



Waste Management Community Reference Group

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A meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group was held at the EMRC Administration Office, 1st Floor, 226 Great Eastern Highway, BELMONT WA 6104 on **Monday, 10 February 2014**. The meeting commenced at **6:05pm**.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Chairman opened the meeting at 6:05pm.

2 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE (PREVIOUSLY APPROVED)

Committee Members

Mr Peter	Pearson	Chairman
Mr Berry	Ambrose	Member
Ms Ruth	Balding	Member
Mr Malcolm	Barker	Member
Mr Edwin	Dell	Member
Mr Anthony	Fowler	Member
Ms Dianne	Katscherian	Member
Mr Ray	Lewis	Member

Apologies

Mrs Sally	Paulin	Deputy Chairman
Mrs Tina	Klein	Member
Mr Mark	Simpson	Member
Mr David	Strain	Member

EMRC Officers

Mr Stephen Fitzpatrick	Director Waste Services
Ms Giulia Bono	Administration Officer (Minutes)

EMRC Apologies

Mr Peter Schneider	Chief Executive Officer
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Consultant(s)

Ms Gae Synnott	Consultant, Synnott Mulholland
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3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Nil

4 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil



5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 MINUTES OF WMCRG MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2013

That the Minutes of the Waste Management Community Reference Group meeting held on 9 December 2013, which have been distributed, be confirmed.

WMCRG RESOLUTION(S)

MOVED MR LEWIS

SECONDED MR AMBROSE

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD ON 9 DECEMBER 2013, WHICH HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED, BE CONFIRMED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 PRESENTATIONS

Ms Gae Synott gave a presentation in conjunction with report item 11.3 Resource Recovery Park Update.

7 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

8 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Ms Katscherian advised the meeting that Ms Jennifer Bennett had resigned from her position as Waste Education Officer, effective 7 February 2014.

9 REPORTS OF RELEVANT RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

Nil

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS

Nil



11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 RESOURCE RECOVERY PROJECT UPDATE

The Director Waste Services updated the group on the Resource Recovery Facility proposed for the Red Hill Waste Management Facility.

The Director Waste Services advised that the EMRC is still waiting on Ministerial approval for the Resource Recovery Facility. The Director Waste Services has spoken with the Appeals convenor and was advised that there were no issues and the appeal report has been sent back for Ministerial approval.

11.2 WASTE EDUCATION UPDATE

The Waste Education Officer updated the group on waste education initiatives.

- Regional Waste Education and Communications Strategy:
 - Waste Education:
 - Strategy is comprehensive and has a wide range of tasks to undertake;
 - Recognises the importance of raising awareness of waste matters for the region and providing regular feedback and information to the community;
 - Review of the Strategy has identified more efficient outcomes could be linked to many activities but require short term intensive effort;
 - Currently limited resources but methods are being considered to increase collaboration across EMRC groups and with member councils; and
 - Potential to involve public more in activities, especially community and EMRC allied groups.
 - Strategy Objectives:
 - Increase awareness of the Region's waste management initiatives, in particular the Resource Recovery Project;
 - Increase community involvement in the Region's waste management initiatives and capacity to practise waste avoidance;
 - Continue to develop sustainable regional partnerships for effective local and regional waste education and communications;
 - Provide lobbying and advocacy on waste-related issues; and
 - Research and continually improve waste education programs.
- Regional Waste Education Steering Group:
 - Many new members since its inauguration;
 - Revisited Terms of Reference;
 - Developed clear understanding of roles and responsibilities with respect to participation and collaboration;
 - Discussed liaising with various bodies such as NGOs Government etc. and community on waste education;
 - Further clarification on activities being developed; and
 - Waste and Recycle Guide.



Item 11.2 continued

- Battery and CFL Collection:
 - Very successful program – estimated that approximately 13,000kg will be collected by end of 2013/2014 financial year;
 - Efficiencies;
 - OHS;
 - Promotion;
 - Disposal and storage facilities; and
 - Data dissemination.
- Education Centre:
 - Increased interest from secondary schools; and
 - Potential for more age specific programs.
- Waste Authority - Communication Strategy:
 - Request for feedback on draft (due to EMRC by 17 February 2014); and
 - Potential to apply Strategy specifically to Perth's Eastern Region.
- Being Waste Smart (guide to waste management at events):
 - Currently in draft form from DER;
 - Potential to apply Guide specifically to events in EMRC region; and
 - Opportunity for input from WMCRG, Earth Carers and others in development of advice etc. for groups holding events.
- Volunteer Program:
 - Earth Carers assisted in many public events such as the Royal Show and Garden Week;
 - Potential to expand volunteer base; and
 - Workshop in December 2013 indicated wish for training package.
- New R Gang website:
 - Potential for assistance with ideas for content;
 - Update and promotion of the recycling trailer; and
 - Potential for assistance with new ideas for trailer.

11.3 RESOURCE RECOVERY PARK UPDATE

The Director Waste Services provided an update on the Resource Recovery Park proposed for Hazelmere, including the Hazelmere Pyrolysis Project.

The Director Waste Services advised that funding had been received from the Waste Authority for a commercial and industrial waste recycling facility and a tender was being compiled. A grant from the Waste Authority had also been received for a shredder for the mattress springs, as these were currently being stockpiled and the economics of this project was under review.

The Director Waste Services advised that the Hazelmere Pyrolysis Plant had been advertised on the Department of Environmental Regulation (DER) website and was listed as Char Manufacturing and Solid Waste Facility. It is also listed on the EPA consultation hub. This has received interest from activist groups who have been referred to make comments through the DER and the EPA.



Item 11.3 continued

Ms Gae Synott provided an update on the community engagement for the Resource Recovery Park at Hazelmere.

It was highlighted that:

- The EMRC and City of Swan have met to discuss engineering requirements for development of the site, scheme amendment process related to land swap of Lot 99 (2) Lakes Road, and how the upgrades to Stirling Crescent and Lakes Road would affect the Resource Recovery Park at Hazelmere;
- There was a community briefing with The Community Advisory Network (CAN) on 28 January 2014;
- There will be a community briefing with the Hazelmere Progress Association (HPA) on 17 February 2014 at the Hazelmere Hall; and
- Resource Recovery Project page on the EMRC website now live.

Mr Pearson asked whether the community briefing with the HPA could be extended to Bellevue residents. The Director Waste Services advised that it could be extended to the Bellevue residents.

The Director Waste services advised that there had been an expression of interest for a former councillor of the City of Belmont to join the WMCRG and under our terms of reference there can be up to 15 members. Mr Dell advised that the application must comply with the WMCRG terms of reference.

WMCRG RESOLUTION(S)

MOVED MS KATSCHERIAN SECONDED MR FOWLER

THAT THE BELMONT RESIDENT BE EVALUATED AGAINST THE TERMS OF REFERENCE OF BECOMING A MEMBER OF THE WMCRG BEFORE A DECISION IS MADE.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12 FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group will be held on **Monday, 12 May 2014 (if required)** at the EMRC Administration Office, 1st Floor, Ascot Place, 226 Great Eastern Highway, Belmont WA 6104 commencing at 6:00pm.

Future Meetings 2014

Monday	12	May (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	11	August (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	24	November (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office

13 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7:19pm.