



# MIDWEST AERO CLUB (INC)

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Mr Bob Davis  
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Dear Bob

Further to my letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> April regarding the Midwest Aero Club general meeting on the 1<sup>st</sup> April, I wish to advise you of further "Club Futures Committee" decisions.

Please see the motions at the general meeting.

Motion as below.

**Peter Kelliher moved the following three part motion:**

1. Take on the "Power House" as the interim clubrooms, rent free.

In support of the motion the following point were made>

- i) This has some advantages it is a no cost option,
- ii) It preserves modest club funds for use in making the premises more club friendly.
- iii) The position, while not as ideal as an airside location, would afford the MWAC some public exposure, which may result in more membership.
- iv) The building is already divided into rooms which, while not ideal, would lend itself to current club activities and could overtime be developed further.

2. Seek the granting of a leasehold allotment of land for future a club facility at a peppercorn rent

Supporting comment: In order for 1) above to occur the City of Greater Geraldton must give a firm commitment in writing to this part of the motion.

OR

Seek allocation of space within any proposed GA Terminal at a peppercorn rent,

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3. Grant the Club Futures Committee authority to facilitate timing and sale of club assets for the benefit of the club.

**Motion seconder: Bill Van Ast.**

**Passed unanimously by show of hands.**

I wish to acknowledge discussions with yourself, Bob Urquhart and the Club Futures Committee that have taken place from time to time over the past months regarding the City of Greater Geraldton's need to dispose of the Bristol hangar. The Club Futures Committee has considered very carefully all options in relation to this building and whilst we appreciate you giving the MWAC the opportunity to acquire this building we would not be able to undertake this project for the following reasons:

- a) The MWAC does not have the expertise in removal or re-erection of the building. Appropriate building contractors would need to be engaging which would deplete club funds.
- b) The re-erected hangar would require a new concrete floor which would virtually exhaust all club funds.

- c) The current structural configuration of Bristol hangar is not suitable for use as an aircraft hangar. Considerable cost will be involved in carrying out structural alterations to remove steel columns and adding large sliding doors to make it accessible to aircraft.
- d) The steel wall cladding is rusted to much of the perimeter of the building which would need to be replaced, once again cost that the club can't afford.

We look forward to a favourable response from the City in regard to the motion passed by the MWAC. Please contact me if you need to further clarification or wish to have further discussions on this matter.



Peter Kelliher  
Chairman - Club Futures Committee  
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