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2.1 OPENING

The Deputy President thanked all members present for their attendance, welcomed all Councillors and declared the meeting open at 1.00pm.

2.2 PRESENT

Cr L Parker	Deputy President	Kalbarri Ward
Cr B Cripps		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr T Carson		Northampton Ward
Cr C Simkin		Northampton Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Cr S Penn		Kalbarri Ward
Cr J Booth		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Jamie Criddle	Deputy Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager of Works and Technical Services	
Mrs Katherine Jackson	Acting Principal Planner	
Mr Glenn Bangay	EHO/Building Surveyor	

2.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

2.2.2 APOLOGIES

Cr G Wilson	President	Northampton Ward
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2.3 QUESTION TIME – 1.02pm – 1.18pm

There were members of the public present with the following question put to Council.

12.3.1 LISA NASH – KALBARRI SKATE PARK

Lisa Nash wished to put her support behind the proposed Kalbarri Skate Park and hopes it is approved and moves forward.

The President advised that this item would be coming up in today's agenda, but reiterated that any progress would be dependent on grant funding.

12.3.2 PASCAL DELHAIZE – DISABLED FISHING PLATFORM

Pascal Delhaize inquired as to what consultation with the public was made prior to deciding to go ahead with the Disabled Fishing platform.

The President advised that the decision was made after a Budget submission was presented to Council by the Kalbarri Development Association which acts as a conduit between the Community and the Council.

12.3.3 JACKI WILBOND – RED BLUFF TOILETS

Jacki Wilbond

Jacki Wilbond inquired as to who made the decision as to what type of toilet was placed at Red Bluff and why there was no public consultation.

The President advised that this decision was made by Council during Budget deliberations and that public consultation is not required on such trivial matters. The president also reiterated that the Council is elected to make decisions on behalf of the community.

2.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 16th DECEMBER 2011.

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 16th December 2011 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 8/0

2.4.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil.

2.5 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

2.5.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING 17TH FEBRUARY 2012.

Moved Cr CRIPPS, seconded Cr BOOTH

That the minutes of the Audit Committee Meeting held on the 17th February 2012 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED 8/0

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2.5.1.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That the 2011 Compliance Audit Return be formally received.

CARRIED 8/0

2.6 WORKS REPORT

2.6.1 MAINTENANCE WORKS/PROGRAMMED WORKS (ITEM 6.1.1)

Noted.

2.6.2 SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON 2011/2012 ROADWORKS BUDGET - DEFERMENT OF RESEAL WORKSKALBARRI BOAT HIRE CARPARK/HACKNEY STREET/KALBARRI HOTEL CARPARK (ITEM 6.1.1)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PENN

That Council defers the approved 2011/2012 budget works for the bitumen resealing of the Kalbarri Hotel car park, Kalbarri Boat Hire car park and Hackney Street with works to be relisted for the 2012/2013 draft budget.

CARRIED 8/0

Mr Neil Broadhurst, Manager of Works and Technical Services left the meeting at 1.25pm.

2.7 BUILDING REPORT

2.7.1 BUILDING STATISTICS (ITEM 6.2.1)

Noted.

2.7.1 MOSQUITO CONTROL (ITEM 6.2.2)

Noted.

2.8 TOWN PLANNING REPORT

2.8.1 DRAFT HORROCKS BEACH EXPANSION STRATEGY – FINAL ADOPTION (ITEM 6.3.1)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PENN

That Council:

1. Determine the submissions in accordance with the Schedule of Submission Table 1A and 1B attached to the Town Planning Report 17 February, 2012; and
2. Resolve that the Horrocks Beach Expansion Strategy be adopted with the modifications detailed in the Schedule of Submissions Table 1A and 1B attached to the Town Planning Report 17 February, 2012 and the following:
 - a) That Revised Strategy Option 1 – Conventional Plan (Attachment 6) be deleted from the Final Strategy documents in favour of Option 2 – Eco Cluster and Option 3 – Eco Townsite as amended in response to the submissions received; and
3. Submit the Horrocks Beach Expansion Strategy to the Western Australian Planning Commission for approval as a formal Local Planning Strategy, for consideration by the Western Australian Planning Commission as part of the proposed review of the Batavia Coast Strategy.

CARRIED 8/0

2.8.2 RE-INITIATION OF PROPOSED SCHEME AMENDMENT – REZONING OF LOT 820 (NO. 1) ISACHAR BACK ROAD, NORTHAMPTON (ITEM 6.3.2)

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council:

- 1) Pursuant to Part 5 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 amend Shire of Northampton Local Planning Scheme No.10 by:
 - a. Amending the zoning of Lot 820 Isachar Back Road, Northampton from 'General Rural' to 'Rural Residential';
 - b. Amending the Scheme Map accordingly.
- 2) Resolves to not initiate the received Subdivision Guide Plan (and remove it from the Scheme Amendment document prior to proceeding with advertising of the Scheme Amendment) as Shire of Northampton Local Planning Scheme No.10 (Northampton District) requires the lodgement of a Structure Plan that is in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme.

CARRIED 8/0

2.8.3 PROPOSED MALLEE PLANTATION – BINNU WEST ROAD (ITEM 6.3.3)
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Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council grant formal planning approval for a proposed Mallee Plantation to be established upon Lot 100 Binnu West Road, Binnu subject to the following:

Conditions:

1. Development shall be in accordance with the attached approved plan(s) dated 17 February 2012 and subject to any modifications required as a consequence of any condition(s) of this approval. The endorsed plans shall not be modified or altered without the prior written approval of the local government.
2. The applicant is to prepare, submit and adhere to a Management Plan (inclusive of vermin control) that is to the approval of the local government before the commencement of the plantation.
3. The use hereby permitted shall not cause injury to or prejudicially affect the amenity of the locality by reason of the emission of smoke, dust, fumes, odour, noise, vibration, waste product or otherwise.
4. Any additions to or change of use of any part of the building or land (not the subject of this consent/approval) requires further application and planning approval for that use/addition.
5. Any soils disturbed or deposited on-site shall be stabilised to the approval of the Local Government.
6. The applicant shall obtain any necessary Native Vegetation Clearing Permit from the Department of Environment and Conservation if required.
7. Repairing of any damage to the road network including the surface is required by reason of use of the road in connection with the establishment of the development to the approval of Main Roads WA and the Local Government with all costs met by the applicant.
8. The applicant is to prepare, submit and adhere to a Fire Management Plan in accordance with the requirements of the Fire and Emergency Services Authority and to the approval of the Local Government before the commencement of the plantation (FESA's Guidelines for Plantation Fire Protection (1998) will be used to assess the Fire Management Plan).

9. Application of Nutrient Fertiliser, Pesticides and Herbicides to be to the requirements of the Department of Agriculture and Food to the approval of the Local Government.
10. Should it be proposed in the future that the plantation be harvested, the applicant is required to prepare, submit and adhere to a Harvesting/Export Scheme to the requirements of Main Roads WA and to the approval of the Local Government.
11. This approval is valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of approval and will deemed to have lapsed if the development has not substantially commenced before the expiration of this period.

Notes:

- i. Where an approval has so lapsed, no development/land use shall be carried out without the further approval of the local government having first been sought and obtained.
- ii. The applicant/landowner is required to adhere to the requirements of the Code of Practice for Timber Plantations in Western Australia (2006) and Guidelines for Plantation Fire Protection (1998).
- iii. If an applicant is aggrieved by this determination there is a right (pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005) to have the decision reviewed by the State Administrative Tribunal. Such application must be lodged within 28 days from the date of determination.

CARRIED 8/0

2.8.4 PROPOSED SECOND HAND TRANSPORTABLE DWELLING – SANDY GULLY (ITEM 6.3.4)
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Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council grant formal planning approval for a second hand transportable dwelling to be located upon Lot 17 Bowes River Road, Sandy Gully subject to the following conditions:

- a) Development shall be in accordance with the attached approved plan(s) dated 17 February 2012 and subject to any modifications required as a consequence of any condition(s) of this approval. The endorsed plan(s) shall not be modified or altered without the prior written approval of the Local Government;

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- b) Any additions to or change of use of any part of the building or land (not the subject of this consent/approval) requires further application and planning approval for that use/addition;
- c) All walls, gutters and facias are to be painted and/or replaced to the approval of the Local Government;
- d) The walls are to be upgraded (painted, fixed, cleaned etc) to the approval of the Local Government and the new roof is to be of a coated metal (i.e. colorbond) finish;
- e) Any soils disturbed or deposited on site shall be stabilised to the approval of the Local Government;
- f) Installation of crossing place/s to the standards and specifications of the Local Government;
- g) A building licence shall be issued by the Local Government prior to the commencement of any work on the site.
- h) In accordance with Shire of Northampton Local Planning Policy 'Relocated Dwellings and Second Hand Cladding Materials' the applicant is required to make payment to the Shire of Northampton a bond to the amount of \$5,000 that must be accompanied by a statutory declaration, signed by the applicants and appropriately witnessed, indicating that the bond will be forfeited to Council if:
 - (i) The works described in the planning approval and building licence are not carried out within a period of two years from the date of issue of the necessary building licence;
 - (ii) Within 12 months of the date of the issue of the necessary building licence, the development does not reach a point where externally it appears complete; and
 - (iii) Any notice duly served upon the builder is not promptly complied with.
- i) If the development/use the subject of this approval is not substantially completed within a period of 2 years after the date of the determination the approval shall lapse and be of no further effect.

Advice Notes:

- 1) Where an approval has lapsed, no development/use shall be carried out without the further approval of the local government having first been sought and obtained.

- 2) If an applicant is aggrieved by this determination there is a right (pursuant to the Planning and Development Act 2005) to have the decision reviewed by the State Administrative Tribunal. Such application must be made within 28 days from the date of this notice.

CARRIED 8/0

2.8.5 SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.5)

Noted.

2.8.6 PROPOSED OUTBUILDING - KALBARRI (ITEM 6.3.6)

Moved Cr CRIPPS, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council having taken into consideration the provisions of Town Planning Scheme No.9 (Kalbarri Townsite) and the Shire's 'Outbuildings' Local Planning Policy, refuse planning approval for an outbuilding on Lot 7 (No.16) Ranch Court, Kalbarri for the following reasons:

- 1) The proposed outbuilding does not comply with Clauses 4.2.2(c), 4.2.3 & 4.2.5 of the 'Outbuildings' Local Planning Policy;
- 2) The proposed outbuilding does not meet objectives 3.3 & 3.6 of the 'Outbuildings' Local Planning Policy;
- 3) Approval of this application may well set an undesirable precedent, which in time could prove to be detrimental to the rural residential amenity and lifestyle opportunities of the locality;
- 4) Council is not satisfied that sufficient justification has been provided to warrant a departure from the requirements of the 'Outbuildings' Local Planning Policy; &
- 5) The use of the outbuilding to store commercial vehicles (i.e buses) is considered a 'Transport Depot' under the Scheme and is a use that cannot be permitted in the 'Special Rural' zone.

Notes

Should the applicant be aggrieved by the decision of the Council (in part or whole) a right of appeal exists to the State Administrative Tribunal within twenty eight (28) days from the date of the decision.

CARRIED 8/0

Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Jamie Criddle left the meeting at 1.47pm.

2.10 ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE REPORT

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr PENN

That due to item 6.5.1 being confidential in nature that Council proceeds “in-camera”.

CARRIED 8/0

Council proceeded “in-camera” at 1.55pm.

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council no longer proceeds “in-camera”.

CARRIED 8/0

Council ceased proceeding “in-camera” at 2.07pm.

2.10.1 LEASE LOT 587, RESERVE 37435 GREY STREET, KALBARRI (ITEM 6.5.1)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council request that Department of Regional Development and Lands consider the following options:

1. To change reserve 37435 Grey Street from “Caravan and Camping” to “Commercial Purposes” with Department of Regional Development and Lands to be in control of any annual rents.
2. Cancelling the lease, sub-lease and the Management Order could be undertaken with the option of re-leasing it back to the sub-lessee to continue operating the business and placing sole control of the land and future leases with the Department of Regional Development and Lands.

This be requested on the basis that for the benefit of the community and the importance to retain an important existing business in Kalbarri. Council also to seek support from local Members of Parliament on this issue.

CARRIED 8/0

Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Jamie Criddle re-entered the meeting at 2.07pm.

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That the information contained in the report item 6.5.1 be made available to the public.

CARRIED 8/0

Acting Principal Planner, Mrs Katherine Jackson left the meeting at 2.12pm.

2.10.2 REVIEW OF STRATEGIC PLAN (ITEM 6.5.2)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council hold a Special meeting of Council on Friday 16th March 2012 at 9.00am, to be held at the Northampton Council Chambers to undertake a review of the 2009/2019 Strategic Plan.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.3 KALBARRI FORESHORE LANDSCAPE MASTER PLAN (ITEM 6.5.3)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council request the consultants visit Kalbarri and meet with the committee of Council comprising of Cr's Booth, Gliddon, Penn, Carson and the Chief Executive Officer to revise the Kalbarri Foreshore Landscape Master Plan to ensure items requested by the community are included within the plan prior to release to the community for comment.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.4 KALBARRI SKATE PARK (ITEM 6.5.4)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That upon reviewing the submissions on the proposed Kalbarri Skate Park it was recommended that Council seek funding to build option 3 of the proposed Skate Park designs with the addition of suitable ablutions on site.

CARRIED 8/0

Chief Executive Officer, Garry Keeffe declared an interest in item 6.5.5 as he has purchased a block in the Old School Subdivision.

2.10.5 SALE OF LOTS – OLD SCHOOL OVAL (ITEM 6.5.5)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council sells Lots 22, 23, 24, 25, 27, 28 and 29 Rake Place by public tender as per the provisions of Section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995 with tenders closing at the end of April 2012.

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2.10.6 OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE (ITEM 6.5.6)

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Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council reimburses the Old School Community Resource Centre \$1,274.12 inclusive of GST for the upgrade of the power switchboard at the Centre.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

2.10.7 PUBLIC ABLUTIONS – HORROCKS OVAL (ITEM 6.5.7)

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council list for consideration within the 2012/2013 budget new public ablutions to replace existing that are located at the Horrocks Recreation Centre and that the provision to provide for four to six pans and be unisex.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.8 LEASE RENT REVIEW – BAILEY’S MARINE FUELS AUSTRALIA (ITEM 6.5.8)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr SIMKIN

That Council adopts the revised rent as determined by Landgate Valuations of \$3,600 plus GST per annum.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.9 DANCE FLOOR (ITEM 6.5.9)

Item 6.5.9, Dance Floor was deferred as there is a grant pending on purchasing a new dance floor for the Northampton Community Centre.

2.10.10 NORTHAMPTON COMMUNITY CENTRE (ITEM 6.5.10)

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That Council:

1. Approve of the change room upgrades by re-tiling, laying of marine carpet, painting and replacement of plumbing fixtures.
2. That Council endorses the CEO’s actions in approving additional works being the provision of stainless steel splash backs to hot plate areas, window in kitchen entrance door and provision of draws to store utensils.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.11 KALBARRI/NORTHAMPTON DOCTORS PRACTICES – VEHICLE REQUEST (ITEM 6.5.11)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council deny the request from the Wave “n” Wattle Group (Dr Findlay) for the purchase of a 4x4 vehicle for doctors and surgery use.

CARRIED 7/1

AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.03pm and reconvened at 3.15pm with the following in attendance:

Cr Parker, Cr Gliddon, Cr Stock-Standen, Cr Penn, Cr Booth, Cr Carson, Cr Cripps, Cr Simkin, Chief Executive Officer, Garry Keeffe, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Jamie Criddle and EHO/Building Surveyor, Glenn Bangay.

2.10.12 UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA (ITEM 6.5.12)

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council advise the Geraldton Universities Centre that the current selection criteria to remain as is which will result in students enrolled with Curtin University, who is no longer a part of the Geraldton Combine Universities Centre, ineligible to apply for a Shire of Northampton supplied scholarship.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.13 SPORTS SCHOLARSHIP – ZOE SELLERS (ITEM 6.5.13)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr PARKER

That Council:

1. Upon a formal application from Ms Zoe Sellers to the CEO, award a scholarship payment of \$1,000 to assist her in the National under 19 Netball Championships to be held in Tasmania March/early April 2012.
2. Amend the Sporting and non Sporting Scholarship application criteria to include, “applicants who are over the age of 18 years and currently are enrolled in a full time university course are entitled to apply however will be assessed on an individual basis by Council.

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2.10.14 AUSTRALIAN SAFARI EVENT (ITEM 6.5.14)

Moved Cr CRIPPS, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council approves the use of the Kalbarri oval by Australasian Safaris subject to:

1. All larger vehicles such as semi trailers not be parked on the oval.
2. That any damage to the oval and surrounds to be rectified by the event organisers.

CARRIED 8/0

2.10.15 METROPOLITAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM AGENDA (ITEM 6.5.15)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That as Council has already provided comment to the Department of Local Government and WALGA when rural authorities were going through the same process that they do not consider any further comment on the Metropolitan Councils appropriate.

CARRIED 8/0

2.9 FINANCE REPORT

2.9.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Municipal Fund Cheques 19103 to 19193 inclusive, totalling \$480,69.54, Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT9556 to EFT9735 inclusive totalling \$1,088,280.72, Trust Fund Cheque 1838 to 1846 inclusive, totalling \$14,481.43, be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

2.9.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ITEM 6.4.2)

Moved Cr PENN, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council adopts the Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31 December 2011 and 31 January 2012 and notes any material variances greater than \$5,000

CARRIED 8/0

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2.9.3 FIRE BREAK INFRINGEMENT – LOT 30 AMBER VISTA (ITEM 6.4.3)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded CR SIMKIN

That Council resolve to uphold its previous decision to issue a Bush Fire infringement as per Section 21 of the Bush Fires Act 1954 for non-compliance of appropriate Fire Breaks on the property Lot 30 Amber Vista, Kalbarri owned by Nigel Elly and Eleanor Whiteley.

CARRIED 8/0

2.9.4 AIRING OF THE QUILTS – NORTHAMPTON CREATIVE OBSESSIONS INC (ITEM 6.4.4)

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded CR CRIPPS

That Council grants a “one off” allocation to the Northampton Creative Obsessions Group to assist the group in running the “Airing of the Quilts” with a starting budget of \$2,000.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

2.11 PRESIDENTS REPORT

Nil.

2.12 DEPUTY PRESIDENTS REPORT

Since the last Council meeting the Deputy President, Cr Parker reported on his attendance to the following:

- State Council meeting of WALGA.
- Northampton Community Centre opening.
- Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) in Kalbarri and Northampton.

2.13 COUNCILLORS REPORT

2.13.1 Cr PENN

Since the last Council meeting Cr Penn reported on her attendance to the following:

- Meeting of the Kalbarri Sport & Recreation Committee.
- Meeting of the Kalbarri Visitor Centre.
- Northampton Community Centre opening.

2.13.2 Cr GLIDDON

Since the last Council meeting Cr Gliddon reported on her attendance to the following:

- Northampton Community Centre opening.
- Two meetings of the KDA subcommittee of the Kalbarri Canoe & Cray Carnival/Zest Fest.
- Meeting of the Zuytdorp organising committee.

2.13.3 Cr BOOTH

Since the last Council meeting Cr Booth reported on her attendance to the following:

- Meeting of the Kalbarri Development Association.
- Two meetings of the KDA subcommittee of the Kalbarri Canoe & Cray Carnival/Zest Fest.
- Northampton Community Centre opening.
- Meeting of the Zuytdorp organising committee.

2.13.4 Cr STOCK-STANDEN

Since the last Council meeting Cr Stock-Standen reported on her attendance to the following:

- Meeting of the Pioneer Fundraising Committee which fund raised \$2600 at the NCC opening.
- Northampton Community Centre opening.

2.13.5 Cr CARSON

Since the last Council meeting Cr Carson reported on his attendance to the following:

- Northampton Community Centre opening.

2.13.6 Cr SIMKIN

Since the last Council meeting Cr Simkin reported on his attendance to the following:

- WALGA Councillor Inductee training.

2.13.7 Cr CRIPPS

Since the last Council meeting Cr Cripps reported on his attendance to the following:

- Northampton Community Centre opening.

2.14 INFORMATION BULLETIN

Noted.

2.15 NEW ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2.15.1 CR BOOTH – KALBARRI TRUTH WEBSITE

Cr Booth advised that she had been pointed in the direction of the Kalbarri Truth website recently as she was made aware that there were many defamatory comments made about Councillors, Staff and Council in general.

While personal attacks of character can be addressed by individual Councillors, the attacks on Council and character need to be addressed.

It was requested that Management seek legal opinion in relation to having the site shut down as it is distracting tourists and people wanting to relocate to Kalbarri and in turn affecting local industry.

Moved Cr BOOTH, seconded Cr PENN

That Council seek further legal advice to determine future action on the defamatory comments being made against Council and individual Councillors on the Kalbarri Truth Website.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 8/0

2.15.2 CR CRIPPS – NEW YEARS EVE - HORROCKS

Cr Cripps advised that historically there has been an annual problem on New Years Eve with the youth being left unsupervised in the Horrocks area.

This has resulted in large numbers of youths aged between 14 - 17 years of age roaming around the townsite under the effects of alcohol.

This has proved to be extremely disruptive to the towns people of Horrocks and the genuine family visitors that the town depends upon.

There were several recorded incidents in 2011 and again this year, these were directly linked to the new years eve festivities and were alcohol related in nature.

It must be also noted that the Northampton Police staff that were on duty over the New Year break did a fantastic job with the limited resources available.

Moved Cr CRIPPS, seconded CR STOCK-STANDEN

That Council correspond to the Officer in Charge of the Midwest Regional Police to ensure that adequate Police numbers are provided to Horrocks in future years.

CARRIED 8/0

SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON

Minutes of Ordinary Meeting of Council held at the Allen Centre meeting Room, Grey Street, Kalbarri on the 17th February 2012.

2.15.2 CR SIMKIN – BINNU REFUSE SITE ACCESS ROAD

Cr Simkin advised that the access road into the Binnu Refuse Site is in a bad state and is often impassable as it is within the vicinity of a salt lake and poor drainage.

It was requested that management look into options to upgrade the access road and report back to Council on the best options.

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr CRIPPS

That management look into upgrading the access road to the Binnu Refuse Site and list for consideration within the 2012/13 Budget.

CARRIED 8/0

2.16 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at the Northampton Council Chamber, Hampton Road, Northampton on Friday the 16 March 2012.

2.17 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President declared the meeting closed at 4.33pm.