

SHIRE OF NORTHAM

MINUTES OF THE BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL HELD ON 14 MAY 2009 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 9:30 AM

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING AND WELCOME

The Chairman declared the Meeting open at 9:30am and welcomed all Members

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. ATTENDANCE

Chairperson
Members

Cr Bert Llewlyn
Cr Michael Letch
Cr Gill Beazley
Cr Laurie Glass
Mr Phil Steven
Ms Hayley Fegan
Mr Jim Riddle

4. APOLOGIES

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Moved Cr Letch Seconded Cr Beazley
The minutes of the meeting held on 8 April 2009 were accepted.
Carried.

6. AGENDA ITEMS

- 6.1 Bernard Park Sound Shell – The Committee discussed the proposed Sound Shell design in particular the following:
 - 6.1.1 Having the rear mostly open, but able to be closed in during events
 - 6.1.2 It was suggested that several concepts be put out for public comment for discussion at the next meeting. After that feedback has been received, the Committee may be in a position to invite Architects to the next meeting.

Moved Gill Beazley, Seconded Michael Letch

- 1. That a number of Sound Shell designs (4) be put out for public comment before next Committee meeting.**

Carried.

- 6.2 Wundowie Hall proposed addition - The Committee considered a proposal from Silver Wings Wundowie for an addition to the Wundowie Hall, consisting of a meeting room and storage, to provide them a permanent space. Silver Wings have over 100 members. It was suggested that staff investigate the availability of external funding to help with this kind of proposal. Also the YAC building or old Wundowie Fire Station may be available, since although Council's long-term view is to sell YAC property, the purchase agreement (with Lotteries Commission who paid for half ie \$15,000 of the property) states that it must be kept for 10 years for the charitable uses (expires November 2013).
- 6.3 Proposal from Heritage Council for heritage listing of old Northam Fire Station – The Committee was opposed to putting the building on the State Heritage List. The Committee also questioned whether the building is underutilised, and whether its current functions (storage, meetings and Avon Descent Annual Competitor registrations) could be split and relocated to other buildings.

Moved Gill Beazley, Seconded Michael Letch

- 2. That Council is opposed to listing on the State Heritage Register the old Northam Fire Station (Avon Descent Building) at 87 Duke Street Northam since it wasn't the original Northam Fire Station, but is willing to list the building on the Heritage Council's 'Places Database'.**

- 6.4 Visitor's Centre proposed Licensing, Rivers Edge Café use - Several Committee members visited the Visitor's Centre to consider whether Council's Licensing function should be relocated to that building, and also the best use of the Rivers Edge Café and Migrant Exhibition Room. Since the Visitor's Centre Report is not available at this point in time, the Committee felt it was premature to make any recommendations on these matters.
- 6.5 Possible surplus buildings and land assets in the Shire which could be disposed of to help fund new building assets (President request). A shortlist was developed, for further consideration by Council in the future. The exact details of freehold lots in town is contained in a file in the Manager of Planning & Development's office.

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Assess No.	Lot/ Street No.	Address	area	Cert title	Comments
A1399	Lot 439	Great Eastern Hwy, El Caballo	25.5 ha	1704/720	Around historic whitehouse
A2407	Lot 160	Sims Rd, Wundowie	20.27 ha	2144/791	Could subdivide and sell
A77	Lot 311	Boronia Ave, Wundowie	2926m2	1317/990	YAC Shack (can't sell till 2013 agreement)
A3100		Wellington St	3642	230/99	Victoria Oval
Not listed		Burlong Rd	8726	631/44	Maybe sell
A12515	No. 63	Wellington St	1821	733/111	Child Health Clinic
A14137 / A13096		Peel Tce	5.5 ha	25/339	Jubilee Oval – may be able to subdivide off commercial lots fronting Peel Tce
A13091	Lot 500	Suburban Rd	4140	1577/479	Portion of Bert Hawke oval (maybe sell)
A11604	Lot 51 (25)	Tamplin St	5.86 ha	1369/629	Near MRWA reserve
A13097	Lot 200-208	Beavis Pl	9 lots, 3000m2	21/302A	Old Brabazon House
A11608, A11612	Lot 1, Lot 5	Mitchell Ave	5876, 20,235m2	1560/92, 1101/290	Between Poole St bridge & Holtfreters

Hold onto for now

Assessment	Lot/ Street No	Address	Area	Title	Comments
A313	Lots 233 & 244	Kingia Ave, Wundowie	925 / 1327m2	1198/143	Old Freemason's Hall site
A967	Lot 881	GEH, Yilgarn Ave	59.56 ha	2524/999	Old saleyards site
A11140			2833m2	357/138	Town Office
A11581	No55	Mitchell Ave	2.3 ha	1206/854	Swimming Pool and old Caravan Park
A13095	No33	Wellington St	2860	1542/764	AVAS
A13562	Lot 146	Chidlow St	1834	287/64A	Old Scout Hall site (for Aged accom)

7. DECLARATION OF CLOSURE

The next meeting will be held on 10 June 2009, starting at 9:30 at the Shire Chambers.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 12 noon.