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### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND JUSTICE STANDING COMMITTEE

22 February 2012

Mr Peter McHugh Clerk of the Legislative Assembly Parliament House PERTH WA 6000

Dear Mr McHugh

### Minutes of the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee

At its meeting of 22 February 2012 the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee resolved to table the Minutes of the meetings occurring in the calendar year 2011.

Accordingly, please find enclosed the Committee's minutes for the period 1 January 2011 through to 31 December 2011 for tabling in the Legislative Assembly.

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TONY O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 79

### 23 November 2011

**Present:** Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

**Apologies:** 

Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)

#### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 76 (9 November 2011) Confirmed

Minutes No. 77 (14 November 2011) Confirmed

Minutes No. 78 (15 November 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

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- 3.1 An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.
- (i) Consideration of the draft report *Western Australia's Readiness for the 2011-12 Bushfire Season.* Discussion ensued.

**Resolved**, that the Report, as amended, be adopted and that it be tabled in the House by the Chair on 24 November 2011.

Resolved, that a media release on the tabling of the Report be issued.

Resolved, to hold a media conference at 1pm on 24 November 2011.

3.2 Committee Christmas lunch.

Agreed, to forgo the 2011 Committee Christmas lunch.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 10.45am sine die.

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MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 78

### 15 November 2011

Present:

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

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### 2 Business

An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.

Consideration of draft report. Discussion ensued.

Resolved, that the Chair prepare an additional paragraph for the Chair's Foreword.

### 3 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 7.00pm.

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 77

### 14 November 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 6.00pm at The George Hotel, Christchurch, New Zealand.

### 2 Business

An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.

Consideration of draft report. Discussion ensued.

### 3 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 7.00pm.

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 76

### 9 November 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) (until 10.30am) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) (from 10am) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 75 (2 November 2011) Confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Mr Stephen Yule, Chief Executive Officer, Gascoyne Development Commission (dated 2 November 2011) enclosing submission to Toll of Trauma Inquiry. Noted.

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- 3.2 Letter from Dr Karl O'Callaghan, Commissioner of Police (dated 2 November 2011) enclosing submission to Toll of Trauma Inquiry. Noted.
- 3.3 Letter from Wayne Gregson Chief Executive Officer, Fire and Emergency Services (dated 3 November 2011) enclosing submission to Toll of Trauma Inquiry. **Noted.**

#### 4 Business

4.1 An Examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.

Consideration of draft report. Discussion ensued.

4.2 Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.

Travel update. Noted.

#### 5 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 75

### 2 November 2011

Present: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Mr I.M. Britza, MLA

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 10.05am in Room 4, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

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Minutes No. 74 (31 October 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Mr Keiran McNamara Director General Department of Environment and Conservation (dated 31 October 2011) enclosing submission to Toll of Trauma Inquiry. **Noted** 

#### 4 **Business**

- 4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia
- (i) Consideration of draft report. Discussion ensued

**Resolved**, that the Committee adopt the report entitled *A Fading Dream - Affordable Housing in Western Australia*, as amended, and that it be tabled in the House by the Chair.

(ii) Tabling of Submissions.

**Resolved**, that the Committee table submissions received for the Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.

- (iii) **Resolved,** to circulate a media release on the report's tabling and hold a media conference at 1.00pm in the Legislative Assembly Committee Room.
- 4.2 An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.

FESA - WA Seasonal Outlook 2001-2012 Friday 4 November. Noted, Members attending.

#### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.20am.

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## **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 74

### 31 October 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) (from 2.10pm) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA (from 3.10pm)

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 2.00pm in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No 73 (21 October 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

- 3.1 Letter from Mr Warren Reye (dated 26 September 2011) enclosing his letter to the editor of *The Armadale Examiner*. Noted
- 3.2 Letter from Ms Ricky Burges, WALGA CEO (dated 24 October 2011) enclosing answers to questions on notice. **Noted**

#### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.

Consideration of draft report. Discussion ensued.

4.2 An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season.

**Resolved**, Members O'Gorman and Quirk agreed to attend the FESA - WA Seasonal Outlook 2011-2012 on Friday 4 November 2011.

### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 3.30pm.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 73

### 21 October 2011

Present:

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Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

Apologies: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.55am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No.72 (19 October 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

3.1 Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.

Update on planning for NZ trip.

# 3.2 An examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season

Hearing with United Firefighters Union Australia Western Australian Branch

Mr Keith Jolly, President

Mr Graeme Geer, Secretary

Ms Lea Anderson, Industrial Officer

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.20am.

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 72

### 19 October 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Nil

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.50am in the Legislative Assembly Committee Room, Level 1, Parliament House.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 71 (17 October 2011). Confirmed

### 3 Business

- 3.1 Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.
- (i) Update on arrangements. Noted

- (ii) FESA industry briefing on 2011 bushfire season- Friday 4 November. Members were advised that FESA has been requested to provide further information on this event.
- (iii) Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.
  - (a) **Resolved**, to meet at 2.00pm on Monday 31 October for report adoption with a view to tabling Thursday 3 November.
  - (b) Report Adoption. Discussion ensued.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 71

### 17 October 2011

Present:	Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair)
	Mr I.M. Britza, MLA
	Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies:

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Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 3.40pm in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 70 (30 September 2011) Confirmed.

### 3 Business

An Examination of the State's Preparedness for this Year's Coming Fire Season

(i) Hearing with Roleystone Volunteer Bushfire Brigade

Mr Noel Plowman, Captain

Mr Glenn Bush, Member

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

(ii) Hearing with Western Australian Local Government Association

Ms Ricky Burges, Chief Executive Officer

Mr John Lane, Emergency Management Coordinator

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

(iii) **Resolved**, that Mr Gavin Fancote, Fire Control Officer Bedfordale Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, who failed to attend the hearing as scheduled, will not be called to appear before the Committee.

#### 4 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 4.45pm.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 70

### 30 September 2011

Present:

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.50am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 69 (28 September 2011) Confirmed.

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Mr Peter McHugh, Clerk of the Legislative, Assembly (dated 27 September 2011) advising the Committee's request to travel to New Zealand and New South Wales had been approved by the Speaker. Noted.

#### 4 Business

An examination of the State's preparedness for this year's coming fire season.

- 4.1 **Resolved**, to make public the letters tendered by WA Police in its evidence to the Committee on 28 September 2011 when the hearing transcript is finalised.
- 4.2 Hearing with Fire and Emergency Services Authority

Mr Wayne Gregson, Chief Executive Officer

Mr Frank Pasquale, Executive Director Corporate Services

Mr Lloyd Bailey, A/Chief Operations Officer

Mr Chris Arnol, Assistant Chief Operations Officer Country

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 5 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 69

### 28 September 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA (from 10.20am)

### 1 Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 68 (23 September 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 2010 Indigenous Expenditure Report Supplement (dated 21 September 2011). Noted

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4 Business

4.1 An examination of the State's preparedness for this years coming fire season.

Hearing with WA Police:

Dr Karl O'Callaghan, Commissioner

Mr Duane Bell, Assistant Commissioner

Mr Mark Ryan, Strategic Policy Advisor

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

4.2 Terms of Reference: **Resolved** to amend the Terms of Reference and the reporting date for the Inquiry.

That the Committee will examine:

- the Police Commissioner;
- FESA's Chief Executive Officer;
- the Department of Environment and Conservation's Director General;
- the WALGA President;
- the President of the United Firefighters Union Of Western Australia; and
- the President of the Bedfordale Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade.

about the State's preparedness for this year's coming fire season, including:

a) the interoperability of agencies with responsibilities to combat bushfires;

b) the coordination of bushfire volunteers;

c) evacuation policies in force;

d) public information policies in force; and

e) the implementation status of previous recommendations of the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee.

Resolved, that the Committee will report to the Parliament by 24 November 2011.

#### 5 General Business

5.1 Request from the Clerk for likely Committee travel until 30 June 2012. **Resolved**, that a response be prepared to advise likely travel to:

New Zealand and Sydney NSW;

- the United States and United Kingdom;
- Carnarvon; and
- Kununurra and Warmun.
- travel to Brisbane and Melbourne to occur in the financial year 2012-13.

### 6 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.40am.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 68

### 23 September 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

**Apologies:** 

Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 10.00am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 67 (21 September 2011) Confirmed.

### 3 Business

Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.

Report adoption. Discussion ensued.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 67

### 21 September 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Nil.

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 10am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 66 (19 September 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.

Report adoption. Discussion ensued.

#### Adjournment 4

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

MR A.F. O'GORMAN, MLA

CHAIR

DR DAVID WORTH PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

### Meeting No. 66

### 19 September 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA (from 3.10pm)

**Apologies:** 

Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 3.00pm in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 65 (7 September 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Dr Janet Woollard, MLA Chair Education and Health Standing Committee (dated 7 September 2011) advising of a new inquiry. Noted.

- 3.2 Letter from Hon Mr Christian Porter, Treasurer (dated 7 September 2011) enclosing information in relation to questions on notice from the hearing with Treasury officials on 22 August 2011. Noted.
- 3.3 Letter from Hon Mr John Kobelke, Chair Public Accounts Committee (dated 8 September 2011) advising of a new inquiry. Noted.
- 3.4 Letter from Hon Mr Christian Porter, Treasurer (dated 9 September 2011) providing information in relation to questions on notice from the hearing with PACH on 10 August 2011. Noted.
- 3.5 Email from Ms Debra Goostrey, Chief Executive Officer UDIA (WA division) (dated 9 September 2011) attaching information from UDIA on housing affordability. **Noted.**
- 3.6 Letter from Ms Janelle Kavanagh, Rural Health education Foundation (dated 13 September 2011) providing three DVDs on post traumatic stress disorder. **Noted.**
- 3.7 Letter from Mr Keiran McNamara, Director General Department of Environment and Conservation (dated 14 September 2011) providing copies of requested documents for bush fire examination. Noted.

### 4 Business

- 4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia and the Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experiences of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters. Dates for adoption meetings and preliminary travel details. **Discussed.**
- (i) **Resolved**, That the Committee write to the Speaker requesting that funds be made available to allow it to travel to New Zealand to hold meetings in relation to the Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.
- (ii) **Resolved**, not to publish submission No. 1 on the Committee's web page.
- 4.2 Committee lunch with the former Principal Research Officer Thursday 29 September. **Resolved**, That the Committee write to the Speaker seeking funds for it to host a lunch for the former Principal Research Officer.
- 4.3 Committee lunch with the National Security Committee of the Maldives Parliament on 27 September 2011. Confirmation of attendance. Noted.
- 4.4 An examination of the State's preparedness for this year's coming fire season.
- (i) **Resolved**, That transcripts of the hearings be put on the Committee's web site as they are finalised.
- (ii) **Resolved,** That hearings for the bush fire examination will hear evidence in public unless it resolves that there is a compelling reason to hear it in a closed session or in camera.

- (iii) Reporting date and format for the examination of three CEOs. **Resolved**, that the reporting date could be amended to later in November if required.
- (iv) Hearing with Department of Environment and Conservation: Mr Kieran McNamara, Director General Mr Peter Dans, Director Regional Services
   Mr Murray Carter, Manager Fire Department Services Branch

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 5 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 5.00pm.

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MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

DR DAVID WORTH PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## MINUTES

### Meeting No. 65

### 7 September 2011

Present:

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA (from 10.05am)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.50am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 34 (31 August 2011) Confirmed.

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Mr Peter McHugh, Clerk Legislative Assembly (dated 31 August 2011) advising that funding had been approved for advertising the new inquiry. **Noted.** 

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3.2 Email from Ms Debra Goostrey, Chief Executive Officer, Urban Development Institute of Australia (WA Div) (dated 6 September 2011) enclosing information subsequent to her hearing. Noted.

#### 4 Business

4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia. Status of inquiry.

The Chair requested that the Chair's draft of the report be provided to all Members.

- 4.2 Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experiences of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.
- (i) Travel proposal for the Committee to visit to the US and London in 2012. Noted, Members' preference is for the proposed 18-day itinerary.
- (ii) Travel proposal for the Committee to visit to Christchurch NZ before the end of 2011. Noted, Members' preference is for Christchurch and one other Australian city.

#### 5 Other Business

5.1 Discussion on possible examination of CEOs.

The Chair proposed the Committee examine the preparedness of agencies in readiness for the forthcoming bushfire season.

**Resolved**, "that the Committee will examine the Commissioner of Police, the Acting Chief Executive Officer of the Fire and Emergency Services Authority and the Director General of the Department of Environment and Conservation about the State's preparedness for this year's coming fire season, including:

a) the interoperability of agencies with responsibilities to combat bushfires;

b) the coordination of bushfire volunteers;

c) evacuation policies in force;

d) public information policies in force; and

e) the implementation status of previous recommendations of the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee."

Mr A. Jacob, MLA and Mr I. Britza, MLA opposed this resolution.

**Resolved**, "that the Chair can discuss with the media the key issues to be examined by the Committee with the three relevant Chief Executive Officers."

### 6 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.15am.

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MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 64

### 31 August 2011

Present:	Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Mr I.M. Britza, MLA
	Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.50am in Room 3, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 62 (10 August 2011) and Minutes No. 63 (22 August 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

- 3.1 Letter from Dr Mike Nahan, Chair of the Economics and Industry Standing Committee (dated 18 August 2011) notifying the establishment of a new inquiry. Noted
- 3.2 Supplementary submission received from Daydawn Advocacy Centre (dated 19 August 2011). Noted

3.3. Email from Mark Roberts Executive Officer Electoral Matters Committee Parliament of Victoria (dated 29 August 2011) proposing a meeting with the Committee on Tuesday 29 November. **Resolved**, to write to the Speaker to seek funds to host the visiting Committee to a luncheon meeting on Tuesday 29 November 2011.

#### 4 Business

- 4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia. Noted, Members were updated with the present status of the inquiry.
- 4.2 Adoption of 2010-11 Annual Report. **Resolved**, that the report be adopted and tabled in the Legislative Assembly on Thursday 1 September 2011.
- 4.3 Inquiry into the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.
- (i) **Resolved**, that a travel proposal for the Committee to visit to New Orleans, New York and London in relation to the Inquiry be presented for consideration at its next meeting.
- (ii) **Resolved**, that a travel proposal for the Committee to visit to Brisbane, Melbourne and Christchurch before the end of 2011 in relation to the Inquiry be presented for consideration at its next meeting.

#### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 10.25am.

MR A.P. JACOB, MLA DEPUTY CHAIR

DR DAVID WORTH PRINCIPAL RESEARCH OFFICER



## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 63

### 22 August 2011

Present:	Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair)
	Mr I.M. Britza, MLA
	Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

Apologies:Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 1.30pm at Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Business

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Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia

Hearing - Department of Treasury

Mr Anthony Kannis, Executive Director Infrastructure and Finance

Mr Rod Whithear - Executive Director Strategic Policy and Evaluation

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 3 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 2.40pm

MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

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## MINUTES

## Meeting No. 62

## 17 August 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) (from 10.10am) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.55am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 61 (10 August 2011) Confirmed

#### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Ms Tania Loosley-Smith, General Manager Strategy and Policy Department of Housing (dated 16 August 2011) responding to the Committee's request for additional information. Noted

- 4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia.
- (i) Hearing

Ms Debra Goostrey, Chief Executive Officer, Urban Development Institute of Australia (WA Division) Inc

The witness, having been examined, then retired.

- (ii) **Resolved**, to accept additional information when provided by Daydawn Advocacy Centre as a supplementary submission.
- 4.2 New Committee Inquiry
- (i) **Resolved**, that the Committee will inquire into:

the recognition and adequacy of the responses by State Government agencies to experience of trauma by workers and volunteers arising from disasters.

With a focus on State Government workers and volunteers who work with, or under the supervision of, State Government agencies which are involved in emergency responses, the Committee will examine:

- whether existing agency responses adequately address the trauma experienced by staff and volunteers during and after declared natural or other disasters which have occurred since 2001;
- the barriers to those suffering trauma from accessing available assistance services; and
- the measures to mitigate any health impacts from trauma to those State Government workers and volunteers who responded to a declared disaster.

The Committee will report by 1 December 2012.

- (ii) **Resolved**, That the Committee write to the Speaker requesting that funds be made available to allow the Committee to advertise the Terms of Reference in *The West Australian* newspaper.
- (iii) **Resolved**, That the Committee Secretariat be authorised to conduct research and undertake meetings as necessary to progress the Inquiry.
- (iv) **Resolved**, That the Committee write to stakeholder agencies, advising the Terms of Reference and requesting a formal submission be made to the Inquiry.
- (v) **Resolved,** To publish submissions received in relation to the Inquiry on the Parliament web site.
- (vi) International Disaster Conference and Expo New Orleans January 2012. Resolved, to write to the Speaker to seek funds for the Committee to attend the above conference to gain information in relation to the Trauma Toll Inquiry.

(vii) **Resolved**, that the Committee write to the Speaker requesting that funds be made available to allow it to travel to the United States and the United Kingdom to hold meetings in relation to the Inquiry.

#### 5 Other Business

- 5.1 Hansard transcripts of evidence. **Resolved**, Members to receive future draft transcripts by email.
- 5.2 **Resolved,** Chair to host lunch for the former Principal Research Officer on Thursday 29 September.

#### 6 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.35am.

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## **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 61

## 10 August 2011

Present: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA (from 10.20am) Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

Apologies:

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Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.55am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 60 (29 June 2011) Confirmed

#### 3 Correspondence

- 3.1 Letter from Anne Arnold, Chief Executive REIWA (dated 1 July 2011) enclosing a copy of the current edition of REIWA news. **Noted**
- 3.2 Letter from Tania Loosley-Smith General Manager Strategy and Policy Department of Housing (dated 31 July 2011) enclosing additional information requested during the hearing on 29 June 2011. Noted

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3.3 Letter from Colin Murphy, Auditor General, (dated 2 August 2011) advising current projects being undertaken by that office. Noted

#### 4 **Business**

- 4.1 Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia
- (i) Late submission from the Department of Planning dated 15 June 2011.

Resolved, to accept the submission.

(ii) Extension of Tabling Date.

**Resolved**, to extend the tabling date of the Inquiry's report to 1 December 2011 and advise the Speaker accordingly.

(iii) Future Witnesses.

**Resolved**, to request the Principal Research Officer to invite the Under Treasurer to appear before the Committee.

**Resolved**, to request the Principal Research Officer contact Daydawn Advocacy Centre to ascertain whether they have any additional material to submit to the Inquiry.

(iv) Hearings

Property Asset Clearing House (PACH)

Mr Doug Tyler- Director, Infrastructure Policy and Planning, Department of Treasury, Chair PACH

Mr Anthony Kannis- Executive Director, Infrastructure and Finance, Department of Treasury

Mr Gilbert Tyack- Manager, Property Asset Clearing House, Department of Regional Development and Lands

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

**Community Housing Limited** 

Mr Shane Hamilton WA State Manager Community Housing Limited

The witness, having been examined, then retired.

4.2 New Inquiry.

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**Resolved**, to have amended Terms of Reference for a new inquiry finalised at the next meeting.

## 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.50am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 60

## 29 June 2011

Present: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

Apologies: Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No.59 (21 June 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

3.1 Discussion on possible new inquiry -

Agreed, that the Committee would commence an inquiry as proposed.

Requested that the Principal Research Officer prepare terms of reference for adoption.

3.2 Inquiry into social housing - Hearing Department of Housing

Steve Parry, A/Director General

Tania Loosley-Smith, General Manager Strategy and Policy

Paul Whyte, General Manager Commercial and Business Operations

The Witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

3.3 Future witness: Shane Hamilton, WA State Manager Community Housing Limited.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 12.00pm.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 59

## 21 June 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 58 (15 June 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

3.1 Discussion on possible new inquiry. **Requested** that the Principal Research Officer circulate possible terms of reference for discussion at next meeting.

3.2 Inquiry into social housing

HearingsJohn Dastlik, Regional Executive Director Housing Industry AssociationThe witness having been examined then retired.

Anne Arnold, Chief Executive, Real Estate Institute of Western Australia

The witness, having been examined, then retired.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 58

## 15 June 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 57 (25 May 2011) Confirmed

Inquiry into Social Housing

3.1 Hearing - Mr Eric Lumsden, Director General, Department of Planning

The Witness, having been examined, then retired.

3.2 Future witnesses

The Committee requested the Principal Research Officer to invite REIWA to give evidence to the Committee on Wednesday 22 June 2011.

### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 57

## 25 May 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

Apologies: Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 56 (18 May 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Helen Westcott, Executive Officer WE-ROC (dated 16 May 2010 [sic]) thanking the Committee for meeting with them in Tammin. **Noted** 

3.2 Letter from Hon Terry Redman, MLA, Minister for Corrective Services (dated 18 May 2011) with the government response to the Committee's *Making Our Prison's Work* reports. **Noted** 

#### 4 Business

Inquiry into Social Housing

4.1 Hearing: Stephen Hall, Executive Director, WA Association of Mental Health

Hon Keith Wilson, Mental health advocate

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

4.2 Future witnesses: Real Estate Institute of WA (REIWA)

#### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.20am.

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# **MINUTES**

# Meeting No. 56

## 18 May 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 55 (13 April 2011) Confirmed

#### **3** Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Tania Loosely-Smith, General Manager Strategy and Policy, Department of Housing (dated 12 May 2011) advising of the release of the State Affordable Housing Strategy 2010-2020. Noted

Inquiry into social housing

4.1 Hearing:

Mr Russel Perry, Chief Executive Officer, Capricorn Village Joint Venture

The witness, having been examined, then retired.

4.2 Future witnesses: Housing Industry Association

Department of Housing

## 5 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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# **MINUTES**

# Meeting No. 55

## 13 April 2011

Present:	Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair)
	Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)
	Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA

#### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

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Minutes No. 54 (6 April 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Business

Inquiry into social housing

### 3.1 Department of Housing site tour Monday 18 April 2011. Discussed

#### 3.2 Hearing:

Peter Sir, Chief Executive Officer Outcare (Inc)

Jill Rundle, Executive Director Western Australian Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies

Carol Daws, Treasurer Western Australian Network of Alcohol and other Drug Agencies

The witnesses, having been examined then retired.

### 4 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.00am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 54

## 6 April 2011

Present: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 4, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

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Minutes No. 53 (23 March 2011) Confirmed

Inquiry into social housing

3.1 Hearing

Dr Ron Chalmers, Director General Disability Services Commission

David Granville, Senior Project Officer, Disability Services Commission

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 4 Adjournment

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The Committee adjourned at 11.00am.

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# **MINUTES**

# Meeting No. 53

## 23 March 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am at Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 52 (16 March 2011) Confirmed

Inquiry into social housing

- 3.1 Hearing
- Mr Ross Holt, CEO Landcopr

Mrs Kerry Fijac General Manager Landcorp

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

- 3.2 Future witnesses. Requested that the Principal Research Officer invite the following to appear before the Committee:
  - Mr Tim Marney, Under Treasurer
  - Property Asset Clearing House (PACH)

#### 4 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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# **MINUTES**

## Meeting No. 52

## 16 March 2011

**Present:** 

Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

## **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 51 (23 February 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Memorandum from Hon Grant Woodhams MLA, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly advising procedures for engaging media consultancy services when tabling a committee report. Noted.

3.2 Letter from Colin Barnett MLA, Premier, (dated 2 March 2011) in response to the Committee's letter of 3 February seeking further information in relation to the report of the Inquiry into the Prosecution of Assaults and Sexual Offences. Noted

#### 4 **Business**

- 4.1 Tabling of Committee Minutes. **Resolved**, to table the minutes of the meetings occurring in calendar year 2010.
- 4.2 Inquiry into social housing

Ray Glickman, Chief Executive Officer Amana Living Glenn Muskett, Chief Executive Officer Braemar Presbyterian Care Vaughan Harding, Chief Executive Officer Uniting Church Homes

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

- 4.3 Submission to the Inquiry. Agreed, that the Committee would accept the letter sent to Margaret Quirk, MLA regarding stamp duty on as a submission to the Inquiry.
- 4.4 Future witnesses. **Requested** that the Principal Research Officer invite Mr Russel Perry, Chief Executive Officer, Capricorn Village Joint Venture, to appear before the Committee.

#### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 51

## 23 February 2011

Present: Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies: Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 2, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

### 2 Minutes

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Minutes No. 50 (16 February 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

3.1 Letter from Peter McHugh, Clerk of the Legislative Assembly (dated 16 February 2011) advising approval had been given for the Committee to travel to the Northwest and Darwin. **Noted** 

4.1 Letter to John Kobelke, MLA Chairman Public Accounts Committee requesting that the Public Accounts Committee to conduct an inquiry into the administration of the Landfill Levy and implications for the State budget. **Resolved**, to write to the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee advising that this Committee has discussed the matter and will not be conducting an inquiry.

Inquiry into social housing

- 4.2 Extension of tabling date. Resolved, to extend the tabling date of the report on the Inquiry into the Adequacy and Future Directions of Social Housing in Western Australia on Thursday 8 September 2011.
- 4.3 Travel arrangements 27 February 2011. Noted
- 4.4 Hearings:

Julian Wright, Senior Strategic Housing Officer, City of Perth

The Witness, having been examined, then retired.

Stephen Kobelke, Chief Executive Officer, Aged and Community Services WA (Inc)

Bob Bunney, Aged and Community Services WA (ACSWA)

Jennie Vartan, Aged and Community Services WA (ACSWA

The Witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

### 5 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.45am.

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# MINUTES

# Meeting No. 50

## 16 February 2011

Present: Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

Apologies:Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chairman)Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chairman)

### **1** Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 1, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

#### 2 Minutes

Minutes No. 49 (28 January 2011) Confirmed

### 3 Correspondence

Letter from Dr Kim Hames, Acting Premier (dated 14 January 2011) advising a government response to the Inquiry into the Prosecution of Assaults and Sexual Offences was made by the Attorney General on 14 October 2009. Noted

Inquiry into Social Housing

- 4.1 Itinerary and suggested date of 18 April for DoH bus tour for the Committee to view current developments. **Date Noted**
- 4.2 Itinerary for North West Noted
- 4.3 Itinerary for Eastern States Noted
- 4.4 Hearings
- Bronwyn Kitching, Executive Officer Shelter WA
  Dr Shae Garwood Research Officer, Shelter WA
  Colin McClughan Executive Officer Community Housing Coalition
  Mr Barry Doyle, Senior Policy Officer Community Housing Coalition
  Kieran Wong Director CODA
- The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.
- 11.00am Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA):

Ian Duncan, Economist Allison Hailes Executive Manager, Planning and Community Development Michele Poepjes, Policy Manager Community

The witnesses, having been examined, then retired.

#### 5 Other Business

Mr Ian Britza advised the Committee he intended to view housing solutions in Tasmania.

### 6 Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.30am.

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# MINUTES

## Meeting No. 49

## 28 January 2011

**Present:** 

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Mr A.P. O'Gorman, MLA (Chair) Mr A.P. Jacob, MLA (Deputy Chair) Mr I.M. Britza, MLA Ms M.M. Quirk, MLA Hon T.G. Stephens, MLA

#### 1. Meeting of the Committee

The Community Development and Justice Standing Committee met at 9.45am in Room 4, Level 1, 11 Harvest Terrace, West Perth.

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#### 2. Minutes

Minutes No. 48 (24 November 2010) Confirmed

#### 3. Correspondence

Letter from Peter McHugh (dated 25 November 2010) advising funding has been approved for the Committee to travel to the eastern states. **Noted** 

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3.2 Letter from Peter McHugh (dated 21 January 2011) advising funding has been approved for The Chair and a staff member to attend a CEDA conference. Noted

#### 4. Business

Inquiry into the adequacy and future directions of social housing in Western Australia

**4.1 Resolution:** It was Resolved that the Committee write to the Speaker to seek funds for investigative travel to the North West of WA and to Darwin to inquire into and report on matters relevant to the Terms of Reference of the Inquiry., that travel to be undertaken week commencing Monday28 March 2011.

#### 4.2 Hearing: Department of Housing

Witnesses

Grahame Searle,	Director General
Tania Loosley-Smith	, General Manager Strategy and Policy
Helen Harvey,	Executive Director Aboriginal Housing (who will be acting General
	Manager Service Delivery on the 28 <sup>th</sup> January)
Greg Cash,	Director Housing System Reform
Paul Whyte,	General Manager Commercial and Business Operations.

The witnesses having been examined then retired

#### Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 12.05 p.m.

#### 5. Next Meeting

9:45 a.m. 16 February 2011

MR A.P. O'GORMAN, MLA CHAIR

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