

## **10 EXECUTIVE SERVICES**

Nil Reports

## 11 NOTICES OF MOTION

### 11.1 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 964 - NOTICE OF RESCISSION MINUTES OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING 24 JUNE 2019

**Author:** *Councillor Rhonda Sanderson*

**File No:** *CL/04/001-02*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 19 August 2019.

#### **MOTION**

**THAT** Council rescind the minutes of the Ordinary Council meeting of 24 June 2019.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Rhonda Sanderson

Date: 16/07/2019

**11.2 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 965 - GREENS PINCH RESERVE**

**Author:** *Councillor Annie Goble*

**File No:** *ET/02/011*

**Attachments:** *Nil*

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 19 August 2019.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council:

1. Investigates the suitability of Greens Pinch Reserve, Kilmore being used and marketed for mountain bike riding.
2. Receives a report following the investigation into the suitability, outlining the options and restrictions of the site for mountain bike riding and a recommendation if suitable to progress this project, including costings, timeframes and marketing plans as appropriate.

Councillor comments:

Greens Pinch Reserve is underutilised and there is a need for areas for mountain bike riding that are marketed as such. This site may have the potential to address this need. Greens Pinch Reserve is accessed via Kelly's Lane and is Council land.

Officer Comments:

Greens Pinch is the ridgeline above Branigan Drive, Mountford Crescent and Meade Court and offers beautiful views across to the Mount William Range. The reserve adjoins the Hamilton's Creek Reserve. Both reserves are Council owned and managed.

The ridge line was direct seeded with indigenous trees and shrubs in 2001 with funding from the (then called) Department of Natural Resources and Environment, as it was identified as a high recharge site contributing to salinity in the local area and in Hamilton's Creeks.

Most of the reserve habitat consists of grassland with scattered trees. Large areas are dominated by weeping grass (*Microlaena stipoides*) and kangaroo grass (*Themeda triandra*), wallaby grass (*Austrodanthonia caespitose*), spear grass and tussock grasses are more common on drier hilltops. Diverse wildflowers are also abundant in certain areas of the reserve during the spring.

Any assessment would need to include;

- An environmental assessment

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NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 965 - GREENS PINCH RESERVE (CONT.)

- Suitability for a mountain bike track (by independent experts)
- Parking and access assessment

It should also be noted that community members are finalising a proposal for a mountain bike facility at the Monument Hill Reserve, Kilmore. Council has received correspondence both for and against the Monument Hill Mountain Bike trail proposal. A Cultural Heritage Management Plan may be required if the mountain bike plan is to proceed, however, this is not required until there is a draft design.

Financial Implications:

Estimated between \$25,000 -\$30,000

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Annie Goble

Date: 13/08/2019

**11.3 NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 966 - BLACKSPOT FUNDING**

**Author:** Councillor Bob Humm

**File No:** GS/04/202

**Attachments:** Nil

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I hereby give notice of my intention to move the following motion at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 19 August 2019.

**MOTION**

**THAT** Council write to the Regional Manager at Regional Roads Victoria (RRV) and request the intersection of Lancefield Road and Old Lancefield Road, Kilmore be considered in the Black Spot Funding to be improved for the safety of drivers using this intersection.

Councillors Comment:

Two drivers were killed on this section of road a short time back. Have driven this section of road regularly it is very dangerous due to the sun directly in your face at 4.30 to 5pm when going west.

Officers Comment:

The Federal Government Black Spot Program funding is available for the treatment of Black Spot locations with a proven history of crashes. The program is currently only available to locations on the municipal road network and not the arterial road network.

For individual sites such as intersections, mid-block or short road sections, there should be a history of at least three (3) casualty crashes over a five-year period. The requirement for a history of crashes at any given site or road length ensures that those locations that have a recurrent problem are targeted first for improvement treatments. A casualty crash is defined as an event on a public road involving a road vehicle that results in a fatality or injury to one or more persons and is reported to the police.

The location nominated on this Notice of Motion does not meet the program funding criteria for automatic consideration due to only two (2) casualty crashes having occurred at this location over the past 5 years.

Notwithstanding the above, the Federal Government Black Spot Program also recognises that there are road locations that could be considered as 'accidents waiting to happen'. Therefore, some program funds may be used to treat sites where road traffic engineers have completed a Road Safety Audit and found that remedial

NOTICE OF MOTION: NO. 966 - BLACKSPOT FUNDING (CONT.)

work is necessary. This allows an opportunity for proactive safety works to be undertaken before casualties occur.

Given the location is at the intersection of an arterial road and a municipal road, this may be an option available for both Council and Regional Roads Victoria to pursue.



Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Cr Bob Humm

Date: 5/08/2019

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## 12 DELEGATES REPORTS

### 12.1 DELEGATE REPORT - MITCHELL ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE OVERVIEW AND UPDATE (NOVEMBER 2018 - MAY 2019)

**Author:** Elyse Kelly - Environmental Programs Coordinator

**File No:** ET/03/003

**Attachments:** Nil

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#### SUMMARY

This report provides an overview of the Mitchell Environment Advisory Committee (MEAC) and a summary of the discussions held at the following ordinary meetings of the Committee;

- 8 November 2018;
- 31 January 2019;
- 28 March 2019; and
- 30 May 2019.

Cr Eldridge chaired the meetings on the 8 November 2018, 31 January 2019 and the 30 May 2019 and was an apology for the meeting on the 28 March 2019 meeting.

Council representatives at the meetings included the Director of Development and Infrastructure, Environmental Planning and Sustainability Officer, Strategic Planner and the Environment Coordinator.

#### RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** Council receive and note the Delegates report, Mitchell Environment Advisory Committee overview and update (November 2018 – May 2019)

#### BACKGROUND

In July 2011, Council established the Mitchell Environment Advisory Committee (MEAC). At the 21 August 2017 Council meeting, a revised Terms of Reference (TOR) was adopted.

The purpose of the Mitchell Environment Advisory Committee is to “...*capitalise on the knowledge, experience and skill available in the community to provide Mitchell Shire Council with strategic advice in respect to environmental sustainability and management issues and initiatives within the municipality*”.

The Terms of Reference for MEAC allows for the establishment of special interest working groups as needed to progress specific initiatives.

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DELEGATE REPORT - MITCHELL ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE OVERVIEW AND UPDATE  
(NOVEMBER 2018 - MAY 2019) (CONT.)

## DISCUSSION

### November 2018 meeting

At the Ordinary meeting of MEAC held on the 8 November, the Committee discussed environmental events Council had facilitated and resolved to support environmental educational events in the shire such as the Backyard bird count and local wildflower walks.

The Committee were informed of the Renewable Energy Power Purchase Agreement Project, which is an alternative procurement model for bulk energy supply.

Discussion on the Broadford Structure Plan Emerging Issues Paper followed, which had been released the day before the meeting and provided preliminary comment, which was forwarded to Council's strategic planning team.

An update on the Southern Regional Park and the Kilmore Creek Landscape Masterplan were provided and the proposal for a Woolworths supermarket adjacent the Kilmore Creek was also discussed.

In general business the Committee raised concerns with motorbike tracks, street trees and weed control on private properties.

### 31 January meeting

At the Ordinary meeting of MEAC held on the 31 January 2019, the Committee were provided updates on local environment events, works within Council's environmental reserves, Council's roadside weed control program, the Seymour Sports and Aquatic Centre solar project and the Southern Regional Park proposal.

In general business, the Committee discussed trees in drains, the possibility of a significant tree register, the Collaborative Council - Sustainability Fund Partnerships and a recent VCAT outcome on illegal native vegetation removal.

### 28 March 2019 meeting

Cr Eldridge was an apology for the Ordinary meeting of MEAC held on the 28 March 2019 and as such the Director and Development and Infrastructure chaired the meeting.

The Committee identified an opportunity for tree planting in Hidden Valley, received a report detailing the results of National Tree Day 2018 in Mitchell Shire and sought information on the ongoing maintenance of previous plantings. The Committee were also informed on the progress of the Council's roadside weed control program.

The Southern Regional Park was discussed, becoming a permanent fixture on the Committees agendas.

The Committee were informed that Mitchell Shire hosted the Merri Creek Management Committee Annual General meeting and received a copy of their annual report.

In general business the Committee discussed the Sunday Creek and Dry Creek Flood Study, the Seymour Alternative Farming Expo and Waste Management.

### 30 May 2019 meeting



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DELEGATE REPORT - MITCHELL ENVIRONMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE OVERVIEW AND UPDATE  
(NOVEMBER 2018 - MAY 2019) (CONT.)

The Ordinary meeting of MEAC held on the 30 May 2019 commenced with a presentation from Council's strategic planner on the Rural Land and Activities Review. Discussion followed including the following broad topics; land banking, economic outputs, high quality agricultural land, future and innovative rural land uses, core environmental assets, climate change, water availability, Mitchell Shire's freight network and the consultation process for this project.

The presentation concluded with the Committee requesting that they are considered a stakeholder for early consultation for the Rural Land and Activities Review, prior to the public consultation.

The Committee also requested that they are considered as stakeholders for the consultation for the following projects;

- Kilmore Creek Landscape Masterplan
- Upper Merri Integrated Water Management Plan; and
- Greening Kilmore- Integrated Water Management Plan.

Members were pleased to be advised that Council has become a co-signatory to *Living Melbourne: our metropolitan urban forest strategy*. Urban Forestry is a topic that the Committee has discussed for the past 12 months.

The early results of the rural roadside vegetation conservation surveys were tabled, as were the results of the Mitchell Shire collaborative weeds workshop.

Moving onto open space development, the Ryans Creek Reserve Activation Project was raised and following discussion, the Committee resolved to form a working group, in accordance with the Terms of Reference to provide written advice on the Proposed Elements Survey.

In recognition of Heather Bradbury's work in the acting Environment Coordinator role, the Committee passed a vote of thanks for her work over the past 6 months.

In general business the following topics were covered;

- Update on Monument Hill Pine removal project;
- Update on the Waterway sign project; and the
- Southern Regional Park Proposal.

## **CHARTER OF HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS**

The rights protected in the *Charter of Human Rights and Responsibilities Act 2006* were considered in preparing this report and it's determined that the subject matter does not raise any human rights issues.

**12.2 DELEGATE REPORT - OVERVIEW AND UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES AND DELEGATE DELIBERATIONS**

**Author:** Lidia Harding - Governance & Corporate Accountability Coordinator

**File No:** CL/04/001-03

**Attachments:** 1. Councillor Delegate Report - July

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**SUMMARY**

This delegate's report provides an update on activities and deliberations of groups and associations for which Councillors are an appointed delegate for the period July 2019 and also other activities attended as a Council representative.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** the Delegate's Report on Overview and Update on Activities and Delegate Deliberation by Councillors for July 2019 be received and noted.

**BACKGROUND**

The 2016 Council Elections were held on 22 October 2016. New committee and organisation delegates were appointed on 26 November 2018. This report is presented in response to NOM 881 of the 21 November 2016 meeting which requested that each Councillor submits a Delegate Report for inclusion in the monthly Council Meeting agenda, commencing from the December 2016 meeting.

The Delegates Reports will include:

- a) Activities attended as a nominated Council Delegate; and
- b) Other activities attended as a Council representative.

The Report will not include:

- a) Assemblies of Councillors (as they are already reported in Council Agendas);
- b) Private meetings.

The Report should be verifiable by the Councillor from the Councillor's Council Diary.

**DISCUSSION**

Councillors have attended a number of meetings in this period as per their appointments as delegate and other activities as a Council representative as per Attachment 1.

DELEGATE REPORT - OVERVIEW AND UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES AND DELEGATE DELIBERATIONS  
(CONT.)

# **MITCHELL SHIRE COUNCIL**

## **Council Meeting Attachment**

### **DELEGATES REPORTS**

**19 AUGUST 2019**

**12.2**

**DELEGATE REPORT - OVERVIEW AND  
UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES AND DELEGATE  
DELIBERATIONS**

**Attachment No: 1**

**Councillor Delegate Report - July**

**Councillor Delegate Report – July 2019**

**Cr David Atkinson**

Cr Atkinson submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

16 July 2019 - Harley Hammond Committee of Management meeting, Broadford

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

24 July 2019 - Official refurbishment of Caladenia Nursing home extension with Jaclyn Symes MP, Cr Humm, KDH Chief Executive Officer and board members and others. It is a lovely building and Jaclyn made an announcement for a further \$300k for flooring and bathroom renovations. I noted that the outlook from the new lounge room overlooking the hospital roof/air conditioners etc could be made aesthetically better with planting of some natives. Will do some investigation to some plantings of natives to enhance the view

25 July 2019 - Presented with Cr Sanderson the Seymour FM radio broadcast program

31 July 2019 - Attended Christmas in July with Cr Sanderson and officers for the volunteers of the Seymour Visitor Information Centre at the Seymour Old Courthouse

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**Cr Bill Chisholm**

Cr Chisholm submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

25 July 2019 - Travelled to Canberra and met with various Ministers and advisors. Main issues for discussion was the South Bound Freeway Ramps on Watson St in Wallan, and the timelines for transfer of the Tank Museum to the edge of the Puckapunyal Army Base. Damien Drum MP hosted us and was a great support throughout the day.

1st meeting with Darren Chester, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence

2nd meeting with staff of Catherine King, Shadow Minister for Infrastructure, Transport and Regional Development (who was called away) thanking them for the support they provided prior to the Federal Election regarding freeway ramps and mental health issues.

3rd meeting with Greg Hunt, Minister for Health where the provision of mental health services within the Shire was discussed

4th meeting with the Senior Advisor to Alan Tudge, Minister for Population, Cities and Urban Infrastructure. Very frank discussion around the Watson Street South bound ramps. We appeared to get a very good reception on the issues we raised and have made extremely useful contacts for the future

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

4 July 2019 – Municipal Association of Victoria (MAV) members forum at the MAV Building Collins Street Melbourne. Discussion on the 6 proposed reforms to the *Local Government Bill 2019*

4 July 2019 - Mitchell Sustainability Group. Renewables are open for Business. Wine x Sam Seymour. Very informative night

7 July 2019 - Tallarook Farmers Market. 10-Year Anniversary of the market made a short speech. The market was well attended and going from strength to strength.

8 July 2019 - Broadford Probus Club and gave a speech about Councils role in the community

10 July 2019 - Annual NAIDOC Week march and get together with Cr Sanderson and Shire staff

11 July 2019 - Meeting with three Council staff members with Mr Chris Clarke from Castlegate James P/L who run the Broadford Stockfeeds supplements from 140 Strath Creek Road, Broadford. This business actually recycles waste food products into animal feed

12 July 2019 - Met up with the new Youth Council on their induction camp and familiarity tour at the Tooborac Hotel where they had lunch

12 July 2019 - Pyalong Community Planning Dinner at the Pyalong Hotel. Great night, very well attended and Council staff received great feedback from residents

13 July 2019 - Wallan Football Club sponsor day with Crs Cornish and Lowe, good afternoon of football especially for the Wallan 1st xviii

17 July 2019 - Tallarook Mechanic's Hall Annual General meeting at the Tallarook Hotel. I hosted the election of the new committee. Cr Sanderson also attended

18 July 2019 - Seymour Business and Tourism meeting at Seymour Coaches. New concept outlined and proposed to work in with 'GoNagambie'

18 July 2019 - Pre-taping of next Monday's Kilmore Radio Show at the Broadford Living and Learning Centre

18 July 2019 - Seymour Revitalisation community meeting at the Salvation Army Hall in Seymour. Well attended

19 July 2019 - Attended the Switch on of the Lights at the Wallan Bowling Club. Danielle Green MP did the honours

24 July 2019 - Meeting of the Tooborac Recreation Reserve Committee, Tooborac

29 July 2019 - Emergency management exercise conducted in the Broadford Hall.  
Response to a simulated disaster. Cr Humm also attended

31 July 2019 - Briefing by Adem Somyurek, Minister for Local Government in Melbourne regarding the *Local Government Bill 2019*. Fairly robust discussion, and some of the questions raised highlighted the need for an extensive consultation period. This is definitely not going to happen

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**Cr Bob Cornish**

Cr Cornish submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

10 July 2019 – Annual NAIDOC Week Parade, Seymour

13 July 2019 – Sponsors Day, Wallan

19 July 2019 – Wallan Bowls Club Lighting Unveiling

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**Cr Rob Eldridge**

Cr Eldridge submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

25 July 2019 - Mitchell Environment Advisory Committee (MEAC)

26 July 2019 – Greenhill Committee of Management

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

17 and 18 July 2019 – Melbourne Planning Summit, Melbourne

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**Cr Annie Goble**

Cr Goble submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

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**Cr Bob Humm**

Cr Humm submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

4 July 2019 - JJ Clancy Committee of Management meeting

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

18 July 2019 - Kilmore Radio Station report

23 July 2019 - Special Meeting Broadford Football Club

24 July 2019 - Kilmore Hospital Official Celebration of Caladina Section

29 July 2019 - Emergency Management trials with staff, Broadford

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**Cr David Lowe**

Cr Lowe submitted the following Delegate report for the period May and June:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

9 July 2019 - Wallan Chamber of Commerce meeting

9 July 2019 - HVaWD Men's Shed meeting

13 July 2019 - Wallan Football and Netball club Sponsors Day

19 July 2019 - Wallan Bowls Club Lighting Launch

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**Cr Rhonda Sanderson**

Cr Sanderson submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

9 July 2019 - Kings Park Committee of Management meeting, Second Oval Outbuilding, Kings Park, Seymour

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

7 July 2019 - Mitchell Shire Concert Band 'Soiree', Band Hall, Chittick Park, Pollard Street, Seymour. A lovely event showcasing the fantastic musical talent we have in the Shire

10 July 2019 - NAIDOC Week March, Station and Tallarook Streets and event, Kings Park, Seymour. This event is growing in popularity each year

17 July 2019 - Tallarook Mechanics Institute Committee of Management Annual General meeting, Tallarook Hotel, Main Road, Tallarook. The constitution was updated at the meeting and 12 committee members were elected

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18 July 2019 - Seymour Business and Tourism meeting, Seymour Coaches, Highlands Road, Seymour. The main topic of discussion was the potential formation by Sb&T of 'GoSeymour' to collaborate with the very successful 'GoNagambie'

18 July 2019 - DELWP Seymour Revitalisation Community Liaison Working Group workshop, Salvation Army Hall, Victoria Street, Seymour. Sixteen community members attended this latest workshop which included ideas for the beautification of Anzac Avenue

19 July 2019 - Mitchell Shire Council Wallan Bowls Club Court Lighting Launch, Duke Street, Wallan. The court lights were officially switched on by Danielle Green, Member for Yan Yean

24 July 2019 - Seymour FM 'Talking about Mitchell' radio show, Kings Park studio, Lesley Street, Seymour

31 July 2019 - Mitchell Shire Council Visitor Information Centre Christmas in July event, Old Court House, High Street, Seymour. A lovely event for our volunteers

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**Cr Fiona Stevens**

Cr Stevens submitted the following Delegate report for this period:

Meetings and events attended as a delegate:

Other meetings and events attended as a Council representative include:

4 July 2019 - Mitchell Community Energy MCE

17 and 18 July 2019 – Melbourne Planning Summit, Melbourne

18 July 2019 - DELWP Seymour Revitalisation Community Liaison Working Group workshop, Salvation Army Hall, Victoria Street, Seymour



**13 GENERAL BUSINESS**

*In accordance with Clause 30 of the Meeting Procedure Local Law.*

**14 URGENT BUSINESS**

*In accordance with Clause 31 of the Meeting Procedure Local Law.*

**15 CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS****RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** in accordance with Section 89(2) of the *Local Government Act 1989*, Council resolves to close the meeting to members of the public to consider the following items which relate to matters specified under Section 89(2), as specified below.

**15.1 Confirmation of Minutes of previous Confidential Meeting**

**15.2 Provision of Plant Hire**  
s89(2)(d) contractual matters.

**15.3 Provision of Road and pathway Line Marking**  
s89(2)(d) contractual matters.

**15.4 Procurement Australia Electricity Tender**  
s89(2)(d) contractual matters.

**15.5 Council Reserve - Doyle Crescent, Seymour**  
s89(2)(b) the personal hardship of any resident or ratepayer.

**15.6 Re-opening of Meeting to members of the public**

**16 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary meeting of Council is scheduled to be held on Monday 16 September 2019 at the Mitchell Council Chambers, 113 High Street Broadford, commencing at 7.00pm.

**17 CLOSE OF MEETING**