



# Gascoyne Country Zone

## Minutes

Council Chambers  
Shire of Carnarvon

1:00pm  
Friday 22 June 2018

# Gascoyne Country Zone

Meeting to be held in the Council Chambers at the Shire of Carnarvon

Commencing at 1:00pm, Friday, 22 June 2018

## Agenda

### ATTENDEES

Shire of Carnarvon

President Karl Brandenburg  
Mark Dacombe – A/Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Exmouth

Cr Ben Dixon  
Cameron Woods – Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Shark Bay

President Cr Cheryl Cowell (Chair)  
Paul Anderson – Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Upper Gascoyne

President Cr Don Hammarquist  
John McCleary – Chief Executive Officer

WALGA

Tim Lane, Manager Strategy and Association Governance  
Mark Bondietti, Policy Manager, Transport and Roads

### GUESTS

Carnarvon Rangelands Biosecurity  
Association

Tim Highan

### APOLOGIES

WALGA  
Gascoyne Primary Producers  
DLGSC

Engel Prendergast, Senior Road Safety Consultant  
Alys McKeough  
Jodie Holbrook

### Attachments

The following are provided as attachments to the agenda:

1. Minutes April 2018 Meeting
2. State Council Agenda – via link: <https://walga.asn.au/getattachment/About-WALGA/Structure/State-Council/Agendas-and-Minutes/Agenda-State-Council-4-July-2018.pdf.aspx>
3. President's Report – to be distributed prior to the meeting

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## **1. DEPUTATIONS**

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### **1.1 Carnarvon Rangelands Biosecurity Association**

Mr Tim Highan, Deputy Chair, Carnarvon Rangelands Biosecurity Association presented to the Zone.

**Noted.**

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## **2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

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Pursuant to our Code of Conduct, Councillors must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

**Nil.**

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## **3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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### **3.1 Minutes of the 27 April 2018 Meeting of the Gascoyne Country Zone**

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved Mr McCleary  
Seconded Cr Cowell**

**That the Minutes of the meeting of the Gascoyne Country Zone held on 27 April 2018 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.**

**CARRIED**

### **3.2 Business Arising**

**Nil.**

## 4. ZONE BUSINESS

### 4.1 Call for Nominations – Deputy State Councillor and Deputy Zone Chair

The Executive Officer will assume the Chair.

Nominations are sought from delegates for the positions of Deputy State Councillor and Deputy Zone Chair.

#### DECLARATION

**That President Karl Brandenburg is elected Deputy State Councillor representing the Gascoyne Zone until December 2019.**

#### DECLARATION

**That President Karl Brandenburg is elected Deputy Zone Chair of the Gascoyne Zone until December 2019.**

### 4.2 Zone Status Report

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Zone Resolution</i>	<i>WALGA Response</i>	<i>WALGA Contact</i>
<b>2018 April 27 Zone Agenda Item 6.1</b> Costs of Audits by the Office of the Auditor General	That the Gascoyne Zone requests WALGA to express its concern to the Minister for Local Government regarding the significant increase in audit costs due to legislative change requiring the Office of the Auditor General to undertake Local Government audits.	WALGA is collating information on the cost of audits from all Local Governments to assist in our advocacy against the high cost increases of the audits.  The Zone will be provided with updates on the advocacy.	<b>Tony Brown Executive Manager Governance and Organisational Services</b> 9213 2051 <a href="mailto:tbrown@walga.asn.au">tbrown@walga.asn.au</a>
<b>2018 March 2 Zone Agenda Item 4.1</b> Zone Status Report	That the Gascoyne Zone: 1. Note the development of the model policies; 2. Request WALGA to liaise with LGIS about insurance coverage or an assistance package or cyber bullying issues; and, 3. Request WALGA to continue to advocate for stronger defamation laws and assistance from the State Government to pursue defamation cases where appropriate.	WALGA has finalise a template Communications and Social Media Policy, Code of Conduct (Social Media) Clause and Guideline for Elected Member Personal Use of Social Media.  WALGA State Council also endorsed an Item at the May 2018 State Council meeting recommending request for ALGA advocacy for changes to Commonwealth legislation to provide for implementing: 1. Cyber-bullying protections for all Australians, similar to those provided to Australian children under the Enhancing Online Safety Act 2015 (Cth); 2. Identification validation checks before a new social media account can be established, including a timeframe by which social media providers must ensure that all existing active accounts retrospectively comply  A social media / communications control order, similar to a violence restraining order, which prevents a person from contacting any other person through social media.	<b>Tony Brown Executive Manager Governance and Organisational Services</b> 9213 2051 <a href="mailto:tbrown@walga.asn.au">tbrown@walga.asn.au</a>

**Noted.**

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## **5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA – MATTERS FOR DECISION**

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*(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)*

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### **5.1 MATTERS FOR DECISION**

#### **5.1 Updated Climate Change Policy Statement**

That the revised WALGA Climate Change Policy Statement be endorsed.

#### **5.2 Interim Submission – Model Subdivision Conditions**

That the interim submission to the WA Planning Commission on the Model Subdivision Conditions be endorsed.

#### **5.3 Interim Submission – Position Statement – Housing on lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup>**

That the interim submission to the WA Planning Commission on Position Statement – Housing on Lots less than 100m<sup>2</sup> be endorsed.

#### **5.4 Policy for Restricted Access Vehicles on Roads Not on an Approved Network During Harvest**

1. That WALGA support changes to the Harvest Mass Management Scheme to enable heavy vehicles that meet the requirements of RAV 2, RAV 3 or RAV 4 to travel on roads not assessed for the RAV network between paddocks and the nearest RAV route during the harvest period.
2. Advocate that any roads assessed on the initiative of Main Roads that do not meet the requirements for addition to the RAV network at the level used under the Harvest Mass Management Scheme remain unassessed for the purpose of network definition.

#### **5.5 WA State Library Strategy Implementation Plan and Consultation Report**

That:

1. The WA Public Libraries Strategy be endorsed; and,
2. WALGA continue to advocate with Western Australia Public Libraries and key stakeholders to Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to prioritise funding for implementation of the strategy.

#### **5.6 Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 Review Submission to Stage 1 (05-032-01-0001 KD) 25**

That the submission to Stage 1 Review of the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972* be endorsed.

#### **5.7 Interim Submission – Review of the State Industrial Relations System**

That the interim supplementary submission in response to the Interim Report of the Review of the State Industrial Relations System be endorsed.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved Cr Ben Dixon  
Seconded President Karl Brandenburg**

**That the Gascoyne Country Zone endorse all Matters for Decision contained in the State Council agenda.**

**CARRIED**

## **5.2 MATTERS FOR NOTING**

- 6.1 Report on Local Government Road Assets and Expenditure 2016/17
- 6.2 ERA Draft Decision – Western Power Access Arrangement
- 6.3 2017-18 State Budget
- 6.4 Research on Verge Permit Fees and Bonds
- 6.5 Independent Planning Reform – Green Paper
- 6.6 Update on the Noongar Standard Heritage Agreement for Local Government
- 6.7 Community Resource Centre Funding and Service Model
- 6.8 Alternative Approaches to Volunteer Based Health Services in the Regions Survey
- 6.9 Public Health Act 2016 Regulation Review Program

*President Karl Brandenburg departed the meeting at 1:57pm and did not return.*

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved Mr McCourt  
Seconded Cr Cowell**

**That the Gascoyne Country Zone Note the Matters for Noting contained in the State Council agenda.**

**CARRIED**

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## **6. OTHER BUSINESS**

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Nil.

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## **7. EXECUTIVE REPORTS**

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### **7.1 State Councillor's Report to the Zone**

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Cr Cheryl Cowell provided an update to the Zone.

**Noted**

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### **7.2 President's Report to the Zone**

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Tim Lane outlined the President's Report on behalf of Cr Lynne Craigie.

**Noted**

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### **7.3 DLGC's Report to the Zone**

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The DLGC report will be provided to the Zone.

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## **8. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING**

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**The next ordinary meeting of the Gascoyne Country Zone will be held at 10:00am on Friday 24 August 2018 via teleconference.**

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## **10. CLOSURE**

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There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 2:07pm.