



TOWN OF CLAREMONT

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY 21 JUNE, 2016

Liz Ledger

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Date:

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

His Worship the Deputy Mayor, Peter Browne, welcomed members of the public, staff and Councillors and declared the meeting open at 7:00PM.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE

ATTENDANCE

Deputy Mayor Peter Browne	West Ward
Cr Karen Wood	West Ward
Cr Peter Edwards	West Ward
Cr Jill Goetze	South Ward
Cr Chris Mews	South Ward
Cr Bruce Haynes	East Ward
Cr Kate Main	East Ward
Cr Alastair Tulloch	East Ward

Ms Liz Ledger (Acting Chief Executive Officer)

Mr Les Crichton (Executive Manager Corporate and Governance)

Mr Saba Kirupanather (Executive Manager Infrastructure)

Mr David Vinicombe (Executive Manager Planning and Development)

Ms Katie Bovell (Governance Officer)

Seven members of the public

Two members of the press

APOLOGIES

Mayor Barker

Cr Paul Kelly (South Ward)

Mr Stephen Goode (Chief Executive Officer)

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

NIL.

4 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

**Mr Bart Benschop, 4 Queenslea Drive, Claremont.
Re: Item 13.3.1, Footpath Policy.**

Question one:

Why is the cross fall of the roadway of Queenslea Drive 2% when the Town's AUSTRROADS and MRWA policy, specifications and guidelines specify 3%?

Answer:

Within the Town of Claremont the road network is already well established.

The Towns works therefore tend to be the repair or rehabilitation of roads only, within the constraints of the pre-existing geometric design of the road, verge, and adjacent features.

Austrroads guidelines state that the type of cross section depends on whether the project is a new road or an existing road.

Where it is an existing road the decision to reshape would depend on the existing conditions and performance of that road.

The purpose of the recommended crossfall of 3% is to prevent ponding water from occurring on a road, and during an intense rainfall event, to displace water from the vehicular wheel path.

Should the road be performing well the costly reshape to achieve a minor increase in grade would not be considered good value for money.

If localised ponding is occurring a more economical solution should be considered, such as the profile and regrading of a short section or installing some drainage infrastructure, rather than rebuilding an entire road.

Only if a pre-existing road was scheduled to be rebuilt due to structural failure would the reconstruction of a road be considered, upon which time the road would be regraded to current guidelines and specifications.

Queenslea Drive's geometry has been reviewed since the most recent surface reseal and work was undertaken to improve the flow of stormwater along the gutter line.

It is now deemed to be fit for purpose.

Please also note that the Town does not have a policy for the crossfall of a road.

If a new road is to be constructed, or an existing road is to be reconstructed, this would be designed by a suitably qualified Civil Designer to current Austrroads guidelines.

Question two:

Why is the kerbing along Queenslea Drive only 100mm high when the Town's and MRWA policy, specifications and guidelines specify 150mm?

Answer:

The intent of the kerb standards and specifications is to provide a channelised gutter line for stormwater drainage, prevent flooding of the verge and footpath, and to protect the structure of the road.

Main Roads WA specifications align with the Towns specifications for kerbing, which the Town where applicable can vary the kerb height between 20mm and 150mm, if it seems fit as per the Main Roads standards. In Queenslea Drive the kerb type is barrier and varies between 100 and 120 mm, which is more than sufficient in height to prevent flooding over the kerb.

Question three:

What is the Town of Claremont proposing to do to address this problem?

Answer:

As the intent of the guidelines and specifications have been met it does not warrant any further action.

The Town will continue to monitor this location, as it does the entire town, to ensure that our duty of care is being met.

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Ms Heidi Hardisty, 12A Myera Street, Swanbourne.

Re: Item 11.1.1, River Red Gum at Links Court.

Question one:

What is the reason for wanting to remove the tree?

Answer:

In April this year a branch of 6m length and 60mm diameter broke away in the mid canopy and fell into the backyard of the property and struck the roof of a portable toilet used by the builders renovating the property.

Other failure the Town was aware of was prior to the initial inspection of the tree undertaken in 2013.

The Town recognises this species of tree has the propensity to drop limbs. The level of risk that is acceptable with any given tree will also ultimately be governed by the tree 'owner', and their willingness to accept any foreseeable risks associated with any given tree.

Half of the trunk of the tree sits within the private property and so consideration should be given to the concerns of the owner of that adjoining property.

The back courtyard of the property is quite small and around half the tree canopy overhangs a significant portion of the yard. The owner does not accept any level of risk associated with this tree which also needs to be addressed when undertaking the assessment.

The tree size is inappropriate for the location and formation of the tree structure is poor.

Question two:

Why is the report by the expert recommending to retain the tree being ignored?

Answer:

For all the reasons stated above. The arboricultural assessment is about the health, structure and safety of the tree and nothing about the stress and emotional aspect of the immediately affected people.

Terry Griffiths, 6A Wright Avenue, Swanbourne.

Re: Item 13.1.1, Scotch College Traffic Management and Transport Plan.

Question:

While the Parking Precinct Plan is prepared for consultation, could the Council please remove the 15minute 'kiss and drop' parking restrictions from outside of school term time as the restriction applies all year even in school holidays?

Answer:

The Town Ranger's support the modification of the current sign and add the words 'SCHOOL DAYS ONLY'. This will be implemented prior to the July school holidays.

Mr Bart Benschop, 4 Queenslea Drive, Claremont.

Re: Drainage at Queenslea Drive, Claremont.

Question one:

Why has the Town of Claremont sand bagged the premises at 4 Queenslea Drive to mitigate flooding after filling the drains on the north east side of Queenslea Drive with bitumen and changing the cross fall of the carriageway from 3% to 2%?

Question two:

Why has the Town of Claremont modified the crossover at 4 Queenslea Drive five times when this crossover did not cause flooding?

Question three:

Why has the Town of Claremont modified the crossover at 4 Queenslea Drive so that cars cannot cross over it?

Question four:

Why is the Town of Claremont not addressing the Asbestos pollution from broken Asbestos fibro cement on the footpath on the east side of Queenslea Drive?

Question five:

Why has the Town of Claremont not addressing the drainage of Asbestos polluted effluent from the Town of Claremont administered Crown Land onto the property at 4 Queenslea Drive?

Answer:

The Deputy Mayor took the questions on notice.

6 PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME

Dr Ricki Hewitt, 28 Goldsmith Road, Claremont.

Re: Item 13.2.1, Freshwater Bay Museum Strategic Plan.

Dr Hewitt requested a master plan be developed with the Strategic Plan .

Ms Heidi Hardisty, 12A Myera Street, Swanbourne.

Re: Item 11.1.1, River Red Gum at Links Court.

Ms Hardisty spoke against the officer recommendation.

Mr Bart Benschop, 4 Queenslea Drive, Claremont.

Re: Item 4, Response to Previous Public Questions Taken on Notice.

Mr Benschop spoke against the answers provided to his previous questions taken on notice.

7 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

NIL.

8 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Moved Cr Wood, seconded Cr Edwards

That the petition presented by Cr Mews from Hammond Road residents on parking be received.

**CARRIED(91/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

9 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Wood

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 17 May 2016 be confirmed.

**CARRIED(92/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

**10 ANNOUNCEMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS FOR WHICH MEETING
MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC**

NIL.

11 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING**11.1 INFRASTRUCTURE****11.1.1 RIVER RED GUM AT LINKS COURT**

File Ref:	PRK00150
Attachments:	Town of Claremont - Assessment of Various Trees 2015 River Red Gum adj 1 Links Court 2013 1 Links Court - Branch failure Imminent risk of injury RE 1 links court
Responsible Officer:	Saba Kirupananther Executive Manager Infrastructure
Author:	Andrew Head Manager Parks and Environment
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

To consider a report regarding retention or removal of the mature River Red Gum in front of 1 Links Court on the Davies Road property side. This tree is a unique situation in the Town where a large mature tree straddles both public and private land.

Background

This report was submitted to Council at the meeting 17 May 2016 however was withdrawn by the CEO to allow a site visit by CEO prior to report going to Council.

The Town of Claremont manages a large number of mature public trees. To ensure the Town controls the risk associated with these trees, annual tree inspections are undertaken on specimens which have been highlighted by the community or the Town's Officers and Arboricultural Consultant.

Discussion

In December 2014 the property adjacent to the tree changed ownership. In June 2015 the owners requested the large tree on the eastern fence line (facing Davies Road) of the property be pruned or removed as part of an enquiry to purchase the section of road reserve on the Davies Road frontage of the property.

Currently this land is a small pocket park with trees, gardens and a park bench. The area is maintained by the Town as a small piece of open space used by the immediate surrounding properties and by people walking down Davies Road who need a rest on a shady bench in the afternoon.

The tree is located on the boundary line between the park and the private property with fifty percent of the canopy and the majority of the stem within the public land;

and this is why the Town undertakes inspections and works as recommended on a frequency determined by the same consultant.

A copy of this report was provided to the resident in June 2015 and they were advised that the tree is being managed by the Town to minimise risk. The tree had work undertaken eighteen months prior and that a second inspection would be undertaken later that year, the property owners were happy with the response at that time.

The initial 2013 and follow up 2015 inspection reports are attached to give further background about the tree and works undertaken. The most recent inspection identified no work being required to the tree.

Early April this year a branch of six meters length and 60mm diameter broke away in the mid canopy and fell into the backyard of the property and struck the roof of a portable toilet used by the builders renovating the property. Attached is the email received by the Town and a photo of the incident to provide context.

The only other failure the Town was aware of was prior to the initial inspection of the tree undertaken in 2013 after being reported by the previous owners.

As a result of the failure, the owners would like assurance from the Town on the following;

- Responsibility and ownership of the tree
- Ensure the tree no longer poses a threat to life
- Full indemnity for any damages to life or property as a result of any incident resulting from this tree.

The 2013 report addressed the following objectives;

- Inspect and assess the current health, vigour and structural form of the identified tree;
- From the results of the inspection, assess any potential hazards that the tree represents to any potential targets (people, structure etc.) identified to be within its projected fall zone; and to
- Provide future management guidelines in view of the risk management and the relevant legal responsibilities that are generally associated with tree 'ownership'.

The Town recognises this species of tree has the propensity to drop limbs which is why an assessment was done using the Quantitative Tree Risk Assessment (QTRA) method which calculates risk of harm.

In most instances the risk associated with a tree can therefore be defined as what is the *likelihood* of a branch (or complete tree) failure occurring, and then ascertaining what the *consequences* of the failure would be.

This is often broken down into; size of part most likely to fail, time that failure is most likely to occur, presence of potential targets when failure is most likely to occur, and consequences if a failure did occur.

Again there are many variables that require consideration as part of this process including the structure of the given tree, its health, known natural species traits and environmental factors such as direction of prevailing (and storm) winds and how they would affect the subject tree and the occurrence of potential targets within the projected fall zone.

The level of risk that is acceptable with any given tree will also ultimately be governed by the tree 'owner', and their willingness to accept any foreseeable risks associated with any given tree.

It is however generally considered that the level of acceptance in terms of risk can be defined as 1:10,000 chance of 'significant' damage, serious injury, or death being caused by an incident (be it tree related or non-tree related) is generally considered to be 'acceptable'.

This level of risk acceptance is recommended to be set as the acceptable level in tree risk assessments.

An assessment of the level of risk of this tree can be seen in the table below. It has been determined that this tree has a 1:50,000 chance of 'significant' damage, serious injury, or death being caused by an incident. This is considered to be well below an 'acceptable' level of risk.

	Target Value	Impact Potential	Probability of Failure	Risk of Harm
Probability ratio	1/100	1/1	1/500	1/50,000

Table 1 – Risk assessment of River Red Gum at Links Court

The tree is managed by the Town to reduce the level of risk for both public and privately owned land.

Half of the trunk of the tree sits within the private property and so consideration should be given to the concerns of the owner of that adjoining property.

The back courtyard of the property is quite small and around half the tree canopy overhangs a significant portion of the yard. The owner does not accept any level of risk associated with this tree which also needs to be addressed when undertaking the assessment.

The Town could commission another assessment report of the tree however it is recognised that this would most likely not satisfy the concerns raised by the adjoining owner.

In this unique instance where the tree straddles the property line the Council could approve the removal of the river red gum. The cost of removal to be paid by the Town. The reinstatement of the fence be at the cost of the owners as per the "Dividing Fence Act".

Past Resolutions

Nil

Financial and Staff Implications

Cost to manage this tree is within existing budget allocations.

Removal of the tree including the grinding of the stump will be in the order of \$2,000, and create a gap in the property fencing.

Normally the removal of the tree should be undertaken by the property owner at their expense as per the Towns current practice; however it is proposed the Town pay the costs.

The property fencing repairs are entirely the responsibility of the property owner.

Policy and Statutory Implications

Local Government Act 1995.

Dividing Fences Act 1961.

Communication / Consultation

If Council decides to approve removal of the tree, the nearby residents will be notified. If not, only the applicant will be informed.

Strategic Community Plan**Liveability**

We are an accessible community, with well maintained and managed assets, and our heritage preserved for the enjoyment of the community.

- Clean, usable, attractive, accessible streetscapes and public open spaces.
- Develop the public realm as gathering spaces for participation and enjoyment.

Governance and Leadership

We are an open and accountable local government that encourages community involvement and strives to keep its community well informed.

- Focus on improved customer service, communication and consultation.

Urgency

An early response to the resident's email received by the Town is preferred.

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Main, seconded Cr Tulloch**That Council**

- 1. Approves the removal of the River Red Gum tree straddling the fence line of the pocket park at Links Court;**
- 2. That all costs associated with the tree removal be paid by the Town and the reinstatement of the fence be at the expense of the adjacent owner of 1 Links Court.**

CARRIED(92/16)

For the Motion: Deputy Mayor Browne and Crs Tulloch, Haynes, Main, Goetze, and Wood.

Against the Motion: Crs Mews and Edwards.

11.1.2 ST QUENTIN APARTMENTS LANDSCAPING

File Ref:	RDS/00245-02
Attachments:	Proposed Landscape Installation
Responsible Officer:	Saba Kirupanather Executive Manager Infrastructure
Author:	Andrew Head Manager of Parks and Environment
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

For Council to receive and approve the proposed verge landscaping improvements on Stirling Road Median, Stirling Road Verge and Stirling Highway Verge.

Background

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held 20 December 2005 (item no. 13.3.20), the Council approved a significant development at 40 St Quentin Avenue bound by Stirling Highway, Stirling Road and St Quentin Avenue. In addition to adequate internal landscaping, the offsite landscaping of Stirling Highway, Stirling Road and St Quentin Avenue was proposed by the applicant. Sizeable garden beds were installed on the corner of Stirling Road and Stirling Highway, to be maintained by the owners of this mixed use development.

In mid 2015, a left turning slip lane was constructed on Stirling Road to alleviate traffic congestion at the intersection of Stirling Road and Stirling Highway. As part of this slip lane, a section of this garden bed was removed.

In late 2015, correspondence was received by the Town, from the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue, highlighting several issues relating to traffic/pedestrian flows and reinstatement of landscaping at this location. After investigation the Town's Officers presented several landscaping solutions to the owners at 40 St Quentin Avenue and these were unanimously rejected by the Council of Owners (COO).

They did support the reinstatement of irrigation and landscape to condition prior to slip lane works. The irrigation was reinstated however the plants were not installed as agreed on site on 2 October due to a desire to upgrade the garden area with a hedge.

In November officers requested the COO commission a design proposal for submission to Council for early in 2016.

In February 2016, the Town received a proposal from the COO and a report went to Ordinary Council Meeting 16 February 2016 and was deferred to allow discussion of the design changes with the owners.

In March 2016 the Town's officers met with the COO to discuss some of the changes. The proposal was revised to include the changes accepted by both parties and is included with this report as Attachment 1.

Discussion

The proposal has been broken into three sections with officer comments and recommendations below;

Stirling Road Median

It is proposed to install a total of three (3) trees within the two medians on Stirling Road, as shown in Attachment 1.

The tree species suggested is *Eucalyptus maculata*.

Officer Comments

At this time it is believed that two trees in the southern median is achievable due to proximity to traffic lights and a further one tree in the northern island. This is shown in attachment 1. The tree species is considered to be a suitable choice for this location.

Officer Recommendation

*Three *Eucalyptus maculata* are recommended for the medians on Stirling road as per attachment 1.*

Stirling Road Verge

Stirling Road is an integral high traffic north-south road feeding numerous active roads; Stirling Highway, Claremont Crescent, Shenton Road and Guger Street.

The footpath on the eastern side of Stirling Road measures approximately 2.8 metres wide.

It is proposed by the COO to remove approximately 60 lineal metres of paving, install a hedge and replace 40 metres of mountable kerbing with barrier kerb. The design for this proposal can be seen in Attachment 1.

The plant species suggested is *Myrsine africana*.

Officer Comments

The species suggested is known for being low maintenance with low water requirements. The path width should not be reduced below 2.5 metres in width.

The Town has previously advised, barrier kerbing in this location would not be supported by Main Roads and does not reflect industry best practice. They would support the replacement of the damaged brick kerb with a semi mountable concrete kerb. The hedge would act as a pedestrian barrier for safety concerns.

Officer recommendation

A Myrsine hedge will be better suited to the local environment and the brick kerb to be replaced with semi mountable to St Quentin Avenue intersection.

Stirling Highway Verge

As the Town's most high profile road, the aesthetics and amenity are very important along this verge. The verge ranges from between six metres and eight metres wide providing ample opportunity for landscaping improvements.

Within the existing landscaping footprint, it is proposed to plant approximately 165 square metres of ground cover, 45 metres of hedge and five trees. The design for this proposal can be seen in Attachment 1.

The plant species suggested are Grevillea 'Gin Gin Gem' and Myrsine africana, and the tree species is Hymenosporum flavum.

Officer Comments

In the proposal formulated by the Town in late 2015, the installation of some paving was included for the purpose of allowing service vehicles, building maintenance vehicles and others, a trafficable space. It is believed that further consideration should be made to this as building maintenance vehicles have been observed having parked within the vegetated verge. Widening the footpath by two metres for thirty five metres with a compacted sub base and thicker pavers to make trafficable will have an initial outlay but will reduce cost for building maintenance and large furniture moving by avoiding impacts to gardens, footpath access and road lane closures from then on.

The tree species must be one with a narrow trunk diameter to satisfy Main Roads guidelines for vegetation within the Stirling Highway road reserve. Hymenosporum flavum (Native frangipani) is deemed to meet that criteria.

Officer Recommendation

Five Hymenosporum flavum (Native frangipani) trees, a Myrsine hedge and grevillea 'Gin Gin Gem' as a bedding plant and an additional two meter wide trafficable paved footpath.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 16 February 2016.

MOTION TO DEFER

Moved Cr Edwards, seconded Cr Haynes

That the item be deferred back to Administration.

Reason: For further information from landscape design consultant.

For the Motion: Cr Tulloch, Cr Haynes, Cr Edwards, Cr Main, and Cr Mews.

Against the Motion: Mayor Barker and Cr Wood.

Ordinary Council Meeting 20 December 2005, Resolution 405/05 part 1.25:

Three copies of a Landscape Plan, showing plant species by a numerical code the botanical names, quantity and ultimate size of all plant types to be planted, paving styles, street furniture and detailed layout for the plaza and existing road frontages, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive Officer prior to the issue of a Building Licence and development is to proceed and thereafter to be maintained at the cost of the landowner in accordance with the approved plans.

CARRIED

Financial and Staff Implications

The financial implications of each location are estimated as follows: -

Stirling Road Median

Cut concrete	\$ 5,000
Excavate three tree holes	\$ 3,750
Traffic Management	\$ 4,000
Supply and install trees and soil	\$ 2,500
TOTAL	\$15,250

Stirling Road Verge

Remove paving	\$ 1,500
Replace 40m kerbing	\$11,000
Traffic Management	\$ 4,000
Supply and install hedge	\$ 5,400
Reticulation	\$ 2,500
TOTAL	\$ 24,400

Stirling Highway

Removal and disposal of existing plants	\$ 1,000
Installation of trafficable paving (2m wide)	\$ 10,000
Supply and install of plants	\$ 3,500
Supply and install of trees	\$ 2,500
Supply and install of mulch	\$ 450
Reticulation modification	\$ 500
Traffic Management	\$ 2,000
TOTAL	\$19,950

The Town proposes that the cost of the landscaping installations for Stirling Road Verge and Stirling Highway verge is equally funded by the Town and the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue, at an approximate cost of \$44,350 in total.

Stirling Road median modifications including tree planting are entirely at the Towns cost.

The Town's share of funding could be considered from the 2015-16 end of year budget savings report in August 2016.

The Town will assume responsibility, including costs incurred, for the maintenance of the trees within Stirling Road Median and Stirling Highway Verge. The maintenance

cost could be accommodated in the existing budget for 2016-17 and an increase could be considered in the 2017-18 draft budget.

All required irrigation maintenance for the installations on Stirling Road Verge and Stirling Highway is to be undertaken by the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue to a quality consistent with the Town's surrounding gardens and landscaping installations.

Policy and Statutory Implications

The landscaping installations and associated works shall be undertaken within the Town's relevant policies.

Communication/ Consultation

The Town and the Council of property owners met and discussed the issues. After that their landscape architect submitted the proposed plan.

Strategic Community Plan

Liveability

We are an accessible community, with well maintained and managed assets, and our heritage preserved for the enjoyment of the community.

- Clean, usable, attractive, accessible streetscapes and public open spaces.
- Balancing the Town's historical character with complementary, well designed development.
- Maintain and upgrade infrastructure for seamless day to day usage.
- Provide a responsible and well managed urban environment, with sustainable development outcomes.

Environment

We are a leader in responsibly managing the build and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to provide sustainable, leafy green parks, streets and outdoor spaces.

- Strive for innovative environmental design practices in new developments and redevelopments.

Urgency

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. Approves the proposed landscaping concept design for Stirling Road Median, Stirling Road Verge and Stirling Highway Verge as shown in Attachment 1;
2. Approves that all costs for the installation of landscaping are to be shared equally by the Town of Claremont and the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue, with exception of Stirling Road medians which are to be installed at the Town's cost.
3. The Town's share of funding to be considered in the 2015-16 end of year budget savings report in August 2016.
4. Requires all reticulation maintenance needed for the landscaping installation to be undertaken at the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue cost, to a quality consistent with the Town's surrounding landscaping installations.
5. Requires all garden maintenance needed for the landscaping installations to be undertaken at the Town's cost, to a quality consistent with the Town's surrounding landscape installations.

ALTERNATIVE MOTION

Moved Cr Main, seconded Cr Wood

That Council:

1. **Approves the proposed landscaping concept design for Stirling Road Median, Stirling Road Verge and Stirling Highway Verge as shown in Attachment 1 (with three Eucalyptus maculata trees in the two medians);**
2. **Approves Eucalyptus maculata as the "Street Tree" for Stirling Road between Stirling Highway and Guger Street, in place of the London Plane tree, as shown in the current "Street Tree Master Plan" and update the "Street Tree Master Plan" accordingly. The "Street Tree" for Stirling Road between Guger Street and the northern cul-de-sac end, to remain as Peppermint Tree.**
3. **Approves that all costs for the installation of landscaping are to be shared equally by the Town of Claremont and the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue, with exception of Stirling Road medians which are to be installed at the Town's cost.**
4. **The Town's share of funding to be considered in the 2015-16 end of year budget savings report in August 2016.**
5. **Requires all reticulation maintenance of the landscaping installation to be undertaken at the owners of 40 St Quentin Avenue cost, to the Town's satisfaction.**
6. **Requires all garden maintenance needed for the landscaping installations to be undertaken at the Town's cost, to a quality consistent with the Town's surrounding landscape installations.**

Reason: All existing trees in Stirling Road median between Stirling Highway and Guger Street are Eucalyptus maculata and the height, slenderness, and spread of foliage are nicely blending with the streetscape. Additional three trees will improve the aesthetics. Also it is a native tree to Australia, though not to WA. Additional Eucalyptus maculata trees in the southern end will not distract the focus of the significant heritage Stone pine tree in the south east corner of Stirling Highway/ Queenslea Drive/ Stirling Road intersection.

**CARRIED(93/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

12 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

12.1 AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

12.1.1 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT REVIEW - MAY 2016

File Ref:	FIM/00070
Attachments:	Financial Management Review May 2016
Responsible Officer:	Stephen Goode Chief Executive Officer
Author:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

Report recommends Council receive the Financial Management Review May 2016 Report and notes the Chief Executive Officer's review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial management systems and procedures

Background

At its meeting of 10 June 2016, the Audit and Risk Committee reviewed the 'Financial Management Review – May 2016' report, together with management responses, and resolved;

That the Audit and Risk Management Committee:

- *Receives Financial Management Review May 2016 Report;*
- *Notes the findings and management response in relation to the items identified for improvement within the Report, and*
- *Recommends Council notes the results of the Chief Executive Officer's review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial management systems and procedures.*

The *Local Government Act 1995* and associated regulations requires the Chief Executive Officer to review the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial systems. This review is to be undertaken no less than once in every four financial years, with the outcomes of the review to be reported to the Council.

In addition to the annual audit, the Town engaged the auditors to undertake an annual financial management review (FMR) for each year of its three year appointment (2015-16 to 2017-18). The previous FMR review was completed by the auditors in May 2015 and presented, with management response, to the Audit and Risk Committee meeting on 8 June 2015 and Council at its OCM held 16 June 2015.

This FMR is for the period 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2016.

Discussion

As detailed within the report (Attachment 1), the review concluded the Town maintains appropriate and effective financial management systems and procedures.

Of the 21 areas examined, two low risk items were noted for improvement.

The result demonstrates the Town's ongoing commitment to continued improvement in financial management practices. In addition to no high risk matters identified, all areas noted have been addressed/completed following issue of the FMR report.

The Audit and Risk Management Committee reviewed the findings of the FMR including management responses to those areas noted for improvement. The Auditing Partner also attended the meeting to enable the Committee to discuss directly and seek further clarification on the report findings.

The Committee recommended Council notes the results of the Chief Executive Officer's review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial management systems and procedures.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 16 June 2015, resolution 107/15,

That Council

1. *Receives the Financial Management Review - May 2015 Report, and*
2. *Notes the results of the Chief Executive Officer's review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial management systems and procedures.*

CARRIED

Financial and Staff Implications

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

Policy and Statutory Implications

*Local Government Act 1995: Division 4 - General Financial Provisions
Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996 : Part 2 - 5(2)c -
Financial Management Review.*

Communication / Consultation

N/A

Strategic Community Plan**Governance and Leadership**

We are an open and accountable local government that encourages community involvement and strives to keep its community well informed.

- Provide and maintain a high standard of governance, accountability, management and strategic planning.
- Provide responsive and responsible leadership.

Urgency

N/A

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Edwards**That Council**

1. **Receives the Financial Management Review May 2016 Report, and**
2. **Notes the results of the Chief Executive Officer's Review of the appropriateness and effectiveness of the Town's financial management systems and procedures.**

**CARRIED(94/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13 REPORTS OF THE CEO**13.1 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT****13.1.1 LOT 400 (NO. 31) SHENTON ROAD, SWANBOURNE (ENTRANCE FROM STIRLING ROAD) - PROPOSED EARLY LEARNING CENTRE FOR SCOTCH COLLEGE AND TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND TRANSPORT PLAN**

File Ref:	A-3449/DA2015.00067
Attachments – Public	Location and Submission Plan Plans Photograph Submission Schedule Traffic Management and Transport Plan (Rev. S)
Attachments – Restricted	Submissions
Responsible Officer:	David Vinicombe Executive Manager Planning and Development
Author:	David Vinicombe Executive Manager Planning and Development
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016
Date Prepared:	13 June 2016
60 Days Due Date:	N/A
Property Owner:	Scotch College
Submitted By:	Taylor Robinson and Porter Consulting Engineers
Lot No.:	400
Area of Lot:	79,962m²
Zoning:	Educational
Financial Implications:	Nil
Enabling Legislation:	<i>Planning and Development Act 2005 (PDA)</i> <i>Town Planning Scheme No. 3 (TPS3)</i>

Item 13.1.1 was withdrawn by the Acting Chief Executive Officer to enable further consultation.

13.2 PEOPLE AND PLACES

13.2.1 FRESHWATER BAY MUSEUM STRATEGIC PLAN

File Ref:	CUS/00287
Attachments:	Future Directions 2016-2021
Responsible Officer:	Liz Ledger Executive Manager People and Places
Author:	Liz Ledger Executive Manager People and Places
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

This report presents and recommends to Council a five-year strategic plan for the Freshwater Bay Museum.

Background

The Freshwater Bay Museum plays a critical role in contributing to our social and cultural identity. The Museum offers significant services such as a well respected and award winning education program for primary school students and annual exhibitions.

As community expectations, technology, demographics and funding opportunities change, it is important that the Museum strengthens its role in learning, community building and economic development.

Therefore the Museum has therefore undergone a strategic planning process, providing an opportunity to review the Museum's sense of purpose and goals, to enable it to reach its full potential.

In summary, this process has entailed the following:

1. Looked at all the things the museum currently undertakes and where it is at in the market (research & consultation, November 2015 to March 2016)
2. It has identified what is important for the future (defining a Vision and a Mission April 2016),
3. It has determined priority issues. (This has enabled the development of this strategic plan, outlining expected objectives, resources and accountability. May 2016)

Discussion

The Freshwater Bay Museum (FBM) is a small community museum owned, funded and managed by the Town of Claremont. It consists of four main buildings (Museum, Education Building, Office Space and the Boat Shed), which support exhibitions, a metropolitan-wide education program, collection of boating artefacts, special events and office accommodation.

In November 2015 a 'Freshwater Bay Museum Briefing Paper' was provided to Council detailing the current status of the Museum, how it has developed over the years, and highlighted the strengths and weaknesses of the current structure.

Following this, the Town implemented a Consultation Strategy involving a number of stakeholders through consulting and involving. Through the workshops, key themes began to emerge that were broken down as follows:

- Facility (look and feel)
- Programs & Services
- Stakeholders Role

Theme	Common Comments
Facility	Parking area needs to be looked at / is an issue Public toilets need to go Coffee shop / van needed Storage space needed Maintain a look and feel in line with the museum and in keeping with the surrounds Staff offices are too public Outdoor area can be improved (shading / shelter) A multipurpose space – big enough for Ed program and other uses Link to the Boat Shed
Programs / Services	Extend hours over the weekend Continue coffee cup talks Staff are amazing Review Ed program fee structure Merchandising Donations Presence in the town centre Reliant upon volunteers More promotion Digitalise the archives
Stakeholders Role	Encouraging long term volunteer commitment Encourage younger / new members Advocate the Museum's services and facilities Provide support for funding submissions Fundraise Encourage / involve volunteers. Look at the work v's the skills required Need a younger market for volunteers and Friends

A survey was promoted to the community, which asked questions about visitation (frequency and time), likes, entry fees and facility condition.

From the feedback, there were several suggestions received relating to the physical structure as well as a number in relation to the services. These have been honed down into workable and practical outcomes based on the resources currently available and may be available in the future and have guided the development of the

Museum's five year strategic plan called 'Future Directions 2016-2021'. (Please refer to Attachment 1).

Past Resolutions

N/A

Financial and Staff Implications

A budget provision of \$500,000 has been listed in the Draft 2016-2017 Budget for the purpose of undertaking improvements to the facility, following the outcomes of the review and the development of a strategic plan. The key elements of focus are:

1. New Space
2. Café Space
3. Public Toilets
4. New Car Park
5. Storage Space
6. Entry point
7. Reconfigure Office Space

An amount of \$200,000 has also been included in the Draft 2016-17 Budget to replace the public toilets at Mrs Herbert's Park. The intention would be to incorporate the new public toilets into the renovation of the Museum office building, to provide day time surveillance and improved universal access.

If there is a funding shortfall, the Town will seek external funding sources to support this project.

Policy and Statutory Implications

This report impacts the following policy:

MUSEUM SERVICES PE405

Communication / Consultation

A consultation strategy was developed and implemented from November 2015 to March 2016, which is outlined in Table 1. Consultation Strategy. Information retrieved from this engagement with stakeholders has been analysed with feedback from staff and the desktop research. This information has provided the basis for 'Future Directions'.

Table 1: Consultation Strategy

Stakeholder	Consultation	Detail	Date
Elected Members	Briefing and Survey	Providing information to Council and seeking preliminary feedback before going to the key stakeholders	Monday 30 November
Freshwater Bay Museum Committee	Think Tank	An open session with Committee members to seek direction and innovation	Thursday 3 December
Friends of the Freshwater Bay Museum	Facilitated Workshop	A facilitated session with the Friends to work together to identify opportunities and	Thursday 17 Dec

		address issues	
Volunteers of the Museum	Facilitated Workshop	A facilitated session with the Volunteers to work together to identify opportunities and address issues	Tuesday 19 Jan
Teachers	Direct Mail Out	A direct mail out to Teachers to seek feedback on the Education Program	March
Visitors / General Public	Online Survey and hard copy	An online and hard copy survey open to visitors and the general public	Thurs 4 Feb to Fri 26 Feb

Survey reports and workshop summaries can be found within the strategic plan.

Strategic Community Plan

People

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity, enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

- Maintain, effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community.
- Create opportunities for and access to social participation and inclusion in support of community health and well being.
- Recognise and celebrate the Town's history and culture through arts and events programs.

Urgency

Funds have been listed in the 2016-2017 Draft Budget, and this Strategic Plan commences from 1 July 2016.

Voting Requirements

Absolute majority decision of Council required.

Officer Recommendation

That Council adopt the five-year strategic plan for the Freshwater Bay Museum, which incorporates the budget of allocation \$500,000, plus \$200,000 for the public toilets.

MOTION TO DEFER

Moved Cr Mews, seconded Cr Haynes

That the item be deferred back to Administration.

Reason: To allow the Friends and Members of the Freshwater Bay Museum additional time to consider the plan and give feedback.

LOST

For the Motion to Defer: Crs Mews, Tulloch and Haynes.

Against the Motion to Defer: Deputy Mayor Browne and Crs Wood, Main, Edwards, and Goetze.

ALTERNATIVE MOTION**Moved Cr Goetze, seconded Cr Haynes****That Council**

- 1. Adopt the five-year strategic plan for the Freshwater Bay Museum, which incorporates the budget of allocation \$500,000, plus \$200,000 for the public toilets; and**
- 2. Develop a facility development plan for the Freshwater Bay Museum Strategic plan which includes further consultation with stakeholders.**

Reason: To clarify that a facility development plan is part of the strategic plan.

**CARRIED(95/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.3 CORPORATE AND GOVERNANCE

13.3.1 2016-17 BUDGET

File Ref:	FIM/00201
Attachments:	Town of Claremont Budget 2016-17
Responsible Officer:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Author:	Hitesh Hans Finance Manager
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

Purpose of report is to present the Draft 2016-17 Budget for Council adoption

Background

The Draft 2016-17 Budget has been prepared in accordance with Council's Annual Budget Policy. Council authorised advertising of the draft budget at its meeting of 17 May 2016 and no submissions or feedback has been received.

This budget consolidates the operating, capital and one-off operating projects presented at Elected Member forums over the past three months, with agreed adjustments and updated year end surplus adjustment.

Discussion

Overview

The budget continues to deliver the strategic objectives outlined in Council's Strategic Community Plan. The features of the 2016-17 Budget include:

- delivery of the broad range of statutory and discretionary services generating a net operating surplus of \$3,378,196. These funds are available for asset development and renewal (capital works), transfer to reserves including interest earnings, and loan reduction.
 - continued investment in the renewal of the Town's infrastructure with a budget provision of \$2.068M together with a \$1.0M investment on golf course upgrade, \$0.7M redevelopment of the Freshwater Bay Museum including public toilets, and \$0.3M towards planning and design works associated with the Aquatic Centre redevelopment.
 - a FTE resource requirement of 70.94. A 2.0% salary increase is included as a provision in the lead up to negotiations of the Town's Enterprise Agreement which expires on 1 January 2017.
 - an estimated surplus of \$888,105 brought forward from 30 June 2016 providing additional funds for 2016-17 budget.
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- a 2.0% an increase in the rate in \$ and minimums. The increase in Gross Rental Valuation over the year due to new developments will result in an increase in rate revenue of approximately 3.75%.
- a projected year end surplus of \$79,050.

Capital Projects

Capital works proposed within this draft total \$4.58M which, (not including the three large redevelopment projects detailed in the overview) represents 95% of the annual renewal expenditure recommended by our various asset management plans.

The proposed program comprises:

Renewal

Road infrastructure

Airlie St	\$ 216,450	
Central Ave	\$ 166,530	
Saladin St	\$ 159,760	
Wood St	\$ 158,412	
Mengler Ave	\$ 104,676	
Mitford St	\$ 103,025	
Gloucester St	\$ 81,375	
Cliff Way	\$ 71,500	
Park Lane	\$ 55,510	
Links Court	\$ 37,402	<u>\$1,154,640</u>

Other

Chester Road foreshore car park	\$ 120,000	
CBD bore and reticulation	\$ 80,500	
Gugeri St median landscaping	\$ 68,000	<u>\$ 268,500</u>
Footpaths	\$ 259,120	
Graylands Road cycle path	\$ 165,000	<u>\$ 424,120</u>

Parks & Gardens

Golf Course Upgrade	\$1,000,000	
Lake Claremont		
- Parking Davies Road / Lakeway	\$ 65,000	
- path (Strickland to Gloucester)	\$ 40,000	
- drink fountain/sports equipment	\$ 20,000	
- other	\$ 11,000	
Rowe Park – BBQ & picnic	\$ 25,000	
MacLagan Park – turf replacement	\$ 60,000	<u>\$1,221,000</u>

Land & Building

Freshwater Bay Museum upgrade	\$ 500,000	
Mrs Herbert's Park toilet	\$ 200,000	
Aquatic Centre redevelopment	\$ 300,000	
Claremont One wall	\$ 50,000	
Claremont Park toilet screen	\$ 20,000	
Access improvement (various)	\$ 60,000	<u>\$1,130,000</u>

Plant			
Vehicle changeovers	\$ 302,000	\$ 302,000	
Furniture & Equipment			
Councilfirst – stage 2	\$ 50,000		
Desk top renewal program	\$ 30,000	\$ 80,000	

Reserve Transfers

Reserve Fund transfers to be undertaken within 2016-17 are:

To Reserves

Swimming Pool Upgrade	\$ 80,000	
Underground Power Res	\$ 500,000	
Bore Replacement Res	\$ 20,000	
Public Art Res	\$ 20,000	
333 Stirling Highway - Lease	\$ 236,500	
Interest Earnings on Reserve Funds	\$ 342,618	\$1,199,118

From Reserves

Repayment of Loan	\$ 201,791	
Pool Redevelopment	\$ 300,000	
Claremont No 1 Water front	\$ 50,000	
Golf Course Redevelopment	\$ 800,000	
Gugeri street Landscape	\$ 68,000	
333 Stirling Highway - Loan Interest	\$ 185,350	\$1,605,141

Total Reserves as at 30 June 2017 is projected to be \$11,294,500 compared to projected 30 June 2016 balance of \$11,700,523.

Staffing Levels

Full Time Equivalent (FTE) has decreased to 70.94 from 73.37 from 2015-16. This is mainly due to the redevelopment of the Golf Course and associated change in operational management.

Rates

The budget projects \$13.88M to be raised from rates. This has been estimated as follows:

Adjusted to reflect full year rating	\$13,385,325
2.0% rate increase (CPI + 0.5%)	\$ 267,707
Interim rating	\$ 233,143
Total Rates	\$13,886,445

Each 1% increase provides an additional \$133,853 of rate income.

Specified Area Rates \$120,000

The 2016-17 year continues application of a Special Area Rate (SAR) on commercial properties within the Business Improvement District (Stirling Highway – Stirling Road – Guger Street – Leura Avenue).

This levy together with Council's contribution of \$120,000 will fund business strengthening initiatives as determined by the Claremont NOW Board.

Closing Balance (2016-17 Surplus C/Fwd)

The 2016-17 Budget results with a closing surplus balance of \$79,050.

Opening Balance (2015-16 Surplus B/Fwd)

The projected 2015-16 surplus following completion of the 2015-16 budget review has been estimated at \$888,105. A review of the current budget has identified a \$403,804 increase in forecasted closing surplus for 2015-16 financial year. These cost savings and increased revenues make available additional funding for an increased opening surplus for the 2016-17 year.

The final opening balance is yet to be determined however it will mainly comprise any projects not completed by year end. These adjustments will have minimal impact on the proposed 2016-17 Budget with incomplete works carried forward with unspent funding, or where appropriate transferred to reserves.

Fees & Charges

The proposed 2016-17 Schedule of Fees and Charges reviewed by Administration generally reflect an average increase based of 2%. However some fees and charges are adjusted to reflect the true officer time and cost recovery.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 17 May 2016, Resolution:

That Council

Endorses advertising of the Draft Annual Budget 2016-17, for public comment ending 03 June 2015, highlighting the significant elements including:

- *A 2.0% rate increase*
- *Net Operating Surplus* \$3,386,617
- *Infrastructure Capital Works* \$3,068,259
- *Other Capital Projects* \$1,391,200
- *Funding of capital through mix of operational surplus, reserve funds and debt.*

CARRIED

Ordinary Council Meeting 3 May 2016, Resolution 70/16;

That Council

1. *Endorses the Town of Claremont's participation in the Cooperative Research Centre Water Sensitive Cities research synthesis project and the Tranche 2*

- project as a means to furthering POS water security for the Town's parks, oval and reserves;*
2. *Endorses the Town of Claremont's partnership with the Western Suburbs Councils, Department of Water and the Water Corporation in developing and evaluating options as a means to furthering POS water security for the City's parks, oval and reserves;*
 3. *Agrees to allocate \$5,781 of the available \$6,310.47 from the existing groundwater project money in the current 2015-16 budget towards the following recycled water initiatives:*
 - a. *Stormwater Infiltration*
 - b. *Cost Benefit Analysis of Recycled Water options*
 4. *Requests that Administration report back to Council on the outcomes of the development and assessment of the recycled water options; and*
 5. *Agrees to consider the inclusion of \$28,290 in the 2016-17 Budget for progression of a recycled water scheme/s.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 5 April 2016, Resolution 53/16;

That Council

- *Approve installation of clamped railings pedestrian barrier at south west corner of Stirling Road /Claremont Crescent intersection*
- *Authorise unbudgeted expenditure of \$10,000 to be funded from projected 2015-16 unallocated surplus.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 15 March 2016, Resolution 40/16;

That

1. *Council consider including \$16,500 in the 2016-2017 budget to fund the extension of the Mosman Park Men's Shed.*
2. *The Town of Claremont funding is subject to funding support from other Council's to the extent necessary that the extension can proceed.*
3. *As part of this funding agreement, the Shed*
 - 3.1. *Create the garden beds for the Town's community garden in Claremont Park*
 - 3.2. *Holds one of their craft markets within the Town of Claremont*
 - 3.3. *Provides the Town access to the Men's Shed shuttle bus.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 16 February 2016, Resolution 19/16 and 20/16;

That

1. *Council receive this report about the consultation outcomes regarding the Lake Claremont Parkland Recreation Use Plan;*
2. *Council endorse the recommendations of the Lake Claremont Parkland Recreation Use Plan (as amended by Council resolution 224/15) through modification to the Lake Claremont Parkland Concept Plan 2010 other than the*

recommendations relating to the dog exercise area which is to be dealt with separately;

3. *Give consideration in the mid-year budget review to allocation of \$56,000 for the proposed 2015-2016 projects;*
4. *The necessary provision for funding be included for the listed 2016-17 and 2017-18 projects when the Town's Forward Financial Plan is reviewed;*
5. *Opportunities for funding partnerships and grant funding be investigated by the Administration;*
6. *Further consideration be given in 2018 to consider further initiatives in time for consideration during budget deliberations for 2018-19;*
7. *Refer to the Lake Claremont Committee for consideration and recommendation to Council -*
 - a) *the proposal for the dog proof fence around Lake Claremont;*
 - b) *the proposal to retain all fig trees as recognition of the European heritage of the precinct;*
8. *Direct that public notice be given of the proposal to amend the Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127 by extending the existing area south to the proposed Lakeway Street parking area extension.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 2 February 2016, Resolution 08/16;

That Council:

1. *Endorses the landscape treatment alternative 3, which includes the installation of irrigation, Royena hedges and native Frangipani in each island.*
2. *Approves \$110,000 increase in current project budget to be funded from the savings as part of 2015-16 midyear budget review, to undertake irrigation installation on the median islands of Victoria Avenue from Bay View Terrace to south of Goldsmith Road.*
3. *Approves inclusion of increase to the operational 2016-17 operational budget of \$18,090 for restrictors, islands and roundabout maintenance.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 2 February 2016, Resolution 06/16;

That

1. *Council*
 - 1.1. *Adopt the Aquatic Centre Development Plan as presented;*
 - 1.2. *In accordance with section 6.8(1)(b) of the Local Government Act 1995 approve Stage 1 of the Aquatic Centre Development Plan;*
 - 1.3. *Approves the project Budget of \$8,540,000 with funding to be as detailed within the Alternate Funding Strategy;*
 - 1.4. *Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to engage consultants and/or professional services to undertake the planning and design work to prepare documentation for the required works;*

- 1.5. *Receive further reports on completion of the design and documentation with pre-tender estimate for approval to call tenders, and milestone reports on outcome of grant applications;*
2. *The Chief Executive Officer prepare and implement a communication plan to inform and advise stakeholders and the Claremont community.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 1 December 2015, Resolution 212/15;

Includes for consideration, provision of \$30,000 in the 2016-17 draft Budget, and provision of \$125,000 in the 2017-18 draft Budget, being 50% of the total cost of the projects in 1 above.

Ordinary Council Meeting 17 November 2015, Resolution 204/15;

That Council

1. *Approves administration to develop the detailed irrigation design for budgeting and grant application purposes in consultation with the Department of Water.*
2. *Requests the Claremont Nedlands Cricket Club and Westside Wolves Hockey Club, with assistance from the Town, develop an application for grant with Department of Sports and Recreation for the upgrade and replacement of the bore and irrigation system.*
3. *Includes for consideration in the 2016-17 budget, upgrade of the Creswell Park bore and irrigation system at an estimated cost of \$150,000 to be funded by either:*
 - *One third contribution by the Department of Sport and Recreation grant*
 - *One third contribution by the Nedlands Claremont Cricket Club and Westside Wolves Hockey Club*
 - *One third by the Town of Claremont; or**If the grant application is not successful:*
 - *Half contribution by Nedlands Claremont Cricket Club and Westside Wolves Hockey Club, and*
 - *Half contribution by Town of Claremont.*

Ordinary Council Meeting 18 August 2015, Resolution 149/15;

That Council:

1. *APPROVES BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY the reallocation of \$8,000 for the construction of refuge islands at the intersections of Second Avenue with Graylands Road and Ashton Avenue, to be funded from the savings of the “end of 2014-15 financial year budget review”; and*

APPROVES the submission of nominations for both Australian Government Black Spot Funding Program and State Black Spot Funding Program for the construction of proposed roundabout treatment and associated works at the intersection of Second Avenue and Ashton Avenue in the 2016-17 financial.

Financial and Staff Implications

Financial and resource implications have been considered within the budget formulation process.

POLICY AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

Local Government Act 1995: Part 6 – Financial Management
Division 2 – Annual Budget
Division 5 – Financing Local Government Activities
Division 6 – Rates and Service Charges

Council Policy – LG503 : Annual Budget Preparation

Communication/Consultation

As set out in Council Policy LG503, the draft 2016-17 Draft Budget was advertised for public comment closing 3 June 2016. Copies were made available at Council's Administration Centre, Claremont Community Hub and on Council's website.

An information flyer will be sent out with the rates notice detailing the main aspects of the 2016-17 Budget and a full copy of the budget document will be available on Council's website, Administration Centre and Claremont Community Hub. A special 'Budget' edition of Town Talk will also be published and delivered to every household.

Strategic Community Plan

Governance and Leadership

We are an open and accountable local government that encourages community involvement and strives to keep its community well informed.

- Provide and maintain a high standard of governance, accountability, management and strategic planning.
- Maintain long term financial stability and growth.
- Provide responsive and responsible leadership.

Liveability

We are an accessible community, with well maintained and managed assets, and our heritage preserved for the enjoyment of the community.

- Maintain and upgrade infrastructure for seamless day to day usage.
- Provide a responsible and well managed urban environment, with sustainable development outcomes.

People

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity, enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

- Maintain, effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community.
- Recognise and celebrate the Town's history and culture through arts and events programs.

Environment

We are a leader in responsibly managing the build and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to provide sustainable, leafy green parks, streets and outdoor spaces.

- Create opportunities for varied transport options that reduce carbon emissions and other impacts of a growing town.
- Constantly seek and implement best options for waste management and water usage.

Urgency

N/A

Voting Requirements

Absolute majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Wood

Part A – Municipal Fund Budget for 2016-17

Pursuant to the provisions of section 6.2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and Part 3 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996*, Council adopt the Municipal Fund Budget as attached for the Town of Claremont for the 2016-17 financial year with includes the following:

- Statement of Comprehensive income by Nature and Type on Page 2 showing a net result for that year of \$(124,463)
- Statement of Comprehensive income by Program on Page 3 to 4 showing a net result for that year of \$(124,463)
- Statement of Cash Flow on Page 5
- Rate Setting Statement on Page 6 showing an amount required to be raised from rates of \$13,886,445
- Budget to and forming Part of the Budget on pages 7 to 34.

Part B – Rates and Charges

The following schedule of rates and charges for the year ending 30 June 2016 be adopted;

- a) **General Rate**
5.8060 cents in the dollar of gross rental value
Minimum Rate: \$1,265 per assessment

A charge of \$395.00 (GST exempt) per annum for each standard rubbish service that is provided in addition to the one standard service provided to rateable properties;

A charge of \$101.00 (GST exempt) per annum for an upgraded rubbish service to rateable properties;

A charge of \$153.00 (GST exempt) per annum for each additional rubbish service to rateable properties and

A charge of \$440.00 (GST exempt) per annum for each standard service provided to non-rateable properties.

b) Specified Area Rate

\$0.2620 cents in the dollar of gross rental value

No minimum

To be levied on all properties, commercial and residential, bounded by Stirling Highway, Stirling Road, Gugerri Street and Leura Avenue;

Specified Area Rates levied on Residential properties is to be waived.

c) Administration Charge for instalments

\$16.80 per instalment notice for formal rate instalment plans.

d) Administration Charge for ad-hoc instalments

\$70.00 per instalment for ad-hoc instalment plans approved by the Town.

e) Interest Rate for Instalments (including ad-hoc instalments)

5.5% per annum calculated at a daily rate of 0.0151% from due date of instalment.

f) Interest rate for late payment of rates

11.00% per annum calculated at a daily rate of 0.030% charged on amounts that are not paid within 35 days after the date of issue of notice until the day before the payment is received.

g) Rate Instalment Options and Due Dates

Payment in full

One payment with no interest or instalment charges if paid within 35 days after the date of the service appearing on the rate notice.

Payment by four instalments

First payment to be received on or before 5.00pm 35 days after the date of issue of notice including one quarter of rates due and all arrears. Second, third and final instalments are to be paid at two monthly intervals thereafter. Payment by instalments will incur instalment administration charges and instalment interest charges as detailed in c) and e).

Payment by arrangement

Payment by an ad-hoc instalment plan (other than the four instalment plan) approved by the Town, will incur an administration and interest charges as detailed in d) and e).

Part C – General Fees and Charges for 2016-17

Pursuant to section 6.16 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the Fees and Charges detailed in the section titled 'Fees and Charges are adopted.

Part D – Material Variance Reporting for 2016-17

In accordance with regulation 34(5) of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulation 1996*, and AASB 1031 Materiality, Council adopt the value of \$20,000 to be used in the Statement of Financial Activity for reporting material variances for the 2016-17 financial year.

**CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY(96/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

Items 13.3.2 to 13.4.1 were carried en bloc.

13.3.2 LIST OF PAYMENTS 1 MAY TO 31 MAY 2016

File Ref: FIM00062

Attachments: [List of Payment](#)
[NAB Purchase Card Statement - April 2016](#)
[NAB Purchase Card Statement - May 2016](#)

Responsible Officer: Les Crichton
 Executive Manager Corporate and Governance

Author: Edwin Kwan
 Finance Officer

Proposed Meeting Date: 21 June 2016

Purpose

For Council to note the payments made in May 2016.

Background

Council has delegated to the CEO the exercise of its power to make payments from the Municipal Fund or Trust Fund. The CEO is then required to prepare a list of accounts, for recording in the Minutes, detailing those payments made since the last list was presented.

Discussion

Attached is the list of all accounts paid totalling \$1,705,870.29 during the month of May 2016.

The attached schedule covers:

- Municipal Funds electronic funds transfers (EFT) \$ 1,164,515.58
- Municipal Fund vouchers \$ 0.00
- Municipal Fund direct debits \$ 481,172.87
- Trust Fund electronic funds transfer (EFT) \$ 60,181.84
- Trust Fund vouchers \$ 0.00

All invoices have been verified, and all payments have been duly authorised in accordance with Council's procedures.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 17 May 2016, Resolution 81/16:

That Council notes all payments made for April 2016 totalling \$1,439,735.88 comprising;

<i>Municipal Funds electronic funds transfers (EFT)</i>	\$	925,303.63
<i>Municipal Fund vouchers (39465 – 39465)</i>	\$	148.85
<i>Municipal Fund direct debits</i>	\$	451,275.23
<i>Trust Fund electronic funds transfer (EFT)</i>	\$	63,008.17
<i>Trust Fund vouchers</i>	\$	0.00

*CARRIED
(NO DISSENT)*

Financial and Staff Implication

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

Policy and Statutory Implications

Regulations 12- 13 of the *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations* 1996. Town of Claremont Delegation Register Item 37.

Communication / Consultation

N/A

Urgency

N/A

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

THAT Council notes all payments made for May 2016 totalling \$1,705,870.29 comprising;

Municipal Funds electronic funds transfers (EFT)	\$	1,164,515.58
Municipal Fund vouchers	\$	0.00
Municipal Fund direct debits	\$	481,172.87
Trust Fund electronic funds transfer (EFT)	\$	60,181.84
Trust Fund vouchers	\$	0.00

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

**13.3.3 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD
ENDING 30 APRIL 2016**

File Ref:	FIM/0062-02
Attachments:	Statement of Financial Activity for period ending 30 April 2016 Infrastructure Assets – 2015-16 Schedule of Works
Responsible Officer:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Author:	Hitesh Hans Finance Manager
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

For Council to note the Statement of Financial Activity for the month ending 30 April 2016.

Background

The MFR is presented in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* and *Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996* and is made up of:

- Statement of Financial Activity.
- Infrastructure Assets 2015-16 Schedule of Works.

The comments on variances compare actual expenses and revenue against the 2015-16 Budget revised as part the mid-year budget review, adopted by Council on 16 February 2016.

DiscussionSummary

The closing surplus of \$5,278,595 is \$1,258,549 above the projected surplus of \$4,020,045. This variance is due to a combination of timing differences, increased revenue, timing on reserve fund transfers and identified savings. In addition, ongoing review of the projected 2015-16 Closing Surplus has been conducted as part of the 2016-17 Budget preparations with permanent savings of \$443,804 identified.

No further adjustments to the budget have been identified or recommended. Areas contributing to the variance are:

Operating revenue - \$284,812 above budget

- Fees & Charges - \$171,134 above budget due to increased fines and penalties revenue (\$92K) and aquatic centre admission and hire fees (\$84K).
 - Reimbursement - \$30,186 above budget mainly due to increase in reimbursement of services to other council and worker compensation claim.
 - Interest Earning - \$90,175 above budget due timing and higher interest income derived by better cash management and increased cash holdings.
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Operating expenditure - \$382,563 below budget

- Materials and Contracts - \$497,907 due to timing differences across all business units with the more significant variances within;
 - Infrastructure - \$217K (various maintenance works (roads, drainage and footpath), street sweeping, plant operations and administration services) [timing, savings and C/F])
- Environmental Health and Ranger Services - \$31K of which \$12K is identified as savings and \$19K is timing related.
- Administration & Governance – \$88K of which \$8K is identified as savings and \$80K is timing related.
- Planning, Heritage and Building services - \$31K which is timing related.
- Employee Cost - \$90,435 under the budget mainly due to the timing of salaries, superannuation and FBT expenses.
- Other expenditure – (\$177,998) over the budget mainly due to timing on allocation of overheads to capital works

Capital expenditure – \$712,186 under budget

As detailed within the capital works schedules, the capital expenditure comprises;

- \$611,839 under budget in infrastructure works. Attachment 2 provides further detail on the projects and variance explanation.
- \$21,364 under budget on land, building, plant and equipment capital expenditure due to timing. While Note 10 of Attachment 1 provides a breakdown of these items, it should be noted the CouncilFirst upgrade is partially funded from Claremont way operational budget.
- \$78,982 under budget on transfers to reserves due to timing of interest income on reserve investment.

Capital income - \$169,384 under budget

- \$169,384 of variance is due to the timing of non operating grant and subsidies.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 17 May 2016, Resolution 81/16:

That Council note the Financial Statement of Activity for the period 1 July 2015 to 31 March 2016.

Financial and Staff Implications

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

Policy and Statutory Implications

Local Government Act 1995.

Local Government (Financial Management) Regulations 1996.

Publicity

N/A

Strategic Community Plan**Governance and Leadership**

We are an open and accountable local government that encourages community involvement and strives to keep its community well informed.

- Provide and maintain a high standard of governance, accountability, management and strategic planning.
- Maintain long term financial stability and growth.

Urgency

N/A

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

That Council notes the Financial Statement of Activity for the period 1 July 2015 to 30 April 2016.

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.3.4 APPLICATION FOR EXEMPTION OF LIMITATION OF NUMBER OF DOGS

File Ref:	Property File 2656
Attachments:	Submission from Applicant
Responsible Officer:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Author:	John Balcombe Senior Ranger
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

The purpose of the report is for Council to consider an application for an exemption of limitation of the number of dogs allowed to be kept on the property at 5 Myera Street Swanbourne.

Background

On 31 March 2016 the Town received an application for an exemption of limitation of the number of dogs allowed to be kept on a property at 5 Myera Street, Swanbourne. The applicant is seeking Council approval to allow four dogs (three permanent and one temporary) to be kept on the property.

Section 26(3) of the *Dog Act 1976* provides where a local government local law has placed a limit on the keeping of dogs in any specified area but is satisfied in relation to any particular premises that the provisions of the *Dog Act 1976* have been adhered to, the local government may grant an exemption. The Town's Dog Local Law 2012 section 3.2(2) limits the number of dogs which may be kept on any premises to two. Currently Council has not delegated this power to the Chief Executive Officer.

The applicant currently has a 13 year old Jack Russell and 11 year Jack Russell/King Cavalier cross residing on the property. The applicant's sister (Heather Draver) has recently immigrated to Australia from South Africa and has brought her 6 year old Labrador with her. The sister and her dog are temporarily residing with the applicant until she is able to find a residence of her own to move into. At this time there is no confirmed timeframe for when the sister will be leaving the property.

The applicant is seeking approval to keep a third permanent dog at the premises, a 2 year old Toy Poodle/Tibetan Spaniel cross.

The Dog Owners Guide Profile describes the personality of the typical Toy Poodle/Tibetan breed of dogs as cheerful, happy, charming, very clever, trusting, good family companion, very independent and a good watchdog. This breed of dog is essentially a small housedog. The life expectancy of the Toy Poodle/Tibetan Spaniel cross breed is 12 -15 years.

Discussion

The Town's Ranger visited the property on the 3 May 2016 to evaluate its suitability to accommodate four dogs. The Rangers report provided a positive assessment and appropriate conditions for three dogs to be kept on the property.

As part of the approval process the Town sought submissions from adjoining residents and nearby neighbours. The submission period is for 21 days and closed on 28 April 2016. No submissions have been received.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 2 June 2015

Authorises the Chief Executive Officer to approve the Exemption of Limitation of Dogs application subject to no adverse submissions being received.

LOST

Financial and Staff Implications

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

Policy and Statutory Implications

- Town of Claremont Dogs Local Law 2012.
- *Dog Act 1976.*
- *Local Government Act 1995.*

Communication / Consultation

Letters to adjoining neighbour's inviting comment. None received.

Strategic Community Plan**People**

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity, enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

- Create opportunities for and access to social participation and inclusion in support of community health and well being.
- Play an integral role in local safety and crime prevention.

Governance and Leadership

We are an open and accountable local government that encourages community involvement and strives to keep its community well informed.

- Focus on improved customer service, communication and consultation.

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

That Council approves the Exemption of Limitation of Dogs application to Ms Margot Partridge, of 5 Myera Street, Swanbourne with the following conditions.

- 1. Exemption is given for the lifetime of each of the three dogs currently registered to the applicant.**
- 2. Exemption is given for a period ending 31 December 2016 for the one dog currently registered to Heather Draver.**
- 3. All dogs must be registered and micro-chipped in accordance with the *Dog Act 1976*.**

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.3.5 DOG EXERCISE AREA AT LAKE CLAREMONT

File Ref:	PRK/00123-03
Attachments:	Map
Responsible Officer:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Author:	John Balcombe Senior Ranger
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

To amend the Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127 to include the extension of the dog exercise area at Lake Claremont.

Background

At the meeting of 17 February 2016 Council authorised public notice be given of the proposed amendment to the Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127 to extend the dog exercise area at Lake Claremont Parkland.

Discussion

The Town is required to give 28 days' notice of intention to specify any changes to the Dog in Public Places Policy LV127.

A public notice was in the 16 April 2016 edition of The Post advising the Council of the Town of Claremont resolved at its 17 February 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting the extension to the dog exercise area at Lake Claremont.

The advertising period closed on 16 May 2016.

Past Resolutions

Ordinary Council Meeting 17 February 2016, Resolution 19/16 and 20/16,

THE AMENDED PRIMARY MOTION WAS PUT

That

- 8. Council receive this report about the consultation outcomes regarding the Lake Claremont Parkland Recreation Use Plan;*
 - 9. Council endorse the recommendations of the Lake Claremont Parkland Recreation Use Plan (as amended by Council resolution 224/15) through modification to the Lake Claremont Parkland Concept Plan 2010 other than the recommendations relating to the dog exercise area which is to be dealt with separately;*
 - 10. Give consideration in the mid-year budget review to allocation of \$56,000 for the proposed 2015-2016 projects;*
 - 11. The necessary provision for funding be included for the listed 2016-17 and 2017-18 projects when the Town's Forward Financial Plan is reviewed;*
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12. *Opportunities for funding partnerships and grant funding be investigated by the Administration;*
13. *Further consideration be given in 2018 to consider further initiatives in time for consideration during budget deliberations for 2018-19;*
14. *Refer to the Lake Claremont Committee for consideration and recommendation to Council -*
 - a) *the proposal for the dog proof fence around Lake Claremont;*
 - b) *the proposal to retain all fig trees as recognition of the European heritage of the precinct;*

CARRIED

For the Amended Motion: Mayor Barker and Cr Tulloch, Cr Edwards, Cr Browne, Cr Main, Cr Wood and Cr Mews.

Against the Amended Motion: Cr Haynes.

8. *Direct that public notice be given of the proposal to amend the Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127 by extending the existing area south to the proposed Lakeway Street parking area extension.*

**CARRIED
(NO DISSENT)**

Financial and Staff Implications

N/A

Policy and Statutory Implications

Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127.

Communication / Consultation

The Town is required to inform the public of the new restrictions via appropriate signage installed at relevant public places, on the Town's website

Strategic Community Plan

People

We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity, enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.

- *Maintain, effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community.*

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

That Council approves the proposal to amend the Dogs in Public Places Policy LV127 to include the extension of the dog exercise area south to the proposed Lakeway Street parking area at Lake Claremont.

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.3.6 NEW LOCAL LAW - SITE EROSION AND SAND DRIFT LOCAL LAW

File Ref:	LAW/00052
Attachments:	New local law – Dust Suppression and Soil Erosion
Responsible Officer:	Les Crichton Executive Manager Corporate and Governance
Author:	Justin Strange Principal Environmental Health Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2016

Purpose

This report seeks Council's approval to advertise the proposed Town of Claremont's Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 in accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Background

An increasing level of development requiring blocks to be cleared prior to construction of new dwellings, has resulted in an increase of resident complaints relating to nuisance from dust and sand drift. Complaints relate mainly to restricting pedestrian access and damaging surrounding property.

Control of site erosion (dust predominately) and soil drift impacts on the community are currently managed through different legislation at the different stages of development, which become problematic for the Town's Officers to be able to effectively assist residents, reduce nuisance complaints and impacts on surrounding properties.

Currently the control of dust and soil drift during demolition and construction is controlled by the *Building Regulations 2012* under nuisance provisions, while the site is undeveloped or vacant the control of dust and sand drift falls within the nuisance provisions of the *Health Act 1911*.

This is problematic as it requires specific authorised officers, being a building surveyor and/or environmental health officer to be able available, and to make a determination of what is reasonable and injurious to health which requires the onus of proof to be shifted to the resident and not the enforcement agency being the Town.

Discussion

A new Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 has been drafted, and is presented for Council to authorise to advertise as is required by the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The draft Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law has based on the City of Nedlands' existing Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2014 which is the most recent sand and dust local law to be gazetted by a local authority. Discussions with the City

indicate it is working well in assisting with management of dust and sand drift. No WALGA Model Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law exist.

The local law provides a greater level of control over existing arrangement as it streamlines the enforcement process.

Currently management of sand drift and dust controls, requires the Town to prosecute offenders through the courts under the *Health Act 1911* and *Building Regulations 2012*. This proves difficult to show the true impact of the issue as the court dates are typically several months after the fact. The proposed local law enables the Town to deal more urgently with a person creating a nuisance, including where required issuing an on spot infringement.

The draft Town of Claremont Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 will be advertised for public submissions for a period of no less than six weeks in accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995*. After this time, submissions (if any) will be considered and a final draft Local Law will be presented to Council for adoption.

Past Resolutions

Nil

Financial and Staff Implications

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

Policy and Statutory Implications

Part 3 Subdivision 2 of the *Local Government Act 1995* stipulates the procedure for making and reviewing local laws.

Communication / Consultation

The draft Soil Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 to be advertised as required by section 3.12 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

The Council to consider any submissions and resolves to make a local law.

The local government is to publish the local law in the Gazette and provide a copy of it to the Minister. The draft Soil Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 is required to be advertised for 6 weeks plus 1 day (43 Days)

Strategic Community Plan

Liveability

We are an accessible community with well maintained and managed assets and our heritage preserved for the enjoyment of the community

- Clean, usable, attractive, accessible streetscapes and public spaces

Environment

We are a leader in responsibly managing the built and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to provide sustainable, leafy green parks, streets and outdoor spaces

- *Strive for innovative environmental design practices in new developments and redevelopments*

Urgency

Increased development in a confined space impacting on existing residents and infrastructure.

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

That Council advertise the draft Town of Claremont Site Erosion and Sand Drift Local Law 2016 for a period of not less than six weeks in accordance with section 3.12 of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

- a) **The purpose of the local law is to provide for the regulation, control and management of site erosion and sand on land within the district so as to protect the amenity of the area.**
- b) **The effect of the local law is to establish requirements for the management and control of site erosion and sand on land within the district.**

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.4 INFRASTRUCTURE

13.4.1 BIKE BOULEVARD

File Ref:	RDS/00289
Attachments:	Claremont Nedlands Site Context.pdf
Responsible Officer:	Saba Kirupanather Executive Manager Infrastructure
Author:	Margaret Brophy Asset Technical Services Officer
Proposed Meeting Date:	21 June 2015

Purpose

For Council to support investigation and community consultation by the Departments of Planning and Transport for a Bike Boulevard along Jenkins Avenue, Hammond Road, Goldsworthy Road and Bernard Street.

Discussion

The Departments of Planning (DP), and Transport (DoT) announced a pilot project in 2015 allocating \$3 million in funding to undertake consultation and construction. Current projects are in the Belmont, Joondalup and Bayswater area. DoT has now approached Nedlands, Claremont, Subiaco and Perth Councils to form a working group to develop a bike boulevard from Matilda Bay to Claremont Town Centre. See attached map.

After the consultation period is over, the DoT is to report back to Council on their findings and it is only at that point that Council will then make a decision as to whether the construction of a bike boulevard could proceed.

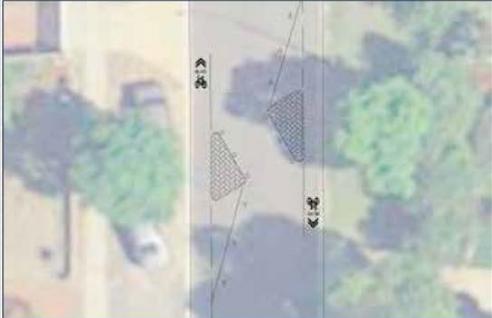
A bike boulevard involves modifying local streets to reduce vehicle speed and give cyclists right of way on a route connecting local destinations such as schools, parks and shops. The targeted user groups are parents, children and novice cyclists.

>> **HOW DO BIKE BOULEVARDS WORK?**

- » New infrastructure treatments will reduce vehicle speeds to 30kmh.
- » Bike riders typically have space to share the lane with vehicles and ride two abreast.
- » Cars follow bikes until safe to pass.
- » When cars meet, one pulls in behind the bike until the other car passes. Cars must give way to bikes.



Some minor intersections will be raised to reduce vehicle speeds and increase awareness for vehicles crossing the corridor (indicative).



Slow point treatments will be installed along the route to ensure vehicle speeds are reduced (indicative).

The anticipated benefits are

- Encourage cycling for short trips by providing a safer cycling environment
- Reduced traffic especially around schools
- Reduce through traffic on local roads

Questions to be addressed

- Impact for on-street parking - to compensate for the loss of on-street parking, verge parking and embayed parking could be considered
- Type of traffic management to slow vehicle speeds - 30km/h speed limit sign

Currently children riding to school are popular and this will provide an east west link to Freshwater Bay Primary School and via wide footpaths to the local private schools. Congestion at school peak times is a big problem within Claremont so it is worth exploring this bike boulevard option to reduce school car trips. This will also provide a connection for residents to the public transport hub and the Town Centre precinct.

Past Resolutions

There are no past resolutions relating to this matter.

Financial and Staff Implications

This project is fully funded by the State Government.
Staff to attend working party meetings.

Policy and Statutory Implications

Liveable Neighbourhoods draft 2015 document

Communication / Consultation

Consultation to be undertaken by Department of Transport

Strategic Community Plan

Environment

We are a leader in responsibly managing the build and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to provide sustainable, leafy green parks, streets and outdoor spaces.

- *Create opportunities for varied transport options that reduce carbon emissions and other impacts of a growing town.*

Voting Requirements

Simple majority decision of Council required.

Moved Cr Haynes, seconded Cr Goetze

That Council supports the commencement of community consultation by the Department of transport to gauge support for the state government's proposed Bike Boulevard concept in the three council areas (Claremont, Nedlands, and Perth) connecting various destinations to encourage more cycling options.

**CARRIED(97/16)
(NO DISSENT)**

13.4.2 FRESHWATER BAY PRIMARY SCHOOL CROSSING

File Ref: RDS/00233
Attachments: [Plan](#)
Responsible Officer: Saba Kirupanather
Executive Manager Infrastructure
Author: Nick King
Manager Engineering Services
Proposed Meeting Date: 21 June 2016

Item 13.4.2 was withdrawn by the Acting Chief Executive Officer to enable further consultation with the school.

14 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PRESIDING PERSON

Cr Goetze reported on attending the opening of Aria development and the Claremont Now marketing workshop, and various planting groups with Heidi Hardisty at Lake Claremont.

15 ELECTED MEMBERS' MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

NIL.

16 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PERSON PRESIDING OR BY DECISION OF MEETING

NIL.

17 CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS FOR WHICH THE MEETING MAY BE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC

NIL.

18 FUTURE MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

Ordinary Council Meeting, 5 July 2016 at 7:00PM.

19 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the presiding member declared the meeting closed at 7:53PM.

Confirmed this day of 2016.

PRESIDING MEMBER