

Community & Environment Committee Minutes

Monday 23 February 2009

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**Minutes of the Meeting held on
Monday 23 February 2009 at 6.00pm**

Present: His Worship The Mayor, Councillor Andrew Petrie ex-officio
Councillors Peter Cavanagh (Chair)
Anthony Boskovitz
Susan Jarnason
Ian Plater
Isabelle Shapiro
Susan Wynne

Staff: S Dunshea (Director – Corporate Services)
W Hatton (Director – Technical Services)
G James (General Manager)
M Ramsay (Manager – Depot and Waste Services)
D Sheils (Manager – Public Open Space)
K Walshe (Director – Community Services)

Also in Attendance: Councillors:
Nicole Grieve (Item R1)
David Shoebridge (Item R1)
Chris Howe (Item R1)
Malcolm Young (Item R1)
Toni Zeltzer (Item R1)

Leave of Absence

Leave of Absence previously granted by Council: Nil

Apologies: Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Greg Medcraft and Leave of Absence granted.

Late Correspondence

Late correspondence was submitted to the committee in relation to Items: Nil

Declarations of Interest

Nil

Items Decided by this Committee using its Delegated Authority (Items D1 to D2)

Item No: D1 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Confirmation of Minutes of Meeting held on 9 February 2009**
Author: Les Windle – Manager Governance
File No: See Council Minutes
Reason for Report: The Minutes of the Meeting of 9 February 2009 were previously circulated. In accordance with the guidelines for Committees' operations it is now necessary that those Minutes be formally taken as read and confirmed.

(Shapiro/Wynne)

Resolved:

That the Minutes of the Community and Environment Committee Meeting of 9 February 2009 be taken as read and confirmed.

Item No: D2 Delegated to Committee
Subject: **Earth Hour 2009**
Author: Chris Munro – Sustainability Projects Coordinator
File No: 813.G
Reason for Report: To seek Council endorsement for participation in Earth Hour 2009.

(Jarnason/Shapiro)

Resolved:

- A. That Woollahra Council signs up to participate in Earth Hour 2009, ensuring that interior lights and all other non-essential items at Council buildings are turned off on Saturday 28 March 2009 from 8.30pm to 9.30pm.
 - B. That Council promotes Earth Hour to Council staff and the broader community through a variety of communication channels.
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**Items with Recommendations from this Committee
Submitted to the Council for Decision (Items R1 to R2)**

Item No: R1 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **Proposed Waste Reduction and Resource Recovery Policy and Strategy**
Author: Mark Ramsay – Manager Depot and Waste Services
File No: 588.G
Reason for Report: To recommend measures to reduce waste generation and disposal to landfill, and to encourage waste resource recovery

(Jarnason/Wynne)

Recommendation:

- A. That Council place the attached draft Waste Reduction and Resource Recovery Policy and Strategy, with background information, on public exhibition for 28 days with a submission period of 42 days including the exhibition period.
- B. That a report be provided at the conclusion of the exhibition period, with recommendations for a final Waste Reduction and Resource Recovery Policy and Strategy.

Item No: R2 Recommendation to Council
Subject: **Climbing the Little Green Steps**
Author: Celia Busted – Environment Education Officer
File No: 1142.G
Reason for Report: To seek Council endorsement for further development and implementation of ‘Little Green Steps’, an early childhood sustainability program.

(Plater/Petrie)

Recommendation:

- A. That Woollahra Council adopt the further development and implementation of Little Green Steps pilot program into Woollahra Pre School.
- B. If the pilot is successful, that Council make this program available to other early childhood centres.
- C. By using the centre as a demonstration site, that Council promote Little Green Steps to other centres and the broader community through a variety of communication channels.

There being no further business the meeting concluded at 6.58pm.

We certify that the pages numbered 654 to 659 inclusive are the Minutes of the Community & Environment Committee Meeting held on 23 February 2009 and confirmed by the Community & Environment Committee on 9 March 2009 as correct.

Chairperson

Secretary of Committee