



Meeting 01/11: Endorsed Minutes

- Chair:** Ollie Hedberg
- Members:** Abbas Rajabifard, Geoff Spring, Alan Norman, Diane Daniell, Danny Broadbent, Ben Searle, Peter O'Neill, John Hennessy
- Apologies:** Chris Bellman, Chris McRae, Bruce Thompson
- Guests:** Michael Vanderheide and Neil Smith, Victorian Government Spatial Group (Agenda Item 2)
- Secretariat:** Elizabeth Thomas, Jo Curran

Note: The following items are minuted as they appear on the agenda and not necessarily the order they were discussed at the meeting.

	Who	Due date
1. Previous Meeting		
1.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting		
Minutes of the previous meeting were endorsed subject to minor corrections to be provided by A Rajabifard and B Searle.		
1.2 Outstanding action items		
Action items register updated; actions arising from Meeting 10/10 included (see attached).		
1.3 Conflict of Interest		
Nil		
2. Member update		
The Chair welcomed Michael Vanderheide, Chair of the new Victorian Government Spatial Group, and Neil Smith, Deputy Chair, who will share representation of the Group on the Council.		
G Spring's appointment as Chairman of the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials Australasia (APCO) was also noted.		
Members endorsed Geoff continuing on the Council in his new role and to take advantage of the national opportunities this will give.		
It was also agreed to write to the Office of Emergency Services Commissioner to consider an alternative representative for the Victorian Government Emergency Management sector.		
Action: Write letter to Office of Emergency Services Commissioner inviting them to endorse a new representative on the Council.	Chair	March 2011
Action: Send letter to G Spring confirming continued membership on the VSC.	Secretariat	March 2011

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<p>3. Organisation changes for DSE and directions for spatial information</p> <p>Members also noted B Thompson's recent appointment as CIO for DSE and that SII will now report directly to him in that capacity.</p> <p>SII's continued ongoing role in supporting whole of Victorian Government and whole of spatial community activities into the future was welcomed by members.</p>		
<p>4. Whole of Government Spatial Data Sharing Service Overview</p> <p>Members were given a briefing on the proposed whole of Victorian Government Spatial Data Sharing Service that will be the key focus of the new Victorian Government Spatial Group.</p> <p>The Spatial Data Sharing service will have three elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whole of Government Publishing, Discovery and Access Services • Commitment of Departments and Agencies to the Custodianship model • Commitment of the Departments and Agencies to publish at least three new spatial datasets having Whole of Victorian Government value in the next 18 – 24 months. <p>Members gave feedback on the presentation that will be used for the VGSG meeting on 9 February.</p>		
<p>5. Google update</p> <p>E Thomas reported on advice from B Thompson regarding the discussions with Google on their licensing of data for Google maps.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Negotiations with Google appear to be progressing well, with Google indicating an intention to return to use of authoritative government data for parcel/property, roads, address and administrative boundaries. • They are likely to revert to parcel data first, with others following as data management issues are resolved. • A draft set of terms and conditions proposed by Google was expected to be available for consideration at the February PSMA Board meeting. • There is also the potential for a strategic partnership between Google and the Governments of Australia, with Google routing crowd-sourced notification for parcel, roads, address and admin boundaries to Government for authoritative resolution and update. <p>The VSC collectively acknowledged the work done to date by Bruce and Steve Jacoby in representing the Governments of Australia in the negotiations. Further advice will be given as it becomes available.</p>		
<p>6. Other Business</p> <p>6.1 VSC forums for first half of 2011</p> <p>Members reviewed the Forum topics on the Council's forward program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It was agreed that the VSG would consider leading a forum on developing a whole of Victorian Government capability. • The Legislation forum will be deferred pending the decision from DSE on whether to progress the recommendation given to the Council. 		

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The VSIS forum will be scheduled depending on the previous two. <p>Members also agreed to the proposal put forward in late 2010 for an Academic sector forum.</p>		
<p>6.2 Office of the Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability – Framework for SOE Reporting 2013</p> <p>Members agreed to the proposal to invite the Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability to attend a future VSC meeting to discuss the mutual benefits from collaborating with her Office as it develops the SOE 2013 report.</p> <p>Action: Invite Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability to attend a forthcoming VSC meeting.</p>	Secretariat	February 2011
<p>6.3 Draft response to Office of the Australian Information Commissioner</p> <p>Members noted that the submission to the issues paper will be completed during February and circulated out of session.</p>		
<p>6.4 Other</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> B Searle advised that the OSDM are working on improvements on the Australian Spatial Data Directory (ASDD) and changes to the National Gazetteer. <p>Work is also underway on creating Web Mapping Services to provide contextual information.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A Rajabifard noted that he had been asked about the formation of the VSG and its relationship to the VSC. It was agreed to publish a clarifying statement on the VSC website. <p>He also distributed copies of the newly published book '<i>Spatially Enabling Society</i>' (incorporating papers from the GSDI 12 World Conference).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> D Daniell noted work the LGSRG are doing with DOJ and CMA's on various activities. A Norman reported that e-Plan is progressing. The Chair suggested an update from C McRae at the March VSC meeting. P O'Neill advised members that the first SIBA meeting is being held on 3 February. SIBA is also planning to run another forum with Defence in the first quarter of 2011. G Spring advised that the annual APCO conference is taking place in Melbourne from 20 to 23 February 2011. J Curran advised that the next Newtech conference will be held in May 2011 at either Seymour or Nagambie. 		
<p>7. Next Meeting</p> <p>Date: 02 March 2011</p> <p>Time: 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p>Venue: Archer Room, 16/570 Bourke Street, Melbourne</p>		

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Summary of Actions and Resolutions		
Agenda Item 2		
Action: Write letter to Office of Emergency Services Commissioner inviting them to endorse a new representative on the Council.	Chair	March 2011
Action: Send letter to G Spring confirming continued membership on the VSC.	Secretariat	March 2011
Agenda Item 6.2		
Action: Invite Commissioner for Environmental Sustainability to attend a forthcoming VSC meeting.	Secretariat	February 2011
Agenda Item 6.4		
It was agreed to publish a clarifying statement regarding the formation of the VSG on the VSC website.	Secretariat	March 2011