



# **MINUTES**

## **Freshwater Bay Museum Advisory Committee Meeting Thursday, 19 March 2020**

**Date: Thursday, 19 March 2020**

**Time: 5.00pm**

**Location: Town of Claremont  
Claremont Council Chambers  
308 Stirling Highway, Claremont**

**Liz Ledger  
Chief Executive Officer**

## **DISCLAIMER**

**Persons present at this meeting are cautioned against taking any action as a result of any Committee recommendations until such time as those recommendations have been considered by Council and the minutes of that Council meeting confirmed.**

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**MINUTES OF TOWN OF CLAREMONT  
FRESHWATER BAY MUSEUM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE TOWN OF CLAREMONT, CLAREMONT COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 308 STIRLING  
HIGHWAY, CLAREMONT  
ON THURSDAY, 19 MARCH 2020 AT 5.00PM**

**1 DECLARATION OF OPENING / ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS**

The Chairperson, Deputy Mayor Cr Jill Goetze, welcomed everyone to the first MAC meeting for 2020 and declared the meeting open at 5:00PM.

**2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE / APOLOGIES**

**PRESENT:**

Cr Jill Goetze	Deputy Mayor and Chairperson
Cr Annette Suann	Councillor
Deborah Bray	Community Representative
Ricki Hewitt	Community Representative
Rosemary Hunter	Community Representative
Karen Wood	Community Representative

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Andrew Smith	Director Infrastructure & Assets
Pippa Stokes	Museum Public Program Officer

**APOLOGIES:**

Karen Kaard

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE:**

Nil

**3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS**

Nil

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 001/20**

**Moved:** Community Representative Ricki Hewitt

**Seconded:** Community Representative Deborah Bray

**That the minutes of the Freshwater Bay Museum Advisory Committee Meeting held on 18 December 2019 be confirmed.**

**CARRIED**

**5 PRESENTATION**

Nil

## 6 REPORTS OF THE CEO

### 6.1 MUSEUM OPERATIONS REPORT DECEMBER 2019 TO FEBRUARY 2020

**File Number:** GOV/00050-02, D-20-09176

**Author:** Pippa Stokes, Museum Education Officer

**Authoriser:** Liz Ledger, Chief Executive Officer

**Attachments:** 1. Donations Register 

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#### PURPOSE

To advise the Committee of the Freshwater Bay Museum's activities from December 2019 to February 2020.

#### BACKGROUND

An updated report is provided to the Committee for each quarter.

#### DISCUSSION

##### Museum Program & Events:

- *HIACC* – February 6 – Pets & Vets: Former Murdoch University Professor, Mal Nairn shared his knowledge of veterinary practices in Western Australia and in particular the Murdoch Vet School and long running Claremont business, Swanbourne Veterinary Clinic. Museum staff also shared historical stories of interesting local pets such as Burr's pet seals and dog shows at the Claremont Showgrounds.
- *Au Revoir Summer* – February 27 – Olden Day Games: Museum staff assisted with the CTC's Au Revoir Summer event by providing olden day games such as quoits, hula and skittles for guests. The weather resulted in low attendance numbers to the event but high interaction with those present.
- *School Incursions* – Museum staff arranged several bookings for local schools to have visits by Mrs Herbert. The school incursions will begin in March.
- *Whadjuk Program* – Meetings were held with Mixed Media to progress the storyline and timeframe for development of the Noongar history film. The film will be shown to all students at the start of the education program to provide a rich context to the area's history.
- *Future Programs & Events* – Museum staff worked on upcoming events including an installation for ARTTRA, HIACC, National Trust Heritage Festival and Anzac Day.

##### Collection Management:

Continuation of record keeping and database entry to complete the de-accessioned items records.

##### Donations: see attachment *Donations Register*

During December the Town of Claremont provided employee photos for the Museum archives as well as a superseded laptop computer, for the Museum's contemporary collection, to show changes in technology over time. Photos from a significant Claremont family, the Menglers, were also added to the collection.

##### Museum Connections:

- *Subiaco Museum* – The Museum has currently loaned several items (mostly childhood toys and games) to the Subiaco Museum for their Up the Ladder exhibition. A tour of the exhibition has been organised for HIACC regulars and Claremont residents in late April.
- *WA Museum* – The Town has allowed the WA Museum to incorporate an image (of the 44<sup>th</sup> Battalion) and a section of film footage (of an interview with Noongar elder Ron Gidgup) in displays in the new WA Museum. Acknowledgement of the Town's contributions will be included.
- *Railway Heritage Museum* – The Town has approved the Railway Museum's use of a section of film footage taken at the Claremont Railway Station Centennial. Acknowledgement of the Town's contributions will be included.

#### Publicity & Promotion:

POST Newspaper article – February 15, page 37 - *Insight into Claremont's Past*: an article featuring recent additions to the museum collection, and their benefit for local history research, featured in the February 15 Post Newspaper. The article focused on the photos and memories provided to the Museum by Dorothy Mackenzie (nee Robinson). There was significant interest in the article with several calls and letters being received by readers wanting to follow up with individuals in the photograph. This increased awareness of the Museum's research capabilities.

#### Oral History Project:

Continued analysis of the themes, individuals, locations and businesses mentioned in oral history transcripts for ease of researching purposes.

#### Research Requests:

Numerous research requests were handled by Museum staff during this period, including *Flashback Friday* posts for the Town's social media, assistance with research for the PTA public art project, understanding of local elders for Nedlands and MLC Primary Schools and family history research.

December	Claremont Fire Station John Jones – Thomson Road
January	Number One Claremont Moustache Cup Picnic Image Tennis Game Image George Lucas Transport Image Claremont Baths Image Swanbourne High School
February	Francis Taaffe Traditional Elders of Claremont Aboriginal Deputation Photo Billy Burr's Seals Swanbourne Vet Clinic Robinson Family Claremont Signal Cabin Magic Lanterns Falkirk Dairy Lakeside Meat Supply Ice Works

The Friendlies Society  
Bike Licences  
Claremont Cane Shop  
Robert Hetherington  
' Methodist Church Organ  
Garland Tea Party Image  
Bus Ticket Machine  
Claremont Railway Station

## **PAST RESOLUTIONS**

Freshwater Bay Museum Advisory Committee 18 December 2019, Resolution: 013/19

*That the Freshwater Bay Museum's Operation Report from September to November 2019, as presented, be received by the Committee.*

## **FINANCIAL AND STAFF IMPLICATIONS**

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation.

## **POLICY AND STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

Local Government Act 1995.

## **COMMUNICATION / CONSULTATION**

Extent of communication limited to that as described within the content of this report.

## **STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN**

### **People**

*We live in an accessible and safe community that welcomes diversity, enjoys being active and has a strong sense of belonging.*

- Effectively manage and enhance the Town's community facilities in response to a growing community.
- Facilitate opportunities for social participation, health, learning and inclusion through programmed activities and events.
- Develop and implement a strategy that supports services for seniors and youths.
- Recognise and celebrate the Town's history and culture through arts and events.

## **URGENCY**

Nil.

## **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple majority decision of Council required.

**COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 002/20**

**Moved: Community Representative Karen Wood**

**Seconded: Community Representative Ricki Hewitt**

**That the Freshwater Bay Museum's Operation Report December 2019 to February 2020 be received by the Committee.**

**CARRIED**



**7 OTHER BUSINESS**

The Director of Infrastructure and Assets presented a PowerPoint presentation, providing an overview and update on the Freshwater Bay Museum Redevelopment Project Steering Group meetings.

The Presentation will also be made available to the Friends and Volunteers of the Freshwater Bay Museum who were unable to attend the presentation due to social distancing requirements.

**8 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE APPROVED BY THE PRESIDING PERSON OR BY DECISION OF MEETING****9 FUTURE MEETINGS OF COMMITTEE**

Freshwater Bay Museum Advisory Committee Meeting, Thursday 18 June 2020 at 5.00pm.

**10 DECLARATION OF CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business, the presiding member declared the meeting closed at 6:19PM.

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**CHAIRPERSON**