



**MINUTES OF A HEALTH & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE MEETING, HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING AREA, ON THURSDAY 10 MAY 2001, COMMENCING AT 6.35PM.**

**H40. OPENING OF MEETING**

The Chief Executive Officer opened the meeting.

**H40.1**

***Present***

Cr D Hogg

Mr J O'Neill                      Mayor

Cr M Carosella

Cr A Fenna

Cr E Lovell

Mr S Wearne                      Presiding Officer/Chief Executive Officer

Mr V Andrich                      Principal Environmental Health Officer

**H41. ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER**

The Chief Executive Officer called for nominations.

Cr Hogg submitted a nomination for the position of Presiding Member.

In the absence of any further nominations, the Chief Executive Officer declared Cr Hogg elected as Presiding Member of the Health & General Purposes for a two year period.

Cr Hogg then assumed the Chair.

**H42. WELCOME TO GALLERY**

There were no members of the public in the gallery at the commencement of the meeting.

**H43. APOLOGIES**

Nil

**H44. PRESENTATIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS**

Nil.

**H45. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil.

**H46. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**



**H49. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**H49.1 Receipt of Reports**

Mayor O'Neill – Cr Lovell

That the Reports of Officers be received.

CARRIED

**H49.2 Fun Coast – Regional Tourism Participation**

By Vic Andrigh, Principal Environmental Health Officer

**A/SWT1**

**PURPOSE**

To advise Council of developments relating to *The Fun Coast* and to ascertain what future involvement Council will have with the regional tourism organisation.

**BACKGROUND**

Attached is a copy of a report to the South West Group Management Committee detailing Fun Coast history and need for the current move. **ATTACHMENT**

**Description of Proposal/Application/Submission**

The Fun Coast is submitting a separate proposal to the South West Group of councils for funding this year. Traditionally, the South West Group has included the Fun Coast allocation in its summary however from this year the Fun Coast will be attending to its own financial concerns.

**Any Relevant Previous Decisions of Council and/or History of an Issue or Site.**

Council has supported the establishment of Fun Coast, through the South West Group since its inception. Last year, Councils nomination to the Fun Coast was Councillor Christine Smith.

**REPORT**

**Introduction/Comments**

The purpose for the establishment of Fun Coast was for the promotion and coordination of tourism activities on a regional basis. It is apparent that individual Councils were not equipped to undertake specific tourism related activities. The establishment of the Fun Coast within the South West Group enabled the region, and hence individual councils to benefit from a combined promotional activities.

The provisions of parks, preservation of historical and heritage buildings, development of heritage tracks like the newly opened Niergarup Track are all designed to improve the amenity of the town. Visitors are as important as residents when it comes to forming opinions of how good East Fremantle is. The proper promotion of the towns' assets is critical. Involvement in the Fun Coast is the most cost-effective way of accessing the wider community and enhancing Councils image



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further understanding of the many products the Fun Coast has to offer as well as the issues that must be addressed by the region if the Fun Coast is to promote tourism development and infrastructure.

Tourism activity has been hampered in recent times with the demise of the Tourism Council of Australia and the failure of Partnership 21 (State Government Initiative) to effectively promote WA tourism. This provides a greater incentive to promote tourism product within the region.

**Statutory Requirements**

Nil.

**Relevant Council Policies**

Nil

**Principal Activity Plan Implications**

Nil

**Strategic Plan Implications**

The involvement of Council with the Fun Coast is consistent with Goal 5 – Image and Profile, which states “To ensure Council enjoys a high profile and positive image within the community and wider region”, and in strategy 5.1 “Positively promote activities of Council in the local community and the wider region.”

**Financial/Resource/Budget Implications**

The Fun Coast is seeking an annual allocation of \$7000 plus \$2000 allocation toward the Holiday planner. A total budget allocation of \$9,000 for 2001/2002 would be sought.

**Options and Implications**

Should Council not participate with the Fun Coast it is unlikely that there would be any tourism promotion of substance by the Town. Council has not the resources or staff to promote tourism issues on our own.

**Conclusion(s)**

Tourism is an activity that can benefit local businesses and collect accolades for Council. The more vibrant the local businesses, the more vibrant the town. Council would not be able to sustain its own tourism promotion and with continued involvement and support of Fun Coast, as with the SMRC in waste issues, it can demonstrate its ability to be an effective member of a regional organisation.

**RECOMMENDATION(S)**

That Council:

1. reaffirms its commitment to the Fun Coast



significantly from the previous population based funding arrangements, under which the Town's previous contribution was \$2,000.

**H49.3**      ***Southern Metropolitan Regional Council  
Amendment to Establishment Agreement - CCP***  
*By Vic Andrich, Principal Environmental Health Officer*

**H/HCP1**

**PURPOSE**

To approve the amendment of the Establishment Agreement to allow the Southern Metropolitan Regional Council to plan, coordinate and implement Greenhouse Gas Reduction programs.

**BACKGROUND**

The Southern Metropolitan Regional Council at its March 2001 ordinary meeting resolved to include the amendment to their Establishment Agreement.

The amendment requires the unanimous endorsement of all SMRC's member Councils.

**REPORT**

**Introduction/Comments**

Council has already approved the Cities for Climate Protection Regional Coordination Project business plan (March 2001). The endorsement of this amendment is the next step in the process.

**Statutory Requirements**

Nil

**Relevant Council Policies**

Council had adopted an Environment Plan in 1989. In 1993 the Plan was extensively updated and modernised. It is currently being updated again and will be rewritten in terms consistent with an "Agenda 21 Plan". This document will pick up on the objectives of the Cities for Climate Protection Program and will incorporate local action strategies.

**Principal Activity Plan Implications**

Nil.

**Strategic Plan Implications**

This project is consistent with Goal 4: Environmental Management Strategies identified in the Strategic Plan.

**Financial/Resource/Budget Implications**

Nil



**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

Mayor O'Neill – Cr Fenna

That Council endorse the following amendment to the Establishment Agreement of the Southern Metropolitan Regional Council:

“To plan, coordinate and implement Greenhouse Gas Reduction Programs”

CARRIED

**H50. DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY**

**H50.1 Delegations Endorsement**

**C/DEL1**

**BACKGROUND**

Under the provisions of the Local Government Act, Officers who exercise delegated authority are required to advise Council of such action.

**COMMENTS**

The delegations as shown on the attachment have been exercised for **April 2001.**

**ATTACHMENT**

**POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**BUDGET IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Council note the Officers' use of delegated authority for the period 1 April to 30 April 2001.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

Mayor O'Neill – Cr Lovell

That Council note the Officers' use of delegated authority for the period 1 April to 30 April 2001.

CARRIED

**H51. REFERRED BUSINESS:**

**H51.1 Appointment of Members to Occasional Committees**

**(ATTACHMENT)**

**(A) East Fremantle Festival Committee**

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

Cr Fenna – Cr Hogg

That Crs Wheeler and Kirkness be appointed to the East Fremantle Festival Committee.

CARRIED



**H51.2 Appointment of Delegates to External Organisations**

**(A) Local Government Association (South Metropolitan Zone)**

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Cr Lovell – Cr Fenna**

**That Crs O'Neill and Wheeler be appointed as Council delegates on the Local Government Association (South Metropolitan Zone) with Cr Carosella being appointed as the proxy delegate. CARRIED**

**(B) Fremantle City Library Advisory Committee**

The Committee noted that Cr Wheeler had been appointed to this Committee at the Special Council Meeting held on 7 May 2001.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Cr Fenna – Cr Hogg**

**That Cr Lovell be appointed proxy delegate to the Fremantle Library Advisory Committee. CARRIED**

**(C) Bridging the Gap (South) Inc**

**Cr Lovell – Cr Fenna**

**That the appointment of a delegate to Bridging the Gap (South) Inc be referred to the Council Meeting on 22 May 2001. CARRIED**

**(D) Royal George Art & Community Centre**

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Cr Hogg – Cr Lovell**

**That Mayor O'Neill be appointed Council's delegate to the Royal George Art & Community Centre with Cr Fenna being appointed the proxy delegate. CARRIED**

**(E) Glyde-In Community Group**

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Cr Lovell – Cr Fenna**

**That Cr Carosella be appointed Council's delegate to the Glyde-In Community Group with Mayor O'Neill being appointed the proxy delegate. CARRIED**

**(F) Safer WA/Community Policing Council**

The Committee noted that Cr Hogg had been appointed to this Committee at the Special Council Meeting held on 7 May 2001.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**

**Mayor O'Neill – Cr Fenna**

**That Cr Lovell be appointed Council's proxy delegate to the Safer WA/Community Policing Council. CARRIED**



- (l) ***Fremantle Accord***  
**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**  
Cr Hogg – Cr Lovell  
That the appointment of a delegate to the Fremantle Accord be referred to the Council Meeting on 22 May 2001. CARRIED

**H52. DATE AND TIME OF MEETINGS**

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**  
Cr Hogg – Cr Lovell  
That the Health & General Purposes Committee meet on the Wednesday after the first Tuesday of each month at 6.30pm. CARRIED

**H53. BUSINESS WITHOUT NOTICE BY PERMISSION OF THE MEETING**

**H53.1 *Policy No 103 – Council Policy for Council Meetings Prior to Local Government Elections***

The Chief Executive Officer raised the issue of this policy concerning Council Meetings being convened in the two week period prior to local government elections. The Chief Executive Officer had sought advice on the background to the policy and whilst it was acknowledged there had been special circumstances at the time the policy was adopted, the Chief Executive Officer nevertheless believed that the policy was incompatible with the responsibility for ongoing good governance to take precedence over any electioneering or other election based issues regardless of how they might affect sitting member candidates.

**RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL**  
Cr Fenna – Cr Lovell  
That Policy No 103 Council Policy for Council Meetings Prior to Local Government Elections be deleted as it was not considered good governance to prescribe meetings during this two week period. CARRIED

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY REQUIRED

- H53.2 *Long Service Leave – Principal Environmental Health Officer***  
Elected members were advised that the Principal Environmental Health Officer would be away on Long Service Leave for the month of June, 2001. RECEIVED

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.25pm