

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS**

held on

# TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2017 at 7.00 pm

### **MINUTES**

The above meeting was conducted in accordance with Section 5.31 of the Local Government Act and Clauses 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996. Only Electors/Ratepayers are able to speak and vote at the meeting. All decisions will be made by a simple majority. An Elector is someone who is a resident in the district and on the Electoral Roll or who owns property in the district and is therefore eligible to be on the Electoral Roll.

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS HELD ON TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 7.00 PM

#### PRESENT:

Mayor Logan Howlett
Deputy Mayor Carol Reeve-Fowkes
Clr Steve Portelli
Clr Stephen Pratt
Clr Lyndsey Wetton
Clr Phil Eva
Cr Chamonix Terblanche

**Presiding Member** 

#### **APOLOGIES:**

Clr Kevin Allen Clr Lee-Ann Smith Clr Bart Houwen

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr Stephen Cain - Chief Executive Officer

Mr Don Green - Director, Governance & Community Services
Mr Stuart Downing - Director, Finance & Corporate Services

Mr Charles Sullivan - Director, Engineering & Works

Mr Daniel Arndt - Director, Planning & Development

Ms Margot Tobin - Executive Manager, Strategy & Civic Support

Ms Michele Nugent - Media & Communications Officer

Mrs Bernie Pinto - EA to Directors – Fin. & Corp. Serv./Gov. &

Comm. Serv.

#### 1. DECLARATION OF MEETING

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 7.03 pm and welcomed the City of Cockburn electors and residents. There were approximately 25 electors and residents of the City of Cockburn and other interested members of the public and press were also in attendance.

The Presiding Member acknowledged the Noongar people who are the Traditional Custodians of the Land on which we were gathered and paid respect to the Elders, both past and present, of the Noongar Nation and extended that respect to other Indigenous Australians who may have been present.

#### 2. PURPOSE OF MEETING

This Annual General Meeting of Electors has been called in accordance with the Section 5.27 of the Local Government Act 1995 and the following matters discussed. The Annual General Meeting of Electors will be conducted in accordance with Section 5.31 of the Local Government Act and Clauses 17 and 18 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996.

#### 2.1 Annual Report 2015/2016

- (a) Copies available on the website and at the door to Electors attending
- (b) Queries to be answered by Presiding Member or appropriate Staff.

Nil.

#### 2.2 General Business

(a) Written Questions

#### **Ev Cortis, North Coogee**

#### Old Coogee Beach - Changerooms/Showers

- Q1. The men's showers have a frame for hanging clothes, but no hooks to hang clothes while the owner has a shower. The frame has been installed for four months. When will the hooks be installed?
- A1. Advice has been forwarded to the City's Building Maintenance to install these hooks which will be attended to shortly.
- Q2. More signage required outside the changerooms. Public using these changerooms enter the shower area with sand on their feet which will block the drainage. This will also block the pipes. Can this be addressed?
- A2. It is an issue along the coastal strip and not just in this Council. More signage is required, but the City is looking at protecting the pipework by silt baskets so that it can catch as much sand as possible so that the drainage does not get blocked.
- Q3. Between Spearwood Avenue and Phoenix Road, just past the shopping centre the state of the footpaths is appalling with littering everywhere, especially near the bus stop. Either the footpath needs to be fixed or the front wall moved. Can this be looked into?

- A3. The City to date has not received any complaint of that section of footpath. The City maintains uneven pavers or broken pavers, if any. The City will certainly look at the road crossing of Coleville Crescent and also the crossings across the various accesses to the shopping centre in relation the gradient.
  - Mayor Howlett advised Mr Cortis that the above will be taken on notice and responded in writing.
- Q4. More parking bays are needed at the Cockburn Surf Life Saving Club, Horse and Dog Beach, McTaggat Cove and C Y O'Connor Beach. Parking is a major problem at these locations in particular the Cockburn Surf Life Saving Club. When there is a carnival at the Club there is insufficient parking and the public not only fill the car park but it filters to the neighbouring beach car park as well. What does the City plan to do?
- A4. The City is already looking at the construction of an additional 125 parking bays on the north side of Poore Grove, for the Cockburn Life Saving Club, subject to clearing permit permission from DER. In relation to the beaches further north towards McTaggat Cove and C Y O'Connor Beach and that area additional parking bays will be constructed as part of the Master Planning for that area. The whole area west of Cockburn Road is an issue and difficult for parking because of the land constraints in the area.
- Q5. Directional signs at the old Coogee Beach, near the Café. People drive in all directions looking for a parking spot. Can the City install some painted directional signs, eg. painted arrows (in/out) guiding them to avoid any accidents from occurring and also speed signs displaying 8-10 kph?
- A5. The City is contemplating placing painted directional signs and will look into it further.
- (b) Other Business

Nil.

#### 3. CLOSURE

There being no further business, the Presiding Member thanked all for participating and closed the meeting at 7.15 pm.