



CENTRAL COUNTRY ZONE

MINUTES

**Friday 3 May 2019
via
Teleconference**

Commencing at 8.33am

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Minutes

Central Country Zone of WALGA

Friday 3 May 2019, commencing at 8.33am
via Teleconference

1.0 OPENING AND WELCOME

The Chair Cr Conley opened the meeting at 8.33am and welcomed all in attendance.

2.0 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance

Cr Mark Conley (Chair)	President, Shire of Cuballing
Cr Dee Ridgway	President, Shire of Beverley
Cr Chris Pepper	Deputy President, Shire of Beverley
Mr Stephen Gollan	CEO, Shire of Beverley
Cr Neil Walker	Deputy President, Shire of Brookton
Mr Ian D'Arcy	CEO, Shire of Brookton
Cr Lyn Baker	President, Shire of Corrigin
Mr Gary Sherry	CEO, Shire of Cuballing
Mr Allen Cooper	A/CEO, Shire of Dumbleyung
Cr Barry West	President, Shire of Kulin
Mr Garrick Yandle	CEO, Shire of Kulin
Cr Jeanette De Landgraft	President, Shire of Lake Grace
Cr Steve Hunt	Deputy President, Shire of Lake Grace
Ms Denise Gobbart	CEO, Shire of Lake Grace
President Ballard	President, Shire of Narrogin
Cr Tim Weise	Deputy President, Shire of Narrogin
Mr Dale Stewart	CEO, Shire of Narrogin
Cr Bill Mulroney	President, Shire of Pingelly
Cr David Freebairn	Deputy President, Shire of Pingelly
Cr Brett McGuinness	Deputy President, Shire of Quairading
Mr Graeme Fardon	CEO, Shire of Quairading
Cr Phillip Blight	President, Shire of Wagin
Mr Brian Roderick	A/CEO, Shire of Wagin
Ms Nicole Wasmann	CEO, Shire of West Arthur
Mr Geoff McKeown	CEO, Shire of Williams

Mr Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

WALGA Representatives

Mr Mal Shervill, Policy Officer – Road Safety (joined the meeting at 8.41am)

Ms Kirsty Davis, Policy Manager Community (joined the meeting at 8.41am)

Guests

Nil

Apologies

Cr Katrina Crute	President, Shire of Brookton
Mrs Natalie Manton	CEO, Shire of Corrigin
Cr Eliza Dowling	Deputy President, Shire of Cuballing
Cr Jackie Ball	President, Shire of Dumbleyung
Cr Catherine Watkins	Councillor, Shire of Dumbleyung
Cr Rodney Duckworth	Deputy President, Shire of Kulin
Mr Mark Dacombe	A/CEO, Shire of Pingelly
Cr Wayne Davies	President, Shire of Quairading
Shire of Wandering	
Cr Ray Harrington OAM	President, Shire of West Arthur
Mr Mark Hook	CEO, Shire of Wickepin
Cr Jarrod Logie	President, Shire of Williams
Ms Helen Westcott	Joint Executive Officer

3.0 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Nil

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil

5.0 GUEST SPEAKERS

Nil

6.0 MINUTES

6.1 Confirmation of Minutes – Friday 15 March 2019 (Attachment)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Central Country Zone held on Friday 15 March 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Baker** **Seconded: Cr West**

That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Central Country Zone held on Friday 15 March 2019 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

6.2 Business Arising from Minutes Zone Meeting Friday 15 March 2019

6.2.1 Central Country Zone Meeting Friday 30 November 2018 - Item 10.6 State Government Consultation within the Wheatbelt

This matter was considered at the Zone Meeting on 30 November 2018 when it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: President Ballard* *Seconded: Cr Ball*

- 1. That the Central Country Zone write to the Minister for Regional Development expressing concern that on occasions State Government Agencies, in conducting community and local government consultation, fail to hold consultations in various locations within the Wheatbelt which prevent relevant community input.*
- 2. That a copy of the correspondence to the Minister be also sent to all Members of Parliament representing the Central Country Zone.*

CARRIED

Correspondence was prepared and sent to the Minister for Regional Development together with all local Members of Parliament. A preliminary response has been received from the Minister's Office apologising for the delay but advising the Minister is seeking further information from her Department. The Wheatbelt Development Commission has also been asked to contact the Executive Officer to discuss the issue.

The Executive Officer has followed the matter up with the Minister's office seeking a response.

6.2.2 Central Country Zone Meeting Friday 15 March 2019 - Item 10.1 Minister for Environment - Waste Levy

This matter was considered at the last Zone Meeting when it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Blight* *Seconded: Cr Ball*

That the matters listed for noting be received, with the Executive Officer seeking some clarification from WALGA on the potential extension of the levy charge to non-metropolitan areas.

CARRIED

The Executive Officer had a discussion with Rebecca Brown at WALGA and it would seem that, at present, there is no intention of extending the levy to rural areas such as those in the Central Country Zone. Any changes are more likely to impact on the Peel Region and larger non-metropolitan urban centres. Any changes will require considerable consultation.

7.0 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA) BUSINESS

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

7.1 State Councillor Report

Cr Phillip Blight

7.2 WALGA Status Report (Attachment)

From Executive Officer

BACKGROUND:

Presenting the status report for April 2019.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Central Country Zone notes the:

- State Councillor Report; and
- WALGA Status Report.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Baker**

Seconded: Cr Mulroney

That the Central Country Zone notes the:

- **State Councillor Report; and**
- **WALGA Status Report.**

CARRIED

7.3 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Matters for Decision

From Executive Officer

Background:

WALGA State Council meets five times each year and as part of the consultation process with Member Councils circulates the State Council Agenda for input through the Zone structure.

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

5.1 Road Safety Audit Local Government Policy Template (05-001-03-0048 MS)

WALGA Recommendation

That the Road Safety Audit Local Government policy template be endorsed.

ZONE COMMENT:

Zone supports the WALGA recommendation

5.2 'Preferred Model' for Third Party Appeal Rights for Decisions Made by Development Assessment Panels (05-073-01-0002 VJ)

WALGA Recommendation

That WALGA:

1. Continues to advocate for the State Government to introduce Third Party Appeal Rights for decisions made by Development Assessment Panels; and
2. Endorses the 'Preferred Model' as the third party appeals process for decisions made by Development Assessment Panels.

ZONE COMMENT:

The Zone needs to consider carefully this matter. It is noted that only the Shire of Cuballing made a response to the request for WALGA Member Council comments.

MOTION: Moved: President Ballard Secinded: Mr Sherry

That the WALGA recommendation relating to the 'Preferred Model' for Third Party Appeal Rights for Decisions Made by Development Assessment Panels be changed so that no Third Party Appeal rights are allowed on decisions made by Development Assessment Panels.

MOTION LOST

5.3 Interim Submission – Draft Position Statement: Tourism Land Uses within Bushfire Prone Areas (05-024-02-0056 CH)

WALGA Recommendation

That the interim submission to the Western Australian Planning Commission on Draft Position Statement: Tourism land uses within bushfire prone areas, be endorsed.

ZONE COMMENT:

Zone supports the WALGA recommendation

5.4 Public Library Tiered Service Framework (05-012-03-0001 KD)

WALGA Recommendation

That the new tiered model to support public library service delivery in WA be endorsed.

ZONE COMMENT:

In reading the State Council agenda the following is noted:

It is proposed that SLWA will facilitate additional support to libraries in tier two and three Local Governments and in response to consultation feedback, it is proposed that public library regional boundaries will be aligned with the WA Regional Development Commission boundaries.

Given the area covered by the Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) area and the number of local governments within the WDC's boundaries this may seem an impractical alignment.

Member Councils need to be fully aware of the impact of the changes being proposed.

It is noted that the author of the agenda item will be in attendance, as a WALGA representative, should delegates which to seek additional information.

Zone supports the WALGA recommendation

5.5 Community Technical Reference Group (05-018-02-0010 KD)

WALGA Recommendation

That the establishment of a Community Technical Reference Group be endorsed.

ZONE COMMENT:

Zone supports the WALGA recommendation

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Central Country Zone endorses all recommendations being matters contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda other than those recommendations separately considered.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Mulroney** **Seconded: Cr Baker**

That the Central Country Zone endorses all recommendations being matters contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda other than those recommendations separately considered.

CARRIED

7.4 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Matters for Noting/Information

6.1 Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC) (01-006-03-0008 RNB)

7.5 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Organisational Reports

7.1 Key Activity Reports

7.1.1 Report on Key Activities, Environment and Waste Policy Unit (01-006-03-0017 MJB)

7.1.2 Report on Key Activities, Governance and Organisational Services (01-006-03-0007 TB)

7.1.3 Report on Key Activities, Infrastructure (05-001-02-0003 ID)

7.1.4 Report on Key Activities, People and Place (01-006-03-0014 JB)

7.6 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Policy Forum Reports

7.2 Policy Forum Reports

7.2.1 Mayors/Presidents Policy Forum

7.2.2 Mining Community Policy Forum

7.2.3 Container Deposit Legislation Policy Forum

7.2.4 Freight Policy Forum

7.7 WALGA President's Report

Presenting the WALGA President's Report which has not be received for distribution with the agenda.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Central Country Zone notes the following reports contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda:

- Matters for noting/Information;
- Organisational reports;
- Policy Forum reports; and
- WALGA President's Report.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr McGuinness Seconded: Cr West

That the Central Country Zone notes the following reports contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda:

- **Matters for noting/Information;**
- **Organisational reports;**
- **Policy Forum reports; and**
- **WALGA President's Report.**

CARRIED

8.0 FINANCE

Nil

9.0 ZONE REPORTS

9.1 Zone President's Report

Cr Mark Conley

9.2 Local Government Agricultural Freight Group (LGAFG)

Cr Katrina Crute

9.3 Great Southern District Emergency Management Committee (DEMC)

President Leigh Ballard

9.4 Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group

Cr Katrina Crute, Chair of Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group

10.0 ZONE BUSINESS - MEMBER COUNCIL MATTERS

Nil

11.0 ZONE BUSINESS - OTHER BUSINESS/URGENT BUSINESS

Nil

12.0 ZONE BUSINESS - EMERGING ISSUES

(The intent of the item is to enable Member Councils to bring to the attention of the delegates a matter that is developing. It is proposed that the matter will be tabled for discussion but not decision and then enable Member Councils to take the information away and consider an outcome for possible consideration at the next Zone meeting.)

12.1 RAV 4 Network – Shire of Williams

Geoff McKeown, CEO Shire of Williams raised an issue around "low volume road conditions" on RAV 4 Network roads.

The details of the 'Type A' Low Volume Road condition are included in the Prime Mover, Trailer Combinations Operating Conditions document published by Main Roads.

What is of concern to the Shire is that it appears that the 'Type A' Low Volume Road condition has been placed on roads that previously did not have this condition.

Mal Shervill (WALGA) indicated he will seek further details and respond to both the Shire of Williams and the Zone.

13.0 MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Nil

14.0 OTHER REPRESENTATIVES REPORTS

14.1 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries

Nil

14.2 Wheatbelt Development Commission

Nil

14.3 Regional Development Australia (RDA) Wheatbelt

Nil

15.0 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 8 May 2019 – Teleconference Meeting of the Central Country Zone Executive

Friday 24 May 2019 – Shire of Brookton

16.0 CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.35am

DECLARATION

These minutes were confirmed by the Central Country Zone at the meeting held on Friday 24 May 2019

Signed _____
Person presiding at the meeting at which these minutes were confirmed