

WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP

MINUTES

13 July 2009

(REF: COMMITTEES-9626)

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, 13 July 2009**. The meeting commenced at **6.02pm**.

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6 PRESENTATIONS

Nil

7 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

8 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Nil

9 REPORTS OF RELEVANT RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

The Manager Project development informed members that at its April meeting Council resolved to proceed with the EOI process and approved that research into community attitudes to the technology and site options be undertaken.

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS

Nil

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 UPDATE ON RRF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

Ms Synnott and the EMRC's Community Engagement Officer provided an update on the Community Engagement research being undertaken by Patterson Market Research.

Eight hundred and twenty eight (828) residents across the 6 member Councils had responded to an initial survey. This was then followed up by a phone survey of 525 residents and four focus groups based around the two site options being considered.

The focus groups covered (i) Perth Eastern Region, (ii) Hazelmere, (iii) Red Hill, (iv) The Red Hill Community Liaison Group.

The Community Engagement Officer informed members that a Community Engagement Plan is being developed.

11.2 UPDATE ON RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY PROJECT

Nine (9) submissions were received. The Manager Project Development noted that some companies had provided multiple options.

11.3 UPDATE ON ORGANICS BIN TRIAL

The Manager Project Development provided an update on the Organics Bin Trial survey, which was used to assess residents' attitudes to the provision of a third bin. The trial concluded in June 2009 and the consultant's report was due this week.

The EMRC surveyed 300 participants and received 128 responses.



11.4 UPDATE ON WASTE EDUCATION INITIATIVES

The Waste Education Coordinator provided an update on waste education initiatives.

- The Waste Education Coordinator advised the WMCRG in June 2009 that the Waste Education Strategy (WES) had been endorsed;
- The E-Waste recycling was a successful event with over 4,000 cars dropping off e-waste over the weekend that the collection was held;
- The Waste and Recycling Guides have been completed and will be distributed in June/July 2009 to member Councils. Real Estate Agents will also be notified and Guide pamphlets will be passed onto them;
- The metropolitan wide Household Battery Recycling Programme will be launched on 1 September 2009. Approximately 157 bins will be rolled out across Perth;
- The EMRC won the National Mobile Muster Award for working with schools; this was co-ordinated by the Waste Education Officer, Ms Tania Wells;
- The Earth Care training programme is currently on track and the Waste Education Coordinator will be sending out invitations for 16-19 September 2009. Mr Josh Byrne from Josh Byrne and Associates will speak at the first information session. The Earth Carers training programme will commence in October 2009. There will be 5 sessions followed by a graduation ceremony;
- EMRC will continue its involvement in waste education with Helena College as part of the EMRC's High School Community Service Programme;
- The EMRC was successful in receiving a SWIS grant for collecting fluorescent lighting; and
- Mattress recycling is to recommence and will cost residents \$5 to dispose of mattresses at Red Hill. Mattresses will not be received at Hazelmere.

11.5 DRAFT NATIONAL WASTE POLICY FRAMEWORK

Ms Katscherian provided an update on the Draft National Waste Policy framework from the Department of Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts, and tabled a copy of the draft to members. Ms Katscherian requested members to e-mail comments to her by 27 July 2009 so that she could submit them by 31 July 2009.

Discussion ensued

The Manager Project Development noted that there would be a Waste and Recycle conference in mid September 2009. When details are available, the information will be distributed via e-mail.

A member asked if WMCRG members would be able to attend one or more sessions as in previous years. The Manager Project Development advised that subject to the cost of registrations, the EMRC would approve one or more full registrations.

The Manager Project Development noted that all members had elected to renominate for membership of the WMCRG. The Manager Project Development noted that a member of the WMCRG who is no longer a resident in Bayswater, would still like to renominate.

Discussion ensued regarding modifying the terms of reference to allow non residents, non landowners with appropriate qualifications, to be co-opted as WMCRG members to nominate for membership.



Item 11.5 continued

WMCRG RESOLUTION(S)

MOVED MR AMBROSE SECONDED MR DELL

THAT COUNCIL BE REQUESTED TO MODIFY THE WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMUNITY REFERENCE GROUP TERMS OF REFERENCE TO ENABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WITH APPROPRIATE QUALIFICATIONS AND BACKGROUND TO BE CO-OPTED AS WMCRG MEMBERS.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12 FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE WMCRG

The next meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group will be held on **Monday, 17 August 2009**, at the EMRC Administration Office, 1st Floor, Ascot Place, 226 Great Eastern Highway, Belmont WA 6104 commencing at 6.00pm.

Future Meetings 2009

Monday	17 August	at	EMRC Administration Office
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 Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7.17pm.
