

Minutes of Meeting No 23.

Date: November 13th 2008



South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare

Location: City of Belmont Depot Offices - Planet St, Carlisle

Chairperson: Pat Hart

1.1 Welcome:

Welcome to Peter Armanasco from the Water Corporation. Welcome to all other SERCUL members. Thank you to the City of Belmont for hosting today's meeting.

1.2 Attendees:

Julie Robert	<i>SERCUL</i>	Gillian Pickersgill	<i>SERCUL Secretary</i>
Amy Krupa	<i>PAG</i>	Pat Hart	<i>SERCUL Chair</i>
Cam Clay	<i>Treasurer</i>	Sandy Wainwright	<i>SERCUL</i>
Brian Aldrich	<i>COSPCR</i>	Wayne Van Lieven	<i>City of Gosnells</i>
Ron Van Delft	<i>City of Armadale</i>	Tom Atkinson	<i>SERCUL Water Officer</i>
Crystal McIvor	<i>AGLG</i>	Ana Terrazas	<i>SERCUL Water & Sustainable Production Officer</i>
Jenni Andrews	<i>City of Canning</i>	Debbie Besch	<i>SRT</i>
Russell Gorton	<i>Perth NRM/WWAG</i>	Peter Armanasco	<i>Water Corporation</i>
Cr Ron Mitchell	<i>Councillor from City of Gosnells</i>	Melinda Snowball	<i>SERCUL Water Officer</i>
Glen Byleveld	<i>SERCUL</i>	Paul Davis	<i>Perth NRM</i>
David James	<i>Friends of Forrestdale Lake</i>	Nicole Davey	<i>City of Belmont</i>

1.3 Apologies:

Matt Grimby	<i>AGLG</i>
-------------	-------------

1.4 Acronyms used in these minutes:

SERCUL	South East Regional Centre for Urban Landcare	CRREPA	Canning River Residence Environmental Protection Association
SRT	Swan River Trust	AGLG	Armadale/Gosnells Landcare Group
PAG	Phosphorus Action Group	NRMO	Natural Resource Management
DEC	Department of Environment and Conservation	CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific Industrial Research Organisation
SERP		SALP	Swan Alcoa Landcare Project
Perth NRM	Perth Natural Resource Management	GVEHO	Grants to Voluntary Environment and Heritage Organisations
Cr	Councillor	MKSEA	Maddington Kenwick Strategic Employment Area
JARR	Jarrahdale	WQIP	Water Quality Improvement Plan

CFOC	Caring For Our Country	ARA	Armadale Redevelopment Authority
------	------------------------	-----	----------------------------------

2. Call for major items that need immediate discussion in General Business:

Local Government Reference Group proposal to change sub-regional boundaries.

3. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes were accepted as true and correct, moved by Cam Clay and seconded by David James.

4. Business Arising from Previous meeting:

From Action List – see end of minutes.

5. Correspondence In / Out:

Correspondence was tabled and discussed.

6. Treasurers Report:

Cam Clay presented the Treasurers Report.

The Treasures report was moved by Cam Clay and Seconded by David James.

Motion moved Cam Clay, seconded David James “That Julie & Sandy seek alternative banking arrangements from NAB in Cannington to Bendigo Bank Community Sector Bank in Gosnells”. Motion passed.

7. Chairs Report: Pat Hart

Pat read and tabled her report. Pat has spent a lot of time representing the Perth NRM (formally Swan Catchment Council). Perth NRM are proposing to have a business component in their plan, outlining the role of the Perth NRM and how it fits in to the constitution, coming back in December. They are also looking at Perth NRM becoming a Biosecurity Organisation. Discussing changes to sub-regional boundaries. A draft is done for a framework for an integrated NRM, with federal and state funding – still no further funding.

8. Regional Coordinators Report: Julie Robert

Julie read and tabled her report. If anyone wishes to see a copy of report please contact SERCUL.

Julie is to invite Robyn Walters to AGM to express thanks on her job on the SERCUL website. Pat thanked Julie for all her fabulous work.

9. NRM Officer reports – Water, PAG and AGLG:

All reports were tabled and discussed. Reports by Amy Krupa, Melinda Snowball, Ana Terrazas and Glen Byleveld were read but not recorded here. If you require a copy of any of their reports please contact SERCUL.

9.1 SERCUL – Tom Atkinson:

1. Wharf St – End of year planting close to finishing, with about 70,000 plants in so far and 10,000 more this year. About 10,000 plants will be put in next year. Currently driving sedges into crushed concrete which is very slow going.
2. Liege St is going well. Have to go back in to install more sediment, hopefully will improve.
3. Bickley Rd Comp Basin just waiting to see how the nutrient control is working.
4. Manly St Comp Basin – waiting on numbers again.
5. Projects in the City of Belmont coming up in the near future.

9.2 AGLG – Crystal McIvor:

1. City of Armadale and City of Gosnells Riverbank approved for 09/10. \$27,000 from Armadale and \$25,000 from Gosnells.

2. Coca Cola and Landcare Australia funding - \$12,000 Roley Pools.
3. WAPC funding for Astley Street, \$7000 for plants – which matched Mainroads plant money for 09/10 planting season.
4. SALP \$84,000 for 09/10.
5. Strategic Plan 2008-2018 getting ready to go up to City of Armadale & City of Gosnells over summer.
6. Applying for a GVEHO grant for extra salary, administration costs for AGLG.
7. Still waiting for outcome on CFOC.
8. 3000 plants left in the nursery to go in by early December.
9. Photo monitoring completed for 2008.
10. City of Armadale and City of Gosnells 08/09 annual contributions received.
11. Constitution will be addressed at the November meeting for amendments/update.
12. Held AGM – main outcomes: bimonthly meetings from now on, office changes – Pat both secretary and treasurer.
13. Kelmscott Show.

10. Local Government Officers and Stakeholder Reports

10.1 City of Armadale – Ron Van Delft.

1. Completed the bushland survey. Prioritising capital works programs.
2. Local biodiversity strategy – engaged consultant.
3. City of Armadale Council briefing – CSIRO now being asked to do a report for council and ARA.
4. Water quality monitoring for North Forrestdale still slow.
5. Working with SERP/JARR on Green Corp. application.
6. Neerigen Brook Management Plan out for public comment.

10.2 City of Canning– Jenni Andrews.

1. Wharf St. wetlands are going well.
2. The Eco-education Centre is being well utilized, SERCUL is helping.
3. Completed a lot of weed spraying in reserves.
4. Transferred Perth Biodiversity Project vegetation assessments from written form into GIS system.
5. Orchid monitoring at Caledonia reserve.
6. \$75,000 funding from SRT for Prisoner's Point and Wadjup foreshore.
7. City of Canning in Smart Program promoting energy efficiency and other sustainable principles.

10.3 City of Gosnells – Wayne Van Lieven

1. Bickley Brook – broken into two projects. Nearing the end of the 3rd winter water quality monitoring. Have budgeted for the final report.
2. MKSEA have developed a surface and ground water monitoring program which has gone out to tender.
3. Have just received the first draft on fauna, vegetation and wetland report for MKSEA area.
4. Toby and Wayne are getting close to finishing the management plan for the Bush Forever site near the golf course.
5. City of Gosnells Biodiversity Project prioritisation of assets managed by the city. The report is close to being finalised.
6. Water quality plans for the WQIP for Southern River and Bickley Brook by SRT are almost complete.
7. Toby has nearly finished a management plan that focuses on dieback for 3, 9, 10, 11 and 12 Rushton Rd.
8. The official opening of the new Visitor Experience in Ellis Brook Valley. Have set benchmark for visitors.

9. Toby is working on the Fire Management Plan for Shreeve Rd reserve wetlands. The 12 hectares of peat based wetland have a completely unique fire situation. To be completed in Feb/March next year.
10. The outline development plan for the Southern River precinct has been endorsed and it out for public comment.
11. Harmony Fields, City of Gosnells has a small subdivision called Stakeford. Landscaping rebate for people in that area who attended the Great Gardens Workshops.
12. Future subdivision on Holmes Rd. and Warton Rd. Applied for funding for green precincts. Huge opportunities for environmental initiatives.

10.4 Swan River Trust – Debbie Besch.

1. Southern River WQIP is out for comment.
2. Bickley Brook WQIP is currently working on draft.
3. Canning Plain WQIP - had discussions with Belmont and Canning commencing next year.
4. Swan Canning Regional WQIP out in draft currently for peer comment.
5. SALP met onsite with ALCOA, hopefully will continue funding.

10.5 Town of Belmont – Nicole Davey.

1. Local government biodiversity strategy out at the moment for public comment until the 19th of December.
2. Water Corporation Inventory will have to implement a lot to achieve 2010 goal.
3. Will trial water hydromizers.
4. Travel Smart workplace plan and community action plan are being developed.
5. Have received River Bank funding for Garvey Park next to Ascot.
6. SALP funding received for Garvey Park flood plain.
7. Lotterywest funding received for walk trails.
8. Six week program Living Smart is in progress.
9. Looking at a new tender for electricity for our buildings
10. Finished the rest of the planting for this year.
11. Received an award for Tomato Lake boardwalk and planting from Parks and Leisure Australia.

10.6 Friends of Forrestdale Lakes – David James

Under the North Forrestdale Management Plan.

Friends of Forrestdale Lake are worried about the quality control going into the lake by the Department of Water. They have asked SERCUL to provide support to address the issue of drain strain.

10.7 Perth NRM (previously Swan Catchment Council) – Paul Davis

1. Still haven't heard about funding.
2. Minister for NRM hasn't been appointed yet.
3. Don't know if \$21m has been allocated by previous government due to world financial affairs.
4. Community is there but only addressed by asset based approval.

11. GUEST SPEAKER: Peter Armanasco from the Water Corporation.

1. Peter presented to SERCUL the issue of sewerage spills into the Wungong and Southern Rivers. The Perth wastewater system consists of approximately 11,000km of piping and 650 pumping stations. It is predominantly a gravity-driven system with pumping stations often located near waterways (112).

12. General Business:

1. SERCUL memberships to be ratified are as follow:

Elise Kelly
 Dennis Bishop
 David Reimers
 Shae Hughes
 Steven Page
 Doug Brown
 Laura Breen
 Jill Thompson
 Levi Byerley
 Natasha McBride

These people were put forward by Julie Robert, seconded by David James and ratified by the members of the meeting.

13. Next meeting – the next general SERCUL meeting will be held on February 12th 2009.

The SERCUL AGM will be held on Wednesday 19th November, 7pm – 9pm at the Eco-Education Centre, Kent Street Weir, Kent Street, Cannington.

14. Closure: 12.00pm

Action List:

Date & Original point #	From which minutes	Action	Who & by when	Outcome
8	<i>November 2008</i>	<i>Julie is to invite Robyn Walters to AGM to express thanks on her job on the SERCUL website.</i>	Julie	
10.6	<i>November 2008</i>	<i>SERCUL to work with the Friends of Forrestdale Lake to address the issue of the drain strain.</i>	SERCUL	
11	<i>November 2008</i>	<i>SERCUL to liaise with Peter and with the City of Gosnells re: bunding in Anaconda Drain</i>	SERCUL	

Approved and accepted: Chairpersons signature.....

Date.....