

## **13. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

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1. Councillor Glynn noted that he had viewed a television program regarding residents in Fremantle, Western Australia being allowed to plant native gardens along their nature strips. This initiative was undertaken in response to the increase in water tables and the associated risks of erosion caused by sea salt.

Councillor Glynn asked the General Manager if he could investigate the viability of implementing a similar initiative in the Campbelltown Local Government Area and that the findings be presented at a future briefing evening.

The General Manager advised that he would investigate the matter as requested and present the results to a briefing evening in early 2011.

2. Councillor Bourke asked the General Manager if he could advise as to when the last delivery of Councillors mail will be undertaken for 2010.

The General Manager advised that the last Councillors mail delivery will take place on 17 December 2010.

3. Councillor Borg referred to the recent floods that have occurred across Australia and advised that he has received correspondence from the President of the Local Government Association outlining concerns regarding the loss and distress experienced by communities affected by the floods.

Councillor Borg asked the General Manager that have in regard to our Sister City Coonamble if Council could write a letter to Federal, State Governments seeking an increase in the funds allocated to rural communities to ensure the provision of sound flood management plans for rural areas.

Councillor Borg asked that letters be forwarded to Local State and Federal Members seeking their support in this issue.

The General Manager advised that he would forward correspondence as requested.

4. Councillor Thompson asked the Director City Works if he could advise if when a resident lodges an application for the removal of a tree on a private property is the resident required to also submit an Arborist report with the application.

The Director City Works advised that he will provide Councillor Thompson with the required process by way of a memo.

5. Councillor Greiss noted that he recently attended the Midnight Basketball Grand Final and that he was impressed with the organisation of the event and the number of volunteers that give up their time to assist run the program.

Councillor Greiss expressed his thanks to all volunteers and staff members involved in this program.

6. Councillor Hawker drew Councils attention to a free publication distributed with Thursdays Sydney Morning Herald in which there was an excellent article regarding the Campbelltown Arts Centre.
7. In closing the open meeting of Council, His Worship the Mayor Councillor Lake thanked all staff and Councillors for their cooperation and support and wished them and their families all the best for Christmas and the New Year.