

#### **Departmental Guideline for Agenda Forums**

#### **Council Forums**

Local government forums range from a once-only event to discuss and explore a particular issue, a number of sessions to address matters such as a specific project or the compilation of a report for internal or external use, through to forums held at regular intervals with a consistent structure and objectives.

Regular forums run in local governments exhibit two broad categories which we have titled *agenda* and *concept*. They are differentiated by the stage of development of issues which are discussed by elected members and staff. The two types are described below along with the variations in procedural controls and processes suggested for each.

#### Agenda Forums

For proper decision-making, elected members must have the opportunity to gain maximum knowledge and understanding of any issue presented to the Council on which they must vote. It is reasonable for elected members to expect that they will be provided with all the relevant information they need to understand issues listed on the agenda for the next or following ordinary Council meetings. The complexity of many items means that elected members may need to be given information additional to that in a staff report and/or they may need an opportunity to ask questions of relevant staff members.

Many local governments have determined that this can be achieved by the elected members convening as a body to become better informed on issues listed for council decision. Such assemblies have been termed *agenda forums*. It is considered they are much more efficient and effective than elected members meeting staff on an individual basis for such a purpose with the added benefit that all elected members hear the same questions and answers.

To protect the integrity of the decision-making process it is essential that *agenda forums* are run with strict procedures.

There must be no opportunity for a collective council decision or implied decision that binds the local government to be made during a forum.

Agenda forums should be for staff presenting information and elected members asking questions, not opportunities to debate the issues. A council should have clearly stated rules that prohibit debate or vigorous discussion between elected members that could be interpreted as debate. Rules such as questions through the chair and no free-flowing discussion between elected members should be applied.

# Procedures Applying to Both Concept and Agenda Forums

The Department recommends that councils adopt a set of procedures for both types of forums which include the following:

• Dates and times for forums should be set well in advance where practical;

- The CEO will ensure timely written notice and the agenda for each forum is provided to all members;
- Forum papers should be distributed to members at least three days prior to the meeting;
- The mayor/president or other designated elected member is to be the presiding member at all forums;
- Elected members, employees, consultants and other participants shall disclose their financial and conflicts of interest in matters to be discussed;
- Interests are to be disclosed in accordance with the provisions of the Act as they apply to ordinary council meetings. Persons disclosing a financial interest will not participate in that part of a forum relating to their interest and leave the meeting room;
- There is to be no opportunity for a person with an interest to request that they continue in the forum; and
- A record should be kept of all forums. As no decisions will be made, the record need only be a general record of items covered but should record disclosures of interest with appropriate departures/returns.

#### **Procedures Specific to Agenda Forums**

The Department recommends that councils adopt specific procedures for agenda forums which include the following:

- Agenda forums should be open to the public unless the forum is being briefed on a matter for which a formal council meeting may be closed; and
- Items to be addressed will be limited to matters listed on the forthcoming agenda or completed and scheduled to be listed within the next two meetings (or period deemed appropriate).

# **Meeting Record**

Meeting Name	Special Agenda Forum	Meeting No.	2 - 2013
Meeting Date	19 March 2013		
Meeting Time	5.30pm		
Meeting Location	Chambers, Cathedral Avenue		
Attendees	Mayor I Carpenter Cr N McIlwaine Cr R Ashplant Cr N Bennett Cr D Brick Cr J Clune Cr R deTrafford Cr P Fiorenza Cr C Gabelish Cr R Hall Cr N Messina Cr I Middleton Cr R Ramage Cr T Thomas Officers: A Brun, Chief Executive Officer	By Invitation Member of Public Press Leave of Absence Apologies Absent Distribution	22 2 Cr S Van Styn
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#### 1 **Declaration of opening** The Presiding member opened the meeting at 5.43pm

#### 2 Apologies/leave of absence (previously approved)

#### **Existing Approved Leave**

Councillor	From	To (inclusive)
Cr C Gabelish	27 March 2013	15 April 2013

## 3 Declarations of conflicts of interest

## 4 Review of the Agenda Items for the forthcoming Special Meeting of Council dated Monday 25 March 2013

Please Note that this forum does not allow for debate or decision making on any item within this agenda. Briefings will be given by staff or consultants for the purpose of ensuring that elected members and the public are more fully informed

The Presiding Member will call each Report in the Agenda and open the floor to deputation, questions and statements.

Members of the public may verbally ask make presentations or ask questions on the item relating to the Draft Report to Council, subject to the provision in writing of the statement or question on the prescribed form.

Councillors may ask questions (strictly no debating) relating to each item as it is called the Presiding member.

There is no general public questions or statements permitted on matters not contained in the set agenda Council Agenda Forum. Any Questions relating to general matters or matters not in the agenda of the current Council Agenda Forum should be asked at Public Question time at an Ordinary Meeting of Council.

## Strategic & Policy Matters

# CC097 Sporting Futures Report

## Mr Norm Jupp – Eadon Clark

Mr Jupp made a presentation to Council which is summarised below

Mr Jupp summarised their submission in relation to the draft sporting report. Important need is for the basic amenities at Eadon Clark. They have many members and it is also used by many groups etc.

Mr Jupp suggested that Eadon Clarke is a Perfect multi use facility template.

Since 2007 they have worked in partnership with the City to complete Stage 1 and 2. Basic club rooms to the South.

Club rooms were removed in Stage 3.

Subsequent meetings with DSR need to put Stage 3 in two phases. Basic club rooms focus is not on building a large building. Involves participation and involvement and inclusion of family units in sport. Basics are toilet, change rooms, storage, canteen and shelter. It would be a tremendous asset for the City. They currently \$50,000 of sporting equipment sitting in Storage. There are no facilities for women. Wheelchair access is an issue. No cover for the rain or sun. About 1000 people attend sporting shows, this is an issue. Canteen helps groups in fund raising. Ask for CGG support in Club rooms and for the DSR funding.

Funding in place for future asset placement. Business case studies that outline the need for Southern clubrooms.

Basically ready to go, but need Council to endorse and finishing of what will be a fantastic asset to the City. Contribution of around \$250,000 will finish the ground off.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett noted there are four recommendations for Eadon Clarke with 3 as high priority [Page 14 of 85 of the Sporting Futures Report]

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Jupp advised that point 3 was as a result of consultation.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett asked if the group were asking for a higher priority for Point 4.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Jupp advised that he is happy with how the report is written.

#### Mr Trevor Allen, President. – Geraldton Hockey Association

Mr Allen made a presentation to Council which is summarised below.

Mr Allen made a presentation to Council on the Geraldton Hockey Association (GHA), which is summarised below.

Has a 1000 male and female members and their season is April through to December. Pitch Surfaces have become dangerous. GHA has a number of fixture games on the grass due to this. Majority of the games played on synthetic surface.

Extra fixtures playing on the turf will result in deterioration.

GHA are extremely concerned that the document did not list their submission. Met with the City last year to discuss this and presented their report. Mayor advised that this is a live document which Councils and subsequent councils can modify.

GHA will work to attract major games. 17 clubs have come from Perth to play in Geraldton, but will struggle if better facilities are not met.

GHA appreciate that funding received in the last five years. To replace an aging turf it is rated as a high priority instead of a medium priority as stated .

GHA would like to let Council know that they did make a submission. To get the turf rated to the highest level, they would like financial help to assistant in order to run a successful event in August.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett asked if there was a reason why the proposed medium is because of financial capacity of the association. He understood that they have had difficulty in raising monies for synthetic pitches and club rooms etc. He asked if there is anything new that can influence Council's financial capacity to replace that worn our pitch.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Allen said they contribute one third, one third form the City and one third DSR. They now have their own club rooms which generates a considerable amount of money. They require one more year to show that they can afford this. 2 years into paying off the club rooms. Future is that they will be able to financially stand alone once the two turfs are installed. They will be controlled by the GHA.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett noted that the CSR application didn't get funded.

In the past they have assisted the GHA. Mixture through some money and some self supporting loans, which will run out. Can you give a guarantee that if the City put in another application to the CSR on behalf of GHA, the GHA will then have the capacity of fund its obligations.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Allen advised that they would provide their own supporting loan or go through the City.

#### <u>Response</u>

Cr Bennett suggested that it is in their interest to not rely on the City for that one third.

#### Response

Mr Allen advised they would provide support from their own self supporting loan.

#### <u>Statement</u>

The CEO advised Council that no negotiations or implications of support or conditions could be made at an Agenda Forum.

#### <u>Statement</u>

Mr Allen advised that safety is important and general participation level will drop off for juniors, these raise the bar in this consideration. The hockey surface is going to wear out.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Fiorenza asked if replacement of turf is asset renewal?

#### Response

CEO advised that replacement is like for like. The like for like component is deemed to be asset renewal. Expansion or a higher standard is considered as new assets and considered for new grants.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Middleton asked if the technology changes and it is necessary to use a different material – will that constitute a different type of asset?

#### Response

The CEO advised that it will come down to how the Department will assess this. Replacing like for like to a latest spec version, generally is asset renewal. If there is a different purpose of capacity, there may be an argument.

#### Peter Nelson, President – Champion Bay Surf Club

Mr Nelson gave a presentation which is summarised below.

They have 265 members. They made no submission to the Sporting Futures report. He would like the opportunity to speak to clarify their position.

Champion Bay Surf Club are regarded as a community based service organisation, rather than a sporting organisation.

#### In summary :

Have own sporting activities for junior members. Facilitate other sporting organisations to utilise the foreshore, which include the indigenous sporting footy club which has run for 8 years. Currently have a programme for senior members of which there are 35 senior members on a Wednesday morning with juniors on a Thursday morning. Their facility is used as an avenue to add variety to their programme and as an incentive to progress within the program.

Have run a successful boys programme in conjunction with John Wilcock High School currently under 10 children attend, where they effectively utilise surf activities to maintain their involvement in the program.

Provides water safety to the Triathlon Club.

Provides water safety and participation to the Aussies masters.

Provides support to School groups i.e. Strathalbyn Christian College, providing water safety over 4 years and at their annual carnival by supplying water safety, first aid, PA system, arena and sporting equipment.

Provides for Waggrakine School and scouts group.

Over a 12 month period have put through 35 community awards allowing sporting groups to go through them undertake community life saving award. So they can conduct their activities down the foreshore.

They are looking to make submissions on allocation of land, which is a secondary aspect of their activities. Providing community enjoyment those that have access to the foreshore.

#### <u>Response</u>

The Mayor acknowledged their involvement in Australia Day, which was much appreciated.

#### Mr Murray Gratte – Geraldton Pistol club.

*Mr* Gratte gave a presentation which is summarised below:

Has 50 members - junior to senior, 13 committee members. Shooters from all levels.

Active club – two scheduled matches per week Annual Geraldton Open attracts state wide participation Annual trophy night, plus other events and BBQs.

2014 they are holding state championships in Geraldton. Their Facilities are good, although there are some repairs that are necessary. They are the biggest club outside of the metropolitan area. Their Club rooms are small, but in good condition.

Some of their ranges are in need of repairs.

Improvements they would like to see are security of tenure that will enable or support improving and upgrading infrastructure such as improving disabled access, new improved shutters, baffles and bunds, fencing.

They are investigating grants to support these investments.

In the future they will need to look for grants for assistance in upgrading.

Improved signage is required.

Fire safety – They have liaised with the community fire manager last year, and will continue this year. Clean up the area.

#### **Question**

Cr Hall referred to any potential relocation of the facilities and asked if the club would be able to fund that.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Gratte advised no.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish noted the recommendations to leave the clubs where they are. and note other comments that have been made by way of submissions but not made in respect of the improvements.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Gratte advised no.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish advised that the review would be every two years and are they happy to wait.

#### Response

Mr Gratte advised that they would need funding sooner than that.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish asked why the club didn't make a submission to receive funding in the next 12 months.

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Gratte advised that the club are still making decisions on where they are going – security and tenure was key. He said that improvements were not worth doing if the lease expires.

## Mr J Dawson representing GNFL.

*Mr* Dawson gave a presentation to Council which is summarised below:

In 2009 had initial meeting with the City and rep recognised sporting facilities in the Wonthella area.

Mr Dawson referred to the Sporting facilities and that the installation of 750 or 500 Lux lights, 500 Lux was decided as their required standard.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish asked if the GNFL has got any money?

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Dawson advised that the GNFL expect the City to have the money.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Fiorenza asked Mr Dawson to make it clear to Council their position where he falls as a stakeholder in the region?

#### <u>Response</u>

Mr Dawson advised he is ex-officio and is representing Mr Colin Cox.

#### Gaylene Newton, Vice President, Spalding Horse & Pony Club

#### <u>Question</u>

Reserve No. 31961 comprising of Lots 2599 & 2652 are Crown Reserve lots zoned Recreational use. Based on the understanding that the City of Greater Geraldton would be required to follow procedure and advise the State Lands Department of its intentions to rezone and make an application to the Minister for Lands& the Planning Minster to secure, purchase and develop this land.

I ask, has the City of Greater Geraldton formerly advised the Mid West State Lands manager of its intentions for this process to proceed?

Can you clarify what Possible Amendment 4 means? Page 17 of the Council of the City of Greater Geraldton Special Agenda Forum 19 march 2013.

1. Support the Spalding Horse and Pony Club submission to remain in their current location on portion of Reserve 31961 in Sunset Beach.

Can you please explain *'Portion of Reserve 31961 in Sunset Beach'.* Noting it is our preference to remain at our current location.

#### Statements

- 1. Our preference is to stay at our current location
- 2. We have three user groups, SPHC, Riding for the Disabled & Mid West Trekkers.
- 3. We are not in discussions with the Chapman Valley Shire as stated in your document on page 10.
- 4. We had one meeting last year to scope our options in the event of an unfavourable outcome.
- 5. As a club without land tenure we have been handicapped in securing asset upgrades funding.
- 6. We maintain our facilities through club membership and have not been a financial burden to the City of Greater Geraldton for 40 years.

## <u>Response</u>

The CEO advised that the City can develop on Crown land that is vested in its name, The CEO noted the club's tenures are coming to an end. The City has had discussions with the Department of Regional Development & Lands on joint venturing on that land. The land is on a main corridor with potential of high development. This position has been reinforced by the Minister in writing. However, no formal approval has been provided, but they are willing to look at the project, which they are keen to joint venture on.

There is an opportunity of other sites and are aware that they have not had successful discussions with Chapman Valley. Other areas are Webber Hall in Waggrakine, Worree Park, Moonyoonooka and Walkaway.

The redevelopment of the land represents the highest and best value for whole of community. Land would fully fund relocation for the club and sporting groups that require funding. There is limited capacity through rate and Government funding. This is the primary way we fund major commitments – best value in the whole of community sense.

It is noted the club do not support this and this will be determined by council at their meeting.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish asked how many members they have.

#### <u>Response</u>

Ms Newton advised currently 45 members and for Riding for Disabled about 20. They have received lottery funding to upgrade the club. Other use the grounds and facilities.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish asked again how many members.

#### Response

Ms Newton advised that they will have to work that out. They utilise those members in that capacity. They do not have the members such as netball, basketball, football. MW Trekkers range throughout the Gascoyne. They are a very proactive club.

#### Question

Cr Middleton noted that Ms Newton mentioned that they received a grant to upgrade the disable facilities. What is the infrastructure value on the site, what is the asset value and what would the cost be to replicate that?

#### <u>Response</u>

Ms Newton advised that through Club membership they have done this on their own and are no financial burden. To relocate they would need yards, etc. A new location would restrict their activities. Could only imagine the cost would be in the order of \$3-500,000. Where they are they have been putting in infrastructure in-kind.

# Question

Cr Middleton asked in the nature of what the club does do would the club go somewhere coastal – be of a like site?

#### <u>Response</u>

Ms Newton advised that she has investigated through the planning minister regarding using the buffer zone at Oakajee. The Planning Minister said that there were niggling issues that they could work out – but the cost and to build that they could take it away anytime to put in rail etc. There is a risk on using that amount of funds.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Middleton asked if the Club had looked at the south?

#### <u>Response</u>

Ms Newton said the club had discussion on moving south but would prefer to stay North of the Chapman river. Members come from Northampton, Forrester Park, Moresby area. There are 5 clubs within the northern zone.

#### Pauline Cooper – Badminton

#### <u>Question</u>

Ms Cooper referred to Badminton's Submission and have taken on board AECOM comments. They have been successful in retaining the courts.

Ms Cooper asked if the leases would be renewed? When stage 2 would come into play – option 1 and 2 – Stage 2 would be built.

Ms Cooper noted that the report said all leases would voluntarily be surrendered and in other places it said we would have to surrender.

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO advised its intent is Stage 2 would be if all groups agreed, then the leases would stay as they are and therefore purely voluntary.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish asked if the development funding is tied to the CSRFF funds. If not attracting CSRFF funding? Where would that gap would be filled in terms of progressing upgrades etc?

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO advised that the Community Grants round and are still eligible – who are predominate and provides \$300,000 per annum. Council can appropriate funds through the budget process. There will be opportunity for clubs to mix and match.

#### Question

Cr McIlwaine referred to the sporting group leases policy – term of the lease – tenure of leases is critically important for clubs, looking for them to self fund, - not for a term of 5 years. Seems relevant for the short period of term to develop on their properties?

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO advised that it is seen as best practice around the State and Cambridge and Wanneroo were regarded as the best models.

In terms of borrowing, lessees cannot borrow on mortgages against an asset on Crown Land, however, they can borrow against their predicted revenues.

Options are in the favour of the lessee. Opportunity is there to opt out if they cannot meet their obligations. Mixes they have been brought and been

adopted, can move to a peppercorn lease or to a rates model, but would get indexed with the rates. Both Councils provided positive feedback on how the model worked in Cambridge and Wanneroo.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Middleton referred to Page 10 of the Sporting Futures Report Point 7:

Netball and Badminton provision currently satisfies the need within the City but will require the expansion of activities at Eighth Street as population growth occurs. Due to the nature of the sports competition structure and limitations on volunteers, the infrastructure should ideally be located on one site and should be a shared (Basketball, Netball, Badminton) facility;

Does that mean the expansion should be shared?

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO advised that this relates to the independent advise from AECOM. Recommendation is to go for a model Badminton, Basketball, Netball are afforded a long term lease on their current area. Integrated facility is only considered with unanimous support from all three to get to Stage 2.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett sought clarification to Council Policy CP049. Page 61 of 85. Geraldton Hockey Association : Turf replacement as a medium priority. The Recommendation is to consider to replace as per CP048.

#### <u>Response</u>

CEO advised that this is a typo, it relates to CP049.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett queried why there appears to be an inconsistency between various areas on whether asset renewal is supported.

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO noted that asset renewal is generally not supported to be funded by the City with the exception of remote facilities such as Walkaway and Mullewa.

## Statement

The Mayor noted that words were missing in the policies that referred to the definitions and asked that this be addressed for these policies and the template be updated for future policies.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Thomas referred to the Walkaway sport precinct on page 68. Upgrade was of high priority, but on page 27 is says yet to be determined.

#### <u>Response</u>

A Selvey advised that Page 68 is reworded to ensure the investigation was carried out as a high priority, but work could only be prioritized once we knew what those works are.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett asked if we are we concluding that the tennis courts may have to have a replacement of the existing synthetic surface or an upgrade.

#### <u>Response</u>

CEO advised that this was amended to investigate what is the best option – replacement, renewal etc.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Gabelish referred to Wonthella oval – Page 50 of the Report.....lights and club house facilities. .....the report is not recommending that Rovers move to Wonthella. What is being proposed for the actual facilities? What dollar price are we looking at. Secondly the Flores road development is not included as a high priority for sporting futures.

#### <u>Response</u>

The CEO referred to the major clubs/stadium facilities as on Page 52. What was identified in long term, ultimately that facility would have more change rooms, event capacity for larger events. For use for home and away teams set as a lower priority. Flores road – no longer supported in terms of the recommendation.

Regarding the impacts for Rovers – originally proposed to have them colocate – now be the primary user at Verita Road, which would be staged over two components, which is linked to the Olive Street Development. That oval being the premier for the City. There is a natural contour of the land that provides tiered seating over two thirds – natural environment of the hill provides a buffer of the wind – and better location for events i.e. concerts. Noise projects towards Narngulu. It meets the long term need, Verita road fits better as an investment.

#### Question

Cr Gabelish referred to the financial pages. Priorities – Wonthella Stage 2 high priority - \$10M. Includes Flores Road development, not just club room?.

#### Response

CEO advised that this will be reworded to avoid confusion – it is the Flores Road site. This will be changed.

#### Question

Cr Gabelish asked what is the split between the Wonthella facilities development and the costing of the other development.

#### <u>Response</u>

CEO advised that this will be provided.

#### **Question**

Cr Fiorenza noted that this document can be altered. Football – there must be room to see that the amenities, change room etc, Wonthella could move into a high priority bracket. Is there room for moving the goal posts in considering the facilities be improved.

#### Response

The CEO advised that all options are open to Council next week. Council can bring amendments. But to note that the more that slip into the high priority, become less in the high priority.

#### Question

Cr Bennett sought clarification on the Aquarena – stage 2/3 Page 25 says Stage 3 – Page 17 point 3 says Stage 2 of Aquarena development. Is Stage 2/3 over the existing development over the change rooms.

#### <u>Response</u>

N Arbuthnot said yes. Stage 2 is the change room and wrapping around where the buildings were taken down last year.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett asked if this includes the proposed change rooms, function room.

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that this has yet to come to Council in the future. Plans are being drawn up and will be costed. Section with respect to outdoor change rooms will need to be funded next year. Current works that are there are \$2.6m – have another \$1M to spend inside - \$600,000-\$700,000 to do the change rooms. Subject to funding availably, City is looking at option to redevelop the rooms at the southern end.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett noted that it says \$2.5M – it is \$3M

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that it is the carried out costings to date. Currently getting QS estimates. A portion will be going to tender so the contract can be separated.

#### <u>Question</u>

Cr Bennett asked if it will include a lifecycle feasibility study

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised yes and it has already started.

#### Question

Cr Gabelish asked if it will include a business plan?

#### <u>Response</u>

N Arbuthnot advised yes it will – where we move to from there. First round could be financially positive for the City.

#### Question

Cr Gabelish asked if the works would be done internal or external

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that there may be capacity within the City do this.

Change rooms need to be replaced now. Detailed costings will be undertaken before coming to Council. 3FMDA

#### Question

Cr Gabelish - potential for a sports house

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that it would for a meeting facility and kitchenette.

CEO added that Sports House would be part of the multi user facility, if that happens, and not part of the Aquarena refurbishment project.

#### Question

Cr Middleton asked if it would be possible for a brief breakdown of Stage 1-3 as Stage 1 is listed as a high priority?

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that he would be able to give the costing on 1-2 – stage 3 would need to get further costings.

#### Question

Cr Middleton asked for a breakdown on what each stage looked at.

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised yes that would be provided to Council.

#### Question

Cr Fiorenza asked for timeline on the recreation grandstand.

## Response

N Arbuthnot advised this will be provide to Council. Working on this currently - ready to get detailed designed.

#### Question

Cr Fiorenza – priority from the council – where do Officers see the priorities for the grandstand. What does the City hope to achieve?

#### Response

N Arbuthnot advised that the priority is the grandstand - second is the changerooms; canteen.

#### Question

Cr Gabelish referred to Sport House and if it occurs that the we have to look at the sports houses standalone facilities, how would we get an idea of costings around that?

#### <u>Response</u>

N Arbuthnot advised the City would go through the process of having concepts, costings, detailed plans, until you are 80% confident of the price.

#### **Question**

Cr Gabelish noted the long process in terms of excellent work by staff in collating the information for this report.

Cr Gabelish encouraged the public to attend the Special meeting of Council on the 25 march to hear what the Councillors think of the report.

The Mayor complemente the staff on the work they have done. He hoped the Gallery may get a better understanding on the balancing issues that council have to try to do to keep everyone happy. Council tries to solve the problems as they arise. The Mayor asked public to give feedback to councillors.

The Mayor thanked the public for attending and for the presentations made.

#### 5 Councillor Questions Without Notice

Nil

#### 6 Confidential Business

Nil.

#### 7 Meeting closure

There being no further business the meeting closed at 7.20pm.

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#### **APPENDIX 1 – ATTACHMENTS AND REPORTS TO BE RECEIVED**

Attachments are available on the City of Greater Geraldton website at: <u>http://www.cgg.wa.gov.au/your-council/meetings</u>

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