

**SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON**  
**Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held at the Council Chambers, Hampton Road Northampton on 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**April 2015**

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**4.1 OPENING**

The President thanked all Councillors and staff members present for their attendance and declared the meeting open at 1.00pm.

**4.2 PRESENT**

Cr G Wilson	President	Northampton Ward
Cr C Simkin	Deputy President	Northampton Ward
Cr T Carson		Northampton Ward
Cr D Stanich		Northampton Ward
Cr M Holt		Kalbarri Ward
Cr D Pike		Kalbarri Ward
Cr M Scott		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Grant Middleton	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager Works & Technical Services	
Mr Glenn Bangay	Principal EHO/Building Surveyor	

**4.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**4.2.2 APOLOGIES**

Cr S Stock-Standen, Cr P Gliddon

**4.3 QUESTION TIME**

No members of the public were present during question time.

The CEO explained the status of the clean-up and potential costs of toxic chemicals that had leached into the neighbouring Council drainage line that traverses through the Lions Park and the Northampton Caravan Park associated with the recent fire that destroyed Woodcocks store in Northampton. The CEO also explained the accommodation arrangements in place for the residents from the caravan park which is currently closed due to the contamination issue.

**4.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**4.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 20<sup>th</sup>**  
**MARCH 2015**

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 7/0

**4.5 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES**

**4.5.1 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES – BUSH FIRE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**15<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2015**

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr PIKE

That the minutes of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee held on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 2015 be received.

CARRIED 7/0

**4.5.2 RESTRICTED AND PROHIBITED BURNING FOR 2015/2016**

Councillors discussed the burning period recommended by the Bush Fire Advisory Committee and decided to retain the same prohibited burning period as per prior years as this was deemed to be more suitable for the Shires primary producers.

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr SATNICH

That the following restricted and prohibited burning timeframes be adopted for 2015/2016 as recommended by the Bush Fire Advisory Committee.

Restricted Period	15/09/2015 - 14/10/2015
Prohibited Burning	15/10/2015 - 01/03/2016
Restricted Period	02/03/2016 - 15/04/2016

CARRIED 7/0

**4.6 WORKS REPORT**

4.6.1 MAINTENANCE WORKS/CONSTRUCTION WORKS PROGRAM (ITEM 6.1.1)

Noted

4.6.2 VERGE SIDE RUBBISH COLLECTION

Moved Cr HOLT, seconded Cr PIKE

That Council establish a policy for verge side rubbish collection that minimises the time frame for items being placed on verges to 3 weeks prior to collection.

CARRIED 7/0

Mr Broadhurst left the meeting at 1.46pm.

**4.7 HEALTH/BUILDING REPORT**

4.7.1 BUILDING STATISTICS (ITEM 6.2.1)

Noted

**4.8 TOWN PLANNING REPORT**

4.8.1 REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF PLANNING APPLICATION FEE – PROPOSED PLACE OF WORSHIP – LOT 57 (NO. 94) WEST STREET, NORTHAMPTON (ITEM 6.3.1)

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr SCOTT

That Council waive the Planning Application Fee payable for the use of Lot 57 (No. 94) West Street, Northampton as a “Place of Worship” in recognition of the service Northampton Restoration Network provides to the community.

CARRIED 7/0

4.8.2 DRAFT NORTHAMPTON TOWNSITE REVITALISATION PLAN –  
CONCLUSION OF PUBLIC ADVERTISING AND FINAL ADOPTION (ITEM  
6.3.2)

Moved Cr PIKE, seconded Cr WILSON

That Council pursuant to Section 2.4 of the Shire of Northampton Local Planning Scheme No. 10 (District Zoning Scheme) resolve to:

1. Adopt for final approval the *Draft Northampton Townsite Revitalisation Plan*; and
2. Publish a notice of the Policy once in a newspaper circulating in the Scheme area; and
3. Forward a copy of the policy to the Western Australian Planning Commission.

CARRIED 7/0

4.8.3 DRAFT HORROCKS BEACH LOCAL PLANNING STRATEGY –  
CONCLUSION OF PUBLIC ADVERTISING & FINAL ADOPTION ITEM  
6.3.3)

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council:

1. Determine the submissions in accordance with the Schedule of Submission attached to the Town Planning Report 22 April 2015; and
2. Resolve that the Horrocks Beach Local Planning Strategy be adopted with the modifications detailed in the Schedule of Submissions – Appendix 1 attached to the Town Planning Report 22 April, 2015; and
3. Submit the Horrocks Beach Local Planning Strategy to the Western Australian Planning Commission for final adoption.

CARRIED 7/0

4.8.4 SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.4)

Noted

4.8.5	PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL OUTBUILDING – LOT 568 (NO. 15) ATKINSON CRESCENT, KALBARRI ITEM 6.3.5)
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Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr PIKE

That Council grant formal planning approval for the construction of an industrial outbuilding upon Lot 568 (No.15) Atkinson Crescent, Kalbarri subject to compliance with the following conditions:

1. Development shall be in accordance with the attached approved plan(s) dated 22 April 2015 and subject to any modifications required as a consequence of any condition(s) of this approval. The endorsed plan(s) shall not be modified or altered without the prior written approval of the local government;
2. If the development/use the subject of this approval is not substantially completed within a period of 2 years after the date of the determination the approval shall lapse and be of no further effect;
3. The development is to be located entirely within property boundary and should the exact boundary position be unable to be verified it is recommended that the services of a licensed surveyor be employed;
4. Any soils disturbed or deposited on site shall be stabilised to the approval of the Local Government;
5. Vehicle access roads and designated car parking areas shall be constructed and drained to a compacted gravel standard, and thereafter maintained to the approval of the Local Government;
6. Installation of crossing place/s to the standards and specifications of the Local Government;
7. All loading and unloading to take place within the boundaries of the premises and undertaken in a manner so as to cause minimum interference with other vehicular traffic;
8. The site shall be so ordered and maintained as not to prejudicially affect the amenity of the locality by reason of appearance;
9. The use of second hand materials is not permitted;
10. Any lighting device is to be positioned and shielded as not to cause any direct, reflected or incidental light to encroach beyond the property boundaries or cause any glare nuisance to any nearby residents or passing motorists;

11. A building permit shall be issued by the Local Government prior to the commencement of any work on the site;
12. All stormwater is to be disposed of on-site to the specifications and approval of the local government. On application for a building permit a detailed design of stormwater collection and disposal system of developed areas is to be supplied; and
13. Prior to the commencement of the approved use, all land indicated as landscaped area on the attached approved plan(s) dated 22 April 2015 are to be landscaped effectively and maintained thereafter to the approval of the local government.

Advice Notes:

Note 1: Where an approval has lapsed, no development/use shall be carried out without the further approval of the local government having first been sought and obtained.

Note 2: If an applicant is aggrieved by this determination there is a right (pursuant to the *Planning and Development Act 2005*) to have the decision reviewed by the State Administrative Tribunal. Such application must be made within 28 days from the date of this notice.

CARRIED 7/0



**4.9 FINANCE REPORT**

**4.9.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)**

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr HOLT

That Municipal Fund Cheques 20518 to 20556 inclusive, totalling \$163,669.53, Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT13578 to EFT13693 inclusive totalling \$539,566.82, Direct Debit payments GJ0904 to GJ0909 totalling \$18,690.17, Trust Fund Cheques 2034-2039, totalling \$5,829.65 be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/0

**4.9.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – MARCH 2015 (ITEM 6.4.2)**

Moved Cr HOLT, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council adopts the Monthly Financial Reports for the period ending 31 March 2015.

CARRIED 7/0

**4.10 ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE REPORT**

**4.10.1 LAND PURCHASE BINNU REFUSE SITE**

Cr Simkin left the meeting at 2.14pm as he has a financial interest in this item as he owns the land that is being recommended for purchase by Council to allow expansion of the Binnu refuse site and therefore may incur a financial gain or loss from the decision of Council.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr STANICH

That Council progress with the expansion of the Binnu Refuse site in preference to the construction of a transfer station and that the CEO be authorised to negotiate the purchase of 4 hectares of North location 6603 Binnu from CA & R Simkin for the purpose of extending the Binnu Refuse site.

CARRIED 6/0

Cr Simkin returned to the meeting at 2.28pm.

AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.04pm and reconvened at 3.15pm with the following in attendance:

Cr Wilson, Cr Simkin, Cr Carson, Cr Scott, Cr Stanich, Cr Pike, Cr Holt, Chief Executive Officer Garry Keeffe, Deputy CEO Grant Middleton, Mr Glenn Bangay Principal EHO/Building Surveyor, Mr Neil Broadhurst Manager Works and Technical Services.

**4.10.2 CORPORATE BUSINESS PLAN REVIEW (ITEM 6.5.1) (CONTINUED)**

Road Projects within the Corporate Business Plan

The CEO advised that due to recent advice that a Royalties for Regional grant application for the construction and bitumen sealing of 9km of Binnu West Road and all of the White Cliffs Road, being received, that Council Management will need to review the entire road project programme and will represent the programme at the May 2015 meeting for adoption by Council

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council approve the changes to the Corporate Business Plan as per the following:

Building Renewal

- Increase the provision for replacement of ablutions to \$70,000 where each ablution is mentioned within the plan;

- The provision for new ablutions at Hampton Gardens listed for 2018/19 be deleted as these toilets were constructed in 2014/15.

#### Building New

- List a provision of \$1.04 million for the Horrocks Community Centre to be listed for construction in 2015/16 due to grant funding being received for the new facility and that the provision in 2016/17 and 2018/19 be deleted.
- The provision for purchase of land of \$100,000 for aged care facilities in Kalbarri be deleted as this project will no longer be progressed due to no Federal or State Government funding being available for such facilities.
- List a provision of \$185,000 for construction of aged care facilities in Northampton in 2016/17 due to Council resolving to enter into a partnership with the Northampton Pioneer Lodge to provide such facilities and delete the 2019/20 provision of \$1.5million for construction of 6 residential units.

#### Recreation

- That the community request for a water park to be constructed in Kalbarri not be accepted due to the high cost of construction and ongoing maintenance.
- List a provision of \$620,000 in 2016/17 for the relocation of the Kalbarri tennis/netball/basketball courts.

#### Footpath Programme

That the programme as presented remain unchanged.

#### Plant Replacement Program

That the 2015/16 plant and vehicle replacement program be amended to include the purchase of three utilities that were deleted from the 2014/15 budget when adopted by Council, being replacement vehicles for the Northampton leading hand, mechanic and maintenance grader operator.

That the 2015/16 plant and vehicle replacement program retain the changeover of the two Toyota Prado's for vehicles of a similar type.

#### Coastal Planning/Management Strategy Projects

That all projects listed within the Horrocks and Kalbarri Coastal Management Strategies be costed and be presented to Council for further consideration for inclusion within the Corporate Business Plan and future budgets.

CARRIED 7/0

Neil Broadhurst left the meeting at 3.51 pm

#### **4.11 SHIRE PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Wilson reported on his attendance at the following:

- 23/3/15 LIA Opening Northampton
- 25/3/15 Citizenship Ceremony – Kalbarri
- 25/3/15 Meeting with RSL and Visitor Centre - Northampton
- 30/3/15 Community meeting with Melissa Price at Horrocks in relation to telephone coverage

#### **4.12 DEPUTY SHIRE PRESIDENTS REPORT**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Simkin reported on his attendance at the following:

- 23/3/15 LIA Opening Northampton
- 25/3/15 Meeting with RSL and Visitor Centre - Northampton
- 30/3/15 Community meeting with Melissa Price at Horrocks in relation to telephone coverage

#### **4.13 COUNCILLORS REPORTS**

##### **4.13.1 CR PIKE**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Pike reported on his attendance at a Men's Shed meeting on 14/3/15 in Kalbarri.

##### **4.13.7 CR SCOTT**

Since the last Council meeting Cr Scott reported on his attendance at the following:

- 23/3/15 LIA Opening Northampton
- 30/3/15 Community meeting with Melissa Price at Horrocks in relation to telephone coverage

#### **4.14 INFORMATION BULLETIN**

Noted

**4.15 NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**4.15.1 DIGITAL RECORDINGS OF MEETINGS**

Cr Pike requested that Council consider using digital recording to record Council meetings and the following motion was put to Council:

Moved Cr PIKE, seconded Cr HOLT

That future Council Meetings be recorded using a digital recording system.

During the initial debate on the motion the CEO Mr Garry Keeffe, Deputy CEO Grant Middleton and Glenn Bangay the Principal EHO/Building Surveyor left the room at 4.15pm to allow Councillors the opportunity to discuss the motion proposed by Cr Holt (4.15.1) without staff present.

The CEO Mr Garry Keeffe, Deputy CEO Grant Middleton returned to the meeting at 4.42pm

The President put the motion to the vote and the motion was lost 2/5

**4.15.2 KALBARRI HEALTH CAMPUS**

Cr Scott advised that he had received unconfirmed advice that the Kalbarri Health Campus was to no longer have 24 hour care services.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr CARSON

Cr Carson left the meeting at 4.49pm  
Cr Carson returned to the meeting at 4.50pm

That Council correspond with the Minister for Health in relation to retaining a 24 hour health care service at the Kalbarri Health Campus subject to the service being downgraded.

CARRIED 7/0

**4.15.3 ILLEGAL CAMPING**

Cr Scott advised that due to a large number of complaints he has been receiving about illegal camping within the Shire that he did investigate what other local governments along the west coast were implementing to control this practice, in particular the payment of infringements issued.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr PIKE

That Council:

1. Through the Northern Zone request WALGA to investigate legislation changes to allow local governments to recover fines issued to illegal campers through vehicle hire companies (as a majority of offenders are from overseas using hire vans/vehicles), as an example, to try and assist local governments to control this activity and recover costs incurred in policing illegal camping.
2. The Northern Zone also be requested that the above motion be listed for debate at the 2015 WALGA Annual General Meeting in an effort to receive further support from other Local Governments.

CARRIED 7/0

#### **4.16 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2015 commencing at 1.00pm at the Council Chambers, Hampton Road Northampton.

#### **4.17 CLOSURE**

There being no further business, the President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 5.00pm.