattle exports. It is understood that 70% of cattle sales in northern WA are accounted for in live exports. Between 40-57% of revenue generated in Australia by the live cattle export market stays in Australia.

Despite the higher number of cattle processed domestically compared to exported live, the value of live cattle exports exceeds the value of boxed beef exports due to the impact of domestic beef consumption. WA beef exports reached the highest value on record of \$278.4 million in 2019. In 2020 there was a slight decline in the value of beef exports to \$252.6 million, however this was still the second highest on record and illustrated the

resiliency of the trade in facing the global market shocks caused by COVID-19.

WA beef is seen as a high value, quality product in overseas markets which has been reflected in the increasing prices and premiums received in recent years. 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023 Cattle 1,303,929 1,048,751 771,931 600,024 676,592 Table 2: Live cattle exports by head – Australia Wide (Source: DAFF) The value of live cattle exports (both breeding and non-breeding cattle) from WA reached an all-time high of \$412.4 million in 2016, before coming back to \$292.2 million the following year. In 2020 they totalled \$334.2 million which was the 2nd highest on record. Combined, the WA beef industry exports reached a total value of \$586.8 million in 2020. Given the employment and economic activity generated by, and the value of the live animal export industry to Western Australia, Council requests that the Pilbara Country Zone endorses a recommendation that State Council advocates against the legislation to be introduced into Federal Parliament.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Wendy McWhirter Brooks
Seconded: Mayor Peter Carter

That the Pilbara Country Zone support the State Government in their advocacy against the Commonwealth legislation against Live Sheep Export by sea.

CARRIED

ACTION – Zone Executive Officer to prepare a letter from the Pilbara Country Zone to all Country Zone Chairs to advise of the Zone's above position, offer empathy and share support on this matter.

7.4 GREAT NORTHERN HIGHWAY AND PILBARA ROAD FUNDING

By the Shire of East Pilbara

BACKGROUND

The Great Northern Highway is a major road link that falls within the responsibility of Main Roads WA, and which is funded by the State and Commonwealth Governments. It is not a road for which local government has responsibility. The corridor between Newman and Port Hedland carries a mix of traffic including light vehicles, towing vehicles (tourists), road trains and oversize over mass (OSOM) vehicles, all of which travel at varying speeds. Currently 73.8% of this traffic is heavy vehicles. It is acknowledged that current traffic volumes of heavy vehicles exceeds the roads capacity and a lack of overtaking lanes impacts on the safety and productivity of the road. Work to increase passing lanes has commenced.

Main Roads WA publishes updates on the progress of the project to construct priority overtaking lanes on the Great Northern Highway between Newman and Port Hedland under the Northern Australia Freight Productivity Program.

This project has received a commitment of \$50 million in joint funding from the Commonwealth and WA State Governments.

The project has been separated in to two stages: Package One – Newman to Munjina (Auski) A \$23 million contract has been awarded to Centrals Earthmoving to construct Package One, which consists of three southbound and two northbound overtaking lanes,

between Newman and Munjina. Pre-construction work for Package One are underway. Water and pavement material sources have been established and clearing work has commenced. These five lanes are expected to be completed by the end of 2024. Package Two – Munjina (Auski) to Port Hedland.

Package Two of the program includes construction of six overtaking lanes, which consists of two southbound and four northbound overtaking lanes, between Munjina and Port Hedland. A contract to deliver these six overtaking lanes is expected to be awarded in July 2024, with work expected to commence in August 2024. At the Pilbara Regional Roads Group (PRRG) meeting in May 2024, Main Roads WA advised that owing to rising construction costs, the initial proposal to construct 18 new overtaking lanes, has been reduced to eleven, with seven overtaking lanes identified by Main Roads WA as priority passing lanes unfunded for construction.

A joint advocacy partnership between the Shire of East Pilbara, Shire of Ashburton and the Town of Port Hedland will present a united call on behalf of those impacted districts to the State and Federal Government on the need for the additional funding needed to complete the project in its entirety. In relation to the second and third parts of the recommendation support for a joint effort from the Pilbara Country Zone, WALGA, other key stakeholders, and the Shires of East Pilbara and Ashburton, and the Town of Port Hedland, and City of Karratha for an increase in funding generally for the Pilbara's extensive road network, such a collaborative approach may be of benefit in securing additional funds from the State and Federal Government for a larger share of road funding for both State and local roads.

The Pilbara Country Zone and WALGA State Council are requested to support the Pilbara local governments' efforts to secure the additional funds required to complete the Great Northern Highway priority passing lanes, and for enhanced funding for the region's road network.

The Zone resolved to refer this matter to the Strategic Planning Group (Member CEO's).

8 STATE COUNCIL AGENDA – MATTERS FOR DECISION AND NOTING

Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision 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: [here](#)

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

STATE COUNCIL MATTERS FOR DECISION

8.1 CARAVAN PARK AND CAMPING GROUNDS REGULATIONS

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- Tiny Homes on Wheels (THOWs) are an emerging form of housing that offers an alternative and affordable housing option that can assist in addressing the current housing shortage.

- THOWs are classified as caravans under the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995* (the Act) and the *Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997* (the Regulations).
- The Regulations restrict the length of occupation of THOWs.
- A new advocacy position proposes that the Regulations be amended to allow THOWs to be occupied for longer periods and for Local Governments to be able to establish policy to guide these longer approvals.
- The Environment Policy Team endorsed the draft advocacy position on 29 May 2024.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council endorse a new Caravan Park and Camping Grounds Regulations Advocacy Position:

Part 2 of the Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997 should be amended to allow Local Governments to:

- 1. Consider camping on private property for a period of greater of three months.***
- 2. Establish policy to guide approvals beyond 3 months to ensure that camping is locally appropriate and provide for circumstances where caravans, predominantly in the form of tiny homes on wheels, can be occupied on a more permanent basis.***

8.2 2024 AUDIT EXPERIENCE SURVEY RESULTS AND ADVOCACY POSITION

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- WALGA, in partnership with Local Government Professionals WA (LG Professionals), has recently conducted a survey of the Local Government sector to seek feedback on the annual audit process.
- The 2024 survey was based on the inaugural audit experience survey conducted last year, allowing for direct comparison of results over time.
- Five key emerging issues were identified following the 2023 survey, and these areas demonstrated varying levels of improvement this year:
 - timeframe and delays;
 - additional workload on Local Government staff;
 - cost;
 - inconsistent advice from contract Auditors and the Office of the Auditor General (OAG); and
 - asset valuation requirements.
- An outcome of advocacy efforts last year was the achievement of a review of the application of Fair Value principles, particularly as applied in audit related asset valuation.
- It is recommended that the WALGA Advocacy Position on Local Government Audit Process (position 2.2.2) be updated to reflect this achievement.
- An initial meeting with the OAG has recently been held to discuss the outcomes from the survey.
- WALGA and LG Professionals will continue to work with the OAG to reform the audit process in line with sector feedback, with a particular focus on those areas of concern identified in the 2024 survey results.
- This item was considered at the Governance Policy Team held on 15 May 2024, where the recommendation was supported.

WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council:

1. **Note the Audit Experience Survey Results Summary; and**
2. **Amend Advocacy Position 2.2.2 *Local Government Audit Process* to remove point 7 as it has been achieved.**

9.3 Policy Team and Committee Reports

- 9.1 Environment Policy Team Report
- 9.2 Governance Policy Team Report
- 9.3 Infrastructure Policy Team Report
- 9.4 People and Place Policy Team Report
- 9.5 Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC) Report

9.4 Matters for Noting/Information

- 10.1 2024-25 State and Federal Budget Update
- 10.2 Submission to the Commissioner for Children and Young People WA Priority Area Discussion Papers
- 10.3 Perth and Peel Urban Greening Strategy
- 10.4 Polyphagous Shot-Hole Borer Update
- 10.5 Flying Minute: Submission on Emergency Management Sector Adaptation Plan
- 10.6 Flying Minute: State Wage Case Submission
- 10.7 Flying Minute: Submission on the Inquiry into Local Government Sustainability
- 10.8 Flying Minute: Standardised Meeting Procedures Submission

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Daniel Scott

Seconded: Mayor Peter Carter

That the Pilbara Country Zone:

1. **Supports all Matters for Decision and Policy Team recommendations as listed above in the July 2024 State Council Agenda, and**
2. **Notes all Matters for Noting, other Policy Team and Committee Reports and Organisational Reports as listed in the July 2024 State Council Agenda.**

CARRIED

9 EXECUTIVE REPORTS

9.1 WALGA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

WALGA State Councillor Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks presented the President's Report. The report was attached within the Agenda.

Noted

9.2 STATE COUNCILLOR'S REPORT TO THE ZONE

WALGA State Councillor, Cr Wendy McWhirter-Brooks presented on the previous State Council meeting.

Noted

10 OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

11 NEXT MEETING

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Peter Carter

Seconded: Cr Alana Sullivan

That all future Pilbara Country Zone meetings will be held in person, and where possible, at WALGA, 170 Railway Parade, West Leederville.

CARRIED

The next meeting of the Pilbara Country Zone will be held on Thursday, 22 August 2024, hosted by WALGA commencing at 3:00pm.

12 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 12:59pm.