



SHIRE OF  
**HARVEY**

*A Breath of Fresh Air*

# Australind Leschenault Place Advisory Group **Minutes**

**Leschenault Leisure Centre**

Monday 25 November 2024

6pm

## 1. Official Opening

## 2. Acknowledgement of Country

The Shire of Harvey acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders both past and present and emerging.

## 3. Attendance

Councillor (Chairperson)	John	Bromham
Councillor (Deputy Chairperson)	Alicia	Hitchcock
Councillor	Wendy	Dickenson
Community Representative	Sheila	Ferguson
Community Representative	Amanda	Lovitt
Community Representative LPA	Karen	McCarthy
Chief Executive Officer	Annie	Riordan
Director Corporate Services	Dean	Winter
Director Infrastructure Services	Shane	Faber
Director Sustainable Development	Simon	Hall
Manager Community Development	Ben	Rose
Community Development Officer	Sarah	Ryan
Community & Lifestyle Administration Officer (Minutes)	Nicole	Walsh

## 4. Apologies

Director Community & Lifestyle	Suzie	Haslehurst
Manager Public Relations and Communications	Trish	Palmonari
Community Representative	Lynda	Armstrong
Community Representative	Angelique	Fransen
Community Representative	India	Stone

## 5. Correction of Previous Minutes

- Request to rephrase 8.1  
“Council decision: the development of the Australind Community Precinct which will be postponed to prioritise the Leschenault Leisure Centre expansion and associated recreation park project.”

Amended 8.1: “Council decision: the development of the Australind Community Precinct which has been put on hold for the foreseeable future to prioritise the Leschenault Leisure Centre expansion and associated recreation park project.”

*Confirmation: Karen McCarthy*

## 6. Actions from Previous Meetings

Refer to Current Action Register (**Attachment 1**)

**Action 8:** Conduct Safety Audit of Kingston roundabout

The Shire is unaware if a safety audit has been organized and will require investigation. The community has reported more crashes have occurred at the site and would like to extend this audit to Kingston Promende. This action is in progress.

**Action 9:** Investigate renewed street lighting on Paris Road with a focus on street intersections

The Shire is awaiting a quote from Western Power which is reported to have long wait times. The Shire will liaise with Western Power for an update. In progress.

**Action 10:** Investigate an appropriate bus stop location on Old Coast Road during proposed upgrades

The bus stop will be considered in the design works to be included in the 2025/26 budget. In progress.

**Action 11:** Consult with Leschenault Progress Association on UAT installations at Settlers Hall

Meeting occurred between Karen McCarthy of LPA, Manager Community Development and Manager Special Projects at Settlers Hall to discuss the UAT installation. This design is proceeding. LPA are concerned about the installation removing existing storage space and require Shire assistance in procuring alternative storage facilities. The Shire will investigate the usage of the Leschenault Scout Group building. The community has requested that this action remain on the Australind and Leschenault Place Action Register as well as the Access and Inclusion Action Register.

**Action 13:** Consider installation of mobile cameras along Cathedral Avenue to deter and record drivers causing deliberate harm to kangaroos

There are issues in providing a means of reporting to State Government and the police. This issue is not within the jurisdiction of The Shire. Kangaroos are being removed as fast as possible. Complete.

**Action 14:** Investigate if Caravan Australia has compliance rules regarding RV signage (i.e. Dump Point signage)

The signage is universally correct and appropriate in Western Australia. This includes the size of the sign and the icon used, however the Shire can remove the phrase 'Dump Point'. The Shire to consider the location of the sign for appropriate viewing. Complete.

**Action 15:** Investigate Customer Service response options to ensure all emailed submissions to the Shire receive a response

CEO has sent a Shire wide update for staff to comply with timeframes for responding to customer enquiries. Testing has been undertaken to ensure we have received enquiries. The Shire will be implementing a new ERP which will include new customer relation management software to provide effective communication and presence to the community. Shire staff to ensure they implement out of office email responses.

**Action 17:** Provide a large scale A3 map of planned changes to Treendale Promenade to impacted shop owners for their information and consideration

The Shire is unsure whether this Action was a direct request from shop owners or the committee, and unaware if this Action has occurred. Main Roads have provided feedback to our map and the Shire will gather feedback from the community and shop owners. Community has enquired about the location of the accessible bays. In progress.

## **7. Community Roundtable**

*Opportunity for community members and organisations to provide advice or information to the Shire relevant to Australind, Leschenault and surrounds.*

- Community concern regarding works in Treendale. Public traffic unloading in front of Camille's Deli with no appropriate management. Enquiry into what will become of the raised area as the median will become narrow enough to lose parking. The Shire will consult with community to discuss what will occur when information is available.
- In the same area, there are concerns regarding emergency vehicles blocking the thoroughfare for long periods of time in emergencies.
- Query was raised regarding the Clifton Park artwork that was planned. An earlier meeting was held for arts with discussion around potential locations and themes. This is a long-term project.
- Concern regarding Paris Road and Kingston Drive with members of the community speeding through roundabout at 80kms. Shire to discuss with Main Roads to move the 80 speed sign after the roundabout.
- Request for signage stating 'Modified Intersection' leading up to Paris Road intersection.
- St John's are eager to talk to Council regarding plans for their new building and inviting Councillors on site. Amanda Lovitt to send contact details to the Shire to bring discussion to concept forum.
- Community requesting an update on the Advisory Group review. Concept Forum held 26 November leading to the December Ordinary Council Meeting.
- Query surrounding the duration of closure of the Australind Council Chambers. As Band 2 Local Government there are regulations around the operation of a functional Council Chambers resulting in the Australind Council Chambers being closed for approximately two years. Discussion occurred amongst Councillors and the Council Chambers will remain at Harvey.
- Query regarding the Shire holding an open community forum.
- Community requesting an update on the Ridley Place foreshore development. Sustainable Development updates that the Shire are going to an external surveyor.
- Community requests that the minutes of the Australind and Leschenault Place Advisory Group be completed and sent to members within a reasonable time period.
- Community query regarding when the noise assessment and works were conducted around the new service station construction at the corner of Forest Highway and Stanley Road and if there are results available. The Shire has responded to this community member via email. The Shire is awaiting an official management plan which will include these items. This documentation is not a public document and cannot be released to the community.

## **8. Leschenault Progress Association Committee Update**

- The LPA sign has been installed on Settlers Hall and the application fee has been reimbursed.
- Open day was very well attended with lots of stalls and a great turn out from the adjusted time slot.

- Provided donations to primarily local not-for-profit groups.
- UAT Meetings.
- The playground cover is displaying structural issues and will require maintenance.
- Settlers Hall BBQ was unusable last weekend. The Shire has contacted electricians to provide maintenance.
- Rangers were not responding to calls.
- Community concern regarding noise assessment works discussed at the Community Roundtable.

## 9. Agenda Items for Discussion

### 9.1. Shire Update

- **Office of the CEO**
- **Community and Lifestyle**
  - Sunset Festival (previously known as Youthchella: 14 Dec 2024, 5pm to 9pm. Community engagement opportunity with Flash Mob – check the Shire's website for details.
- **Corporate Services**
- **Infrastructure Services**
  - Investigated the playground shelter and it appeared structurally sound however moves slightly when windy. Considering bracing and any repairs will be expensive. Repairs and/or shade sails to be considered for the 2025/26 budget.
- **Sustainable Development**
  - The Shire has recently upgraded 1.7km of the Danjoo Koorliny footpath in Clifton Park. The sandy portion is situated on DBCA and DPLH land causing land tenure and management issues resulting in delays.
  - Albermale expression of interest has been completed and they are now in discussion with interested parties.
  - Current structure plans occurring in East Treendale between the corner of Forest Highway and Bunbury Outer Ring Road. Awaiting final approval from the Department of Planning with development to occur over the next few years.
  - Early structure plans occurring near Treendale Road and Collie River with proposals for larger lots and the absence of sewage.

## 10. Access and Inclusion

- Fees Field accessibility – A community member contacted the Shire regarding improving the accessibility to Fees Field dog park.

## 11. Other Business

- Copies of the Advocacy Priorities Document are available on the Shire website to read about what projects the Shire are lobbying state government within the Shire of Harvey including the Leschenault Leisure Centre Courts Expansion and Leschenault Recreation Park Ovals 7 & 8. The Shire are campaigning to film community members regarding these projects for distribution on Social Media to garner community support.

## **12. Next Meeting**

The next meeting is TBC pending the Advisory Group review.

## **13. Closure**

This meeting was closed at 7:29pm.