

**NOTES OF THE
AGENDA BRIEFING FORUM
HELD ON
TUESDAY 1 JULY 2014
COMMENCED AT 6.30PM
AT THE MELVILLE CIVIC CENTRE
2ND FLOOR IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10 ALMONDBURY ROAD, BOORAGOON**

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Notes of the Agenda Briefing Forum held in the Council Chambers, Melville Civic Centre, 10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon on Tuesday 1 July 2014 commenced at 6.30pm.

1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The Presiding Member welcomed those in attendance to the meeting and declared the meeting open at 6.30pm. Mr Jeff Clark, Governance & Compliance Program Manager, read aloud the Disclaimer and the Purpose of the Agenda Briefing Forum and then His Worship the Mayor advised that the meeting was being recorded for minute taking purposes and read aloud the following Affirmation of Civic Duty and Responsibility.

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 Standing Orders to ensure the efficient, effective and orderly decision making within this forum.

AGENDA BRIEFING FORUM BRIEFING NOTES

2. PRESENT

His Worship the Mayor, Russell Aubrey

COUNCILLORS

Cr N Foxton
Cr C Schuster, Cr N Pazolli
Cr J Barton, Cr S Taylor-Rees
Cr R Aubrey, Cr D Macphail
Cr R Hill, Cr P Phelan
Cr R Willis, Cr C Robartson

WARD

University
Applecross / Mount Pleasant
Bicton / Attadale
City
Palmyra / Melville / Willagee
Bull Creek / Leeming

3. IN ATTENDANCE

Staff in Attendance:

Dr S Silcox	Chief Executive Officer
Mr B Taylor	A/Director Corporate Services
Ms C Young	Director Community Development
Mr J Christie	Director Technical Services
Mr S Cope	Director Strategic Urban Planning
Mr L Hitchcock	Executive Manager Legal Services
Mr J Clark	Governance and Compliance Program Manager
Mr P Prendergast (Until 8.35pm)	Manager Statutory Planning
Mr G Ponton (Until 7.55pm)	Manager Strategic Urban Planning
Mr B Dawkins (Until 8.46pm)	Manager Neighbourhood Amenity
Mr N Fimmano	Governance & Property Officer
Ms S Tranchita	Minute Secretary
Ms G Healey-Burgess	Minute Secretary (Trainee)

Also in Attendance:

Mr A Smith (Until 7.55pm) Land and Property Consultant

At the commencement of the meeting there were no members of the public and one member from the Press in the Public Gallery.

4. APOLOGIES AND APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE**4.1 APOLOGIES**

Nil

4.2 APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Cr M Reynolds – University Ward

4.3 APPLICATIONS FOR NEW LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Nil

5. QUESTION TIME

Nil

6. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil

7. DEPUTATIONS

Nil

8. PETITION

Nil

9. IDENTIFICATION OF MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED

Nil

10. REQUEST OF ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD

P14/3519 Master Planning Outcomes – Consideration of Community Engagement Process - Melville Glades and John Connell Reserves

11. REPORTS BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nil

12. BUSINESS

PROCEDURE FOR AGENDA BRIEFING FORUMS

PRINCIPLES

The Agenda Briefing Forum which occurs two weeks 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 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 6.30 pm 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, Standing Orders 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 City's Code of Conduct 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 necessity, items will not be ready in time for the forum session and will go straight to the Council agenda as a matter for decision. Further, there will be occasions when items are TABLED at the briefing rather than the full report being provided in advance. In these instances, staff will endeavour to include the item on the agenda as a late item.

AGENDA DISTRIBUTION

The agenda will be distributed to Elected Members on the FRIDAY prior to the Agenda Briefing Forum. Copies will be made available to the libraries and the Internet for interested members of the public. Spare agendas will be available at the Agenda Briefing Forum for interested members of the public.

DEPUTATIONS

Deputations may be heard prior to the commencement of an item.

The following guidelines have been prepared to assist groups who have requested or been invited to a Council Meeting, Agenda Briefing Forum or Committee Meeting to present a submission.

- (a) A deputation shall not exceed three (3) persons, only two of whom may address the meeting.
- (b) Notice of a request for Deputation including the name, office and contact details of members of the deputation **MUST** be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer at least forty eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.
- (c) An outline of the points to be made in addressing the Council, Agenda Briefing Forum or Committee must be submitted in writing forty eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.
- (d) The representatives on the deputation must be met in the foyer of the Civic Centre by a Council Officer.
- (e) The Presiding Member will ask the leader of the deputation to present the submission on behalf of the Group. The leader of the deputation may call on one other member of the deputation to assist.
- (f) The deputation period, including time allowed for questions and answers from Members of the Committee, should not exceed fifteen (15) minutes. To allow adequate time for questions and answers, it is suggested the deputation address should last no longer than ten (10) minutes.
- (g) The individual or group will be advised in writing of the decision of the Council.
- (h) The Presiding Member has discretion to permit a Deputation to present a submission under other circumstances.

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.

QUESTION TIME

Question Time will be limited to fifteen (15) minutes and be the first item of Business immediately following Apologies at the commencement of the meeting. Questions must relate to the ordinary business of the City of Melville or function of the Agenda Briefing Forum. A question must be submitted in writing and placed in the Question Tray prior to the commencement of the meeting.

- (a) The Presiding Member may, with absolute discretion, accept or reject the question, or determine that any complex questions requiring research, be answered in writing.
- (b) The Mayor may nominate a Member or Officer to answer the questions.
- (c) No debate or discussion will be permitted on any question or answer
- (d) In addition to question time during the meeting, the Mayor or Elected Members may make themselves available after the meeting to meet members of the public to answer any questions.

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 Chief Executive Officer 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 Chief Executive Officer before a meeting then before the meeting -

- (a) the Chief Executive Officer is to cause the notice to be given to the person who is to preside at the meeting; and
- (b) the person who is to preside at the meeting is to bring the notice to the attention of the persons who attend the meeting.

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.

13. AGENDA ITEMS FOR PRESENTATION

At 6.35pm His Worship the Mayor requested that Item P14/3519 be brought forward for discussion

At 7:11pm CEO left the meeting and returned at 7:12pm

At 7:26pm Cr Macphail left meeting and returned at 7:28pm

At 7:31pm Cr Pazoli left the meeting and returned at 7:34pm

At 7:39pm Cr Phelan left the meeting and returned at 7:41pm

At 7:51pm Cr Foxton left the meeting and returned at 7:53pm

At 7:54 pm Ms Young left the meeting and returned at 7:56pm

P14/3519	Master Planning Outcomes – Consideration of Community Engagement Process – Melville Glades Golf Course and John Connell Reserve
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Andrew Smith – External Consultant</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM Elected Members requested for copies of the endorsed concept plans to be made more easily accessible and/or embedded into the report. This information will be provided as an Addendum to the Council Report. Elected Members requested information regarding how much funding will be required for future research. Elected Members also requested to be informed of the outstanding loans Melville Glades Golf Club have with the City. This information will be provided in the Elected Members Bulletin. General discussion also took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

At 7:55pm Mr Smith and Mr Ponton left the meeting

At 7:55pm the meeting returned to the normal order of the Agenda

At 7:58pm Mr Taylor left the meeting and returned at 8:02pm

P14/3513	Change of Use from Residential to Bed and Breakfast Accommodation at Lot 154 (No.37) Hillock Circle, Leeming
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Peter Prendergast – Manager Statutory Planning</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

At 8:20pm Mr Hitchcock left the meeting and returned at 8:22pm

At 8:28pm Cr Pazzoli left the meeting and returned at 8:32pm

At 8:32pm Cr Robartson left the meeting and returned at 8:35pm

P14/3515	Proposed Two Storey Medical Centre with Undercroft at Lot 388 (No. 4) Antony Street, Palmyra
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Peter Prendergast – Manager Statutory Planning</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM Elected Members requested the wording of the officer recommendation, point 10, be changed from “Maximum width of 6 metres” to read “Minimum width of 6 metres”. General discussion also took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

At 8:35pm Mr Prendergast left the meeting

CD14/8061	Dog Amendment Regulations – Local Laws
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Brodie Dawkins – Manager Neighbourhood Amenity</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

At 8:46pm Mr Dawkins left the meeting

M14/5000	Common Seal Register
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION – IF REQUESTED Jeff Clark – Governance & Compliance Program Manager</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

C14/6000	Investment Statements for May 2014
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Bruce Taylor – A/Director Corporate Services</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

C14/6001	Schedule of Accounts Paid for May 2014
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION Bruce Taylor – A/Director Corporate Services</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

C14/6002	Statements of Financial Activity for May 2014
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION – IF REQUESTED Bruce Taylor – A/Director Corporate Services</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM No discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

M14/5372	Late Item - Salaries and Wages Tribunal – Elected Member Fees, Expenses and Allowances
	<p>OFFICER PRESENTATION – IF REQUESTED Jeff Clark – Governance and Compliance Program Manager</p> <p>DEPUTATION PRESENTATION/S Nil</p> <p>DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST Nil</p> <p>NOTES FROM FORUM General discussion took place regarding the item and officer recommendation.</p>

14. CLOSURE

There being no further business, The Presiding Member declared the Forum closed at 8:53pm.