



## **MOUNT BARKER HILL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

# **MINUTES**

**Section 5.9(2)(a) LGA 1995**

### Committee Brief

*The duties of the committee are to advise the Council with regard to:*

- a) The mechanisms needing to be employed to light the communication tower;*
- b) Working with the Trails Advisory Committee regarding integration of trails into other Mount Barker Hill proposals; and*
- c) Further development of the present Rotary lookout and the potential for other lookouts, including information boards.*

A meeting of the Mount Barker Hill Advisory Committee was held at the Shire of Plantagenet Committee Room, Mount Barker at 4.00pm on 23 January 2020.

**Rob Stewart**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

### Committee Members:

*Cr Chris Pavlovich, Cr Ken Clements, Cr S Etherington and Cr Woltering (Resolution No. 284/19)*

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## 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

4:00pm The Executive Manager of Strategic Development declared the meeting open.

## 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES

### Members Present:

Cr Chris Pavlovich Shire President  
Cr K Clements Councillor  
Cr S Etherington Councillor  
Cr K Woltering Councillor

### In Attendance:

Mr Andrus Budrikis Executive Manager Strategic Development

### Apologies

Nil

### Visitors

Nil

## 3 DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

### Cr C Pavlovich

Item: 3

Type: Code of Conduct Disclosure (S5.103 LGA/Reg 34C Local Government Administration Regulations) Perceived interests (Clause 2.3 Code of Conduct)

Nature: Owns land in the vicinity of the Mount Barker Hill

Extent: N/A

## 4 ELECTION OF PRESIDING MEMBER

Cr Woltering was elected Presiding Member unopposed and took the chair.

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

There were no previous Minutes.

## **6 MOUNT BARKER HILL CONCEPT PLAN (GSCORE)**

The draft brief from GSCORE for the Mount Barker Hill (Tower Hill/ Pwakkenbak) mountain trail concept planning had been previously circulated and was discussed. The following points were made:

- a) Adequate parking for cars and long vehicles/ buses to be provided – at least 50 car spaces to provide a similar amount to the Granite Skywalk
- b) A boardwalk as per the 2011/12 plan was required (or modified to suit new trails). The Committee to review the 2011/12 plan and decide whether to incorporate the design into the current brief
- c) Toilets as appropriate were required
- d) The road loop on Tower Hill should be one way and widened to incorporate bus/caravan parking around it
- e) Pathways should be lit by solar-powered lighting bollards

## **7 MOUNT BARKER HILL SURVEYS**

The Executive Manager Strategic Development outlined the surveys that GSCORE wished to carry out to undertake the concept planning for the Mount Barker Hill trails. These included:

- a) Aboriginal Heritage Survey
- b) Fauna Survey
- c) Flora Survey
- d) Dieback Survey.

The survey requirements were discussed and the following points made:

- a) There are no identified Aboriginal heritage sites on the Landgate maps or heritage register
- b) Further consultation with the local Noongar group should be undertaken
- c) GSCORE to present the trail concept planning to the Noongar Centre (Cr Pavlovich to discuss with Sgt. Johnson).

## **8 OTHER BUSINESS**

### **8.1 Noongar Culture**

The group acknowledged that the GSCORE plan to dual name trails and features with both English and Noongar names where applicable was appropriate. The local Noongar group should also be consulted on naming.

### **8.2 Mount Barker Hill**

The group confirmed that the preferred name for the Mount Barker Hill development was 'Tower Hill'.

### **8.3 Tower Lighting**

The proposal to light the tower on 'Tower Hill' was discussed. The following points were noted:

- a) The tower when lit should be visible from Albany
- b) The project should be finished in time for the 150 year celebration on 2 March 2021
- c) A lighting engineer should be engaged to develop a lighting scheme and provide a cost estimate.

A provisional completion date of 1 March 2021 was set for the project. Mr Budrikis to bring back an estimate by March for inclusion in the 2020-21 budget.

### **OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION/COMMITTEE DECISION**

**Moved: Cr K Clements, Seconded: Cr S Etherington**

**That the intention of the Executive Manager Strategic Development to obtain a quote from suitable lighting engineers to develop a concept plan and cost estimate for lighting the tower on Tower Hill be noted.**

**CARRIED**

### **8.4 Re-seal of Tower Road**

Mount Barker Road is being widened and resealed in 2020 by the Shire. The road will be widened to 6m (less than the 7m width required for line marking) and the seal extended to St Werburghs Road.

**9 NEXT MEETING**

To be advised.

**10 MEETING CLOSURE**

5.05pm The Presiding Member declared the meeting closed.

**CONFIRMED: PRESIDING MEMBER** \_\_\_\_\_ **DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_