

# SHIRE OF NORTHAM

## MINUTES OF THE BUILDING REVIEW COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL HELD ON 8 APRIL 2009 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT 9:30 AM

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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  
Mr Phil Steven  
Ms Hayley Fegan  
Mr Jim Riddle  
Regina Michel (Dept of Health)  
Alison Wood (DoH)  
Jill Taylor (DoH)

Visitors

4. APOLOGIES

Cr Laurie Glass

5. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

**Moved Cr Letch    Seconded Cr Llewellyn  
The minutes of the meeting held on 26 February 2009 were accepted.  
Carried.**

6. AGENDA ITEMS

- 6.1 Bernard Park Sound Shell – The Committee discussed the proposed Sound Shell design and the various issues involved, as outlined below:
  - 6.1.1 Approach Western Power in relation to moving the power pole at the rear.
  - 6.1.2 Design the roof with a curve in at least one direction since it would look better, possibly curve in both directions depending on acoustic suitability.
  - 6.1.3 Have stage lights removeable.

- 6.1.4 Allow for some storage underneath.
- 6.1.5 Investigate appropriate dimensions.
- 6.1.6 Stage height 0.9m high, 2.1m to roof.
- 6.1.7 Perforated anticon insulation and 25mm diameter chicken wire underneath (or perforated custom-orb).
- 6.1.8 Community groups are supportive of the venture (Rotary, Schools)
- 6.1.9 Need to work out details of connections, 3-phase
- 6.1.10 It was suggested that architectural input is required, incorporating acoustic/lighting design.
- 6.1.11 Durability has to be a high priority.
- 6.1.12 Documentation for the Tender needs to be clear and high quality to assist Tenderers.

**Moved Gill Beazley, Seconded Michael Letch**

- 1. **That staff investigate the possibility of engaging an architect to draw up a design for the proposed Sound Shell at Bernard Park. Carried.**

- 6.2 Infant Health Clinic – The Committee considered a letter from a local pharmacy who are interested in leasing (including sharing) or purchasing the property.
- 6.3 Representatives from WA Country Health, including Aboriginal Health, explained that they would like to continue using the building until construction of the Aboriginal Medical Centre next door is completed. A Builder has been nominated (Multicon). The completion date is January 2010. It was believed that the existing building could not be shared because it has to be available for consulting rooms and a meeting room, so an office could not be catered for. The flat at the rear is rented separately. The Committee discussed the ultimate use of the property at 63 Wellington Street, including sale, lease, or use for a Council function such as vehicle licensing or Killara.

**Moved Bert Llewellyn, Seconded Laurie Glass**

- 2. **That Council investigate the advantages of selling the property on 63 Wellington Street, Northam, and obtain an official valuation.**
- 3. **That Council allow WA Country Health to continue using the old Infant Health Clinic until February 2010, or until construction of the new Aboriginal Health Centre is completed if that is sooner.**

- 6.4 The Committee visited the Agricultural Pavilion near Jubilee Oval. It was built in around 1905 by the Agricultural Society and is probably the largest of its kind in WA, being over 1100m<sup>2</sup> in floor area. The first Northam Show was held in 1890. The steel sheeting on the roof is rusting on the overlap points and the Agricultural Society is considering replacing part of the roof. Generally the buildings are in reasonable condition, and Council does not contribute to the maintenance costs.

7. DECLARATION OF CLOSURE

The next meeting will be held on 14 May 2009, starting at 9:30 at the Shire Chambers.

The Chairman declared the meeting closed at 11:40pm.