



# State Council Summary Minutes

6 September 2019



## NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting No. 6 of 2019 of the Western Australian Local Government Association State was held at the Shark Bay Recreation Centre, Francis Street Denham, on Friday 6 September 2019. The meeting commenced at 11:23am.

### 1. ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### 1.1 Attendance

Members	President of WALGA Chair Deputy President of WALGA, North Metropolitan Zone Avon-Midland Country Zone Central Country Zone Central Metropolitan Zone East Metropolitan Zone East Metropolitan Zone Goldfields Esperance Country Zone Gascoyne Country Zone Great Eastern Country Zone Great Southern Country Zone Murchison Country Zone North Metropolitan Zone North Metropolitan Zone Northern Country Zone Peel Country Zone South East Metropolitan Zone South Metropolitan Zone South Metropolitan Zone South Metropolitan Zone South West Country Zone	President Cr Lynne Craigie OAM Mayor Tracey Roberts JP  Cr Jan Court JP President Cr Philip Blight Cr Jenna Ledgerwood Cr Brooke O'Donnell Cr Kate Driver President Cr Malcolm Cullen President Cr Cheryl Cowell President Cr Stephen Strange President Cr Keith House JP Cr Les Price Cr Giovanni Italiano JP Cr Nige Jones (Deputy) President Cr Karen Chappel JP President Cr Michelle Rich Cr Julie Brown Cr Jon Strachan (Deputy) Cr Doug Thompson Mayor Logan Howlett JP President Cr Tony Dean
Guests	Chief Executive Officer LGIS Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Shark Bay	Mr Jonathon Seth Mr Paul Anderson
Secretariat	Chief Executive Officer EM Environment & Waste EM Governance & Organisational Services EM Finance & Marketing EM People and Place EM Infrastructure EM Business Solutions Manager Strategy & Association Governance Economics Policy Manager Executive Officer Governance	Mr Nick Sloan Mr Mark Batty Mr Tony Brown Mr Zac Donovan Ms Joanne Burges Mr Ian Duncan Mr John Filippone Mr Tim Lane Mr Nebojsa Franich Ms Margaret Degebrodt

#### 1.2 Apologies

South Metropolitan Zone North Metropolitan Zone Kimberley Country Zone Kimberley Country Zone Pilbara Country Zone South East Metropolitan Zone Central Metropolitan Zone Local Government Professionals WA (Ex Officio) Chair of Commissioners, City of Perth (Ex Officio) Chair, LGIS	Mayor Carol Adams OAM Cr Russ Fishwick JP Cr Chris Mitchell JP President David Menzel (Deputy) President Cr Kerry White Cr Brian Oliver Cr Paul Kelly Mr Ian Cowie Mr Andrew Hammond Mr Howard King
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## **ORDER OF PROCEEDINGS**

### **1. OPEN and WELCOME by President Cr Lynne Craigie OAM**

The Chair declared the meeting open at 11:23am.

- Acknowledgement of Country
- Welcome to State Councillors;
- Gascoyne Country Zone Delegates;
- Mr Jonathon Seth, Chief Executive Officer LGIS; and
- WALGA Secretariat

### **MEETING ASSESSMENT**

The Chair invited Cr Brooke O'Donnell to undertake a meeting assessment at the conclusion of the meeting.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Chair extended thanks to President Cr Cheryl Cowell for hosting the September Regional State Council.

### **2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

#### **2.1 Minutes of 3 July 2019 State Council Meeting.**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

**Moved: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

**That the Minutes of the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) State Council Meeting held on 3 July 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.**

#### **RESOLUTION 90.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

#### **2.1.1 Business Arising from the Minutes of 3 July 2019.**

Nil

### 3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Pursuant to our Code of Conduct, State Councillors must declare to the Chair any potential conflict of interest they have in a matter before State Council as soon as they become aware of it.

I note that there are several State Councillors and deputies that may be directly or indirectly associated with the recommendations of the Selection Committee. I ask that if you are affected by these recommendations, that you excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

*Cr Jon Strachan declared an interest in item 5.13 Selection Committee Minutes.*

### PAPERS

The following papers were distributed to State Councillors prior to the meeting under separate cover:

- Program State Council 5-6 September 2019;
- Strategic Forum Agenda;
- Item 5.10 State Council and Zone Structure and Process Working Group Report
- Item 5.11 Select Committee Submission
- Item 5.12 Executive Committee Minutes and Financials Packs
- Item 5.13 Selection Committee Minutes;
- Item 5.14 LGIS Minutes;
- Item 5.15 LGIS Trust Deed – Confidential
- Item 5.16 LGIS Review Action – Confidential
- Item 5.17 2019 Annual General Meeting
- CEO's report to State Council; and
- President's Report (previously emailed to your Zone meeting)

## 4. EMERGING ISSUES

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### 4.1 Proposed Elected Member 'Welfare/Counselling' Program(s)

*By Mayor Logan Howlett, State Councillor, South Metropolitan Zone*

**Moved:** President Cr Michelle Rich  
**Seconded:** Cr Brooke O'Donnell

**That the Emerging Issue relating to Proposed Elected Member 'Welfare/Counselling' Program(s), be considered by State Council.**

#### **RESOLUTION 91.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

#### **BACKGROUND**

1. The provision of a 'welfare/counselling' program(s) [both pro-active and re-active] through WALGA for Elected Members aimed at addressing mental health and well-being challenges that Elected Members face in carrying out their role.
2. Coverage of Elected Members through LGIS in terms of insurance relating to point 1 above.

#### **COMMENT**

LGIS currently provides Employee Assistance Programs' to our members, designed to enhance the emotional, mental and general psychological wellbeing of Local Government employees. This program is in the format of a short term counselling service which aims is to provide preventive and proactive support for the early detection, identification and/or resolution of both work and personal problems that may adversely affect performance and wellbeing.

The Confidential Counselling service helps employees resolve issues and stress before they become overwhelming, or can provide assistance following the aftermath of a tragic event, for example.

LGIS with WALGA, would be pleased to consider the design and development of a tailored support service for Elected Members including the provision of a short term counselling service that provides access to support for variety of work and / or personal issues.

Whilst this program is intended to mitigate against the potential of Elected Members suffering mental health issues, it is also important to have strategies to transfer any residual risk. Therefore, LGIS have been working with the Elected Member Personal Accident insurer to provide a loss of income / lumps sum benefit cover, should Elected Members suffer mental anguish due to their capacity as an Elected Member. We expect to be in a position to present this to members in 2020.

Further, through the Councillors and Officers insurance arranged by LGIS on behalf of members, Elected Members also have access to a complimentary legal helpline to support them in matters concerning alleged wrong doings in their capacity as an Elected Member.

**Moved:** Mayor Logan Howlett  
**Seconded:** Cr Les Price

**That WALGA requests LGIS to investigate the design and development of a tailored support service for Elected Members including the provision of a short term counselling service.**

#### **RESOLUTION 92.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 5. MATTERS FOR DECISION

### 5.1 Interim Submission – Draft Position Statement: Fibre Ready Telecommunications Infrastructure (05-036-0300048 VJ)

*By Vanessa Jackson, Policy Manager Planning and Improvement*

#### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

**That the interim submission to the WA Planning Commission on the draft Position Statement: Fibre Ready Telecommunications Infrastructure, be endorsed.**

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

#### SOUTH EAST METROPOLITAN ZONE

That the Zone supports the WALGA Recommendation, subject to:

Recommendation 7 of the Submission, being modified to read:

7. That the Position Statement be amended to specify that the conditions to be placed on a subdivision assigned responsibility to the WAPC rather than the Local Government – “arrangements being made to the satisfaction of the WAPC...”.

#### **SECRETARIAT COMMENT**

Recommendation 7 was based on advice from the Department of Planning, Lands & Heritage (DPLH) that either the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) and/or the Local Government could be assigned the responsibility to sign off the condition, depending on whether the Local Government was supportive of undertaking this role.

Support the proposed amendment to the interim submission to put sole responsibility for the clearance of this subdivision condition onto the WAPC.

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: Mayor Tracey Roberts**

**That the interim submission on Draft Position Statement: Fibre Ready Telecommunications Infrastructure, be endorsed, subject to the following amendment:**

**Recommendation 7 of the Submission, being modified to read:**

- 7. That the Position Statement be amended to specify that the conditions to be placed on a subdivision assigned responsibility to the WAPC rather than the Local Government – “arrangements being made to the satisfaction of the WAPC...”.**

**RESOLUTION 93.6/2019**

**CARRIED**



## 5.2 Interim Submission on the WA Motorsport Strategy (05-053-03-0012 MM)

By Marissa MacDonald, Senior Policy Advisor, Community

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That the interim submission on the WA Motorsport Strategy be endorsed.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

### NORTH METROPOLITAN ZONE (No Quorum)

That the interim submission on the WA Motorsport Strategy be endorsed with implementation of the strategy in terms of new and/or upgraded facilities focuses on, as a priority, existing facilities and the opportunities that exist to expand these facilities to cater for additional motor sporting activities and to ensure that motor sports within Western Australia can attract state, national and international motor sporting events.

### SECRETARIAT COMMENT

The Zone recommendation is incorporated in the composite recommendation

**Moved: President Cr Karen Chappel**  
**Seconded: Mayor Tracey Roberts**

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**RESOLUTION 94.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**5.3 Interim Submission on the State Strategy to Respond to the Abuse of Older People (Elder Abuse) (05-057-03-0001 MM)**

*By Marissa MacDonald, Senior Policy Advisor, Community*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That the interim submission on the State Strategy to Respond to the Abuse of Older People (Elder Abuse) is endorsed.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

Moved: Cr Doug Thompson  
 Seconded: President Cr Keith House

That the interim submission on the State Strategy to Respond to the Abuse of Older People (Elder Abuse) is endorsed.

**RESOLUTION 95.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 5.4 WA Public Libraries Strategy Forum (05-012-03-0001 KD)

By Kirstie Davis, Policy Manager Community

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That WALGA:

1. Supports the proposed repurposing of the accounting treatment of existing capital funds to recurrent funding.
2. Supports the proposed transfer of ownership of stock from State to Local Governments for Tier 1 Local Governments.
3. Requests State Library WA to advise the Local Government sector of the State Government corporate budget schedule and expedite annual funding allocation notifications to Local Government as soon as possible in the new financial year.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

### PEEL ZONE

That an additional point be included as point 4.

4. Requests that the State Government make a commitment that the funding to libraries will not decrease; that it will be indexed each financial year and that the discretion of how to expend the funding should remain with Local Government.

### SECRETARIAT COMMENT

The Zone's position is incorporated in the composite recommendation.

**Moved: President Cr Michelle Rich**  
**Seconded: Cr Julie Brown**

**That WALGA:**

- 1. Supports the proposed repurposing of the accounting treatment of existing capital funds to recurrent funding.**
- 2. Supports the proposed transfer of ownership of stock from State to Local Governments for Tier 1 Local Governments.**
- 3. Requests State Library WA to advise the Local Government sector of the State Government corporate budget schedule and expedite annual funding allocation notifications to Local Government as soon as possible in the new financial year.**
- 4. Requests that the State Government make a commitment that the funding to libraries will not decrease; that it will be indexed each financial year and that the discretion of how to expend the funding should remain with Local Government.**

**RESOLUTION 96.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 5.5 Submission on the Draft Compliance and Enforcement Policy (01-006-02-0003 MB)

By Mark Batty, Executive Manager Environment and Waste

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That the submission to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation relating to the draft Compliance and Enforcement Policy be endorsed.

Avon Midland Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation noted
Central Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Central Metropolitan Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
East Metropolitan Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Goldfields Esperance Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Great Eastern Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Great Southern Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Kimberley Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Murchison Country Zone	No meeting held
Northern Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
North Metropolitan Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
Peel Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
Pilbara Zone	No meeting held
South East Metropolitan Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
South Metropolitan Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported
South West Country Zone	WALGA Recommendation supported

### GASCOYNE COUNTRY ZONE

That the submission to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation relating to the draft Compliance and Enforcement Policy be endorsed, subject to:

1. Noting the lack of enforcement resources dedicated to rural and remote areas; and,
2. A request that other Government officers be trained to undertake enforcement actions on behalf of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.

**Moved: President Cr Cheryl Cowell**  
**Seconded: President Cr Stephen Strange**

**That the submission to the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation relating to the draft Compliance and Enforcement Policy be endorsed subject to:**

1. **Noting the lack of enforcement resources dedicated to rural and remote areas; and,**
2. **A request that other Government officers be trained to undertake enforcement actions on behalf of the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation.**

**RESOLUTION 97.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**5.6 Submission on the Environment Protection Authority's Greenhouse Gas Emissions Guidance (05-025-03-0001 LS)**

*By Laura Simes, Environment Policy Advisor*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That the WALGA submission on the Environmental Protection Authority's proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Guidance be endorsed.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

**Moved: Cr Julie Brown**  
**Seconded: Cr Kate Driver**

That the WALGA submission on the Environmental Protection Authority's proposed Greenhouse Gas Emissions Guidance be endorsed.

**RESOLUTION 98.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 5.7 Road Safety Strategy for WA Beyond 2020 (05-009-03-0014 TAP)

By Terri-Anne Pettet, Manager RoadWise Program

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That the submission to the Road Safety Council, for consideration in developing the next road safety strategy for Western Australia, be endorsed.

<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

### NORTHERN COUNTRY ZONE

That The Northern Country Zone of WALGA endorses the WALGA Officers' recommendation for State Council Agenda Item 5.7, with the proviso that the Northern Country Zone does not support the reduction of the speed limit to 100km an hour on rural roads.

### CENTRAL METROPOLITAN ZONE

1. That the submission to the Road Safety Council, for consideration in developing the next road safety strategy for Western Australia, be endorsed, subject to the word management being changed to reform in each case in points 4 and 5; and
2. That the Central Metropolitan Zone thank Terri-Anne Pettit, Manager Road Wise Program for her comprehensive submission

### AVON-MIDLAND COUNTRY ZONE

That the Zone recommends that consideration be given to a 120km/h speed limit on rural highways where these highways (a) have been reconstructed to an appropriate standard to safely allow for a 120km/h speed limit and (b) include a one metre wide separation centre line with double audible markers.

### SECRETARIAT COMMENT

The existing policy position of the Association is that Local Governments support retention of WA's default open road speed limit at 110 km/h and oppose the proposed reduction to 100 km/h. This was considered in consultation, prior to developing the submission to the Road Safety Council and has been implicitly retained.

The proposed approach, involving the implementation of comprehensive speed management plans seeks to draw from evidence based practice in other jurisdictions. Such plans would be more than engineering based assessments of road segments, installation of speed limit signs and enforcement activities. Effective speed management plans would create safe speed environments taking into consideration people and place aspects. A key element of comprehensive speed

management plans is to reform existing regulations and policies that would ensure that the decision making framework is strongly focussed on these place and people aspects, providing Local Governments seeking lower speed limits, specifically in built up areas, much stronger influence.

Significant research in Australian conditions (for example Cameron, M 2003 Potential Benefits and Costs of Speed Changes on Rural Roads) has been undertaken to estimate the optimal speed limit on various classes of rural roads. This concludes that the optimum speed limit on rural freeways is 120km/h for cars and light commercial vehicles and 95 km/h for trucks. On fully divided rural roads, the optimum speed limits are 110km for cars and light commercials and 90km/h for trucks.

The standards to which rural highways are being constructed in WA, including those with a one metre wide central separation and double audible edge markers are well below those required of rural freeways and fully divided rural roads. Rural highways in WA have uncontrolled access from side roads and driveways and do not provide a second lane for continuous passing opportunities.

The research findings, considering all costs and benefits, indicate that on undivided rural roads, even those with sealed shoulders and audible edge lines the optimal speed limit is approximately 100km/h on generally straight sections and less on winding sections of road.

**Moved: Cr Jan Court**  
**Seconded: Cr Nige Jones**

**That the submission to the Road Safety Council, for consideration in developing the next road safety strategy for Western Australia, be endorsed with the word 'management' being replaced with the word 'reform' in each case in points 4 and 5.**

#### **AMENDMENT**

**Moved: President Cr Phillip Blight**  
**Seconded: President Cr Karen Chappel**

**That point 2 be added as follows:**

- 2 WALGA opposes the blanket reduction in speed limits and confirms the existing policy position supporting retention of WA's default open road speed limit at 110kms per hour.**

**CARRIE**

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**THE MOTION AS AMENDED NOW READS:**

**That the submission to the Road Safety Council, for consideration in developing the next road safety strategy for Western Australia, be endorsed subject to;**

- 1. the word 'management' being replaced with the word 'reform' in each case in points 4 and 5; and**
- 2. WALGA opposes the blanket reduction in speed limits and confirms the existing policy position supporting retention of WA's default open road speed limit at 110kms per hour.**

**RESOLUTION 99.6/2019**

**THE MOTION AS AMENDED WAS PUT AND CARRIED**



<b>5.8 Interim Submission – Revitalising Agricultural Region Freight Strategy (05-006-02-0006 ID)</b>
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*By Ian Duncan, Executive Manager Infrastructure*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That the interim submission to the Department of Transport on the draft Revitalising Agricultural Region Freight Strategy be endorsed.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

**SOUTH METROPOLITAN ZONE**

That the interim submission to the Department of Transport on the draft Revitalising Agricultural Regional Freight Strategy be endorsed, subject to the following paragraph being included in the Submission.

“Industry investment to increase road transport efficiency, largely through increased payloads per truck, inevitably requires increased investment in roads if these vehicles are able to operate end to end. There is currently no mechanism to enable part of the productivity benefit to be used to fund the infrastructure improvement needed. This potentially results in lost opportunities”.

**SECRETARIAT COMMENT**

The paragraph identified can be usefully added to Section 4.7 (Funding System Deficiencies) of the submission and a revision provided to the Department of Transport.

**Moved: President Cr Stephen Strange**  
**Seconded: President Cr Malcolm Cullen**

**That the interim submission to the Department of Transport on the draft Revitalising Agricultural Regional Freight Strategy be endorsed, with the addition to Section 4.7 of the following paragraph:**

**“Industry investment to increase road transport efficiency, largely through increased payloads per truck, inevitably requires increased investment in roads if these vehicles are able to operate end to end. There is currently no mechanism to enable part of the productivity benefit to be used to fund the infrastructure improvement needed. This potentially results in lost opportunities”.**

**RESOLUTION 100.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**5.9 Policy Templates: (1) Works in the Local Government Road Reserve; and (2) Events in the Local Government Road Reserve (05-001-02-0008 MS)**

*By Mal Shervill, Policy Officer Road Safety and Mark Bondiotti, Policy Manager Transport and Roads*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That the following Policy Templates be endorsed:

1. Works in the Local Government Road Reserve; and
2. Events in the Local Government Road Reserve.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Kimberley Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>Northern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>North Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported (no quorum)
<b>Peel Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation supported

**SOUTH METROPOLITAN ZONE**

That the following Policy Templates be endorsed:

1. Works in the Local Government Road Reserve, subject to adding, "other utility providers that have exemptions" in Item 5; and
2. Events in the Local Government Road Reserve

**SECRETARIAT COMMENT**

The Zone's recommendation has been incorporated in the composite recommendation.

**Moved: Cr Julie Brown**  
**Seconded: Cr Doug Thompson**

That the following Policy Templates be endorsed:

1. Works in the Local Government Road Reserve, subject to adding, 'other utility providers that have exemptions' in Item 5; and
2. Events in the Local Government Road Reserve.

**RESOLUTION 101.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION BY STATE COUNCILLORS  
(UNDER SEPARATE COVER)**

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**5.10 State Council and Zone Structure and Process Working Group Report  
(01-004-05-0002 TL)**

Moved: President Cr Tony Dean  
Seconded: President Cr Keith House

That:

1. The Working Group's Final Report be noted and released to the Local Government sector for information and consultation;
2. Recommendations 5, 6, 7, and 8 be endorsed for immediate implementation; and,
3. Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, and 10 be endorsed in principle subject to sector and Zone consultation being undertaken during September, October, and November 2019, with a report brought to the December 2019 State Council meeting for final endorsement.

**RESOLUTION 102.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**5.11 Select Committee Submission (05-034-01-0007 TB)**

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett  
Seconded: Cr Les Price

That the Interim Submission to the Select Committee into Local Government be endorsed.

**RESOLUTION 103.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**5.12 Executive Committee Minutes (01-006-03-0006 TB)**

Moved: President Cr Karen Chappel  
Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight

That the Minutes of the Executive Committee Meetings held 17 July and 21 August 2019 be endorsed.

**RESOLUTION 104.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

### **5.13 Selection Committee Minutes (01-006-03-0011 CO)**

*Cr Jon Strachan declared an interest in item 5.13 and left the room at 12:20pm.*

**Moved: Cr Doug Thompson**  
**Seconded: Mayor Logan Howlett**

**That:**

- 1. The recommendations contained in the 20 August 2019 Selection Committee Minutes be endorsed; and**
- 2. The resolution contained in the 20 August 2019 Selection Committee Minutes be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 105.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

*Cr Jon Strachan returned to the meeting at 12:21pm.*

### **5.14 LGIS Board Minutes**

**Moved: Cr Julie Brown**  
**Seconded: Cr Doug Thompson**

**That the Minutes of the LGIS Board meetings held 27 June and 15 August 2019 be endorsed.**

**RESOLUTION 106.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

*Jonathan Seth left the room at 12:21pm*

### **5.15 WALGA LGIS Trust Deed Variations - CONFIDENTIAL**

### **5.16 WALGA LGIS Review Actions - CONFIDENTIAL**

### **5.17 2019 Annual General Meeting (01-003-02-0003 TB)**

*Jonathan Seth returned to the room at 12:31pm.*

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: President Cr Karen Chappel**

**That:**

- 1. The Motions passed by the 2019 Annual General Meeting be noted; and,**
- 2. All items be forwarded to the relevant State Council Policy Team/Forum/Committee for action.**
- 3. A report on the progress and action taken in respect to the AGM items be presented to State Council no later than the March 2020 State Council Meeting.**

**RESOLUTION 109.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## **6. MATTERS FOR NOTING / INFORMATION**

### **6.1 Submission to the Select Committee into Local Government (05-034-02-0014 TB/TL)**

*By Tony Brown, Executive Manager Governance and Organisational Services, and Tim Lane, Manager Strategy and Association Governance*

#### **WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That State Council note:

1. Establishment of the Select Committee into Local Government; and,
2. The Process for the development of WALGA's submission to the Committee.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Gascoyne Zone</b>	Meeting held Thursday 5 September 2019
<b>Goldfields Esperance Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Great Eastern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Great Southern Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>Murchison Country Zone</b>	No meeting held
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<b>Pilbara Zone</b>	No meeting held
<b>South East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**

**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

That State Council note:

1. Establishment of the Select Committee into Local Government; and,
2. The Process for the development of WALGA's submission to the Committee.

**RESOLUTION 110.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 6.2 Cooperation and Shared Services (05-015-03-0001 ABM)

By Anne Banks-McAllister, Regional Capacity Building

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council notes the *Cooperation & Shared Services (June 2019)* document.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett  
 Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano

That State Council notes the *Cooperation & Shared Services (June 2019)* document.

**RESOLUTION 111.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

### 6.3 Draft Terms of Reference for an Inquiry into Local Government Fees and Charges (05-001-03-0006 NF)

*By Nebojsa Franich, Policy Manager Economics*

#### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council note the Draft Terms of Reference for an Inquiry into Local Government Fees and Charges.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

That State Council note the Draft Terms of Reference for an Inquiry into Local Government Fees and Charges.

**RESOLUTION 112.6/2019**

**CARRIED**



## 6.4 Public Health Advocacy Plan (05-031-01-0001 KD)

*By Kirstie Davis, Policy Manager Community*

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council note the WALGA Public Health Advocacy Plan.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

**Moved:** Mayor Logan Howlett  
**Seconded:** Cr Giovanni Italiano

That State Council note the WALGA Public Health Advocacy Plan.

**RESOLUTION 113.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**6.5 Completion of the Managing Alcohol in Our Communities Guide (06-045-01-0001 KD)**

*By Kirstie Davis, Policy Manager Community*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

**That State Council note the completion of the Managing Alcohol in Our Communities Guide.**

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

**That State Council note the completion of the Managing Alcohol in Our Communities Guide.**

**RESOLUTION 114.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**6.6 Local Government Coastal Hazard Planning – Issues Paper (05-036-03-0065 AR)**

*By Ashley Robb, Project Officer, Planning and Improvement*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That State Council note the Association’s preparation of the *Local Government Coastal Hazard Planning – Issues Paper (2019)*.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett  
 Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano

That State Council note the Association’s preparation of the *Local Government Coastal Hazard Planning – Issues Paper (2019)*.

**RESOLUTION 115.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**6.7 Climate Resilient Councils – Preparing for the Impacts of Climate Change (06-076-01-0001 LS)**

*By Laura Simes, Environment Policy Advisor*

**WALGA RECOMMENDATION**

That State Council note the commencement of the Climate Resilient Councils project, following WALGA's successful bid for Commonwealth Natural Disaster Resilience Program funding.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

That State Council note the commencement of the Climate Resilient Councils project, following WALGA's successful bid for Commonwealth Natural Disaster Resilience Program funding.

**RESOLUTION 116.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## 6.8 Report Municipal Waste Advisory Council (MWAC) (01-006-03-008 RNB)

*By Rebecca Brown, Manager Waste and Recycling*

### WALGA RECOMMENDATION

That State Council note the resolutions of the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its 26 June 2019 meeting.

<b>Avon Midland Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>Central Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>East Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
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<b>South Metropolitan Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted
<b>South West Country Zone</b>	WALGA Recommendation noted

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

**That State Council note the resolutions of the Municipal Waste Advisory Council at its 26 June 2019 meeting.**

**RESOLUTION 117.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## **7. ORGANISATIONAL REPORTS**

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### **7.1 Key Activity Reports**

#### **7.1.1 Report on Key Activities, Environment and Waste (01-006-03-0017 MJB)**

**Moved: Mayor Tracey Roberts**  
**Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**That the Key Activities Report from the Environment and Waste Unit to the September 2019 State Council meeting be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 118.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

#### **7.1.2 Report on Key Activities, Governance and Organisational Services (01-006-03-0007 TB)**

**Moved: Mayor Tracey Roberts**  
**Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**That the Key Activities Report from the Governance and Organisational Services Unit to the September 2019 State Council meeting be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 119.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

#### **7.1.3. Report on Key Activities, Infrastructure (05-001-02-0003 ID)**

**Moved: Mayor Tracey Roberts**  
**Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**That the Key Activities Report from the Infrastructure Unit to the September 2019 State Council meeting be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 120.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

#### **7.1.4 Report on Key Activities, People and Place (01-006-03-0014 JB)**

**Moved: Mayor Tracey Roberts**  
**Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**That the Key Activities Report from the People and Place Unit to September 2019 State Council meeting be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 121.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

*Cr Nige Jones left the room 12:50pm*

**7.2 Policy Forum Reports (01-006-03-0007 TB)**

**Moved: Mayor Tracey Roberts**  
**Seconded: President Cr Phillip Blight**

**That the reports on the key activities of the Association's Policy Forums to the September 2019 State Council meeting be noted.**

**RESOLUTION 122.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**7.3 President's Report**

**Moved: Cr Julie Brown**  
**Seconded: Cr Giovanni Italiano**

**That the President's Report for September 2019 be received.**

**RESOLUTION 123.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

*Cr Nige Jones returned to the room at 12:53pm*

**7.4 CEO's Report**

**Moved: Mayor Logan Howlett**  
**Seconded: President Cr Malcolm Cullen**

**That the CEO's Report for September 2019 be received.**

**RESOLUTION 124.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

## **8. ADDITIONAL ZONE RESOLUTIONS**

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**Moved:** President Cr Phillip Blight  
**Seconded:** Mayor Tracey Roberts

**That the following Central Country Zone item be discussed.**

### **Report on Key Activities, Environment and Waste Unit – Environment and Waste**

That the Central Country Zone advise WALGA that it is opposed to the use of the words “climate emergency” in place of the words “climate change” and the Zone State Councillor Cr Blight be requested to pursue this change on the Zone’s behalf.

### **RESOLUTION 125.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**Moved:** President Cr Phillip Blight  
**Seconded:** Cr Jenna Ledgerwood

**That WALGA’s Climate Change policy be reviewed.**

**LOST**

**Moved:** Mayor Logan Howlett  
**Seconded:** Cr Giovanni Italiano

**That the additional Zone Resolutions from the August 2019 round of Zone meetings as follows, be referred to the appropriate policy area for consideration and appropriate action.**

### **RESOLUTION 126.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

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## **GASCOYNE COUNTRY ZONE**

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### **Local Government Innovation Fund – Governance and Organisational Services**

That WALGA advocate for the State Government to establish a Local Government Innovation Fund, for Local Governments with a small rate base, to fund innovative projects with a broad Local Government benefit.

### **Financial Assistance Grants – Economics**

That the Gascoyne Zone request WALGA to:

1. Vigorously pursue the release of the findings of the 2013 FAGs Review;
2. Note the position taken at the ALGA National General Assembly supporting a review of the FAGs allocations; and,
3. Develop a policy position supporting a review of the FAGs methodology.

### **Nyngulu (Ningaloo) Coastal Reserves Draft Joint Management Plan – Environment and Waste**

That the Gascoyne Zone request WALGA to follow up on the Ningaloo Coast Regional Strategy Carnarvon to Exmouth – Nyngulu (Ningaloo) Coastal Reserves, Draft Joint Management Plan seeking a response before the November meeting.

### **Restricted Access Vehicle Operating Condition – Infrastructure**



That the Gascoyne Zone request WALGA to establish a Working Group relating to the Restricted Access Vehicle Operating Condition issue as soon as possible, to allow the Working Group to develop possible options prior to meeting with Main Roads.

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## **CENTRAL COUNTRY ZONE**

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### **Lack of Respect and Responsiveness to Local Government and Managing Unwarranted, Untruthful and Sensationalised Reporting of Local Government – 4WDL VROC –**

1. Governance & Organisational Services 2. Marketing & Finance

1. That the Central Country Zone request WALGA to take a more proactive approach in insisting that the State Government (including its agencies and departments) cooperate properly and respectfully in its dealings with Local Government as an equal partner, in trying to achieve outcomes for the community at large.
2. That WALGA continue its concerted effort to dispel mistruths perpetuated by some sections of the media and strive to ensure that a more balanced reporting regime prevails

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## **SOUTH WEST COUNTRY ZONE**

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### **Assessment Standards of Financial Sustainability of Councils – Governance and Organisational Services**

That the SW Zone request WALGA lobby;

- A. For a review of DLGC sustainability measures (ratio benchmarks) in conjunction with the AOG and consider;
  1. That Adverse trends identified by auditors based on ratios should be made on three- or five-year rolling averages rather single years to account for year to year anomalies including revaluations or accounting reclassifications.
  2. That Separate benchmarks be established in accordance with individual Councils band level as the current methodology is a one size fits all approach and does not reflect financial capacity or geographical area.
- B. DLGC to provide support and advocacy to the local government sector on issues including the rate ability of land under state agreement acts with a view to improving the sustainability of Local governments.

### **Amendments to CALM Act – Environment and Waste**

That the SW Zone request WALGA lobby;

- A. For policy change of the Conservation and Land Management Act 1984 to ensure impacted landholders are adequately supported and recompensed in the instance where State Government activities and/or incidents resulting in damage to property; and
- B. Seek clarification on the status of the Department of Conservation and Attractions Good Neighbor Policy and when (or if) it applies; and
- C. That the State Government widely communicate the amendments made in 2016 to Section 132 of the Conservation and Land Management Act 1984 and the implications of these amendments on landholders; and
- D. That the State Government recompense impacted landholders from the Lewana and Blackwood Complex bushfires.

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## **CENTRAL METROPOLITAN ZONE**

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### **WALGA Preferred Supplier Arrangements – Business Solutions**

WALGA provide the spend and save reports including the amount of rebates earned by WALGA from the preferred supplier arrangements under the program to every member Council annually, or six monthly on request.

### **Traffic Speeds in Urban West Australia - Infrastructure**

That the WA Local Government Association develop a policy on the traffic speeds in urban West Australia to meet the needs of current and future Australians based on national and international evidence regarding safety, amenity, illness prevention and sustainability. That the policy statement be used to progress speed reform in urban WA.

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## **SOUTH EAST METROPOLITAN ZONE**

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### **Local Government Role in Building Control – People & Place**

That WALGA Officers:

1. Continue to advocate for the “Top Ten issues” resolved by State Council in 2017 and prepare a State Council report detailing the current status of WALGA’s advocacy on building safety, structural integrity and regulation issues;
2. Consult with the sector to determine what the role of Local Government should be in building regulation control; and
3. Develop an advocacy strategy on behalf of Local Governments for State Government to urgently prioritise legislative reform that addresses systemic failures that are eroding confidence in the safety and structural integrity of buildings in Western Australia.

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## **SOUTH METROPOLITAN ZONE**

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### **Advocacy for Improvement in the Provision of Pavement Marking Services by Main Roads WA - Infrastructure**

That WALGA:

1. Raise with Main Roads Western Australia concerns regarding the long delays being experienced by Local Governments in the provision of pavement marking services, the implications of these delays and advocate for improvement in this service.
2. Approach Main Roads WA to request that they set up a panel contract that Local Government can access for the line marking contractors, to create greater efficiencies.

### **Grant Program Advocacy – Local Government Greening Perth – Environment and Waste**

That as the voice of Local Government in Western Australia, that WALGA advocates for a ‘Local Government Greening Perth grant program allocating \$10 - \$20 million annually, for Perth metropolitan Local Governments to grow and maintain their urban forests.

## **9. SPECIAL URGENT BUSINESS**

**Moved:** President Cr Tony Dean  
**Seconded:** President Cr Michelle Rich

**That the item of Special Urgent Business relating to Action to Reduce Run-off Road Crashes in Rural WA be considered.**

**RESOLUTION 127.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

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### **9.1 Action to Reduce Run-off Road Crashes in Rural WA**

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Single vehicle crashes are the most common crash type resulting in death and serious injury on rural roads in WA. In the five year period from 2013 to 2017, 61% of all fatalities and serious injuries in regional areas were as a result of single vehicle crashes.<sup>1</sup> For the same period, run off road crashes was the crash type resulting in the largest number of fatalities and serious injuries on Local Government managed roads in rural and remote WA.

There is evidence that specific road and roadside treatments aimed at reducing run-off road crashes are effective. The report *An Evaluation of the Effectiveness and Cost-effectiveness of a Rural Run-off road Crash Program in Western Australia* (Chow K, Meuleners L, Wong A, August 2016) examined approximately 984 kilometres of rural WA roads with specific run-off road treatments funded by the Rural Run-off Road Crash Program (2012/13, 2013/14 and 2014/15). Specific treatments examined included shoulder widening and/or sealing and audible edge-lines or white-lines. The before-and-after study period was from February 2007 to December 2015. The evaluation considered 57 sites and overall the sites reported a 35.5% reduction in run-off road crashes; an 18.4% reduction in run-off road casualty crashes; and a 25.6% reduction in run-off road KSI crashes.

The Western Australian Government invests approximately \$25 million per year from the Road Trauma Trust Account in targeted treatment of State highways to reduce run-off road crashes plus a similar amount to upgrade specific road sections for safety and productivity benefits. There has been an approach from the State to the Federal Government to fund a large scale program of work to treat 17,000km of State highways. The proposal is to invest \$100 million per year over 9 years, funded \$80 million per year by the Federal Government and \$20 million per year from the State Government.

Given the impact of road trauma on rural communities, Local Governments may wish to individually and collectively support this initiative through activities to encourage the Federal Government to financially support the program. It is anticipated that the motoring association, RAC WA will be advocating for this initiative in the 2020/21 pre-budget submission.

State Council will today be considering a submission to the Road Safety Council concerning the State's road safety strategy from 2020. The draft WALGA submission proposes the development and implementation of a speed management plan, rather than blanket reductions in speed limits. If this position is supported, then alternatives need to be considered to address the comparatively high rate of road trauma in regional Western Australia. Low cost treatments to upgrading significant lengths of roads and road sides is one measure that has been shown to be effective in reducing the frequency of death and serious injury from run off road crashes

In the 2019/20 and previous State budget submissions, WALGA has unsuccessfully advocated for funding to address run-off road crashes on targeted roads under Local Government control. State Government investment in reducing run-off road crashes would not necessarily need to increase should this initiative to secure Federal funding be successful. Consequently supporting the proposed investment is not directly competitive with the bid for investment in Local Government roads.

Issues to be considered are:

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<sup>1</sup> Road Safety Commission 29 August 2019

- The benefits and risks of WALGA and Councils advocating to the Federal Government for investment in reducing run off road crashes on rural Western Australian highways; and
- The advocacy approaches and activities State Council support, if any; and
- Timing and resourcing for any proposed activity.

*Cr Jenna Ledgerwood left the meeting at 1:26 and returned at 1:27pm.*

**Moved: President Cr Stephen Strange**  
**Seconded: Cr Julie Brown**

**That WALGA actively supports Federal and State Government investing in \$100m per year to seal shoulders and install edge lines to 17,000kms of State Highways over the next 10 years.**

**RESOLUTION 128.6/2019**

**CARRIED**

**10. MEETING ASSESSMENT**

Cr Brooke O'Donnell provided feedback as to the effectiveness of the meeting.

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

That the next meeting of the WALGA State Council be held at WALGA, on **Wednesday 4 December** to commence at 4pm.

**12. THANK YOU**

The Chair sincerely thanked President Cheryl Cowell, the Shire of Shark Bay and the Gascoyne Country Zone for hosting a very successful Regional Meeting.

President Cowell acknowledged the thanks on behalf of the Shire of Shark Bay and the Gascoyne Country Zone.

**13. CLOSURE**

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 1:30pm.