



Chief Executive Officer's Meeting – NOTES

Held at Wudinna

Thursday 30 November 2017 Commencing at 12:30pm

Present:

Peter Arnold, Joy Hentschke, Trevor Smith, Geoffrey Moffatt, Phil Cameron, Bernie Clelland, Deb Larwood

Others:

Tony Irvine (EPLGA), Mayor Starr, Peter Scott (RDAWEP), Dion Dorward (RDAWEP), Brad Riddle (RDAWEP), Sean Holden (LGA)

Apologies:

Alan McGuire, Rod Pearson, Chris Smith, Trish Aukett, Chris Cowley

Agenda Items:

ACTIONS LIST: from Previous Meetings

1. Actions: Need further discussion with RDAWEP around the Tourism proposal put forward by Brad Riddle.

Response: Dion Dorward/ Brad Riddle outlined the Coastal Access/ Camping & Wayfinding Signage Project

The Engineering & Works Committee recommendation for this project was also discussed.

Recommendation:

Moved: M Inglis Seconded: A Johnstone

That the EPLGA commits \$35,000 from the Regional capacity Funding stream (Rubble Royalties – uncommitted) towards the Coastal Access/ Camping & Wayfinding Signage Assessment & forward planning project being undertaken by the RDAWEP to assist in gaining additional future funding for tourism and coastal infrastructure.

Carried – unanimously

CEO Committee agreed with the recommendation

2. Action: Seek RDAWEP to outline benefits to Councils of funding being provided by Councils to RDAWEP.
Response: Dion Dorward responded with a list of projects the RDAWEP had assisted Councils gaining substantial funding. General feeling is that Councils are receiving good value for money.
3. Action: Seek clarification from RDAWEP of its role in supporting Councils e.g. funding applications etc. There is confusion amongst Councils on the actual role of RDAWEP in supporting individual Councils with projects.
Response: Dion Dorward again addressed this. Take home message was: **ASK the RDAWEP** for assistance and they will endeavour to meet the Council's request provided it meets the strategic directions of the region & RDAWEP.

4. **Action:** Councils to supply a copy of the EPLGA /EPNRM service agreement if they have one.
Response: NO SUCH JOINT DOCUMENT? However the EPNRM or DEWNR put out their own internal service level agreement seeking comment back on.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. **Native Title & Reconciliation** – agree to continue as is on this matter responding to the advice of the Lawyer.
2. **Star Club** – Sport & Recreation – Expression of Interest – Trevor Smith, DC Tumby Bay spoke on this opportunity – agreed sub-regions of Councils may be an option but up to those Councils to decide.
3. **Engineering & Works Committee** recommendation(s) for assessment & discussion – see above.
4. **LGA Procurement Policy and Tools for Economic Development** - Follow up from Council CEO's – if there is a need for further action?
5. **EPLGA Executive Committee – Replacement for Rob Donaldson** - Deb Larwood offered herself to the position – all agreed. To be put to the EPLGA Board meeting on 1 Dec 2017.
6. **Joint Planning Board** – Tony updated the CEO's on where the pilot is at. A future meeting of CEOs & Mayor's only to be held to see if pilot is to be continued. DPTI staff and Consultant to hold the meeting in the region in near future. Executive Officer will liaise with all Councils as soon as he has further information.
7. **ElectraNet proposal** - Peter Scott, RDAWEP gave a verbal update on the proposal which is better than the previous position of the EPLGA Board (i.e. a resolution of the Board & submission forwarded into the process). However the SAPN in the west of the region is still disadvantaged in the proposal.
8. **Telstra Innovation** – Dion and Tony updated the meeting on their recent study trip to Melbourne investigating innovative solutions and opportunities that are relevant to the region. It is endeavored that in the future a MOU with Telstra will be developed leading into a regional telecommunications & innovation plans.
9. **LiDAR correspondence** to all Councils - explained by Tony.
Resolved that future Regional Capacity funding be used for the project – up to \$90,000 or whatever the rest of 2017/18 Regional Capacity funding payments are likely to be through the rubble royalty payments to the EPLGA. This was also discussed and agreed to at the Engineering & Works Committee as a way forward and should be put to the EPLGA Board meeting as an option.
10. **Small Business Commissioner MOU's** - Trevor Smith & Sean Holden outlined this program to the meeting. City of Whyalla & DC Tumby Bay have entered the program.
11. **Chambers of Commerce or similar organisation** – discussion took place on the effectiveness of these in individual Council areas and how Councils may engage them better – especially around some of the funding programs being put out by the State Government where these organisations and others are dictating which community projects get funded. The maintenance of some of these projects will fall with Local Government in the future at a cost not often included in long term forward plans etc..
12. **TAFE** – the future of such in our region. The hard facts need to be used in supporting TAFE in our region. Questions were raised on the relevance of some courses and the content of such. This matter has been placed on the SAROC Agenda too.
13. **New Elected Member Introduction training** - for perspective new members prior to the next elections – DC Kimba outlined what they were planning to do with a view to attracting nominations from people who will have a better understanding of Local Government.
14. **LGA Discussion papers in general** – we should attempt to have the LGA workshop those discussion papers of significance in our region prior to providing feedback.

Meeting closed at 2:25 pm. For EP Water Task Force meeting

