

South Metropolitan Zone

Minutes

24 April 2023

South Metropolitan Zone

Hosted by the City of Rockingham
Civic Boulevard, Rockingham – 9528 0333
Monday 24 April commenced at 5:30 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

3 Voting Delegates from each Member Council

City of Cockburn	Mayor Logan Howlett JP Cr Chontelle Stone Mr Daniel Arndt, Acting Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate
Town of East Fremantle	Cr Cliff Collinson Cr Kerry Donovan
City of Fremantle	Cr Doug Thompson - Chair Cr Geoff Graham Cr Frank Mofflin Mr Glen Dougall, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate
City of Kwinana	Mayor Carol Adams OAM Cr Barry Winmar
City of Melville	Cr Duncan Macphail
City of Rockingham	Mayor Deb Hamblin Cr Caroline Hume Mr Michael Parker, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate
WALGA Secretariat	Nick Sloan, Chief Executive Officer Alina Hobson, Policy Officer Community

APOLOGIES

Town of East Fremantle	Cr Laura Mascaro
City of Melville	Cr Karen Wheatland

Cr Katy Mair
Cr Glynis Barber
Mr Marten Tieleman, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate

City of Kwinana Cr Sherylin Wood
Mr Wayne Jack, Chief Executive Officer - non-voting delegate

City of Rockingham Deputy Mayor Hayley Edwards

City of Cockburn Cr Tom Widenbar

City of East Fremantle Mr Gary Tuffin, Chief Executive Officer – non-voting delegate

WALGA Narelle Cant, Executive Manager Advocacy

DLGSC Representative

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Agenda Papers were emailed 7 days prior to the meeting date.

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

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Minutes of previous meeting
2. Zone Status Report
3. President's 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 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: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the Minutes of the meeting of the South Metropolitan Zone held on 20 February 2023 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING

4.1 Status Report

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

(Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision 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.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the South Metropolitan Zone supports item 7.1 of the State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

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.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the South Metropolitan Zone supports item 7.2 of the State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

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.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the South Metropolitan Zone supports item 7.3 of the State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

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.*

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the South Metropolitan Zone supports item 7.4 of the State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

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: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

That the South Metropolitan Zone supports item 7.5 of the State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett
Seconded: Mayor Carol Adams

Notes all Policy Team Reports, Matters for Noting and Organisational Reports as listed in the May 2023 State Council Agenda.

CARRIED

6. BUSINESS

Nil.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil.

8. EXECUTIVE REPORTS

8.1 WALGA President's Report

Nick Sloan, CEO WALGA presented the President's Report.

Noted

8.2 State Councillor's report to the Zone

WALGA State Councillor presented on the previous State Council meeting.

Noted

9. DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the South Metropolitan Zone will be held Monday 26 June at the Town of East Fremantle commencing at 5.30 pm.

10. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 5.59pm.