

Wentworthville Community Garden Section 355 Committee  
Constitution Report – December 2012

Constitution Requirement	Committee Activity
<p>Clause 1. Function</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Supervise, manage and administer the WCG in accordance with the constitution.</li> <li>➤ Implement a Community Garden Management Work Plan</li> </ul> <p>Clause 1. Aim</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Grow fresh food</li> <li>➤ Contribute to a sustainable environment</li> <li>➤ Relax and meet people from the local community</li> </ul> <p>Clause 1. Community development goal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Community education / environmental opportunities</li> <li>➤ Gardening opportunities</li> <li>➤ Break down barriers of social isolation, activities and projects</li> </ul>	<p>Your committee have complied with this requirement.</p> <p>A Community Garden Management Work Plan has been developed to address the specific objectives of the Finlayson Creek Linear Park Network, Plan of Management (2004).</p> <p>There is a focus on growing edible foods, however, scope is provided for those garden members who like to grow flowers.</p> <p>The garden has a focus on sustainability through the use of recycled water, high levels of recycling of garden wastes into the compost bin and food recycling through the worm farm. The initial construction of garden beds also used recycled materials.</p> <p>The garden provides the opportunity for the community to gather in a relaxed and non threatening environment.</p> <p>The garden has been made available and used by Council to promote sustainable gardening practices and other initiatives.</p> <p>There is regular interaction with a range of community groups who use the garden facility to support their initiatives.</p> <p>The garden provides space which is available for social interaction. We host an annual Open Day fund raiser and have for example an Australia Day activity for garden members.</p>
<p>Clause 2. Administrative Matters</p> <p>(iv) Office bearers;</p> <p>All office bearers are residents or ratepayers of Holroyd</p>	<p>Office bearers for this elected S355 committee have been;</p> <p>Chairman: Paul Hardman Vice Chairman: Ingrid Postema Secretary: Robyn Main Treasurer: John Brinson</p> <p>The office bearers are resident / ratepayers of Holroyd City Council.</p>
<p>(v)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Set operating times</li> <li>➤ Widest possible use of facilities</li> <li>➤ Implement Garden Management Plan</li> <li>➤ Report annually and submit programme of works for the next 12 months</li> </ul>	<p>Formal garden opening times have been established and published to members.</p> <p>Working to meet Council initiatives on inclusiveness, regularly seeking new membership. Facilities being used by Council for a range of initiatives.</p> <p>The Garden management Plan has been established and is in the process of implementation.</p> <p>An activity plan has been developed as a result of communication with the members of the garden. This plan will be implemented over the next 12 months.</p>