



**WRRRA Committee Meeting
MONDAY 1 December 2008
Wilson Community Hall**

Minutes

1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>Meeting opened: 7:30 pm.</p> <p>Present: Les Durbin (Secretary/Minutes), Gwili Crock, Maurice Winter, (Committee), Rob Marshall (Treasurer), Max Zeller, Joe Delle Donne, Mayor, Cllr. Graham Barry, Brian Cornell & Garry Stirling.</p> <p>Apologies: Geoff. Rees (President), Cllr. Lindsay Elliott</p> <p>Procedure: Les Durbin opened the meeting as temporary Chairman. Nominations were invited for the vacant position of Vice-President. Max Zeller was nominated by Les Durbin who declined so position remained vacant.</p> <p>Max Zeller and Brian Cornell were nominated to Committee by Les Durbin, seconded by Maurice Winter . Agreed.</p> <p>Max Zeller was requested to take the chair for this meeting. Agreed</p>
2	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday, 6 October 2008 were received as a true record on the motion of Maurice Winter seconded, Joe Delle Donne.</p>
3	<p>Presentation by Garry Stirling</p> <p>Garry addressed the meeting on the topic of toxic waste which is alleged to be leaching into the Canning River in the vicinity of Centenary Park which was historically a waste dump. Garry has experienced ill-health through contact with the water in that area and has personally funded water analysis, details of which were given to WRRRA earlier in the year.</p> <p>Garry explained the background to his health problems, his investigations into the history of the area and the efforts he had made to circulate an alert that toxic waste is likely to exist in the locality. It was accepted that WRRRA as a small community body were in no position to instigate an investigation but are willing to act as an information conduit to the community should dangerous waste be proven to exist and alerts be issued.</p> <p>Currently, Garry has Steve Irons MP for Swan seeking Federal funds for an investigation as well as the Swan River Trust and the Department of Environment and Conservation agreeing to a testing programme.</p>

	<p>City of Canning Mayor, Joe Delle Donne and Mason Ward Councillor, Graham Barry undertook to take the issue to the City and make inquiries with a view to bringing it to Council should their findings make it appropriate.</p> <p>Some discussion took place and Garry was thanked for his address. We shall await developments as they arise.</p> <p>WRRRA were asked to confirm this meeting with brief details to the Mayor by email at an early date. - Les</p>
<p>4</p>	<p>Actions arising from previous meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small Grants - Now complete. Dell laptop in our possession and refund has been made to our bank by Lotterywest. • Castledare Land Acquisition/Development Update: As per the Summer Edition newsletter. • Dual Use Path: As per the Summer Edition newsletter • Canning River Boating Strategy: Max who made our submission to the deliberations for the Canning River Boating Strategy was a little disappointed that not all our proposals had been accepted particularly our proposal for a boat ramp adjacent to the Sea Scouts building. No developments since last meeting. Brian Cornell thought that as restrictions on powerboats were currently not policed then further laws would also have little effect. • Leach Highway Trucks: As per Summer Edition Newsletter. Bill Johnston MLA & City of Canning are both actively seeking clarification of their policy from the new State Government. Until undertakings are received in writing, no further progress can be made • Kent Street Depot and surrounds: Rob again brought to the attention of the Mayor & Cllr. Barry the subject of cleaning any toxic waste from the present Depot site when the Depot is re-located and asked that the site be included in the Strategic Development Plan for the area. No progress can be made on this until a new CEO is appointed. • Crime and Seniors' seminars: Gwili will continue to attend any seminars relevant to WRRRA and its members. She received as requested, the seminar notes from Ben Wyatt's office but they were in an electronic form that she is unable to open. Suggested that when in the area, she visit Ben's office and request them in hard copy. • New City CEO: No appointment has been made yet. • Archiving old WRRRA records: Through the good offices of Joe Delle Donne, we have archived some of our old records at Riverton Library in the Local History section. We will have access if required as too will the public. • Mason Ward By-Election: To be held mid-March 2009 • Wilson Community Hall bookings 2009: Booked and paid for as follows: 2 Feb, 6 April, 1 June, 3 Aug., 5 Oct., 7 Dec. All being the first Monday of each second month. AGM to be on Wednesday 15 July.
<p>5</p>	<p>Secretary's Report</p> <p>Report listing of in/out mail Report attached.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An invitation was received from River Guardians to a Christmas Dinner at Burswood on Swan, Thursday, 11 December. Approved that Les & Jean Durbin should attend for WRRRA.

<p>6</p>	<p>Treasurer's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob submitted a report indicating an account standing at \$2998.11 accepted by Les seconded by Maurice. • On a motion proposed by Rob Marshall as Treasurer and accepted unanimously, WRRRA are to close our Anglican Deposit Fund Passbook account and open an account at the Bendigo Bank in Bentley enabling our Treasurer to deal with our affairs locally and more conveniently. This is to be achieved, hopefully, within the next week as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Open new Bendigo account with current cash and cheques in hand - Rob ◇ Close Anglican account in the City at the same time drawing 4 cheques: - Les <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) \$220 for Max Zeller for Domain Fees 2) \$150 for Ted Foreman Award to Wilson Primary School 3) \$150 for Ted Foreman Award to Rehoboth Christian School 4) The remaining amount in the account as cheque to Wilson Residents & Ratepayers Association. - Les ◇ WRRRA cheque to be deposited in new Bendigo account when opened and Rob has contacted Les with the Account no. - Les ◇ Committee approved three signatories for the new account with any two to sign for any transaction as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Geoff Rees (President) 2) Rob Marshall (Treasurer) 3) Les Durbin (Secretary). <p>Note: 100 points identity proof should be shown at the Bendigo to become a signatory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rob noted that the present membership is now approx. 80, quite healthy, with more expected from the newsletter drop. • Les requested that as Treasurer, Rob should periodically check the Eureka Store box for mail - say monthly - Accepted.
<p>7</p>	<p>Portfolio Reports</p> <p>There were no portfolio reports other than those reported earlier.</p> <p>Mayor Delle Donne and Cllr. Barry & Delle Donne having taken an active part in previous topics added the following for our information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kent Street Environmental Centre: There is no tenant for functions/catering as yet. The cost of installing a kitchen and the economics of the catering are still being examined. The letter from Rob to the City CEO as was, Dominic Carbone re. hours of opening for social functions, has not been replied to and likely will not be until a new CEO is appointed and the tenancy has been resolved. • Riverton Kiosk: The question of the number of car bays will not be addressed until detailed planning is completed and a lease is granted, none of which will happen until money available for construction. As a result of the meeting attended by Geoff & Les, the two main points that arose were that the present kiosk is at the end of its useful life so has to be replaced and a limit of \$500,000 expenditure has been put on its replacement • U/G Power in area bordered by Manning Road/Leach Hwy/Canning River: Should have begun in Jan.2009 but due to labour shortages and organising agreement with private householders over finance, the project is delayed. • Deep Sewerage in the same area is progressing.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Southern Metropolitan Regional Council Waste Disposal Plant: The City is investigating alternative ways of disposing of our waste as the plant is not running as anticipated. It is becoming a financial burden on the City of Canning. It will not be easy to find alternatives without State Government help. A Council priority.
<p>8</p>	<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Broadband availability: The newsletter editorial is on the subject of availability and invites residents to email Les if they are experiencing problems. The aim is to compile a map of the suburb to pin point the areas of poor or non-existent reception. Bill Johnston MLA has a particular interest in this and should we receive a response worth pursuing then he will take a personal interest and has undertaken to see that the results are forwarded to the individuals or bodies who can perhaps remedy the situation. - Les to collate. • Newsletter Summer Edition: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◇ Content complete and proof read - Les ◇ Page 4 minor advert changes, delivery maps and prepare CD for printing - Max ◇ Printing & Delivery to Les - Maurice ◇ Delivery collection point 170, Watts Road, Wilson - Les ◇ Delivery to be at earliest to avoid Christmas frenzy • Annual Dinner: Provisionally to be Friday Feb. 6 2009 at a local venue - Maurice • New Year Ice Cream Arrangements: City notified that WRRRA will organise again this year. There is a minor problem as our normal supplier Aussie Ice Creams are not available but we are confident that this is easily overcome - Maurice • Deliver letters & cheques to Wilson Primary & Rehoboth Christian schools this week - Les
<p>9</p>	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>The next committee Meeting will be held on Monday 2 February 2009 at 7.30pm at Wilson Community Hall</p>
	<p>There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.50 pm.</p>