

**NOTES OF THE**

**AGENDA BRIEFING FORUM**

**HELD ON TUESDAY, 13 JULY 2021**

**COMMENCING AT 6.30PM**

**Held electronically in accordance with Regulation 14D(2)(a) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996**

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**Notes of the Agenda Briefing Forum held in the Council Chambers, Melville Civic Centre,  
10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon on Tuesday 13 July 2021, commencing at 6:30pm.**

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## **AGENDA BRIEFING FORUM**

### **1. OPENING**

The Presiding Member welcomed those in attendance to the meeting and declared the meeting open at 6:30pm and invited Cr Katy Mair to read the Acknowledgement of Country, and advised those present of the Disclaimer, the Purpose of the Agenda Briefing Forum and the Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility. The Mayor advised that Cr Fitzgerald was attending electronically.

#### ***Purpose of Agenda Briefing Forum***

The purpose of this Forum is to provide an opportunity for Elected Members to ask questions and obtain additional information in respect to reports and items on the attached Council Agenda. It is not a decision making forum, nor is it open for debate on matters. Members of the public are able to make submissions or present deputations in respect to matters on the draft Council Agenda at this Forum, prior to matters being formally deliberated upon at the next Ordinary Council Meeting.

#### ***Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility***

I make this Affirmation in good faith on behalf of Elected Members and Officers of the City of Melville. We collectively declare that we will duly, faithfully, honestly, and with integrity fulfil the duties of our respective office and positions for all the people in the district according to the best of our judgement and ability. We will observe the City's Code of Conduct and Meeting Procedures Local Law to ensure the efficient, effective and orderly conduct of this forum.

### **2. ELECTED MEMBERS PRESENT**

Mayor Honourable G Gear

#### **COUNCILLORS**

Cr J Barton (Deputy Mayor)  
Cr D Macphail, Cr N Robins  
Cr C Robartson, Cr M Woodall  
Cr N Pazolli, Cr S Kepert  
Cr K Mair, Cr M Sandford  
Cr K Wheatland  
Cr T Fitzgerald

#### **WARD**

Bicton – Attadale – Alfred Cove  
Bateman – Kardinya – Murdoch  
Bull Creek – Leeming  
Applecross – Mount Pleasant  
Central  
Palmyra – Melville – Willagee  
Palmyra – Melville – Willagee (*electronic attendance*)

### **3. IN ATTENDANCE**

Mr M Tieleman	Chief Executive Officer
Mr A Ferris	Director Corporate Services
Ms C Young	Director Community Development
Mr G Ponton	Acting Director Urban Planning
Mr P Molony	Acting Director Technical Services
Mr L Hitchcock	Executive Manager Governance and Legal Services
Ms A Hill ( <i>Until 7:04pm</i> )	Governance Project Officer
Mr J Bird ( <i>Until 6:58pm</i> )	Manager Parks and Natural Areas
Mr M Scarfone ( <i>Until 6:56pm</i> )	Acting Manager Statutory Planning
Mr B Dawkins ( <i>Until 7:04pm</i> )	Manager Neighbourhood Amenity
Mr A Moulin ( <i>Until 7:04pm</i> )	Senior Ranger
Ms J Head	Governance Officer
Ms R Davis	Governance Officer

At the commencement of the meeting, there were no members of the public in the Council Chambers, 2 members of the public and no representatives from the Press in attendance electronically.

### **4. APOLOGIES AND APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

#### **4.1 APOLOGIES**

M McCarthy	Director Technical Services
S Cope	Director Urban Planning

#### **4.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Cr G Barber	Bicton – Attadale – Alfred Cove
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### **5. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING MEMBER (WITHOUT DISCUSSION) AND DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS**

#### **5.1 DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS WHO HAVE NOT READ AND GIVEN DUE CONSIDERATION TO ALL MATTERS CONTAINED IN THE BUSINESS PAPERS PRESENTED BEFORE THE MEETING.**

Nil.

#### **5.2 DECLARATIONS BY MEMBERS WHO HAVE RECEIVED AND NOT READ THE ELECTED MEMBERS BULLETIN.**

Nil.

### **6. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**7. PUBLIC QUESTIONS**

Nil.

**8. DEPUTATIONS**

Nil.

**9. BUSINESS**

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## **PROCEDURE FOR AGENDA BRIEFING FORUMS**

### **PRINCIPLES**

The Agenda Briefing Forum which occurs one week prior to the Council meeting provides an opportunity for Elected Members to ask questions and clarify issues relevant to the specific agenda items before Council. The briefing is not a decision-making forum and the Council has no power to make decisions in the Forum.

In order to ensure full transparency, the meetings will be open to the public to observe the process. Where matters are of a confidential nature, they will be deferred to the conclusion of the briefing and at that point the briefing session is closed to the public. The reports provided are the officers' professional opinions. While it is acknowledged that Members may raise issues that have not been considered in the formulation of the report and recommendation, it is a basic principle that as part of the briefing sessions Elected Members cannot direct officers to change their reports or recommendations.

### **PROCESS**

The Agenda Briefing Forum will commence at 6.30pm in accordance with the Schedule of Public Meetings (except January). It will be chaired by His Worship the Mayor or in his absence, the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the immediate past serving Deputy Mayor. In the absence of all, Elected Members will elect a Presiding Member from amongst those present. In general, Meeting Procedures Local Law will apply, except that Members may speak more than once on any item and there is no moving or seconding of items.

Where an interest is involved in relation to an item, the same procedure which applies to Ordinary Meeting of Council will apply. It is a breach of the Meeting Procedures Local Law for an interest to not be declared. The briefing will consider items on the agenda only and proceed to deal with each item as they appear. The process will be for the Presiding Member to call each item number in sequence and ask for questions. Where there are no questions regarding the item, the briefing will proceed to the next item.

### **AGENDA CONTENTS**

While every endeavour is made to ensure that all items to be presented to Council at the formal Council meeting are included in the Agenda Briefing Forum, it should be noted that there will be occasions when, due to time constraints, items will not be ready in time for the Forum and will go straight to the Council meeting for decision.

### **AGENDA DISTRIBUTION**

The agenda will be distributed to Elected Members on the Friday 10 days prior to the Agenda Briefing Forum and made available on the City of Melville Website [www.melvillecity.com.au/agendas](http://www.melvillecity.com.au/agendas)

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## **DEPUTATIONS**

A deputation is an opportunity for members of the community to address the Council on an item that is on the agenda. Deputations are not to exceed 10 minutes and the Presiding Member may allow additional time for Elected Members to ask questions.

The Agenda Briefing Forum is live-streamed to the community, including deputations.

A request to make a deputation should be submitted in writing and received by 12noon the day before the meeting. A request form and guidelines for making a deputation are available on the City's website, [Request to make a Deputation](#) or by contacting the Governance Team [governance@melville.wa.gov.au](mailto:governance@melville.wa.gov.au).

## **RECORD OF BRIEFING**

The formal record of the briefing session will be limited to notes regarding any agreed action to be taken by Staff or Elected Members. No recommendations will be included. Handouts and Presentations, including those from Deputations, will be uploaded to the website as attachments to the Notes. The Audio recording will also be available on the website in accordance with Council Policy CP-088 Creation, Access and Retention of Audio Recordings of Public Meetings.

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## DISCLOSURE OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995

### Members' interests in matters to be discussed at meetings to be disclosed

**S.5.65** A member who has an interest in any matter to be discussed at a Council or Committee meeting that will be attended by the member must disclose the nature of the interest -

- (a) in a written notice given to the CEO before the meeting; or
- (b) at the meeting immediately before the matter is discussed.

Penalty: \$10,000 or imprisonment for 2 years.

### Meeting to be informed of disclosures

**S.5.66** If a member has disclosed an interest in a written notice given to the CEO before a meeting then -

- (a) before the meeting the CEO is to cause the notice to be given to the person who is to preside at the meeting; and
- (b) at the meeting the person presiding is to bring the notice and its contents to the attention of the persons present immediately before the matters to which the disclosure relates are discussed.

### Disclosing members not to participate in meetings

**S.5.67** A member who makes a disclosure under Section 5.65 must not -

- (a) preside at the part of the meeting relating to the matter; or
- (b) participate in, or be present during, any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter,

unless, and to the extent that, the disclosing member is allowed to do so under Section 5.68 or 5.69.

Penalty: \$10,000 or imprisonment for 2 years.

Please refer to your Handbook for definitions of interests and other detail.

**9. AGENDAS ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION**

<b>P21/3934</b>	<p><b>Review of Local Planning Policy 3.1 Residential Development And LPP 1.17 Additional Development Exemptions</b></p> <p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION – QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Mark Scarfone – Planning Services Coordinator</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> At 6:32pm Mr Scarfone entered the chamber for the purpose of answering questions and left the chamber at 6:56pm.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>
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*At 6:56pm Mr Scarfone left the meeting and did not return.*

<b>T21/3930</b>	<p><b>Petition for Upgrades to Park Infrastructure at Herb Naphally Reserve, Myaree</b></p> <p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION – QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Jeff Bird – Manager Natural Areas and Parks</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Mr Bird entered the chamber 6:56pm for the purposes of answering questions at and left the chamber at 6:57pm.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>
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*Mr Bird left the meeting at 6:58pm and did not return.*

<b>M21/5844</b>	<b>Proposed Dog Local Law 2021 – Report of Public Submissions</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION</b> Anne Hill – Governance Project Officer Brodie Dawkins – Manager Neighbourhood Amenity Andrew Moulin - Senior Ranger</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Ms Hill commenced a presentation at 6:57pm, which concluded at 7:02pm <a href="#"><u>Officer Presentation - M21-5844 - Proposed Dog Local Law 2021</u></a></p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

<b>M21/5845</b>	<b>Review of Dog Exercise Areas – Report of Public Submissions</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION</b> Anne Hill – Governance Project Officer Brodie Dawkins – Manager Neighbourhood Amenity Andrew Moulin - Senior Ranger</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Ms Hill commenced a presentation at 7:03pm, which concluded at 7:13 pm. At 7:24pm the officers left the chamber. <a href="#"><u>Officer Presentation - M21 5845 - Review of Dog Exercise Areas</u></a></p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p> <p>At 7:04pm, Ms Hill and Mr Dawkins advised the meeting that an amendment to the officer recommendation will be tabled at the Ordinary Meeting of Council.</p>

*At 7:04pm Ms Hill left the meeting and did not return.*

*At 7:04pm Mr Dawkins left the meeting and did not return.*

*At 7:04pm Mr Moulin left the meeting and did not return.*

<b>C21/5000</b>	<b>Common Seal Register</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION – QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Mr L Hitchcock – Executive Manager Governance and Legal Services.</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

<b>C21/6000</b>	<b>Investment Statements for May 2021</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION - QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Alan Ferris – Director Corporate Services</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

<b>C21/6001</b>	<b>Schedule of Accounts Paid May 2021</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION - QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Alan Ferris – Director Corporate Services</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

<b>C21/6002</b>	<b>Statements of Financial Activity for May 2021</b>
	<p><b>OFFICER PRESENTATION - QUESTIONS ONLY</b> Alan Ferris – Director Corporate Services</p> <p><b>DEPUTATION/PRESENTATION/S</b> Nil.</p> <p><b>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST</b></p> <p><b>NOTES FROM FORUM</b> No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

**10. IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH MEETING MAY BE CLOSED**

Nil.

**11. CLOSURE**

The Mayor advised the meeting that there are four late items to come for consideration to Council next week, relating to:

- Call Up for a proposed child care centre at 15 Wilcock Street, Ardross
- An Elected Member request to attend the WALGA Annual Conference
- CEO Performance Review, and;
- Pre-qualified Panel for the Supply of Road Works for a Two Year Term with Option Periods

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Honourable George Gear declared the meeting closed at 7:26pm.