LEICHHARDT MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Environment and Recreation Committee of Leichhardt Municipal Council held in the Supper Room on 13 July 2011.

Present at the meeting: Cr Daniel Kogoy (Chair), Cr Vera Ann Hannaford, Cr John Stamolis, Paul Geraghty, Kim Wheatley, Stephen Arnerich, Jane Mowbray, Bronwen Campbell

Staff Present: Aaron Callaghan, David Wilson, Vince Cusumano, Jon Stiebel, Doug Anderson

Apologies
Meeting Commenced: 6.40pm

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY:

Cr Kogoy performed acknowledgement of country in the capacity as Chairperson.

I acknowledge the Gadigal and Wangal people of the Eora nation on whose Country we are meeting today, and their elders past and present.

BUSINESS:

ITEM 1
APOLOGIES

ERC16/11 RECOMMENDED KOGOY/STAMOLIS

That apologies be accepted for the non attendance of David Lawrence and Cr Rochelle Porteous.

ITEM 2
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

Nil

ITEM 3
PRESENTATION/VERBAL UPDATE - ECOFESTIVAL

ERC17/11 RECOMMENDED

That the presentation regarding the draft program for the Ecofestival scheduled on 28 August 2011 be noted. (Attachment 1)
ITEM 4
MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: 4 May 2011

ERC18/11 RECOMMENDED HANNAFORD/STAMOLIS

That Council adopt the minutes of the Environment & Recreation Committee meeting held on 4 May 2011.

ITEM 5
SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS

ERC19/11 RECOMMENDED HANNAFORD/STAMOLIS

That the information in the Summary of Resolutions be received and noted.

ITEM 6
CORRESPONDENCE

ERC20/11 RECOMMENDED HANNAFORD/STAMOLIS

6.1 PROPOSED TREE REMOVAL CITY WEST LINK

That correspondence on the update of the community consultation process regarding City West Link Noise Walls Rectification Project be received and noted.

6.2 SYDNEY COASTAL COUNCILS GROUP MINUTES AND ACTIONS – 18 JUNE 2011

That correspondence received from Sydney Coastal Councils Group regarding the minutes and actions per meeting held on 18 June 2011 be received and noted.

ITEM 7
REPORTS FROM THE COMMUNITY - Nil

ITEM 8
CLIMATE CHANGE TASKFORCE MINUTES – 1 June 2011

ERC21/11 RECOMMENDED GERAGHTY/ARNERICH

That the minutes of the Climate Change Taskforce meeting held on 1 June 2011 be noted. (Attachment 2)
ITEM 9
ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS PROGRAM

ERC22/11 RECOMMENDED GERAGHTY/ARNERICH

1. That the Environment and Recreation Committee recognises the importance of the Leichhardt Environmental Grants program in achieving the Leichhardt Council vision: “Community and council working together to promote and develop Leichhardt as a sustainable and liveable community”.

2. That $10,000 allocated for the Environmental Grants Program in 2010/11 is carried forward to the 2011/12 financial year, allowing for a $20,000 Environmental Grants program budget.

3. That a further review of the Environmental Grants Program be undertaken as part of the broader Leichhardt Community Resourcing Policy currently in development.

ITEM 10
WATER METERS IN APARTMENT BUILDINGS
ENVIRONMENTAL

ERC23/11 RECOMMENDED GERAGHTY/HANNAFORD

1. That Council’s delegate on the SSROC Sustainability Committee propose a resolution to write to the NSW Premier, the Minister for Finance and Services, the Minister for Planning and Infrastructure and the Managing Director Sydney Water as outlined in the conclusion to this report.

2. That Leichhardt Municipal Council also formally write to the above mentioned Ministers as outlined in the conclusion to this report.

3. That a motion be put forward to the next Local Government Association of NSW Annual conference requesting that the NSW state government require individual water metering of apartments within new multi-unit developments.

4. That council formally seek the support of the Sydney Coastal Council’s Group with a view to gaining further regional political support.

ITEM 11
NEW CLOTHES SWAP PROGRAM

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council supports the new Clothes Swap Program.

2. That $2000 is allocated from the Environmental Education budget to this program.

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ERC24/11 RECOMMENDED STAMOLIS/HANNAFORD

1. That Council supports the new Clothes Swap Program.

2. That $2000 is allocated from the Environmental Education budget to this program.

3. That charitable organisations are considered in the development of the program.

ITEM 12
LEICHHARDT PARK – FEASIBILITY OF NETBALL FACILITY PROVISION

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council investigates the feasibility of developing hard surfaced netball courts at the southern end of Hawthorne Canal Reserve and report back to Council no later than December 2011.

2. That Council undertake investigations on the feasibility of upgrading the current tennis courts at Cohen Park for multi purpose use and that such investigations are reported back to Council no later than December 2011 with a full analysis of the cost implications associated with such improvements including floodlighting provision.

3. That Council inform all local netball clubs of the investigations which are currently being undertaken and a timeframe for reporting back to Council.

ERC25/11 RECOMMENDED STAMOLIS/CAMPBELL

1. That Council investigates the feasibility of developing hard surfaced netball courts at the southern end of Hawthorne Canal Reserve and report back to Council no later than December 2011.

2. That Council undertake investigations on the feasibility of upgrading the current tennis courts at Cohen Park and Basket Ball Court at Whites Valley Creek Park for multi purpose use and that such investigations are reported back to Council no later than December 2011 with a full analysis of the cost implications associated with such improvements including floodlighting provision.

3. That Council inform all local netball clubs of the investigations which are currently being undertaken and a timeframe for reporting back to Council.

4. That Council write to the Minister of Planning and the CEO of Sydney Harbour Foreshore Authority (SHFA) detailing Council’s need for additional land for sporting and recreational purposes and that this should be a key element of any future planning processes for areas within the Bays Precinct within Leichhardt Municipality.
5. That Council investigate the shared use of local schools sporting facilities for netball provision.

ITEM 13
RECREATION PLANNING TEAM WORK PROGRAM

ERC26/11 RECOMMENDED CAMPBELL/HANNAFORD

That the community recreation planning work program be noted.

ITEM 14
DRAFT INTERIM TREE MANAGEMENT POLICY

ERC27/11 RECOMMENDED HANNAFORD/STAMOLIS

That the

1. program for the preparation of a Draft Interim Tree Management Policy;
2. community engagement aspects of the program which will all be in accordance with the Community Engagement Framework

be received and noted.

ITEM 15
BIODIVERSITY UPDATE

ERC28/11 RECOMMENDED GERAGHTY/HANNAFORD

That the report be received and noted.

ITEM 16
ALLERGIES ASSOCIATED WITH STREET TREE SPECIES

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

1. That Council adopt the draft policy for dealing with requests to remove Council trees based on claims that the tree causes allergies as outlined in Section 7 of this report.

2. That Council amend the Urban Forest Strategy Section 4 to include this policy.

ERC29/11 RECOMMENDED HANNAFORD/CAMPBELL

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2. That Council amend the Urban Forest Strategy Section 4 to include this policy.

3. That the adopted policy be amended to state that the application for removal of a tree on allergy grounds must come from the owner of the property. Tenants will need to have the owner apply.

4. That the adopted policy be amended to include that medical certificates from practitioners from or accredited by the Asthma Foundation be accepted in applications for tree removals on allergy grounds.

ITEM 17
GREENWAY REVEGETATION AND BUSHCARE PLAN

ERC30/11 RECOMMENDED STAMOLIS/HANNAFORD

That Council endorse the GreenWay Revegetation and Bushcare Plan.

ITEM
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 7 September 2011 at 6:30pm.

Future Meetings for 2011:

7 September
2 November

Meeting closed at 9:00pm
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Minutes of the Climate Change Taskforce of Leichhardt Municipal Council held in the Supper Room on 1 June 2011.

Present at the commencement of the meeting:

Councillors: Gordon Weiss, Daniel Kogoy, Rochelle Porteous (Chair), John Stamolis

Staff: Lyn Gerathy, Peter Cormican, David Parsell, Jon Stiebel, Guido den Teuling

Community: Paul Geraghty, Stephen Arnerich

Meeting Commenced: 6:35pm

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BUSINESS

ITEM 1
APOLOGIES

Recommendation
That apologies be accepted for the non attendance of Lea Richards, David Marshall and Peter Conroy.

Moved Cr Weiss, seconded Cr Kogoy

ITEM 2
DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS - Nil

ITEM 3
MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING: 6 April 2011

Recommendation
That the minutes of the Climate Change Taskforce meeting held on 6 April 2011 be accepted.

Moved Cr Stamolis, seconded Cr Kogoy
ITEM 4
MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING - Nil

ITEM 5
SUMMARY OF RESOLUTIONS
That the information in the summary of resolutions be received and noted.
Moved Cr Weiss, seconded Cr Kogoy

ITEM 6
CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY PRESENTATION – JON STIEBEL

Recommendation
1. That Council investigate excluding street lighting from its greenhouse gas inventory reporting as Council has no operational control over street lighting.

2. That the Project Manager for the SSROC Street Lighting Improvement Program be invited to present at the next Climate Change Taskforce meeting to update on progress with the program.

3. That the Climate Change Taskforce strongly endorses the importance of the Energy Savings Action Plan 2011 project as being essential to the development of the Leichhardt Climate Change Strategy.

Moved Cr Porteous, seconded Cr Kogoy

ITEM 7
CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY WORKSHOPS

Recommendation
That the report is received and noted.

Moved Cr Kogoy, seconded Cr Weiss

ITEM 8
CARBON FORUM

Officer Recommendation
That the report is noted.

Recommendation
1. That the report is noted.
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2. That Council consider the distribution of promotional material for the next forum so that all sectors of the community, including renters, are notified of the event.

3. That Council consider distributing information about the next forum more broadly to include key stakeholders and interest groups in neighbouring municipalities.

4. That subsequent events maintain the high standard of speakers.

5. That the next carbon forum be on the issue of transport and that a proposal be brought back to the next Climate Change Taskforce meeting.

Moved Cr Kogoy, seconded Cr Weiss

ITEM 9
CSIRO Energymark Program

Recommendation
That Council does not participate in the Energymark program.

Moved Cr Kogoy, seconded Cr Stamolis

ITEM 10
PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR LED LIGHTING IN LEICHHARDT COUNCIL

Officer Recommendation
1. That the information be received and noted.

2. That further investigations for possible locations for LED flood lights for car parks and buildings will be outlined to the next Climate Change Taskforce meeting.

3. That Council write to the GreenWay Steering Committee suggesting the incorporation of active LED lighting in the GreenWay.

4. That LED and other emerging energy efficient lighting technologies, including active LED lighting systems, are assessed as part of any future decisions about lighting on Leichhardt Council’s managed parts of the Iron Cove Bay Run namely Leichhardt Park and King George Park.

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5. That LED and other emerging energy efficient lighting technologies, including active LED lighting systems, are assessed as part of any future decisions about lighting Johnstons Creek Pathway.

6. That further investigations about the cost of a study into active LED lighting be outlined to the next Climate Change Taskforce meeting.

Moved Cr Weiss, seconded Steve Arnerich

ITEM 11
ASSESSMENT OF POTENTIAL PHOTO-VOLTAICS (PV) PROJECTS AT COUNCIL FACILITIES

Officer Recommendation

1. That Council maximises awareness raising and leadership opportunities via increased promotion, education and interpretation of its PV projects.

2. That an assessment of, and recommendations for, potential large-scale PV projects is included in the Leichhardt Energy Savings Action Plan 2011.

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3. That the installation of PV be investigated for the Community Native Nursery on 22 Wisdom Street, Annandale.

4. That Council investigate utilising the Todae Solar energy display.

5. That concept designs and then quotes be sought for PV installation on the Leichhardt Town Hall recognising that this building is iconic and that the project be used as a case study for appropriately locating PV systems and renewable energy systems on a heritage building and that the heritage committee be consulted as part of the process.

Moved Cr Porteous, seconded Cr Kogoy
ITEM 12
CURRENT STATUS OF PV REBATE

Officer Recommendation
1. That the information be received and noted.

Recommendation
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2. That the Mayor write to the Premier, the Leader of the Opposition and the NSW cross- bench outlining concerns about the proposed changes to the NSW Solar Bonus Scheme and its impact on Leichhardt Council and its residents.

Opposed Cr Weiss, moved Cr Kogoy, seconded Stamolis

ITEM 13
OTHER BUSINESS – Nil

ITEM 14
NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Climate Change Taskforce will be held on 3 August 2011.

FUTURE MEETINGS FOR 2011:

3 August
5 October
7 December

The meeting closed at 9.00pm