



## Meeting 04/11: Endorsed Minutes

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

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

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	<b>Who</b>	<b>Due date</b>
<b>1. PREVIOUS MEETING</b>		
<b>1.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>		
Minutes of the previous meeting were <b>endorsed</b> .		
<b>1.2 Outstanding action items</b>		
Action items register updated; actions arising from Meeting 02/11 included (see attached).		
<b>1.3 Conflict of Interest</b>		
Nil		
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<b>2. Smart Sensors Project presentation</b>		
J Losinno from DiUS Computing and J Smith from the Department of Sustainability and Environment briefed members on the Smart Sensors Project – a proof of concept under the Department of Business and Innovation's Market Validation Program.		
DSE was successful in receiving grant funding to develop a flexible sensor platform (an adaptor) that can leverage the base infrastructure and communications capabilities of the Smart Energy Meter Network and to establish the requisite backend data processing capability to handle the potentially large volumes of data generated.		
A proof of concept is to be developed in two years, coinciding with anticipated completion of the roll out of the Smart Meter network in 2013.		
During the two years the technology will be developed, taken to market and trialled before the resulting product will be commercialised. The aim is to be able to provide detailed, fine grained data about energy use from individual premises.		
It will incorporate two way communication – an in-home display for consumers, and a data flow for the energy providers.		
The potential for geographically targeted messaging will also be explored – for example early warning of emergency events to households.		

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<p><b>3. Preliminary VSIS feedback</b></p> <p>Members gave updates on their progress in gathering feedback on the draft Strategy.</p> <p>The document has been forwarded to members of the Victorian Government Spatial Group, it has been posted on the APCO web site and in their electronic bulletin, and SIBA will be considering it later in the first week of May.</p> <p>A full discussion on the draft and the feedback will be scheduled at the June meeting.</p>		
<p><b>4. Update on VSC legislation project</b></p> <p>Members were updated on the progress of the briefing paper on the Council's legislation proposal.</p> <p>SII has prepared a briefing paper to the Minister for Environment and Climate Change in anticipation of the Council's letter</p> <p>The Council's letter will be forwarded to the Minister once the briefing paper has been processed.</p>		
<p><b>5. Update on Address Standard Forum</b></p> <p>Members were updated on the consultation as part of the revision of the Geographic Information Rural and Urban Addressing Standard.</p> <p>Since the April meeting it was agreed that the Registrar of Geographic Names, as sponsor of the Australian and New Zealand Intergovernmental Committee for Surveying and Mapping (ICSM) working group on the review of the Standard, would host a workshop to demonstrate key aspects of the draft standard and provide information on the feedback process.</p> <p>The Forum, of which the Council is a joint sponsor, will be taking place on 5 May 2011.</p>		
<p><b>6. Other Business</b></p> <p><b>6.1 Creation of Information Management Group by Victorian Government agencies</b></p> <p>Members noted the formation of the Information Management Group. They agreed that this Group and the Victorian Government Spatial Group should leverage off each others' activities.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the preparation of a map of the relationships between the various Committees that have a role in information/spatial information development would be a useful exercise.</p> <p>Such a map could provide a means for emphasising the centrality of VSIS and ensuring that there is more likelihood of aligning their activities.</p> <p><b>6.2 Recent newspaper commentary on spatial information and land administration bodies and activities</b></p> <p>Members noted the recent commentary in on-line editions of The Age on the activities of the Council and DSE in the spatial information arena.</p>		

### 6.3 Other

1. E Thomas reported that \$1.6 million over 4 years has been allocated in the 2011-12 State Budget for the consolidation of the Vicmap Position service following the completion of the Positioning Regional Victoria initiative.

She also noted that the PRV initiative is a finalist in the Geospatial Category of the 2011 Excellence in eGovernment Awards, which will be announced on 2 June 2011.

2. G Spring agreed to give a presentation on the recent APCO Conference at the July Council meeting.

He also noted that a decision on the direction regarding radio spectrum can be expected in the near future.

3. The Chair advised that discussions with Google on their licensing of mapping data are continuing. He also noted that members of the Board of PSMA Australia recently met with Telstra representatives, and that further discussions will be arranged.

4. A Rajabifard reported that the Third Preparatory Meeting for the United Nations Initiative on Global Geospatial Information Management took place in April. The next phase will be the first High Level Forum in South Korea in October 2011. One of the objectives of the initiative is to encourage member nations to supply data for emergency response.

Abbas also noted that the European Union is establishing a Centre of Excellence for Emergency Management. In a similar vein, the University of Melbourne and IBM are undertaking a joint bid for a Centre of Excellence for Disaster Management.

The University will also be making an ARC application in the October 2011 round for spatially enabling public safety.

Abbas also advised that the University has withdrawn as a funding member from the CRCSI; it will now be a normal member.

5. D Broadbent reported that he is engaged in a range of custodianship related activities with SII. He and J Gallagher will be giving a presentation to the Security Continuity Network on 6 May 2011.

6. N Smith advised that the Victorian Government Spatial Group had endorsed the proposal for the Government themed Forum in August 2011.

He noted that he will be giving a presentation to a delegation of GIS Managers from the United Arab Emirates on 9 May 2011.

The Chair will be giving a presentation to the delegation on 12 May 2011.

7. P O'Neill advised that SIBA will also be meeting with the delegation.

8. C McRae advised that a final draft of the Business Case for a Survey Accurate Spatial Land Base is expected to be delivered in the next few weeks.

He also reported that the eConveyancing Board will be meeting on 5 May 2011.

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9. The Chair sought members' views on the frequency of meetings. It was agreed to continue with the monthly timetable.  He also indicated that he will be travelling to the UK and Europe for a range of meetings during May, and will return on 7 June 2011.  In response, members agreed to postpone the next meeting to 8 June 2011.		

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**7. Next Meeting**

**Date:** 08 June 2011

**Time:** 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

**Venue:** Archer Room, 16/570 Bourke Street, Melbourne

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**Summary of Actions and Resolutions**

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