



Urban Forest Implementation Working Group Notes – 23 May 2022



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1 Opening

Meeting opened by Rowena Skinner: 7.30

Acknowledgement of country

Ngany kaaditi Noongar moort keny kaadak nidja Wadjak Noongar boodja. Ngany kaaditi nidja Noongar birdiya – koora, ye-ye, boorda, baalapiny moorditi Noongar kaadijtin, moort, wer boodja ye-ye.

I acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land and respect past, present and emerging leaders, their continuing cultural heritage, beliefs and relationship with the land, which continues to be important today.

2 Attendance

UFS Implementation Group MembersBen Whitehouse

Rowena Skinner Emma Monk Ngaire Howard Nadia D'Hart

Councillors Cr Bronwyn Ife

Cr Peter Devereux

ToVP RepresentativesNatalie Martin-Goode (Chief Community

Planner)

David Doy (Manager Place Planning)

Pierre Quesnel (Senior Place Leader, Urban

Forest)

Asile Wong (Place Leader – Urban Forest Gregor Wilson (Manager Infrastructure

Operations)

Penny Fletcher (Parks Technical Officer

Aleisha Hunt – (Community Projects Officer)

Meeting secretary Shelly Woods (Executive Assistant, Chief

Community Planner)

Presenters Nil

Observers Nil

Apologies Cr Luana Lisandro

Stephen Szydlowski (Urban Ecosystems

Supervisor)

Heather Johnstone

3 Presentations

3.1 Urban Forest Strategy implementation update

Leafy Street Flyers (send out next week) and UF tree tags

- Postcards & letters for Leafy streets to be sent to IWG.
- Tree Tags these will be tied onto trees with information of the tree being planted. Information on the benefits of the tree.
- Planning June 1 target for planting to commence
- UFS@home plant giveaway event 28th May, Saturday 9am 3pm at the Town of Victoria Park's depot (199 Star Street, Welshpool 6106)
- Micro Parks Preparation work underway, these include, soil preparation, weed control, mulching works, and installation of compacted limestone gravel access pathway to the basin. The 3 sites for this year's microparks are 3 Merton Street. Victoria Park, 11 Esperance St. East Victoria Park, and 20 Huntington Street. East Victoria Park.
- Community Planting days Forward Reserve on 3rd July 2022, and Kent Street Verge on 31st July 2022. Site works are underway; Weed control, soil preparation, and installation of mulch.
- Current numbers that have registered for community planting day events: Forward Reserve 21, Kent Street Verge 28. Note that we will be expecting about 100 pax at each event.
- IAP monthly Key Progress
- Q: how many people have registered
- Q: Aquamore mulch has got a lot of limestone mixed into it in Millen St School mulch.
- A: PQ This was raised with contractor as we have a 2–3-year contract with the company and will
 continue to monitor.

3.2 Community Based Plant Growing

Time	30 Minutes		
Presenter	Ngaire Howard		
Attachments	1. Community Based Growing Volunteering [3.2.1 - 9 pages]		

Purpose of the item

Ngaire Howard will give a presentation on community based, volunteer growing of plant stock. This will inform members and staff of current community-based techniques being used in WA and abroad. The suitability of the techniques for use in the Town of Victoria Park's Urban Forest Program will be considered and discussed by the group.

Outcome

Informed working group and staff, and the initiation of exploration into community contribution to the implementation of the UFS.

Strategic outcomes

Nil

3.3 Urban Forest Knowledge Hub

Time	10 Minutes
Presenter	Pierre Quesnel
Attachments	Nil

Purpose of the item

The UFS Implementation Working Group (UFS IWG) has proposed the idea of creating an online knowledge hub as a centre of information to help inform and inspire the community. This web page has known been created and populated with leading information sources provided by group members. This presentation will present the knowledge hub section of the Urban Forest webpage for review, feedback and request further information sources to add to the hub.

Outcome

A UFS IWG that is aware of the online Urban Forest Knowledge Hub. We are asking for a review of the current page and for feedback to help improve it. In addition, it is requested that members provide further information sources or ideas that will be useful and inspiring to the local community.

4 Items for discussion

4.1 Urban Forest Strategy implementation project proposals

Nil

5 General business

Heather has asked if a group photo can be taken for Masters.

Staffing – Asile Wong is on a 4 month contract undertaking the Place Leader - Urban Forest role. Meetings to be kept online.

1100 Street trees have been planted.

6 Actions from previous meetings

Action	Responsible Officer	Status / Comments	Closed Date
Email letter and flyers to UFS members	AW		
Tour of South Perth Nursery (partnership)	PQ & AW	Open	
Present 2022 Planting Season tree tags, letters and information to UFS IWG for review.	PQ + AH	Required before PS22	23.5.2022
Bird waterer mini study be conducted to guide appropriate locations for future installations. Study to analyse:	PQ	Open	Open

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 Current bird waterer locations (ensure town wide spread) Bird waterer need (close to habitat and lack of standing water) Water connection availability. 			
Next stage of Rutland Avenue presented at UFS IWG meeting.	PQ	Open – still in development by ops team	Open
PQ to investigate volunteer grove as recognition of service and volunteering associated with the UFS.	PQ	Proposed delay until after planting season 2022.	Open

7 Close

Meeting closed 8.23