

SHIRE OF NORTHAMPTON

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Northampton on 21st November 2014**

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11.1 OPENING

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

11.2 PRESENT

Cr G Wilson	President	Northampton Ward
Cr C Simkin	Deputy President	Northampton Ward
Cr T Carson		Northampton Ward
Cr S Stock-Standen		Northampton Ward
Cr D Stanich		Northampton Ward
Cr P Gliddon		Kalbarri Ward
Cr D Pike		Kalbarri Ward
Cr M Holt		Kalbarri Ward
Cr M Scott		Kalbarri Ward
Mr Garry Keeffe	Chief Executive Officer	
Mr Neil Broadhurst	Manager Works & Technical Services	
Mrs Hayley Williams	Principal Planner	
Mrs Deb Carson	Community Development Officer	

11.2.1 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

11.2.2 APOLOGIES

Nil

11.3 QUESTION TIME

Ms Sylvia Raux addressed Council in relation to the Council's position on "Fracking" and presented an information DVD.

Shire President advised that the Council has not considered or made a position on "Fracking" however has noted the decisions of other Local Governments within the Mid West.

11.4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

**11.4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 17th
OCTOBER 2014**

Moved Cr GLIDDON, seconded Cr HOLT

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on the 17th October 2014 be confirmed as a true and correct record, subject to adding that Cr Scott left the Council meeting at 2:48pm.

CARRIED 9/0

11.4.2 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

11.4.2.1 Aged Independent Living Units- Pioneer Lodge have developed plans for 8 new units comprising 2 x 2 bedroom and 6 x 1 bedroom units, the Shire will assist in the development of a business plan

11.5 RECEIVAL OF MINUTES

Nil

11.6 WORKS REPORT

**11.6.1 MAINTENANCE WORKS/CONSTRUCTION WORKS PROGRAM (ITEM
6.1.1)**

CEO and Manager for Works and Technical Services advised that due to the external parking and storage areas at the Northampton Light Industrial Units being made larger than originally designed to provide additional area, the cost to asphalt these additional areas requires an estimated additional \$20,000 and requested Council to authorise this additional expenditure. The matter has only arisen following the receipt of firm quotes from suppliers.

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr CARSON

That Council authorise an estimated \$20,000 to complete asphalt seal at the Northampton Light Industrial Area.

CARRIED 9/0

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**11.6.2 KALBARRI GREY STREET, KALBARRI BEACH RESORT ROAD FRONTAGE
REINSTATEMENT OF PINE POLE BARRRIER (ITEM 6.1.2)**

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council advise the Kalbarri Beach Resort that it is not considered that the re-installation of pine poles along the newly installed footpath will improve aesthetics or safety, neither control entering or exiting their property, and therefore Council will not re-install the pine pole fence as requested.

CARRIED 9/0

Mr Broadhurst left the meeting at 1.31 pm.

11.7 HEALTH/BUILDING REPORT

11.7.1 BUILDING STATISTICS (ITEM 6.2.1)

Noted

11.8 TOWN PLANNING REPORT

**11.8.1 DRAFT NORTHAMPTON TOWNSITE REVITALISATION PLAN –
CONSENT TO ADVERTISE (ITEM 6.3.1)**

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr HOLT

That Council endorse the *Draft Northampton Townsite Revitalisation Plan* for advertising purposes only subject to the following modifications:

1) Formatting modifications:

- a) Collate report so that sections – Economy & Marketing, Environment, Infrastructure & Facilities and Social/Community are together rather than separate;
- b) Acknowledge Living Communities where Vision statement is given;
- c) Remove photo of M Suckling & N Drage pg 22;
- d) Remove photos that are too “urban” from park concept pages;
- e) Remove any reference to privately owned properties, including Lot 21, Lot 53 and Bowes Homestead;

2) Map Modifications:

- a) On pg ii Northampton Bypass is misspelt;
- b) Add where the Bypass meets the Highway North and South with bias towards town and not bypass road;
- c) Enlarge map for print out at A1;

3) Economy & Marketing Section Modifications:

- a) Point 7 reworded "Explore the need, and options for, a suitable space...";
- b) Opportunities for training programs to up skill community members using existing community infrastructure;
- c) Input into strategy - Create an RV friendly town;
- d) Remove specific reference to Lot 21 Hampton Road;

4) Environment Section Modifications:

- a) Include the creation of green belts, nature corridors to promote wildlife as a strategy;
- b) Include Botanic Line in this section as it is directly related to the environment;
- c) Include opportunities for renewable energy and water conservation projects;
- d) Add street tree program as a separate project, with a high priority, noting that serviceability must be retained within CBD for businesses eg. truck access etc;
- e) Street trees program to extend to tourist precincts eg. Gwalla Precinct, Cemeteries, Railway Precinct and Northampton Community Centre if not already included;

5) Infrastructure and Facilities Section Modifications:

- a) Footpath improvement program to be separated from street trees program, and given a high priority;

6) Social / Community Section Modifications:

- a) Guide Park- greening program, consider toilets for Guide Park or signage to Kings Park toilets;
- b) Remove BMX track at Guide Park and replace it with bike/skate pathway and landscaping;
- c) Remove references to hanging baskets as due to environmental conditions in Northampton they do not work;
- d) Reticulation of cemetery given High Priority;
- e) Projects 11, 12, 13 (Aged facilities) given High Priority;
- f) Pg 39, reword first sentence as it is heavily worded and should not state that it is dependent on Bypass;
- g) Facade improvement scheme be further elaborated to include repainting of main street façade and exposure and restoration of original signage hidden behind hardiflex;
- h) Include Pioneer Lodge's future plans to build extensions 2x2 bedroom units and 6 x 1 bedroom units;
- i) Include Coffee kiosk to extend around to back of Visitors Centre as well as on North side;

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- j) Improvements to Kings Park- reword to state upgrade rather than replace toilet block under Actions;
- k) Old School- remove mention of toilet block;
- l) Old School – remove mention of home business bakery
- m) Page 52- replace words “cemetery” with “cemeteries” and change wording of Stephen Street Cemetery to Catholic Cemetery; and
- n) Reticulation of Cemetery to High Priority.

CARRIED 9/0

11.8.2 SUMMARY OF PLANNING INFORMATION ITEMS (ITEM 6.3.2)

Noted

11.9 FINANCE REPORT

11.9.1 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT (ITEM 6.4.1)

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Municipal Fund Cheques 20335 to 20381 inclusive, totalling \$117,110.99, Municipal EFT payments numbered EFT12978 to EFT13139 inclusive totalling \$958,041.98, Direct Debit payments GJ1004 to GJ1009 totalling \$8,424.67, Trust Fund Cheques 2005-2013, totalling \$3,174.02 be passed for payment and the items therein be declared authorised expenditure.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

11.9.2 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (ITEM 6.4.2)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr HOLT

That Council adopts the Draft Monthly Financial Report for the period ending 31 October 2014.

CARRIED 9/0

11.10 ADMINISTRATION & CORPORATE REPORT

11.10.1 CHRISTMAS – NEW YEAR CLOSE DOWN PERIOD (ITEM 6.5.1)

Noted

11.10.2 HALF WAY BAY COTTAGE LEASES (ITEM 6.5.2)

Noted

11.10.3 REGIONAL WASTE CONTRACT (ITEM 6.5.3)

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council:

1. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to determine and appoint the most suited contractor for the supply of waste management services to the Shire of Northampton after evaluation of submissions from the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) Request for Quote process and in collaboration with the Batavia Regional Council's Waste Management Group (BRCWMG).
2. Allocate funds accordingly in the 2015/2016 Budget to accommodate the appointed contractor for the supply of waste management services to the Shire of Northampton.
3. Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer, in collaboration with WALGA and the BRCWMG, an extension of the existing contract Council has with Veolia (expiring 30 June 2015) for the supply of waste management services to the Shire of Northampton.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

11.10.4 KALBARRI WORKS DEPOT – OFFICE & CRIB ROOM (ITEM 6.5.4)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council approves the additional expenditure of \$11,255 for the purchase of the transportable dwelling for the Kalbarri Works Depot and also costs that are to be incurred for connection to electricity and water services.

CARRIED BY AN ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

11.10.5 EXTENDED LIQUOR TRADING HOURS – NORTHAMPTON IGA (ITEM 6.5.5)

Moved Cr PIKE, seconded Cr STOCK-STANDEN

That Council advise Northampton IGA that it has no objections for them to extend their liquor trading hours on the 14th, 21st and 28th December 2014 from 9.00am to 1.00pm as requested.

CARRIED 7/2

11.10.6 LAND FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS - NORTHAMPTON (ITEM 6.5.6)

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr SCOTT

That Council:

1. Request the Department of Lands for a Management Order for Lot 313 to allow continued planning for the construction of units for aged/retired persons.
2. Lobby state government representatives to have the requirement for freehold title at market value revoked as the project is for the provision of services to the community.

CARRIED 9/0

11.10.7 PUBLIC ABLUTIONS – JAKE POINT (ITEM 6.5.7)

Moved Cr SIMKIN, seconded Cr STANICH

That Council:

1. Defer this matter until the advertising period for the Kalbarri Coastal Management Plan, (where the provision of toilets at Jakes Point are stated) is closed and Council has determined submissions on the Plan;
2. Refer various toilet designs to the Kalbarri Board Riders Club for their information;
3. Invite members of the Kalbarri Board Riders Club to meet with Council onsite at 11.30am on the 18 February 2015 to further discuss the provision of toilets at Jakes Point;
4. Commit for the construction of a public toilet at Jakes Point in the 2015/16 Budget

CARRIED 9/0

11.10.8 KALBARRI SKATE PARK

CEO advised that due to pending information not received, this agenda item is now withdrawn for consideration.

11.10.9 LOT 21 HAMPTON ROAD

Moved Cr STANICH, seconded Cr WILSON

That Council progress with the purchase of Lot 21 Hampton Road for a cost of \$110,000 inclusive of GST, and the funds from the Land Development Reserve Fund be used.

CARRIED 8/1

11.10.10 KALBARRI AGED CARE FACILITY

Noted

AFTERNOON TEA ADJOURNMENT

Council adjourned for afternoon tea at 3.05pm.

Meeting reconvened at 3.21pm with the following in attendance:

Cr Wilson, Cr Simkin, Cr Carson, Cr Gliddon, Cr Stock-Standen, Cr Stanich, Cr Scott, Cr Holt, Cr Pike, Chief Executive Officer Garry Keeffe, Town Planner Hayley Williams, Deb Carson Community Development Officer.

11.11 SHIRE PRESIDENTS REPORT

Since the last Council meeting Cr Wilson reported on his attendance at the following:

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| 21/10/14 | Revitalisation Plan Meeting |
| 23/10/14 | Regional Road Group Meeting- it was noted that both the Kalbarri and Horrocks Roads widening were refused funding for 2015/16 |
| 11/11/14 | Midwest Development Commission launch of the Regional Blueprint at Northampton |
| 15/11/14 | Remembrance Day Dinner |
| 21/11/14 | Pioneer Lodge Development - meeting with Noel Fallon |

11.15.1 FRACKING INFORMATION

Cr Carson requested that as a member of the public has raised the issue of “Fracking” that Councillors undertake their own research and consider the matter at a future meeting.

Moved Cr CARSON, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That an agenda item on “Fracking” be prepared for consideration at a future meeting.

CARRIED 9/0

11.15.2 NATURE RESERVE AT HALFWAY BAY

Cr Stock-Standing advised of reports she has received of persons entering the Nature Reserve that bounds the road into Half Way Bay and that this use was affecting wild animals and degrading the area.

Moved Cr STOCK-STANDEN, seconded Cr SCOTT

That Council correspond to the Department of Parks and Wildlife to further protect the Nature Reserve 640 that bounds the entrance road to Halfway Bay.

CARRIED 9/0

11.15.4 ROSS RIVER AND BARMAH VIRUS INFORMATION

Cr Scott advised that he had received statistics from the Health Department on the number of residents who have been diagnosed with Ross River Virus and Barmah Forrest Virus and recommended that the Council undertake an awareness program to advise residents on protecting themselves from these virus's.

Moved Cr SCOTT, seconded Cr GLIDDON

That Council undertake an awareness program through letter drop/media releases within local newspapers to inform residents on the prevention of Ross River and Barmah Forest Viruses.

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11.15.5 1864 NORTHAMPTON TOWN PLANS

Cr Scott presented Cr Wilson with a framed copy of the 1864 original town map of Northampton as Chairman of the 150th Committee and in recognition of the town's 150th anniversary.

Moved Cr Wilson, seconded Cr Simkin

That Council record a vote of thanks to Cr Scott for obtaining the maps.

CARRIED 9/0

11.16 NEXT MEETING OF COUNCIL

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on the 19th December 2014 commencing at 1.00pm at the Council Chambers, Hampton Road, Northampton.

11.17 CLOSURE

There being no further business, the President thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3.59pm.