SHIRE OF MANJIMUP
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held at the RSL Board Room, Pemberton, Wednesday 31 July 2024.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING OF MEETING:

Shire President, Donelle Buegge (Chair) opened the meeting at 5pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

3. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES:

Present:

Cr Donelle Buegge (DB)	Shire President
Cr Wade DeCampo (WD)	Councillor
Cr Wendy Eiby (WE)	Councillor
Jason Giadresco (JG)	Director Development Services
Ann Bentley (AB)	Environmental Sustainability Officer
Julian Sharp (JS)	Southern Forest Community Landcare
Rob Telford (RT)	Community Representative
Stephen King (SK)	Community Representative
Clare Bailey (CB)	Community Representative

Apologies:

Cr Cliff Winfield (CW)	Councillor
Kylie Britza	DBCA Representative
Ashleigh Collins (AC)	Community Representative
Mitchell East (ME)	Community Representative
Ian Wilson (IW)	Community Representative

Guests:

Micheal Leers	Director Works and Services
Matthew Tartaglia	WBAC – Climate Alliance

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Nil.

5. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved: Cr Wendy Eiby **Seconded: Rob Telford**

That the previous minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held on the 27 March 2024 be accepted as a true and correct record.

Carried

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6. COUNCIL DECISION ON RECOMMENDATIONS (13 June 2024)

That Council:

1. *Receive and note the unconfirmed Minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held 15 May 2024.*
2. *Request (via the Shire President and / or Chief Executive Officer) the Warren Blackwood Alliance of Councils to investigate the creation of a region-wide Sustainability Officer position.*
3. *Direct the Chief Executive Officer to report to the Sustainability Advisory Committee on the status of the Shire's mattress disposal.*
4. *Direct the Chief Executive Officer to advertise the vacant membership on the Sustainability Advisory Committee, as soon as is practicable.*

7. DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL SUTAINABILITY STRATEGY (ESS)

Sustainability Advisory Committee feedback on version 1 of the ESS and the addition of emergency preparedness in response to climate change has been incorporated into version 2 of the ESS. Final feedback of version 2 is requested from the Committee.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Action Sheet was discussed. and revised.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- Guest Matthew Tartaglia, Project Officer of the Warren Blackwood Alliance of Councils, Climate Alliance will continue applying for funding to achieve Regional Climate Change Action Plan goals.
- Kylie Britz forwarded the Department of Water and Environmental regulation Waste Authority Business and Action Plan 2024-25.
- Stephen King offered to help apply for a Waste Sorted Grant to help with consistent communications which are needed for behaviour change in the community.
- Discussion on the environmental impacts caused by the current waste management at Windy Harbour and the planned Waste Transfer Station.

Moved: Cr Wade Decampo **Seconded: Micheal Leers**

Council to vigorously investigate and implement a Waste Transfer Station at Windy Harbour with a report back to Council by the 2025/26 budget allocations.

Carried 7/0

- Discussion on the effectiveness of having Michael Leers at the committee meeting to share insight from his department. Jason Giadresco recommended Michael to join the committee.

Moved: Cr Donnelle Buegge **Seconded: Julian Sharp**

That Council amend the Terms of Reference to include Director or Works and Services, Michael Leers as a non-voting member of Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Carried 7/0

10. Next Meeting

23 October 2024, 5pm JC Rose Room, Manjimup.

11. Meeting Closure

6.12pm

ACTION SHEET

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

MEETING DATE	ACTION	STATUS
18.10.23	Officer to investigate current verge spraying practices.	Report presented to Committee and Michael Leers outlined verge and reserve spraying practices and confirmed that declared species management budget has been increased. Completed 31.07.24
22.11.23	All members to continue bringing big and small ideas for the SAC. Having regard to existing priorities and information that has been provided. Ideas to be practical and meet Shire's financial obligations.	Ongoing.
27.03.24	Investigate the Shire's emergency preparedness in response to climate change. Incorporating emergency preparedness in response to climate change into Draft Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS).	12/04/2024 – sent SAC links to Shire Emergency documents. 17/7/2024 – Version 2 ESS completed. Completed 31.07.24.
27.03.24	Invite Director of Works and Services, Michael Leers to attend next meeting.	Completed 31.07.24
15.05.24	Draft Environmental Sustainability Strategy (ESS) to be reviewed given the feedback received to date and be presented for the next meeting.	31/7/2024 – Version 2 presented with updates from SAC comments.
15.05.24	Report on the Status of the Shire's mattress disposal.	Micheal Leers outlined. Completed 31.07.24.
15.05.24	Advertising of vacant membership on the SAC.	In progress.
31.07.24	Community Education Working Group (Ann Bentley, Ashleigh Collins and Cr Wendy Eiby).	Wendy attended Change Maker Workshop on how to best engage with community. Clare attended a heat stress workshop in Bridgetown outlining community actions in heat waves.
31.07.24	WasteSorted Grant for signage	Stephen King to prepare grant application and consult with Mark Sewell.