



# **MINUTES**

## **Special Wild Dog Management Committee Meeting Friday, 29 November 2019**

**MINUTES OF WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL  
SPECIAL WILD DOG MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD AT THE WINTON SHIRE COUNCIL BOARD ROOM  
ON FRIDAY, 29 NOVEMBER 2019 AT 3.00PM**

**1 COMMENCEMENT OF MEETING**

The Chair, Mr Ben Ogg welcomed everyone to the Special Meeting and declared the meeting open at 3.00pm.

**2 PRESENT**

Cr Gavin Baskett (Mayor), Cr Tina Elliott, Cr Travis Harbour

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr B Ogg (Chair), Mr S Axford, Mr R Bruhn (CEO), Mr P Krisanski (DoW), Mr F McKerrow, Mrs C White, Ms A Pentland, Mr C Dyer (Presenter)

**3 APOLOGIES**

Mr R Banning, Mr J Banning

**4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

**4.1 Review the correlation of the survey data**

Mr Charles Dyer provided a visual presentation of the information received from the survey data. The meeting reviewed the presentation content and proposed several amendments to enhance the presentation.

Mr B Ogg thanked Mr Dyer and Mr Axford for the hard work done to collate this data.

The amended presentation would now be referred to Council for endorsement and for it to be used to lobby all levels of government for the Bladensburg National Park to be fully fenced with pest exclusion fencing.

*Mr B Ogg*

Suggested the first action is to present the data to the State Government and if support is not forthcoming, then a second option could be to approach RAPAD.

*Mr S Axford*

Suggested Council approach the State Government to have Bladensburg National Park fully fenced with pest exclusion fencing and to lobby the Department to review their policies regarding the fencing of National Parks.

After open discussion, it was resolved to send a covering letter and a copy of the amended presentation to the following government representatives and agencies: -

Federal Government	State Government	Organisations
Michael McCormack MP	Premier Annastacia Palaszczuk MP	MLA
Senator Susan McDonald	Mr Lachlan Millar	Q Dog
David Littleproud MP	Mr Mark Furner MP	Agforce
Senator Bridget McKenzie	Mr Robbie Katter	NP&W Director-General Jamie Merrick
Bob Katter MP	Ms Leeanne Enoch	AWI
Senator Matthew Canavan		

#### 4.2 Recommendations to Council

##### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 19.11.01

Moved: B Ogg  
Seconded: C White

THAT Council advocate for the entire fencing of the Bladensburg National Park with a Wild Dog Exclusion Fence and seek a collaborative approach from all 3 levels of government to acquire the funding of this project.

**CARRIED**

To further demonstrate support for this proposal, the Committee will liaise with all adjoining property owners of the Bladensburg National Park requesting them to signify their support for this proposal.

##### Attendance:

Mr H Elliott attended the meeting at 3.52pm.

##### COMMITTEE RESOLUTION 19.11.02

Moved: S Axford  
Seconded: F McKerrow

THAT following the amended version of the '*Dog Eat Sheep*' presentation receiving approval from the Chair and Deputy Chair of the Wild Dog Advisory Committee, the presentation be referred to Council for endorsement.

**CARRIED**

#### 4.3 Review of the Trapper

The contractual employment of the Wild Dog Trapper has been referred to Council.

#### 4.4 2020 Meeting Dates

- 5 February
- 6 May
- 5 August
- 14 October

### 5 CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from the Rural Lands Officer, Mr Geoff Cox was tabled.

### 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

*B Ogg*

- The letter requesting donations from landowners for future baiting programs is progressing and the content will include:
  - Request for a voluntary landowner contribution of \$500;
  - This request is being actioned due to current budget constraints and the increase in meat supply and other costs;
  - Landowners benefit directly from the baiting programs;
  - This co-contribution is to maintain the current level of service for baiting;
  - The Wild Dog Committee are pro-actively trying to control costs and work within their current budget allocation;
  - Landowners need to take some responsibility to help themselves.
  
- The Central West Wild Dog Coordinator position has closed with 3 applicants.

### 7 CLOSURE AND NEXT MEETING DATE

The next Wild Dog Advisory Committee Meeting to be held on 5 February 2020.

**The Meeting closed at 4.36pm.**

**The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Wild Dog Advisory Committee Meeting held on .....**

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**CHAIRPERSON**