



## **DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES REPORT**

10<sup>th</sup> May 2005

<b>DSS4</b>	<b>KEMPSEY ASSISTANCE PATROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FILE: * CJL</b>
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### **SUMMARY:**

Reporting on the Kempsey Assistance Patrol Advisory Committee.



The Kempsey Assistance Patrol (KAP) Advisory Committee is an advisory Committee to Council. The Committee has been operating since the beginning of the Patrol in 1997. The Committee meets monthly to provide advice on operational issues for the Patrol and receive reports from the Coordinator.

The KAP Advisory Committee has failed to attain a quorum for a meeting since October 2004. Prior to this, quorum was achieved sporadically. Committee members have commented that they do not attend because the Patrol is running well, with most issues being dealt with on a day to day basis. The Committee was created when the Patrol was a voluntary Patrol auspiced by Council.

Many of the initial objectives of the Advisory Committee have been met. However, community issues around the running of the service have now become apparent and, as such, there seems to be a need to reinvigorate the KAP Committee by seeking expression of interest from community members with the objective of advising the KAP Co-ordinator on solutions to community issues in relation to the service provided.

Therefore, it is suggested that the current KAP Advisory Committee, as it has met its objectives from an operational point of view, is dissolved and expressions of interest be sought from community members to form a new Community KAP Advisory Committee. This Committee could consist of two (2) Councillors, the KAP Co-ordinator, the Community Services & Lifestyle Officer, a representative from the Police and three (3) interested community members and would report to the Director Shire Services.

### **REPORT IMPLICATIONS:**

- *Environmental*

*Nil*

- *Social*

*This Community KAP Advisory Committee would be able to advise on solutions of community issues brought up around the running of the service by the general community.*

- *Economic (Financial)*

*Nil*

- *Policy or Statutory*

*Nil*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. *That the Kempsey Assistance Patrol Advisory Committee be dissolved.*
2. *That a new Community Kempsey Assistance Patrol Advisory Committee be formed with the focus on advising on solutions to identified community issues in relation to the running of the service.*

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**DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICES**