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Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton on Friday 15th February 2008**

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2.1 OPENING

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

2.2 PRESENT

Cr G Parker	President	Northampton Ward
Cr E Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr V Maskrey		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr O Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr A Link		Kalbarri Ward
Cr L Parker		Kalbarri Ward
Cr R Allen		Kalbarri Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Anthony Gollan	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Rod Bayliss	Environmental Health/Building Surveyor	
Mrs Hayley Williams	Principal Planner	

2.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

2.2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr G Wilson	Deputy President	Northampton Ward
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2.3 QUESTION TIME

Members of the public were present, however no questions were forthcoming.

2.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**2.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL
MEETING 18TH JANUARY 2008**

Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr Maskrey

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 18th January 2008 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 9/0

2.4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil

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2.5	RECEIVAL OF MINUTES
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Nil

2.6	TOWN PLANNING REPORT
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2.6.1	DRAFT KALBARRI TOWNSITE STRATEGY & TOWN PLAN (ITEM 6.2.1)
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Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Link

That Council resolve to endorse the Draft Kalbarri Townsite Strategy and Town Plan (as per Attachment A1 to Item 6.2.1 of the February 2008 Town Planning Report) for the purpose of further community consultation only.

CARRIED 9/0

2.6.2	SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.2.2)
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Noted

The Principal Planner, Mrs Hayley Williams left the meeting at 1.23pm.

2.7	WORKS, RESERVES & BEACHES REPORT
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2.7.1	MAINTENANCE WORKS/PROGRAM WORKS (ITEM 6.1.1)
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Noted

2.7.2	MOWER REPLACEMENT – PLANT BUDGET 2007/2008 (ITEM 6.1.2)
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That Council:

1. Retain the current Gianni mower and that this mower be relocated to Northampton.
2. Tender for a similar mower as like the Gianni Front Deck mower for Kalbarri with the Northampton Charterhouse mower (P059) and Kalbarri John Deere Tractor (P131) being offered as trade items.

CARRIED 9/0

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**2.7.4 PLANT FLEET RIDE ON MOWER - NORTHAMPTON
(ITEM 6.1.2)**

Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr E Simkin

That Council not repair the existing ride on mower (P158) and purchase a John Deere Z225 zero turn mower with catcher at a cost of \$5,640 and this be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

2.7.3 ROADS TO RECOVERY FUNDING (ITEM 6.1.2)

Cr Maskrey declared an interest in this item as a family member owns property along Wannernooka Road and therefore may incur a financial gain or loss from Council decision and left the meeting at 1.51pm.

Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Link

That the 2008/2009 Roads to Recovery Programme be allocated to the following road projects:

Harney/Baron Streets	\$ 60,000
Wannernooka Road	\$105,000
John/Robinson Streets	\$130,000

CARRIED 8/0

Cr Maskrey entered the meeting at 1.53pm.

The Manager of Works and Technical Services, Mr Neil Broadhurst left the meeting at 1.55pm.

2.8 HEALTH AND BUILDING REPORT

2.8.1 INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.1)

Noted

**2.8.2 TEMPORARY OCCUPANCY OF A CARAVAN – LOT 260
STILES ROAD, KALBARRI – D & A PIKE (ITEM 6.3.2)**

Moved Cr Allen, seconded Cr Maskrey

That, subject to the provision of appropriate ablution facilities within an existing shed, Desmond and Anne Pike be permitted to occupy a caravan on Lot 260 Stiles Road, Kalbarri for a period of 6 months in order to construct a retaining wall around their dwellings sand pad.

CARRIED 9/0

2.8.3 BUILDING STATISTICS (ITEM 6.3.3)

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The Environmental Health/Building Surveyor, Mr Rod Bayliss left the meeting at 1.57pm

2.9	FINANCE REPORT
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2.9.1	ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr Link

That Municipal Fund Cheques 17235 to 17266 inclusive, totalling \$64,486.73; Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT5149 to EFT5226 inclusive totalling \$263,815.37; Trust Fund Cheques 1644 to 1649 inclusive, totalling \$11,080.00, be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

2.9.2	MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – 31ST JANUARY 2008 (ITEM 6.4.2)
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Moved Cr Link, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That the Monthly Financial Statements for the period ending 31st January 2008 as presented in the February 2008 Finance Report be received.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

2.9.3	BUDGET REVIEW (ITEM 6.4.3)
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr Maskrey

That the Budget Review at the period ending 31st January 2008 as contained in the February 2008 Finance Report be received.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

2.9.4	VALUATION METHOD OF LAND ON OFFICE OF DEPOSITED PLAN 57812 – CAPITAL HILL (ITEM 6.4.4)
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Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr E Simkin

That Council in accordance with Section 6.28 of the Local Government Act 1995, request the Minister of Local Government and Regional Development to determine that that the method of valuing the land described in the Office of Deposited Plan 37532 be gross rental values for the purposes of rating.

CARRIED 9/0

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2.10	ADMINISTRATION AND CORPORATE REPORT
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2.10.1	RE-BRANDING OF THE COUNCIL (ITEM 6.5.1)
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Moved Cr Allen, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That Council list for consideration in the 2008/2009 Draft Budget a provision of \$6,000 for the re-branding of the Northampton Shire.

CARRIED 9/0

2.10.2	MIDWEST DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION BOARD MEETING (ITEM 6.5.2)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr O Simkin

That the following issues affecting this Council form a presentation to be made to the Mid West Development Commission Board Meeting to be held in Kalbarri on 22 February 2008;

- By pass for heavy haulage vehicles around the town site of Northampton, particularly if the Gunson Resources mineral sand project commences.
- The continued planning of the Kalbarri/Shark Bay Road.
- The opening up of additional road networks within the Kalbarri National Park and the bitumen sealing of all existing and future roads.
- Issue of the amount of crown land still vacant within and close to a number of townsites where it is locked as UCL and steps need to be taken to have these areas freehold and in the custody of the state in some manner to allow quicker releases of land, ie Port Gregory and Kalbarri.
- Continued support for the Land Back Wharf.
- The development of fly in fly out arrangements from the Kalbarri Airport to various mining operations.
- The ongoing issue of the state government not taking a responsive role in managing lands under its control.

CARRIED 9/0

2.10.3	KALBARRI – AERIAL SUPPRESSION PREPAREDNESS (ITEM 6.5.3)
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr L Parker

That Council approve the placement of a 27,700 litre water tank and associated piping to the central area of the general aviation area and a high pressure water pump at the Kalbarri Airport as per the plans provided to assist with Aerial Fire Suppression.

CARRIED 9/0

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2.10.4 SIDE SHOWS ON COUNCIL CONTROLLED LAND (ITEM 6.5.4)

Cr Allen declared an interest in this item as he owns a business that may be affected by this item and therefore may incur a financial gain or loss from Council decision and left the meeting at 2.20pm.

Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Maskrey

That Council adopt the following policy in relation to the operations of food vans and side show alley entertainment:

“All groups/organisations that conduct fun/fair/market days etc that includes operations such as food vans, side show entertainment etc, then those operations are not to set up on any Council controlled land until the eve of the event and are to vacate the area immediately on the day at the conclusion of the event or the day after the event and can only operate on the day of the event.

Public events that involve operations such as food vans, side show entertainment etc are to operate for a duration of one day only, being the day of the actual even, unless approved by the Council.

This policy excludes the use of areas at the Northampton Recreation Centre for the Northampton District Agricultural Show.”

CARRIED 8/0

Cr Allen entered the meeting at 2.25pm.

2.10.5 NORTHAMPTON WORKS DEPOT (ITEM 6.5.5)
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Moved Cr Stock-Standen, seconded Cr Maskrey

That Council endorse the plans for the new Northampton Works Depot and call tenders for the construction of a new works Depot on Lot 74 Seventh Avenue, Northampton.

CARRIED 9/0

2.10.6 HORROCKS COMMUNITY CENTRE (ITEM 6.5.6)
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Moved Cr E Simkin, seconded Cr Maskrey

That Council list for consideration an amount of \$6,500 to undertake an assessment to satisfy the requirements of State Planning Policy 2.6 for the development of the Horrocks Community Centre.

CARRIED 9/0

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2.10.7	COMMEMORATIVE PLAQUE – 200 MILE WATER TANK (ITEM 6.5.7)
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Moved Cr Link, seconded Cr Maskrey

That Council make a \$1,000 cash contribution to the interpretive signage at the 200 Mile Water Tank, undertake the installation and also commit to the ongoing maintenance of the interpretive signage.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/1

2.10.8	RSL HALL ROOFING (ITEM 6.5.8)
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Moved Cr O Simkin, seconded Cr Maskrey

That Council submit a grant under the Anzac Day Working Group Small Grants Scheme for the re-roofing of the Northampton RSL Hall and if successful Council commit to the balance of the works within the 2008/2009 Budget.

CARRIED 9/0

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2.10.9 OFF ROAD VEHICLES USE (ITEM 6.5.9)

Moved Cr L Parker, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That Council request the Control of Vehicles (Off Road Areas) Act Advisory Committee to declare prohibited to off road vehicles the areas shaded pink below, being unallocated crown land in the Kalbarri townsite, incorporating a 20 meter buffer zone off Nanda Drive to Walker Street.



CARRIED 9/0

Cr Maskrey left the meeting at 3.05pm.

The Chief Executive Officer presented a petition to Council relating to the objection of closing off road vehicle tracks within the Horrock's townsite and informed the meeting that the petition itself does not relate to Council's concerns regarding unallocated crown land as the area that the petition refers to is vacant free hold land owned by Council thus comes under Council's control.

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Council discussed the petition at length and it was the general feeling that due to the ever increasing liability issues that now exist and also dust and noise control, Council should be seen taking the necessary action to close off all tracks in this area between Mitchell Street and Glance Street.

Moved Cr E Simkin, seconded Cr L Parker

That Council take appropriate action to close all off road vehicle tracks within the Horrocks Townsite on land it owns free hold along Mitchell Street which include but not limiting lots 101, 102, 9000 and 10759.

CARRIED 7/1

2.10.10	NORTHAMPTON HERITAGE WEEK 2008 (ITEM 6.510)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr Stock-Standen

That Council make a financial contribution of \$500 to the Northampton Business on the Move for the 2008 Northampton Heritage Week.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.11	NORTHAMPTON DOCTORS SURGERY (ITEM 6.5.11)
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Moved Cr Gliddon, seconded Cr Link

That Council:

1. Re-assign the existing lease for Lot 29 Robinson Street, Northampton, to the Midwest Aero Medical Services Pty Ltd.
2. Amend the lease to provide for two five year term options.
3. Enter into a fixed term tenancy agreement of five (5) years for Lot 42 Bateman Street, Northampton.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.12	HOUTMAN ABROLHOS (ITEM 6.5.12)
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Noted

2.11	PRESIDENTS REPORT
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Nil

2.12	DEPUTY PRESIDENTS REPORT
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Nil

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2.13 COUNCILLORS REPORTS

2.13.1 CR O SIMKIN

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

- Northampton Country Club Meeting – Requirement for the Country Club kitchen were discussed.

The Environmental Health/Building Surveyor, Mr Rod Bayliss entered the meeting at 3.25pm.

The Environmental Health/Building Surveyor explained the current status of the kitchen at the Northampton Country Club and advised that the kitchen is not condemned but works are required to meet the correct health standards.

The Environmental Health/Building Surveyor, Mr Rod Bayliss left the meeting at 3.35pm.

2.13.2 CR GLIDDON

Since the last Council meeting Cr Gliddon reported on her attendance to the following:

- Kalbarri Community Crime Prevention Meeting.

2.13.3 CR ALLEN

Since the last Council meeting Cr Allen reported on his attendance to the following:

- Kalbarri Tourist Bureau Meeting.
- Kalbarri Development Association Meeting

2.13.4 CR L PARKER

Since the last Council meeting Cr L Parker reported on his attendance to the following:

- Kalbarri Community Crime Prevention Meeting.
- Kalbarri Land Backed Wharf Meeting with the Midwest Area Consultative Committee

2.13.5 CR LINK

Since the last Council meeting Cr Link reported on her attendance to the following:

- Kalbarri Community Crime Prevention Meeting.

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2.14	INFORMATION BULLETIN
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Nil

2.15	NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS
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2.15.1	HORROCKS FISH CLEANING FACILITY
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Cr E Simkin sought clarification on correspondence sent to him in regards to the Horrocks Fishing Cleaning facility recently established north of the Horrocks boat ramp.

The Chief Executive Officer and Deputy Chief Executive Officer advised the meeting that they have seen the correspondence and all information regarding this facility had been supplied to Council when the grant was received back in early 2007. The Chief Executive Officer will be responding to the correspondence in due course.

It was also noted that the current position of the cleaning facility was determined by members of the Horrocks Progress Association.

2.16	NEXT MEETING
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The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on the 19th March 2008 at the Northampton Council Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton.

2.17	CLOSURE
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There being no further business, the President thanked all present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3.46pm.