



City of Rockingham

MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting of Council

Held on Tuesday 22 October 2024 at 6:00pm
City of Rockingham Council Chamber

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1. Declaration of Opening

The Mayor declared the Council meeting open at **6:01pm** and welcomed all present.

Acknowledgement of Country

The Mayor noted, with permission from Elders, Ngaala kaaditj Nyoongar moort keyen kaadak nidjar boodjar, I acknowledge the Nyoongar people as the traditional owners of the land.

The City of Rockingham acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of this land, the Binjareb and Whadjuk Nyoongar peoples and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past and present.

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2. Record of Attendance/Apologies/Approved Leave of Absence

2.1 Council Members

Mayor Deb Hamblin

Cr Lorna Buchan, Deputy Mayor Comet Bay Ward

Cr Mike Crichton Baldivis Ward

Cr Kelly Middlecoat Baldivis Ward

Cr Brett Wormall Baldivis Ward

Cr Robert Schmidt Comet Bay Ward

Cr Craig Buchanan, JP Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Peter Hudson Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Caroline Hume Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Dawn Jecks Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Mark Jones Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

Cr Leigh Liley Rockingham/Safety Bay Ward

	<p>2.2 Executive</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Mr Michael Parker</td><td>Chief Executive Officer</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr John Pearson</td><td>Director Corporate Services</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr Peter Ricci</td><td>Director Planning and Development Services</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr Manoj Barua</td><td>A/Director Asset Services</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr Paul Hayward</td><td>A/Director Community Development</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr Jim Olynyk, JP</td><td>Manager Governance and Councillor Support</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ms Louise Pleasance</td><td>Governance Coordinator</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ms Sue Langley</td><td>Governance Officer</td></tr> <tr> <td>Ms Jennifer Weinman</td><td>A/Governance Officer – Councillor Support</td></tr> </table> <p>2.3 Members of the Gallery: 60 (44 Gallery capacity and 16 on level 1 foyer)</p> <p>2.4 Apologies:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Mr Sam Assaad</td><td>Director Asset Services</td></tr> <tr> <td>Mr Michael Holland</td><td>Director Community Development</td></tr> </table> <p>2.5 Approved Leave of Absence: Nil</p>	Mr Michael Parker	Chief Executive Officer	Mr John Pearson	Director Corporate Services	Mr Peter Ricci	Director Planning and Development Services	Mr Manoj Barua	A/Director Asset Services	Mr Paul Hayward	A/Director Community Development	Mr Jim Olynyk, JP	Manager Governance and Councillor Support	Ms Louise Pleasance	Governance Coordinator	Ms Sue Langley	Governance Officer	Ms Jennifer Weinman	A/Governance Officer – Councillor Support	Mr Sam Assaad	Director Asset Services	Mr Michael Holland	Director Community Development
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3.	Responses to Previous Public Questions Taken on Notice																						
	<p>3.1 Mr James Mumme, Shoalwater – Nuclear / Radiation</p> <p>At the Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, Mr Mumme asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Director Planning and Development Services provided a response in a letter dated 1 October 2024 as follows:</p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <p>1. You wrote to me last week saying that you “defer to government agencies” in matters such as nuclear and radiation. HAZMAT Annex A The State Hazard Plan 2.1 (2022) which stipulates nuclear powered vessels anchorages should be selected so that “it is unlikely that any residences would be impacted or persons subject to a radiation hazard ...”. You actually quote HAZMAT.</p> <p>Will Council act to assure the community’s safety by demanding that both levels of Government explain to the community why they are putting our safety at risk and why they should not move these nuclear subs elsewhere?</p> <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>There is no resolution of Council to take the action you have requested.</i></p> <p><i>At its September 2024 meeting, Council resolved to direct the Chief Executive Officer to contact relevant Government Departments and Ministers to request:</i></p> <p>(i) <i>Details on how future radioactive waste may be transported from Garden Island, HMAS Stirling.</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>What safety measures and emergency response procedures will be put in place, and outline the various responsibilities if there was an incident.</i></p> <p><i>The City will now take action to pursue responses to the above and provide advice to Council accordingly.</i></p> <p><i>I encourage you to direct any questions you have to the responsible government entities or your local members of parliament.</i></p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <p>2. Please will you hear it yourselves and tell it to both governments that many people here feel very unconsulted in their decision-making, and if not why not? For the sake of 130,000 people in Rockingham live from 7km to 20km downwind from Cockburn Sound.</p>																						

Response

Refer to the Response to Question 1.

Question

3. You wrote to me last week that a cost-benefit analysis by Council of AUKUS's impact on Rockingham was not considered necessary. Surely for good governance it is necessary to list the potential impacts of such a big development on City budgets, and if not why not?

Given that this upgrading of Stirling Base is without doubt the largest expenditure (at \$8Billion over ten years), the biggest sudden increase in population impacting the City and the biggest single change in the City's history, I expect the City to proactively lobby both levels of Government and the US military to fund their share of these costs.

Response

The position expressed in my previous correspondence remains, and unless Council resolves otherwise, the City will not undertake the action you have suggested.

I can assure you, however, that at every opportunity the City and elected members advocate that government put measures in place to address the community-based challenges that will result from AUKUS.

Question

4. Thank you for the information about the Hazard Plan for radiation escapes from nuclear powered warships and how the Commissioner of Police is responsible in emergency situations.

Given that that radiation is the most dangerous with a half life of at least 10,000 years, please reassure me by telling me

- (a) what protective measures police will take to counter radiation,
- (b) what actions they would take to counteract or minimise the effects of radiation on members of the public.

Response

The information known by the City on these matters was expressed in my previous correspondence. Should you require additional detail, it is recommended that you approach the responsible government entities such as the WA Police and Department of Health.

3.2 Ms Julie Norbury, Waikiki – Nuclear Free Zone

At the Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, Ms Norbury asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Director Planning and Development Services provided a response in a letter dated 1 October 2024 as follows:

Question

1. Nuclear Free Zone or not? Was the following motion carried or not? If so, why was it not implemented into policy and raised with governments; and if it was not carried, why not? Council Minutes state "at the ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 24th August 1999, the following motion was carried: That the Council of Rockingham City in support of the Nuclear Free Zone hereby declares that: No nuclear power stations may be built within the City of Rockingham: and No uranium, nuclear waste nor other material connected with the nuclear power industry may be stored or transported in or through the City of Rockingham ...".

Response

The Notice of Motion considered by the Council in October 1999 to prepare a Policy was not adopted. Rather, the Council resolved to adopt a position that declared certain matters in support of Rockingham being a Nuclear Free Zone.

Question

2. Community Strategy for Safety in regards to nuclear matters. The community's first vision is for a "Family-friendly, safe ..." community. (Aspiration 1 of the Strategic Community Plan) Council should be strongly advocating for our safety in such a dangerous situation.

I do not understand how the City can argue that the regulations and protocols are adequate when the very licence for the waste dump is "classified" so no one can see it. Also, we have been told nothing about how such waste would be transported through our streets to its possible eventual permanent dump.

Council appears to believe that because it has no "expertise in radiation and nuclear safety matters," it can just defer to the government agencies. I do not believe that is good enough.

Will Council hire or employ its own suitably qualified and independent consultant to advise on these matters, instead of deferring to agencies who want us to take everything on trust? And if not, why not?

Response

There is no resolution of Council to take the action you have requested.

At its September 2024 meeting, Council resolved to direct the Chief Executive Officer to contact relevant Government Departments and Ministers to request:

- (i) Details on how future radioactive waste may be transported from Garden Island, HMAS Stirling.*
- (ii) What safety measures and emergency response procedures will be put in place, and outline the various responsibilities if there was an incident.*

The City will now take action to pursue responses to the above and provide advice to Council accordingly.

I encourage you to direct any questions you have to the responsible government entities or your local members of parliament.

3.3 Ms Diane Park, Waikiki – Graffiti on Warnbro Sound Avenue

At the Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, Ms Park asked the following question that were taken on notice and the Director Community Development provided a response in a letter dated 1 October 2024 as follows:

Question

1. Thankfully the "Great Graffiti Wall" on Warnbro Sound Avenue has been replaced after so many years, which is a great improvement. However, it is sad to note that over the weekend some individuals have decided that it is their paint board, and the graffiti has started again. Unless the culprits are caught it will continue to be a never-ending process of cleaning paint off, is there any way Council can put a camera in the locations to deter or even catch them doing it?

Response

Officers from the Community Safety team have visited the site and unfortunately, there is no practical location for a CCTV trailer to be placed. This is due to distance to the road, obstruction caused to footpaths / bus stop areas, and the trees along the length of the wall blocking views of the cameras.

	<p>3.4 Ms Latoya Voogt, Waikiki – Nuclear submarines and nuclear waste facility</p> <p>At the Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, Ms Voogt asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Director Planning and Development Services provided a response in a letter dated 1 October 2024 as follows:</p> <p><u>Questions</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. What other safety protocols are in place in the event of a nuclear spill leak, meltdown or explosion?2. Which organisations have been trained in responding to nuclear incidents?3. How have the staff at Rockingham Hospital been trained in nuclear related medical emergencies?4. How will divers, simmers, boaters, tourists etc be notified if there's a nuclear spill and how will it be measured?5. How will we know if there has been a nuclear spill and if there is any radiation? <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>At its September 2024 meeting, Council resolved to direct the Chief Executive Officer to contact relevant Government Departments and Ministers to request:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">(i) <i>Details on how future radioactive waste may be transported from Garden Island, HMAS Stirling.</i>(ii) <i>What safety measures and emergency response procedures will be put in place, and outline the various responsibilities if there was an incident.</i> <p><i>The City will now take action to pursue responses to the above and provide advice to Council accordingly.</i></p> <p><i>I encourage you to direct any questions you have to the responsible government entities or your local members of parliament.</i></p> <p>3.5 Ms Michelle Sultan, Warnbro - Cultural training / Indigenous relationships</p> <p>At the Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, Ms Sultan asked the following questions that were taken on notice and the Manager Governance and Councillor Support provided a response in a letter dated 30 September 2024 as follows:</p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Have Councillors undertaken cultural leaning training? <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>Yes, some¹ councillors undertook cultural awareness training on 7 February 2023.</i></p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. Have Councillors taken the opportunity to speak with local elders in Rockingham? <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>The City's Aboriginal Advisory Group (AAG) has local Elders as members. At its meeting of 20 April 2023 the Group was advised of the Council Resolution to hold Australia Day Citizenship Ceremonies on the nearest Saturday to Australia Day, and in the event that Australia Day falls on a Saturday, that the Ceremony be held on the following Sunday. In accordance with the Council resolution, the City sought feedback from the AAG. The AAG supported the Council resolution.</i></p>
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¹ Response amended as per Council Resolution of the Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting (refer to item 6)

	<p><u>Question</u></p> <p>3. Will Councillors look towards building better relationships with indigenous communities and how?</p> <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>The City continues to implement its Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP), which aims to foster relationships, respect, and opportunities between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the broader community. The RAP focuses on promoting cultural awareness, celebrating Aboriginal heritage, and creating inclusive opportunities for collaboration. It outlines specific actions, timelines, and responsibilities to ensure meaningful progress, such as organising cultural events, supporting dual naming initiatives, and providing training for staff to improve cultural competency. The City's commitment is to build trust, enhance community connections, and create pathways that contribute to reconciliation and a unified community. The City is now planning to develop a new Reconciliation Plan.</i></p>
4.	Public Question Time
6:04pm	<p>The Mayor opened Public Question Time and invited members from the Public Gallery to ask questions. The Mayor noted that this was the only opportunity in the meeting for the public to ask questions and that Public Question Time is now being livestreamed as per Council Policy.</p>
4.1	<p>Mr David Rudman, Hillman - AUKUS</p> <p>The Mayor invited Mr Rudman to present his question to the Council.</p> <p>Mr Rudman asked the following question:</p> <p>1. The safe and effective cliché continues. An Admiral tells Rockingham residents that AUKUS subs are totally safe for family and wildlife – in the same week we are gleefully informed that thousands of guns are taken off our streets. Ergo, it's ok for our leaders to possess and deploy weapons for defence but not the rest of us.</p> <p>I vividly recall the world's worst disaster to date, Chernobyl 1986 when a sudden surge in power during a reactor system test resulted in a fire that destroyed Unit 4. As a result of this, approximately 220,000 people had to be relocated from their homes, and this was just a test! The Chernobyl disaster caused serious radiation sickness and contamination – millions of acres of forest and farmland were contaminated, livestock was born deformed and humans suffered long-term negative health effects.</p> <p>How can there be confidence in any tier of government that supports or engages in warmongering, climate disinformation and misinformation, mandates, unsafe herbicide use and an overzealous promotion of nuclear power?</p> <p><i>The Mayor advised that we are fortunate to live in a country where freedom of speech is permitted and political views can be expressed and we note the views expressed in your question.</i></p> <p><i>With respect to AUKUS and nuclear safety, the City agrees that the community would benefit from more information from those responsible government representatives. Last month, Council resolved to seek information from the relevant government agencies and Ministers on the transportation of nuclear waste and the emergency response in the event of an incident. We await the relevant responses.</i></p>

4.2 Ms Dianne Coombe, Rockingham – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Ms Coombe to present her questions to the Council.

Ms Coombe asked the following questions:

1. Information given to the Federal Government by Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water's Endangered Species Scientific Subcommittee has already conducted extensive research into the environmental impact of the proposed major highway to Garden Island and has found about 17% of the thrombolite community would be destroyed and could threaten other areas of the community by sediment inputs. Why is money being wasted trying to obtain another outcome?
<https://www.dcceew.gov.au/environment/biodiversity/threatened/conservation-advice/thrombolite-microbial>

The Mayor advised that the advice provided to the Commonwealth Environment Minister is noted but the alignment for the Garden Island Highway remains reserved under the State Government's Metropolitan Region Scheme.

The City is asking that the government undertake the necessary environmental approval processes to confirm or otherwise if the Garden Island Highway can be built on its reserved alignment. The presence of the Thrombolites and other sensitive environmental assets within Lake Richmond has contributed to the City wanting absolute clarity on this issue.

2. The proposed Garden Island Highway extension will be cutting through an area that is only approximately 60metres from the water's edge to the footpath right next to housing. It doesn't take an environmental survey to know the environmental disaster that would be caused by such proximity. This is only one section. Richmond Avenue does not allow for enough of a buffer from the lake without removing houses along the entire street or destroying huge amounts of heritage listed, fragile environment. When were you proposing to tell residents their houses may need to be destroyed?

The Mayor advised that the City agrees that the reserved alignment presents challenges which were presumably not appreciated by the State Government when it reserved the Garden Island Highway alignment almost 50 years ago. All parties want certainty and the City's recommendations seek that the Government commit to establish this once and for all.

3. Pop up information booths in Cockburn, Kwinana and Rockingham shopping centres in March, May and June ticked the boxes of public notification requirement. Don't you think a door knock or letter box drop situation notifying effected residents would have been more intelligent and humane, why was that not done?

The Mayor advised that the City's understanding is that consultation would be undertaken as part of work required to determine the road's feasibility.

4.3 Ms Sheena Robertson, Shoalwater – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Ms Robertson to present her questions to the Council.

Ms Robertson asked the following questions:

In the minutes of the Council meeting confirmed 16/4/2024 it was stated that "the Council would seek Government support for a feasibility study to determine if the Garden Island Highway could be built on the existing reserve and if it was a viable project"

1. The outcome of this feasibility study if Rae Road has been considered as a through route to Safety Bay Road considering it is already in existence?

The Mayor advised that the current transport study considered the potential for the existing road network, including Rae Road, to accommodate the traffic that is, and will be, generated by the activities on HMAS Stirling. Unfortunately, the Study confirmed that the existing roads are unlikely to have the capacity to be expanded to effectively accommodate the anticipated increase in traffic.

2. What consultation and/or impact assessment has there been made regarding the houses that are currently right next to the proposed extension and the effects of a road adjacent to Lake Richmond?

The Mayor advised that whilst the road reserve for the Garden Island Highway has been in place since 1975, the City is asking the government to undertake the environmental feasibility to confirm or otherwise if the road can be built on its reserved alignment. Should the government commit to do so, it would presumably conduct consultation as part of the process.

4.4 Mr Sean Daly, Rockingham – AUKUS

The Mayor invited Mr Daly to present his questions to the Council.

Mr Daly asked the following questions:

1. Perth South West Metro Alliance US AUKUS Trip

When will the City and its ratepayers, who indirectly helped finance the Mayor and CEOs' recent AUKUS trip to the USA, receive a report back on claimed benefits and outcomes, including what was learnt about emergency nuclear safety measures?

The Mayor advised that it is anticipated that the Alliance will present the City with a copy of the Delegation report in January 2025.

2. In a recent press conference, attended by the City's Mayor, the Minister for Defence Personnel, Matt Keogh announced that 500 homes will be built for our Australian defence force personnel in the Rockingham and the wider Baldivis area. That's around 20 hectares. Where exactly are these locations?

The Mayor advised that the City is only aware of what was disclosed at the press conference and in the media. In this regard, it was stated that agreements have been entered into between Defence Housing Australia and Parcel Property to deliver housing. Parcel Property is developing the Brightwater Estate in Baldivis.

The other locations are not known but it is noted that the Government press release also mentioned a Defence Housing presence in other locations such as Wellard and Mundijong.

4.5 Mr Tom Hawkins, Rockingham – AUKUS

The Mayor invited Mr Hawkins to present his questions to the Council.

Mr Hawkins asked the following question:

1. Under AUKUS Approximately 1000 US submariners, support workers and their families will be integrated into Rockingham. How can the City justify favouring foreign defence personnel's housing and other needs over the needs of our own residents ie: medical?

The Mayor noted that the City understands your concerns and has raised this with the Federal Government on every opportunity with regards to education, medical etc.

The Mayor advised that whilst noting that housing supply is an issue across Australia, the City is not responsible for the provision of housing nor for defence decisions such as the AUKUS partnership.

The City is not in a position to favour defence housing over other needs but it does respond to housing proposals as they are presented through the statutory planning processes.

The City has however advocated strongly at every opportunity to both the State and Federal government representatives, Defence and other Agencies highlighting a number of infrastructure impacts including the need to provide additional housing supply and to minimise negative impacts on the local housing market. Whilst the construction industry is heated at present, the proposed investment by Defence Housing is welcomed as it will integrate such housing and families throughout the community. Further we understand that the investment will occur over a number of years.

The Mayor noted that the City understands Mr Hawkins concerns.

4.6 Mrs Marilyn Hawkins, Rockingham – AUKUS

The Mayor invited Mrs Hawkins to present his questions to the Council.

Mrs Hawkins asked the following question:

1. Rockingham is constantly being referred to as a 'defence city'. Why are we being 'promoted' as a defence city when reportedly only around 5% of the Rockingham population will be associated with the naval base? If something was to happen on Garden Island with nuclear weapons we wouldn't be here.

The Mayor noted that there are no nuclear weapons, only nuclear powered submarines.

The Mayor advised that the HMAS Stirling naval base was Commissioned in 1978, so for the last 46 years at least, the City has had a significant naval and defence presence here in our community. It is not only serving personnel but retired servicemen and women. Defence is a major contributor to our local economy, with a total output of \$1.65 Billion in 2022/2023. The Federal government has committed to an \$8 Billion upgrade of the facility over the next decade. This investment will have an enormous impact on our local economy including job opportunities and it is worth noting that local schools have already put in place various defence related learning streams. The location of the naval base within the City of Rockingham boundaries and the economic activity arising provides a point of difference for our City which is not available to the majority of other areas.

4.7 Mr Ian Saggars, Rockingham – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Mr Saggars to present his question to the Council.

Mr Saggars asked the following question:

1. Has there been a time frame placed on the below recommendations?
 - Fund design feasibility and supporting studies to construct Garden Island Highway
 - Design Garden Island Highway and complete Environmental Studies and Approvals based on preferred design
 - Fund construction of Garden Island Highway, following approvals process

The Mayor advised that the City is not in a position to place timeframes on the actions as it requires a commitment from state and/or commonwealth governments to fund and carry out the work. We are aware through the Transport Study, however, that by 2030 there will be significant traffic congestion within our local road network unless there is intervention.

The Mayor noted that the City will continue to advocate to the State and Federal Governments.

4.8 Mr Trevor Brentnall, Rockingham – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Mr Brentnall to present his question to the Council.

Mr Brentnall asked the following question:

Given the completely unacceptable outcomes, by pursuing the (effectively hypotenuse side of a triangle) extension of Garden Island Highway from Belgravia Terrace to the Safety Bay Road/Boundary Road intersection, of destroying the native flora along the south-west shore of Naragebup, and the serious effect on the surrounding habitat of native fauna and aquatic life in the waters of Lake Richmond, not to mention the unforgivable abrogation of Council's obligation to preserve the Aboriginal cultural heritage of the area, along with the unhealthy disturbance of the tranquil amenity enjoyed by the residents of many dozens of households within about 25 metres or so, and in some cases much less, of the proposed route.

What assurance will Council now provide to the affected citizens of Rockingham that instead it will, as well as incorporate use of a ferry/barge system, utilise the existing thoroughfares of Rae and Safety Bay Roads (effectively making up the other two sides of said triangle) of the section of the route within the Other Regional Roads reserve under study to cater for the increased traffic demands the unfolding AUKUS agreement will entail?

The Mayor advised that the challenges associated with building the Garden Island Highway are not lost on the City but the land remains reserved for that purpose and the only way to confirm if it can be built or not is for the necessary investigations to be carried out which has motivated the City's recommendations.

The City is not in a position to provide any assurances as to how Defence personnel are transported to Garden Island. The City has continuously highlighted the need for the transport and access issues to be addressed and is aware that Defence is considering other means of transport, including ferries and barges and the possibility of buses being used for construction staff.

4.9 Ms Kathryn Bunting, Shoalwater – Garden Island Highway / Dump Sites

The Mayor invited Ms Bunting to present her questions to the Council.

Ms Bunting asked the following questions:

1. As per page 11 of the City of Rockingham Report Attachments October 2024 – Ordinary Council, the study will investigate the local network around the Point Peron Road, Boundary Road area as well as proposed Garden Island Highway project.

Does this mean there are other scenario's that could be proposed as a solution over Garden Island Highway? If yes, what are these plans? And are they accessible to the public?

The Mayor advised that the Study concluded that there are limitations within the existing road network to carry the forecasted traffic and other scenarios have not been investigated.

2. I keep hearing that the reason for the Garden Island Highway project resurfacing is because of the AUKUS and increase in tourists expected by 2030.

Does this mean that the Council will be developing low cost camp sites to attract the tourists to stay? Does this also mean that a caravan dump site will also be installed so that they do not need to go to Mandurah as the closest site?

The Mayor advised that the City will not be developing short stay accommodation at Cape Peron or a dump point. The approved Cape Peron Master Plan identifies a number of locations for future short stay accommodation and the City has been advised that Department Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction (DBCA), who has the management authority over much of Cape Peron, will be progressing these opportunities.

Also, an action from the adopted Tourist Destination Strategy is for the City to work with the DBCA to maximise outcomes from the Cape Peron Master Plan and advocate to the State Government for its implementation, including opportunities for short stay accommodation such as caravan parks (including a public dump point with potable water) and the appropriate facilities.

4.10 Mr Derek Wilson, Shoalwater – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Mr Wilson to present his questions to the Council.

Mr Wilson asked the following questions:

1. Can you please define which properties on Richmond Avenue will be affected by the MRS Road Reservation recommendation of between 25 to 40 metres as noted in figure 1 on page 17 in the October 2024 Council agenda?
2. For the properties that may be deemed by the Council as affected for the road alignment to proceed within the timeframe as listed on page 23 of the October 2024 Council agenda ie: 2024-2030. If acquisition is required, when would they be required by and what amount of notice would residents receive.

The Director Planning and Development Services, Mr Ricci, advised that there is a map in the Officer's Report which shows the alignment of the Garden Island Highway adjacent to Richmond Avenue.

The City is not aware of any intention to acquire properties and is currently seeking a resolution on whether the road can or cannot be built. The design of the road into the future will be determined if the feasibility is conducted.

Mr Ricci noted he would provide additional information with regards to question 1.

4.11 Mr Richard Fare, Rockingham – Garden Island Highway

The Mayor invited Mr Fare to present his question to the Council.

Mr Fare asked the following question:

1. Is there a timeframe for public input regarding the significant planning and environment issues involved, particularly in addressing the root cause, which is the concentration of security checking at the one location, rather than dispersing more of it through secure bus transport rather than private transport?

The Director Planning and Development Services, Mr Ricci, advised that the City is advocating for the State and/or Commonwealth Government to do a feasibility study. If the study is agreed to, then any consultation will be undertaken by those agencies.

The Mayor noted that discussions have included the access way onto Garden Island.

The Mayor took the question on notice.

	<p>4.12 Ms Lisa Bailey, Rockingham - Garden Island Highway</p> <p>The Mayor invited Ms Bailey to present her questions to the Council.</p> <p>Ms Bailey asked the following questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Why are houses going to be acquired on Richmond Avenue? Why could you not acquire houses on Parkin Street? <p><i>The Director Planning and Development Services, Mr Ricci, advised that there has been no suggestion of acquisition with the City. From the City's perspective, it is about understanding if the road can or cannot be built on its reserved alignment. If it's determined that the road cannot be built then options will be examined by the State and/or Federal Government.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">2. How can we get to a point where residents can go direct to the source for information? <p><i>The Chief Executive Officer, Mr Parker, advised that the City has been at pains to express the concerns of the community and they have been over a range of issues and many of those have been dealt with today. One of the main things the City has been looking into is to have a one-stop shop where people can go to get answers and the Australian Submarine Agency are looking into that now. I understand they're doing something similar in Adelaide as well, so they are hearing us.</i></p> <p><i>The City met with the Deputy Prime Minister / Defence Minister and he is well aware of these issues and the City will continue to push for a one-stop shop where people can go to get the information that you seek from a credible source.</i></p> <p>6:41pm There being no further questions the Mayor closed Public Question Time.</p>
5.	Applications for Leave of Absence
	Nil
6.	Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting
	<p>Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Schmidt:</p> <p>That Council AMENDS the response to Ms Sultan's question 1 on page 7 of the Agenda resulting from the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 24 September 2024 to include the word 'some', as follows –</p> <p>Yes, some Councillors undertook cultural awareness training on 7 February 2023.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried – 12/0</p> <p>Moved Cr Hume, seconded Deputy Mayor Buchan:</p> <p>That Council CONFIRMS the Minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting held on 24 September 2024, as a true and accurate record with the above amendment.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Carried – 12/0</p>
7.	Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting
	Nil
8.	Announcement by the Presiding Person without Discussion
	<p>6:45pm The Mayor announced to all present that decisions made at Committees of Council are recommendations only and may be adopted in full, amended or deferred when presented for consideration at the Council meeting.</p>

9.	Declarations of Members and Officers Interests	
	<p>6:46pm The Chief Executive Officer noted the following declarations of interests.</p> <p>9.1 Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments</p> <p>Council Member: Cr Robert Schmidt</p> <p>Type of Interest: Impartiality</p> <p>Nature of Interest: Cr Schmidt knows all members appointed to the Bushfire Advisory Committee through his role as a Senior Officer of Baldivis Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services.</p> <p>Cr Schmidt declares that he will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.</p> <p>Extent of Interest: Not Applicable</p> <p>9.2 Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments</p> <p>Council Member: Cr Caroline Hume</p> <p>Type of Interest: Impartiality</p> <p>Nature of Interest: Cr Hume personally knows some of the nominated members on the Seniors Advisory Committee and the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Cr Hume declares that she will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.</p> <p>Extent of Interest: Not Applicable</p> <p>9.3 Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments</p> <p>Council Member: Cr Brett Wormald</p> <p>Type of Interest: Impartiality</p> <p>Nature of Interest: Cr Wormald personally knows some of the nominated members on the Environment Advisory Committee and the RoadWise Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Cr Wormald declares that he will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.</p> <p>Extent of Interest: Not Applicable</p> <p>9.4 Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments</p> <p>Council Member: Mayor Deb Hamblin</p> <p>Type of Interest: Impartiality</p> <p>Nature of Interest: Mayor Hamblin has friendships with members of the Senior Advisory Committee.</p> <p>Mayor Hamblin declares that she will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.</p> <p>Extent of Interest: Not Applicable</p>	

	9.5	Item GM-022/24	Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments
		Council Member:	Cr Craig Buchanan
		Type of Interest:	Impartiality
		Nature of Interest:	Cr Buchanan knows one of the candidates for the Coastal Facilities Advisory Committee through work. Cr Buchanan declares that he will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.
		Extent of Interest:	Not Applicable
	9.6	Item GM-022/24	Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments
		Council Member:	Cr Dawn Jecks
		Type of Interest:	Impartiality
		Nature of Interest:	Cr Jecks personally knows some of the nominees through being on the Coastal Facilities Advisory Committee, Environment Advisory Committee and Seniors Advisory Committee. Cr Jecks declares that she will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.
		Extent of Interest:	Not Applicable
	9.7	CD-035/24	Safety Bay Tennis Club Redevelopment Options
		Council Member:	Cr Caroline Hume
		Type of Interest:	Impartiality
		Nature of Interest:	Cr Hume personally knows Committee Members of the Safety Bay Tennis Club. Cr Hume declares that she will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.
		Extent of Interest:	Not Applicable
10.	Petitions/Deputations/Presentations/Submissions		
	10.1	Deputation – Mr Terry Fraser, Waikiki – Item CD-035/24 Safety Bay Tennis Club Redevelopment Options	
	6:49pm	The Mayor invited Mr Terry Fraser, President of the Safety Bay Tennis Club to make his deputation. Mr Fraser provided a background of the Safety Bay Tennis Club and the need for an upgrade of the current facilities. The Club has been at the present location for nearly 50 years, during this time the Club has evolved but the clubhouse has not. The building is not readily accessible and does not comply with the Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) Standards 2010 (Access Code). The Safety Bay Tennis Club ask that the City fund the full replacement or a refurbished facility within the 4-year life of the City Business Plan.	
	6:54pm	The Mayor thanked Mr Fraser for his presentation and advised that this item is on tonight's agenda for discussion.	

11.	Matters for which the Meeting may be closed
	<p>6:57pm The Mayor advised in accordance with section 5.23(2)(b) of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> – if there are any questions or debate on the Confidential Item then the Council will need to defer the matter for consideration at Agenda Item 23 - Matters Behind Closed Doors.</p> <p>As there were questions, this report was dealt with behind closed doors at Item 23 - Matters Behind Closed Doors.</p>

Corporate and Community Development Committee

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Section 5.95(3) Local Government Act 1995 (Act)

This item may be discussed behind closed doors as per Section
5.23(2)(b) of the Act

General Management Services Governance and Councillor Support	
Report number / title:	GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments (<i>Absolute Majority</i>)
File number:	GOV/39
Proponent/s:	
Author:	Ms Louise Pleasance, Governance Coordinator
Other Contributor/s:	Mr Jim Olynyk, Manager Governance and Councillor Support Mr Paul Hayward, Manager Community Capacity Building Mr Manoj Barua, Manager Technical Services Ms Mary-Jane Rigby, Manager Community Safety and Support Services Ms Donna Cochrane, Coordinator Cultural Development and Arts Ms Kolina Brennan, Emergency Liaison Coordinator Ms Rebekka Jarvis, Coordinator Community Capacity Building Ms Anya Pearce, Community Development Officer (Disability Access and Inclusion) Ms Amanda Fairhead, Community Grants Officer Ms Bethany Dubberlin, Community Development Officer (Seniors)
Date of Committee meeting:	15 October 2024
Previously before Council:	25 October 2022 (GM-016/22)
Disclosure of Interest:	Cr Schmidt declared an Impartiality Interest in Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the <i>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</i> and as per section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> , as Cr Schmidt knows all members appointed to the Bushfire Advisory Committee through his role as a Senior Officer of Baldivis Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services. Cr Schmidt will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

Nature of Council's role:	Cr Hume declared an Impartiality Interest in Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the <i>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</i> and as per section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> , as Cr Hume personally knows some of the nominated members. Cr Hume will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.
Attachments:	Executive 1. Confidential Attachment – Advisory Committee Representation Nominations 2024
Maps / Diagrams:	
Site:	
Lot Area:	

Note: As there were questions on confidential report GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments it would be dealt with behind closed doors at Item 23 - Matters behind closed doors.

12.	Receipt of Minutes of Committees
	<p>Moved Cr Buchanan, seconded Cr Wormall:</p> <p>That Council RECEIVES and NOTES the minutes of the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning and Asset Services Committee meeting held on 14 October 2024; and• Corporate and Community Development Committee meeting held on 15 October 2024 <p style="text-align: right;">Carried – 12/0</p>
13.	Recommendations of Committees
	<p>Withdrawn Items</p> <p>The following report items were withdrawn for discussion -</p> <p>PD-028/24 Cape Peron Transport Needs Study - Garden Island Highway - Advocacy</p> <p>GM-023/24 Review of Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) Advocacy Positions – Local Government Elections</p>

Planning and Asset Services Committee

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Wormald:

That with the exception of Item PD-028/24, which is to be considered separately, the Committee Recommendations for Items AS-031/24 and AS-032/24 be adopted en bloc.

Carried – 12/0

Planning and Development Services Directorate Planning Services



Report number / title:	PD-028/24	Cape Peron Transport Needs Study - Garden Island Highway - Advocacy
File number:	LUP/2143	
Applicant:	City of Rockingham	
Owner:	Crown	
Author:	Mr Tristan Fernandes, Manager Major Planning Projects	
Other Contributors:	Mr Peter Ricci, Director Planning and Development Services	
Date of Committee meeting:	14 October 2024	
Previously before Council:		
Disclosure of Interest:		
Nature of Council's role:	Advocacy	
Attachments:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Cape Peron Transport Needs Study2. Recommended Agency Responsibilities	
Maps / Diagrams:	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Unconstructed Garden Island Highway Reservation2. Cape Peron Class 'A'3. Cape Peron Transport Needs Study Area4. Recommended Movement Network Improvements5. Point Peron Road Cross Sections6. Garden Island Highway Profile	
Site:		
Lot Area:		
LA Zoning:		
MRS Zoning:		

Purpose of Report

To consider a revised advocacy position to address transport matters associated with the Garden Island Highway as a result of the recommendations contained within the Cape Peron Transport Needs Study (**Study**).

Background

Advocacy

In March 2024 (GM-006/24), the Council reaffirmed its advocacy position to the State and Federal Government to progress a feasibility study for the construction of the Garden Island Highway, which states:

“Government support is sought to undertake a feasibility study to confirm that the Garden Island Highway can be built within the existing reservation that is set aside in the Metropolitan Region Scheme for this purpose.

Advocacy action includes seeking a commitment from Department of Defence, Main Roads WA and/or Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage to undertake necessary feasibility studies to determine viability of project (carried forward from 2020 plan).”

AUKUS

In September 2021, Australia, the United Kingdom and the United States of America announced ‘AUKUS’, a new trilateral security partnership with the aim to enhance the stability of the Indo-Pacific region.

To facilitate the objectives of this partnership, the Commonwealth Government is investing up to \$8 billion to expand HMAS Stirling (also referred to as Fleet Base West) over the next decade to accommodate the acquisition and operation of conventionally-armed, nuclear-powered submarines.

HMAS Stirling, the Royal Australian Navy’s largest naval base, is the City’s most significant local employer.

The first phase of AUKUS is focussed on a rotational presence at HMAS Stirling for one UK and up to four US, nuclear-powered submarines from 2027. This is known as the Submarine Rotational Force - West (**SRF-West**). The SRF-West will require the housing of up to 2,000 maintenance and support personnel. The United States will relocate personnel and their families to Western Australia from 2027.

Garden Island Highway

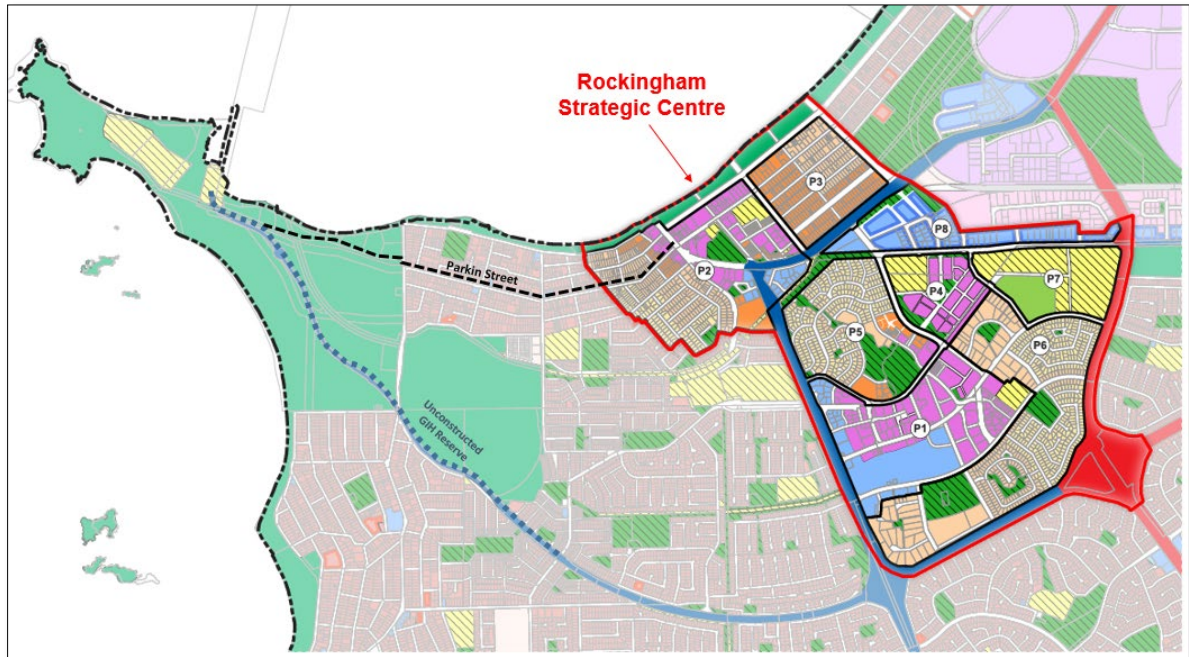
Between 1971 and 1973, the Commonwealth Government constructed the 4.3km Garden Island causeway to provide access to HMAS Stirling naval base. The base was completed and commissioned in 1978.

In 1975, the Metropolitan Region Scheme (**MRS**) was amended to create the Garden Island Highway regional road reservation. This was to provide a regional road connection to HMAS Stirling and a container port proposed at the time to front Mangles Bay immediately west of the causeway.

In 1984, the State Government decided to not proceed with the container port, and together with a lack of desire to build a dedicated regional road to HMAS Stirling, the full extent of the Garden Island Highway has not been constructed.

Vehicle access to the base has been facilitated on local roads, with Parkin Street providing the most efficient link from the HMAS Stirling to the regional road network via Patterson Road.

The unconstructed MRS regional road reservation, varies in width between 25m abutting Lake Richmond up to 40m. The is shown below in Figure 1



1. Unconstructed Garden Island Highway Reservation

Cape Peron Implementation Committee

Following the State Government's decision not to proceed with the Mangles Bay Marina proposal in September 2017, the City approached the State Government to establish a transparent and collaborative consultation process to determine the best and most suitable long-term use of Cape Peron.

A Working Group later formed by the State Government (via Minister for Planning), comprises representatives from the City of Rockingham (**City**) and the Departments of Planning, Lands and Heritage (**DPLH**), Transport (**DoT**) and Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (**DBCA**) to consider:

- Land tenure;
- Tourism opportunities;
- Tenure/lease management issues;
- Recreation and community needs and impacts;
- Environmental protection;
- Aboriginal and historic heritage; and
- Coastal setbacks.

The Working Group's deliberations were also informed by community consultation and responses focused on:

- Protecting and enhancing environmental values, including designation of a Class A reserve;
- Better public access with improved amenities and facilities;
- Recognition of Aboriginal and historic heritage; and
- Providing greater certainty about land tenure and land use.

The Working Group delivered a broad land use strategy for Cape Peron, centred on conservation and tourism based activities, and made nine recommendations that were accepted by the State Government in August 2021. Two recommendations address transport considerations within Cape Peron, stating:

Recommendation 4 - Garden Island Highway

The alignment and design of Garden Island Highway (identified as an Other Regional Roads reservation in the MRS) to be appropriately considered, in consultation with the Department of Defence, and cognisant of the environmental values of Cape Peron and Lake Richmond.

Recommendation 5 - Transport Needs

The City of Rockingham, in consultation with the DPLH and the Department of Defence (DoD), prepare a Transport Needs Study that includes, but is not limited to:

- *The local road network within Cape Peron and external connections;*
- *Improved pedestrian and cycle links;*
- *The need for additional parking at key destinations; and*
- *Potential impacts on the alignment of Point Peron Road.*

The City has long maintained a position that the Government, specifically the State Government, should undertake the necessary environmental assessment to confirm whether the alignment can contain the road, as per Recommendation 4.

With respect to Recommendation 5, the City has funded the preparation of Study and additional considerations attributed to AUKUS, in line with the Cape Peron Implementation Committee's term of reference.

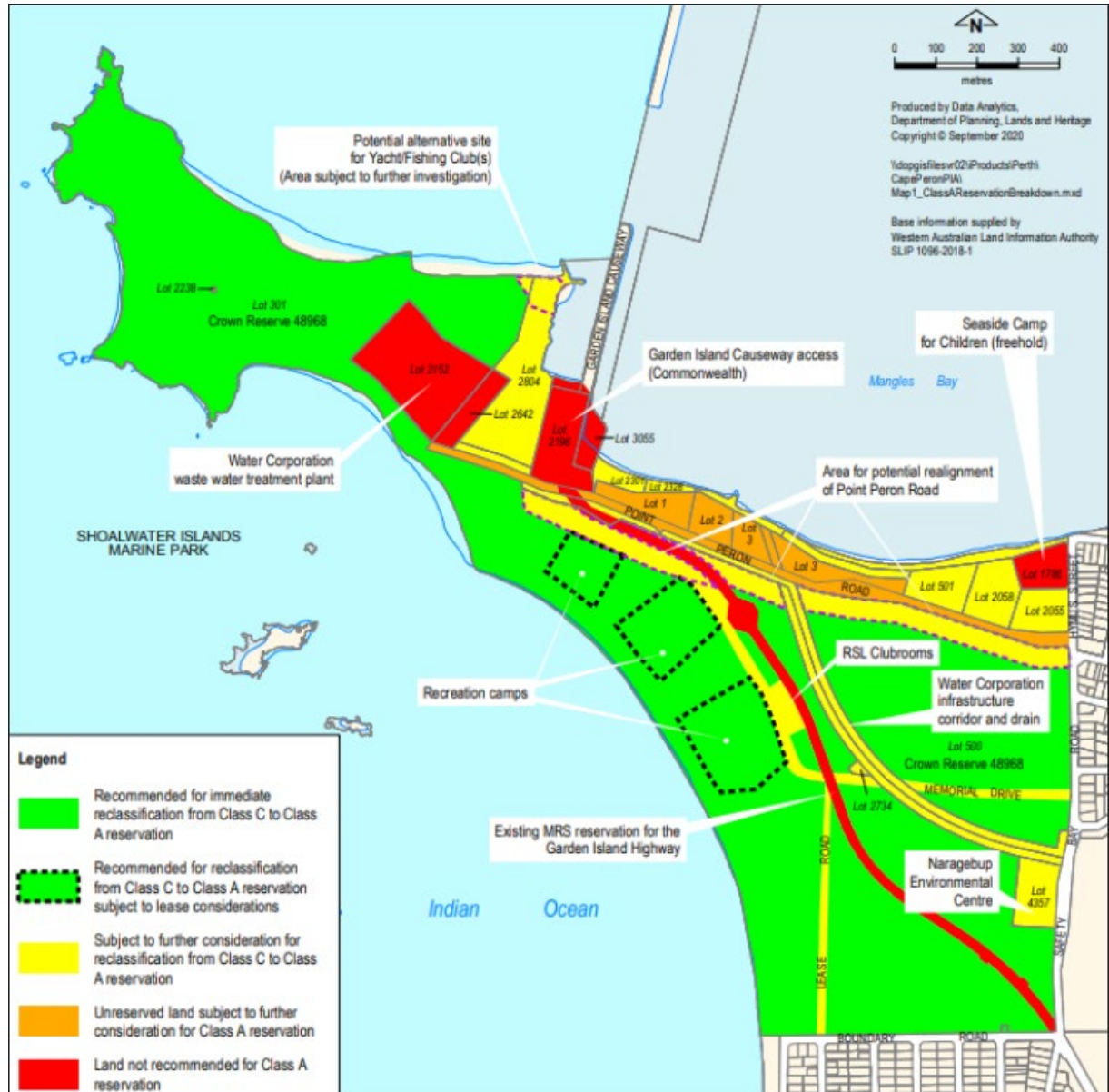
Class 'A' Reserve

In August 2023, a significant portion of Cape Peron was converted from a Class 'C' to Class 'A' reserve, providing the greatest degree of protection. This process did not convert the following to Class 'A' to recognise existing uses and allow flexibility to implement ongoing planning processes (such as the Study):

- Memorial Drive;
- Lease Road;
- The Other Regional Road reserve for the Garden Island Highway;
- An area extending approximately 50 metres south of Point Peron Road to allow for further investigation for a revised alignment of Point Peron Road and to consider an revised location for the fishing and yacht clubs;
- The existing recreation camp sites;
- The RSL club room; and
- An existing cleared area north of the wastewater treatment plant (under investigation as an alternative location for the fishing and yacht clubs).

The areas are shown in Figure 2.

The Study has considered the constraints associated with any proposed development within the Class 'A' reserve.



2. Cape Peron Class 'A'

Details

Scope

In response to the detail in Recommendation 5 above, the City prepared a project scope for the Study which also took into account the following:

1. The broader transport implications of AUKUS to internal and external roads, based on Department of Defence traffic projections at 2030 and 2040;
2. Scenarios to determine the traffic impact with and without the Garden Island Highway being built as a component of the regional road network; and
3. Recommendations to address:
 - The requirement of the Garden Island Highway to address transport needs and if required, the recommended timeframe for its construction; and
 - Matters that are recommended to be addressed as part of a future scope to determine the feasibility detailed design stage, should the report determine the need for the highway.

The boundary of the Study area is shown in Figure 3.



3. Cape Peron Transport Needs Study Area

Project Timeline and Methodology

The preparation of the Study progressed as follows:

November 2022

The City commissioned Stantec (former Cardno) Pty Ltd, to assist the City in leading the project.

Within the initial phase of the project, Stantec examined all relevant transport data available to build a base traffic model. This involved:

- A literature review to understand the planning inputs, utility locations, and constraints impacting the locality;
- A review crash data in proximity to Cape Peron; and
- A review of all the local transport inputs, such as traffic counts to inform the model.

Following the commencement of the project, the City conducted additional traffic (video) counts to supplement existing information.

A base traffic model ('Aimsun') was then prepared to ensure future projections were based on an accurate understanding of the existing situation, and the project team sought Main Roads WA advice to review the transport model.

A traffic model ('SIDRA') was also prepared as a component of the Study to examine intersection treatments for AM and PM peak hour periods.

This was completed to ensure the Study met its intended objectives.

May 2023	<p>First draft of the Study was completed.</p> <p>In consultation with the Committee on the draft, further advice from Department of Defence on AUKUS traffic projections was sought. This was needed to determine:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- The ultimate timing and standard of Garden Island Highway; and- The timeframes for improvements to surrounding local intersections. <p>DoD confirmed that it would provide advice to assist the project, however, it required several months to obtain the information suitable to inform the Study based on updated defence projections.</p>
September 2023	<p>On 18 September 2023, the Project Team met with senior representatives of DoD and DPLH to discuss key findings coming out of the draft version of the Study. At this time the City was still awaiting further information from DoD before it could progress the Study through to completion.</p>
November 2023	<p>On 27 November 2023, DoD provided a formal response on the draft Study which included further information with respect to HMAS Stirling population forecast (accounting for AUKUS).</p> <p>The forecasts indicated a significantly higher workforce and population to be located at HMAS Stirling as a result of recent Commonwealth Government defence announcements which required further changes to the Study.</p>
December 2023	<p>The City instructed Stantec to generate two new 'traffic demand' scenarios for the years 2030 and 2040, based on the advice received from DoD.</p>
February 2024	<p>The City received the draft amended Traffic Report with revised findings accounting for AUKUS traffic predictions.</p> <p>The revised Study was provided to DoD, the Cape Peron Working Group and internal staff for review.</p>
March 2024	<p>On 19 March 2024, the City met with Senior DOD representatives and DPLH staff to discuss the draft findings and feedback. The Committee, DPLH and DoD all indicated it needed additional time to provide advice.</p>
April 2024	<p>DPLH submitted technical officer level comments on the Study. The advice identified further changes to the Study addressed by Stantec. The City also received advice from DBCA and DoD.</p> <p>The City liaised with DoD and the Department of Job, Science, Tourism and Innovation (JSTI) regarding the Study to ensure the findings can inform future work.</p>
May - June 2024	<p>The City reviewed the underlying assumptions against City traffic data and requested additional Main Roads WA (MRWA) modelling as an input.</p> <p>The City then worked with MRWA to introduce the AUKUS traffic assumptions into its ROM24 regional transport model. The outputs from the MRWA regional also used to refine the micro-simulation model ('Aimsun') for the 2030 and 2040 periods.</p> <p>This will enable a more effective consideration of regional transport matters that account for AUKUS.</p> <p>The Study was finalised on 28 June 2024.</p>

Notable Parameters and Limitations of the Study

There are a number of key considerations and limitations with the Study that should be noted:

- The Study considers the AUKUS Traffic projections provided by DoD. The projections provided outline a significant increase in transport demand on the local movement network.
- The Study defines the traffic impacts to the existing movement network considering a range of scenarios and interventions, including the impact to the movement network if no changes were implemented.
- It outlines recommendations that will require detailed consideration as part of future work.

- The Study is not intended to provide a preferred design for the Garden Island Highway, as any future design will need to be informed by technical considerations including matters relating to environmental and engineering requirements.
- The Study only considered options that could be progressed within the established road reservations available. It does not contemplate or recommend land acquisition to address the transport issues identified.
- The timeframes for projected traffic impacts at 2030 and 2040 represent a 'snapshot' in time. These timeframes were chosen to reflect to DoD assumptions provided to inform the Study. Transport issues may be apparent before these timeframes are reached.
- The Study does not account for construction traffic required to access HMAS Stirling to complete significant infrastructure as this information was not available from DoD at the time of preparation. Construction traffic is likely to create a greater temporary impact to the local movement network than specified by the Study.

Study Outcomes

1. Car Parking in Cape Peron

Parking in Cape Peron was observed to operate at an average 80% occupancy indicating a high demand. The existing car parks often reach full capacity during peak times, which has led to vehicles parking informally on the verge.

Due to environmental and physical constraints, only limited opportunities were identified to increase the parking supply in the area. Stantec identified a total of 16 potential additional on-street parallel parking bays that could be accommodated.

The City understands that DBCA are considering the provision of additional parking capacity for Cape Peron within its Recreation Master Plan.

2. Pedestrian Paths

The Study recommended upgrades to City controlled pedestrian footpaths on Boundary Road, Safety Bay Road and a new shared path be built on the northern side of Point Peron Road.

Other upgrades for the pedestrian were identified within Cape Peron which will be considered through the finalisation of the DBCA's Recreation Master Plan.

3. Vehicle Traffic

(i) Current Situation

Currently the road network on the approach to Cape Peron at Parkin Street and Safety Bay Road is operating at a **level of service rating 'E'** and is near capacity in morning peak. The queuing impacts access and egress to residential properties and the function of the local road network.

This impacts residential amenity and is contributing to damage of local road infrastructure.

The existing local road network cannot be widened to accommodate additional traffic flow through the introduction of new vehicle lanes.

(ii) Baseline Scenario - No Intervention

By 2030, traffic modelling accounting for AUKUS projects a significant increase in traffic, impacting the function of the broader surrounding movement network. The Safety Bay Road/Parkin Street and Memorial Drive/Point Peron Road intersections are projected to have an unacceptable level of service in AM and PM peaks.

The Study indicates a queue length from the intersection of Safety Bay Road and Parkin Street of 2.3km moving towards HMAS Stirling.

By 2040, all intersections into Cape Peron are projected to operate above the network capacity with an unacceptable level of service (LOS F) in AM and PM peaks. The projections show significant congestion across the network. The Study indicates a queue length from the intersection of Safety Bay Road and Parkin Street of 3.5km moving towards HMAS Stirling.

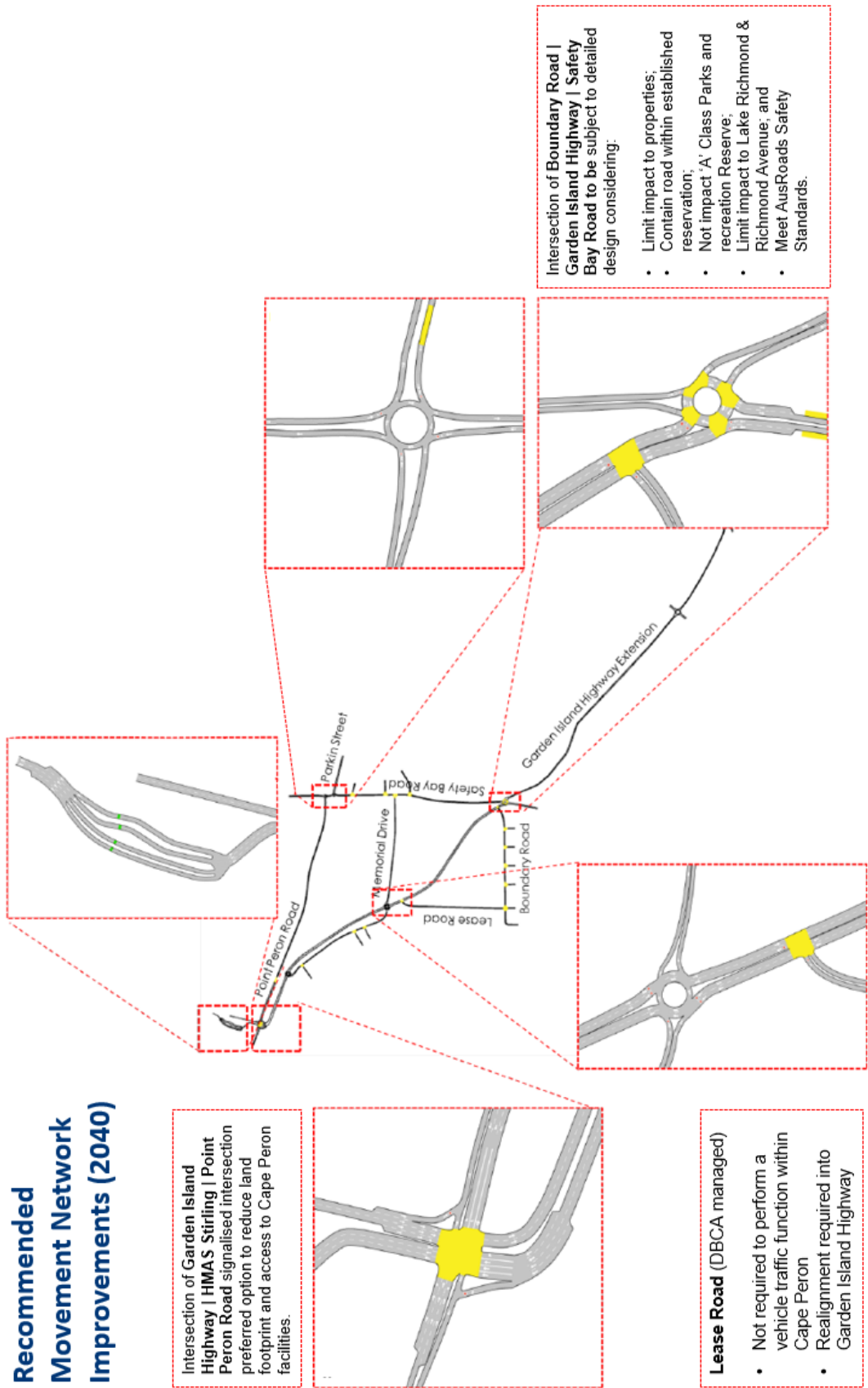
With respect to these projected queue lengths, road users will seek to find alternative routes to avoid congestion impacting adjacent streets and causing congestion and grid lock within the movement network connecting to HMAS Stirling.

(iii) Recommended Road Improvements

The Study recommends a range of improvements to the network to address the significant increase in traffic generated at HMAS Stirling. The Study makes the following recommendations address the improvements needed to address the traffic projected:

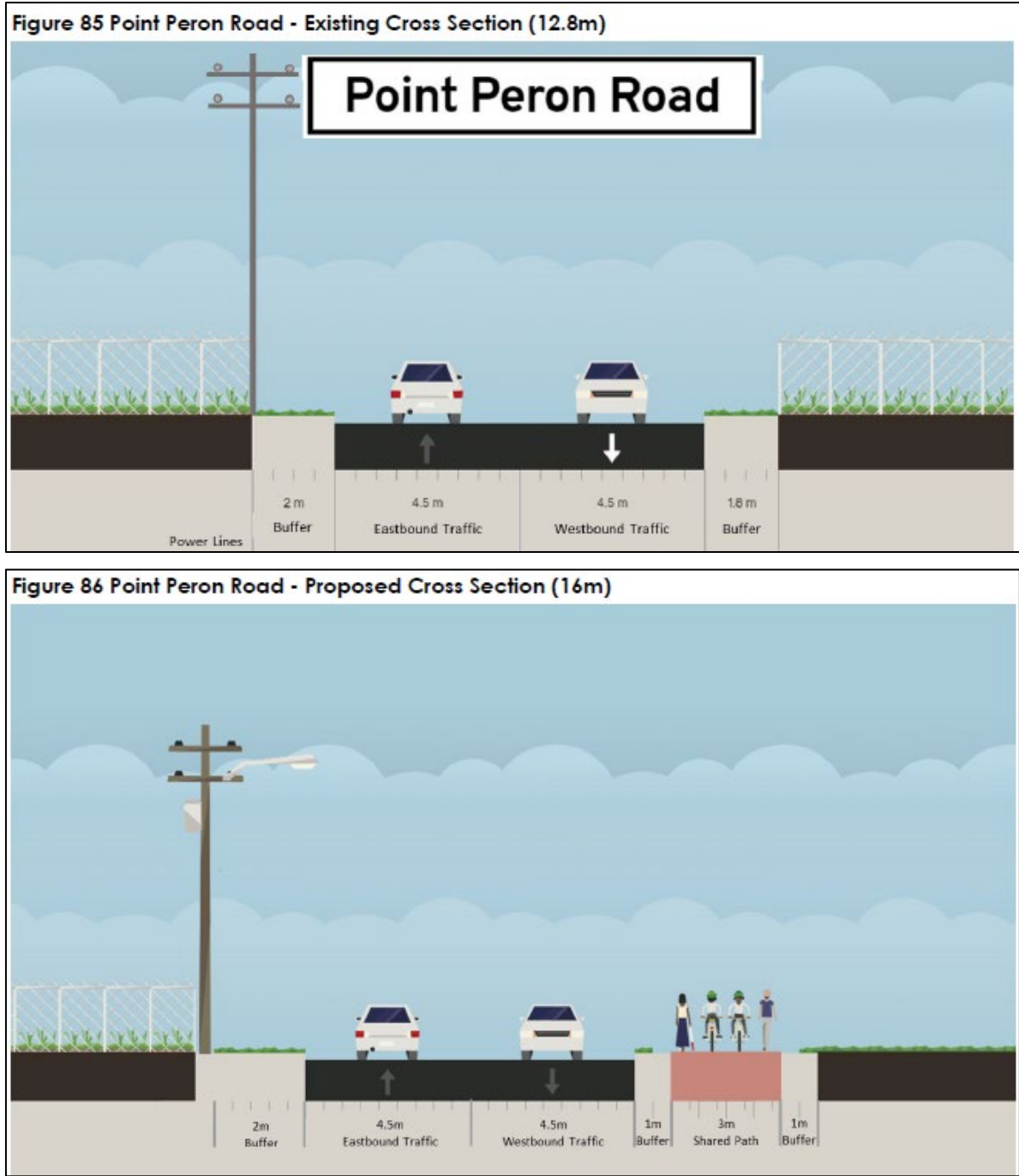
Timeframe	Recommended Actions	Responsibly
2024 - 2030	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fund design feasibility and supporting studies to construct Garden Island Highway 	State and Federal Governments
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design Garden Island Highway and complete Environmental Studies and Approvals based on preferred design 	3 rd Party appointed and managed by State Government
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fund construction of Garden Island Highway, following approvals process 	State and Federal Government
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct Garden Island Highway (GIH) as a single carriageway between Point Peron Road and Belgravia Terrace. 	City of Rockingham
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Realign the eastern section of Point Peron Road and construct 4-way roundabout at intersection of Hymus Street Parkin Street Point Peron Road Safety Bay Road. 	City of Rockingham
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct a 4-way signalised intersection at the entry to HMAS Stirling Garden Island Highway Point Peron Road. 	Department of Defence with MRWA (if commenced prior to construction of Garden Island Highway). Or as a component of broader construction of Garden Island Highway (City of Rockingham, Department of Defence and MRWA).
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct 3rd entry lane and checkpoint at HMAS Stirling. 	Department of Defence
2030 - 2040	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duplicate Garden Island Highway between Point Peron Road and Safety Bay Road. 	City of Rockingham funded by Department of Defence/State Government.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Duplicate Causeway Bridge, including tie-in with intersection at Garden Island Highway Point Peron Road HMAS Stirling entry 	Department of Defence
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construct 4th entry lane and checkpoint at HMAS Stirling entry. 	Department of Defence

Figure 4 conceptually illustrates the recommended changes to the movement network proposed to be investigated within subsequent studies.



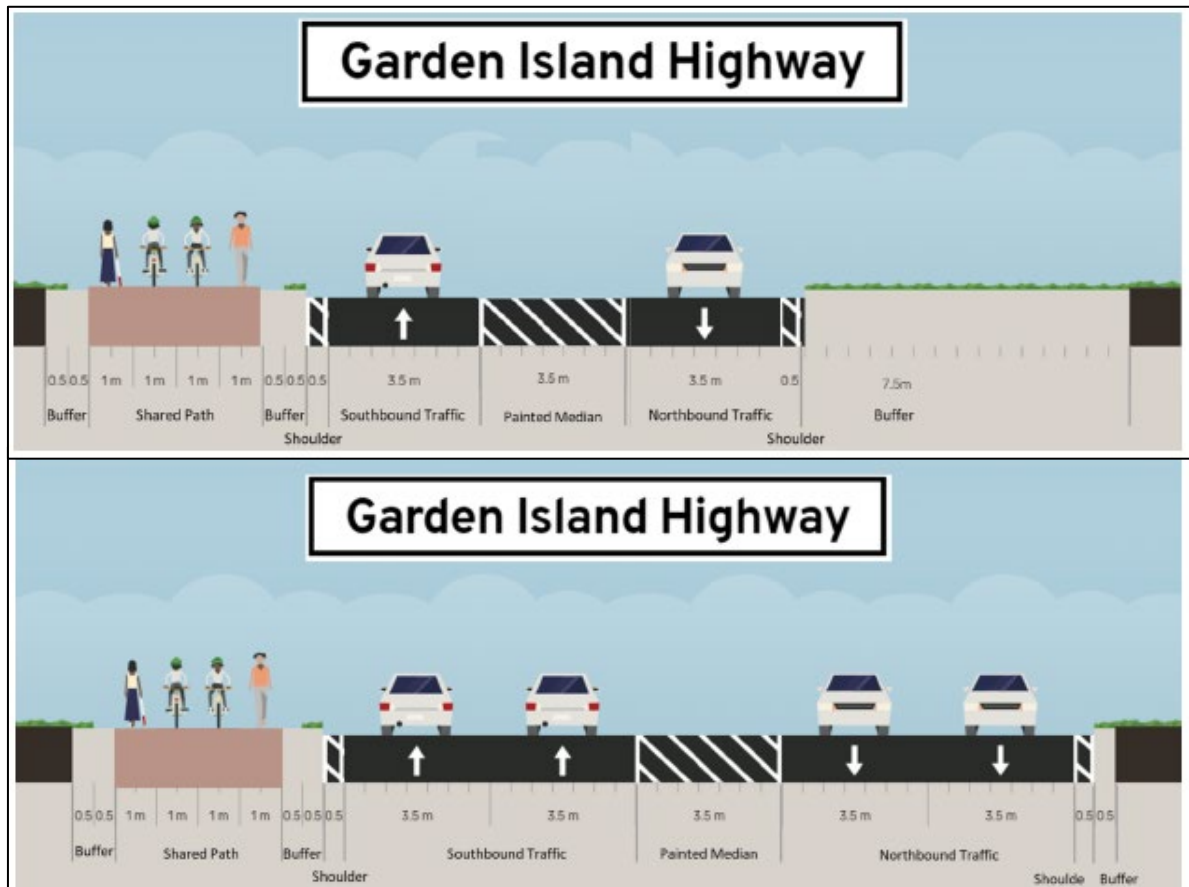
4. Recommended Movement Network Improvements

The Study also considers indicative road cross-sections for key roads to inform future work. The cross-sections consider the road reservation available, however, the detailed design considerations may vary as a result of future investigations.



5. Point Peron Road Cross-Sections

For the Garden Island Highway, the Study considered an indicative profile that could be accommodated within the established road reservation of 25m.



6. Garden Island Highway Profile

Recommended Agency Responsibilities

The Study also makes recommendations to the Cape Peron Implementation Committee on actions by the City, State agencies and Department of Defence. This is outlined in **Attachment 2**.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

The Study was prepared as a technical exercise in accordance with the Terms of Reference for the Cape Peron Implementation Committee. No public consultation was completed as a component of the study.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

The City engaged with the Cape Peron Implementation Committee Members consisting of:

- Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions;
- Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage; and
- Department of Transport.

The City also engaged with Main Roads WA and the Commonwealth Department of Defence.

Feedback from these agencies was incorporated into the outcomes of the Study.

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspirations and Strategic Objectives contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **2. Natural Environment - A place of natural beauty where the environment is respected**

Outcome/Objective: *Sustainable natural green spaces - Preserve and enhance biodiversity*

Aspiration: **3. Built Environment - A built environment carefully planned for today and tomorrow**

Outcome/Objective: *Built infrastructure meets current and future community needs - Plan build and maintain current and future assets*

Aspiration: **4. Economic - A vibrant economy creating opportunities**

Outcome/Objective: *Growing the business economy - Attract and promote new businesses and investment opportunities*

Aspiration: **5. Leadership Aspiration - Transparent and accountable leadership and governance**

Outcome/Objectives: *Quality Leadership - Promote the City as a place for the future*

Quality Leadership - Active advocacy for the community

Quality Leadership - Promote the City as a place for the future

Sustainable Local Government - Optimise City resources

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

The Corporate Business Plan provides a budget allocation for the upgrade for the intersection of Parkin/Safety Bay Road/Point Peron Road and Hymus Street. \$200,000 is allocated financial year 2025/2026 and \$300,000 for 2026/2027.

Based on the findings of the Study, the City will seek to amend the budget to enable the completion of design work for the intersection and alignment of Point Peron Road.

The City will separately seek external funding for the construction of the revised intersection and upgrade of Point Peron Road.

f. Legal and Statutory

Nil

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The Cape Peron Transport Needs Study provides an evidence based approach that reaffirms the Council's long held advocacy position and necessity for the Government to undertake a feasibility study to confirm that the Garden Island Highway can be built within the existing reservation. Based on projections provided by the Department of Defence, the existing transport issues on local roads will be significantly exacerbated with the introduction of the AUKUS Submarine Rotation Force – West and expansion of HMAS Stirling notwithstanding increased traffic from natural growth and improvements to Cape Peron.

Without intervention, the road network will not accommodate the anticipated traffic by 2030. Of further concern, the projections do not include the consideration of transport movements of the labour force required to complete considerable works program at HMAS Stirling.

The City has been informed that the Department of Defence is actively pursuing alternative transport arrangements for construction and workforce traffic. This includes the use of barges to transport plant and materials to Garden Island and buses to transport workers to HMAS Stirling.

Local roads, such as Parkin Street and Safety Bay Road, do not have the available reservation width (20m) for expansion to accommodate increased traffic. The construction of the Garden Island Highway is seemingly the only option to meaningfully address the longer term transport requirements.

While short-term improvements to key intersections, namely Safety Bay Road/Hymus Street, Point Peron Road and Parkin Street, will improve short term traffic conditions, it does not address the broader issue that Parkin Street, and to a lesser extent Safety Bay Road, is required to perform a regional road function whilst accommodating medium and heavy vehicles accessing HMAS Stirling.

The City notes that the alignment of the Garden Island Highway abutting Lake Richmond will require appropriate environmental investigations to determine how the road can be built whilst protecting and maintaining the environmental values. Careful consideration will also be required to ensure that any new road will limit impacts to adjacent residential properties.

As a matter of national security and State significance, the provision of efficient access to HMAS Stirling that is fit for purpose should not be the remit of the City and it is critical that the Government address this issue as a matter of urgency. The work to confirm the feasibility of the road is not a local issue for which the City should be responsible; the primary beneficiary of the Garden Island Highway is the Department of Defence and the road reservation is contained within the State Government administered Metropolitan Region Scheme.

Based on the findings of the Study, the City has commenced design work for the improvements to Point Peron Road and a new four way intersection at Safety Bay Road/Hymus Street, Point Peron Road and Parkin Street, to improve traffic flow. The City has commenced detailed design for the intersection and upgrade of Point Peron Road. Given that the need to upgrade the intersection, and the road itself, is aligned to the activities on HMAS Stirling, it is reasonable that the Federal Government contribute financially to project delivery; an additional advocacy position is also recommended.

The City's Study now provides a meaningful basis for advocacy and it is recommended that the existing advocacy position be amended accordingly.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. **NOTES** the findings and recommendations of the Cape Peron Transport Needs Study;
2. **AMENDS** its advocacy position with respect to the Garden Island Highway as follows:
"Government support is sought to undertake a feasibility study, considering the recommendations contained within the Cape Peron Transport Needs Study, to confirm that the Garden Island Highway can be built within the existing reservation, as set aside in the Metropolitan Region Scheme for this purpose.
Advocacy action includes seeking a commitment from Department of Defence, Main Roads WA, Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage and/or the appropriate State Government agency to undertake necessary feasibility studies to determine viability of the project."; and
3. **ADVOCATES** that the Federal Government financially contribute to the upgrade of the intersection of Safety Bay Road/Hymus Street, Point Peron Road and Parkin Street and the westward extension of Point Peron Road to the entry of HMAS Stirling.

Committee Recommendation

That Council:

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Committee Voting (Carried) - 5/1

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Hudson
Deputy Mayor Buchan
Mayor Hamblin
Cr Wormall
Cr Jones

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Jecks

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

7:01pm Mr Hayward, A/Director Community Development left the Chamber and returned at 7:03pm

Council Resolution

Moved Cr Jecks, seconded Cr Hudson:

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3. **ADVOCATES** that the Federal Government financially contribute to the upgrade of the intersection of Safety Bay Road/Hymus Street, Point Peron Road and Parkin Street and the westward extension of Point Peron Road to the entry of HMAS Stirling.

Carried – 11/1

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Hudson
Cr Middlecoat
Cr Schmidt
Cr Hume
Cr Liley
Mayor Hamblin
Cr Crichton
Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan
Cr Jones
Deputy Mayor Buchan

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Jecks

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Asset Services Infrastructure Project Delivery



Report number / title:	AS-031/24	Western Australian Local Government Association, WALGA Quote WQ24/25-21 - Supply and Installation of New Playground Equipment
File number:	WQ24/25-21	
Proponent/s		
Author:	Mr Ian Daniels, Manager Infrastructure Project Delivery	
Other Contributors:	Ms Lisa-Jane Manning, Coordinator Infrastructure Project Delivery Mr Craig Beard, Project Officer Parks/Landscaping	
Date of Committee Meeting:	14 October 2024	
Previously before Council:		
Disclosure of Interest:		
Nature of Council's Role:	Executive	
Attachments:		
Maps/Diagrams:		
Site:		
Lot Area:		

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with details of the Quote submissions received for Western Australian Local Government Association (**WALGA**) Quote WQ24/25-21 - Supply and Installation of New Playground Equipment Quote, document the results of the Quote assessment and make recommendations regarding award of the contract.

Background

WALGA Quote WQ24/25-21 was advertised via the WALGA E-Quote System on Monday, 5 August 2024. The Quote closed at 2.00pm, Wednesday, 28 August 2024 and was publicly opened immediately after the closing time.

The WALGA E-Quote System was used as the Preferred Supplier Program included the leading Play Ground Equipment suppliers, who have been prequalified and are experienced in providing quality play equipment used by Local Governments.

Details

The scope of the Contract is for the supply and installation of new General Playground Equipment and Nature Based Playground Equipment at the locations specified. These works are part of the City of Rockingham's (**City**) annual playground equipment replacement program.

The type of works to be undertaken under the Contract shall include:

- Removal of existing Playground Equipment;
- Installation of new General Playground Equipment, in selected locations;

- Installation of new Nature Based Playground Equipment, in selected locations;
- Installation of new Rubber Soft Fall, in selected locations; and
- Installation of new Shade Sails, in selected locations.

A panel as approved by the Director Asset Services in compliance with Executive Standard - Purchasing of Goods and Services, undertook Quote evaluations.

The Quote allowed for 13 Separable Portions with five (5) Quote submissions received. Each Supplier did not provide submissions for all Separable Portions, instead presenting submissions for the portions that best suited their business's capacity and capability; hence, the panel assessed each separable portion.

In the Request for Quote documentation, the City provided the available budget for each site. This approach provides tailored solutions as Suppliers can adjust their proposals to fit within the allocated budget, ensuring that the City receives the best value for money. This reflects within the Pricing Considerations below with the majority of submissions achieving maximum score allocation. This is a proven process used for many years and allows for appropriately costed and designed playgrounds that fit the existing sites.

Evaluation of the Quote, in accordance with the advertised Quote assessment criteria, produced the following weighted scores:

Separable Portion 1 - Anvils Circle Reserve, Secret Harbour

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	55.9	15.0	93.5
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	93.5	1.0	94.5	1
Forpark - Option 1	91.5	1.0	92.5	2
Forpark - Option 2	91.5	1.0	92.5	2

Separable Portion 2 - Aquatic Centre (Rockingham)

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	54.1	15.0	92.8
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.9	15.0	91.5
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	29.6	15.0	66.0
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	29.6	15.0	66.0

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 1	92.8	1.0	93.8	1
Forpark - Option 2	91.5	1.0	92.5	2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	91.5	1.0	91.5	3

Separable Portion 3 - Athens Entrance

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	54.1	15.0	92.8
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.9	15.0	91.5
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	35.5	15.0	75.0
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	35.8	15.0	72.2
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	35.8	15.0	72.2

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 2	92.8	1.0	93.8	1
Forpark - Option 1	91.5	1.0	92.5	2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	91.5	1.0	92.5	2

Separable Portion 4 - Bismarck Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 P7ts
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.2	15.0	90.9
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	51.9	15.0	90.6
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.0	15.0	90.6
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	34.8	15.0	74.3
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	34.2	15.0	73.7
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	35.2	15.0	71.6

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 1	90.9	1.0	91.9	1
Forpark - Option 2	90.6	1.0	90.6	2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	90.6	1.0	90.6	2

Separable Portion 5 - Fountain Park Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	54.1	14.9	92.7
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.8	14.9	91.4
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.9	14.9	91.4
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	39.9	14.9	79.3
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	39.9	14.9	79.3
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	32.7	14.9	69.0
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	32.7	14.9	69.0
Donegan Enterprises - Option 1	15.2	32.7	15.0	62.9

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 2	92.7	1.0	93.7	1
Forpark - Option 1	91.4	1.0	92.4	2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	91.4	1.0	92.4	2

Separable Portion 6 - Hayeswater Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	54.1	15.0	92.8
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.9	15.0	91.5

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 1	92.8	1.0	93.8	1
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	91.5	1.0	92.5	2
Forpark - Option 2	91.5	1.0	92.5	2

Separable Portion 7 - June Road Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	53.4	14.9	90.9
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	51.8	14.9	90.4
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	51.8	14.9	90.4
Donegan Enterprises - Option 1	15.2	30.3	15.0	60.5

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	90.9	1.0	91.9	1
Forpark - Option 1	90.4	1.0	91.4	2
Forpark - Option 2	90.4	1.0	91.4	2

Separable Portion 8 - Lagoon Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	53.6	15.0	92.3
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	54.3	15.0	91.9
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	35.1	15.0	74.6
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	35.1	15.0	74.6

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 1	92.3	1.0	93.3	1
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	91.9	1.0	92.9	2
Forpark - Option 2	91.5	1.0	92.5	3

Separable Portion 9 - Madeira Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	54.1	14.9	92.7
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	54.7	14.9	92.2
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	14.9	91.4
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	35.5	14.9	74.9
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	35.5	14.9	74.9
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	14.9	72.5
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	36.2	14.9	72.5
Donegan Enterprises - Option 1	15.2	32.7	15.0	62.9

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 1	92.7	1.0	93.7	1
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	92.2	1.0	93.2	2
Forpark - Option 2	91.4	92.5	91.4	3

Separable Portion 10 - Phoebe Hymus Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	53.2	14.6	91.5
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.8	14.6	91.1
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6

Separable Portion 11 - Port Kennedy Community Centre

Nil submissions received.

Separable Portion 12 - Steel Tree Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	55.3	15.0	94.0
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	54.5	15.0	93.2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	55.5	15.0	93.1
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	36.8	15.0	76.3
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	36.8	15.0	76.3
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	38.2	15.0	74.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	37.8	15.0	74.2

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Forpark - Option 2	94.0	1.0	95.0	1
Forpark - Option 1	93.2	1.0	94.2	2
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	93.1	1.0	94.1	3

Separable Portion 13 - Waterfront Parkway Reserve

Supplier	Level of Service	Understanding Quote Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score
	25 Pts	60 Pts	15 Pts	100 Pts
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	22.6	54.7	15.0	92.3
Forpark - Option 1	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Forpark - Option 2	23.7	52.8	15.0	91.5
Active Discovery - Option 1	24.5	35.1	15.0	74.6
Active Discovery - Option 2	24.5	35.1	15.0	74.6
A Space Australia - Option 2	21.4	36.6	15.0	73.0
A Space Australia - Option 1	21.4	36.2	15.0	72.6

The Quote assessment requires that Local Content is considered with the following outcome:

Supplier	Original Score	Local Content	Total Score	Rank
	100 Pts	5 Pts	105 Pts	
Miracle Recreation Equipment - Option 1	92.3	1.0	93.3	1
Forpark - Option 1	91.5	1.0	92.5	2
Forpark - Option 2	91.5	1.0	92.5	2

This is a lump sum contract which does not allow for a price variation due to rise and fall or a variation in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Perth Western Australia.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Nil

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspirations and Strategic Objectives contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **1. Social - A family-friendly, safe and connected community**

Outcome/Objective: *Community health and wellbeing - Strengthen community health and wellbeing*

Aspiration: **3. Built Environment - A built environment carefully planned for today and tomorrow**

Outcome/Objective: *Built infrastructure meets current and future community needs - Plan build and maintain current and future assets*

d. Policy

In accordance with Executive Standard - Purchasing of Goods and Services, for purchases above \$250,000, a public Quote process is to be conducted in accordance with the provision of section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, Part 4, Division 2, regulation 11A(1).

In accordance with Executive Standard - Purchasing of Goods and Services, Local Content was assessed as part of the Quote assessment.

e. Financial

The recommended submissions totalling \$569,900 is in accordance with the approved Budget and Business Plan.

f. Legal and Statutory

In accordance with section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995 Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, Part 4, Division 2, regulation 11(1).

'Quotes are to be publicly invited according to the requirements of this Division before a local government enters into a contract for another person to supply goods or services if the consideration under the contract is, or is expected to be, more, or worth more, than \$250,000 unless sub regulation (2) states otherwise'.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The replacement of play equipment within the City's parks and reserves is considered to be of high importance due to the frequency of use, potential impact on safety and required continuation of service delivery through essential infrastructure. Suppliers were not required to provide submissions for all sites and each site is to be treated as a separable portion. Following consideration of the quotes received, the panel considered that allocating separable play equipment portions and the removal of the existing play elements prior to the new installation, to two (2) suppliers offered best value to the City.

As Suppliers declined to provide any options for the Separable Portion 11 - Port Kennedy Community Centre, the City will review the scope and allocation for this site and seek quotations, separate to this process.

The submission for the play equipment received from Forpark for Aquatic Centre option 1, Athens Entrance option 2, Bismarck Reserve option 1, Fountain Park Reserve option 2, Hayeswater Reserve option 1, Lagoon Reserve option 1, Madeira Reserve option 1, Phoebe Hymus Reserve option 2 and Steel Tree Reserve option 2 inclusive of removal of the existing equipment at the respective sites were considered best value.

The submission for the play equipment received from Miracle for Anvils Circle Reserve option 1, June Road Reserve option 1 and Waterfront Parkway Reserve option 1 inclusive of removal of the existing equipment at the respective site were considered best value.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **ACCEPTS**:

1. The Quote submitted from 4Park Pty Ltd T/A Forpark, 36 Adams Drive, Welshpool WA 6106 for Quote WQ24/25-21 - Supply and Installation of New Playground Equipment in accordance with the Quote documentation for the lump sum value of \$468,000 (ex GST) for the following Separable Portions:

Separable Portion	Site	Option	Amount
2	Aquatic Centre	1	\$ 56,440.00
3	Athens Entrance	2	\$ 37,080.00
4	Bismarck Reserve	1	\$ 33,800.00
5	Fountain Park Reserve	2	\$ 24,020.00
6	Hayeswater Reserve	1	\$ 63,400.00
8	Lagoon Reserve	1	\$ 39,640.00
9	Madeira Reserve	1	\$ 23,240.00
10	Phoebe Hymus Reserve	2	\$116,020.00
12	Steel Tree Reserve	2	\$ 74,360.00
Total			\$ 468,000.00

2. The Quote submitted from Superior Nominees Pty Ltd trading as Miracle Recreation Equipment, 54 Dellamarta Road, Wangara WA 6065 for Quote WQ24/25-21 - Supply and Installation of New Playground Equipment in accordance with the Quote documentation for the lump sum value of \$101,900 (ex GST) for the following Separable Portions:

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1	Anvils Circle Reserve	1	\$ 39,500.00
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Committee Voting (Carried) - 6/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Council Resolution

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Separable Portion	Site	Option	Amount
1	Anvils Circle Reserve	1	\$ 39,500.00
7	June Road Reserve	1	\$ 28,900.00
13	Waterfront Parkway Reserve	1	\$ 33,500.00
Total			\$ 101,900.00

Carried en bloc

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Asset Services Operations and Fleet Services



Report number/title:	AS-032/24	Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure
File number:	T24/25-01	
Proponent/s		
Author:	Mr Tony Bailey, Manager Operations and Fleet Services	
Other Contributors:	Miss Astrid Grov, Contracts Officer	
Date of Committee Meeting:	14 October 2024	
Previously before Council:	25 May 2021 (EP-012/21)	
Disclosure of Interest:		
Nature of Council's Role:	Executive	
Attachments:		
Maps/Diagrams:		
Site:	Various	
Lot Area:		

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with details of the Tender submissions received for Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure, document the results of the Tender assessment and make recommendations regarding award of the contract.

Background

Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure was advertised in the West Australian on Saturday, 3 August 2024. The Tender closed at 2.00pm, Wednesday, 21 August 2024 and was publicly opened immediately after the closing time.

Details

The type of works to be undertaken under the contract includes, but is not limited to, the installation, repair and maintenance of the following City of Rockingham (**City**) electrical assets:

- street lighting;
- bollard lighting; and
- sports floodlighting

The period of the contract shall be from the date of award for 36 months.

A panel as approved by the Director Asset Services in compliance with Executive Standard - Purchasing of Goods and Services, undertook Tender evaluations.

Evaluation of the Tender, in accordance with the advertised Tender assessment criteria, produced the following weighted scores:

Tenderer	Level of Service	Understanding Tender Requirements	Price Considerations	Total Score	Rank
	30 Pts	30 Pts	40 Pts	100 Pts	
Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd	26.5	24.9	40.0	91.4	1
M Power U Electrical Pty Ltd	23.6	22.7	32.8	79.1	2
Surun Services Pty Ltd	20.5	24.5	31.4	76.4	3
Boyan Electrical Pty Ltd	17.8	17.5	27.6	62.9	4
IPC Maintenance Pty Ltd	6.5	13.4	30.6	50.5	5

The Contractor will be entitled to a price variation of the Contract rate every 12 months from the date of award. Such a price variation will be calculated in accordance with the variation in the Consumer Price Index (**CPI**) for Perth, Western Australia for all groups for the 12 months preceding the last completed CPI quarter as at the date the price variation is due.

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Not Applicable

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Not Applicable

c. Strategic

Community Plan

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **3. Built Environment - A built environment carefully planned for today and tomorrow**

Outcome/Objective: *Built infrastructure meets current and future community needs - Plan build and maintain current and future assets*

d. Policy

In accordance with Executive Standard - Purchasing of Goods and Services, for purchases above \$250,000, a public Tender process is to be conducted in accordance with the provision of section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995*; and *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, Part 4, Division 2, regulation 11A(1).

e. Financial

Expenditure will be in accordance with the approved Budget and Business Plan. Annualised expenditure in the initial 12 months under the contract is estimated to be \$606,000 (ex GST).

f. Legal and Statutory

In accordance with section 3.57 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and *Local Government (Functions and General) Regulations 1996*, Part 4, Division 2, regulation 11(1).

'Tenders are to be publicly invited according to the requirements of this Division before a local government enters into a contract for another person to supply goods or services if the consideration under the contract is, or is expected to be, more, or worth more, than \$250,000 unless sub regulation (2) states otherwise'.

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment : High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety : Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

In addition to price, Tenderers were required to supply qualitative information addressing level of service, organisational structure, demonstrated relevant industry experience, available resources, qualified personnel, methodology for undertaking works and quality accreditation systems.

The standard of information in the Tender submissions demonstrated different levels of capability to undertake the contract requirements.

The submission received from Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd presented a very thorough and clear understanding of the requirements of this contract. The submission also communicated a strong understanding of the City's standard for delivering a quality service.

Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd scored the highest in Price Weighting and overall scoring, and is considered to provide best value to the City. Therefore, Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd is recommended as the preferred Tenderer for Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **ACCEPTS** the Tender submitted from Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd, 2/6 Profit Pass, Wangara WA 6027 for Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure in accordance with the Tender documentation being from the date of award for a period of 36 months.

Committee Recommendation

That Council **ACCEPTS** the Tender submitted from Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd, 2/6 Profit Pass, Wangara WA 6027 for Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure in accordance with the Tender documentation being from the date of award for a period of 36 months.

Committee Voting (Carried) - 6/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Council Resolution

That Council **ACCEPTS** the Tender submitted from Greenlite Electrical Contractors Pty Ltd, 2/6 Profit Pass, Wangara WA 6027 for Tender T24/25-01 - Framework Agreement for Maintenance and Repairs to Pole Lighting Infrastructure in accordance with the Tender documentation being from the date of award for a period of 36 months.

Carried en bloc

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Corporate and Community Development Committee

Moved Cr Schmidt, seconded Cr Buchanan:

That Council **MOVES** to change the order of the Corporate and Community Development Committee reports to discuss item CD-035/24 prior to GM-023/24 due to members of the Safety Bay Tennis Club being present at the meeting.

Carried – 12/0

Cr Hume declared an impartiality interest in item CD-035/24 Safety Bay Tennis Club Redevelopment Options and will deal with the matter on its merits and vote accordingly (refer to Item 9 for specific details).

Community Development Directorate and Support		
Report number / title:	CD-035/24	Safety Bay Tennis Club Redevelopment Options
File number:	CPR/929	
Proponent/s:		
Author:	Ms Carly Kroczek, Senior Project Officer – Community Development	
Other Contributor/s:		
Date of Committee meeting:	15 October 2024	
Previously before Council:		
Disclosure of Interest:	Cr Hume declared an Impartiality Interest in Item CD-035/24 Safety Bay Tennis Club Redevelopment Options, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the <i>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</i> and as per section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> , as Cr Hume personally knows committee Members of the Safety Bay Tennis Club. Cr Hume will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.	
Nature of Council's role:	Executive	
Attachments:		
Maps / Diagrams:		
Site:	Lot 10 Royal Road, Safety Bay	
Lot Area:	13,509m2	

Purpose of Report

To provide Council with the outcomes of due diligence investigations for the redevelopment of the Safety Bay Tennis Club Pavilion and seek direction on the way forward.

Background

Safety Bay Tennis Club is located on Royal Road in Safety Bay. The facility has 11 outdoor tennis courts and the original pavilion which was constructed in the 1970's.



Image 1: Safety Bay Tennis Club

In April 2020, the Safety Bay Tennis Club (**SBTC**) wrote to the City of Rockingham (**City**) requesting a strategic approach to the expenditure of the City's planned funding allocated to the renewal of the ablutions and kitchen within the existing pavilion. Subsequently, the City's project was put on hold and in November 2020, the SBTC received a \$20,000 Community Infrastructure Planning Grant from the City to undertake a club facility needs assessment and feasibility Study.

The Study was completed in September 2021, and identified the need for an expanded club facility. The SBTC met with Officers on 1 October 2021 to discuss the inclusion of the project in the Community Infrastructure Plan (**CIP**) and the City's support of an application to the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund (**CSRFF**). Officers noted the Study needed more information in some areas and requested the club update the Study. The SBTC provided additional information and resubmitted their request for funding on 28 November 2021.

On 22 March 2022, officers met with the SBTC to discuss the way forward. There was no clear position from the City on including the project in the CIP or Business Plan, however the SBTC was provided with a list of suggested actions that would be beneficial.

On 24 May 2022, SBTC wrote to the City requesting an update on the original request from November 2021, and to provide the additional information requested at the March 2022 meeting.

In November 2022, the SBTC's request for Council to allocate funding towards the redevelopment of the existing pavilion was presented at a Councillor Engagement Session (**CES**), as one of many unfunded projects competing for funding through the Business Plan. At this CES, officers recommended undertaking additional investigations to confirm the scope of works required, as it was identified the Study commissioned by the SBTC had some gaps in critical building condition and services information which could impact the final scope of works and cost estimate.

Funding to undertake the additional investigations was requested during budget review, and in February 2024, following the procurement process, Site Architecture Studio (**SAS**) was appointed to complete the investigations. The investigations are now complete, and the outcomes are the subject of this Report.

Details

SAS were engaged to investigate the structural, electrical, mechanical and hydraulic services for the SBTC's proposed redevelopment, along with assessing disability access and compliance against current building standards. The purpose being to ensure the full scope of works and implications of the proposed redevelopment were clearly understood and included in the cost estimate, so that Council can make an informed decision on the way forward. The investigations were focused on the building, however did extend to key external infrastructure (if necessary) to determine if alterations would result in the need for upgrades services.

It is important to note, that the facility met building code requirements that were in place at the time of construction, therefore there is no legal requirement to meet current standards unless significant redevelopment is undertaken or there is a change in purpose. Where non-compliances have been identified, these are with current codes not the codes at the time of construction, therefore the impact is to the scope and cost of any future major redevelopment.

A summary of the outcomes of the investigations is below:

- The building is in mostly original condition (built in the 1970's, with the change rooms added in 1974/1975).
- The building is well maintained, with fixtures and fittings generally in need of renewal.
- The building is not readily accessible and does not comply with the Disability (Access to Premises – Buildings) standards 2010 (Access Code).
- The structure of the main building is in good condition with only minor cracking to walls.
- All electrical infrastructure has reached the end of intended design life and requires renewal.
- All sanitary fixtures are connected to septic tank and leach drain onsite disposal system. Deep sewerage is available to the site.
- Existing mechanical services will need replacing to comply with current standards and to meet the requirements of the proposed new design (if redevelopment proceeds).
- Existing cold water pipework and isolation valves are from the original construction and are at the end of life.
- There is an existing City owned stormwater drain running north south through the site. The City's Technical Services team has advised against building permanent structures over the top of this drain, which impacts the SBTC's proposed concept plan and building extension.

An assessment of the building condition using the Institute of Public Works Engineering Australasia (IPWEA) grading scale of 1 (very good) to 5 (very poor), rates the condition of the building as 3 (in fair condition). The functionality is considered poor with an IPWEA NAMS+ rating of 4 (the second lowest rating). The NAMS+ definition of poor functionality is *limited ability to meet program/service delivery. Considered fit for purpose in some areas, may provide an unacceptable but not poor level of service.*

Noting the City's and SBTC financial capacity to deliver the complete vision outlined in the Study, SAS were directed to prepare a scope of works and cost estimate which met the minimum requirements of the Sport and Community Facility Provision (SCFPP) Guidelines. SAS also prepared a scope of works and cost estimate to address the highest priority issues of disability access to the ablutions and refurbishment of the kitchen. An option to demolish and rebuild the facility has also been assessed.

The four options investigated as possible ways forward are summarised in Table 1 below.

Option	Description	Cost \$*
1. Like for like replacement of existing kitchen and toilets	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refurbishment of existing toilet and kitchen, proposed finishes and joineries are equal to existing.• All substrate is kept as existing.• New services fixtures as per existing layout, no allowance for services upgrades.	317,913
2. Toilet and kitchen refurbishment plus addition of UAT	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Refurbishment of existing toilet and kitchen.• Construction of a new UAT (extension to current building footprint required).• Landscaping and pathway refurbishment.	1,621,400

Option	Description	Cost \$*
3. Major redevelopment of existing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refurbishment of existing building. 260m2 expansion to the Eastern side of the existing building. Replace roof to existing function area with new raised roof. Refurbishment of existing pathways and landscaping. Refurbishment and upgrade of electrical services. 	2,620,000
4. New build (SCFPP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition of existing building. Construction of a new building as per Sports and Community Facility Provision Standards and Dimensions Guidelines. Make good existing landscaping. 	2,716,500
4a. New Build (SBTC requirements)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition of existing building. Construction of a new building with additional 87m2 of spaces as requested by SBTC. Make good existing landscaping. 	3,087,576

Table 1: Summary of Redevelopment Options

**includes project management fee, superintendent fee, and design costs. Excludes escalation.*

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

The SBTC Committee have been consulted throughout this project. Officers have met with SBTC on numerous occasions to discuss the intent of the project, the outcomes of the Study and the options for the way forward. Following a committee meeting on the 15 July 2024, SBTC has provided feedback on the options presented in this report. An extract from their correspondence is below:

SBTC option priorities are;

1. 4a New Build (SBTC requirements)
2. 3 Major redevelopment of existing
3. 4 New build (SCFPP)

Option 4a

- *Minimises Whole of Life costs*
- *Maximises flexibility in design because it is a new build*
- *Provides space for club growth over the life of the building*
- *Allows colocation with other sport and recreation groups in a multi-use facility*
- *The difference in capital cost between options 4 and 4a is \$353,495 or less than 14%. This investment will maximise social impact over the life of the building.*

Option 3

- *Provides space for club growth over the life of the building*
- *Less flexibility in design due to working with a 50+ year old building*
- *The difference in capital cost between options 3 and 4a is \$446,025 or less than 18%. Building new should minimise WOL costs.*

Option 4

- *Minimises WOL costs*
- *Maximises flexibility in design because it is a new build*
- *Doesn't allow for club growth over the life of the building*

Of options 3 and 4a we think that the overall size could be reduced by around 50m² by rationalising some of the spaces. This may make the cost of option 4a similar to option 4. We understand that the plans presented are notional and would appreciate being given the opportunity to discuss the layout when the time comes.

We would like to note that in recent years we have enjoyed a high level of utilisation of our facility. Data has become available since the first report and we have attached our Book a Court usage data for the past year for information.

We believe that this is an important opportunity to position Safety Bay Tennis Club as a major tennis centre for the southern region which we believe would be very beneficial to the residents of the City of Rockingham.

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Not Applicable

c. Strategic

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **1. Social - A family-friendly, safe and connected community**

Outcome/Objective: *Community health and wellbeing - Provide healthy lifestyle opportunities*

Aspiration: **3. Built Environment - A built environment carefully planned for today and tomorrow**

Outcome/Objective: *Built infrastructure meets current and future community needs - Plan build and maintain current and future assets*

d. Policy

The City's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan has the following outcome which should be considered in the decision making process:

Outcome 2 – Building and Facilities: People with disability have the same opportunities as other people to access the buildings and other facilities of the City of Rockingham.

The City's SCFPP Policy has been considered when preparing the various options. If the SBTC's desired option 4a is pursued, the City would need to enter into an agreement with the SBTC to fund the additional spaces that fall outside the SCFPP Guidelines as outlined in this Policy.

e. Financial

There is currently no funding allocated to the major redevelopment of Safety Bay Tennis Club or the renewal of the ablutions or kitchen. As mentioned in the background section of this report, the City had previously identified \$180,000 in a past Business Plan to undertake renewal of the ablutions and kitchen facilities. This funding was reallocated to other projects, rather than the date of implementation continually being altered, pending the outcome of SBTC investigations into the redevelopment of the pavilion.

If Council wishes to proceed with renewal of the existing ablutions and kitchen, independent of the redevelopment of the pavilion, asset renewal funding will need to be allocated to the project.

An application can be made to the State Government's CSRFF program to assist with the implementation of options 3 and 4. It is unlikely that external funding will be available for options 1 and 2 as they are primarily asset renewal projects that will not contribute significantly to an increase in participation.

f. Legal and Statutory

Not Applicable

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

The need for improved facilities at SBTC is well documented and is justified in the Study. The City has also identified the need for asset renewal of the kitchen and ablutions and had previously identified \$180,000 in the Business Plan to complete these works. These works were put on hold pending the outcome of the SBTC investigations into the need for expansion of the facility.

The SBTC has aspirations to offer additional programs and grow membership, which will be assisted by improved amenities. The spaces identified in the Study align with their long term vision, however exceed the spaces identified in the City's SCFPP Guidelines. The scope for a redevelopment of the existing building could be reduced to align with the guidelines, without adversely impacting the future operations of the SBTC.

During their due diligence investigations, SAS identified a number of issues and risks with the building alterations proposed in the concept plan prepared by the SBTC. An alternative has been proposed by SAS which aligns with the SBTC desired scope, addresses the risks and issues identified, provides for a more accurate cost estimate and ability to test the feasibility of implementing the SBTC's vision. If the SBTC are able to financially contribute to the project, their future vision can be delivered, however an assessment of the capital cost, overall functionality improvements and long term financial implications do impact the viability of this option.

Unless Council chooses to allocate funding towards the full redevelopment of the pavilion within the next five years, it is the officer's opinion that the renewal of the existing ablutions and kitchen, followed by the demolition and rebuild of the existing pavilion (to be implemented when funding permits), is the most viable way forward. It is important to note, that the City has limited human resources to deliver projects. If the officer recommendation is supported by Council, the project will be scheduled, not only with City's financial capacity in mind, but also the human resources available to deliver the project.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council:

1. **SUPPORTS** the refurbishment of the existing toilets and kitchen at Safety Bay Tennis Club as a high priority and **CONSIDERS** the allocation of \$320,000 for implementation of this option in a future Business Plan.
2. **CONSIDERS** allocating \$2,720,000 (to be escalated to the proposed year of construction) in a future Business Plan to construct a new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club
3. **ACKNOWLEDGES** that significant external works and alterations to existing courts, flood lighting and car parking are not included in the scope of works for the new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club and additional funding will need to be allocated if the works are to be included in the project.

Committee Recommendation

That Council:

1. **SUPPORTS** the refurbishment of the existing toilets and kitchen at Safety Bay Tennis Club as a high priority and **CONSIDERS** the allocation of \$320,000 for implementation of this option in a future Business Plan.
2. **CONSIDERS** allocating \$2,720,000 (to be escalated to the proposed year of construction) in a future Business Plan to construct a new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club
3. **ACKNOWLEDGES** that significant external works and alterations to existing courts, flood lighting and car parking are not included in the scope of works for the new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club and additional funding will need to be allocated if the works are to be included in the project.

Committee Voting (Carried) – 5/1

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Liley
Cr Middlecoat
Cr Buchanan

Cr Crichton
Cr Schmidt

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Hume

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Council Resolution

Note: During debate Deputy Mayor proposed an amendment to include the words 'or budget review' at the end of point 1. The Mover and Seconder agreed to this amendment.

Moved Cr Schmidt, seconded Cr Liley:

That Council:

1. **SUPPORTS** the refurbishment of the existing toilets and kitchen at Safety Bay Tennis Club as a high priority and **CONSIDERS** the allocation of \$320,000 for implementation of this option in a future Business Plan **or budget review**.
2. **CONSIDERS** allocating \$2,720,000 (to be escalated to the proposed year of construction) in a future Business Plan to construct a new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club.
3. **ACKNOWLEDGES** that significant external works and alterations to existing courts, flood lighting and car parking are not included in the scope of works for the new pavilion at Safety Bay Tennis Club and additional funding will need to be allocated if the works are to be included in the project.

Carried – 12/0

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

General Management Services Governance and Councillor Support



Report number / title:	GM-023/24	Review of Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) Advocacy Positions – Local Government Elections
File number:	GOV/96	
Proponent/s:		
Author:	Mr Jim Olynyk, Manager Governance and Councillor Support	
Other Contributor/s:	Mr Michael Parker, Chief Executive Officer	
Date of Committee meeting:	15 October 2024	
Previously before Council:	26 February 2019 (GM-006/19); 25 January 2022 (GM-002/22); 28 May 2024 (GM-009/24)	
Disclosure of Interest:		
Nature of Council's role:	Advocacy	
Attachments:	1. Elections Analysis Review and Report	
Maps / Diagrams:		
Site:		
Lot Area:		

Purpose of Report

For Council to consider and reaffirm its support of the Western Australian Local Government Association (**WALGA**) Local Government Elections Advocacy positions.

Background

The *Local Government Amendment Act 2023* introduced a range of electoral reforms that came into effect prior to the 2023 Local Government ordinary elections:

- the introduction of Optional Preferential Voting (**OPV**);
- extending the election period to account for delays in postal services;
- changes to the publication of information about candidates;
- backfilling provisions for extraordinary vacancies after the 2023 election;
- public election of the Mayor or President for larger Local Governments;
- abolishing wards for smaller Local Governments; and
- aligning the size of councils with the size of populations of each Local Government (change to representation)

Following requests from several Zone's, WALGA undertook a comprehensive review and analysis of five (5) ordinary election cycles up to and including the 2023 Local Government election against the backdrop of these legislative reforms. The review and report focused on postal elections conducted exclusively by the Western Australian Electoral Commission (**WAEC**), with the analysis finding evidence of the rising cost and a reduction in service of conducting Local Government elections in Western Australia.

Details

The Elections Analysis Review and Report was presented to State Council 4 September 2024, with State Council supporting a review of WALGA's Local Government Elections Advocacy Positions, Attachment 1.

WALGA is requesting Councils consider the current and alternative Elections Advocacy Positions and provide a response back to WALGA for the December 2024 State Council meeting. To inform an item for the December meeting of State Council, Council decisions are requested by Monday 28 October 2024.

WALGA State Council current advocacy positions:

The following is a summary of WALGA's current Advocacy Positions in relation to Local Government Elections:

Elections

Position Statement	<p>The Local Government sector supports:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Four year terms with a two year spill2. Greater participation in Local Government elections3. The option to hold elections through:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Online voting• Postal voting, and• In-person voting4. Voting at Local Government elections to be voluntary5. The first past the post method of counting votes <p>The Local Government sector opposes the introduction of preferential voting, however if 'first past the post' voting is not retained then optional preferential voting is preferred.</p>
Background	<p>The first past the post (FPTP) method is simple, allows an expression of the electorate's wishes and does not encourage tickets and alliances to be formed to allocate preferences.</p>

Method of Election of Mayor

Position Statement	<p>Local Governments should determine whether their Mayor or President will be elected by the Council or elected by the community.</p>
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Conduct of Postal Elections

Position Statement	<p>The <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> should be amended to allow the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) and any other third party provider including Local Governments to conduct postal elections.</p>
Background	<p>Currently, the WAEC has a legislatively enshrined monopoly on the conduct of postal elections that has not been tested by the market.</p>

Implications to Consider

- Consultation with the Community**
Nil
- Consultation with Government Agencies**
Nil

c. Strategic

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **5. Leadership Aspiration - Transparent and accountable leadership and governance**

Outcome/Objective: *Quality Leadership - Ensure accountable and transparent governance*

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

Relevant legislative references include:

- *Local Government Act 1995.*
- *Local Government (Elections) Regulation 1996.*
- *Electoral Act 1907.*

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

Council has previously adopted various positions addressing local government electoral reform. WALGA has requested feedback from all Councils on the following electoral matters by selecting a preferred option:

1. PARTICIPATION

(a) The sector continues to support voluntary voting at Local Government elections.

OR

(b) The sector supports compulsory voting at Local Governments elections.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-006/19 26/2/2019, voting in Local Government elections should remain voluntary.

2. TERMS OF OFFICE

(a) The sector continues to support four-year terms with a two year spill;

OR

(b) The sector supports four-year terms on an all in/all out basis.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-002/22 25/1/2022, Council noted WALGA's comments that the Local Government sector supports Four year terms with a two year spill. Further, WALGA stated that the sector's advocacy against compulsory voting and "All in All out" 4 year terms has been successful and these items are not included in the reform proposals.

Comment

The current system ensures some continuity on Council following an election. This is particularly relevant as local governments are required to have long term planning in place.

3. VOTING METHODS

- (a) The sector supports First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for general elections. If Optional Preferential Voting (OPV) remains as the primary method of voting, the sector supports the removal of the 'proportional' part of the voting method for general elections

OR

- (b) The sector supports Optional Preferential Voting (OPV) as the preferred voting method for general elections.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-006/19 26/2/2019, Elections should be conducted utilising the first-past-the-post (FPTP) method of voting.

GM-002/22 25/1/2022, Comments and clarifications

- Issues that go with preferential voting:
 - Longer time taken to determine results especially for multiple vacancies or with high numbers of candidates.
 - Count night could turn into count days.
 - Could increase politicisation of local government elections.
 - Note WALGA comments – preferential will encourage alliances formed for the distribution of preferences and party politics into local government.
- Preferential voting is used in both Federal and State Elections. Moving to preferential voting would provide overall consistency,
- First past the post is considered simple to understand.

4. INTERNAL ELECTIONS

- (a) The sector supports First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for all internal elections.

OR

- (b) The sector supports Optional Preferential Voting (OPV) as the preferred voting method for all internal elections.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-006/19 26/2/2019, Elections should be conducted utilising the first-past-the-post (FPTP) method of voting.

GM-009/24 28/5/2024, Elections of Presiding Members for committees being required to be conducted in accordance with Schedule 2.3 of the Act, Optional Preferential Voting (OPV), (as per election of Deputy Mayor) is onerous and unnecessary.

5. VOTING ACCESSIBILITY

The sector supports the option to hold general elections through:

- (a) Electronic voting; and/or
(b) Postal voting; and/or
(c) In-Person voting.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-006/19 26/2/2019, the *Local Government Act 1995* should be amended to allow the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) and or any other third party provider to conduct postal elections and that WALGA continue to investigate online voting and other opportunities to increase voter turnout.

6. METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR

The sector supports:

- (a) As per the current legislation with no change – Class 1 and 2 local governments directly elect the Mayor or President (election by electors method), with regulations preventing a change in this method.

OR

- (b) Return to previous legislated provisions – all classes of local governments can decide, by absolute majority, the method for electing their Mayor or President.

OR

- (c) Apply current provisions to all Bands of Local Governments – apply the election by electors method to all classes of local governments.

City of Rockingham Position

GM-006/19 26/2/2019, Local Governments should determine whether their Mayor or President will be elected by the Council or elected by the community.

GM-002/22 25/1/2022, Comments and clarifications

- The City now has an elector Elected Mayor through Council decision. This illustrates the current legislation provides flexibility and this works.
- Almost 50:50 split between Band 1 and 2 local governments.
- There are arguments for and against both. The right for communities to choose should remain.
- Retain the current system as there is ability for local governments to change to directly elected Mayor.

Conclusion

WALGA has requested Council's consideration of the current and alternative Elections Advocacy Positions by Monday 28 October 2024. The Local Government Election Advocacy Positions include:

1. Participation
2. Terms of Office
3. Voting Methods
4. Internal Election
5. Voting Accessibility
6. Method of Election of the Mayor

Officers have extracted Council decisions relevant to these matters as listed above. Where there is a direct correlation between a Council decision and a WALGA Local Government Election Advocacy Position this has been reflected in the Officer recommendation. In other cases where there is a difference, the principle of Council's decision or commentary has been reflected in the Officer recommendation.

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Positions:

1. PARTICIPATION - continued support of voluntary voting at Local Government elections.
2. TERMS OF OFFICE - continued support of four-year terms with a two year spill.

3. VOTING METHODS - continued support of First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for general elections. If Optional Preferential Voting (OPV) remains as the primary method of voting, the sector supports the removal of the 'proportional' part of the voting method for general elections
4. INTERNAL ELECTIONS - continued support of First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for all internal elections.
5. VOTING ACCESSIBILITY - continued support of the option to hold general elections through:
 - (a) Electronic voting; and/or
 - (b) Postal voting; and/or
 - (c) In-Person voting.
6. METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR - continued support of a return to previous legislated provisions – all classes of local governments can decide, by absolute majority, the method for electing their Mayor or President.

Committee Recommendation

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Positions:

1. PARTICIPATION - continued support of voluntary voting at Local Government elections.
2. TERMS OF OFFICE - continued support of four-year terms with a two year spill.
3. VOTING METHODS - continued support of First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for general elections. If Optional Preferential Voting (OPV) remains as the primary method of voting, the sector supports the removal of the 'proportional' part of the voting method for general elections
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 - (a) Electronic voting; and/or
 - (b) Postal voting; and/or
 - (c) In-Person voting.
6. METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR - continued support of a return to previous legislated provisions – all classes of local governments can decide, by absolute majority, the method for electing their Mayor or President.

Committee Voting (Lost on the casting vote of the Presiding Member) – 3/4

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Liley Cr Crichton
Cr Hume

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Middlecoat Cr Schmidt
Cr Buchanan (2)

Note: Due to an equality of votes at the Council meeting, the Presiding Member exercised the obligation to cast a second vote to reach a decision in this matter (Section 5.21(3) of the Local Government Act 1995).

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Alternate Motion

Deputy Mayor Buchan proposed the following Alternate Motion:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Positions:

1. PARTICIPATION – supports compulsory voting at Local Governments elections.
2. TERMS OF OFFICE - supports four-year terms on an all in/all out basis.
3. VOTING METHODS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for general elections.
4. INTERNAL ELECTIONS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for all internal elections.
5. VOTING ACCESSIBILITY - supports the option to hold general elections through In-Person voting with the option to opt in for postal voting.
6. METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR – supports as per the current legislation with no change – Class 1 and 2 local governments directly elect the Mayor or President (election by electors' method), with regulations preventing a change in this method.
7. COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – supports costs being borne by the WA State Government.

Reason for Alternate Motion

Participation

1. *Mandatory voting means the whole community must engage with and understand Local Government issues. This means community issues come to the fore and the whole community will benefit.*
2. *Mandatory voting will reduce the interests of sectional groups who seek to benefit from voluntary voting by motivating members to vote for certain candidates.*
3. *Voting in State and Federal elections is mandatory. The work performed by Local Government is no less important and should be afforded mandatory status as in the Eastern States.*
4. *Compulsory voting means candidates need to address the concerns of all voters not just those who are likely to vote.*
5. *If voting were mandatory, it would remove the influence of having to have money to spend on election materials/campaigns to become known and motivate voters.*

Terms of Office

1. *An election every 4 years would reduce costs of holding elections by half.*
2. *This would match with State election terms.*
3. *The argument that we would lose knowledge, long term planning or strategy is not valid as these strategies are in place and will continue into the next term. Both State and Federal governments have a total spill and some MPs are re-elected. There is no reason why we would not expect some Councillors to be re-elected in a total spill scenario.*

Voting Methods

1. *Optional preferential voting is a superior method of voting than first past the post as it allows your preferences to be achieved for another candidate even though your first choice may not have been elected.*
2. *Allowing second, third, fourth votes means the least disliked person maybe elected beyond that of a single tick.*
3. *By allowing ranking your choices we will see true preferences.*

Voting accessibility

1. *Currently postal voting can be subject to manipulation by vote card harvesting from post boxes and bins.*
2. *There is a risk of voter fraud with opportunity for voters to be manipulated or coerced. Votes cast in their name without the voter's knowledge.*
3. *Reducing access to postal services means that we should be looking to alternate methods of holding local government elections.*
4. *By opting in for postal voting means we remain inclusive to those not able to attend in person.*

Method of election of Mayor

1. *Method of election of the Mayor should remain as legislated to allow transparency and accountability.*
2. *It allows electors to have a direct say in who leads their community, fostering trust in the democratic process.*
3. *Public elections also encourage mayoral candidates to engage with the whole community and address City wide issues more effectively.*

Cost of Local Government elections should be borne by the State Government

1. *Local Government is a department of State Government and we are subject to costs of running elections from the WA Electoral commission as a monopoly.*
2. *If the State Government legislates that we are to use the WA Electoral commission to use their services without a competitive market then they should pay the costs of the election.*

Implications to Consider on Alternate Motion

a. Consultation with the Community

Nil

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

This item addresses the Community's Vision for the future and specifically the following Aspiration and Strategic Objective(s) contained in the Strategic Community Plan 2023-2033:

Aspiration: **5. Leadership Aspiration - Transparent and accountable leadership and governance**

Outcome/Objective: **Quality Leadership - Ensure accountable and transparent governance**

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

Relevant legislative references include:

- *Local Government Act 1995.*
- *Local Government (Elections) Regulation 1996.*
- *Electoral Act 1907.*

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Officer Comment on Alternate Motion

The officer report associated with GM-023/24 addresses a request from the Western Australian Local Government Association (**WALGA**) on its Local Government Elections Advocacy positions. WALGA has asked for feedback on its six (6) presented options for local government electoral reform.

The officer recommendation presented for Council consideration is based upon extracted Council decisions relevant to these matters. Where there is a direct correlation between a Council decision and a WALGA Local Government Election Advocacy Position this has been reflected in the officer recommendation. In other cases where there is a difference, the principle of Council's decision or commentary has been reflected in the officer recommendation.

It is noted that different views will exist on these matters however the current Council positions were established as feedback on the local government reform process following Elected Member engagement.

Council will need to consider the Alternative Motion provided by Deputy Mayor Buchan and debate its merits accordingly. However, the following commentary is provided on various components of the Alternative Motion.

1. Alternative recommendation 1: PARTICIPATION - supports compulsory voting at Local Governments elections.

Comment

Concern against compulsory voting includes the potential further encroachment of party politics into local government.

2. Alternative recommendation 2: TERMS OF OFFICE - supports four-year terms on an all in/all out basis.

Comment

The staggering of terms does provide for some continuity. Local governments are required to have Integrated Planning in place. This is developed over time with community consultation. A completely new Council with little buy in to existing plans may seek to disregard such plans as generally occurs with a change of government at State or Federal level.

This could be at considerable cost and time without the benefit and background knowledge of existing Council Members.

3. Alternative recommendation 3: VOTING METHODS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for general elections.

Comment

The use of Optional Preferential Voting (**OPV**) in the last local government elections also required the proportional representation or quota system for multi-vacancy electorates. This proved confusing in having two different methods for single vacancy and multi-vacancy elections.

The OPV system did take longer to determine an outcome which would be further impacted in compulsory voting elections.

4. Alternative recommendation 4: INTERNAL ELECTIONS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for all internal elections.

Comment

Aligns with the current *Local Government 1995 Act* requirements. This was however considered by Council through GM-009/24 on 28/5/2024, to be unnecessarily complex for internal elections of this nature.

5. Alternative recommendation 5: VOTING ACCESSIBILITY - supports the option to hold general elections through In-Person voting with the option to opt in for postal voting.

Comment

The *Local Government Act 1995* currently allows discretion for a local government to conduct postal elections or voting in person elections. Where in person voting is utilised people can apply for a postal vote in certain circumstances (eg: they are going to be absent at the time of the election).

Section 4.61 of the *Local Government Act* states;

4.61. Choice of methods of conducting election

(1) *The election can be conducted as a —*

***postal election** which is an election at which the method of casting votes is by posting or delivering them to an electoral officer on or before election day; or*

***voting in person election** which is an election at which the principal method of casting votes is by voting in person on election day but at which votes can also be cast in person before election day, or posted or delivered, in accordance with regulations.*

(2) *The local government may decide* to conduct the election as a postal election.*

The City of Rockingham (**City**) has conducted postal voting elections since at least 1999, based on Western Australian Electoral Commission website data. The current cost of conducting an in person election for the City is therefore not known however the logistics might be considered similar to those required for electorates at State Elections particularly if compulsory voting was to apply.

Utilising WA Electoral Commission data for the 2021 State Elections for the Districts of Baldivis, Rockingham and Warnbro, the number of electors totalled 92,717 with 29 polling places across the three Districts, 26 of them located within the City of Rockingham. The City's electoral numbers as at the 2023 local government elections was 93,256. Please note that State elections are compulsory however similar polling place numbers may apply for the convenience of elector polling and turnout.

In the last Federal Election (2022) for the seat of Brand 26 polling booths were operated within the City of Rockingham boundaries noting that voting was compulsory.

6. Alternative recommendation 6: METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR – supports as per the current legislation with no change – Class 1 and 2 local governments directly elect the Mayor or President (election by electors' method), with regulations preventing a change in this method.

Comment

Aligns with current *Local Government 1995 Act* requirements.

7. Alternative recommendation 7: COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – supports costs being borne by the WA State Government.

Comment

WALGA has asked for feedback on six (6) presented options for local government electoral reform positions. Alternative recommendation 7 does not form part of WALGA's request. However, Council may consider this as an additional feedback to WALGA should it resolve to do so.

The officer recommendation associated with GM-023/24 is based upon extracted Council decisions relevant to these matters. Council may determine its position on each matter as it deems necessary. On this basis the Alternate Motion by Deputy Mayor Buchan is not supported.

Officer Recommendation on Alternate Motion

That the Alternate Motion by Deputy Mayor Buchan is not supported.

Note: The Mayor advised that she would deal with each of the seven (7) items in the Alternate Motion separately.

Council Resolutions

Review of Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) Advocacy Positions – Local Government Elections

1. PARTICIPATION

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Jones:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

PARTICIPATION – supports compulsory voting at Local Governments elections. (*Alternate Motion*)

Carried – 9/3

Council Members voting for the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan	Cr Jecks
Cr Middlecoat	Cr Jones
Cr Schmidt	Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Liley	Cr Crichton
Mayor Hamblin	

2. TERMS OF OFFICE

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Schmidt:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

TERMS OF OFFICE - supports four-year terms on an all in/all out basis. (*Alternate Motion*)

Lost – 3/9

Council Members voting for the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan
Cr Middlecoat
Cr Schmidt

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Crichton	Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	Cr Jecks
Cr Jones	Cr Liley
Mayor Hamblin	

Moved Cr Buchanan, seconded Cr Jones:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

TERMS OF OFFICE - continued support of four-year terms with a two year spill. (*Officer Recommendation*)

Carried – 10/2

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Buchanan	Cr Jones
Cr Wormall	Cr Jecks
Cr Schmidt	Cr Crichton
Cr Hume	Cr Hudson
Cr Liley	Mayor Hamblin

Council Members voting against the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan
Cr Middlecoat

3. VOTING METHODS

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Middlecoat:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

VOTING METHODS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for general elections. (*Alternate Motion*)

Carried – 10/2

Council Members voting for the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan	Cr Jecks
Cr Middlecoat	Cr Jones
Cr Schmidt	Cr Crichton
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	Cr Liley

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Wormall
Mayor Hamblin

4. INTERNAL ELECTIONS

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Schmidt:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

INTERNAL ELECTIONS - supports Optional Preferential Voting as the preferred voting method for all internal elections. (*Alternate Motion*)

Lost – 5/7

Council Members voting for the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan	Cr Jecks
Cr Middlecoat	Cr Jones
Cr Schmidt	

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Crichton	Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	Cr Liley
Mayor Hamblin	

Moved Cr Schmidt, seconded Cr Liley:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

INTERNAL ELECTIONS - continued support of First Past the Post (FPTP) as the preferred voting method for all internal elections. (*Officer Recommendation*)

Carried – 9/3

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Schmidt	Cr Liley
Cr Crichton	Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	Cr Jecks
Mayor Hamblin	

Council Members voting against the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan
Cr Middlecoat
Cr Jones

7:57pm Mr Ricci, Director Planning and Development Services left the Chamber and returned at 7:59pm

5. VOTING ACCESSIBILITY

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Jones:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

VOTING ACCESSIBILITY - supports the option to hold general elections through In-Person voting with the option to opt in for postal voting. (*Alternate Motion*)

Lost – 2/10

Council Members voting for the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan
Cr Middlecoat

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Crichton	Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan	Cr Hudson
Cr Hume	Cr Jecks
Cr Jones	Cr Liley
Cr Schmidt	Mayor Hamblin

Moved Cr Buchanan, seconded Cr Hume:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

VOTING ACCESSIBILITY - continued support of the option to hold general elections through:

- (a) Electronic voting; and/or
- (b) Postal voting; and/or
- (c) In-Person voting. (*Officer Recommendation*)

Carried – 10/2

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Buchanan	Cr Hume
Cr Wormall	Cr Jecks
Cr Schmidt	Cr Crichton
Cr Jones	Cr Hudson
Cr Liley	Mayor Hamblin

Council Members voting against the motion:

Deputy Mayor Buchan
Cr Middlecoat

6. METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Middlecoat:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

METHOD OF ELECTION OF MAYOR – supports as per the current legislation with no change – Class 1 and 2 local governments directly elect the Mayor or President (election by electors' method), with regulations preventing a change in this method. (*Alternate Motion*)

Carried – 12/0

7. COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

Moved Deputy Mayor Buchan, seconded Cr Schmidt:

That Council **RECOMMENDS** that the Western Australian Local Government Association adopt the following Local Government Election Advocacy Position:

COST OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS – supports costs being borne by the WA State Government. (*Alternate Motion*)

Carried – 12/0

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

14.	Receipt of Information Bulletin
	<p>Moved Cr Hudson, seconded Cr Hume:</p> <p>That Council RECEIVES the Information Bulletin as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Planning and Development Services Bulletin – October 2024;• Asset Services Bulletin – October 2024;• Corporate and General Management Services Bulletin – October 2024; and• Community Development Bulletin – October 2024 <p style="text-align: right;">Carried – 12/0</p>

15. Report of Mayor

**City of Rockingham
Mayor's Report**



Report number / title:	MR-009/24	Meetings and Functions Attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor
File number:	GOV/85	
Proponent/s:	City of Rockingham	
Author:	Mayor Deb Hamblin	
Other Contributors:	Cr Lorna Buchan, Deputy Mayor	
Date of Council meeting:	22 October 2024	
Previously before Council:		
Disclosure of Interest:		
Nature of Council's Role:	Executive	

Purpose of Report

To advise on the meetings and functions attended by the Mayor and Deputy Mayor during the period 20 September 2024 to 17 October 2024.

Background

Nil

Details

Date	Meeting/Function
21 September 2024	Rockingham Sunset Market
24 September 2024	Key Leaders in Business Breakfast Meeting with Realside Ovest Council Meeting
25 September 2024	Meeting with Dylan Mbano, Liberal for Baldivis
29 September 2024	The Cruising Yacht Club Open Day
30 September 2024	Main Roads, Aboriginal Employment meeting
1 October 2024	The Public Works Committee Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance meeting with Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency and Nuclear Powered Submarine Regulatory Design Meeting with Murdoch University
2 October 2024	State Road Funds to Local Government, Aboriginal Employment Working Group
5 October 2024	Safety Bay Tennis Club Competition

Date	Meeting/Function
8 October 2024	Meeting with Murdoch University Councillor Engagement Session
9 October 2024	WALGA Heads of Agency Breakfast Rockingham Defence Industry Forum
10 October 2024	Perth South West Metropolitan Alliance AUKUS Advanced Capabilities Meeting with Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation (JTSI) and Murdoch University
11 October 2024	Baldivis Ministerial Announcement Defence Housing City of Rockingham Pioneers Luncheon
14 October 2024	Planning and Asset Services Committee Rockingham Senior High School Valedictory Ceremony
15 October 2024	Catch up with the Stirling Commanding Officer
16 October 2024	Meeting with the Deputy Prime Minister South Metropolitan TAFE Governing Council Meeting Living Waters Lutheran College, Year 12 Ceremony
17 October 2024	Community Grants Program Committee Cities4Peace Event featuring Global Peace Ch Gurudev Sri Sri Ravi Shankar Chief Executive Performance Review Committee

Implications to Consider

a. Consultation with the Community

Nil

b. Consultation with Government Agencies

Nil

c. Strategic

Nil

d. Policy

Nil

e. Financial

Nil

f. Legal and Statutory

Nil

g. Risk

All Council decisions are subject to risk assessment according to the City's Risk Framework.

Implications and comment will only be provided for the following assessed risks.

Customer Service / Project management / Environment: High and Extreme Risks

Finance / Personal Health and Safety: Medium, High and Extreme Risks

Nil

Comments

Nil

Voting Requirements

Simple Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **RECEIVES** the Mayor's Report for the period 20 September 2024 to 17 October 2024.

Council Resolution

Moved Cr Hudson, seconded Cr Crichton:

That Council **RECEIVES** the Mayor's Report for the period 20 September 2024 to 17 October 2024.

Carried – 12/0

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

Not Applicable

16.	Reports of Council Members
	Nil
17.	Reports of Officers
	Nil
18.	Addendum Agenda
	Nil
19.	Motions of which Previous Notice has been given
	Nil
20.	Notices of Motion for Consideration at the Following Meeting
	Nil
21.	Questions by Members of which Due Notice has been given
	<p>21.1 Deputy Mayor Lorna Buchan – Freeman of the City</p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <p>1. As the announcement has been made that Mr Barry Sammels has officially been made a "Freeman" of the City of Rockingham can the previously confidential application from Mayor Hamblin GM-011/24 Confidential attachment number 1 per 5.23(b) 1 for the nomination be made public and attached to the minutes.</p> <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>Applications for Honorary Freeman of the City are made in confidence.</i></p> <p><i>Nominations made for awards including Honorary Freeman of the City and others such as Community Citizen of the Year, Senior Community Citizen of the Year and Young Community Citizen of the Year are all dealt with as confidential matters, with only specific detail released in the public environment. Making confidential nomination details available to the public after the event may compromise the integrity of the nomination process and award system, particularly when they have been promoted as confidential. This accords with provisions of the Local Government Act 1995 (Act), section 5.23 which allows Council to consider matters behind closed doors when dealing with stipulated matters e.g.: "the personal affairs of any person".</i></p> <p><i>Further, sections 5.94 and section 5.95 of the Act state that matters discussed behind closed doors inclusive of the associated attached documents forming part of the agenda are confidential and not accessible by the public.</i></p> <p><i>The nomination form previously adopted by Council includes the statement "The information contained in this document is strictly confidential". Council's current policy uses terminology such as "made in the strictest confidence without the knowledge of the nominee" and "prepare a confidential report to an ordinary Council meeting.</i></p> <p><i>It is considered appropriate that Confidential Attachment 1 to item GM-011/24 remains confidential as explained above.</i></p>

21.2 Cr Robert Schmidt – Australia Day Celebrations / Planning Matters

Question

1. Can the City confirm whether Sky News Australia, following the last ordinary council meeting, approached the City of Rockingham for comment relating to their several national news reports regarding Australia Day Celebration?

Response

The City confirms that no request for comment was received from Sky News.

Question

2. Has the City contacted Sky News Australia regarding these reports to correct the record? If not, why not?

Response

No. The City is not aware of any inaccurate reporting.

Question

3. Will the City take action in accordance with its Council Policy Livestreaming in respect to the live stream audio that was lifted by Sky News Australia that they used in their national news report? If not, why not?

Response

No. Sky News used grabs from Cr Hudson's interview on 6PR.

Question

4. Did the Mayor, as the sole spokesperson for the City of Rockingham, authorise Cr Peter Hudson to speak on her behalf with both 6PR and Sky News Australia? If so, why? If not, what action has been taken?

Response

No. On 6PR Cr Hudson made a statement at the outset of the interview that it was his personal views and not that of the City. He repeated throughout the interview the reference to his personal view.

Question

5. Can the City of Rockingham please advise how many compliance investigations occurred in 2023/2024 within the City of Rockingham following a single complaint?

Response

The City conducts hundreds of compliance investigations annually across its various functions under the many laws and regulations that are administered. The majority of these investigations commence following the receipt of a complaint.

It has not been possible to extract information from across the City to identify those situations where one complaint was made, as opposed to those where multiple complaints were received. Either way, it is irrelevant as each complaint is assessed and prioritised for further investigation based on the merits of the case.

Question

6. Can the City of Rockingham advise what is the procedure with regards to City Compliance entering a residential property?

Response

The procedure for entering a residential property is to do so in accordance with the relevant laws that apply to that situation. In the majority of compliance investigations, officers attend the front door of a property in order to consult with the occupier.

	<p><u>Question</u></p> <p>7. What is the legislative instrument that requires an individual to apply for a Development application to have a home business?</p> <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>The legal instrument which requires a party to apply for Development Approval for a 'Home Business' is the City's Town Planning Scheme No.2 and the aligned Planning and Development Act 2005 and Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015.</i></p> <p><u>Question</u></p> <p>8. What is the threshold to determine a home business? And who has ultimate determination on that threshold?</p> <p><u>Response</u></p> <p><i>The Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015 define 'Home Business' which stipulates what activities constitutes that landuse; it is applied through the City's Town Planning Scheme No.2. Land use permissibility for a 'Home Business within the various Zones is established in Table No.1 – Zoning Table of Town Planning Scheme No. 2.</i></p> <p><i>The determination on whether a proposed activity constitutes a 'Home Business' rests with the City's qualified Planning staff through the normal course of assessment.</i></p>
22.	Urgent Business Approved by the Person Presiding or by Decision of the Council
	Nil
23.	Matters Behind Closed Doors

Moved Cr Schmidt, seconded Cr Buchanan:

That Council **CLOSES** the meeting to the members of the gallery in accordance with Section 5.23(2)(b) of the *Local Government Act 1995* to allow Council to discuss Confidential Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments.

Carried – 12/0

8:11pm The Mayor requested that members of the gallery and Officers depart the meeting.
The meeting resumed behind closed doors.

Corporate and Community Development Committee

Mayor Hamblin and Crs Schmidt, Hume, Wormall, Buchanan and Jecks declared an impartiality interest in item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments and will deal with the matter on its merits and vote accordingly (refer to Item 9 for specific details).

CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Section 5.95(3) Local Government Act 1995 (Act)

This item may be discussed behind closed doors as per Section 5.23(2)(b) of the Act

General Management Services Governance and Councillor Support	
Report number / title:	GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments (<i>Absolute Majority</i>)
File number:	GOV/39
Proponent/s:	
Author:	Ms Louise Pleasance, Governance Coordinator
Other Contributor/s:	Mr Jim Olynyk, Manager Governance and Councillor Support Mr Paul Hayward, Manager Community Capacity Building Mr Manoj Barua, Manager Technical Services Ms Mary-Jane Rigby, Manager Community Safety and Support Services Ms Donna Cochrane, Coordinator Cultural Development and Arts Ms Kolina Brennan, Emergency Liaison Coordinator Ms Rebekka Jarvis, Coordinator Community Capacity Building Ms Anya Pearce, Community Development Officer (Disability Access and Inclusion) Ms Amanda Fairhead, Community Grants Officer Ms Bethany Dubberlin, Community Development Officer (Seniors)
Date of Committee meeting:	15 October 2024
Previously before Council:	25 October 2022 (GM-016/22)
Disclosure of Interest:	Cr Schmidt declared an Impartiality Interest in Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the <i>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</i> and as per section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> , as Cr Schmidt knows all members appointed to the Bushfire Advisory Committee through his role as a Senior Officer of Baldivis Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services. Cr Schmidt will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

Disclosure of Interest: (cont.)	Cr Hume declared an Impartiality Interest in Item GM-022/24 Council Advisory Committee Membership – Review of Appointments, as detailed in Regulation 22 of the <i>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</i> and as per section 5.65 of the <i>Local Government Act 1995</i> , as Cr Hume personally knows some of the nominated members. Cr Hume will consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.
Nature of Council's role:	Executive
Attachments:	1. Confidential Attachment – Advisory Committee Representation Nominations 2024
Maps / Diagrams:	
Site:	
Lot Area:	

Purpose of Report

To consider appointments for membership and changes to composition for community members and representatives of organisations and government departments to Council Advisory Committees.

Voting Requirements

Absolute Majority

Officer Recommendation

That Council **APPROVES** the recommendation in the confidential report.

Committee Recommendation

That Council **APPROVES** the recommendation in the confidential report.

Committee Voting (Carried) – 6/0

The Committee's Reason for Varying the Officer's Recommendation

Not Applicable

Alternate Motion

Councillor Hume proposed the following Alternate Motion:

That Council:

1. **APPROVES** the amendment to the composition of the Coastal Facilities Advisory Committee to include one representative from the Safety Bay Yacht Club.
2. **APPROVES** the amendment to the composition of the Community Safety and Support Services Advisory Committee to include one representative from the WA Police, Officer in Charge Rockingham Police Station.
3. **APPROVES** a reduction in the number of community members on the Community Safety and Support Services Advisory Committee from nine to six.
4. **APPROVES** a reduction in the number of community members on the RoadWise Advisory Committee from six to three.
5. **DEFERS** appointment of members to the Cultural Development and the Arts Advisory Committee, Rockingham Education and Training Advisory Committee, ~~and~~ Seniors Advisory

Committee and Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until these Advisory Committees are reviewed at a future Councillor Engagement Session.

6. **APPOINTS** the community member representatives and organisational or government representatives to each Council Advisory Group for a term of two years, expiring on 30 September 2026:

Reason for Alternate Motion

To allow the terms of reference and strategic alignment of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee to be reviewed at a future Councillor Engagement Session, to ensure it continues to be fit for purpose in its current form.

Officer Recommendation on Alternate Motion

That the Alternative Motion by Councillor Hume be supported.

Council Resolution

Moved Cr Hume, seconded Cr Schmidt:

That Council:

1. **APPROVES** the amendment to the composition of the Coastal Facilities Advisory Committee to include one representative from the Safety Bay Yacht Club.
2. **APPROVES** the amendment to the composition of the Community Safety and Support Services Advisory Committee to include one representative from the WA Police, Officer in Charge Rockingham Police Station.
3. **APPROVES** a reduction in the number of community members on the Community Safety and Support Services Advisory Committee from nine to six.
4. **APPROVES** a reduction in the number of community members on the RoadWise Advisory Committee from six to three.
5. **DEFERS** appointment of members to the Cultural Development and the Arts Advisory Committee, Rockingham Education and Training Advisory Committee, Seniors Advisory Committee and Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee until these Advisory Committees are reviewed at a future Councillor Engagement Session.
6. **APPOINTS** the community member representatives and organisational or government representatives to each Council Advisory Group for a term of two years, expiring on 30 September 2026:

Advisory Committee	Composition	Terms of Reference	Council Members Appointed 2023 – 2025	Community Member, Organisation and Government Representatives Appointed 2024 - 2026
Australian Citizen Awards Selection Panel	2 Council Members, (1 Deputy) Freeman of the City 1 Community Member Executive Support: General Management Services Manager Governance and Councillor Support	To select persons for Australia Day Awards from Nominations received	Cr Buchanan Cr Hume <i>Cr Middlecoat (Deputy)</i>	<i>Honorary Freeman</i> Mr Laurie Smith Mr Barry Sammels <i>Community Representative</i> - No nominations received
Bush Fire Advisory Committee <i>(Note: setup as per s.67 of the Bush Fires Act 1954)</i>	1 Council Member 6 Representatives from local and state agencies and services:- Executive Support: Planning and Development Services Emergency Liaison Coordinator	Provide advice and guidance to Council on matters relating to bushfire risk management; and Facilitate collaboration between stakeholders with a shared responsibility for bushfire management within the City of Rockingham including prevention, preparedness, response and recovery.	Cr Schmidt <i>Cr Middlecoat (Deputy)</i>	1. Mr Terry Wegwermer - <i>Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)</i> 2. Mr Tim Fisher - <i>Department Biodiversity, Conservation and Attraction</i> 3. Mr Neil Chaplin - <i>Captain, Baldivis Volunteer Fire and Emergency Service (BVFES)</i> 4. Mr Graham Hymers - <i>Captain, Karnup Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services (KVFRS)</i> 5. Mr Gavin Kemp - <i>Rockingham Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service (RVFRS)</i> 6. Mr Luke Summerton - <i>Secret Harbour Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services (SHVFRS)</i>
Coastal Facilities Advisory Committee	2 Council Members 2 Community Members 5 Representatives from – - Dept of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions - Marine Rescue Rockingham - The Cruising Yacht Club - Mangles Bay Fishing Club - Safety Bay Yacht Club Executive Support: Asset Services Manager Technical Services	To provide input and advice into the development, implementation and performance of the City of Rockingham Coastal Facilities Strategy	Cr Buchan, Deputy Mayor Cr Jecks <i>Cr Hume (Deputy)</i>	<i>Community Representatives</i> 1. John Quilty 2. Dan Wadsworth <i>Organisational/Government Department Representatives</i> 1. Vaughn Chapple - <i>Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions</i> 2. Jamie King - <i>Marine Rescue Rockingham</i> 3. Ole Otness - <i>The Cruising Yacht Club</i> 4. Richard Bratt - <i>Mangles Bay Fishing Club</i> 5. Mark Slater- <i>Safety Bay Yacht Club</i>

Advisory Committee	Composition	Terms of Reference	Council Members Appointed 2023 – 2025	Community Member, Organisation and Government Representatives Appointed 2024 - 2026
Community Safety and Support Services Advisory Committee	3 Council Members 6 Community Members Executive Support: Community Development Manager Community Safety and Support	To provide strategic guidance and to represent the identified strengths, needs and aspirations of the community for the development, adoption and implementation of the Community Safety and Support Services Strategy.	Cr Crichton Cr Hudson Cr Schmidt <i>Cr Buchanan (Deputy)</i>	<i>Community Representatives</i> 1. Darrell Wilson 2. Pradeep Satya 3. Renee Fussell 4. Roxanne Sherrell 5. Adrian Harington 6. Peter Skilton <i>Organisational/Government Department Representatives</i> 1. Snr Sgt Scott Starkie – WA Police
Environmental Advisory Committee	2 Council Members (1 deputy) 2 Community Members 2 reps – qualifications and experience in environmental management 1 rep – Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions 1 rep - WALGA Executive Support: Planning and Development Services Manager Strategic Planning and Environment	To provide strategic, non-operational, input into the development and review of Community Plan Strategies, policies, City led development projects and other matters referred by the City that relate to environmental matters not addressed in the Terms of Reference of existing advisory groups.	Cr Jecks Cr Wormal <i>Cr Hume (Deputy)</i>	<i>Community Representatives</i> 1. Sally Watkins 2. James Mumme <i>Qualified Environmental Management Representatives</i> 1. Rick Dawson 2. Kelly Faulkner <i>Organisational/Government Department Representatives</i> 1. Tim Fisher – Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
Heritage Reference Group	1 Council Member (1 Deputy) 2 representatives from the Rockingham District Historical Society (2 Deputy) Executive Support: Planning and Development Services Manager Statutory Planning – City's Heritage Consultant	To provide a Forum to discuss the conservation and preservation of natural and culturally significant heritage sites within the Rockingham district.	Cr Buchanan <i>Cr Liley (Deputy)</i>	<i>Representatives from Rockingham District Historical Society</i> 1. Wendy Durant 2. Sylvia Reed 3. Carol Durant (Deputy)

Advisory Committee	Composition	Terms of Reference	Council Members Appointed 2023 – 2025	Community Member, Organisation and Government Representatives Appointed 2024 - 2026
RoadWise Advisory Committee	1 Council Member (1 Deputy) 3 Community Members 1 WALGA representative 1 WA Police representative 1 School Drug Education and Road Aware representative Executive Support: Asset Services Manager Technical Services	To provide input and advice into the development, implementation and performance of the 'City of Rockingham Road Safety Action Plan' linked to the 'Driving Change' State Road Safety Strategy 2020-2030.	Cr Wormall <i>Cr Hudson (Deputy)</i>	<i>Community Representatives</i> 1. Arlene Yates 2. Richard Bryant 3. Malcolm West <i>Organisational/Government Department Representatives</i> 1. Phillip Taylor - WALGA Representative 2. Sergeant Gavin Lang - WA Police
Sports Advisory Committee	2 Council Members 6 Community Members Executive Support: Community Development Manager Community Capacity Building	To provide advice and guidance on sport and recreation relevant to the City of Rockingham, whilst representing the community's needs and aspirations in line with the City's relevant Community Plan strategy/strategies.	Cr Middlecoat Cr Schmidt <i>Cr Hudson (Deputy)</i>	<i>Community Representatives</i> 1. Karen Williams 2. Lucas Martin 3. Carolyn Wilson 4. Nestor Fonseca 5. Karney Armstrong 6. Renae Fussell

Carried by Absolute Majority – 11/1

Council Members voting for the motion:

Cr Crichton
Cr Wormall
Cr Buchanan
Cr Hume
Cr Liley
Mayor Hamblin

Council Members voting against the motion:

Cr Jones

The Council's Reason for Varying the Committee's Recommendation

To allow the terms of reference and strategic alignment of the Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee to be reviewed at a future Councillor Engagement Session, to ensure it continues to be fit for purpose in its current form.

Confirmed at a Council meeting held on Tuesday 26 November 2024


Mayor Deb Hamblin

Moved Cr Schmidt, seconded Cr Hudson:

That Council **OPEN** the meeting to the members of the gallery.

Carried – 12/0

8:19pm The Mayor invited members of the gallery and Officers to rejoin to the Council meeting.

The Mayor read aloud the Council Resolution adopted behind closed doors.

24.	Date and Time of Next Meeting
	The next Ordinary Council meeting for the City of Rockingham will be held on Tuesday 26 November 2024 commencing at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers, Civic Boulevard, Rockingham.
25.	Closure
	There being no further business, the Mayor thanked those persons present for attending the Council Meeting, and declared the meeting closed at 8:20pm .