



Waste Management Community
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(REF: COMMITTEES-9863)

A meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group was held at the EMRC Administration Office, 1st Floor, 226 Great Eastern Highway, BELMONT WA 6104 on **Monday, 17 August 2009**. The meeting commenced at **6.05pm**.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Acting Chairman opened the meeting at 6.05pm and welcomed Mr Keith Patterson from Patterson Market Research and Ms Gae Synnott from Synnott Mulholland.

2 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

WMCRG Members

Mrs Sally Paulin (Acting Chairman)	Deputy Chairman
Mr Peter Pearson	Chairman
Mr Berry Ambrose	Member
Mr Ray Lewis	Member
Mr Edwin Dell	Member
Ms Dianne Katscherian	Member
Ms Dot Kingston	Member
Mr Anthony Fowler	Member
Mr Mark Simpson	Member

WMCRG Apologies

Ms Ruth Balding	Member
Mr Malcolm Barker	Member

EMRC Officers

Mr Stephen Fitzpatrick	Manager, Project Development
Ms Gabrielle Grime	Waste Education Coordinator
Ms Tania Wells	Waste Education Officer
Ms Angelique Doust	Community & Engagement Officer
Ms Pina Martino	Administration Support Officer (Minutes)

EMRC Apologies

Mr Peter Schneider	Acting Chief Executive Officer
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Consultant(s)

Ms Gae Synnott	Consultant, Synnott Mulholland
Mr Keith Patterson	Patterson Market Research

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

3.1 MR ANTHONY FOWLER – FINANCIAL INTEREST

Item:	11.2
Subject:	Resource Recovery Project – EOI includes the company Anaeco
Nature of Interest:	Disclosure of Financial Interest, Local Government Act 1995 Sections 5.60B, 5.65, 5.70 and 5.71. Mr Fowler's wife has shares in Anaeco.



4 ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OR PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

5.1 MINUTES OF WMCRG MEETING HELD ON 13 JULY 2009

That the Minutes of the Waste Management Community Reference Group meeting held on 13 July 2009, which have been distributed, be confirmed.

WMCRG RESOLUTION(S)

MOVED MR PEARSON SECONDED MR LEWIS

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP MEETING HELD ON 13 JULY 2009, WHICH HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED, BE CONFIRMED.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6 PRESENTATIONS

6.1 OUTCOME OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PLAN – RESOURCE RECOVERY PROJECT

Mr Keith Patterson from Patterson Market Research (PMR) presented an overview of the research on community attitudes towards Resource Recovery Technologies. The purpose of this research was to understand community sentiment and reactions to the technology options.

Discussion ensued

A member asked if interviewees' concerns had been addressed. Mr Patterson advised that the purpose of the recent community engagement exercise was to collect community opinions. It was not used to address any concerns.

A member asked how the selection for the Focus Group in Red Hill was made. Mr Patterson advised that members were selected from people who had been engaged in the telephone survey and also from the PMR database.

A member asked if people had been informed about the technology options before they were given the information packs, and if so how was it explained. Mr Patterson explained during Stage 1, that a random telephone survey had been conducted and brief descriptions of all options had been provided as well.

In response to a member's request that copies of the presentation be distributed to members, the Manager Project Development stated that would be made available.

The Acting Chairman thanked Mr Patterson for his presentation.

Discussion ensued regarding the Red Hill Community Liaison Group's (RHCLG) perception that the EMRC had made decisions without informing and consulting with the community.

The Manager Project Development advised that the EMRC was aware of RHCLG's need for more information on the Resource Recovery Facility and suggested that inviting two RHCLG representatives to the next WMCRG meeting may assist in addressing their concerns



Item 6.1 continued

WMCRG RESOLUTION

MOVED MR PEARSON SECONDED MR AMBROSE

THAT TWO REPRESENTATIVES OF THE RED HILL COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP BE INVITED TO THE NEXT WMCRG MEETING IN ORDER TO ADDRESS THEIR CONCERNS

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

8 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

The Community Engagement Officer gave an overview of **Item 9.2 Outcome of Community Engagement Plan – Resource Recovery Facility Project**, which was considered at the RRC meeting held on 13 August 2009.

9 REPORTS OF RELEVANT RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

The Manager Project Development informed members that on 27 August 2009, Council would consider an item regarding WMCRG membership renewals and WMCRG's resolution that its Terms of Reference be changed to allow a non-resident to be co-opted as a member.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

A member advised that due to work commitments she had been unable to submit WMCRG members' comments for the Draft National Waste Policy Framework by the deadline.

11.1 RESOURCE RECOVERY PROJECT UPDATE

The Manager Project Development advised that the Resource Recovery Project Tender Evaluation Committee (TEC) had completed assessment of the EOI submissions against the selection criteria and this would be presented to Council at its meeting being held on 27 August 2009.

The Manager Project Development gave a brief presentation on the results of the Organics Bin Trial and concluded that the EMRC would need to undertake further research on how organic bin systems had performed elsewhere in Australia, and will report to Council on this in September 2009.

11.2 WASTE & RECYCLE CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE

The Waste Education Coordinator advised that to date four members had expressed an interest in attending the Waste & Recycle Conference being held from 15-18 September 2009.



11.3 WASTE EDUCATION UPDATE

The Waste Education Coordinator and the Waste Education Officer provided updates on waste education initiatives.

- A SWIS grant of \$80,000 had been received to establish a metropolitan wide battery collection and recycling model based on the EMRC's programme;
- Battery recycling launch is scheduled for 1 September 2009 at City Farm Place, East Perth. The Minister for Youth, Environment will be attending;
- EMRC has commenced promoting battery recycling bins using the Zero Waste WA website, advertising in 17 community newspapers, Have a Go News (paper for seniors) and Kids in Perth – (The Parents' Paper);
- The High School community service program with Helena College has been very successful, and the project is in its second phase;
- Encycle has been appointed as the consultants for the Fluorescent Light Recycling Collection Study and Trial;
- The Waste Educators Networking Group is being formalised as a working group in the Waste Management Association. One of its first projects is to develop event recycling guidelines and a practical toolkit for Western Australia; and
- All Regional Councils will share a stand at the 2009 Royal Show to promote the work of the Regional Councils collectively.

The Acting Chairman thanked the Waste Education Coordinator and the Waste Education Officer for their update.

12 FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE WMCRG

The next meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group will be held on **Monday, 14 September 2009 (if required)** at the EMRC Administration Office, 1st Floor, Ascot Place, 226 Great Eastern Highway, Belmont WA 6104 commencing at 6.00pm.

Future Meetings 2009

Monday	14 September (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	19 October	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	23 November (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office

13 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business, the Acting Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.04pm.
