

# Special Future Nillumbik Committee

held at the Civic Centre, Civic Drive, Greensborough  
on Wednesday 11 September 2019 commencing at 7:00pm.

## Minutes

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## Nillumbik Shire Council

Minutes of the Special Future Nillumbik Committee meeting held  
Wednesday 11 September 2019. The meeting commenced at 7:05pm.

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### Councillors present:

Cr Karen Egan	Bunjil Ward (Mayor)
Cr Grant Brooker	Blue Lake Ward
Cr John Dumaresq	Edendale Ward
Cr Peter Perkins	Ellis Ward
Cr Jane Ashton	Sugarloaf Ward
Cr Bruce Ranken	Swipers Gully Ward
Cr Peter Clarke	Wingrove Ward

### Officers in attendance:

Carl Cowie	Chief Executive Officer
Vince Lombardi	Chief Financial Officer
Blaga Naumoski	Executive Manager Governance and Legal Services
Kylie Lethbridge	Executive Manager Economic Development and Tourism
Rosa Zouzoulas	Executive Manager Planning and Community Safety
Lisa Pittle	Manager Environment
Eddie Cheng	Head of IT Operations
Nichole Johnson	Coordinator Strategic Projects
Fae Ballingall	Acting Strategic Planning Lead
Katia Croce	Governance Lead

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In accordance with the *Local Government Act 1989* and Council's Meeting Procedure Local Law 2017, a Special Future Nillumbik Committee meeting was called for 11 September 2019 to continue hearing submissions to the draft Green Wedge Management Plan.

#### 1. Welcome by the Chair

#### 2. Reconciliation statement

The reconciliation statement was read by the Chairperson, Cr Karen Egan.

#### 3. Apologies

Nil

#### 4. Disclosure of conflicts of interest

Nil

*Cr Peter Perkins assumed the chair at 7:08pm as the Councillor responsible for the Planning Portfolio.*

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**Portfolio:      Planning**

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**Manager:      Rosa Zouzoulas, Executive Manager Planning and Community Safety**

**Author:        Nichole Johnson, Coordinator Strategic Projects**

**Geoff Lawler, Strategic Advisor**

### **Summary**

The Green Wedge Management Plan 2019 (GWMP) will provide direction over the next decade and will include a vision, principles, goals, objectives and key actions for the management of the Green Wedge.

The GWMP is proposed to replace the existing Nillumbik Green Wedge Management Plan 2010-2025 and has resulted from inputs by various sources. This includes Council's response to the recommendations of the Community Panel majority report, Victorian Government guidelines, the extensive community engagement program and relevant Council policies and strategies, including the Bushfire Mitigation Strategy 2019-2023. Consideration has also been given to a minority report from five members of the Community Panel.

Preparation of the Draft GWMP has been informed by extensive community engagement. The draft GWMP underwent final community consultation over the six week period of 1 July 2019 to 11 August 2019.

This report summarises the feedback on the 746 written submission received on the Draft GWMP received up until Sunday 11 August 2019. Submissions received have been read thoroughly and a number of key themes have been identified. All submitters were advised that they could present their feedback to this Committee.

A report providing a response to the submissions, highlighting suggested changes and recommending the Draft GWMP be adopted, is scheduled for the Ordinary Council Meeting on 26 November.

The following people addressed the Committee with respect to this item:

1. Hannah Graham
2. Doug Evans (Christmas Hills Landcare Group)
3. Henry Haszler
4. Peter Yates (Nillumbik Environment Action Group)
5. Peter Yates
6. Wendy Bernet
7. Michela Rupena
8. Jenny Seed
9. Greg Bailey

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10. Paul Kitchell on behalf of Sarah Brenan
11. Paul Kitchell
12. Bryan Walters
13. Helen Coleman
14. Sue Dyet
15. Greg Johnson (Friends of Nillumbik)
16. Jarryd Harvey
17. Cath Giles (Nillumbik Horse Action Group Inc)
18. Stephanie Germancheva (Wattle Glen Residents' Association)

*The Chairperson, Cr Peter Perkins called for a 10 minute recess of the meeting at 9:09pm. The meeting resumed at 9:21pm.*

19. Chris Chapple (Local Food Connect Inc)
20. Chris Chapple
21. Rob Bassett-Smith
22. Jethro Still
23. Christian Kuhlmann
24. Cindy Allen
25. Alan Bonny
26. Siena Hyland
27. Sharon Bonga on behalf of Isabel Nalato
28. Sharon Bonga
29. Lynlee Tozer

**Motion to extend the Meeting – 10:29pm**

In accordance with Clause 2.1 of the Meeting Procedure Local Law 2017, a meeting must not continue after 10:30pm unless a majority of Councillors present vote in favour of the meeting continuing.

**Committee Resolution**

**MOVED: Cr Karen Egan**  
**SECONDED: Cr Grant Brooker**

**That** the meeting be extended.

**CARRIED**

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30. Kahn Franke (Green Wedge Protection Group)
31. Catherine Russell
32. Julie Fink
33. Jim Connor
34. Garry Hayes
35. Brian Murray (Nillumbik Ratepayers Association)
36. Brian Murray
37. Mary McDonald
38. Wayne Kinrade (majority of Green Wedge community panel)
39. Damian Crock (PALS)

**Committee Resolution**

**MOVED: Cr Peter Clarke**

**SECONDED: Cr Jane Ashton**

**That** the Committee (acting under delegation from Council):

1. Acknowledges the submissions and presentations to Council on the draft Green Wedge Management Plan 2019.
2. Notes that a report proposing adoption of a final Green Wedge Management Plan, including changes in response to community feedback, will be presented to the 26 November 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting.

**CARRIED**

*Nichole Johnson, Coordinator Strategic Projects temporarily left the meeting during verbal submissions of the above item at 7:19pm and returned at 7:21pm.*

**6. Supplementary and urgent business**

Nil

**7. Confidential reports**

Nil

*The Mayor, Cr Karen Egan assumed the chair at 11:38pm.*

The meeting closed at 11:38pm.

Confirmed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cr Karen Egan, Mayor