

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

SIXTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF THE TWENTIETH COUNCIL

TUESDAY, 22 FEBRUARY 2011

MEMBERS: The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer (Chairman); Member J D Bailey; Member R T Dee; Member R K Elix; Member H I Galton; Member R M Knox; Member G A Lambert; Member R Lesley; Member F P Marrone; Member A R Mitchell; Member K M Moir; Member J L Sangster; Member H D Sjoberg.

OFFICERS: Chief Executive Officer, Mr B P Dowd; General Manager Corporate Services, Mr F Crawley; General Manager Infrastructure, Mr L Cercarelli; General Manager Community & Cultural Services, Mr J Banks; Executive Manager, Mr M Blackburn; Committee Administrator, Ms L Elmer.

GUESTS: Ms Edwina Lunn, from Darwin Festival Committee will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on the 2010 Festival and their bid for funding for the 2011 Festival.

Ian Redmond (President; Gary McCulloch (Vice President); Desmond McLellan (Treasurer); John Britton (Committee member), from Darwin Tennis Association will be in attendance from 5.45 p.m. to brief the Council on the Gardens Courts expansion.

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1 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

2 THE LORD'S PRAYER

3 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

4 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

4.1 Apologies

4.2 Leave of Absence Granted

- A. THAT it be noted that The Right Worshipful, Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 8 February 2011 for the period 23 – 27 February 2011.
- B. THAT it be noted that Member J D Bailey is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 8 February 2011 for the period 9 February 2011 to 23 February 2011.
- C. THAT it be noted that Member H I Galton is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 8 February 2011 for the period 14 February 2011 to 2 March 2011.
- D. THAT it be noted that Member G A Lambert is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted 24 January 2011 for the period 21 – 22 February 2011.
- E. THAT it be noted that Member K M Moir is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 8 February 2011 for the period 22 February 2011 to 1 March 2011.
- F. THAT it be noted that Member J L Sangster is an apology due to a Leave of Absence being previously granted on 8 February 2011 for the period 9 February 2011 to 23 February 2011.

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4.3 Leave of Absence Requested

5 DECLARATION OF INTEREST OF MEMBERS AND STAFF**6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING****6.1 Confirmation of the Previous Ordinary Council Meeting**

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Ordinary Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 8 February 2011, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

6.2 Confirmation of the Previous Special Council Meeting

THAT the tabled minutes of the previous Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**7.1 Business Arising****8 MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

9 DEPUTATIONS AND BRIEFINGS**9.1 Darwin Festival Committee - 2011 festival**

Common No. 1902621

Ms Edwina Lunn, from Darwin Festival Committee will be in attendance from 5.15 p.m. to brief the Council on the 2010 Festival and their bid for funding for the 2011 festival.

THAT the presentation from the Darwin Festival Committee, in relation to the 2010 Festival and their bid for funding for the 2011 festival, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

9.2 Darwin Tennis Association Gardens Courts expansion

Common No. 1437996

Ian Redmond (President); Gary McCulloch (Vice president); Desmond McLellan (Treasurer); John Britton (committee member), from Darwin Tennis Association will be in attendance from 5.45 p.m. to brief the Council on the Gardens Courts expansion.

THAT the presentation from Darwin Tennis Association, in relation to the Gardens Courts expansion, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

10 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

11 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**11.1 Closure to the Public for Confidential Items**

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential matters referred from Committees including Confidential Committee Items, and the following Items:-

<u>Item</u>	<u>Regulation</u>	<u>Reason</u>
C24.1	8(c)(iii)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.
C24.2	8(c)(iii)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the security of the council, its members or staff.
C28.1	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.
C29.1	8(c)(iv)	Information that would, if publicly disclosed, be likely to prejudice the interests of the council or some other person.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

11.2 Moving Open Items Into Confidential**11.3 Moving Confidential Items Into Open****12 PETITIONS**

Nil

13 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

1 Northern Territory Community and Detention Services, Community Update

Document No. 1933141 (12/10/10) Common No. 1933140

THAT the incoming Fact Sheet entitled, Northern Territory Community and Detention Services, Community Update – December 2010, Document Number 1933141, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

2 Darwin Entertainment Centre Annual Report 2009/2010

Document No. 1933228 (31/08/10) Common No. 1933228

THAT the incoming Darwin Entertainment Centre Annual Report 2009/2010, dated 31 August 2010, Document Number 1933228, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

3 Regulatory Services Update December 2010 and January 2011

Report No. 11C0015 GW:mh (01/02/11) Common No.1330602

THAT Report Number 11C0015 GW:mh entitled, Regulatory Services Update December 2010 and January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

4 Libraries Information Update for November, December 2010 and January 2011

Report No. 11P0001 KC:md (01/02/11) Common No. 1943023

THAT Report Number 11P0001 entitled, Libraries Information Update for November, December 2010 and January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

5 Community & Cultural Services Team Report – November, December 2010 and January 2011

Report No. 11C0017 KH:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1733166

THAT Report Number 10C0017 KH:es entitled, Community & Cultural Services Team Report – November, December 2010 and January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

6 Minutes Youth Advisory Group - 3 November 2010

Report No. 11C0009 KL:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1895059

A. THAT Report Number 11C0009 KL:es entitled, Minutes Youth Advisory Group - 3 November 2010, be received and noted.

B. THAT a letter of commendation from the Lord Mayor be forwarded to Mr Kin Leong in recognition of his service to Darwin City Council and community.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

7 Petition to Council for the Installation of More Playground Equipment in Haritos Park, Wanguri

Report No. 11C0008 CD:kl (01/02/11) Common No. 1889203

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0008 CD:kl entitled, Petition to Council for the Installation of More Playground Equipment in Haritos Park, Wanguri, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the proposal be presented as a new initiative of \$25,000 for the 2011/2012 budget deliberations.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

8 Steve Abala Role Model Project Status and Update

Report No. 11C0020 AR:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1378819

At the 2nd Ordinary Meeting held on Tuesday, 23 February 2010, this item (20\2476) was laid on the table pending the outcome of the NT Government Cabinet Submission.

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0020 AR:es entitled, Steve Abala Role Model Project Status and Update, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council initiate the Steve Abala Role Model project as a Public Art opportunity and engage a Public Art consultant to undertake a Project Brief including site analysis, scope, commission process and an indicative schedule and budget for the proposed work.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

9 Naming Of Darwin Centenary Public Art Work Progress Report
Report No. 11C0016 AR:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1747698

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0016 AR:es entitled, Naming of Darwin Centenary Public Art Work Progress Report, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the north western end of Bicentennial Park be endorsed as the proposed site for a new work of Public Art commemorating the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin.
- C. THAT Council allocate \$150,000 from the Public Art Development Strategy capital works budget towards the commission of a new work of Public Art commemorating the Centenary of the Naming of Darwin.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

10 Sister City Community Committee Minutes - Ambon 2 December 2010 and Haikou 6 December 2010 – Planet Savers, Corrugated Iron Youth Arts, Arafura Games Cultural Nights

Report No. 11C0001 HB:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1931481

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0001 HB:es entitled, Sister City Community Committee Minutes - Ambon 2 December 2010 and Haikou 6 December 2010, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the Ambon Sister City Community Committee recommends that Council support in principle the Planet Savers - *Strengthening our ties through Sustainable Partnerships* project concept.
- C. THAT Council's International Relations program explore and implement opportunities to showcase its Sister Cities program during the Arafura Games.
- D. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommends that Council support in principle the Corrugated Iron Youth Arts – *China Project* through the provision of relevant contacts.
- E. THAT the Haikou Sister City Community Committee recommends that Council support in principle the Planet Savers – *Darwin/ Haikou Sister Cities and Sustainability* project.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.1 COMMUNITY & CULTURAL SERVICES (07/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R Lesley**

Recommendations from the Community & Cultural Services Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 February 2011

11 Dili Learns the Big Gig – Capacity Building of Dili's and Darwin's Youth
Report No. 11C0023 HB:es (01/02/11) Common No. 1679418

- A. THAT Report Number 11C0023 HB:es entitled, Dili Learns the Big Gig – Capacity Building of Dili's and Darwin's Youth, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council invite three (3) young adults from Action for Change Foundation, Dili, Timor-Leste to Darwin for a period of 17 days to participate in the Big Gig in April 2011 and that up to \$5000 be expended from work order W1583/1/104 and W401/1/104 on sponsoring the three (3) young adults from Dili to participate.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011

1 Corporate Services Monthly Report –November 2010 to January 2011
Report No. 1A0007 (04/02/11) Common No. 339108

THAT Report Number 11A0007 entitled, Corporate Services Monthly Report – November 2010 to January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

2 Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments, November 2010
Report No. 11A0008 (04/02/11) Common No. 339125

THAT Report Number 11A0008 entitled, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments – November 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

3 Listing of Cheques/EFT Payments, December 2010
Report No. 11A0011 (04/02/11) Common No. 339125

THAT Report Number 11A0011 entitled, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments – December 2010,
be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011

4 Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments, January 2011

Report No. 11A0012 (04/02/11) Common No. 339125

THAT Report Number 11A0012 entitled, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments – January 2011

be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

5 Financial Report to Council - January 2011

Report No. 11A0009 (04/02/11) Common No. 339122

THAT Report Number 11A0009 entitled, Financial Report to Council – January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

6 Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – November 2010

Report No. 11A0010 (04/02/11) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 11A0010 entitled, Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – November 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011

7 Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – December 2010
Report No. 11A0013 (04/02/11) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 11A0013 entitled, Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – December 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

8 Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – January 2011
Report No. 11A0014 (04/02/11) Common No. 376351

THAT Report Number 11A0014 entitled, Monthly On-Street and Off-Street Parking Statistics – January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

9 Second Quarter Budget Review 2010/11
Report No. 11A0002 (04/02/11) Common No. 978289

A. THAT Report Number 11A0002 entitled, Second Quarter Budget Review 2010/11, be received and noted.

B. THAT **Attachment A, B & C** of Report Number 11A0002 entitled Second Quarter Budget Review 2010/11 be presented to Council for adoption.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011

10 Improved Capital Valuations

Report No. 11A0026 (04/02/11) Common No. 1952332

THAT Report Number 11A0026 entitled, Improved Capital Valuations, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

11 Electronic Rate Notices

Report No. 11A0025 (04/02/11) Common No. 1952330

THAT Report Number 11A0025 entitled, Electronic Rate Notices, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

12 Market Licences

Report No. 11A0027 (04/02/11) Common No. 1760154

THAT Report Number 11A0027 entitled, Market Licences, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 COMMITTEE REPORTS**14.2 CORPORATE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (15/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member K M Moir**

Recommendations from the Corporate & Economic Development Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011

13 Register of Elected Members Professional Development from October 2010 to December 2010

Report No. 11TC0009 MB:sv (09/02/11) Common No. 315321

THAT Report Number 11A0009 entitled, Financial Report to Council – January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

14 Invitations Accepted or Declined by the Lord Mayor during December 2010

Report No. 11TC0008 MB:sv (09/02/11) Common No. 381402

THAT Report Number 11A0008 entitled, Listing of Cheques / EFT Payments – November 2010, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

1 Climate Change & Environment Team Report Update – December 2010/January 2011

Report No. 10TS0243PR:nj (31/12/10) Common No. 1792647

THAT Report Number 10TS0243PR entitled, Climate Change & Environment Team Report Update - December 2010/January 2011, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

2 Infrastructure – Design, Planning & Projects – December 2010 Quarterly Report

Report No. 11TS0034:DL:kab (03/02/11) Common No. 1832896

THAT Report Number 11TS0034:DL:kab entitled, Infrastructure – Design, Planning & Projects – December 2010 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

3 Infrastructure Maintenance – December 2010 Quarterly Report

Report No. 11TS0011KS:nf (05/01/11) Common No. 1887505

THAT Report Number 11TS0011KS:nf entitled, Infrastructure Maintenance – December 2010 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

4 Asset Management – December 2010 Quarterly Report

Report No. 11TS0020ND:KB (17/01/11) Common No. 1832912

THAT Report Number 11TS0020ND:KB entitled, Asset Management – December 2010 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

5 Capital Works – December 2010 Quarterly Report

Report No. 11TS0038SMCD:KB (02/02/11) Common No. 1541601

THAT Report Number 11TS0038SMCD:KB entitled, Capital Works – December 2010 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

6 Waste and Recycling October – December 2010 Quarterly Report

Report No. 11TS0028MN:KB (01/02/11) Common No. 1738353

THAT Report Number 11TS0028MN:KB entitled, Waste and Recycling October – December 2010 Quarterly Report, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

7 Customer Request for Tree Removal at 56 Curlew Circuit Wulagi

Report No. 10TS0234NK:NF (11/11/10) Common No. 1805467

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0234NK:NF entitled, Customer Request for Tree Removal at 56 Curlew Circuit Wulagi, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council advise the owner and residents of 56 Curlew Circuit, Wulagi that the two terminalia trees located on the verge adjacent to their property will not be removed and that Council will continue to monitor the trees and infrastructure.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

8 St Marys Primary School – Waiver of Stormwater Contribution

Report No. 11TS0018:JW:kab (13/01/11) Common No. 1719607

- A. THAT Report Number 11TS0018 JW:KAB entitled, St Marys Primary School - Waiver of Stormwater Contribution, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council waive the Stormwater Drainage Contribution of \$1,788 as required under Development Permit Number DP09/0494 and Council Policy Number 040, Stormwater Drainage Contribution Plan No: CP 2006/05D Darwin Zone H, for St Mary's Primary School, hall and library project.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

9 Lot 5775 East Point Reserve Fannie Bay – Proposed Electrical Easement
Report No. 11TS0017JW:kab (13/01/11) Common No. 1826945

- A. THAT Report Number 11TS0017JW:KAB entitled, Lot 5775 East Point Reserve Fannie Bay - Proposed Electrical Easement, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council approve the creation of an easement on Lot 5775 East Point Reserve, Fannie Bay as detailed in **Attachment A** of Report Number 11TS0017JW:KAB in favour of Power and Water Corporation subject to:
 - i) Easement sizes and locations to be finalised and to the satisfaction of the General Manager – Infrastructure, Darwin City Council; and
 - ii) That all costs associated with the creation of the easements be at Southern Cross Care (SA&NT) Inc expense.
 - iii) That financial compensation of \$500 plus GST be paid to Council.
 - iv) That all costs and requirements for reinstatement associated with the works be to the satisfaction of the General Manager – Infrastructure, Darwin City Council and at no cost to Council.
- C. THAT Darwin City Council pursuant to Section 32 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008 hereby delegates to the Chief Executive Officer, to finalise creation of electrical easements on Lot 5775 East Point Reserve Fannie Bay in favour of Power and Water Corporation in accordance with Report Number 11TS0017JW:KAB.
- D. THAT Darwin City Council, pursuant to Section 26 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008, hereby authorises all relevant documentation relating to the Easement Creation on Lot 5775 East Point Reserve Fannie Bay be executed under the Council's Common Seal and signed by the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

10 Lot 9119 Town of Nightcliff – Proposed Water Supply Easement

Report No. 11TS0016:JW:KAB (13/01/11) Common No. 1871163

- A. THAT Report Number 11TS0016:JW:KAB entitled, Lot 9119 Town of Nightcliff - Proposed Water Supply Easement be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council approve the creation of easements on Lot 9119 Town of Nightcliff as detailed in **Attachment A** of Report Number 11TS0016:JW:KAB favour of Power and Water Corporation subject to:
 - i) Easement sizes and locations to be finalised and to the satisfaction of the General Manager – Infrastructure, Darwin City Council; and
 - ii) That all costs associated with the creation of the easements be met by Power and Water Corporation.
 - iii) That financial compensation of \$2200 plus GST be paid to Council.
 - iv) That all costs and requirements for reinstatement associated with the works be to the satisfaction of the General Manager – Infrastructure, Darwin City Council and at no cost to Council.
- C. THAT Darwin City Council pursuant to Section 32 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008 hereby delegates to the Chief Executive Officer, to finalise creation of water supply easement on Lots 9119 Town of Nightcliff in favour of Power and Water Corporation in accordance with Report Number 11TS0016:JW:KAB.
- D. THAT Darwin City Council, pursuant to Section 26 (2) of the Local Government Act 2008, hereby authorises all relevant documentation relating to the Easement Creation on Lot 9119 Town of Nightcliff be executed under the Council's Common Seal and signed by the Lord Mayor and Chief Executive Officer.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

C28 COMMITTEE REPORTS**C28.3 ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE (14/02/11)****Presentation of Report by Chairman - Member R K Elix**

Recommendations from the Environment & Infrastructure Committee Meeting held on Monday, 14 February 2011

11 Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Facility Refrigerant Degassing

Report No. 10TS0210JW:KB (15/10/10) Common No. 1845394

- A. THAT Report Number 10TS0210JW:KB entitled, Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Facility Refrigerant Degassing, be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council continue to educate the community regarding the disposal of goods containing refrigerant gasses.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

12 E-Waste Collection at Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Facility

Report No. 10TS0223JW:kb (03/11/10) Common No. 1845353

THAT Report Number 10TS0223JW:kb entitled, E-Waste Collection at Shoal Bay Waste Disposal Facility, be received and noted.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

15 OFFICERS REPORTS

15.1 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin January 2011 Update Report No. 11TC0010 MB:js (15/02/11) Common No. 1855634

Report Number 11TC0010 MB:js attached.

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 15/02/11

REPORT

TO: 2nd ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: MB

FROM: EXECUTIVE MANAGER

APPROVED:

REPORT NO: 11TC0010 MB:js

COMMON NO: 1855634

SUBJECT: 70th ANNIVERSARY BOMBING OF DARWIN JANUARY 2011 UPDATE

ITEM NO: 15.1

SYNOPSIS:

This report provides a progress report on the planning for the 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin.

GENERAL:

At the recent meeting on 17 January 2011 the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee received a presentation from Creative Territory who in collaboration with Professional Public Relations (PPR) have been contracted to progress a number of initiatives

- develop a Sponsorship Strategy for the event
- develop a Public Relations Strategy for the event
- undertake the Event Management for the 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin

Following this presentation the Advisory Committee made a series of recommendations contained in **(Attachment A)** that are presented for Council's endorsement.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

STRATEGIC PLAN IMPLICATIONS:

Nil.

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REPORT NUMBER: 11TC0010 MB:js
SUBJECT: 70th ANNIVERSARY BOMBING OF DARWIN JANUARY 2011 UPDATE

RECOMMENDATIONS:

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT Report Number 11TC0010 MB:js entitled, 70th Anniversary Bombing of Darwin January 2011, be received and noted.
- B. THAT the minutes from the previous Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee be received and noted. **(Attachment A)**.
- C. THAT Council endorse the draft collateral for the Ambassadors for the 70th Anniversary. **(Attachment B)**.
- D. THAT Council endorse the draft logo as amended replacing the rifle with a child. **(Attachment C)**.
- E. THAT Council note a suggested range of events to complement the Commemorative Ceremony in 2012. **(Attachment D)**.
- F. THAT Council note that Professional Public Relations (PPR) has advised that there are limited opportunities for major Corporate Sponsorship for the 70th Anniversary.

MARK BLACKBURN
EXECUTIVE MANAGER

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DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE BOMBING OF DARWIN AND MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN MEETING ROOM 1, CIVIC CENTRE, HARRY CHAN AVENUE, DARWIN, ON MONDAY 17, JANUARY 2011. COMMENCING AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Member R Lesley (Chairman); Defence, Major B Ardley; Defence, Warrant Officer, Mr R Gardiner; RSL, Mr S Gloster; NRETAS, Ms A Kohen; Executive Manager, Mr M Blackburn; Event Coordinator, Ms M Dowley; Research & Project Coordinator; Mrs J Scott; Executive Officer, Miss A Smit.

APOLOGY: The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer; Veterans Affairs, Mr M Uhe; NT Government, Ms P Sweet; General Manager Tourism Top End, Mr T Clementson.

OBSERVER: Chaplain, Mr John Marshall

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1 MEETING DECLARED OPEN

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 2.00p.m.

2 APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

(Lesley/Kohen)

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve under delegated authority:-

- A. THAT the apology from The Right Worshipful, The Lord Mayor, Mr G R Sawyer, be received and a Leave of Absence be granted.
- B. THAT the apology from Member Mr M Uhe, be received and a Leave of Absence be granted.
- C. THAT the apology from Member Ms P Sweet, be received and a Leave of Absence be granted.
- D. THAT the apology from Member Mr T Clementson, be received and a Leave of Absence be granted.

DECISION NO.20\() (17/01/11)

Carried

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS BOMBING OF DARWIN & MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

(Lesley/Gardiner)

COMMITTEE'S DECISION

THAT the Committee resolve that the minutes of the previous The Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee Meeting held on Monday, 1 November 2010 tabled by the Chairman, be received and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings of that meeting

DECISION NO.20\() (17/01/11)

Carried

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4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES PERTAINING TO THE PREVIOUS BOMBING OF DARWIN & MILITARY HISTORY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

4.1 Business Arising

Nil

5 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

Nil

6 OFFICERS REPORTS

6.1 69th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin

Report No. 10TC0081 MD:as (14/12/10) Common No. 1855634

(Gloster/Gardiner)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

THAT Report Number 10TC0081 MD:as entitled, 69th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin, be received and noted.

Carried

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6.2 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin

(Gardiner/Kohen)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT it be a recommendation to Council:-

- A. THAT the Power Point presentation delivered by Creative Territory, Tracy Jones be received and noted.
- B. THAT the draft collateral for the Ambassadors for the 70th Anniversary be endorsed.
- C. THAT the draft logo as amended replacing the rifle with a child be endorsed.
- D. THAT Council note a suggested range of events to complement the Commemorative Ceremony in 2012.
- E. THAT Council note that PPR has advised that there are limited opportunities for major Corporate Sponsorship for the 70th Anniversary.

Carried

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C29.1 Minutes of the Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee Meeting held on 1 November 2010

Report No. 10TC0080 MB:as (23/11/10) Common No. 1071899

(Lesley/Lambert)

- A. THAT Report Number 10TC0080 MB:as entitled, Minutes of the Bombing of Darwin and Military Advisory Committee meeting held on 1 November 2010 be received and noted.
- B. THAT Council support inviting the following persons to be Ambassadors for the 70th Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin:
 - Governor General
 - Peter Cosgrove
 - David Hill
 - Dick Smith
 - Nicole Kidman/Hugh Jackman
 - Nova Peris or Pat Dodson or Mick Dodson
 - Ted Egan

DECISION NO.20\3518

(30/11/10)

Carried

ACTION: EXEC MGR
NOTE: GM COMM & CULT

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7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Date, Time and Place for next Advisory Committee Meeting

(Kohen/Lesley)

COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION

THAT the next Bombing of Darwin and Military History Advisory Committee Meeting be held on Monday, 21 February 2011 at 2:00 p.m. in Meeting Room 1, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

Carried

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The meeting closed at ____p.m.

MEMBER R LESLEY
(CHAIRMAN) - BOMBING OF
DARWIN AND MILITARY
HISTORY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE MEETING -
MONDAY, 17 JANUARY 2011

Confirmed on: **Monday, 21 February 2011**

Chairman: _____

15 OFFICERS REPORTS

15.2 Review of Constitutional Arrangements (Electoral Review)

Report No. 11TC0007 (15/02/11) Common No. 192542

At the Special Council Meeting held on Tuesday, 15 February 2011, this item was withdrawn by the Chief Executive Officer.

Report Number 11TC0007 attached.

Attachment C has been distributed separately.

ENCL: YES

DARWIN CITY COUNCIL

DATE: 15/02/11

REPORT

TO: 2nd ORDINARY COUNCIL/OPEN

APPROVED: MB

FROM: EXECUTIVE MANAGER

APPROVED: AH

REPORT NO: 11TC0007

APPROVED:

COMMON NO: 192542

SUBJECT: REVIEW OF CONSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS (ELECTORAL REVIEW)

ITEM NO: 15.2

SYNOPSIS:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 23 of the Northern Territory Local Government Act, 2008 and Regulation 63 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations, 2008 Council has undertaken an assessment of the effectiveness of constitutional arrangements for the electoral representation of the Darwin municipality.

The community consultation period has concluded with one submission received.

GENERAL:

A Council Workshop was held on 23 August 2010 at which the following two matters were discussed:

- NT Local Government Voting System

Elected Members discussed Darwin City Council's response to the NT Government's Discussion paper on the voting system within the Northern Territory.

The outcome of this was Council did not support any change to the existing exhaustive preferential voting system.

Based on this decision, Council wrote to The Hon. Malarndirri McCarthy, Minister of Local Government on 6th September 2010 confirming that:

Darwin City Council does not support a change to the current system of exhaustive preferential voting and in addition suggested the following minor amendments were made:-

- A draw is undertaken for ballot paper positions;
- Inclusion of postal voting;
- The inclusion of photos of candidates on the ballot papers; and

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- A communication strategy is developed to explain the voting system.
- Review of Electoral Representation

The purpose of the review is to ascertain whether Council's current constitutional arrangements provide the most effective representation. Preliminary work identified that there is currently an imbalance in the elector ratio; up to a 20.8% variation between wards.

A Discussion Paper on the Review of Electoral Representation, prepared for Council by C L Rowe and Associates Pty Ltd, was endorsed for the purpose of conducting community consultation. Decision No. 20\3159 (31/08/10).

As per Section 63 of the Local Government (Electoral) Regulations, 2008, the Discussion Paper gave consideration to:-

- Communities of interests in the area including economic, social and regional interests;
- Types of communication and travel in the area;
- The trend of population changes;
- The density of population; and
- The physical features of the area.

Based on the consideration of the above items, the Discussion Paper offered models of 'no ward', 'single member wards' and 'multi-member ward' structures together with options of number of elected members and ward boundaries.

The Discussion Paper was put out for community consultation for a period of 30 days – one submission received, **Refer Attachment A**. The submission by the NT Greens supported the retention of a multi-member ward structure and the current number of Elected Members as the ratio was comparable to many other councils around the country. The submission also stated that whilst a reduction in Elected Members may save a small amount of money it reduces the diversity of viewpoints and limits lines of communication between constituents and members.

The submission specified options 4.3.1 or 4.3.2 as outlined in the Discussion Paper as being the most acceptable options and further went on to say, where ward boundaries are significantly shifted new ward names should be implemented to avoid confusion.

It is therefore recommended that:-

1. Elected members numbers remain the same;
2. Multi-member wards are retained; and
3. Adjustments are made to the ward boundaries to ensure an equitable balance of electors (taking into account current and forecasted population numbers).
4. That Council consider whether it wishes to change the name of any of the existing wards.

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The advantages of disadvantages of maintaining multi-members wards are outlined below.

Advantages	Disadvantages
Allows for the sharing of duties and responsibilities amongst the Elected Members	Larger in area and greater in elector number, therefore greater area for Elected Members to cover
Can achieve a greater diversity in the characteristics, skill-set and opinions of Elected Members	The suburb of Lyons still remains within the existing Richardson Ward. This may create some confusion amongst electors
Affords continuous ward representation should a member be absent	Need to regularly ensure that elector ratios within all of the wards remains similar
Provides more lines of communication between the elected ward members and their constituents	
Lessens the likelihood of ward parochialism	

Please refer to **Attachments B & C** for maps of the current boundaries and the proposed adjustments to the boundaries.

In response to the matters raised by Elected Members at the Special Council Meeting held on 1 February 2011, the boundary between Lyons, Chan and Waters wards has now been amended. The boundary line between Chan and Lyons ward now follows along Hudson Fysh Avenue. Part of Woolner (Bishop Street and Charlton Court) has now moved from the proposed Lyons ward into the proposed Waters ward.

Another option was considered which used the Ludmilla Creek as the boundary line, however, it was found that this caused too large a variation in the proposed elector ratios (8.6% variation between Lyons and Waters).

Attachment D provides a table showing the suburbs affected by the proposed adjustments to the boundaries.

Included in **Attachment E** is detailed information regarding current elector ratio and the proposed elector ratios.

Pending Council's endorsement of these recommendations, a detailed report for the Minister will be finalised and submitted by the end February 2011.

In addition to the two matters discussed at the Council Workshop, the Local Government Act also outlines other items which Council must regularly assess. The purpose of this section is to inform Elected Members of Council's progress in these areas.

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Section 23 (c) (i) – (iv)

(i) *Assessment of the adequacy of constitutional arrangements.*

Underway, as per this report.

(ii) *Opportunities and challenges for service delivery.*

As shown in Council's Strategic Plan, it is planned to commence a whole of organisation review of program delivery to ensure outcomes are being achieved in a cost effective and efficient manner. Various methodologies have been investigated by Council staff and Council's Chief Officers Group will make a determination in March 2011 as to the most appropriate methodology for Council. The reviews are scheduled to commence in 2011 with a rolling program of reviews taking place over the next few years.

(iii) *Possible changes to the Regulatory and Administrative Framework.*

A review of all Council policies was completed in February 2010. The outcome of this review was the consolidation of over 300 discrete policies into just over 50 policies. The outcome of this review improved accessibility for the public, Elected Members and staff and removed any inconsistencies, redundancies and obsolete legislative references. As part of this review, a new Policies and Procedures Framework Policy was adopted by the Council on 24/11/2009 (Decision No. 20\2298).

Council will now over time review all current policies in accordance with their approved review timeframe and will also embark on a project to start reviewing Council's internal procedures and guidelines.

(iv) *Possibilities for improving service delivery through co-operation with other councils or other organisations.*

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was developed and signed by all Top End Regional Organisation of Councils (TOPROC) members on 18 November 2010. Within the MOA the following has been agreed to:-

TOPROC Members intend to enhance collaboration and cooperation in:

- a. the consideration of new community projects and programs of mutual interest;
- b. the investigation and undertaking of joint purchasing opportunities;
- c. the undertaking of joint training opportunities;
- d. the development of joint tendering arrangements for service delivery that can be demonstrated as more effectively provided on a whole of area basis;
- e. the development of uniform approaches to expedite community environmental initiatives which can lead to reduction of our existing carbon footprint; and
- f. increasing the degree and speed of communication between the TOPROC Councils to ensure that each is kept informed of developments and initiatives in the other Council.

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A revised “Capital City Charter” was adopted in June 2009. The Charter represents a commitment by the Darwin City Council and the Northern Territory Government to work together with the community to enhance the physical, social, artistic, cultural, commercial and environmental aspects of Darwin with a focus on the central business area. The Northern Territory Government, represented by the Chief Minister, the Minister of Lands and Planning, Senior Officials and Darwin City Council, represented by the Lord Mayor, Alderman, Chief Executive Officer meet regularly to progress projects of mutual interest and that benefit the Darwin community.

In addition to these groups, Darwin City Council Elected Members and staff regularly meet with a number of other committees that inform service delivery. An example of these are the:

- Arts and Cultural Development Committee;
- CBD Car parking Advisory Committee;
- Disability Advisory Committee;
- Climate Change and Environment Advisory Committee;
- Youth Advisory Committee;
- Neighbourhood Watch NT Board of Management;
- Public Library Advisory Committee;
- NT Road Safety Co-ordination Group;
- Human Services Training Advisory Council;
- Animal Welfare Committee;
- Water Safety Council;
- Darwin Harbour Advisory Committee;
- Regional Development Committee; and
- Various Reference Groups of the Local Government Association of the Northern Territory e.g. CEO, HR, Finance and Infrastructure Forums.

At a national level, Darwin City Council is also a member of:

- The Council of Capital City Lord Mayors;
- The Major Cities Working Group; and the
- Australian and New Zealand Chief Officers Group.

These national committees help Darwin City Council stay abreast of best practice, to participate in nationally significant projects that also benefit our local community and they offer learnings from other cities.

In addition to the above and following an approach from Belyuen Community Government Council to amalgamate, Darwin City Council has obtained a Special Purpose Grant of \$99,950 to enable a review of the risks and opportunities associated with the possible amalgamation of Belyuen Community Government Council and Wagait Shire Council with Darwin City Council. Following the completion of the review each of the Councils will make a determination as to whether they wish to proceed with an amalgamation.

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FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

EVOLVING DARWIN, TOWARDS 2020 IMPLICATIONS:

The issues addressed in this Report are in accordance with the following Goals/Outcomes of the Evolving Darwin, Towards 2020 Strategic Plan:

7 OPEN AND RESPONSIBLE GOVERNANCE

7.1 Effective Governance

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

Council is required to undertake this Electoral Representation Review in accordance with the Northern Territory Local Government Act 2008.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

PUBLIC RELATIONS IMPLICATIONS:

Various.

Maintaining current Elected Member numbers may generate some publicity. The adjustment of ward boundaries may also result in some reaction from the community.

COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS:

Nil

DELEGATION:

Nil

CONSULTATION:

The 30 day period of community consultation has been completed with only 1 response received.

NT Electoral Commission has been consulted throughout the process.

PROPOSED PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS:

The community will need to be advised of the outcome of this review. Information can be disseminated via Council's website and the next edition of Council's My Darwin Community Newsletter and through the NT News.

Further, targeted information will need to be developed for those members of the community who are affected by ward boundary changes.

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APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE

N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. THAT Report Number 11TC0007 entitled, Review of Constitutional Arrangements (Electoral Review), be received and noted.
- B. THAT based on the outcomes of the Review of Constitutional Arrangements (Electoral Review) and public consultation, Council endorse the retention of the current number of Elected Members being a Lord Mayor and twelve Aldermen.
- C. THAT based on the outcomes of the Review of Constitutional Arrangements (Electoral Review) and public consultation, Council endorse the retention of four multi-member wards with three Aldermen in each ward.
- D. THAT Council endorse the adjustment of the ward boundaries as per **Attachment C** to report 11TC0007 to ensure an equitable balance of electors.
- E. THAT Council endorse the retention of the existing the ward names as shown in **Attachments C, D and E** to report 11TC0007.

ANNE HAMMOND
MANAGER STRATEGY AND
OUTCOMES

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Attachment A

6 Oct 2010

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Submission to the review of *Electoral Representation*.

Dear Mr Dowd,

Thank you for the chance to comment on the DCC's review of Electoral Representation.

The NT Greens support the retention of a multimember ward system which provides for broad community representation and a diversity of opinion on council.

Question – what is the ideal composition of Council?

The NT Greens support the existing number of councilors as the current ratio is comparable to many other councils around the country as laid out in page 8 of the *Review of Electoral Representation Discussion Paper*.

While fewer representatives may save a small amount of money, it would lead to an increase in the workload on the remaining councilor, reduce the diversity of viewpoints within council, and limit lines of communication between constituents and members.

The NT Greens believe that the current number of 12 councilors is required to provide adequate representation to all communities of interest within the Darwin City Council region.

Question – Should the City be divided into wards?

The NT Greens believe that the City should continue to be divided into wards as it ensures better representation for 'communities of interest' throughout the electorate and therefore better democratic outcomes.

A single ward is inappropriate for Darwin City Council as it would render campaigning more difficult, less effective and more expensive for all candidates. This would accordingly result in decreased participation, and limit the pool of potential council candidates to those with the time and resources, thus severely limiting democratic representation.

The current multi member ward system ensures that all 'communities of interest' have a good chance of being represented on council, and thereby increase the diversity of viewpoints within the Darwin City Council. A variety of opinion is considered crucial in helping the council develop innovative strategic plans that meet the future needs of the Darwin City Council region.

The NT Greens support the continuation of the current ward structure as it improves democratic outcomes and provides better community representation.

Question - if the City is to be divided into wards, what is the appropriate level of representation within each ward?

The NT Greens support the retention of multiple wards with multiple members with either option 4.3.1 or 4.3.2 being seen as acceptable propositions. Multimember wards improve democratic outcomes and ensure a better spread of community representation within Darwin City Council.

Wards represented by multiple members open up more lines of communication between the community and the council, thereby ensuring that all community concerns are heard by council. Multimember wards are also better placed to balance uneven population growth throughout the City with adequate representation from all 'communities of interest'.

We support for the redrawing of boundaries to balance elector ratio between wards.

The NT Greens support the redistribution of wards to ensure that there is an equitable distribution of electors between wards.

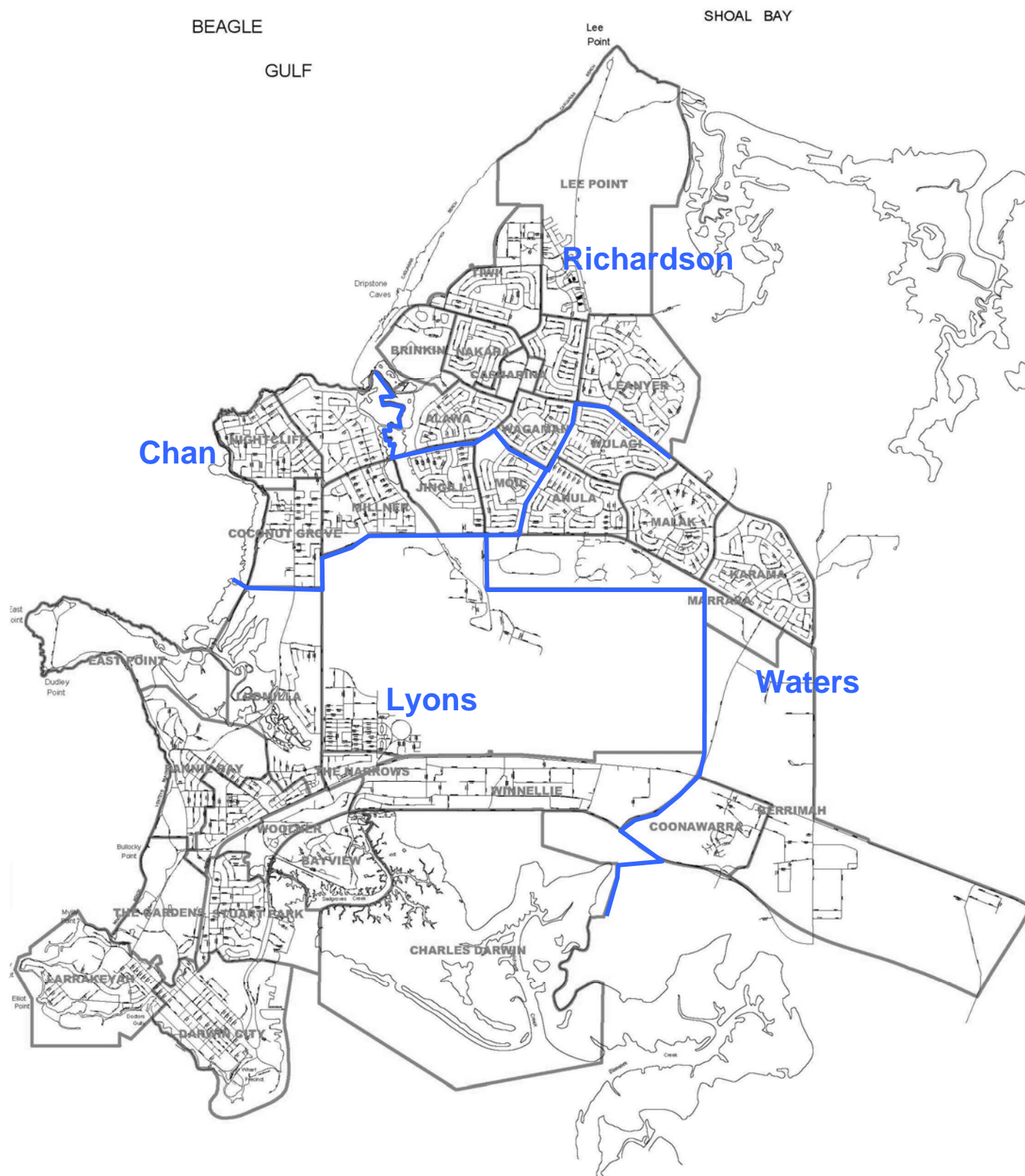
Question – How should future wards be identified?

The NT Greens believe that a naming convention be continued that reflects the historical and cultural origins of Darwin. In wards where the boundaries are to be shifted significantly, or where current naming conventions may cause confusion, it is recommended that new names be implemented.

The NT Greens also support efforts to redraw boundaries where required to ensure an equitable distribution of electors between wards. Where this is to occur, the NT Greens support boundaries being aligned with existing, long established suburb boundaries; main roads; and prominent geographical and man-made features.

Simon Niblock

Convenor NT Greens

CURRENT WARD STRUCTURE

CURRENT WARD STRUCTURE		PROPOSED WARD STRUCTURE	
CHAN	Coconut Grove Jingili Millner Moil Nightcliff Rapid Creek	CHAN	Coconut Grove East Point Jingili Ludmilla Millner Moil Nightcliff Rapid Creek
LYONS	Bayview Darwin City East Point Fannie Bay The Gardens Larrakeyah Ludmilla The Narrows Parap RAAF Base/Airport Stuart Park Winnellie Woolner	LYONS	Bayview Darwin City Fannie Bay The Gardens Larrakeyah Ludmilla The Narrows Parap Stuart Park Woolner
RICHARDSON	Alawa Brinkin Leanyer Lyons Nakara Tiwi Wagaman Wanguri	RICHARDSON	Alawa Brinkin Leanyer Lyons Nakara Tiwi Wagaman Wanguri
WATERS	Anula Berrimah Coonawarra Karama Malak Marrara Wulagi	WATERS	Anula Berrimah Coonawarra Karama Malak Marrara RAAF Base/Airport Winnellie Woolner Wulagi

Yellow highlight – whole suburb move
 Bold & italicised – part suburb move

ATTACHMENT E

CURRENT WARD STRUCTURE

Ward	Aldermen	Electors	Ratio	% Variance
Chan	3	9,937	1:3,312	- 8.5
Lyons	3	13,275	1:4,425	+ 22.2
Richardson	3	10,806	1:3,602	- 0.5
Waters	3	9,423	1:3,141	- 12.2
Total	12	43,441		
Average			1:3,620	

PROPOSED WARD STRUCTURE - REVISED

- Hudson Fysh Avenue as the boundary between proposed Chan & Lyons wards
- Part of Woolner (Bishop Street & Charlton Court) from proposed Lyons ward 2 to proposed Waters ward

Ward	Aldermen	Electors	Ratio	% Variance
Chan	3	10,955	1:3,652	+ 0.9
Lyons	3	11,166	1:3,722	+ 2.8
Richardson	3	10,806	1:3,602	- 0.5
Waters	3	10,514	1:3,505	- 3.2
Total	12	43,441		
Average			1:3,620	

Source: Northern Territory Electoral Commission 24 November, 2010

16 INFORMATION ITEMS AND CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Nil

17 REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

18 QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS

19 GENERAL BUSINESS

20 DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

THAT the next Ordinary Meeting of Council be held on Tuesday, 15 March 2011, at 5.00 p.m. (Open Section followed by the Confidential Section), Council Chambers, 1st Floor, Civic Centre, Harry Chan Avenue, Darwin.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

21 CLOSURE OF MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

THAT pursuant to Section 65 (2) of the Local Government Act and Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations the meeting be closed to the public to consider the Confidential Items of the Agenda.

DECISION NO.20\() (22/02/11)

22 ADJOURNMENT OF THE MEETING (MEDIA LIAISON)