

Central Metropolitan

Zone

Minutes

20 April 2023

Central Metropolitan Zone

Hosted by the Town of Cambridge

1 Bold Park, Cambridge – 9347 6000

Thursday 20 April 2023, commenced at 6:00 pm

Acknowledgement of Country

We, the Zone members acknowledge the continuing connection of Aboriginal people to Country, culture and community. We embrace the vast Aboriginal cultural diversity throughout Western Australia, including Boorloo (Perth), on the land of the Whadjuk Noongar People, where this meeting is being held and we acknowledge and pay respect to Elders past and present.

Minutes

MEMBERS

2 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

Town of Cambridge	Cr Kate Barlow Cr Alaine Haddon-Casey
Town of Cottesloe	Cr Helen Sadler (Deputy Chair) Cr Chilla Bulbeck (Deputy)
Town of Mosman Park	Mayor Paul Shaw Cr Andrew Baird Ms Carissa Bywater, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
City of Nedlands	Cr Kerry Smyth Cr Rajah Senathirajah
Shire Peppermint Grove	President Rachel Thomas Cr Charles Hohnen
City of Perth	Cr Catherine Lezer Cr Liam Gobbert
City of Subiaco	Cr Rosemarie de Vries
City of Vincent	Mr David MacLennan Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate
WALGA Secretariat	Mr James McGovern, Manager Governance and Procurement Ms Sarah Twyford, Graduate Policy Officer, Environment
Guest Speakers	Ms Bronwyn Weir, Director, Weir Legal and Consulting (virtually)

APOLOGIES

Town of Cambridge	Mr Kelton Hincks, Acting Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate Cr Alaine Haddon-Casey
Town of Claremont	Cr Peter Telford Cr Paul Kelly Ms Liz Ledger, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
Town of Cottesloe	Mr Craig Masarei Mr Matthew Scott, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
DLGSC Representative	
Town of Mosman Park	Mayor Paul Shaw Cr Andrew Baird Ms Carissa Bywater, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
City of Nedlands	Mr Bill Parker, Chief Executive Officer, non-voting delegate
Shire of Peppermint Grove	Mr Don Burnett, Chief Executive Officer non-voting delegate
City of Perth	Ms Michelle Reynolds, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate
City of Subiaco	Mr Colin Cameron, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate Cr Lynette Jennings
City of Vincent	Cr Ashley Wallace
WALGA	Ms Jade Mains, Senior Policy Officer Environment

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Zone Delegates were requested to provide sufficient written notice, wherever possible, on amendments to recommendations within the State Council or Zone agenda prior to the Zone meeting to the Chair and Secretariat.

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date to your Council for distribution to Zone Delegates.

Confirmation of Attendance an attendance sheet was circulated prior to the commencement of the meeting.

ATTACHMENTS WITHIN THE AGENDA

1. Draft Minutes Previous Meeting
2. President’s Report
3. Zone Status Report
4. Standing Orders
5. DLGSC Update

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Elected Members must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before the Zone as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors and deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Zone and State Council. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

Nil.

2. DEPUTATIONS

2.1 Building Compliance

Ms Bronwyn Weir, Director, Weir Legal and Consulting provided a deputation as requested by the Zone regarding Building Compliance.

2.2 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries Representative Update Report.

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries representative was an apology for this meeting. An update was provided with the agenda.

Noted

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Catherine Lezer
Seconded: Cr Rachel Thomas

That the Minutes of the meeting of the Central Metropolitan Zone held on 16 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING

A Status Report outlining the actions taken on the Zone's resolutions is enclosed as an attachment.

Noted

5. STATE COUNCIL AGENDA - MATTERS FOR DECISION AND NOTING

(Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision and Items for Noting contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council)

The full State Council Agenda can be found via link: [State Council Agenda 3 May 2023](#)

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternative recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

Matters for Decision

7.1 Best Practice Governance Review – Feedback on Governance Model

That:

1. This report summarising feedback from Members on the Best Practice Governance Review Final Report be received; and
2. Two sets of constitutional changes be developed for consideration by State Council at the July 2023 meeting to be put to the 2023 Annual General Meeting, that:
 - a. Give effect to the revised Model 1, as per the Best Practice Governance Review Final Report; and
 - b. Refine the constitution to address inconsistencies and other issues while maintaining the current governance model.

7.2 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' Child Safe Awareness Policy Template

That State Council:

1. Supports the draft Child Safe Awareness Policy Template being provided to Local Governments to assist with their implementation of Recommendation 6.12 of the Royal Commission (Child Safety Officers in Local Government); and
2. Notes the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' commitment to providing ongoing support and resourcing assistance to Local Governments to assist with implementation of the draft Child Safe Awareness Policy Template and other relevant actions relating to child safeguarding, through the Child Safeguarding Implementation Unit.

7.3 Abandoned Shopping Trolleys Advocacy Position

That State Council endorse the following position on Abandoned Shopping Trolleys:

The Local Government Sector advocates for State Government to consult with the Sector and prioritise legislative reforms that require retailers to contain shopping trolleys within shopping centre property boundaries, inclusive of enforcement and modified penalty mechanisms that are a realistic economic imperative for retailers to comply with containment requirements.

7.4 Speed Management Reform Advocacy Position

That the Speed Management Advocacy Position as follows, be endorsed:

1. *That WALGA supports Local Governments wishing to manage travel speeds, including speed limit changes, as a means of achieving the many health, social and environmental benefits for communities.*
2. *That Main Roads WA (MRWA) retain the overarching authority for speed limit setting/zoning.*
3. *That Main Roads WA speed zoning policies and processes be reformed so that Local Governments are more influential in the determination of speed limit decreases or increases for local roads.*
 - a. *This will include applications that are deemed to be approved when the application:*
 - i. *is based on assessments by competent Local Government practitioners,*
 - ii. *contains evidence-based identification of the benefits,*
 - iii. *contains preliminary designs for infrastructure safety upgrades associated with applications to increase speed limits, and*
 - iv. *includes an engagement strategy for managing community and stakeholder expectations.*
 - b. *Allows for Main Roads WA to decline an application, within a mutually agreed timeframe, on the basis that it:*
 - i. *does not meet the above criteria, and*
 - ii. *provides specific evidence for declining the application.*
4. *The WALGA seeks to work with Main Roads WA and other stakeholders, to develop a speed management guide for Local Governments.*

7.5 State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement 2023/24 to 2027/28

That the State Roads Funds to Local Government Agreement 2023/24 – 2027/28 be endorsed.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Kate Barlow
Seconded: Cr Catherine Lezer

That the Central Metropolitan Zone

1. **Supports items 7.1, 7.2, 7.4, and 7.5 Matters for Decision as listed above in the May 2023 State Council Agenda; and**
2. **Notes all Policy Team Reports, Matters for Noting and Organisational Reports as listed in the May 2023 State Council Agenda.**

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Helen Sadler
Seconded: Cr Kate Barlow

That the Central Metropolitan Zone in relation to State Council item 7.3 move the following amendment:

1. ***The Local Government Sector advocates for State Government to consult with the Sector and prioritise legislative reforms that incentivise customers and retailers to contain***

shopping trolleys within shopping centre property boundaries, inclusive of enforcement and modified penalty mechanisms that are a realistic economic imperative for retailers to comply with containment requirements.

CARRIED

6. ZONE BUSINESS

Nil.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor Rachel Thomas, Shire of Peppermint Grove requested an update on WALGA's legal advice on the protection of tree canopies. WALGA secretariat to provide information to the Zone.

8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 President's Report to the Zone

The WALGA representative presented the President's Report.

Noted

8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA representative presented on the previous State Council meeting.

Noted

9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

That the next ordinary meeting of the Central Metropolitan Zone be held on 22 June 2023 at the Town of Claremont at 6:00 pm.

10. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at **7:05pm**.