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- NOTE:
- a) The Council Committee Minutes Item numbers may be out of sequence. Please refer to Section 10 of the Agenda – Information Report - Committee Decisions Under Delegated Authority for these items.
 - b) Declaration of Councillors and Officers Interest is made at the time the item is discussed.

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
6 PATERSON STREET, MUNDIJONG ON TUESDAY, 8TH APRIL 2008. THE PRESIDING
MEMBER DECLARED THE MEETING OPEN AT 5.05PM AND WELCOMED
COUNCILLORS AND STAFF.

1. ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES:

IN ATTENDANCE:

COUNCILLORS: DL Needham Presiding Member
JE Price
MJ Geurds
M Harris
WJ Kirkpatrick
C Randall
S Twine
KR Murphy
C Buttfeld

OFFICERS: Mr S Goode Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mrs S van Aswegen Director Strategic Community Planning
Mr M Botte Acting Director Engineering (from 5.06pm)
Mr J Robertson Acting Director Development Services
Mrs C McKee Manager Community Development (until 5.50pm)
Mrs L Fletcher Minute Secretary

APOLOGIES: Mr B Gleeson Director Development Services
Mr A Hart Director Corporate Services
Cr Brown

GALLERY: 0

2. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME:

Nil

3. PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME:

Nil

4. PETITIONS & DEPUTATIONS:

Nil

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Nil

6. DECLARATION OF COUNCILLORS AND OFFICERS INTEREST:

The Acting Chief Executive Officer declared an interest in item SCM013/04/08 as the report includes his reappointment.

7. RECEIPTS OF MINUTES OR REPORTS AND CONSIDERATION FOR RECOMMENDATIONS:

SCM013/04/08		APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (H0053 & H0212)
Proponent:	Acting Chief Executive Officer	In Brief
Owner:	Not applicable	
Officer:	Stephen Goode – Acting Chief Executive Officer	The Chief Executive Officer is on maternity leave and has requested an extension of the leave.
Signatures Author:		
Senior Officer:		This report proposes arrangements for an Acting Chief Executive Officer during the extended leave period.
Date of Report	2 April 2008	
Previously	SCM009/10/07	The Acting Chief Executive Officer is the author of the report and has an interest in the report because it includes his reappointment.
Disclosure of Interest		
Delegation	Council	

Background

The Chief Executive Officer has taken maternity leave for the period 2 January until 14 April 2008. Due to urgent family reasons, she has officially requested that the leave be extended until at least 12 May 2008 when she anticipates being able to return to duties. Ms Abbiss has asked to use up her carer's leave, sick leave and long service leave (in that order) for this additional time off.

Council appointed Stephen Goode Consulting to provide Acting Chief Executive Officer services for the period of the Chief Executive Officer's leave. Stephen Goode has been the Acting Chief Executive Officer under those arrangements. He is not available to continue in the position for the period 14 April to 2 May 2008 due to prior arrangements.

The City of Mandurah has agreed to offer a senior officer as Acting Chief Executive Officer for the period from 14 April to 2 May 2008 after which time Mr Goode could return to the position if required.

Sustainability Statement

Not applicable

Statutory Environment:

s5.36(1) A local government is to employ –
 (a) a person to be the CEO of the local government; and
 (b) such other persons as the council believes are necessary to enable the functions of the local government and the functions of the council to be performed.

s5.36(2) A person is not to be employed in the position of CEO unless the council –
 (a) believes that the person is suitably qualified for the position; and
 (b) is satisfied* with the provisions of the proposed employment contract

* Absolute majority required

The Local Government Act 1995 requires a written contract if the appointment is for a period greater than

three months however, this is not the case in this instance.

Policy/Work Procedure Implications:

Not applicable

Financial Implications:

The City of Mandurah will provide the service for three weeks at no charge. Mr Goode will continue at the current terms and conditions agreed for his initial appointment.

Strategic Implications:

This proposal relates to the following Key Sustainability Result Areas:-

4. Governance

Objective 1: An effective continuous improvement program

Strategies:

4. Balance resource allocation to support sustainable outcomes.

Objective 3: Compliance to necessary legislation

Strategies:

3. Comply with State and Federal policies and Legislation and the Local Government Act in the most cost-effective way.

Community Consultation:

Required: No

Comment:

The City of Mandurah has kindly agreed to offer a senior officer as Acting Chief Executive Officer for the period 14 April to 2 May 2008. This service will be on a no charge basis and in the spirit of the ongoing co-operation and relationship enjoyed between the two local governments. The Acting Chief Executive Officer will arrange a suitable program so that he is at Serpentine Jarrahdale as needed but which may not mean five days each week.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer will be Ian Hill, the City's Director of Sustainable Development. Mr Hill has been a Director at the City for eight years and during that time has acted frequently as Chief Executive Officer. He previously had an extensive senior local government career including being Town Clerk at Albany for a period of eight years. Other senior experience is at senior executive level in the Housing Departments of the Western Australian and South Australian governments. He was also Joint Managing Director of the Ellenbrook Joint Venture, as representative of the Western Australian State Government. His qualifications include an MBA and a Diploma in Local Government.

It is believed that Mr Hill is suitably qualified and experienced for the position.

Mr Goode will be available to resume as Acting Chief Executive Officer from 5 May 2008 if required and has offered to continue until the Chief Executive Officer can return to work (noting that after 12 May he will have some consulting conflicts which will impact from time to time on his presence at the office).

Council approval is required for the extension of the Chief Executive Officer's leave and for the proposed arrangements for the Acting Chief Executive Officer.

Voting Requirements:

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

SCM013/04/08 COUNCIL DECISION/Officer Recommended Resolution:

Moved Cr Price, seconded Cr Harris

That Council:

1. Approves the extension of Ms Abbiss’s leave until 12 May 2008 on the basis that the Acting Chief Executive Officer may approve a further extension of leave up to another month if required. If leave extends beyond this time, Council will consider the request.
2. Appoints Mr Ian Hill as Acting Chief Executive Officer for the period from 14 April to 2 May 2008.
3. Appoints Stephen Goode as Acting Chief Executive Officer from 5 May 2008 until the return to duty of the Chief Executive Officer or until otherwise decided by Council.

CARRIED 9/0

SCM014/04/08		FORMATION OF PEEL REGION ORGANISATION TO FACILITATE COOPERATION (A0839-06)	
Proponent	Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire	In Brief The local governments of the Peel Region have been considering the formation of a Regional Organisation of Councils (ROC) on and off since at least 1999. The Water Quality Improvement Plan created a new impetus in 2007. Since then the WALGA “Future Directions” Report has increased the momentum for Council’s to work regionally. Council is requested to support the concept of establishing a regional organisation in the Peel Region.	
Owner	Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire		
Officer	Stephen Goode - Acting Chief Executive Officer		
Signatures - Author:			
Senior Officer:			
Date of Report	7 April 2008		
Previously	SM043/04/04		
Disclosure of Interest	No officer involved in the preparation of this report is required to declare an interest in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act		
Delegation	Council		

Background

Resource sharing has been encouraged within the Peel Region’s five local governments. In May 1999 the five local governments in the Peel Region also committed to and signed a *Regional Cooperation Agreement* which read:

“By this Regional Cooperation Agreement the undersigned Peel Region Councils shall seek to further encourage support and cooperation between their communities by emphasising mutual interests, fostering individual concepts, and recognising and supporting aspirations and goals of the individual communities, to the benefit of all and to the enhancement of the Peel Region.”

Subsequently co-operation within the region has included initiatives such as the Peel Economic Development Unit, Peel Tourism Association and more recently a Risk Management Group. For a short time some of the region’s Council’s joined together to form the Peel Regional Council with a focus on establishing a regional waste handling facility, however the initiative lost momentum and the regional council was disbanded. There has been ongoing discussion about forming a Regional Organisation of Councils (ROC) with the Water Quality Improvement Plan proposal in 2007 creating a new impetus.

The release of “The Journey: Sustainability into the Future” by WALGA in 2008 has added a new dimension to the discussion of regional co-operation. The report discusses the structural reform agenda for local government in the Australasian context and provides comment of how local government can achieve a reform approach which does not lead to the contemporary Australian approach which is amalgamation and bigger local governments. The report proposes a move to service delivery on a regional basis as a means to implement structural reform for the local government sector. This might be through formation of a voluntary regional organisation (VROC) or a more formal arrangement through a regional local government.

For the purpose of this report, reference is made to the generic term “ROC” to allow an initial discussion of regional co-operation. Further on the report will consider the merits of a regional local government compared to a VROC.

A ROC can develop and deliver a local government regional perspective. They do this by constituting a forum through which the experience, ideas and efforts of member Council’s can be captured and cultivated. In an Australia wide context ROC’s vary in size, capacity and in their selected areas of focus. However, most engage in a range of activities, which can include the following:

- * Research - underpinned by the advantage of taking a regional perspective on the many issues and developments which cross local boundaries
- * Regional strategies integrating economic, social, environmental and cultural development
- * Resource sharing (to seek efficiencies in service delivery) is an integral part of a ROC's operation
- * Advocacy - promoting and protecting their regions
- * Brokering or facilitating the development and implementation of programs of central governments.

ROCs can position themselves to contribute to opportunities and priorities as they emerge. Some attempts at regional co-operation fail to maximise opportunities because the approved constitution (or other form of agreement) limits flexibility and responsiveness, leading to opportunities being missed.

In 2003 the Chief Executive Officers in the Peel Region agreed that the existing Peel Economic Development Unit, whilst focused on economic development, has provided a useful trial period of the benefits of regional co-operation. The benefits include:

- * Cooperation/trust between PEDU members
- * Maintaining the Peel Region identity
- * Support for major projects and issuers
- * Retaining the Business Development Manager – role and position
- * Developing Regional Marketing Campaign Stage 2
- * Understanding by members of what is happening in the region.

An examination of the creation of a VROC in 2003-2004 did not result in a new organisation because of the ambivalence of some Council’s. Instead the WALGA Peel Zone was utilised as an existing opportunity for dialogue and co-operation. The focus was proposed to be as follows:

- a) Regional co-operation initiatives
- b) Management
- c) Community
- d) Development
- e) Environment
- f) Governance
- g) Transport
- h) Waste management

i) Economic development issues for referral to PEDU.

In June 2007, the concept of a VROC for Peel was again discussed. Membership was proposed to include City of Mandurah, Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire, Shire of Murray and Shire of Waroona. Future potential members were identified as including City of Rockingham and Shire of Harvey. It is also possible that Shire of Boddington could show interest.

A major impetus for establishing a VROC was the Water Quality Improvement Plan (WQIP) and Climate Change initiatives for the Peel Region. These initiatives require a formal regional organisation to attract supporting funds from the Federal Government. The VROC is intended to form the co-ordinated Local Government Body, suggested under the governance structure that has been proposed to implement the Peel-Harvey Water Quality Improvement Plan which is awaiting Ministerial endorsement. Initial work on developing the VROC proposal has stalled and requires renewed effort to achieve a region wide commitment.

The local governments of the Peel Region have made some progress in regional co-operation but fall considerably short of the potential achieved by other regions and would not be considered a sustainable model in terms of the WALGA report proposals for regional cooperation.

Sustainability Statement

Not applicable

Statutory Environment:

There are no statutory impediments to formation of a ROC. If a regional local government is formed, an Establishment Agreement must be prepared and approved by all members as well as by the Minister for Local Government.

Policy/Work Procedure Implications:

Not applicable

Financial Implications:

Not assessed. However there is likely to be some nominal initial costs to establish a ROC. The further report proposed should include an examination of financial implications. A Department of Local Government and Regional Development grant may be available to assist with the assessment of the viability of a ROC.

Strategic Implications:

This proposal relates to the following Key Sustainability Result Areas:-

1. People and Community

Objective 1: Good quality of life for all residents

Strategies:

1. Provide recreational opportunities.
2. Develop good services for health and well being.

Objective 3: High level of social commitment

Strategies:

2. Build key community partnerships.

3. Economic

Objective 1: A vibrant local community

Strategies:

1. Attract and facilitate appropriate industries, commercial activities and employment.
2. Identify value-adding opportunities for primary production.

3. Develop tourism potential.
4. Promote info-technology and telecommuting opportunities.

Objective 2: Well developed and maintained infrastructure to support economic growth

Strategies:

2. Consider specific sites appropriate for industry /commercial development.

Objective 3: Effective management of Shire growth

Strategies:

1. Enhance economic futures for Shire communities.
2. Represent the interests of the Shire in State and Regional planning processes.

4. Governance

Objective 1: An effective continuous improvement program

Strategies:

1. Identify and implement best practice in all areas of operation.
2. Promote best practice through demonstration and innovation.
4. Balance resource allocation to support sustainable outcomes.
5. Harness community resources to build social capital within the Shire.

Objective 2: Formation of Active Partnerships to progress key programs and projects

Strategies

1. Improve coordination between Shire, community and other partners.
3. Develop specific partnerships to effectively use and leverage additional resources.

Community Consultation:

Required: No

Comment:

There is a strong argument that the “bigger is better” proponents of local government reform have got it wrong. This includes a lack of evidence to support the premise that bigger local governments will be more efficient and effective. But this does not mean an amalgamation approach will never be on the agenda in WA. Although the evidence to support the option is scanty there is no shortage of proponents who believe local government is incapable of achieving change and that change must be imposed.

The WALGA Report has recognised that local government in Western Australia must change significantly. Concern has been expressed through the consultation process that developing a reform programme for the sector may encourage the State Government to push through its own programme, ignoring the intended voluntary nature of the 10 Year Plan. This is an important consideration that underpins many of the recommendations of the 10 Year Plan and is addressed through the superior efficiencies arising from the Regional Model's three spheres of service delivery. It is contended that no structural reform program forced on local government has embraced such an efficient model of service delivery. The 10 Year Plan also focuses on the importance of voluntarily discovering the catchments of common interest that underpin the Regional Model.

However, the history of local government reform suggests that unless the sector is willing to show this leadership, the State Government is likely to enact forced structural reform. Most

often this has embodied forced amalgamations and mergers of neighbouring local governments. The 10 Year Plan anticipates the risk that such external intervention is a serious prospect and advocates functional reform built upon and around existing representational structures that can preserve the best elements of the current system.

Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire has several options to consider for regional co-operation. It is involved with both the South-East Metro Zone and the Peel Zone of WALGA. Council has resolved to join the Rivers Regional Council for waste management initiatives. Co-operation occurs with the Peel Region, both through the regional organisations and through bilateral or multi lateral co-operation with two or more (but not all) local governments. There are also links through environmental groups which are important to the Shire. Membership of the Peel Region also opens opportunities through the Peel Development Commission which would not otherwise be available.

There appears to be adequate benefits to the Peel Region and member Council's to consider establishing a ROC and the next step would be for the member Council's to formally consider this opportunity, give "in principal support" and agree to the preparation of a detailed proposal for each Council to consider.

No clear pattern is available to guarantee a successful model for regional co-operation. Indeed successes have been achieved through a variety of alternative approaches. These include ad hoc resource-sharing, ROCs and regional local governments. Research has indicated that the critical attributes which contribute to the successful ROC are the intangible factors of commitment, teamwork, regional vision, trust, openness, communication, leadership and a willingness to co-operate.

The two obvious alternatives for further consideration are a VROC and a regional Council. The following table presents a basic assessment of the attributes of each:

POSITIVES	NEGATIVES
VROC	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VROC provides some identity at regional level. This can have value in dealings at State and Federal level. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VROCs may have less status in dealing with Federal and State policies. Especially at Federal level, the bureaucrats prefer to deal with formalised regional bodies. Indications are that the new model for regional relations from the Federal Government will emphasis linkages aligned to Regional Development Commission boundaries in WA.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VROC can provide a structure within which regional activities are addressed. The VROC approach has proved valuable in a number of quite diverse circumstances across WA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VROCs, by their nature, emphasise the <u>voluntary</u> aspect of their arrangement. This means they can be unsuitable for a long term approach aimed at improving economies of service delivery.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VROCs can be an effective forum for maintaining a level of cohesion in the local governments of the region, in that opportunities for joint efforts are identified and pursued. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arrangements within the VROC are very susceptible to the withdrawal of one of the parties.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A VROC can provide a vehicle for resource sharing which is the most basic of effective models in improving economies of scale and the scope of services able to be provided for individual local governments. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The absence of a strong formal structure around the arrangements can tend to lead to disruption through short term focus in an individual local government.

POSITIVES	NEGATIVES
REGIONAL COUNCIL	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can create the potential to deliver a broad scope of services and achieve economies of scale. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Some local control given up to the regional body.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Typically has a strong business like service delivery. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the governance requirements of the Local Government Act 1995 and other legislation will apply to the Regional Local Government.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formally recognised in statutory framework. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financing of the Regional Local Government and its Council requires a funding commitment from members. It would be expected that the model for a Regional Local Government should provide for these costs to be recovered as the regional activity matures and a cost benefit is achieved.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Very effective in dealing with State Government and Federal Government. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services can be provided on an opt-in opt-out basis.
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to deliver services across a greater focus area. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential to improve dealings with business and to increase buying power. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Services can be provided on an opt-in opt-out basis. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Able to be the catalyst for regional strategic planning and economic development initiatives. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can reduce administrative complexity for stakeholders dealing with individual Councils by introducing a common process policy framework. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Can reduce or eliminate administrative duplication. 	

Continued success of regional opportunities depends on a clear vision and belief in the potential by all Councils. In turn this requires the resourcing of regional co-operation, to ensure regional opportunities are identified and pursued.

Experience indicates that the single biggest distinguishing factor between success and missed opportunity is leadership. If the Councils continue to recognise the value of regional co-operation, and move beyond accepting it as an option to clear commitment and support for it, then there will be clear leadership.

Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire has already taken the initiative to identify opportunities and be active in regional organisations and could now take the lead in the Peel Region.

Voting Requirements:

ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

SCM014/04/08 COUNCIL DECISION/Officer Recommended Resolution:

Moved Cr Murphy, seconded Cr Kirkpatrick

- 1. Council receives this report and continues its “in principle” support to the concept of establishing a Regional Organisation of Councils in the Peel Region.**

2. Council supports the preparation of a detailed proposal for each Council to consider.
 3. The Chief Executive Officer is requested to participate with other Chief Executive Officers of the local governments who agree to Part 1 of this recommendation to co-ordinate/undertake a more detailed investigation into a Peel Regional Organisation of Councils.
 4. A progress report be presented to Council in June 2008.
- CARRIED 9/0**

SCM015/04/08		JARRAHDAL E MULTI PURPOSE FACILITY – BRUNO GIANATTI HALL (RS0032)	
Proponent:	Jarrahdale Multi Purpose Facility Working Group	In Brief	
Owner:	Not applicable	The Bunnings Mill Office is no longer an option for use as a youth facility.	
Officer:	Carole McKee - Manager Community Development		
Signatures Author:		This report proposes renovations to Bruno Gianatti Hall to enhance its use as a multi use facility – including a particular focus on youth.	
Senior Officer:			
Date of Report	7 April 2008		
Previously	SD079/03/08	The report also requests that Council investigate the re-location of the skatepark, and consider the provision of a longer term dedicated youth facility in the Community Facilities and Services Plan.	
Disclosure of Interest	No officer involved in the preparation of this report is required to declare an interest in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act		
Delegation	Council		

Background

Council at its meeting held on 25 March 2008, resolved the following:

“SD079/03/08 Committee Recommended Resolution:

That item SD079/03/08 be deferred to April Sustainable Development Committee meeting, to allow consultation between the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Council Officers, Ward Councillors and representatives of the Jarrahdale Community Association prior to the report being presented back to Sustainable Development Committee.
CARRIED 7/0”

A workshop was held at the Bruno Gianatti Hall on 4 April 2008 and as a result of this workshop, this item has now been brought forward to 8 April 2008 Special Council Meeting to enable immediate feedback to the Jarrahdale community and thereafter enable action to commence.

Sustainability Statement

Not applicable

Statutory Environment:

This proposal will require a Development Application and a Building Application.

The Draft Community Facilities and Services Plan (Consultants draft report) recommends an upgrade to the Bruno Gianatti Hall in 2010 in the order of \$88,510 which includes a series of refurbishments to transform the

facility into one which would better cater for youth and seniors.

Policy/Work Procedure Implications:

Not applicable

Financial Implications:

Council is requested to reallocate \$50,000 (Jarrahdale townscape design funds unable to be spent in 2007/2008) from MOR812, and \$10,000 from JHP530 (Bunnings Mill Office building maintenance account) to a new project account that will be set up for the renovation of the Bruno Gianatti Hall. This will enable the project to commence.

Council will also be asked to consider an allocation in the 2008/2009 budget for an amount that is identified as necessary in order to complete the project.

Strategic Implications:

This proposal relates to the following Key Sustainability Result Areas:-

1. People and Community

Objective 1: Good quality of life for all residents

Strategies:

1. Provide recreational opportunities.
2. Develop good services for health and well being.
3. Retain seniors and youth within the community.
4. Respect diversity within the community.
5. Value and enhance the heritage character, arts and culture of the Shire.
6. Ensure a safe and secure community.

Objective 2: Plan and develop towns and communities based on principles of sustainability

Strategies:

4. Foster a strong sense of community, place and belonging.
5. Protect built and natural heritage for economic and cultural benefits.

Objective 3: High level of social commitment

Strategies:

1. Encourage social commitment and self determination by the SJ community.
2. Build key community partnerships.

3. Economic

Objective 1: A vibrant local community

Strategies:

4. Promote info-technology and telecommuting opportunities.

Objective 2: Formation of Active Partnerships to progress key programs and projects

Strategies

1. Improve coordination between Shire, community and other partners.
2. Improve customer relations service.
3. Develop specific partnerships to effectively use and leverage additional resources.

Objective 3: Compliance to necessary legislation

Strategies:

1. Ensure development and use of infrastructure and land complies with required standards.

2. Develop a risk management plan.
3. Comply with State and Federal policies and Legislation and the Local Government Act in the most cost-effective way.

Community Consultation:

Required: Yes

This proposal is a result of consultation with the Jarrahdale Multi Purpose Facility Working Groups and a number of other community representatives, who they invited to participate, from the Jarrahdale Primary School and Fire Brigade.

At this workshop it was stated that the focus was on the conceptual stage of how the Bruno Gianatti Hall could be better used. It was agreed that further consultation would be undertaken with the current and potential user groups and Jarrahdale community to discuss the intentions of the proposal and finer details of design following confirmation from Council of available funds to commence the project.

Comment:

Attendees at the workshop on 4 April included:

Michaela Richer - Jarrahdale Primary School student
Jack Matheson - Jarrahdale Primary School student
Ros Dixon - Registrar, Jarrahdale Primary School
Melissa Matheson - Jarrahdale Community Association (JCA)
Adrian Smith - JCA
Sue Lanceley - JCA, resident
Alan Gamage - Bush Fire Brigade
Sue Varischetti - JCA
Jeff Palmer, Bush Fire Brigade and cleaner at school
John Kirkpatrick - Shire Councillor
Sheila Twine - Shire Councillor
Stephen Goode - Acting Chief Executive Officer
Alan Hart - Director Corporate Services
Robyn Brown - Community Development Officer
Julie Sansom - Support Officer, Strategic Community Planning
Carole McKee - Manager Community Development

Attendees were welcomed by the workshop facilitator, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Stephen Goode, who informed the group that the costs and risks associated with refurbishing the Bunnings Old Mill Office (to be utilised as a Youth facility) were extremely high and did not represent cost effective use of spending public funds.

The group was then asked the question "Can we use the Bruno Gianatti Hall as a multi purpose community place which includes a dedicated youth facility?" They were then asked to answer this question in a specific format, looking at Facts, Feelings, Ideas, Risks and Positives. The results were recorded and discussed as a large group in a plenary situation.

The group were then asked to assign five votes to all of the ideas presented. From this the following requests were agreed to be taken to Council at the Special Council Meeting scheduled for 8 April 2008:

1. Approval for the reallocation of \$10,000 from the Old Bunnings Mill Office maintenance budget to enable Model 1 to be actioned.
2. Consideration of \$50,000 to be allocated on the 2008/09 budget.
3. Investigate the relocation of the Jarrahdale skatepark.

4. Consider the provision of a dedicated youth facility for Jarrahdale in the Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire Community Facilities and Services Plan to 2020.

A copy of the Concept Plan (Model 1) is with the attachments marked SCM015.1/04/08 which was endorsed as the proposed model from which to work to produce a detailed plan subject to consultation with other stakeholders. One amendment discussed was that the size of the existing kitchen should not be compromised.

Officers have since identified an additional \$50,000 in the 2007/2008 budget which could be reallocated.

It is therefore proposed that a new project account be established, with an allocation of \$60,000 in the 2007/2008 budget, that is specifically set up for the project management, community consultation, design, and construction of the proposed additional room extension and external storage area for chairs, in order to better equip the Bruno Gianatti Hall as a multi purpose facility.

It is critical to note that in the interest of accomplishing this project in an effective and timely manner, it is imperative that project management costs are built into this budget allocation – which will enable any necessary outsourcing of tasks where in house resources are already fully committed, as well as the purchasing of any specialist expertise.

Voting Requirements: ABSOLUTE MAJORITY

Officer Recommended Resolution:

That Council:

1. Reallocate in the 2007/2008 budget, \$50,000 from MOR812, and \$10,000 from JHP530 to a new project account that is specifically set up for the project management, community consultation, design, and construction of an additional room extension and an external storage area to better equip the Bruno Gianatti Hall as a multi purpose facility.
2. Undertake consultation to engage the wider Jarrahdale community in the ongoing process.
3. Consider an allocation in the 2008/2009 budget, an amount that will be identified through the initial investigations, which will enable the project to be completed.
4. Investigate the relocation of the Jarrahdale skatepark.
5. Consider the provision of a dedicated youth facility for Jarrahdale in the Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire Community Facilities and Services Plan to 2020.

Manager Community Development left the meeting at 5.50pm.

During debate Cr Kirkpatrick foreshadowed that he would move a new motion if the motion under debate is defeated.

SCM015/04/08 Alternate Recommendation:

Moved Cr Twine, seconded Cr Price (proforma)

1. Council notes that Mr David Richer has on behalf of Jarrahdale Community Association requested that consideration of the officer report be deferred to allow broad consultation with the Jarrahdale community.
2. That Council defer consideration of the officer report.
3. Council allocate \$10,000 from JHP530 in the 2007/2008 budget to a new Jarrahdale Community Facilities Project account to enable the Manager Community Development to engage a Project Officer (consultant or casual employee) to research, plan and organise community consultation and feasibility assessments in relation to addressing the needs of the Jarrahdale community.

CARRIED 7/2
Cr Kirkpatrick voted against the motion

8. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

9. ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Nil

10. URGENT BUSINESS:

Nil

11. COUNCILLOR QUESTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN:

Nil

12. CLOSURE:

There being no further business, the Presiding Member closed the meeting at 5.52pm.

I certify that these minutes were confirmed at the
Ordinary Council meeting held on 28th April 2008.

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Presiding Member

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Date