



East Metropolitan Zone

Minutes

30 August 2018

East Metropolitan Zone

Hosted by the EMRC

1st Floor Ascot Place 226 Great Eastern Highway BELMONT – Phone 9424 2222

Thursday 30 August 2017. Commenced at 6:00 pm

Minutes

MEMBERS

3 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Bayswater

Cr Chris Cornish
Cr Giorgia Johnson
Mr Andrew Brien, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

City of Belmont

Cr Lauren Cayoun
Cr Steve Wolff

City of Kalamunda

Cr Brooke O'Donnell
Cr Cameron Blair
Ms Rhonda Hardy, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

Shire of Mundaring

Cr Jason Russell
Cr Lynn Fisher
Cr Kate Driver
Mr Shane Purdy, Director Infrastructure Services – non-voting delegate

City of Swan

Cr Patty Jones
Cr Adam Kovalevs
Mr Jim Coten, Acting Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

WALGA Secretariat

Ms Joanne Burges, Executive Manager People and Place
Ms Alison Maggs, Strategic Sourcing Manager

Guest Speaker

Ms Kirsty Martin, DLGSC
Mr James Jegasothy, Director Community Engagement & Strategy
Office of Multicultural Interests

APOLOGIES

Shire of Mundaring

City of Belmont

Town of Bassendean

City of Swan

Mr Jonathan Throssell Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

Mayor Phil Marks

Mr John Christie, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

Mayor Renee McLennan

Mr Mike Foley Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Confirmation of Attendance An attendance sheet was circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting to register your name for the Minutes.

ATTACHMENTS WITHIN THE AGENDA

1. Draft Minutes of the previous meeting
2. Zone Status Report
3. President's Report
4. Standing Orders

1. DEPUTATIONS

1.1 Presentation – Local Government Act Review

Ms Kirsty Martin presented on the Local Government Act Review.

On 1 August Minister Templeman announced the Government's reforms resulting from phase one of the review of the Act. These cover training, gifts, elected member conduct, CEO recruitment and performance review, public access to information and some administrative efficiencies. The presentation will provide some more detail and allow members to ask questions on these reforms.

The coverage and timeline for phase two of the review was also outlined.

Noted

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved Cr Patty Jones
Seconded Cr Adam Kovalevs

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the East Metropolitan Zone held 28 June 2018 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

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.

4. BUSINESS ARISING

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

Noted

5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION

<https://walga.asn.au/getattachment/About-WALGA/Structure/State-Council/Agendas-and-Minutes/Agenda-State-Council-7-September-2018-with-attachments.pdf.aspx>

Item 5.2 and Item 5.10 were discussed however no amendments were made.

Moved Cr Kate Driver
Seconded Cr Chris Cornish

That items for decision 5.1 – 5.10 contained in the September 2018 State Council Agenda be endorsed 'en-bloc'.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS

6.1 Localeye – Smart Phone App Discussion

By Cr Kate Driver, Shire of Mundaring

Discussion requested on WALGA Localeye App.

Secretariat Comment

WALGA initiated Localeye as a free smart phone app to assist Local Governments to engage with their communities.

It currently has functions by which users can locate Local Government services and facilities, access news, events and information about their Local Government and report issues to their Local Government. The app also has an offline function for when travelling to areas with poor reception and alerts for DFES advice. The app is available on the Apple and Android platforms and each Local Government has a designated portal they can access to update news and events information. There is no charge to Local Governments for the app or the portal.

By way of background, Localeye was developed from an initial project to provide Local Government with its own reporting app to help circumvent emerging third party apps such as "fixmystreet" that operated in the UK and was used to publically criticise councils. However some Local Governments objected that the app would create work for them and resisted integration to their IT systems. Consequently the functionality of Localeye was enhanced to include details of local community facilities and services in an interactive map. WALGA was required to contract a third party to populate the facilities content after a lack of engagement by Local Governments to assist. The app also had functions added to enable Local Governments to post news and events details to which users would then be able to subscribe. For the past 12 months WALGA has again contracted a third party to update this content on the app from scanning Council websites due to Local Governments claiming to not have the time to enter the information.

Localeye is now at the stage where WALGA will no longer invest in populating Council news and events data. The option remains for Local Governments to access their portal to provide this information however the focus of the app will now revert to the local facilities search functionality. There is the potential for the events function to be opened up to registered community groups to provide content via the portal however this is not in the immediate term planning.

In the near term Localeye and the search functions developed will support a new website to promote the sector that will feature online video content on WA Local Governments produced by WALGA. The new website will present the online content with links to each Local Government and the capacity for Councils to select and stream content from the site to their own websites and facilities. WALGA will

also add to the portal a function by which Councils will be able to select which content they would like to stream - i.e. in effect create their own channel to stream to their website or facilities/waiting areas. As with Localeye the production of the digital content to feature on the website will be at no charge to Local Governments.

Noted

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Presentation to the Zone – 29 November 2018

The status of the Youth Innovation item recorded in the 28 June Minutes under 6.1 was requested and discussed with the following action:

Tarnika Brewer, Youth Officer, EMRC and Ross Wortham, CEO, YACWA be invited to the next Zone meeting to present.

Presentations to focus on:

- What other Local Governments are doing in this space compared to East Metropolitan Councils
- Trends in Youth Service Delivery
- Policies on Youth Engagement
- Other matters they believe would be of interest to the Zone members.

8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 WALGA President's Report

The President's Report was accepted as read.

Noted

8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA State Councillor's Cr Brooke O'Donnell and Cr Kate Driver presented on the previous State Council meeting and the AGM.

Noted

8.3 Department of Local Government and Communities Representative Update Report.

James Jegasothy, Director Community Engagement & Strategy, Office of Multicultural Interests spoke to the Department of Local Government and Communities Newsletter providing an update on the DLGCS activities.

Noted

9. NOTICE OF MOTIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING MEETING

The increase in Development Assessment Panel Fees – Item to be provided by the City of Swan, deferred from the September 2018 meeting.

10. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next ordinary meeting of the East Metropolitan Zone be held on 29 November 2018 at the EMRC commencing at 6:00pm.

11. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 7:09pm.