

**1.6: DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL – REPLACEMENT COUNCILLOR REPRESENTATIVE ON THE GREAT SOUTHERN JOINT DEVELOPMENT ASSESSMENT PANEL VERSION 2**

- Land Description** : N/A  
**Proponent** : City of Albany  
**Attachments** :
  - Incoming correspondence from Minister for Planning, Culture and the Arts requesting Local Government Nominations for Development Assessment Panels.
  - Planning Bulletin 106/2011 – New legislative provisions for development assessment panels.
  - Previous Council Report (dated 17 May 2011)**Responsible Officer** : E/Director Planning and Development Services (G Bride)

**IN BRIEF**

- The implementation of Development Assessment Panels required the City to nominate two Councillors and two Alternate members to be City of Albany representatives on the Great Southern Joint Development Assessment Panels (GSJDAP).
- At the Ordinary Council Meeting held on 17 May 2011 Council resolved to nominate Councillors Wolfe and Duffy as the City of Albany representatives on the Great Southern Joint Development Assessment Panel and Councillors Wellington and Holden as the required alternate GSJDAP members.
- As a result of the recent Council elections held in October 2011, one of the approved City of Albany representatives (Councillor Wolfe) is no longer eligible to be a representative for the City of Albany.
- The recommendation is to nominate replacement representatives for appointment by the Minister onto the GSJDAP.

**ITEM 1.6: RESPONSIBLE OFFICER RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT Council;**

1. **Nominates Councillor \_\_\_\_\_ as a City of Albany representative on the Great Southern Joint Development Assessment Panel; and**
2. **Directs the CEO to advise the Minister for Planning of such nominations.**

**CEO:**

**RESPONSIBLE OFFICER:**

## **BACKGROUND**

1. For the benefit of new incoming Councillors the previous report considered by Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 17 May 2011 is attached to the rear of this report.

## **DISCUSSION**

2. Refer to the OCM report dated 17 May 2011.
3. There will be a requirement that the appointed Councillor attends a training day on the WA planning system provided by the Department of Planning prior to sitting on the GSJDAP. The Department of Planning have advised that training sessions will be arranged in the near future; staff will advise the appointed Councillor when details are confirmed.

## **GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION**

4. No consultation with government is required to be undertaken in relation to this item.

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION / ENGAGEMENT**

5. No consultation with the public is required to be undertaken in relation to this item.

## **STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS**

6. The statutory implications associated with this item are:
  - *Planning and Development Act 2005 and associated Regulations*
  - *Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011*
  - *Local Planning Scheme No's 1A,2, 3, 3.2B & 7*
  - *Local Government Act 1995 and associated Regulations*

## **STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS**

7. This item relates to the following elements of the City of Albany Strategic Plan (2011-2021):

### **Key Focus Area**

Organisational Performance

### **Community Priority**

Policies and procedures

### **Proposed Strategies**

Develop clear processes and policies and ensure consistent, transparent application across the organisation.

## **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

8. Council has recently updated its local planning policies to ensure that they are current and contemporary. Whilst Council will no longer be the body that will assess certain

development applications the local planning policies set by Council will guide the decision making of the GSJDAP.

### **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

9. Refer to the OCM report dated 17 May 2011.

### **ALTERNATE OPTIONS & LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

10. Council has the following options in relation to this information:

Option A

To nominate a replacement member for appointment as a City of Albany representatives on the GSJDAP.

Option B

To decline to nominate a replacement member for appointment as City representatives on the GSJDAP. Option B will result in one of the existing alternate members being required to fulfil the required responsibilities.

11. It is recommended that Option A be pursued to ensure that the City is adequately represented at GSJDAP proceedings.

### **SUMMARY CONCLUSION**

12. Council have previously resolved to nominate the required two Councillors as members and two Councillors as alternate members for appointment onto the GSJDAP. Because of recent Council elections a new GSJDAP representative is required.

<b>Consulted References</b>	Planning and Development (Development Assessment Panels) Regulations 2011
<b>File Number (Name of Ward)</b>	GR.STL.25 (All Wards)
<b>Previous Reference</b>	OCM 20/10/2009 – Item 13.1.2 OCM 17/05/2011 – Item 2.1