SHIRE OF MANJIMUP
SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held at the JC Rose Room, Wednesday 19 March 2025.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING OF MEETING:

Councillor Wendy Eiby (Chair) opened the meeting at 5.03pm.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

3. ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES:

Present:

Cr Wendy Eiby (WE)	Councillor
Jason Giadresco (JG)	Director Development Services
Micheal leers (ML)	Director Works and Services
Ann Bentley (AB)	Environmental Sustainability Officer
Mark Batty (MB)	Southern Forests Community Landcare
Rob Telford (RT)	Community Representative
Stephen King (SK)	Community Representative (5.08pm)
Ian Wilson (IW)	Community Representative
Clare Bailey (CB)	Community Representative (online)

Apologies:

Cr Donelle Buegge (DB)	Shire President
Cr Cliff Winfield (CW)	Councillor
Cr Wade DeCampo (WD)	Councillor
Kylie Britza (KB)	DBCA Representative
Ashleigh Collins (AC)	Community Representative
Julian Sharp (JS)	Guest (until voted in)

4. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

- Cr Wendy Eiby declared an interest with employment at Southern Forests Community Landcare.
- Stephen King declared an interest with mattress recycling business.

5. ACCEPTANCE OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Due to quorum not being present, the meeting notes from 27 November 2024 meeting were not able to be confirmed and will be presented at the next meeting with a quorum.

6. COUNCIL DECISION ON RECOMMENDATIONS (25 February 2025)

That Council receive and note the unconfirmed Minutes of the Sustainability Advisory Committee Meeting held 27 November 2024 as shown at Attachment: 9.16.1 (1).

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- The Shire's Waste Management Officer presented the Consideration of Waste Disposal options for Windy Harbour Settlement at a Council Briefing. The options will be presented in the 22 April 2025 Council meeting.
- The recommendation from the Committee for the Shire to join the Waterwise Council Program will be presented to Council for a decision on 25 March 2025.
- Micheal Leers informed the Committee of a Verge Planting Policy that is being drafted and will be presented at the next meeting for endorsement.
- A Firewise garden is being planned near the Southern Forests Community Landcare office.
- Ian Wilson commented that the recycling at the Warren Agricultural Show was inadequate and could do with some community education campaigns.
- Stephen King informed the Committee that the Waste sorted grant for signage was unsuccessful. Also, Nannup is a good example of waste free events.

8. SOUTHERN FORESTS COMMUNITY LANDCARE (SFCL) CHAIR

Introduction of Mark Batty, the new Southern Forests Community Landcare Chair.

9. ADOPTION OF NEW COMMITTEE MEMBER

Advertising was undertaken in December 2024 for new committee members. Julian Sharp has applied to join the Committee. This decision is deferred to the next meeting with a quorum.

The DBCA Committee member Kylie Britz has written a letter of resignation as she will be now working in the South Coast Area.

10. TERMS OF REFERENCE

Current Terms of Reference tabled.

11. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT TOPIC

Committee members discussed the following;

- Sharing good news stories to highlight positive changes in the community. For example, Northcliffe Men's Shed saved their containers for change money to change their lighting to LED which uses less energy.
- Careful use of fishing equipment.
- Reducing the cost-of-living pressures by living sustainably (perhaps sharing SFCL sustainability workshops).
- Pokeweed (Phytolacca americana) identification and communications as it is in Pemberton and possibly Northcliffe and Manjimup (SFCL templates may be useful).
- Consider collaborating with SFCL with their calendar of events (Mark to present at next meeting).

12. DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL SUTAINABILITY STRATEGY (ESS) – V3

Version 3 of the ESS was presented. Committee feedback was requested on version 3 of the ESS. An internal review will now be undertaken.

13. COMMUNITY EDUCATION WORKING GROUP
(Ann Bentley, Ashleigh Collins and Cr Wendy Eiby).

Waterwise posters and give aways were handed out at the Warren Agricultural Show. The group will start working on educating the community on better waste management and making sustainable housing information more available (including switch your thinking program).

14. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Ann Bentley requested that Committee members promote the Sustainability Advisory Committee and encourage new members to fill the vacancies.

15. Next Meeting

18 June 2025, 5pm JC Rose Room, Manjimup.

16. Meeting Closure

6.30pm

SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)

ACTION SHEET

MEETING DATE	ACTION	STATUS
22.11.23	Members to bring practical big and small ideas to SAC. Having regard to existing Shire priorities and meets financial obligations.	Ongoing.
15.05.24	Advertising of vacant membership on the SAC.	Completed 20/12/2024.
31.07.24	Community Education Working Group (Ann Bentley, Ashleigh Collins, Cr Wendy Eiby, Rob Telford and Clare Bailey).	Prepared and presented Waterwise information at the Warren Agricultural Show. Will start working on waste management and sustainable housing information.
31.07.24	WasteSorted Grant for signage	Unsuccessful.
27.11.24	Windy Harbour Waste Transfer Station	Investigation completed. Council presented with possible options. Council agenda item being prepared for 22 April 2025.
27.11.24	Sustainability Education Areas. To be compiled and shared with the community.	Members to send in areas to be included – ongoing.
19.03.2025	Mark Batty to present the Southern Forests Community Landcare Calendar of Events to help plan community engagement.	Next meeting.
19.03.2025	Community Engagement Topics for promotion. • Fishing gear (timed with peak fishing period). • Sustainable Living (SFCL events) • Pokeweed Weed Alert	Ongoing (including good news stories)