



# Minutes

Environmental Advisory Committee  
 11 September 2013  
 4.00pm – 6.00 pm

EAC Committee	
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2	Confirmation of minutes
3	Business Arising from the previous Minutes
4	The Generic Community Lands Plan of Management presentation – Karen Luka
5	Funding available for environmental projects from HNCMA
6	Update on recycle bins
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## ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING



MINUTES – 11 September 2013

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### ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

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**Present:** Cr Col Hunter (LCC), Julie Favell (Lithgow Environment Group), Thomas Ebersoll (LEG), Andrew Muir (LCC), Peta Lette (LCC), Damon Cupitt (LCC), Karen Luka (LCC), Trish Kidd (LOLA), Peter Evans (HNCMA), Sue Graves (Lithgow Tidy Towns), Justine Sheather (LCC)

**Apologies:** Nil

**Declaration of Interests:** Nil

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### ITEM: 2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

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The minutes of the previous meeting were endorsed.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** - The Minutes of the meeting of 19 June 2013 be taken as read and confirmed.

**MOVED:** Thomas Ebersoll

**SECONDED:** Julie Favell

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### ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

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#### **COMMENTARY**

Committee membership – the committee was advised that correspondence had been forwarded to groups entitled to representation and inviting them to apply.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – That the information on committee membership be noted.

**MOVED:** Sue Graves

**SECONDED:** Julie Favell

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### ITEM: 4 THE GENERIC COMMUNITY LANDS PLAN OF MANAGEMENT PRESENTATION

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**COMMENTARY**

Karen Luka provided the committee with an overview of the proposed community lands plan of management (POM).

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – The committee provide a submission on the draft community lands plan management with such to be compiled at a future extraordinary meeting.

**MOVED:** Trish Kidd

**SECONDED:** Thomas Ebersoll

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**ITEM: 5      FUNDING AVAILABLE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS FROM HNCMA**

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**COMMENTARY**

The master plan for Farmers Creek was discussed and noted as previously being rejected.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – A copy of the master plan for Farmers Creek to be provided, and the amount of funding available for Farmers Creek works be ascertained.

**MOVED:** Sue Graves

**SECONDED:** Thomas Ebersoll

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**ITEM: 6      UPDATE ON RECYCLING BINS**

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**COMMENTARY**

It was confirmed Council has accepted a tender from JR Richards & Sons for a 10 year term to commence 4 November 2013. The rollout will consist of a 240lt waste bin to be collected on a weekly basis and a 240lt recycling bin to be collected fortnightly. The recycling will be transported to Rydalmere. The Lithgow Environment Group representative noted that he disagrees this decision.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – The update on the new recycling service be noted.

**MOVED:** Sue Graves

**SECONDED:** Peter Evans

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**ITEM 7:      GREEN CORP WITH NEW GOVERNMENT AND FARMERS CREEK MASTER PLAN ALSO PROGRESS ON**

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**COMMENTARY**

Discussions were held, proposing CMA and LOLA develop targeted NRM projects for the Green Army should further funding become available. It was suggested that the focus be on one or two projects – Farmers Creek and Hassans Walls and a suggestion be made in the next budget.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** - Council officers investigate possible options for the finalisation of the Farmers Creek master plan with the intention that the master plan will assist with future funding opportunities.

**MOVED:** Sue Graves

**SECONDED:** Trish Kidd

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**ITEM 8: HASSANS WALLS BOARDWALK**

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**COMMENTARY**

Andrew Muir advised he had spoken to the Group Manager - Operations who advised the boardwalk is currently being prefabricated off site. A date is yet to be confirmed for installation.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – The information be noted.

**MOVED:** Trish Kidd

**SECONDED:** Sue Graves

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**ITEM 9: GENERAL BUSINESS**

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**COMMENTARY**

**ENERGY AUDIT** - New LED lights have been installed in the Council Administration Building.

**E-WASTE** - It was advised there is currently an e-waste surplus at the Lithgow Tip. Netwaste will now supply a regular e-waste pickup and will remove the current overflow.

**CLARENCE TRANSFER STATION** - It was advised Clarence Transfer station is now 75% complete. A map was handed out of the pipeline. Cr Hunter reported no erosion was evident when he walked the length of the pipeline.

**COMMITTEE ACTION** – The information be noted.

**MOVED:** Jill Favell

**SECONDED:** Sue Graves

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**ITEM 10: BUSINESS OF A GREAT URGENCY**

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**COMMENTARY**

**LAKE PILLANS** - Lake Pillans Boardwalk is overdue for maintenance. Also Lake Pillans had not previously held an open day when Wetland Construction finished due to Council elections being held. A suggestion was made that a showcase day be held in February on World Wetland Day.

**COMMITTEE ACTION**

1. Council officers be requested to place Lake Pillans Boardwalk on a maintenance program.
2. An extraordinary meeting be held in regard to the terms of reference for the Hassans Walls Plan of Management and comments on the Draft Community Lands Plan of Management
3. Helen Drewe to be invited to attend an extraordinary meeting to be held **23 OCTOBER 2013 at 3:30pm** on the Hassans Walls Plan of Management and the Draft Community Lands Plan of Management.

**MOVED:** Trish Kidd

**SECONDED:** Peter Evans

**Meeting Closed: With no further business the meeting was closed at 6:00pm.**

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**ITEM 11: NEXT MEETING**

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Next Meeting: 11 December 2013