

Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting Name	Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee	Meeting No.	D-25-084289		
Meeting Date	08 August 2025				
Meeting Time	3:30pm				
Meeting Location	Geraldton Regional Library – Randolph Stow Rooms				
Attendance by Electronic Means	Nil				
Attendees	Voting Members: Cr Jenna Denton Deputy Presiding Cr Kim Parker Cr Simon Keemink Susan Smith – Community Rep Mark Lennard – Community Rep Annalise Fosbery – Community Rep Alysha Saunders – Community Rep City Support Officers: Trudi Cornish – CGG Fiona Norling - CGG Briony Bray – CGG Kelli CGG Shauni Norman – CGG (Minutes)	By Invitation	Nil		
		Apologies	Cr Steve Cooper – Presiding Member		
		Leave of Absence			
		Absent	Roni Kerley – Yamaji Art		
		Distribution	As listed		
Purpose of Committee	Refer to Committee Book				

All Committee Members, including external members, are subject to the same rules as a Council Meeting concerning confidentiality, public statements, conflicts of interest and behaviours of members, pursuant to the <u>Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Regulations 2021</u>.

The Presiding Member is to refer to the following Policy, Meeting Procedures and Regulations when chairing a meeting.

Meeting Procedures Local Law 2011

Council Policy 4.4. Operation of Advisory Committees

Council Policy 4.2 Code of Conduct for Council Members, Committee Members and Candidates

Council Policy 4.12 Independent Committee Member Fees and Reimbursements

1 Declaration Of Opening

The Presiding Member declared the meeting open at 3:31pm.

2 Acknowledgement of Country

I would like to respectfully acknowledge the Yamatji people who are the Traditional Owners and First People of the land on which we meet/stand. I would like to pay my respects to the Elders past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Yamatji people.

3 Welcome and Apologies

Presiding Member welcomed the members and apologies were noted from: Cr Cooper.

4 Disclosure of Interests

Nil.

5 Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil, last meeting of the current Committee prior to the Election.

6 Minutes of Previous Meeting

RECOMMENDED that the minutes of the Geraldton Regional Art Advisory Committee Meeting held on 14 February 2025 as previously circulated, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

COMMITTEE DECISION:
MOVED SS, SECONDED Cr Keemink

CARRIED 7/0

Not Voted: 2 Against Votes: 0 For Votes: 7

Name	Vote (For or Against)
Cr. S Cooper	Not Present
Cr. J Denton	For
Cr. S Keemink	For
Cr. K Parker	For
Roni Kerley	Not Present
Susan Smith	For
Mark Lennard	For
Annalise Fosbery	For
Alysha Saunders	For

7 Public Art Masterplan (PAM) Update

TC provided and update to the Committee on the PAM has been adopted on 25 February 2025.

AF arrived at the meeting at 3:35pm

The former Public Art Strategy (2020-2025) has been retired and the PAM is now being enacted.

8 Upcoming Public Art Concepts

TC briefed the Committee on upcoming public art projects, including revisiting the public art trail to add new artworks and for inclusion on the Trails WA app.

Concepts under consideration include installations at Cape Burney and Drummond Cove, with the QPT fountain identified as a priority site.

Options for the fountain, currently under review include retaining it in its fountain state, converting it to a garden bed, or integrating public art. Officers have presented related ideas to Council, noting alignment with the QPT Master Plan. Feedback suggests limited support for the garden bed concept, and any final proposal will proceed via a project brief and EOI process

9 Mid West Art Prize 2025

An update was provided on the Mid West Art Prize, with entries now open. Sponsorship and prizes are supported by Regional Arts WA, Bowman-Bright and Melissa Price MP. The Gala opening night is scheduled for 22 November 2025, featuring food vans, live bands, and an awards ceremony on stage. Tickets will go on sale on the 26 September.

10 Gallery Exterior Works

An update was provided on the successful capital works budget for exterior repairs, including window restoration with security and pigeon-proofing measures. Next steps are that any proposed works need to have received State Heritage approval. Ideally works will be completed before the Mid West Art Prize opening night event.

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11 Reports to be Received

11.1 Coordinator Report

The report was marked as received by the Committee.

Highlights from report:

Current exhibitions:

Art in Conflict for the Australian War Memorial

Stitched and Bound

Ian DeSouza ran workshop and artist talk.

Launched after school art for high school students with success.

Engagement with Mullewa and delivered workshops with the Women's Art Group.

11.2 Public Art Officer Report

The report was marked as read by the Committee

Highlights from report:

Noted the next set of bus shelters have been installed across the City.

Post Office Lane has been changed out with Ruth Lamb works.

Aquarena installation of artwork at the entry point.

Wonthella ablution block community and public art with the local School.

Noted the City Status fountain will no longer be an active fountain but renewed as a public art piece.

12 Date of next meeting

The Committee will dissolve due to the election taking place in October 2025.

13 Close

There being no further business the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 4:21pm

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