

# CEO Committee Meeting Brief Notes

13 June 2014

Present:

Council CEO's from:

Ceduna, Streaky Bay, Wudinna, Lower EP, City of Port Lincoln, City of Whyalla (Proxy), Franklin Harbor, Cleve, Kimba, Tumby Bay,

Regional Risk Coordinators: - Jo Calliss & Julie Beaton

LGA of SA: - David Hitchcock & Neville Hyatt

CWMS Users Group:- Damian Windsor & Michael Stephenson

RDAWEP:- Brad Riddle

EPNRM/ DENR:- Seb Drewer

EPLGA Executive Officer

## AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. EPLGA Executive Officer – Tony Irvine
  - 2.1 Executive Officer Work Plan for next 12 months  
*Comments: CEO's went through the plan and made amendments including prioritisation of tasks included.*
  - 2.2 2014/15 EPLGA Budget – draft  
*Comments: Tabled for discussion and comment prior to tabling at the EPLGA Board meeting*
  - 2.3 HR Funding Proposal – a regional shared service with LGA assistance  
*Comments: CEO's deemed the proposal as not warranted and that individual Councils were responsible for their own compliance. Some clusters may choose to work together in a shared service arrangement. Proposal will not be presented to the EPLGA Board.*
  - 2.4 Zone Emergency Management Committee – Emergency Management Plans

*Comments: A verbal update was given of the progress with the acquitting of the \$73k won by the EPLGA in February 2013 to develop Council Emergency management Plans. A report will be presented to the EPLGA Board outlining the project.*

2.5 Mining Taskforce – Terms of reference & Coordinator Role Statement

*Comments: Taskforce terms of reference & Coordinator Role Statement were tabled and some discussion took place on why the EPLGA was driving the taskforce. The LGA & EPLGA Roundtable gave a clear direction this way & that was endorsed by the EPLGA Board. As a result the EO has been pursuing external funding & developing the documents. He has also been pursuing a coordinator with excellent Local Government and regional knowledge to allow the taskforce to hit the ground running as time is of an essence with several mining projects at various approval stages.*

2.6 Long Term Financial and Integrated Asset Management Planning – John Comrie Report

*Comments: The CEO resolved that individual Councils were now responsible for acting on the JC Report suggestions and recommendations. However this group should assess progress against that report in approx. 12 months.*

3. LGA of SA - David Hitchcock & Neville Hyatt

3.1 Disaster Funding – scheme changes

*Comments: Davis & Neville delivered the new Disaster Recovery Assistance Guidelines giving examples and stepping the CEO's through the process which seems much fairer and equitable for those applying.*

3.2 National Heavy Vehicle Regulator

*Comments: David gave an update on where this is at. Still need to watch this space*

3.3 Any other LGA matters

*Comments: David also brief the meeting on the SLR Program & the loss of funding in this too which means EP will probably only have 2 projects funded – existing projects.*

4. Regional Risk Co-Ordinator (Jo Calliss & Julie Beaton) Report – progress & issues update

*Comments: Jo & Julie updated Councils on their progress and new focus on risk management.*

5. CWMS – Regional Project – Damian Windsor & Michael Stephenson (Rashlee) – (EPLGA Report attached)

*Comments: Damian & Michael addressed the meeting on the user group. The CEO's decided on the funding model for the project. A report will be tabled at the EPLGA Board meeting.*

6. Seb Drewer – EPNRM/ DENR & Brad Riddle – RDAWEP

*Comments: Discuss the prospect of developing a regional coastal offroad/ RV/ Caravan vehicle/ camping strategy . Seb wished to speak at a CEO's meeting prior to presenting at the EPLGA meeting.*

6. Any Other Matters

6.1 Towards the Council of the Future Workshop for the June EPLGA Board Meeting

*Comments: This along with the reduced Road Supplementary Funding and FAGs Grant freeze also was discussed & possible ramifications.*

6.2 EPNRM Water Reference Group Meeting

*Comments: many were not happy with the timing of this meeting in the midst of the busiest time of the year for CEO's – budgets, ABP Consultation etc. The EO was asked to raise this with the Regional Manager of DENR seeking better consultation.*

6.3 Procurement Roadmap

*Comments: Some CEO's did not understand the content of the program eg probity training etc. Others doubted the value of the program. Others were impressed with the work undertaken in the probity area and felt this as worth the money alone. Further work to be undertaken & probably too early to evaluate the worth of the program.*

6.4 Council Internal Controls legislative requirement – due by June 2015

*Comments: After some discussion and past work undertaken by Alan McGuire it was resolved & recommended that the Executive Officer arrange a meeting of all Councils relevant staff to advance a regional approach to developing suitable internal control policies and procedures using the LGA work undertaken by Deloitte.*