

## SHIRE OF NORTHAM

### MINUTES OF THE BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL HELD ON 20 AUGUST 2009 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 10 AM, THEN ONSITE AT BERNARD PARK AT 10:30AM

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING AND WELCOME

The Chairman declared the Meeting open at 10am and welcomed all Members

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. ATTENDANCE

Chairperson  
Members

Cr Bert Llewellyn  
Cr Michael Letch  
Cr Gill Beazley  
Mr Phil Steven  
Mr Jim Riddle

Visitors

Mr Simon Dempster (on site 10:30)  
Mr Peter Byfield (on site 10:30)

4. APOLOGIES

Cr Laurie Glass

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Moved Cr Letch    Seconded Cr Beazley**  
**The minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2009 were accepted.**  
**Carried.**

6. AGENDA ITEMS

- 6.1 The Committee briefly discussed the Skate Park on Clarke Street, and the best use of the area. Given that it is a Shire Reserve, it was decided that the status quo should remain. At 10:30am the meeting adjourned to Bernard Park.
- 6.2 The Committee visited the proposed site for the Bernard Park Sound Shell and discussed the proposal with Fiona Hogg, from Paradigm Architects. It was considered that the proposed site is most favourable, but would have to be built up by around 600mm (same level as Bernard Park toilets floor level) for a sizeable area in front of the stage, in order to have the stage at the same height as the walkway around the river, with a 900mm drop to the raised ground level at the front. It was also proposed to have two permanent changerooms one on either side of the rear of the Sound Shell, in order to retain the view through to the river. The remainder of the concept remained unchanged. Concept plans will be drawn up by the Architects and presented to the next Committee Meeting. It was not considered worthwhile purchasing the architectural plans for the design that has previously been discussed (\$5000), since there will be significant changes made. Mrs Hogg suggested from an outsider's point of view that in the future it would be worth the Shire doing up the laneway that leads from Fitzgerald Street to Minson Avenue in front of the proposed Sound Shell to provide an appealing link between the two. Mr Byfield, Mr Dempster, Cr Llewellyn and Cr Beazley left the meeting at this point.
- 6.3 The Architect and remainder of Committee visited the Northam Library, along with Wendy Porter (Librarian) and discussed the proposed extension concept. Two concepts will be drawn up, one for an extension at the rear of the Library and the second for an extension towards the Northam Gym in between the curved external walls. It is proposed that the staff area would be upstairs, and a lift is provided. The concepts are hoped to be presented at the next Committee Meeting.

7. DECLARATION OF CLOSURE

The next meeting will be held on 24 September 2009, starting at 10am in the Shire Chambers.

The meeting closed at 12:30pm.

Attachments: