



**MINUTES OF ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND TREES SUB COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD IN WITTBER & DR RUBY DAVY ROOMS, SALISBURY
COMMUNITY HUB, 34 CHURCH STREET, SALISBURY ON**

12 MARCH 2024

MEMBERS PRESENT	Cr L Brug (Chairman) Deputy Mayor, Cr C Buchanan Cr J Chewparsad Cr P Jensen (via Teams Video Conferencing) Cr S Ouk
OBSERVERS	Cr A Graham
STAFF	General Manager City Infrastructure, Mr J Devine General Manager City Development, Ms M English Manager Governance, Mr R Deco Manager Engineering Assets & Solutions, Mr M Purdie Manager Urban, Recreation & Natural Assets, Mr J Foong Coordinator Strategic Sustainability, Ms L Daddow Team Leader Parks & Landscape, Mr N John PA to GM City Infrastructure, Ms H Prasad City Infrastructure Administration Officer, Ms J Hale

The meeting commenced at 6:47 pm.

The Chairman welcomed the Elected Members, members of the public and staff to the meeting.

APOLOGIES

Apologies have been received from Mayor G Aldridge and Cr S McKell.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

PRESENTATION OF MINUTES

Moved Cr S Ouk
Seconded Cr J Chewparsad

The Minutes of the Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub
Committee Meeting held on 12 February 2024, be taken as read and
confirmed.

CARRIED

REPORTS

**ESATS1 Future Reports for the Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub
Committee**

Moved Cr S Ouk
Seconded Cr J Chewparsad

That Council:

1. Notes the report.

CARRIED

ESATS2 Tree Removal Requests - January 2024

Moved Cr C Buchanan
Seconded Cr P Jensen

That Council:

1. Notes the report.

CARRIED

ESATS3 Appeals Report - Tree Removal Requests - Various Locations for January 2024

Moved Cr J Chewparsad

Seconded Cr P Jensen

That Council:

1. Notes that the technical tree assessments undertaken for 3 Crown Crescent, Paralowie, 40 Firmin Street, Paralowie, and 36 Birch Avenue, Salisbury East does not conclude removal be recommended, based solely on the application of Council approved tree removal criteria.
2. Notes that, as part of the appeal process, the refused tree removal requests appealed during the month of January 2024, as outlined in the report (Item ESATS3 Appeals Report – Tree Removal Requests – Various Locations for January 2024 – Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee, 12 March 2024), are now presented to the Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee for consideration and/or recommendation to Council as per the Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee’s Terms of Reference.

That the Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee, using its delegated authority under its adopted Terms of Reference:

3. Considering the current State Government legislation in regards to regulated and significant trees, notes there is a high likelihood of unsuccessful development applications for tree removals arising from appeals; and on that basis:
 - 3.1 Refuses the removal of the one (1) Regulated Tree located at 3 Crown Crescent, Paralowie.
 - 3.2 Refuses the removal of the one (1) Significant Tree located at 40 Firmin Street, Paralowie.
4. Defers consideration of the removal of the one (1) Non Regulated/Significant Tree located at 36 Birch Avenue, Salisbury East, pending the outcome of the formal review of the Tree Management Policy.

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FURTHER MOTION – CR C BUCHANAN

Moved Cr C Buchanan
Seconded Cr S Ouk

That Council:

1. Noting that the Expert Panel for the Planning System Implementation Review on Significant and Regulated Trees has concluded, requests that the Mayor and Chief Executive Officer write to the Minister for Planning formally requesting:
 - 1.1 consideration be given as a priority to amend the significant and regulated trees controls under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* to exempt *Eucalyptus sideroxylon* due to the species not being native to the region; and
 - 1.2 consideration also be given to exempt *Eucalyptus intertexta*, *camaldulensis*, *leucoxylon*and that a copy of Council’s previous submission be included in that correspondence.
2. Requests that Administration include in all appeal refusal letters relating to regulated or significant *Eucalyptus sideroxylon* (Iron Bark) trees that have been denied removal advice that Council has requested the State Government consider excluding *Eucalyptus sideroxylon* from the trees protected under the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*, including the responses to the applicants that requested removal of:
 - 2.1 one (1) Regulated Tree located at 3 Crown Cres, Paralowie; and
 - 2.2 one (1) Significant Tree located at 40 Firmin Street, Paralowie.

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ESATS4 Climate Change Risk Assessment

Moved Cr C Buchanan
Seconded Cr J Chewparsad

That Council:

1. Notes the Climate Change Risk Assessment Report prepared by consultants in Attachment 1 (Item ESATS4 Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee 12 March 2024).
2. Approves the development of a Climate Change Adaptation Action Plan to guide and prioritise risk controls and next steps drawing on findings of the climate change risk assessment.
3. Approves a 2023/24 Third Quarter Non-discretionary Budget Bid of \$50,000 to develop the Climate Change Adaptation Action Plan.

CARRIED
UNANIMOUSLY

ESATS5 Sustainability Strategy 2035 Progress Report

Moved Cr C Buchanan
Seconded Cr S Ouk

That Council:

1. Approves the provision of six-monthly reports on the progress of implementation of the Sustainability Strategy as detailed in Attachment 1 of the report (Item No ESATS5 Environmental Sustainability and Trees Sub Committee 12 March 2024).

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QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

There were no Questions on Notice.

MOTIONS ON NOTICE

There were no Motions on Notice.

OTHER BUSINESS

(Questions Without Notice, Motions Without Notice, CEO Update)

There were no Other Business items.

CLOSE

The meeting closed at 7.27pm.

CHAIRMAN.....

DATE.....