



MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

TUESDAY 23 MAY 2006

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1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairperson declared the Meeting open at 10.02am and welcomed Members, and Staff to the Meeting.

2. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE PREVIOUSLY APPROVED

Cr N Dew	Shire President	Coastal Ward
Cr C Germain	Deputy Shire President	Town Ward
Cr M Walmsley		West Ward
Cr B Heath		Town Ward
Cr T Witney		Town Ward
Cr P Fitzpatrick from 10.05am		East Ward
Mr I Curley		Chief Executive Officer
Mr L Tilbrook		Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Mr S Cleaver	Manager Environmental Health & Building Services	
Mr M Turner	Manager Planning & Development Services	
Mrs M Ellis from 10.12am to 10.38am	Community Development Officer	
Mrs RH O'Mara	Executive Support Officer - Minute Taker	

APOLOGIES

Cr Z O'Reilly Carter	Coastal Ward
Cr M Davis	Town Ward

3. RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

4.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

4.2 PUBLIC STATEMENTS

Nil

5. DISCLOSURES OF MEMBERS' & OFFICERS' INTERESTS

Nil

6. APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

7. PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

8. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**8.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – 27.04.06****COUNCIL DECISION**

OCM06/098

MOVED: Cr Heath

SECONDED: Cr Germain

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Council Meeting held 27 April 2006 be confirmed as being a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED 5-0**9. REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES****9.1 OFFICER IN CHARGE – RECREATION & AQUATIC CENTRE**

Nil

Cr Fitzpatrick joined the meeting at this point the time being 10.05am

9.2 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER**9.2.1 WAROONA COMMUNITY AND CRIME PREVENTION PLAN**

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Maree Ellis Community Development Officer / Nil
Proponent:	Shire of Waroona
Landowner:	N/A
Date of Report: 16 May 2006	File No: 196/1
Previous Reference:	Item 9.2.3 March 2005 OCM
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Waroona Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan
Strategic Implications:	The Plan will provide strategic guidance for Council on issues of Community Safety and Crime Prevention.
Financial Implications:	Upon endorsement of the Plan, the Office of Crime Prevention will provide a \$20,000 incentive payment to the Council for implementation of local Community Safety and Crime Prevention Initiatives. An annual payment of \$1,200 over three years, is also paid towards administrative costs of any committee or group who is delegated to manage the development and implementation of the Plan.
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority

Proposal

Council is asked to endorse the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan 2005 – 2010 prior to it being accepted and endorsed by the Office of Crime Prevention. (A copy of the Plan has previously been distributed to all Councillors)

Background

In October 2003 the Minister for Community Safety announced a new approach to Community Safety and Crime Prevention with the Safer Community and Crime Prevention Strategy for the State.

The new approach focussed around the development of local Community Safety and Crime Prevention Partnerships and Plans to be facilitated by local government, with plans based on local government areas. At a meeting of Council on the 22 March 2005, Council resolved to enter into a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Partnership with the Office of Crime Prevention to develop a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan for the Shire of Waroona.

[Extract 22nd March 2005 Ordinary Council Minutes]

"That Council resolve to:

- A. *Enter into a Community Safety and Crime Prevention Partnership with the Office of Crime Prevention.*
- B. *Endorse the Waroona Interagency Group to manage the development of a Local Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan.*
- C. *Delegate authority to the Waroona Interagency Group to appoint a consultant to develop the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan."*

This resulted in the signing of an Agreement between the Shire of Waroona and the Office of Crime Prevention for the development of a Three (3) year Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan. Upon signing of the Agreement the State Government made a payment of \$10,000 to the Shire of Waroona for the development of a Waroona Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan.

The Plan is now complete and needs to be endorsed by Council prior to it being accepted by the Office of Crime Prevention. Upon endorsement of the Plan by the Office of Crime Prevention, Council will receive a \$20,000 incentive payment to assist with the addressing of priority issue or issues identified in the Plan. An annual payment over three years of \$1,200 is also paid to Local Governments to meet administrative costs of any committee or working party. In addition, Council will also be able to access a range of funding opportunities aimed at Crime Prevention and Community Safety.

Community Consultation

Wide ranging community consultation was undertaken as part of the development of the Plan through community surveys and workshops. A reference group was formed to develop the local strategies with representatives from Seniors Groups, Aged Care, Police, Shire, Waroona District High School, Youth and Family Support Agencies and Business.

It is anticipated that the reference group will continue to meet on a regular basis to oversee the implementation of the local strategies and disseminate information back to the Waroona Interagency Group, Council and the community.

Officer's Comments

The Waroona Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan is supported by a range of agencies and community members, which allows for a whole of community approach to Crime Prevention and Community Safety. Waroona is the first Shire in the region to complete its Plan and the Office of Crime Prevention is eager to receive the endorsed Plan from Council so that they can release the incentive funds. The local strategies identified are designed around local needs, sustainability and community involvement. The Waroona Lions Club has already taken the initiative to commence advanced driver education workshops identified in the Plan as local strategy **2.1 "Implement vehicle driver & bicycle education programs"** and the financial support provided by the Office of Crime Prevention will ensure long term viability.

COUNCIL DECISION**OCM06/099****MOVED: Cr Walmsley****SECONDED: Cr Witney**

That Council resolve to endorse the Waroona Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan 2005-2010.

CARRIED 6-0**9.3 MANAGER WORKS & SERVICES****9.3.1 ROAD CONSTRUCTION BUDGET 2006/2007 FOR BUDGET CONSIDERATION**

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Charlie Eatts - Manager Works & Services / Nil	
Proponent:	Nil	
Landowner:	N/A	
Date of Report:	17 May 2006	File No: 131/1 & 131/2
Previous Reference:	Nil	
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Nil	
Strategic Implications:	Nil	
Financial Implications:	For Budget adoption	
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority	

Proposal

To adopt the 2006/2007 Road Construction Budget.

Background

A list of proposed works is attached to this report - **Appendix 1**.

A number of these roads have been on the list for a few years and are ongoing projects.

Officer's Comments

The draft Road Construction Budget 2006/2007 is recommended for adoption.

Community Consultation

N/A

APPENDIX 1

<p><u>COUNCIL DECISION</u> OCM06/100 MOVED: Cr Germain SECONDED: Cr Walmsley</p> <p>That Council adopt the Draft Road Construction Budget 2006/2007 contained at Appendix 1.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6-0</u></p>

9.4 MANAGER ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & BUILDING SERVICES

Nil

9.5 MANAGER PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

9.5.1 AUTHORISATION OF UNBUDGETTED EXPENDITURE ASSOCIATED WITH NEW MANAGER PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Matthew Turner - Manager Planning & Development Services / Nil	
Proponent:	N/A	
Landowner:	N/A	
Date of Report: 16 May 2006	File No: 142/3	
Previous Reference:	Nil	
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Nil	
Strategic Implications:	Nil	
Financial Implications:	The recent decision to appoint the current Manager Planning & Development Services to a new role as Director Strategic Development and appoint a new Manager Planning & Development Services will lead to some unbudgeted expenses. One-off capital costs of \$37,500 will be incurred in the current financial year.	
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority	

Proposal

It is requested that Council authorise the expenditure of \$37,500 associated with the appointment of a new Manager Planning & Development Services and the creation of the new role of Director Strategic Development. The expenditure principally relates to the purchase of a new vehicle at \$34,500. Miscellaneous other expenses of \$3,000 are required for a new computer, minor furniture items and a mobile phone.

Community Consultation

No consultation was required or considered necessary on this matter.

Officer's Comments

The creation of a new Management role requires the purchase of capital items, in particular a new motor vehicle for the Council fleet. The Manager Planning & Development Services will be commencing prior to the end of the current financial year and therefore the purchases are required this financial year.

COUNCIL DECISION**OCM06/101****MOVED: Cr Fitzpatrick****SECONDED: Cr Witney**

That Council resolve to authorise unbudgeted expenditure of \$37,500 for the purchase of capital items associated with the creation the new role of Director Strategic Development and the appointment of a new Manager Planning & Development Services.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 6-0

Maree Ellis left the meeting at this point the time being 10.38am

9.5.2 **LOT 1 WOODLEY HEIGHTS, WAROONA – PROPOSED SUBDIVISION**

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Matthew Turner - Manager Planning & Development Services / Nil
Proponent:	RIT McEwen
Landowner:	Compucutt Pty Ltd
Date of Report: 17 May 2006	File No: SD130876
Previous Reference:	Nil
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Lot 1 Woodley Heights is zoned 'Rural 6 – Rural-Residential' under Town Planning Scheme No. 7. Woodley Heights forms part of Rural Residential Estate 3 under Schedule II of the Scheme, which provides that subdivision should be in accordance with the adopted Subdivision Guide Plan or variation to that plan approved by the Commission.
Strategic Implications:	Nil
Financial Implications:	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority

Proposal

The Western Australian Planning Commission has referred an application to subdivide Lot 1 Woodley Heights, Waroona into three (3) Lots, each with an area of 4 hectares. Two (2) of the Lots have frontage to Woodley Heights and one (1) is to be accessed via a battleaxe leg. A copy of the submitted Subdivision Plan is contained in Appendix 2.

A Location Plan is contained in Appendix 3.

Background

Lot 1 Woodley Heights is part of the Woodley Heights Rural-Residential Estate which was subdivided into seven Lots in 2005. Lot 1 is a 13 hectare Lot on the corner of Nanga Brook Road and Woodley Heights. It contains an area of land which 'slipped' in 1974. A copy of the approved Subdivision Guide Plan is contained in **Appendix 4**.

The Lot was the subject of much discussion during the proposing of Scheme Amendment No.2, which rezoned the site from 'Rural' to 'Rural Residential'. The original Subdivision Guide Plan submitted for Amendment No.2 had four (4) Lots in the location of Lot 1. It was a condition of Council's support in September 2000 for the Amendment that the four (4) Lots become only one (1) Lot on the Guide Plan. The Amendment (and Subdivision Guide Plan) was subsequently approved by the Minister for Planning with the 13 hectare Lot containing the land slip area.

Community Consultation

No consultation was required or considered necessary on this matter.

Officer's Comments

Subdivision of Lot 1 into four (4) Lots was contemplated as part of the original rezoning and subdivision of the site. It was ultimately not supported by the Shire or the Minister for Planning, primarily because of the potential for land slip given the existence of a known land slip area on the Lot. In the absence of any further geo-technical information for the site, it is not considered that the Shire should change its position from the Amendment that the Lot remain a single 13 hectare block.

On this basis, it is recommended that the Council advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that it is not supportive of the subdivision.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council resolve with respect to the application for the subdivision of Lot 1 Woodley Heights into three (3) Lots, to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that it does not support the application for the following reasons:

1. The proposal is not consistent with the adopted Subdivision Guide Plan for the Woodley Heights Estate.
2. The Shire is not supportive of the creation of additional Lots in close proximity to a known landslip area.

APPENDICES 2, 3, & 4**COUNCIL DECISION**

OCM06/102

MOVED: Cr Fitzpatrick

SECONDED: Cr Walmsley

That Council resolve with respect to the application for the subdivision of Lot 1 Woodley Heights into three (3) Lots, to advise the Western Australian Planning Commission that it does not support the application for the following reasons:

1. The proposal is not consistent with the adopted Subdivision Guide Plan for the Woodley Heights Estate.
2. In the absence of a Geo Technical Report, the Shire is not supportive of the creation of additional Lots in close proximity to a known landslip area.

CARRIED 6-0**Note:**

The Officer Recommendation was changed to indicate that in the absence of a Geo Technical Report the Shire is unable to support the application.

9.5.3 **LOT 230 SOUTHERN ESTUARY ROAD, WAROONA - PROPOSED VARIATION OF BUILDING ENVELOPE**

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Mike Critch – Town Planner / Nil
Proponent:	Sharon and Fred Coppelina
Landowner:	Sharon and Fred Coppelina
Date of Report: 18 May, 2006	File No: TP950
Previous Reference:	OCM May 1997 - 8016
Statutory Implications:	See heading in Report
Strategic Implications:	Nil
Financial Implications:	Nil
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority

Proposal

An application for Planning Consent has been received by Council on the 26th April, 2006 to apply for a variation to a building envelope. The variation will move the envelope 20m closer to the rear boundary, resulting in a setback of 20m. The approved building envelope for the subdivision comprises a 40m setback.

The Location Plan relating to this application is attached at Appendix 5.

Background

Building envelopes and setback issues for the subject site were considered by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held in May 1997. The subject site was part of a subdivision of Lot 152 Southern Estuary Road. The original location of building envelopes for the subdivision of Lot 152 was referred in Condition 3 of the Planning Commission's preliminary approval of 26 November 1996.

Footnote 2 pertaining to the Planning Commission's condition indicated the location of building envelopes;

"shall have regard to maximising the preservation of vegetation, ensuring suitable soil types of effluent disposal systems and setback requirements."

A request by the landowner of the time was put forward to Council to reduce the designated setback from 40m to 15m to the rear boundary. This was refused by Council as a result of giving due consideration to the rights and expectations of existing landowners who felt their views and amenity were being compromised. Council, at its Ordinary Meeting held on 27th May formally resolved the following:

"That due to the prominence of Lot 152 Armstrong Hills Drive and Southern Estuary Road and the amount of clearing that will be required to develop these long, narrow blocks, Council establish a Policy for new Lots 242-252 (230 – 240) that:

- *no Zinalume or white Colorbond shall be permitted on dwellings or sheds larger than 10m²; and*
- *discretion will not be exercised to allow any reduction to 40m rear setback requirements.*

Statutory Implications

The subject site is zoned 'Rural 6– Rural Residential' under Town Planning Scheme No.7.

The subject site lies in Armstrong Hills and is subject to the Armstrong Hills Rural Residential zone control provisions and subdivision guide plan under Council's Town Planning Scheme No. 7. The objective of Council for the Armstrong Hills Rural Residential Zone is to ensure:

"the bushland character of the special rural village is maintained. Proposals not specifically provided for in the Scheme will not be approved by Council if they would result in excessive clearing, dispersed or unduly large buildings..."

Council, pursuant to Clause 4.9.2 of Town Planning Scheme No. 7 may consider permitting an alternative building envelope configuration or setback to be defined on a Lot if the Council is satisfied that the new configuration or setback will not have any detrimental impact to the protection of the environment or amenity of the area.

The current subdivision guide plan for Armstrong Hills shows the extent of building envelope for Lot 230 Southern Estuary Road. The building envelope specifies that buildings are to be constructed 40 metres from rear boundaries, 20 metres from the northern boundary and 15 from the southern boundary.

Community Consultation

Pursuant to Planning and Development Policy 1.0 – 'Community Consultation', consultation of adjoining owners was required since the proposal is considered to be inconsistent with Scheme requirements. Potentially affected adjoining neighbours were notified in writing and given 21 days in which to lodge a submission. During this period, two submissions were received by Council.

A summary of the submission and officer response is provided in the Schedule of Submission(s) **Appendix 6**. The main concern of the affected neighbours was that

the proposed variation would not deliver the same level of rural privacy and will reduce the amount of vegetation between the fence line and buildings having a negative effect on the bushland amenity of the area.

Officer's Comments

The initial request to have the building envelopes moved to reduce the rear setback from 40m to 15m was refused by Council in order to maintain the bushland setting from the Harvey Estuary and surrounding locale. It was acknowledged by Council at the time that future proponents and/or landowners would likely appeal the 40m setback restrictions. Approval for a reduced rear setback from 40m to 15m for all 10 Lots from the original subdivision was considered unreasonable, as it was expected to cause friction among neighbouring landowners.

Modifications to individual building envelopes however, should be considered by Council, only where it expected not to have any unforeseen impacts. A reduced rear setback of 20m would not be unreasonable in this instance, given the proximity of existing neighbouring dwellings and characteristics of the topography and vegetation. The slope and aspect of the subject site is such that visual impacts on neighbouring Lots would be minor. Dense vegetation on the subject site between the rear boundary and the proposed building envelope provides good visual screening to neighbouring properties.

A site inspection was carried out on 17th May to assess the proposed location of the building envelope with respect to neighbouring properties. The inspection revealed that the relocation of the building envelope would not likely impact on the neighbouring properties overall, and that the vegetation and topography between neighbouring properties is sufficient to provide enough visual screening to maintain the bushland amenity of the area.

On this basis, it is recommended that Council approve the application for a building envelope variation.

APPENDICES 5 & 6

COUNCIL DECISION

OCM06/103

MOVED: Cr Heath

SECONDED: Cr Witney

That Council resolve, with respect to the application for a variation of building envelope on Lot 230 Southern Estuary Road, Lake Clifton, to approve the application unconditionally.

CARRIED 6-0

9.5.4 LOT 58 (No. 14) ROBBIE COURT, WAROONA - PROPOSED COLORBOND SHED

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Mike Critch – Town Planner / Nil	
Proponent:	Shane DeRosa	
Landowner:	Shane DeRosa	
Date of Report:	18 May 2006	File No: TP952
Previous Reference:	N/A	
Statutory Implications:	See heading in Report	
Strategic Implications:	Nil	
Financial Implications:	Nil	
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority	

Proposal

A planning application was lodged with Council on 26 April 2006 seeking approval to construct a shed on Lot 58 Robbie Court, Waroona. The Site Plan and Shed details are attached to this report at Appendix 7.

The shed is located 3m from the rear boundary and 2m from the side boundary. The shed is proposed to have an area of 111m² and a pitch height of 5.25 metres and will be finished in Colorbond cladding.

Statutory Implications

The subject site is zoned 'Urban 5 – Special Residential' under Town Planning Scheme No.7.

The subject site lies in Robbie Court (See Location Plan **Appendix 8**) and is subject to Building Envelope control policy under Council's Town Planning Scheme No. 7 Clause 4.9.2. The policy identifies minimum building setbacks where no building envelopes have been allocated to achieve a high level of amenity. Clause 4.9.2 states:

"Where no building envelope is shown, all buildings shall be setback a minimum of 10 metres from the front boundary and 5 meters from any other boundary."

Council pursuant to Clause 4.9.2 of the Scheme, may consider permitting an alternative building envelope configuration or setback to be defined on a Lot if the Council is satisfied that the new configuration or setback will not have any detrimental impact to the protection of the environment or amenity of the area.

Town Planning Scheme No. 7, Part 6.11 – 'Outbuildings' require outbuildings to comply with specific provisions in the Urban 5 – 'Special Residential' zone. The maximum allowable area for outbuildings in Robbie Court is to be no more than 100m² and have a maximum height of no more than 4.2 metres above the natural ground level.

Community Consultation

Consultation of adjoining owners was required in respect of the garage proposal because it is outside of the building envelope, oversized and over height. Potentially affected adjoining neighbours were notified in writing on 1st May 2006 and given 21 days in which to lodge a submission.

Any submissions received will be provided to Council at the meeting.

Officer's Comments

The floor area of the shed is 11m² above the permitted 100m² but is not considered to be excessive. Since the height of the shed is deemed not to comply with the Scheme at a height of 5.25m above natural ground level, either the pitch height of the shed or the height of ground levels must be altered to make the garage height comply with the 4.2m specified in the Scheme. The applicant may reduce the structural height of the shed or excavate the site to make the shed height comply with the allowable 4.2m height above natural ground level.

The applicant has advised that the rear portion of the shed is to be cut into the natural ground level by 500mm, reducing the overall impact to neighbouring properties at the rear. The applicant has also informed the Council that the overall gable height can be reduced by 200mm as well as the wall height by 200mm, making the height 4.85m at the front and 4.35m at the rear of the shed. The applicant has advised the side setback of 2m can also be extended to 2.5m.

With respect to the reduced setbacks, raised leach drains and the location of the driveway require the shed to be positioned as is demonstrated on the proposed plans. While the Council does not want to set a precedent for reduced setbacks in the area, there were no formal objections from any of the most likely affected neighbours and each planning application should be considered on an individual basis.

It is recommended that the proposal for the shed be approved, subject to conditions which will maintain a satisfactory level of amenity and reduce the overall impact of the shed on surrounding dwellings. Screening vegetation along side and rear boundaries will be recommended to soften the visual impact of the shed.

APPENDICES 7 & 8

COUNCIL DECISION

OCM06/104

MOVED: Cr Walmsley

SECONDED: Cr Germain

That Council resolve with respect to the application for a garage on Lot 58 (No. 14) Robbie Court, Waroona, to approve the application subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The areas adjacent to the shed as shown in red on the approved plans to be screened by vegetation in a landscaping strip.**
- 2. A landscaping plan detailing the size, location and type of planting to be submitted to the satisfaction of the Manager Planning & Development Services prior to the issue of a Building Licence.**
- 3. All stormwater runoff from impervious surfaces is to be disposed of on site to the satisfaction of Manager of Planning & Development Services.**

CARRIED 6-0

9.6 MANAGER FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION/DEPUTY CEO

9.6.1 MONTHLY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITY FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2005 TO 30 APRIL 2006

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Chris Smith - Finance Officer / Nil	
Proponent:	N/A	
Landowner:	N/A	
Date of Report: 17 May 2006	File No: 1/1	
Previous Reference:	N/A	
Statutory/Policy Implications:	N/A	
Strategic Implications:	N/A	
Financial Implications:	N/A	
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority	

APPENDIX 9

<p><u>COUNCIL DECISION</u> OCM06/105 MOVED: Cr Germain SECONDED: Cr Witney That the Monthly Statement of Financial Activity for the period 1 July 2005 to 30 April 2006 (Appendix 9) be received and noted.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>CARRIED 6-0</u></p>
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9.6.2 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Chris Smith - Finance Officer	
Proponent:	N/A	
Landowner:	N/A	
Date of Report: 17 May 2006	File No: 1/3	
Previous Reference:	N/A	
Statutory/Policy Implications:	N/A	
Strategic Implications:	N/A	
Financial Implications:	N/A	
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority	

APPENDIX 10

<p><u>COUNCIL DECISION</u> OCM06/106 MOVED: Cr Germain SECONDED: Cr Walmsley That Vouchers numbered: -</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>ACCOUNT</u></th> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>CHEQUE NOS.</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>AMOUNT \$</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>TOTAL \$</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Municipal Trust</td> <td>4048-4122</td> <td style="text-align: right;">535,360.51</td> <td style="text-align: right;">535,360.51</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>10829</td> <td style="text-align: right;">130.00</td> <td style="text-align: right;">130.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Electronic Transfers</td> <td>3618-3738</td> <td style="text-align: right;">278,398.44</td> <td style="text-align: right;">278,398.44</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Direct Wages</td> <td>12.04.06</td> <td style="text-align: right;">49,431.20</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>26.04.06</td> <td style="text-align: right;">49,510.60</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>10.05.06</td> <td style="text-align: right;">50,214.20</td> <td style="text-align: right;">149,156.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>TOTAL:</td> <td></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$963,044.95</u></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>and attached at Appendix 10 be endorsed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>CARRIED 6-0</u></p>	<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>CHEQUE NOS.</u>	<u>AMOUNT \$</u>	<u>TOTAL \$</u>	Municipal Trust	4048-4122	535,360.51	535,360.51		10829	130.00	130.00	Electronic Transfers	3618-3738	278,398.44	278,398.44	Direct Wages	12.04.06	49,431.20			26.04.06	49,510.60			10.05.06	50,214.20	149,156.00		TOTAL:		<u>\$963,044.95</u>
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9.6.3 RURAL STREET ADDRESSING PROGRAM

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Laurie Tilbrook – Deputy Chief Executive Officer / Nil Kirsty Ferraro – Rates Officer / Nil
Proponent:	Shire of Waroona
Landowner:	N/A
Date of Report: 18 May 2006	File No.:132/4
Previous Reference:	December 2004 Council Agenda Item 9.7.5
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Nil
Strategic Implications:	
Financial Implications:	Cost of rural number plates, 545 properties @ \$12 = \$6,000 Grant funds of \$2,000 received if project complete by 30/06/2006 Cost to erect number plates, 545 prop @ \$5 per plate = \$2,725 (to be included in the 2006/07 financial year budget)
Voting Requirements	Simple Majority

Proposal

After some research into the implementation of the Rural Street Addressing program in other local authorities, and their results, we would like to propose that Point B of the previous Decision made by Council be amended.

Background

In December 2004 Council made the decision to go ahead with the implementation of the Rural Street Addressing program within the Shire of Waroona. After consideration of several options the following resolution was made:

A. *That Council resolve to:*

1. *Advertise publicly Council's intent to adopt the Rural Street Addressing system throughout the Shire of Waroona, as recommended by the Department of Land Administration, calling for public comment prior to the February Council meeting.*
2. *Advise the Department of Land Administration of Council's intent to introduce the Rural Street Addressing system as of July 1, 2005 and request they allocate appropriate numbering and provide Council with the required maps.*

B. *The Council consider options for funding the implementation of the scheme in formulating the 2005/2006 budget and preference be given to Option 2 - "Council to purchase, and landowners collect and erect numbers on property boundaries. Additional numbers (through loss or theft) to be provided to landowners at cost".*Community Consultation

Those affected by the Rural Street Addressing system have been contacted individually by mail and through newspaper advertising and will be kept up to date with the project as it progresses.

Officer's Comments

As detailed in Agenda Item 9.7.5 at the December 2004 Council Meeting, the Rural Street Addressing program is based on a proven model, which is being introduced throughout the State and has significant advantages for property owners/residents in rural areas, their visitors, emergency services and Australia Post.

Implementation of the project is currently underway with an estimated completion date of 30 June 2006.

As an alternative to the previous decision by Council, we would like to propose that the physical installation of the signs be done by local emergency service group/s. The reasons for this change being:

- a) The previous decision to have the signs installed by the property owners offers poor results with the location of the signs to be inconsistent and not all of the signs being installed, therefore offering no consistency and the project not being effective.
- b) Emergency service groups will become familiar with the system and how it works and be more efficient when attending to call outs.
- c) The signs will be installed correctly as per Department of Land Information instructions and in a consistent manner.

Costs involved in having emergency service groups to install the signs @ \$5 per sign will amount to \$2,725, and will need to be budgeted for in the 2006/07 financial year.

COUNCIL DECISION
OCM06/107
MOVED: Cr Walmsley
SECONDED: Cr Heath

That Council resolve to request the services of Local Emergency Service Groups to assist with the implementation of the Rural Street Addressing system by offering \$5 per sign for the physical installation of signs within the allocated areas.

CARRIED 6-0

9.7 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

9.7.1 REVIEW OF THE WARD SYSTEM, WARD BOUNDARIES AND THE NUMBER OF OFFICES OF COUNCIL

Officer/Officer's Interest:	Ian Curley – Chief Executive Officer / Nil	
Project Officer	Rhonda O'Mara – Executive Support Officer / Nil	
Proponent:	Shire of Waroona	
Landowner:	N/A	
Date of Report:	4 May 2006	File No.:35/1
Previous Reference:	Council meeting minutes 28.04.1998	
Statutory/Policy Implications:	Local Government Act 1995 Schedule 2.2	
Strategic Implications:	Nil	
Financial Implications:	Nil	
Voting Requirements	Absolute Majority	

Proposal

As per the Local Government Act 1995 a Local Government, the district of which is divided into Wards, is to carry out reviews of:

- a. *its Ward boundaries; and*
- b. *the number of Members of Councillor for each Ward*

from time to time so that not more than 8 years elapse between successive reviews.

The Shire of Waroona is due for such a review this year – 2006.

Background

The required public advertising period was carried out and an information paper was made available for comment (**Appendix 11**). No public submissions were received following the closure of the six week advertising period.

The Shire of Waroona last undertook a review in 1998 where it considered changes to Wards and Representation plus the option of discontinuing the Ward System. At the April 1998 Ordinary Council Meeting Council resolved as follows:

- “1. *That the Shire of Waroona continue its Ward System for the district.*
- 2. *That in accordance with Schedule 2.2 of the Local Government Act (1995) the Shire of Waroona propose to the Local Government Advisory Board the making of an order under Section 2.2(1), 2.3(3) and 2.18(3) -*
 - a. *changing the boundaries of all existing Wards in accordance with the attached plan;*
 - b. *deleting the names North, and South East Ward and adopting the names Coastal, and the East Ward;*
 - c. *changing the number of offices of Councillor from nine to eight.”*

The Shire of Waroona’s present ratio of Councillors to Electors is:

Ward	Electors	Number of Councillors
Coastal	493	2
West	225	1
Town	1,511	4
East	194	1

Community Consultation

An advertisement was placed in the Harvey Reporter on 21 February 2006 with submissions closing on 7 April 2006.

Officer's Comments

Based on the ratio of Councillors to Electors no change to the current Ward representation is required or recommended.

The Review process also requires Council to consider the appropriateness of having a multiple Ward system, as opposed to having no Wards and all Councillors represent all electors in the Shire.

If Council elects to go to a no Ward system this would require a total spill of Councillors. At the next election all eight (8) Councillor positions would be declared vacant.

Issues to bear in mind when considering the no Ward option are –

If an Extra-ordinary Election is required between Ordinary Elections then all electors vote, and the cost of filling one vacancy would be similar (or more) than the Ordinary Election costs vs the cost of holding an Extra-ordinary Election in one of the current smaller Wards being considerably less than an Ordinary Election.

There is no requirement to review the Ward/Councillor system every eight (8) years under a no Ward structure.

In my opinion, whether the Shire operates on a Ward or no Ward system would not significantly influence the way in which individual Councillors or the Council operate. Council business is structured on an all of Shire approach.

APPENDIX 11

COUNCIL DECISION

OCM06/108

MOVED: Cr Germain

SECONDED: Cr Heath

That Council as a result of undertaking a review of the Ward System, Ward Boundaries and the number of offices of Council, pursuant to Schedule 2.2 of the Local Government Act 1995, advise the Local Government Advisory Board that it intends no change be made to the current Ward system, Ward Boundaries or number of offices of Council.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 5-1

Cr Fitzpatrick requested that his name be recorded as voting against the Decision.

10. ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN, OR FOR CONSIDERATION AT NEXT MEETING

Nil

11. NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE/REPORTS & INFORMATION

11.1 ELECTED MEMBERS

11.1.1 THE PRESTON BEACH TOWNSITE STRATEGY STEERING COMMITTEE (File TPSP1)

Cr Fitzpatrick requested that it be recorded that he requested that the Steering Committee consider increasing the number of community representatives on the Preston Beach Townsite Strategy Steering Committee, if at a future point in the Townsite Strategy process it is deemed necessary for more in depth community input.

11.1.2 PINJARRA/BRUNSWICK SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY
(File 198/1)

COUNCIL DECISION

OCM06/109

MOVED: Cr Fitzpatrick

SECONDED: Cr Walmsley

That the Council write to the Ministerial Council requesting information on the funding allocated in the 2006/2007 State Budget towards initiatives identified in the Pinjarra-Brunswick Sustainability Strategy.

CARRIED 6-0

Cr Dew vacated the Chair and left the Meeting and the Chambers at this point the time being 12.18pm and the Deputy Shire President Cr Germain assumed the Chair.

11.2 **OFFICERS**

Nil

12. **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business the Chairperson closed the meeting the time being 12.27pm.