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(REF: COMMITTEES-8913)

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, 16 February 2009**. The meeting commenced at **6.05pm**.

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1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Deputy Chairman opened the meeting at 6:05pm and welcomed members.

2 ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

WMCRG Members

Mrs Sally Paulin (Acting Chairman)	Deputy Chairman
Mr Peter Pearson	Chairman
Ms Ruth Balding (from 6:07pm)	Member
Mr Malcolm Barker	Member
Mr Ray Lewis	Member
Mr Edwin Dell	Member
Ms Dianne Katscherian	Member
Mr Mark Simpson	Member

WMCRG Apologies

Mr David Strain	Member
Mr Berry Ambrose	Member

EMRC Officers

Mr Peter Schneider	Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Stephen Fitzpatrick	Manager, Project Development
Ms Gabrielle Grime	Waste Education Coordinator
Ms Pina Martino	Administration Support Officer (Minutes)
Ms Mary-Ann Winnett	Personal Assistant to the Executive Manager Corporate Services

Consultant(s)

Mr John King	Cardno BSD Joint Venture
Ms Gae Synnott	Consultant, Synnott Mulholland

3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Nil

4 ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN OR PERSON PRESIDING WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil



7 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING

Nil

8 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Nil

9 REPORTS OF RELEVANT RESOURCE RECOVERY COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS

Nil

10 REPORTS OF MEMBERS

10.1 REPORT FROM MR LEWIS ON THE 2008 WASTE AND RECYCLE CONFERENCE

A report on the 2008 Waste and Recycle Conference has been provided by Mr Lewis refer attached (Ref: Committees-8989).

In response to a member's query about the economic situation for recyclables, the Manager Project Development informed members that the Southern Metropolitan Regional Council (SMRC) is still moving products although the economic situation has affected returns from the recyclates.

In response to a member's concern about the public's lack of interest in recycling, the Acting Chief Executive Officer responded that the EMRC had no immediate plans to discontinue any of the current EMRC programmes.

11 GENERAL BUSINESS

11.1 UPDATE ON WASTE EDUCATION INITIATIVES

The Waste Education Coordinator provided an update on Waste Education Initiatives.

- The EMRC was successful with a Strategic Waste Initiatives Scheme (SWIS) application for battery bins receiving a grant of \$34,000. Money received is for a joint SWIS programme to go towards expanding the Battery Recycling programme and to have a minimum of 4 battery bins in all metropolitan areas. The EMRC will be working with other Councils to roll out the programme;
- The Waste Education Officers have been working together with Helena College to develop high school community projects, which will be carried out at the Education Centre at Red Hill;
- The EMRC are looking at updating the new Waste and Recycling Guide 2009. The Waste Education Coordinator asked members if they have any new ideas to please e-mail or contact the Waste Education Officers;
- Battery recycling was over 4 tonne for 2008 which was an increase of 1 tonne from 2007;
- Midland Gate will be coming on board with battery recycling; and
- It is anticipated that the Waste Education Strategy will be submitted to the March/April 2009 Resource Recovery Committee (RRC) meeting.



11.2 WMCRG MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

The Manager Project Development advised members that their memberships were due for renewal in June 2009

11.3 ORGANIC BIN TRIAL

The Organic Bin trials will start in April 2009 after Easter and consultants have been selected to continue the trial. The Waste Education Co-ordinator has brochures and information drafted ready for printing.

12 FUTURE MEETINGS OF THE WMCRG

The next meeting of the Waste Management Community Reference Group will be held on **Monday, 20 April 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	20 April	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	11 May (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	15 June	at	EMRC Administration Office
Monday	13 July (if required)	at	EMRC Administration Office
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

Chairman thanked The Manager Project Development Mr King and Ms Synnott for their presentations and the members for attending.

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 7:57pm.