

Shire of Kojonup

Kojonup



Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee

AGENDA

30 November 2017

TO: COMMITTEE MEMBERS

NOTICE is hereby given that a meeting of the Kojonup Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee will be held in the **CWA Building**, Albany Highway, Kojonup on **Thursday, 30 November 2017 at 1:00pm.**

Your attendance is respectfully requested.

RICK MITCHELL-COLLINS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

24 November 2017

AGENDA FOR THE KOJONUP NRM ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
TO BE HELD ON 30 NOVEMBER 2017

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A G E N D A

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF GUESTS

The Chief Executive Officer shall declare the meeting open at pm and alert the meeting of the procedures for emergencies including evacuation, designated exits and muster points.

Being the first meeting of the new Advisory Committee following Council's review of its committees at its ordinary meeting held 14 November 2017; members present are to elect a Presiding Member in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995* as the committee is subject to the same standing orders that apply to Elected Members in a formal Council Meeting. Members of the public may also attend as observers.

2 ATTENDANCE & APOLOGIES

MEMBERS

Mr Ned Radford	Councillor
Mr John Benn	Councillor
Mrs Kath Mathwin	Community Representative
Mrs Jennifer Edgerton-Warburton	Community Representative
Mr Graham Blacklock	Community Representative
Mr Rick Mitchell-Collins	Chief Executive Officer
Ms Marina Murray	Supervisor Horticulture Tradesperson
Mrs Jane Kowald	Landcare/NRM Officer
Mr Paul Retallack	Senior Ranger/Building Maintenance Coordinator

OBSERVERS

Mr Craig McVee	Kojonup Aboriginal Corporation
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APOLOGIES

3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

4 SUMMARY OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

KOJONUP NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE 30 AUGUST 2017.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded that the minutes of the Kojonup Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee meeting held 10 August 2017 be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED/LOST /

7 **ANNOUNCEMENTS** by the Presiding Member without discussion

In respect to the Council Meeting held 19 September 2017, Council received the unconfirmed minutes of the NRM Advisory Committee meeting held 10 August 2017 and made the following decision:

“COUNCIL DECISION/OFFICER RECOMMENDATION 113/17

113/17 Moved Cr Pritchard, seconded Cr Mathwin that the attached unconfirmed minutes for the Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee meeting held 10 August 2017 be received by Council and Council approve the following Committee Decisions:

COMMITTEE DECISION

33/17 That the Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee seek Council’s approval to purchase five (5) laminated AO size Reserve Location Maps from GL Code 5686. Jane Kowald will seek a new quote and request that vesting order information be included on the Map and ask for a digital copy of the Map.

COMMITTEE DECISION

36/17 That the Natural Resource Management Advisory Committee recommends to Council that Jane Kowald be given permission to liaise with Annabelle Garratt from the Wagin Woodanilling Landcare Zone group to run a ‘Pest Management Workshop’ in the Kojonup Shire, working with Southern DiRT where possible. Advice Note: There is no cost involved to bring this workshop to the Shire of Kojonup as it is fully funded through the Department Primary Industries and Regional Development: Agriculture and Food and refreshments will be provided by the Wagin Woodanilling Landcare Zone group.

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8 **PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**

9 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

10.2 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – SOUTH WEST CATCHMENTS COUNCIL (SWCC) PROJECT GW.GWS13.SK – MYRTLE BENN FLORA & FAUNA SANCTUARY OPEN DAY

ATTACHMENTS 10.2 – Article in Shire ENews

The progress for Project GW.GWS13.SK is as follows:

Name of Event	Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary Open Day
Project Code	GW.GWS13.SK
Targets Addressed	Community Engagement
Aim	To get the community of Kojonup to visit the sanctuary and identify with the natural landscape, and to view the new signs that have been erected as part of a Lotterywest grant.
Background	The Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary has a rich history and the Sanctuary is visited often by locals and tourists. Previously the only signage has been an entrance sign. The Shire of Kojonup's Natural Resource Management Group identified the Sanctuary as being a place of importance to the local community and sought ways to enhance the experience for visitors. The Friends of Myrtle Benn were then formed and they identified signs as to be a priority. The NRM/Landcare Officer for the Shire of Kojonup then sought, and was awarded funding to replace what little signage there was and to create new signs. There are now over 50 directional markers along the walk trails, four interpretation signs under a shelter and 20 plant identification signs. To celebrate the new signs, SWCC funded a BBQ and open event, the Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary Open Day.
Location	Tunney Road, Kojonup, WA, 6395
Date	14 October 2017
Project Partners (if applicable)	SWCC, Shire of Kojonup, Lotterywest
Facilitator	Jane Kowald
Total Numbers of Participants	70
Total Numbers of Evaluations Returned	0

Further to this, the Opening Day for the Sanctuary was reported to the public via an article published in the Kojonup News and in the Shire's ENews (electronic newsletter) as per Attachment 10.2.

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary Open Day be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

Attachment 10.2

SPOTLIGHT ON OPEN DAY AT MYRTLE BENN SANCTUARY

Over 40 visitors and members of the Kojonup community enjoyed viewing the new signage funded by Lotterywest at the Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary opening on Saturday, 14 October 2017. Special guests included John Benn and Ann Cook (Myrtle Benn's son and daughter) and David Cook (Ann's son) pictured below with Shire CEO, Rick Mitchell-Collins and the sculpture of Myrtle at the entrance to the Sanctuary walk trails.



Attendees enjoyed a walk around the reserve (marked by new directional signage) and looking for the 20 plant ID signs spread along the walk trails followed by a BBQ lunch funded by the South West Catchments Council. A new pamphlet for the reserve is on its way with photos of the new signs and will be available to visitors through The Kodja Place. Many thanks to the Friends of Myrtle Benn, the Kojonup Men's Shed and the Shire of Kojonup Depot crew for

*Jane Kowald
Landcare/NRM Officer*

working hard to ensure all the signs were installed in time for the opening.



Above—Phil Worts (left) and Chris Evans enjoying the new interpretative signage.

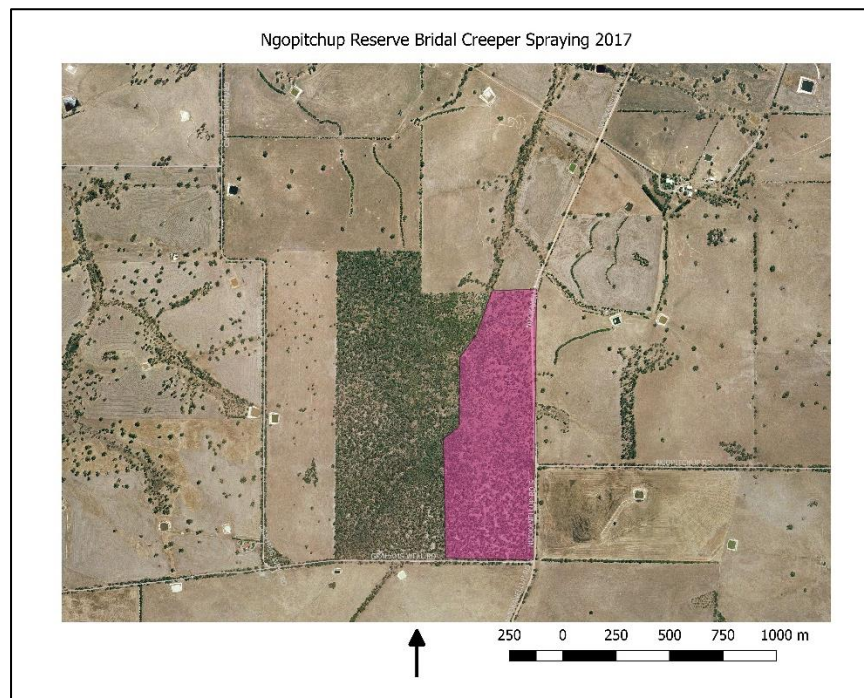
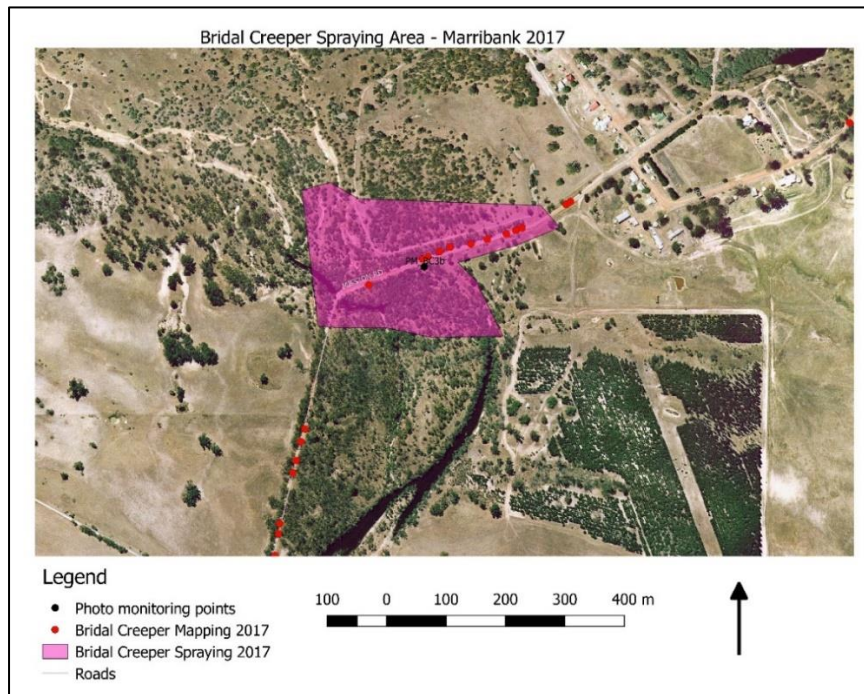
Below – Wayne Zadow and Kath Mathwin digging holes for the sign posts.



10.3 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – SOUTH WEST CATCHMENTS COUNCIL (SWCC) PROJECT GW.GWS13.SK – BRIDAL CREEPER

Bridal Creeper was chemically controlled to improve biodiversity as part of the SWCC GW.GWS13.SK project. Sites were chosen with consultation with Graham Blacklock. There are two sites:

1. Ngopitchup Reserve, along Nookanellup and Grahams Well Road
2. Marribank Mission reserve



Initial photo monitoring indicates desiccation of leaves has occurred on the sprayed Bridal Creeper, but successive years of spraying would be required to manage this weed.



Photo monitoring point 3a, Mission Road, Marribank, before spraying 30 June 2017 (left) and after spraying 24 October 2017 (right).



Photo monitoring point 3b, Mission Road, Marribank, before spraying 30 June 2017 (left) and after spraying 24 October 2017 (right).

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on Bridal Creeper be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

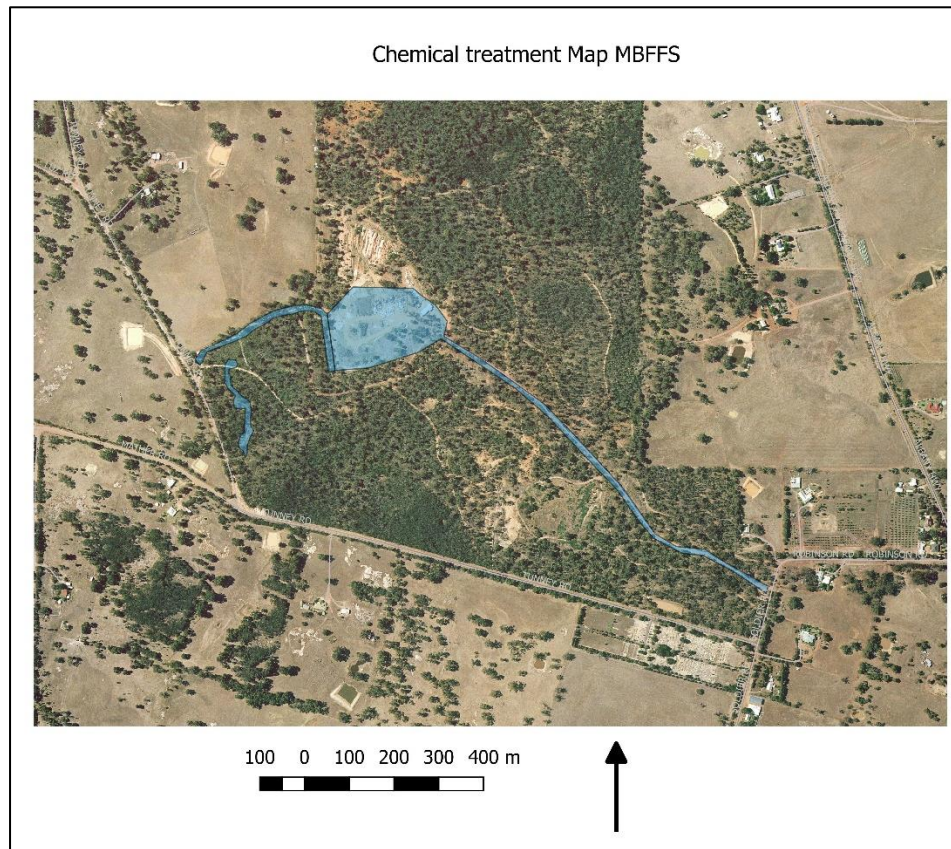
/17 Moved , seconded

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10.4 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – SOUTH WEST CATCHMENTS COUNCIL (SWCC) PROJECT GW.GWS13.SK – FRIENDS OF MYRTLE BENN ACTIVITIES

The Friends of Myrtle Benn group assisted in a weeding busy-bee to remove Rock Sheoak from a section of the Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary as per the recommendations from Phil Wort's report. This was held on 5 May 2017 and about 0.4Ha of Rock Sheoak were grubbed by hand. A follow-up day was held on 18 August 2017, completing the removal.

In addition, Shire of Kojonup works crew assisted with spraying of grasses and bridal creeper along the paths and around the reserve as per map below.



RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on the Friends of Myrtle Benn group activities be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

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10.5 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – SOUTH WEST CATCHMENTS COUNCIL (SWCC) PROJECT GW.GWS13.SK – PHASCOGALE NEST BOXES

Name of Event	Phascogale Nest Box Installation and Kindy Visit at Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary
Project Code	GW.GWS13.SK
Targets Addressed	Community Engagement
Aim	Install student built Phascogale Nest Boxes in the Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary, educate students about Phascogales life-cycle, habitat, and threats. Kindy kids gained an appreciation of the variety of flowers, birds and insects that can be found in the bush.
Background	In 2016, students from the year 6/7 class from Kojonup District High School built 10 phascogale nest boxes from recycled materials. The trip this year was to install the nest boxes and to learn about phascogales, giving students a sense of ownership to the project. Kindy students were invited to learn about the birds, plants and insects that live in the bush, increasing their understanding of the natural environment and the importance of nature conservation.
Date	14 September 2017
Facilitator	Jane Kowald
Total Numbers of Participants	53 students, 5 teachers/EA's and Heritage Bush Australia's, Angela Sanders

The Kojonup News and Weekender published the story and it was in the Shire of Kojonup e-news at: <https://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/09-22-September-2017-ENews.pdf>

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on Phascogale Nest Boxes be noted.

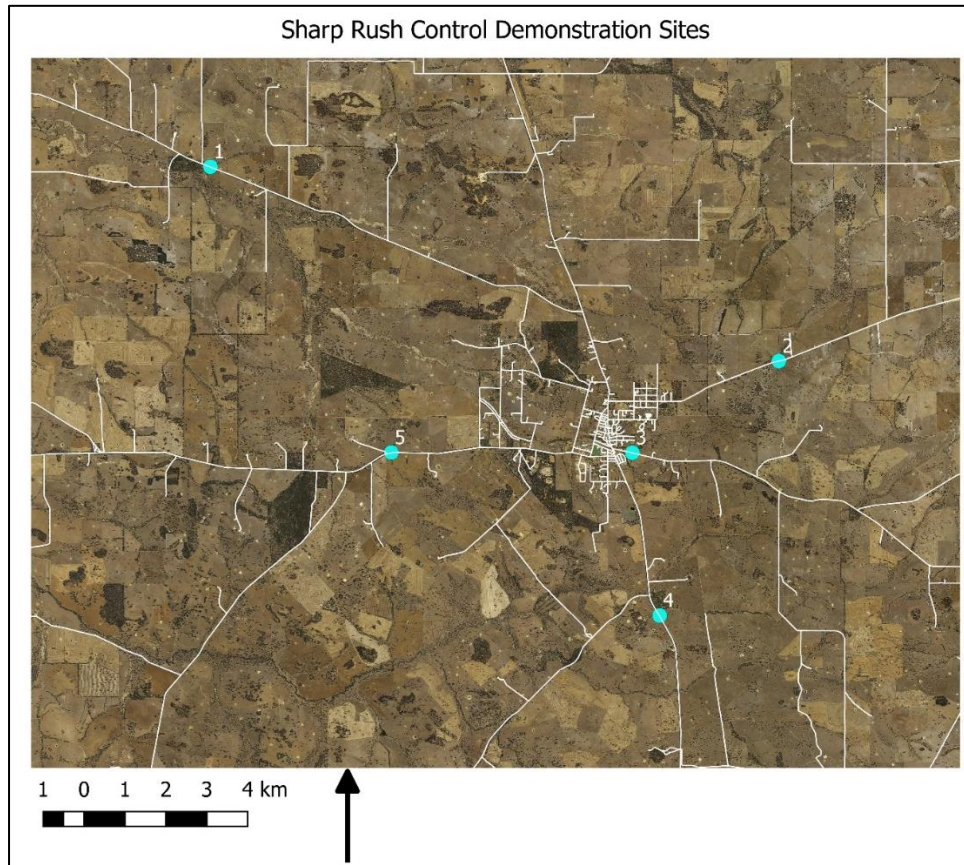
COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

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10.6 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – SOUTH WEST CATCHMENTS COUNCIL (SWCC) PROJECT GW.GWS13.SK – SHARP RUSH DEMONSTRATION SITES

Two demonstration sites (Site 1 and 3 below) were sprayed on 20 September 2017 using glyphosate bioactive and pulse. Main Roads sprayed the other three sites with glyphosate. Signs were purchased and erected at sites 1 and 3. Before and after photos show good weed kill. The sites will need to be monitored again to assess re-growth or germination of new plants.



Site 1 Collie-Changerup Road, looking NE

Before 17 February 2017



After 3 November 2017



Site 1 Collie-Changerup Road, looking SW

Before 17 February 2017



After 3 November 2017



Site 3 Kojonup-Broomehill Road, looking N

Before 14 November 2017



After 3 November 2017



Site 3 Kojonup-Broomehill Road, looking S

Before



After 3 November 2017



A field trip of some of the demonstration sites and visit farmers who have attempted Sharp Rush eradication is to be held early 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer’s report on Sharp Rush Demonstration Sites be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

10.8 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – LOTTERYWEST SIGNS FOR MYRTLE BENN FLORA & FAUNA SANCTUARY

The directional, interpretative and entrance signs were installed in time for the Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary Open Day on 14 October 2017. New pamphlets have been printed and have been handed on to Kodja Place for distribution. Upon payment of the final invoice to Kulbardi Hill Contracting, this project can be acquitted.

The additional signage has also been purchased and installed.

There is one steel cut-out to be placed in the Sanctuary.





RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer’s report on Lotterywest Signs for Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

10.9 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – RECYCLING

ATTACHMENTS 10.9 – Recycling Meeting Minutes

A meeting was held on 24 October 2017 between Jane Kowald – Shire of Kojonup NRM/Landcare Officer, Loreen Greeuw – Senior Library Officer, Andrea Salamond – Katanning Landcare and Matt Webb – Warren Blackwood Waste to discuss recycling initiatives and ideas for areas serviced by Warren-Blackwood Waste. From that meeting, a Recycling Facility Tour was conducted on 22 November 2017 which 37 attended.



A follow-up meeting will be held on a tentatively set date of 6 February 2017 where representatives from shires serviced by Warren-Blackwood Waste will be invited to attend.

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on Recycling be noted and no further action is required.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

Attachment 10.9

RECYCLING
Meeting 24th October 2017
NRM/Landcare Office Kojonup

Present: Jane Kowald (Kojonup NRM/Landcare), Andrea Salamond (Katanning Landcare), Matt Webb (Warren Blackwood Waste) and Lorreen Greeuw (Shire of Kojonup).

Warren Blackwood Waste services the Shires of:

- Cranbrook
- Lake Grace
- Katanning
- Kent
- Dumbleyung
- Broomehill-Tambellup
- Gnowangerup
- Kojonup

Current Recycling Projects:

Katanning – 10 week bin transformation (43 participants, locally 7), Facebook posts. In the Katanning Office there are teracycle recycle bins (post-packs, beauty products, batteries, single-use coffee cups w/out lids, toothbrushes).

Kojonup – nothing formal, an occasional Kojonup News article.

Ideas for projects:

Towns

- Education
Use all media platforms to cover a large audience. Taylor messages for the converted (contacting manufacturers, choosing lower graded plastics over higher graded), unconverted (general recycling principals, how to use their recycle bin better). Great way to teach parents is through their kids, programs through schools including ‘naked lunch days’.

Matt chase up Kathy Wright’s DVD’s from Kojonup District High School.

- Recycling Bin Usage
Most people are good. English as a second language or new immigrants do not understand recycling and put general rubbish mixed with recycling.

Kojonup recycle bins are generally low in contaminants and the 24hr recycling bin located at the recycle station is well used.

Recycling facility tour. Wednesday, 22nd November 10:30-11:00am. Jane ask Ella about shopping tour after Facility tour.

Stickers for bins? General agreement that they are needed, would require enough to cover the 8 Shires Warren Blackwood Waste covers. The sticker below is an example from the City of Wollongong.

Maybe get school kids or groups to put the stickers on on rubbish collection day?

Katanning - funding for stickers across the 8 shires, on rubbish collection day get students to stick it on. Sophie Justins (Public Relations Katanning) possibly working on a sticker already, Andrea to follow up.

Check WALGA (West Australian Local Government Authority) website – Jane.

Recycling Collection Service

What you **CAN** place in your Recycling Bin

- Paper & Cardboard
- Steel & Aerosol Cans
- Glass Bottles & Jars
- Aluminium Cans, Trays & Clean Foil
- Rigid Plastic Containers, including Lids
- Milk & Juice Cartons

For more information visit wollongongwaste.com.au or contact the REMONDIS Harbour Cities team on 1300 362 360

Bins must be placed out before 6:00 a.m. on your collection day and removed from the kerbside on the day they are serviced

These items **contaminate** your recycling and **MUST NOT** be placed in your Recycling Bin

- Plastic Bags, Wrap & Food Scraps
- Disposable Nappies & Polystyrene Foam
- Garden Waste & Hoses
- Paints & Oils
- Crockery, Drinking Glasses & Pyrex
- Syringes & Medical Waste

Plastic bags are **NOT** accepted in your Recycling Bin. These will contaminate the recycling process. If you place the wrong items into your Recycling Bin it may not be collected.

REMONDIS

<http://www.wollongongwaste.com.au/Recycling-Collection-Service>

- Street Scaping – Public Rubbish Bins
Matt says that Lake Grace has the best 140L bins, one for Landfill and one for Recycle (see photo below). There are around 40 in the Kojonup townsite, the main street bins get emptied 3 times a week.

Katanning, the Shire takes care of the ones in the main street, WBW empties the all ages playground bins 3 times/week.



- **Boomerang Bags**
Natalie Nicholson in Katanning – selling them at the moment cover costs. Other towns that have the Boomerang Bags report that it takes about 2-3 years to get people to bring them back to the collection bin.

Need to try and change people's views on recycling and re-useable products instead of single-use products. Resisting the feeling of empowerment to say I can afford it and I can afford to throw it away.
- **Container Deposit Scheme**
Bring it back on the manufacturers. Pressure has to come back to them, they are the ones that make the packaging that we can't refuse.
- **eWaste**
EWaste is anything with a micro-chip in it. WB Baste applied for tender October to take to Perth, still waiting to hear for the outcome. Katanning tip are stockpiling at the moment (Andrea follow up).
- **Farms**
Silage wraps and silo bags cannot be recycled because of their organic contaminants (bio product customs problems).
- **Soft plastics focus reducing waste in general as it is really hard to get rid of.**
- **Ethical fashion**
6000km/10mins of textile waste in Australia

Next meeting: Involve more Shires to see what initiatives they are using/thinking of using.

Tentative date: 6th February 2018, 9:30am, venue TBC.

10.10 NRM/LANDCARE OFFICER REPORT – RESERVE LOCATION MAPS

Maps have been printed and received.

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer’s report on Reserve Location Maps be noted and no further action is required.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

10.11 FINANCIAL REPORT

ATTACHMENTS 10.11.1 – Financial Report for period ending 31 August 2017
 10.11.2 – Financial Report for period ending 30 September 2017
 10.11.3 – Financial Report for period ending 31 October 2017

Attachments to be tabled at the meeting.

The current financial state of funding available for the NRM Advisory Committee within the Shire of Kojonup 2017/18 Budget is provided in the attachments on the following pages.

It should be noted that funds may not be spent without Council approval and planned expenditure will need to go to a Council Meeting as an Agenda Item.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Financial Report for the periods ending 31 August, 30 September and 31 October 2017 be received and noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

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10.12 BEAUFORT LANDCARE GROUP

The Beaufort Landcare Group transferred \$29,488.33 (less GST = \$26,808) to Council on 17 July 2017 and it currently sits under General Ledger Code 5613 – Protection of the Environment in the Shire Budget. It is suggested that any projects planned for the Beaufort Area utilising the above funds include consultation with past Beaufort Landcare Group members.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report on the Beaufort Landcare Group be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

10.13 RECOGNISED BIOSECURITY GROUP

Jane Kowald has been in contact with Annabelle Garratt and will be holding a Pest Management Workshop in February or March 2018.

RECOMMENDATION

That the NRM/Landcare Officer's report on Recognised Biosecurity Group be noted.

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

11 ITEMS

Nil.

12 LATE ITEMS

13 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

14 NEXT MEETING

The Natural Resource Management Committee needs to recommend dates to be considered by Council for next year.

RECOMMENDATION

That the below Natural Resource Management Committee meeting dates be considered by Council for adoption:

- 1. Thursday, 22 February 2018**
- 2. Thursday, 24 May 2018**
- 3. Thursday, 23 August 2018**
- 4. Thursday, 22 November 2018**

COMMITTEE DECISION

/17 Moved , seconded

CARRIED/LOST /

The next meeting of the NRM Advisory Committee is to be held on 22 February 2018 at 1:00pm at the CWA Building.

15 CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the Presiding Member thanked the members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at pm.

16 ATTACHMENTS (SEPARATE)

Item 10.7 – DRAFT Kojonup Weed Strategy