



MISSION AND VALUES OF COUNCIL

"A Sustainable Community that is inclusive, attractive, healthy and pleasant to live in, that uses our land so as to preserve our history and environment, respects the rights and equality of our citizens and manages our future growth wisely."

MINUTES

FOR A MEETING OF THE

COASTAL PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

To be held at 10.09am in the Shire Committee Room

6 DECEMBER 2007

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HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM
ON THURSDAY 6 DECEMBER 2007
COMMENCING AT 10.09AM

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1. OFFICIAL OPENING

The meeting officially opened at 10.09am.

2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Attendance	Damien Parriman Michael Corpus Cecelia Djiagween Cr S E Eaton Cr V L Wevers Cr P D Matsumoto	KLC – Proxy Robert Powrie Rubibi Rubibi Proxy Cr Campbell Proxy Cr M L B Albert
Apologies	Cr G T Campbell Frank Sebastian Richard Hunter Cr M L B Albert Cr C M Maher Gary Waldron Robert Powrie	Chairperson Rubibi Rubibi Community Representative KLC
Officers	Kent Williams Jillian McMahon	(Dep Chair) Manager Operations, Shire Council Secretary
Public Gallery	Kandy Curran	Minyirr Park

3. DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

Nil

4. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved: Michael Corpus

Seconded: Cecelia Djiagween

That the Minutes of the Coastal Park Committee Meeting held on 6 September 2007 be confirmed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. MATTERS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION

6.1 INSURANCE COVER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE ASSETS

LOCATION/ADDRESS:	Minyirr Park, Broome
APPLICANT:	Rubibi Land Heritage and Development Group
FILE:	CTE28
AUTHOR:	Kandy Curran
CONTRIBUTOR/S:	N/A
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	N/A
DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST:	Nil
DATE OF REPORT:	26 November 2007

SUMMARY: Minyirr Park has been working hard over the years to source funds to develop on ground visitor facilities that include signage, walk trails, dune crossings, shade shelters, bush furniture, an ablution, sea containers and work tools. Minyirr Park has also sourced funding to purchase composting toilets. With the toilets ready for construction in the Park, it is essential that the two expensive toilet facilities be covered by insurance. With a fire recently in the Park it is essential that all of the above infrastructure is fully insured, as the cost of replacement would be an enormous setback.

With fire, cyclones, flooding and theft significant threats to the security of infrastructure in Minyirr Park, it is essential that an insurance policy to cover all of the above is taken out as soon as possible. Minyirr Park would firstly like to establish if the Broome Shire Council has an insurance policy to cover existing infrastructure in the Park and if not, if the Shire will take on this responsibility.

BACKGROUND

In the Coastal Park Management Plan it is stated that the desired outcomes for implementing the plan include upgraded visitor amenities and facilities. Moreover, one of the major values of the Coastal Park Management Plan relates to recreation. With the Broome Shire and Rubibi in joint management of Minyirr Park, it would be a cooperative and fair approach to request that the Shire cover insurance for infrastructure that Minyirr Park has funded and continues to maintain at a high standard.

COMMENT

Insurance of infrastructure is necessary to the future of the Park and for maintenance of visitor amenities and facilities within the Shire.

CONSULTATION

Whilst there is no direct mention of insurance in the Coastal Park Management Plan (April 1999) or the Minyirr Park Strategic Plan (2007 - 2011), there needs to be now that there is new infrastructure in the Park (ablution, composting toilets, dune crossings and shade huts).

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with the Shire's Interim Agreement with Rubibi (signed in May 1996), the findings of the Local Government Development Program (1997), the implementation of the Shire's Coastal Park Management Plan (April 1999) and the Shire's Strategic Action Plan 2004-2009.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications of this project have not been provided, but can be on request.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

People

Actively consult and work with the Traditional Owners and Aboriginal people of Broome.

Effectively engage with our community by encouraging participation and providing information.

Place

Build partnerships with the community and other agencies to recognise, protect and enhance the natural environment and cultural heritage.

Engage with the community and other agencies to provide land use planning that protects and enhances the natural and built environment to support a quality lifestyle and the local economy.

Prosperity

Partner with other agencies to ensure affordable and equitable services and infrastructure.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. *Advises Minyirr Park whether the Council has an insurance policy that covers visitor amenities and facilities in Minyirr Park.*
2. *Funds insurance cover for all amenities and infrastructure in Minyirr Park (toilets, shade shelters, dune crossings, bush furniture, signage, interpretive panels, sea containers and work tools.*

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Minyirr Park provides the Shire of Broome with a complete list of assets and infrastructure to be insured, including value of assets, and requests that Council investigates the options and funding opportunities for these items to be covered by insurance.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Michael Corpus

Seconded: Cr V L Wevers

That Council:

1. ***Requests that Minyirr Park provide the Shire of Broome with a complete list of assets and infrastructure to be insured.***
2. ***Funds insurance cover for all amenities and infrastructure in Minyirr Park (toilets, shade shelters, dune crossings, bush furniture, signage, interpretive panels, sea containers and work tools.***

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6.2 FIRE MANAGEMENT PLAN

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AUTHOR:	Kandy Curran
CONTRIBUTOR/S:	N/A
RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:	N/A
DISCLOSURE OF ANY INTEREST:	Nil
DATE OF REPORT:	26 November 2007

SUMMARY: As stated in the previous agenda item, Minyirr Park has sourced funding to develop infrastructure in the Park that is of great benefit to the community for recreation and enjoyment of the Park. With a fire in Minyirr Park on 1 November 2007 it is essential that a Fire Management Plan for 2008 is agreed upon by the joint managers of the Park (Shire and Rubibi) and other interested relevant parties (FESA and Christine Michael at the KLC).

BACKGROUND

With Minyirr Park open to the public 24 hours a day and without an on site resident supervisor, fire remains a great threat to the Park. Minyirr Park has worked extremely hard to source funding to install infrastructure in the Park for the community to use and enjoy, including toilets, shade shelters, bush furniture, dune crossings, walkways, interpretive panels and sea containers and tools. Fire is a very real threat to this infrastructure. Minyirr Park holds important Aboriginal heritage and culture which is at risk from an unmanaged fire. As such it is essential that a Fire Management Plan underpins the management of the Coastal Park.

COMMENT

A Fire Management Plan needs to be discussed to work out how best to safeguard such valuable infrastructure and environmental integrity and heritage.

CONSULTATION

Nil

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Consistent with the Shire's Interim Agreement with Rubibi (signed in May 1996), the findings of the Local Government Development Program (1997), the implementation of the Shire's Coastal Park Management Plan (April 1999) and the Shire's Strategic Action Plan 2004-2009.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications of this project have not been provided.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

People

Actively consult and work with the Traditional Owners and Aboriginal people of Broome.

Effectively engage with our community by encouraging participation and providing information.

Place

Build partnerships with the community and other agencies to recognise, protect and enhance the natural environment and cultural heritage.

Engage with the community and other agencies to provide land use planning that protects and enhances the natural and built environment to support a quality lifestyle and the local economy.

Ensure the Shire's infrastructure and assets are strategically planned and managed.

Prosperity

Build the Shire's organisational capacity to service the needs of a growing community.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

RUBIBI RECOMMENDATION

That Council enters into a discussion with Minyirr Park Traditional Owners and staff, FESA and Christine Michael at the KLC to work out the best way forward to implement a Fire Management Plan in Minyirr Park.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Minyirr Park Traditional Owners enter into discussions with FESA, as a key stakeholder, for the implementation of a Fire Management Plan in Minyirr Park.*
- 2. That Council staff be available for assistance in the development of a Fire Management Plan.*

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Michael Corpus

Seconded: Cr S E Eaton

- 1. That Minyirr Park Traditional Owners and Council staff enter into discussions with FESA, as a key stakeholder, for the implementation of a Fire Management Plan in Minyirr Park.***
- 2. That Council staff be available for assistance in the development of a Fire Management Plan.***

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. MEETING CLOSURE

Michael Corpus thanked the Shire staff and Councillors for their support of Minyirr Park and assistance towards achieving improvements through good communication and a positive attitude.

Kent Williams congratulated Michael Corpus, his team and the Committee members for their efforts and noted the considerable improvements in the Park in the past two years that he has been in Broome working with the Shire.

Seasons greetings were exchanged!

There being no further business the Chairperson declared the meeting closed at 10.44am.