## **TOWN OF COTTESLOE**



# DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES

MAYOR'S PARLOUR, COTTESLOE CIVIC CENTRE 109 BROOME STREET, COTTESLOE 6.00 PM, MONDAY, 16 APRIL 2012

**CARL ASKEW**Chief Executive Officer

20 April 2012

### **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES COMMITTEE**

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#### 1 DECLARATION OF MEETING OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

The Presiding Officer announced the meeting opened at 6:02 pm.

# 2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE (PREVIOUSLY APPROVED)

#### **Present**

Cr Jack Walsh Presiding Member

Cr Katrina Downes Cr Greg Boland Cr Peter Jeanes Cr Vic Strzina

#### **Officers Present**

Mr Carl Askew Chief Executive Officer

Mr Andrew Jackson Manager Development Services

Mr Ed Drewett Senior Planning Officer

Mr Will Schaefer Planning Officer

Mrs Julie Ryan Development Services Secretary

#### **Apologies**

Cr Yvonne Hart

#### **Officer Apologies**

Nil

#### **Leave of Absence (previously approved)**

Nil

#### 3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

#### 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Nil

#### 5 PUBLIC STATEMENT TIME

Nil

#### 6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

#### 7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved Cr Strzina, seconded Cr Walsh

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The Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Development Services Committee, held on 19 March 2012 be confirmed.

Carried 5/0

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

Nil

9 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil

#### 10 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OFFICERS

#### 10.1 PLANNING

## 10.1.1 METROPOLITAN REGION SCHEME (MRS) AMENDMENT – RATIONALISATION OF STIRLING HIGHWAY RESERVATION

File No: SUB/1058

Attachments: MRS Amendment

Responsible Officer: Carl Askew

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Author: Ed Drewett

**Senior Planning Officer** 

Proposed Meeting Date: 16 April 2012

Author Disclosure of Interest: Nil

#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to provide Council with an overview of a proposed MRS Amendment to rationalise the Stirling Highway Reservation that has been prepared by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) and released for public consultation. The comment period closes on 27 July 2012.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Media Statement**

A media statement on the MRS Amendment was released by the Planning Minster, the Hon. John Day, on 21 March 2012 and advised:

The State Government has released for public comment an amendment to the Metropolitan Region Scheme to facilitate the improvement of Stirling Highway over the next 20 years.

While Stirling Highway's configuration would remain two lanes each way, the amendment proposed some adjustment to the current road reservation which would help better meet local traffic needs and cater for users of the road into the future.

Stirling Highway is an integral part of Perth's road network for local residents and the thousands of motorists, pedestrians, cyclists and public transport users that travel along it each day.

This amendment is an opportunity for the public to consider and comment on transport planning and the long term design of Stirling Highway, the historical link between Perth and Fremantle.

It will allow for improved road safety focusing on pedestrian, cyclist and public transport amenity and provide consistent planning guidance across seven local councils for the next two decades.

This process would help to provide clarity and certainty for landowners along the highway, many of whom have been significantly affected by the reservation since 1963.

Proper planning for improvements along Stirling Highway has long been needed and it is crucial that the State Government provides this certainty as Perth grows.

Put simply, we have arrived at a situation in which the reserve as currently applied is too wide in some locations while not wide enough in others.

The amendment identifies more than 25 hectares of private land that is surplus to highway requirements, which is currently included in the road reservation, and the amendment proposes to rezone the land to remove restrictions on future development.

There are, however, certain areas where increases or minor variations to the current reserve are proposed - affected landowners will be contacted individually and these adjustments will be subject to extensive public consultation.

Without agreement on a future plan for Stirling Highway, it will not be possible to coordinate improvements that are vital to its continued safe use as Perth grows during the next 20 years.

#### **Amendment Report**

The MRS Amendment report details the background to the proposed changes. The main points are summarised as follows:

- Stirling Highway has been reserved in the MRS since 1963. Under the current MRS it has the status of a Primary Regional Roads reservation. The originally gazetted regional road reservation was approximately 80 metres wide, more than twice the width necessary for such a regional road;
- Amending the reservation over Stirling Highway will provide clarity and certainty for future road planning and orderly land use planning along the urban corridor:
- Stirling Highway traverses seven Local Government Areas (LGAs) and requires consistent regional road planning and design guidance across municipal boundaries for long term safety and amenity of road users;
- From the mid 1990s until recently the WAPC supported the practice of imposing a 5 metre interim setback from Stirling Highway for any proposed development or subdivision north of Jarrad Street in Cottesloe, thus permitting development within the remaining MRS reserve. In 2009 this interim setback reservation was extended to North Fremantle for consistency but was based on little practical road design consideration. Interim setbacks are no longer used for assessment, with subdivision and development proposals presently assessed against the proposed MRS Amendment, given its advanced detail;

- In 1999, the Stirling Highway Reservation Planning Review (SHRPR) proposed a decrease of the Stirling Highway reservation between Jarrad Street, Cottesloe and Winthrop Avenue, Subiaco. This study was completed by Main Roads WA in 2002 and concluded that future traffic volumes on Stirling Highway were likely to increase marginally over future decades depending on development densities and the move towards more sustainable transport. Four lanes (two each way), a central median, intersection improvements, improved pedestrian/cyclist facilities and public transport priority measures were identified as necessary for ultimate road design;
- In 2006 the Infrastructure Coordinating Committee (of the WAPC) required that any review of MRS road reservations in inner urban areas include planning for 5.1 metre verges to accommodate better pedestrian amenity and adequate off-road space for the provision of underground services and landscaping;
- The proposed MRS Amendment and accompanying Concept Design Plans seek to modify the existing reservation to match the road design that has been developed during the past decade; and
- In 2006, the WAPC initiated the Stirling Highway Activity Corridor Study (SHACS) which is a project working group that has no formal status but has provided a forum for regional and local government specialist stakeholders to share issues and understand competing interests in terms of the highway's function. The MRS Amendment is part of SHACS Phase 1 focussing on regional transport;

#### **SUMMARY OF PROPOSED CHANGES**

As described in the report, the MRS Amendment and supporting Concept Design Plans attempt to satisfy the following criteria (subject to existing development and constraints):

- Verges of 5.1m width on both sides of Stirling Highway, reduced to 4.5m in constrained areas and to an absolute minimum of 4.1m in severely constrained isolated locations:
- 1.5m on road cycle lane in each direction;
- Bus priority treatment at traffic-signalised intersections, generally an additional lane (designated bus lane) serving as a left turn pocket, and prioritised controls to favour Transperth buses;
- 3.5m wide traffic lanes (two lanes in each direction);
- 2m to 5.5m width central median (to cater for central street trees, right turn lane pockets and pedestrian refuges);
- Consolidated right turn lanes to reduce the potential for traffic conflict along Stirling Highway (informed by relevant LGA and Main Road officers); and
- Adaptive design to minimise impacts on State Heritage property.

The proposed road carriageway plans are a guide, not a definitive plan, and future road planning by the relevant State authority may vary the present design based on best practice (subject to further consultation).

#### **RELATIONSHIP TO WAPC STRATEGIES & POLICIES**

In preparation of this MRS Amendment the following WAPC strategies and policies have been taken into consideration:

- Directions 2031 and Beyond;
- Draft Central Metropolitan Perth Sub-Regional Strategy;
- State Planning Policy 4.2 Activity Centres for Perth and Peel;
- Development Control Policy 1.6 Planning to Support Transit Use and Transit Orientated Development (DC 1.6); and
- Development Control Policy 1.7 General Road Planning (DC 1.7).

These are all relevant strategy and policy considerations providing guidance on accommodating Perth's future growth.

#### STAFF COMMENT

#### **Overall initiative**

The proposed MRS Amendment to rationalise the Stirling Highway Reservation has significant implications for many residential and commercial properties located along the highway in Cottesloe and in the neighbouring LGAs. However, as in most localities the affected properties are partially or wholly situated within the existing MRS road reservation, the proposed overall reduction should generally be less of a hindrance to property owners wishing to possibly subdivide or develop their properties in the future.

#### Properties owned by or vested in the Town

The following lots are owned by the Town and are affected by the MRS Amendment. However, due to the proposed rationalisation of the road reserve these lots would no longer be affected by the reserve and would be zoned 'Urban' under the MRS. This should be an advantage to the Town when considering future development proposals on the land.

Lot 2	24 Station Street – sump site
Lot 3	22 Station Street – sump site

#### Invitation from the Department of Planning (DOP) to address Council

The DOP has offered to go through the MRS Amendment with Council to assist in the understanding of the amendment documents. This is considered to be worthwhile and should be arranged as soon as possible to ensure that Council is fully briefed prior to making a formal submission on the MRS Amendment.

#### Conclusion

The proposed rationalisation of the Stirling Highway road reservation has merit but also has potential far-reaching implications on individual properties within the Town's boundary and beyond. The impacts on heritage-listed buildings will also need careful consideration by Council and the WAPC as various heritage properties have little or no setback to Stirling Highway and may be affected by the MRS Amendment proposal (eg: Albion Hotel).

The information provided in the MRS Amendment and accompanying Concept Design Plans only focus on regional transport initiatives. It is in the next stage that it is intended to focus on land use and urban design opportunities for Stirling Highway and SHACS will continue to have an important role in providing a forum to ensure continued representation by the Town.

Following a briefing of Council from the Department of Planning it is recommended that this matter be referred back to Council for further consideration and a formal submission being made to the WAPC on the proposed MRS Amendment.

#### VOTING

Simple Majority

#### COMMITTEE COMMENT

The Manager Development Services explained the preliminary report as a prelude to a briefing of elected members and staff on the proposed MRS Amendment by the Department of Planning, to facilitate a future submission by Council. There was general discussion about the implications for the local traffic network and the extent of information provided to landowners. It was agreed that any expansion of Council resolutions should await the briefing and further consideration.

#### **OFFICER & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Moved Cr Walsh, seconded Cr Strzina

#### **THAT Council:**

- 1. Notes this preliminary report regarding the MRS Amendment for the rationalisation of the Stirling Highway reservation.
- 2. Request that the Department of Planning give a briefing to Councillors on the proposed MRS Amendment to further explain the full implications to the Town of the proposed changes to the road reservation prior to a formal submission being made by Council.

Carried 5/0

# 10.1.2 PRELIMINARY REPORT ON HERITAGE LIST FOR LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO. 3

File No: SUB/740

Attachments: Prelim Report Heritage List

Responsible Officer: Carl Askew

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Author: Andrew Jackson

**Manager Development Services** 

Proposed Meeting Date: 16 April 2012

**Author Disclosure of Interest: Nil** 

#### **BACKGROUND**

This report briefs Council and seek direction towards a Heritage List for Local Planning Scheme No. 3 (LPS3). It also outlines how heritage will function under the new scheme.

Under current Town Planning Scheme No. 2 (TPS2), Part 6 and Schedule 1 deal with the Conservation and Preservation of Places of Natural Beauty and Historic Buildings and Objects of Historic or Scientific Interest (ie heritage). The provisions enable Council to identify such heritage features and protect them via an approval process, acquisition and agreements; all with the statutory force and effect of a scheme. Schedule 1 lists high-order heritage places. Part 6 as written is peculiar to TPS2 as originally created and is essentially outdated.

The Town's Municipal Heritage Inventory ("MI" for short) exists as a database and policy instrument separate from but complimentary to TPS2. Heritage places or phenomena are ranked in categories of importance and their heritage values are taken into account when considering development proposals, conservation works, heritage grants and so on.

Under draft LPS3, heritage is addressed by Part 7: *Heritage Protection*, which is a generic section in today's schemes derived from the Model Scheme Text. The range of heritage provisions is wider and more specific than in TPS2, including a Heritage List as part of the Scheme, which this report focuses on.

The MI will continue to operate together with LPS3, as above.

#### **ROLE OF HERITAGE IN SCHEMES**

Schemes have traditionally embraced heritage as a component of the planning system and are a key vehicle for local governments in heritage protection and conservation. This is enabled by the *Planning & Development Act 2005* in conjunction with the *Heritage of WA Act 1990*.

As a complimentary measure, *State Planning Policy 3.5: Historic Heritage Conservation* (SPP3.5 – copy attached) is a broad-brush statutory policy steering how heritage works as part of planning schemes and related heritage instruments or methods, involving both State and local governments.

In this connection the aims of LPS3 entail (inter alia) to:

• ensure that new development is compatible with the conservation significance and aesthetic value of heritage places and areas and the coastal landscape.

Clauses 10.2.1-2 provide that in considering applications for planning approval Council has regard to (*inter alia*):

- any Local Planning Policy adopted by the local government under clause 2.4, any heritage policy statement for a designated heritage area adopted under clause 7.2.2, and any other plan or guideline adopted by the local government under the Scheme; and
- the conservation of any place that has been entered in the Register within the meaning of the Heritage of Western Australia Act 1990, or which is included in the Heritage List under clause 7.1, and the effect of the proposal on the character or appearance of a heritage area.

LPS3 goes on to briefly refer to heritage in certain zones, the structure planning provisions, planning application requirements and definitions.

#### Special Control Areas

Further to the main heritage provisions, Part 6 provides for the designation of Special Control Areas, whereby special controls can be applied to an area in addition to the provisions applying to any underlying zone or reserve and any general provisions of the Scheme.

Special Control Area No. 1 is proposed over the primary heritage places of *Tukurua* and *Le Fanu* in order to:

- (a) encourage conservation and restoration of the existing heritage buildings;
- (b) ensure that any future development does not unduly adversely affect the significance of the existing heritage buildings and their setting; and
- (c) ensure that any future development, including alterations and additions to the existing heritage buildings, will enhance the setting and protect the visual prominence of the existing heritage buildings.

This is an extra layer of heritage protection and the dedicated provisions cover Council discretion for flexibility in uses and parking, heritage agreements for conservation/restoration and development application criteria to be taken into account.

#### **OVERVIEW OF LPS3 PART 7**

Part 7 comprises the core provisions of LPS3 governing heritage. Their purpose is to facilitate the conservation of places of heritage value and ensure as far as possible that development occurs with due regard to heritage values. An extract conveying the detail is attached. A summary is as follows.

Part 7 fundamentally requires a **Heritage List** to be established and maintained which identifies places that are of cultural heritage significance and worthy of conservation under the provisions of the Scheme.

There is also provision for the designation of **heritage areas** if it is considered that special planning control is needed to conserve and enhance the cultural heritage significance and character of particular areas (ie collections of heritage places). The local government is to adopt for each heritage area a Local Planning Policy.

Council is empowered to enter into **heritage agreements** and to require a heritage assessment to be carried out prior to the approval of any development.

Provision is made for Council to offer **incentives** for heritage conservation – a prospective heritage incentives policy has been formulated.

The Scheme itself allows Council to **vary site or development standards or requirements** stipulated in the Scheme or the Residential Design Codes (except for building height) if considered necessary to conserve a heritage place on the Heritage List or enhance or preserve heritage values in a heritage area.

#### Heritage List

The MI is required to be maintained by Council pursuant to the Heritage of WA Act and is a catalogue of places that provides Council with information on heritage features that are of cultural heritage significance to the community.

It is a tool that is used to discover places that might be suitable for inclusion on the State Register of Heritage Places and Council's Heritage List. All properties in Category 1 are also on the State Register. Previous Council consideration has been given to possibly including all properties within the MI Categories 1 and 2 in the Heritage List.

In current TPS2, Schedule 1 (copy attached) is effectively a heritage list, so Council has already been operating scheme heritage provisions along similar lines. It contains all of the State Register places in Cottesloe. There are 27 entries, which is an indication of the potential extent of a Heritage List under LPS3, unless Council opts to expand it as mentioned.

The Heritage List from Town of Mosman Park's Scheme 2, with 21 entries, is attached as another example; being an adjacent municipality of comparable size and historical composition.

Under a scheme the making of the Heritage List must be the subject of consultation with landowners prior to determination. In intended LPS3 Council has added a right of review (appeal) in this respect.

#### **OUTLINE OF HERITAGE LIST PROCESS**

It is emphasised that this report does not propose a Heritage List at this stage. The preliminary report is to inform Council of the framework, mechanism and process involved, for guidance in preparing the Heritage List in anticipation of LPS3. An initial Heritage List will be prepared for Council adoption and is not a finite list, in that over time it can be added to, subtracted from or modified in accordance with the same process. Even without a Heritage List the MI will continue to function.

SPP3.5 describes the **establishment of a heritage list** as follows:

- A heritage list established pursuant to a local planning scheme should be compiled having regard to the places identified in the inventory. A local government may elect to include all of those places in its heritage list, or may include a smaller sub-set of places.
- The standard procedures for the compilation of a heritage list are set out in the Model Scheme Text.
- The inclusion or exclusion of places from a heritage list should be based on their degree of historic heritage significance, supported by the findings in the inventory, irrespective of whether they are privately or publicly owned.

LPS3 in clause 7.1 prescribes the **procedure for compiling a Heritage List**, which involves:

- Consideration of the MI, from which Council may draw entries to the list as it deems appropriate (amongst other sources).
- Written notification and information to the owners and occupiers of each place under consideration for the list, inviting submissions.
- Other consultations as desired.
- Consideration of submissions and determination of inclusions, exclusions and modifications for the list.
- Notification of places included on the list to the WAPC, HCWA, owners and occupiers.
- Keeping a copy of the list available for public inspection.

Under clause 7.7 a place owner has a right of review to the SAT regarding a Council decision to include, exclude or modify the place on the list. If the consultation process is done well appeals should be minimised.

The Heritage List is to be **derived from a range of sources** as follows:

- State Register of Heritage Places.
- TPS2 Schedule 1.
- TPS2 Policy 12: Places of Cultural Heritage Significance.
- Municipal Inventory.
- Former studies by Council in evolving its heritage databases and approaches.

By way of previous consideration, in 2001 Council adopted TPS2 Policy 12 (copy attached) as an interim step to provide a level of protection for those properties listed as Categories 1 and 2 in the MI that were not included in Schedule 1. Hence these properties are candidates for consideration on the Heritage List. In 2005 a *Review of MHI Category 2 Places* was completed by consultants to assist producing a list. Earlier heritage strategy deliberations (embodying suggested heritage areas) and examination of the MHI were also undertaken with a view to the LPS3 Heritage List. Officers will recap on this material in reporting again to Council on the matter.

As well, the HCWA is a useful resource in guiding local governments on the preparation of heritage inventories or lists, with documents such as *Basic Principles* for Local Government Inventories and Criteria for the Assessment of Local Heritage Places and Areas.

#### **CONCLUSION**

A Heritage List is a mandatory requirement for LPS3 and must be prepared by Council as prescribed by the Part 7 provisions. While the list and procedure cannot be formally acted on until LPS3 commences, it is timely for Council to begin considering the draft content, consultation arrangements and decision-making context.

TPS2 Schedule 1, Policy 12 and the MI are the key databases as a starting point for Council to consider what appears on the Heritage List. Previous studies serve to define the nature and extent of places or objects considered potentially suitable for listing, as well as classifications and criteria for future inclusions or changes.

Officers propose to present all of this to Council in greater detail for in-depth discussion and consensus on the preferred approach. A workshop followed by a second report is envisaged. At this juncture Council is asked to note the necessary task and background to it, and to give any direction it wishes for officers to respond to.

#### **VOTING**

Simple Majority

#### COMMITTEE COMMENT

Cr Walsh mentioned the need to check the status of particular heritage properties such as Tom Collins House, which staff advised would be done. Committee raised the prospect of heritage areas and the Manager Development Services outlined the provisions should Council opt to pursue any. He advised that Council had given previous consideration to that approach, which could also be covered in the intended workshop.

#### **OFFICER & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Moved Cr Walsh, seconded Cr Downes THAT COUNCIL:

- 1. Notes this preliminary report on a Heritage List for Local Planning Scheme No. 3.
- 2. Agrees to an Elected Member workshop to address the detail and program for drafting a Heritage List.
- 3. Considers any directions to staff for action in this regard.

Carried 5/0

# 10.1.3 CBD AND TOWN CENTRE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE – SYDNEY, MAY 2012

File No: SUB/38
Responsible Officer: Carl Askew

**Chief Executive Officer** 

Author: Andrew Jackson

**Manager Development Services** 

Proposed Meeting Date: 16 April 2012

#### **SUMMARY**

Every year in Australia a range of town planning, transport and related conferences occur in various cities, offering ideal opportunities for professional development and benefits to participating organisations. Such conferences cover current issues, overseas experience, new ideas, technical skills, workshops, field trips, networking, consultancies and so on in keeping abreast of planning matters and practices.

The above conference will be held in Sydney on 23-24 May 2012. It is identified as particularly relevant to Cottesloe in connection with Council studies undertaken in recent years and projects being implemented for the Town Centre; including dealing with the public domain, private sector proposals and State Government involvement.

This report recommends approval for the Manager Development Services to attend the conference.

#### **CONFERENCE POLICY**

Council's Conferences Policy applies.

Employees who wish to attend a conference/seminar/training shall complete a Request for Training application form and submit it to the Chief Executive Officer through their Supervisor.

Attendance at any interstate or international conference must be the subject of an application to be considered by the Chief Executive Officer and referred to the Works & Corporate Services Committee for recommendation to Council.

Note: The Policy was adopted some years ago and the main reason for items going to the W&CSC was if they related to that committee or for budgetary consideration. More recently reports on conferences for the Planning staff have been presented to the Development Services Committee as the logical forum before recommending to Council.

The following expenses for approved conferences/seminars/training will be met by Council:

- (a) Registration fees:
- (b) Return fares and other necessary transport expenses;
- (c) Reasonable accommodation and living expenses.

Where possible expenses are to be pre-paid.

All expenditure is to be accounted for prior to reimbursement.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The estimated cost of registration, accommodation, travel and meals for the conference is \$2,500-3,000 and can be met by the current training/conference budget for Planning staff.

#### **CONFERENCE OVERVIEW**

The conference is a national event aimed to attract planners, designers, place-makers, urban economists, the development industry and many others associated with town centre vitality.

It concentrates on planning, designing and developing town centres to optimise economic and community benefits, entailing two days of detailed analysis, leading knowledge, educational workshops and interactive discussion.

The program features a comprehensive array of expert speakers and case studies to provide attendees with the latest information and advice on how to best address the planning, design and management of key community hubs.

With local governments, developers and businesses seeking to enhance the amenity and economic activity of CBDs and town centres, the conference will demonstrate how these spaces can be sculpted to achieve robust results for the overall community, including revitalisation plans and economic development strategies.

#### Speakers include:

- Giovanni Cirillo, Executive Director, Urban Renewal and Major Sites, NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure.
- Andrew Wear, Regional Director, Metropolitan Melbourne, Victorian Department of Planning and Community Development.
- Stephen Sully, General Manager City Development, Brimbank City Council.
- Russell Luhrs, Executive General Manager, Planning and Infrastructure, Springfield Land Corporation.
- Shawn Day, City Centre Place Manager, Brisbane City Council.
- Merryn Spencer, Creative Broker, City Culture, Tourism & Recreation, Parramatta City Council.
- Evelyn King, CEO, Newcastle Business Improvement Association.
- Bronwyn Clarke, Project Manager, Lane Cove Alive.
- Shannon Davies, Place Manager, Moe Activity Centre, Latrobe City Council.
- Tony McNamara, Director of Planning and Environment, City of Canada Bay.
- Ursula Lang, Urban Renewal Manager, Rhodes Peninsula, City of Canada Bay.
- Shannon Davies, Place Manager Moe Activity Centre, Latrobe City Council.
- Aaron van Egmond, Director Development Services, Towong Shire Council.
- Monica Cologna, Team Leader, Strategy, Planning and Environment, Auburn City Council.
- Richa Swarup, Coordinator Urban Design, City of Yarra.

Georgia Vitale, Senior Consultant, Sustainability, Arup.

#### Topics include:

- Centres Design Guidelines NSW Department of Planning and Infrastructure.
- Place Management Harnessing Economic Growth in Brisbane City Centre Over the Next 20 Years.
- Partnerships, Action, Courage and Patience the Key Ingredients of Successful Town Centres.
- Ensuring Sustainable Activity Centre Development.
- Viable and Effective Sustainability Integration in Precinct Development.
- Revitalising Yarra's Activity Centres Challenges and Opportunities in Managing Development and Change.
- Alternative Collection Technologies.
- Building the Business Case for CBD and Town Centre Development.
- Revitalisation Sparking Life Back into Existing CBDs.
- Revitalising Moe a Small Town's Ongoing Transition.
- Lane Cove Alive a Unique Town Centre Revitalisation Governance Model.
- Town Centres as Community Precincts Lessons from Melbourne's Growth Areas.
- Community and Economic Benefits of the Auburn Town Centre Public Domain Plan
- Social Infrastructure from Vision to Reality.
- Delivering Local Government Projects Effective Partnerships with the Private Sector.
- Enhancing Economic Activity Trends and Tactics.
- No Magic Bullets.
- Place-making as a Catalyst for Urban Renewal.
- Masterplanning and Design Case Studies and Learnings.
- Nowra CBD a Living Place.
- Rhodes West Station Precinct Stage 2 Rhodes West Master Plan.
- Mackay City Centre Meeting the Challenge of Public Realm Improvement in a Growth Region and Mackay City Centre Public Realm Concept.

It is apparent that the nature and diversity of speakers and topics forming the conference are very relevant and useful to the numerous planning aspects and options facing Cottesloe regarding the future of its Town Centre, local centre and beachfront precincts.

While some conferences are intentionally broad and general, the advantage of this particular event is its specialised focus and the gathering of like-minded professionals to explore enhanced approaches to the planning, development and wellbeing of Town Centres as the hearts of urban settlements.

#### **VOTING**

Simple Majority

#### **OFFICER & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Moved Cr Strzina, seconded Cr Downes

THAT Council approve attendance of the Manager Development Services at the CBD and Town Centre Design and Development Conference in Sydney on 23-24 May 2012, and request that a report be provided within two months of the event.
Carried 5/0

11	ELECTED MEMBERS' MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN	
	Nil	
12	NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY ELECTED MEMBERS/OFFICERS BY DECISION OF MEETING	
	Nil	
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