



**TOWN OF CLAREMONT**  
**LAKE CLAREMONT ADVISORY**  
**COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**  
**01 AUGUST, 2019**

**Liz Ledger**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

**Date** \_\_\_\_\_

## **DISCLAIMER**

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# LAKE CLAREMONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## MINUTES

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### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

Cr Haynes (Chairperson) welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 8:10AM. The Chair formally welcomed Cr Cilla de Lacy (City of Nedlands Councillor – Deputy Delegate) and UWA student/researcher Ms Anusree Kasarla as presenter.

### 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES

Cr Bruce Haynes  
Cr Cilla de Lacy

East Ward (Chairperson)  
City of Nedlands Councillor  
(Deputy Delegate)  
Friends of Lake Claremont Delegate  
Community Representative  
Scotch College Delegate

Mr Nick Cook  
Mr David Free  
Mr David Kyle  
  
Mr Andrew Smith  
Mr Jared Bray  
Mrs Isabelle Cadman

Director Infrastructure  
Supervisor Parks and Environment  
Administration Officer Infrastructure

Observer/Presenter

Ms Anusree Kasarla

UWA student/researcher and presenter

### APOLOGY

Cr Peter Browne, JP  
Ms Karen Wood  
Cr Kerry Smyth

West Ward (Deputy Mayor)  
Community Representative  
City of Nedlands

### 3 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

NIL

*The Chairperson agreed to deal with Items 5 to 7 while the presentation in Item 4 was being prepared.*

## **4 PRESENTATION**

### **4.1 WATER QUALITY**

A presentation on water quality at Lake Claremont by Anusree Kasarla (student/researcher from UWA).

*David Free left the meeting at 9:17AM.*

*David Free returned to the meeting at 9:19AM.*

### **MOTION**

**Moved Mr Free, seconded Mr Cook**

**That the Committee welcomes the contribution from Anusree Karsala and the University of Western Australia in regards to water quality and looks forward to further progress in respect to the proposed research.**

**CARRIED(21/19)  
(NO DISSENT)**

*Following Item 4.1 the Committee moved to Item 8.*

## **5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**Moved Mr Free, seconded Mr Cook**

**That the Minutes of the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee meeting, held on 02 May 2019 be confirmed.**

**CARRIED(19/19)  
(NO DISSENT)**

## **6 BUSINESS NOT DEALT WITH FROM A PREVIOUS MEETING**

The progress of the Lake Claremont Action Items list from previous meetings was tabled.

## **7 REPORTS OF THE CEO**

### **7.1 LAKE CLAREMONT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2018-19 PROGRESS REPORT & LAKE CLAREMONT OPERATIONAL PLAN 2019-20**

**File No:** PRK/00136-02  
**Attachments:** Lake Claremont Operational Plan 2019-20  
**Responsible Officer:** Andrew Smith  
Director - Infrastructure  
**Author:** Jared Bray  
Supervisor Parks and Environment  
**Proposed Meeting Date:** 01 August 2019

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#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to update the Lake Claremont Advisory Committee (LCAC) on tasks that have been completed in relation to the management of Lake Claremont and its surrounds.

#### **Background**

Activities which are identified in the Lake Claremont Operational Plan relating to the Lake Claremont Management Plan have been completed or are in planning for completion at the Lake Claremont precinct. These items are listed below:

- Turf Management
- Weed Management
- Litter Management
- Park Infrastructure
- Tree Management
- Vegetation Management
- Water and Soil Management
- Fauna Management
- Flora Management
- General Management
- Projects

#### **Discussion**

##### Turf Management

The parkland grass areas have coped well with the winter rains and storms and the growth rate has slowed which reduces the amount of clippings left behind.

##### Weed Management

Contractors have completed weed control for the months of May, June and July. The contractor will be installing some replacement plants in the areas near the living stream to replace some off target damage which occurred late last year. The contractor will also be completing a follow up spray of areas near Strickland Street to ensure adequate weed control.

The Town is currently reviewing its Weed Control tender, having previously advertised for this service in April 2019. Part of the areas under review within this tender are the dryland and wetland areas of the Lake.

Concerns are held with respect to the practical application of weed control spray in these areas, the experience of spray contractors as to the identification of weed and non-weeds on site, the prevalence of over spray and the need for wide ranging spray in much of the Lake reserve.

Initial discussions have been held with officers of FOLC and options are still under consideration in respect to how this might be able to be considered by Council.

It appears highly likely that there will be a proposal to decrease the use of Glyphosate, increase the use of alternate controls and start to implement mulching and planting out of areas that are currently sprayed also being considered as part of this process.

It is however unclear as to the best strategy at this stage to employ at the Lake, and if the Town should consider options, alternates, and priority areas as part of these discussions.

As part of this review of alternate weed control options, spraying of planting sites for the trees on the boundaries of the dog off lead exercise area is proposed to be undertaken through the use of a non-Glyphosate based product. Information in respect to the success of this product will be provided at the next meeting of the Committee.

#### Litter management

Town Officers have reported small amounts of litter being collected in the bushland and Parkland areas. The bin located at the bottom of the metal staircase has been reported to be filling regularly and the Town's health department have been informed of this and will review the service levels and if additional bins are required to be installed.

#### Park Infrastructure

Two new bench seats have been installed in the new dog off lead area. Town officers have also relocated a bench seat which was previously located in the planting area, to an area just north of Lakeway Street near the grass swale.

#### Tree Management

Path pruning has been undertaken by contractors along the paths which run past the living stream and the FOLC shed. A small Tuart located near the nature playground has also unfortunately failed.

#### Vegetation Management

Field Officers have been actively clearing the drains, which enter the Lake area, clearing overgrown vegetation, removing branches, leaves and litter.

Fungi mapping is currently being undertaken by the Bush Care Officer as the recent rains have provided optimal conditions for fungi to spawn.

Water and Soil Management

Lake levels have risen considerably due to the recent rains, with oxygen levels rising as a result. The trees which were planted along the old Stirling Road alignment are partially submerged and look to be growing well.

Fauna Management

Possible fox digs have been identified in the Lake Buffer near the Strickland Street cul-de-sac. Officers will be monitoring this site with a motion detecting camera to determine if the site is active.

This has also been reported to WESROC to note for the feral animal control program, for which funding has recently been approved and through which trapping will be completed in the coming months.

Flora Management

Planting around the FOLC shed has commenced with great success. Mulch will be relocated around the site to assist the bushland sites, providing ease of access.

The Bush Care Officer has completed minor hand weeding to assist the establishment of new seedlings and minor viewing corridor pruning has been completed. Two additional planting sessions have been arranged, with infill planting being completed in Ballaruk Bushland and the Alfred Road Woodland.

General Management

There have been two sewage leaks in close proximity to the Lake in the month of July. The Water Corporation attended on both occurrences and rectified the issue and clean up. Town Officers are awaiting a response as to the reasons for this and possible future management strategies for this problem.

Projects

Fencing surrounding the FOLC shed and the dog exercise area has been completed. A contractor will be completing grass control at the base of the fence in the coming weeks.

Trees to delineate the off lead dog area are scheduled for planting during August with the assistance of FOLC, along with the planting to border the edge of Mulder Park.

Mulching of various locations around the precinct has also been completed with more mulching piles being relocated in the coming weeks. Quotes to re-sheet the FOLC shed have also been obtained and are currently under review by the Town.



Site preparation for the 2020 planting site is proposed to commence in the coming months. This will include weed control of the site and spreading mulch. See site area below:



*Proposed planting locations 2020*

### **Past Resolutions**

Ordinary Council Meeting held on 3 July 2018, Resolution 115/18 (in part):

*That Council adopts the Lake Claremont Operational Plan 2018-19*

*Recommends to Council its adoption of the Draft 2019-20 Lake Claremont Operational Plan.*

### **Financial and Staff Implications**

Resource requirements are in accordance with existing budgetary allocation. The 2019-20 Operational Plan has been altered to better reflect staff resources available and how this capacity is being utilised.

### **Policy and Statutory Implications**

There are no policy and statutory implications.

The following documents are relevant to the Lake Claremont area.

- Lake Claremont Management Plan 2016-21
- Lake Claremont Operational Plan 2018-19

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**Communication / Consultation**

Consultation to members of the community in respect to Lake Claremont has been undertaken via the Town of Claremont website [www.claremont.wa.gov.au](http://www.claremont.wa.gov.au), the distribution and availability of Friends of Lake Claremont newsletters and Town Notice Boards located at Lake Claremont.

**Strategic Community Plan****Liveability**

*We are an accessible community with well-maintained and managed assets. Our heritage is preserved for the enjoyment of the community.*

- Provide clean, usable, attractive and accessible streetscapes and public spaces.

**Environmental Sustainability**

*We are a leader in responsibly managing the built and natural environment for the enjoyment of the community and continue to demonstrate diligent environmental practices.*

- Protect and conserve the natural flora and fauna of Lake Claremont and the Foreshore.

**Urgency**

None

**Voting Requirements**

Simple majority decision of Council required.

**OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved Mr Free, seconded Mr Cook.**

**That the Committee:**

- 1. Accepts the Lake Claremont Operational Plan 2019-20;**
- 2. Supports the preparation of the 2020 planting site adjacent to Alfred Road, Claremont.**

**CARRIED(20/19)  
(NO DISSENT)**

*David Kyle left the meeting at 8:37AM and did not return.*

*The Committee returned to Item 4.*

## **8 FRIENDS OF LAKE CLAREMONT**

**Attachments:** Friends of Lake Claremont Report  
(Attachment 1)

**Responsible Member:** Nick Cook  
Friends of Lake Claremont

**Meeting Date:** 01 August 2019

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### **OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

Moved Mr Cook, seconded Mr Free.

That the Committee receives the Friends of Lake Claremont update for July 2019.

**CARRIED(22/19)  
(NO DISSENT)**

