

AGENDA

BOARD MEETING

DATE: MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2020

TIME: 1.00pm

VENUE: Wudinna Telecentre
44 Eyre Highway, Wudinna

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EPLGA DELEGATES: 2019/20

(As notified by Councils)

MEMBER COUNCIL	BOARD MEMBER	DEPUTY BOARD MEMBER
Ceduna	Perry Will (Mayor)	Ian Bergmann (D/Mayor)
Cleve	Phil Cameron (Mayor)	Robert Quinn (D/Mayor)
Elliston	Malcolm Hancock (Mayor)	Peter Hitchcock (D/Mayor)
Franklin Harbour	Robert Walsh (Mayor)	Daven Wagner (D/Mayor)
Kimba	Dean Johnson (Mayor)	Megan Lienert (D/Mayor)
Lower Eyre Peninsula	Jo-Anne Quigley (Mayor)	Peter Mitchell (D/Mayor)
Port Lincoln	Brad Flaherty (Mayor)	Faye Davis (D/Mayor)
Streaky Bay	Travis Barber (Mayor)	Philip Wheaton (D/Mayor)
Tumby Bay	Sam Telfer (Mayor)	Robert Randall (D/Mayor)
Whyalla	Clare McLaughlin (Mayor)	Rick Santucci (D/Mayor)
Wudinna	Eleanor Scholz (Mayor)	Ned Luscombe (D/Mayor)

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Welcome

1.2 Apologies

Apologies to date have been received from:

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the previous Board Meeting held on Friday 6 December 2019 at Wudinna, included below recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the minutes of the Board Meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association held on Friday 6 December 2019 at Wudinna, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

Minutes of the Board Meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association held on Friday 6 December 2019 at Wudinna.

Delegates Present:	Sam Telfer [Chair] Perry Will Phil Cameron Malcolm Hancock Robert Walsh Dean Johnson Jo-Anne Quigley Brad Flaherty Travis Barber Clare McLaughlin Eleanor Scholz	President, EPLGA Mayor, District Council of Ceduna Mayor, District Council of Cleve Mayor, District Council of Elliston Mayor, District Council of Franklin Harbour Mayor, District Council of Kimba Mayor, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula Mayor, City of Port Lincoln Mayor, District Council of Streaky Bay Mayor, City of Whyalla Mayor, Wudinna District Council
Guests/Observers:	Tony Irvine Geoffrey Moffatt Peter Arnold Geoff Sheridan Megan Leinert Deb Larwood Rod Pearson Stephen Rufus Karina Ewer Darren Walker Kristen Clark Alan McGuire Wendy Ettridge Bryan Trigg Dion Dorward Brad Riddle Jonathan Clark Mark Whitfield Deirdre Albrighton Karen Hollamby Victoria Shute Cecilia Pascale	EO, EPLGA CEO, District Council of Ceduna CEO, District Council of Cleve CEO, District Council of Elliston Deputy Mayor, District Council of Kimba CEO, District Council of Kimba CEO, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula CEO, City of Port Lincoln CEO, District Council of Streaky Bay Manager Infrastructure & Civil Works, District Council of Streaky Bay A/CEO, City of Whyalla CEO, Wudinna District Council Executive Assistant, EPLGA/RDAWEP Chair, RDAWEP CEO/DORD, RDAWEP Deputy CEO/DRD, RDAWEP Regional Manager, EPNRM Board Presiding Member, EPNRM Board HR Manager, Local Government Association Regional Coordinator, PIRSA KelledyJones Lawyers KelledyJones Lawyers

1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Welcome

10.00am

President Mayor Sam Telfer welcomed Board Members, Council representatives and guests to the meeting.

1.2 Apologies

Shane Gill, CEO, District Council of Franklin Harbour
 Trevor Smith, CEO, District Council of Tumby Bay
 Rowan Ramsey MP, Federal Member for Grey
 Peter Treloar MP, Member for Flinders
 Eddie Hughes MP, Member for Giles

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting

Amendment – Motion 050/19: General Report # 01-0919 General Report/Coastal Alliance Western Zone Deputy Mayor Ron Randall be changed to Deputy Mayor Robert Randall.

064/19 Confirmation of Previous Minutes

Moved: Mayor Barber Seconded: Mayor Walsh

That the amended minutes of the Board Meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association held on 6 September 2019 at Ceduna, be adopted as a true and correct record of proceeding.

CARRIED.

3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil.

4 GENERAL REPORTS

4.1 President's Report – Mayor Sam Telfer

065/19 President's Report

Moved: Mayor McLaughlin Seconded: Mayor Scholz

That the EPLGA Board accepts the President's Report.

CARRIED.

As presented by President Sam Telfer:

- › Jetties taskforce representation from CEO Stephen Rufus, CEO Rod Pearson and CEO Trevor Smith and other reps around the state.
- › Railway Crossing signs still trying to get the stop signs removed.
- › Works Managers met with the National Heavy Vehicle Regulator to discuss agricultural machinery movement.
- › Met with new CEO of SA Water to discuss the proposed desalination plant.
- › Regional Development Strategy has been finalised and presented to Cabinet.

4.2 Individual Council Activity Reports [2-minute summary]

As presented by each Council Mayor.

City of Whyalla

- › Introduced Kristen Clark, Acting CEO as of 21 December 2019.
- › Jetty upgrade is on track with up to 50 pylons in place.
- › Bennett Oval upgrade is on track for the AFL game in March 2020.
- › Launched Reconciliation Plan.
- › Steel supplies from GFG for the new school.
- › Staff cultural review and engagement.
- › Undertaking community engagement with community groups.

City of Port Lincoln

- › Finalising leisure centre expansion to be opened on 14 December.
- › Flood mitigation upgrade on Liverpool Street is on track for completion.
- › Parnkala Trail upgrade.
- › Masterplan community consultation completed with good response.
- › Council is in good financial stability.

DC Ceduna

- › Thevenard marine offloading facility to be completed late February early March.
- › Thevenard wharf is on schedule to be completed on time.
- › Cashless debit card.
- › Coastal funding received to fix town jetty.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

4.2 Individual Council Activity Reports [2-minute summary] cont.

DC Franklin Harbour

- › Chris Smith, CEO has retired, and Shane Gill is the new CEO.
- › Water scheme replacement of 35km to be completed by February/March.
- › T-Ports bunker site operating well. Dredging to commence mid-December.
- › Thanks to Kimba Council for supporting DPTI taking over the Cowell to Kimba road.
- › Allan Holmes, Coastal Protection Board has used lidar mapping in regard to rising sea levels.
- › Doctor situation is getting worse as Whyalla have also lost Doctors.
- › Drought Funding received.
- › Snapper ban is affecting the community.

DC Lower Eyre Peninsula

- › Cummins Wanilla drainage plan.
- › Grant funding received for a helipad at the airport.
- › Grant funding received to identify risk assets through lidar mapping.
- › SLRP funding for Bratten Way.
- › Airport runway upgrade.
- › Fire at Duckponds update. Concern with water capacity at airport for fire bombers.
- › Cummins traffic impact study.
- › Strategic Plan.
- › On behalf of DCLEP, thanked Tony Irvine for his service to local government.

Wudinna DC

- › Highway streetscape strategy nearly completed, landscaping & tree planting to be done.
- › Underground power poles in front of sculpture will take place early next year.
- › Apex Park pump track and splash pad to be completed by Australia Day 2020.
- › Local butcher won award for best beef and onion burger.
- › Thanked Tony Irvine for his service to local government
- › EPLGA Annual Conference to be held at Wudinna 24 and 25 February 2020.

DC Streaky Bay

- › Thanked Tony Irvine for his service to local government.
- › Wells Street PLEC Project complete.
- › Mores boat ramp and pontoon upgrade under way.
- › Rodeo by the Sea was successful and till take place again next year.
- › Baird Bay Coastal Adaptation design work to commence soon.
- › Baird Bay Telstra tower currently out for public consultation with Telstra
- › Strategic Plan review to commence in January.

DC Cleve

- › Cleve received 2019 Inaugural Town of the Year.
- › Two year 8 students from Cleve Area School participated in a nation-wide Agri Futures competition by developing a time and animal-saving trough sensor (the Handy Trough).
- › Sporting Body clubrooms nearly completed.
- › Strategic Plan review currently underway.
- › Drought and Roads funding received.
- › Thank you to Tony Irvine for contribution to local government.

DC Elliston

- › Masterplan for Lock district.
- › Looking at desalination units for Port Kenny and Venus Bay.
- › Shoulder widening of Todd Highway still being looked into.
- › Railway crossing stop sign removal still being followed up.
- › T-Ports bunker site at Lock successful.
- › Lock Races in February.
- › Thank you to Tony Irvine for contribution to local government.

DC Kimba

- › Ballot for Kimba's National Radio-active Waste Management Facility completed.
- › Council Sponsored Next Gen of Eyre game changers event.
- › Met with Chair of Australian Medical Association to look at health services.
- › Eyre and Far North Local Health Network not attending Kimba for community consultation.
- › 2020 will be busy year with grant funding received and looking at upgrade to medical centre.
- › Thanked Tony Irvine for service to local government.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

4.2 Individual Council Activity Reports [2-minute summary] cont.

DC Tumby Bay

- › Reviewing long term financial plan.
- › Stormwater management system almost complete including landscape works.
- › Upgrade to Bratten bridge has commenced to allow for heavy vehicles.
- › Tumby Bay and Port Neil progress associations working well to complete projects for community.
- › Thanked Tony Irvine for his service to local government and EPLGA.

4.3 Executive Officer's Reports

4.3.1 Report No. 01-1219: General Report

066/19 Report No. 01-1219: General Report

Moved: Mayor Scholz Seconded: Mayor Walsh

That the EPLGA Board receives Report No. 1-1219 General Report from the Executive Officer.

That KelledyJones Lawyers legal representatives be invited to update the Elected Members on the progress made with the Eyre Peninsula Regional Assessment Panel as part of this report.

CARRIED.

1. Executive Officer Position

President will seek to go into confidence at the end of today's meeting in regard to this matter.

2. Drought Discussions – EPNRM, RDAWEP & EPLGA

RDAWEP to hold a meeting to re-establish a Drought Resilience Taskforce.

3. Regional Assessment Panel

Victoria Shute and Cecilia Pascale from KelledyJones Lawyers provided an update on the implementation of a Regional Assessment Panel.

067/19 Report No. 01-1219: General Report

Moved: Mayor Quigley Seconded: Mayor Flaherty

That the EPLGA Board:

1. ***Encourages the establishment of a single Regional Assessment Panel ("RAP") including all member councils other than Whyalla City Council;***
2. ***Recognises that the following councils have resolved to establish the RAP on the basis of the Service Agreement and Terms of Reference referenced in the Executive Officer's "General Report", report number 01-1219, dated 6 December 2019: (City of Port Lincoln, Wudinna District Council, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula, District Council of Streaky Bay and District Council of Elliston).***
3. ***Acknowledges that the following councils are yet to consider establishing the RAP: (District Council of Tumby Bay, District Council of Ceduna, District Council of Cleve, District Council of Kimba and District Council of Franklin Harbour); and***
4. ***Endorses the establishment of the RAP comprising all councils who agree to the establishment of the RAP on the Service Agreement and Terms of Reference mentioned above.***

CARRIED.

4.3.2 Report No. 02-1219: Meeting Actions Report

RDAWEP requested that the Communications Platform be removed.

068/19 Report No 02-1219: Meeting Actions Report

Moved: Mayor Johnson Seconded: Mayor Flaherty

That the EPLGA Board accepts Report No. 2-1219 Meeting Actions from the Executive Officer.

That the EPLGA Board notes the Meeting Actions Report.

CARRIED.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

4.4 Local Government Association of SA

- › President talked about the overcharging by SA Power networks of Councils.

As presented by Deirdre Albrighton:

- › Local Government Reform.
- › Product Commissioning.
- › Procurement Electricity Contracts.
- › Planning & Design Code.
- › Drought Assistance Program.
- › Jetties Steering Committee.
- › Road Safety Action Plan Guide.
- › Council Ready Program.
- › HR/IR.

4.5 Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula Inc [RDAWEP]

As presented by Chair Bryan Trigg, Dion Dorward and Brad Riddle.

- › Update on RDA Forum held in Canberra and end of November 2019.
- › Building Better Regions Fund.
- › Regional Strategic Plan.
- › Regional Deals.

4.6 Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (EPNRM)

As Presented by Mark Whitfield and Jonathan Clark:

- › New Landscape Act and transitioning process from NRM Boards to Landscape Boards.
- › Existing Business Plans will continue however addendum will need to be made.
- › Eyes on Eyre – NRM will undertake vegetation assessments and management plans.
- › Majority of CFS are NRM funded staff.
- › Future Drought Fund guidelines are out for consultation.
- › Lidar mapping.
- › Thanked Tony Irvine for his contribution and work with EPNRM.

4.7 Other Reports/Minutes

4.7.1 South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils

- › Noted.

5 COMMITTEES

5.1 CEO's Group/Committee

069/19 CEO's Group/Committee

Moved: Mayor Barber Seconded: Mayor Scholz

That the EPLGA Board notes the CEO's Group/Committee Meeting Minutes dated 5 September 2019.

CARRIED.

5.2 Engineering & Works Committee

070/19 Engineering & Works Committee

Moved: Mayor Quigley Seconded: Mayor McLaughlin

That the EPLGA Board notes the Engineering & Works Committee Meeting Minutes dated 24 October 2019.

CARRIED.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

5.3 EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee

071/19 EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee

Moved: Mayor Flaherty Seconded: Mayor McLaughlin

That the EPLGA Board notes the EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes dated 6 November 2019.

CARRIED.

5.4 EP Mineral & Energy Resources Community Development Taskforce

Nil.

5.5 Executive Committee

Nil.

6 FINANCE REPORTS

6.1 Report No. F1-1219: Financial Report

072/19 Report No. F1-1219: Financial Report

Moved: Mayor Cameron Seconded: Mayor Quigley

That the EPLGA Board receives Report No. F1-1219 Financial Report and the Balance Sheet as at 25 November 2019 and the Budget Comparison Report as at 25 November 2019.

CARRIED.

7 DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Deputations/Presentations

Nil.

7.2 Petitions

Nil.

8 GENERAL BUSINESS – Motions on Notice & Without Notice and Questions

8.1 Motions on Notice

8.1.1 Motion Laying on the Table

Motion without Notice from 28 June 2019 EPLGA Board Meeting:

Coastal Protection Board – Limitation of Additional Powers Within New Planning Legislation

Moved: Mayor Hancock

Seconded: Mayor Walsh

That the EPLGA call on the Minister for Planning to limit any additional powers of the Coastal Protection Board in the new planning legislation to those of the current planning system.

046/19: Formal Motion

Moved: Mayor Johnson

Seconded: Mayor Cameron

That the motion lay on the table.

CARRIED.

8.2 Motion Without Notice/Questions from the Floor

073/19 Waste Management

Moved: Mayor Quigley Seconded: Mayor Scholz

That the EPLGA Councils resolve to work together to improve waste management outcomes on Eyre Peninsula, guided by the work of the Legatus Group.

CARRIED.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Correspondence for Decision

Nil.

9.2 Correspondence for Noting

Nil.

9.3 Preci s of all Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

074/19 Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

Moved: Mayor McLaughlin Seconded: Mayor Johnson

That all incoming and outgoing correspondence for the period 27 August 2019 to 25 November 2019 as listed in the agenda be noted by the EPLGA Board.

CARRIED.

9.4 Late Correspondence

Correspondence tabled at the meeting from the District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula (DCLEP) dated 29 November 2019 in regard to waste management and proposing the development of a regional waste management strategy. The DCLEP resolved to put the following resolution before the EPLGA for consideration:

- That the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association notes and supports the development of a regional waste management strategy being prepared by the Legatus Group of Councils with support from the LGA and SAROC.
- That the EPLGA Councils resolve to work together to improve waste management outcomes on Eyre Peninsula, guided by the work of the Legatus Group.
- That in the interim the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, with support from the Local Government Association and member councils prepare educational material into waste reduction for circulation across our communities.

10 FUTURE MEETINGS

075/19 Next Meeting

Moved: Mayor Walsh Seconded: Mayor McLaughlin

That the next meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association Board be held on Monday 24 February 2020 at Wudinna, commencing at 10.00am (time to be confirmed).

CARRIED.

Conference Location Rotation:

2020 Wudinna
 2021 Cowell
 2022 Cleve
 2023 Streaky Bay
 2024 Elliston

Meeting Location Rotation for 2020:

Monday 24 February:	Wudinna [including the Annual Conference hosted by Wudinna DC]
Friday, 26 June:	Wudinna
Friday, 4 September:	DC Lower Eyre Peninsula
Friday, 4 December:	Wudinna

The meeting adjourned at 12.32pm for lunch.

The meeting reconvened and moved into Confidence at 1.15pm.

2.1 Minutes of Previous Meeting cont.

076/19 President's Confidential Late Report No. 01/1219 – Executive Officer Recruitment

Moved: Mayor Quigley Seconded: Mayor Cameron

That the President's Confidential Late Report No. 01/1219 – Executive Officer Recruitment be treated as confidential as listed below.

That pursuant to Schedule 2 of the Local Government Act, 1999 section 21

- (9) If a board of management considers that a matter dealt with at a meeting attended by a representative of a constituent council should be treated as confidential, the board of management may advise the council of that opinion, giving the reason for the opinion, and the council may, subject to subclause (10), act on that advice as the council thinks fit.***
- (10) If a council is satisfied on the basis of the board of management's advice under subclause (9) that the subsidiary owes a duty of confidence in respect of a matter, the council must ensure the observance of that duty in respect of the matter, but this subclause does not prevent a disclosure as required in the proper performance of the functions or duties of the council.***

and

Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999 the EPLGA Board orders that all members of the public, (except for voting delegates) be excluded from attendance at the meeting for Late Report 1/1219 – Executive Officer Recruitment. The EPLGA Board is satisfied that, pursuant to section 90(3)(a) of the Act, the information to be received, discussed or considered in relation to this Agenda Item relates to:

- information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person (living or dead);***

Substantiation

To allow confidential discussion and consideration of the report on the Executive Officer recruitment, the EPLGA Board is satisfied with the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public, has been outweighed, in these circumstances, to maintain the confidentiality of the discussion and reports provided on the recruitment of the Executive Officer.

That having considered the President's Late Report No. 01/1219 – Executive Officer Recruitment; it remain in confidence under Schedule 2 section 21 (9) & (10), section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the Local Government Act 1999 and the EPLGA Board pursuant to section 91(7) of that Act orders that the Late Report 1/1219 – Executive Officer Recruitment, any associated reports/information provided at the EPLGA Board meeting and discussion be retained in confidence until the new Executive Officer, replacing Mr Tony Irvine, signs their employment agreement.

CARRIED.

Meeting closed:1.37pm.

3 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

4 DEPUTATIONS AND PETITIONS

4.1 Deputations/Presentations

4.1.1 1.05pm - Dr Murray Townsend, Coastal Protection Board

4.1.2 1.25pm - Mr Jai O'Toole, State Manager, Red Cross Emergency Services

4.2 Petitions

Nil.

5 GENERAL REPORTS

5.1 President's Report

5.1.1 Report No. 01-2020: Presidents General Report

To: EPLGA Board Members
Date: 24 February 2020
Topic: President's General Report
Report No: 01-0220

Firstly I'd like to welcome Peter Scott to the role of Executive Officer of the EPLGA. This appointment is an exciting step in our organisation, with many regional projects and opportunities with potential in the next period of time. Peter comes with a good knowledge of the Eyre Peninsula and the local government structures already, especially from his time as an Economic Development Officer with Regional Development Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula. With this appointment, there was also developed a shared service agreement with RDAWEP to deliver economic development projects agreed with a joint workplan arrangement. I am proud to have helped instigate these unique arrangements, which will help local government have a strong interest in economic development and also make economic savings for both organisations.

I must, for one final time, formally thank Mr Tony Irvine for his years of service to the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association, its members and their communities. The EPLGA is in a much stronger position due to the work which has been done by Tony over his time.

The last 12 months of the EPLGA have been challenging yet productive.

There has been strong representation been made through the EPLGA in response to the announcement that the rail network will not be continuing to freight grain on the EP. This representation has helped lead to strong outcomes, working closely with our Federal and State representatives to dedicate funding to road works and improvements in response to the additional freight load being put onto the road network. This advocacy work will need to continue, as this process has highlighted the shortfall in funding thus far to address issues.

There has also been advocacy from the EPLGA in conjunction with the fishing industry on the Snapper fishing bans that have been imposed. The EPLGA put that the outright ban on snapper fishing has serious ramification on our regional communities on the West Coast, and decisions have been made to do so without comprehensive understanding and enough rigour.

In response to repeated electricity outages which have led to significant telecommunications outages, the EPLGA have been asking for adequate response to ensure our communities are safe and secure. For our communities to be without any form of communication during times of catastrophic weather conditions and threatening situations is completely unacceptable. This advocacy work recognises that it is a complicated issue that has many different aspects, but a solution needs to be delivered.

Health continues to be an area where the EPLGA and its members are striving for appropriate action. To have a situation where communities are isolated without adequate medical care cannot be accepted. Although there have been some positive steps, there is still no clear process that will lead to outcomes that provide for our communities in the long-term, and this is something we must continue to work towards.

It has been encouraging to see the way that our EP councils have been working together to deal with the situation which is coming with changes to the State planning system. Through proper structures and cooperation, our councils will be able to make economic savings, as well as delivering better planning outcomes for our communities.

As well as these things, there will continue to be work on a range of other challenges, including coastal protection, tourism, waste management, infrastructure funding, economic development, and many more.

It is an exciting time for our Peninsula, and it is equally exciting to see our councils on the leading edge of what is happening.

Mayor Sam Telfer – President EPLGA

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board accepts and notes report no. 01-0220 President's General Report.

5.1 President's Report cont.

5.1.2 Report no. 02-2020: Loss of Mobile Telecommunications during Power Outages

To: EPLGA Board Members
Date: 24 February 2020
Topic: Loss of Mobile Telecommunications during Power Outages
Report No: 02-0220

I have written to the Hon Paul Fletcher MP, Federal Minister for Communications (cc Hon Mark Coulton MP and Rowan Ramsey MP) requesting that the Federal Government mandate, either through legislation or direction, for all mobile telephone towers to be fitted, or retro-fitted, with the ability to be powered through the use of generators and further, that telecommunication providers be required to purchase generators for use by local contractors or other suitable bodies, e.g. Local government or SES, and that such bodies shall be trained, inducted and contracted to implement generator use during power outages.

I have also written to Mark Bolton, Telstra Area General Manager SA and Rob Seymour, Optus Territory General Manager SA regarding the same matter.

A copy of the correspondence is available on pages 35, 36 and 37.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board supports the decision of the President, EPLGA seeking all mobile telephone towers be fitted with the ability to be powered using generators and further, that telecommunication providers be required to purchase generators for use by local government or SES.

5.2 Individual Council Activity Reports [2 minute summary]

5.3 Executive Officer's Report

5.3.1 Report No. 03-0220: General Report

To: President and EPLGA Board Members
Date: 24 February 2020
Topic: General Report
Report No: 03-0220

PROPOSAL:

That the Executive Officer provides a general report on matters of interest for the Board.

BACKGROUND:

These are matters not requiring an individual report.

DETAIL:

1. DPTI ROAD UPGRADE MEETING

As directed by the EPLGA, the previous Executive Officer Tony Irvine arranged a meeting for discussion with DPTI on the progress with highway/road upgrades as recently announced by the Minister. The meeting was held on Wednesday 22 January 2020 at the City of Port Lincoln with Mark Hennessy and Scott Cooper from DPTI in attendance and well supported by Councils. DPTI officers agreed to email a summary of the meeting and the presentation. As of February 13, 2020, this summary has not been received.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXECUTIVE OFFICERS MEETING UPDATE

I attended the SA Regional LGA's Executive Officers meeting held in Adelaide on Thursday 16 January 2020. Outcomes of the meeting:

- Phone conference with The Australian Energy Market Commission discussing draft report into rating equity for power stations. Thank you to DCLEP and DC Franklin Harbor providing up to date rates advice for windfarms and Port Lincoln Generator.
- Introduction of Adam Gray. Adam is working 2 days a week out of Limestone Coast LGA on Coastal Project – Adam will visit EP to discuss further.
- Dr Paul Chapman, the Legatus Group CWMS Project Officer, discussed the draft report on strategies to deal with CWMS. The project is part of the Legatus Group CWMS Advisory Committee. Once completed the report will distributed to EPLGA.

3. DROUGHT FORUM

A public forum to discuss issues relating to the drought was held by the Premier, the Hon Steven Marshall MP and the Member for Stuart, the Hon Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP, Minister for Energy and Mining and Acting Minister for Primary Industries and Regional Development on Tuesday 11 February 2020 from 9.00am – 10.00am in the Cleve Sporting Bodies Clubrooms.

The forum was organised by the Member for Flinders, Peter Treloar MP. While the forum was titled "Drought", members of the public and Mayors raised wider regional issues with the Premier including health, suicide prevention, unpaid rates, road shoulder sealing, role of Infrastructure SA, speed limits, sand drift and shortage of fence posts and skill shortages.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board accepts and notes report no. 03-0220 General Report from the Executive Officer.

5.3 Executive Officer's Report cont.

5.3.2 *Report No. 04-0220: Meeting Actions Report*

To: President and EPLGA Board Members

Date: 24 February 2020

Topic: Meeting Actions Report

Report No: 04-0220

PROPOSAL:

That the EPLGA Board be advised of the Meeting Actions Report and outstanding matters.

BACKGROUND:

As good governance practice a meeting actions report will be maintained and presented at each EPLGA Board meeting to allow the status tracking of all action-based resolutions made by the EPLGA Board. Once actions have been completed the resolution/task will be deleted from the report but will be maintained in the file for any future reference.

DETAIL:

This report provides an update on resolutions made by the EPLGA Board.

REVIEW PERIOD:

Review quarterly at each EPLGA Board Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board accepts and notes report no. 04-0220 Meeting Actions Report from the Executive Officer.

5.3.2 Actions Report

Meeting Date	Motion No.	Task	Responsibility	Comment	EPLGA Status
28/06/2019	031/19	CEO Retirement & Recruitment	EO/ Exec Committee	LGA Recruitment undertaking role.	COMPLETED
28/06/2019	033/19	Transport Strategy Review	EO	SMEC have been engaged to undertake the review with the "what if" scenarios included. Needs completion & adoption by Feb 2020 Board meeting for SLRP Funding applications.	P Scott meeting with SMEC in Adelaide on 20/2/2020 to progress
06/09/2019 06/09/2019	051/19 067/19	Joint Planning Board and Regional Assessment Panel establishment	EO, Jeff Tate, CEO's & Councils	Establishment and set up of JPB & RAP - Kellady Jones engaged to assist the process so deadlines can be met with RAP. David Lake, DPTI, has met with P Scott to discuss and update.	The regulations to facilitate the commencement of Planning Agreements and the establishment of Joint Planning Boards have now been finalised and published in Feb 6 2020 Government Gazette
06/12/2019	73/19	Waste Management	EO, Councils	Improve waste management outcomes on EP guided by work of Legatus Group	Legatus group have made a funding application to Greening Industries SA on behalf of SAROC. The proposal is to develop a Regional Waste Management Strategy.

5.3 Executive Officer's Report cont.

5.3.3 Report No. 05-0220: Updating Signatories

To: President and EPLGA Board Members

Date: 24 February 2020

Topic: Updating Signatories

Report No: 05-0220

PROPOSAL:

That amendments be made to signatories for EPLGA Bank Accounts to reflect staff changes.

BACKGROUND:

The EPLGA have accounts with BankSA and Bendigo Bank. Current signatories are Tony Irvine, Aina Davis, Sue Henriksen and Sam Telfer.

As Tony and Aina are no longer working with the EPLGA, it is recommended that they are removed from the signatories list and Peter Scott and Wendy Ettridge added.

RECOMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board endorses that Peter Scott and Wendy Ettridge be added to the signatory list for BankSA and Bendigo Bank and that Tony Irvine and Aina Davis be removed from the BankSA and Bendigo Bank signatory list.

5.4 Local Government Association of SA

- › Representatives to provide a verbal report.

5.5 Regional Development Australia Whyalla and Eyre Peninsula Inc (RDAWEP)

- › Confidential Business Plan with Performance and Progress Report for July 2019 – December 2019 and Quarterly Investment Pipeline Report – December 2019. Refer to the email from the Executive Officer containing links to the EPLGA agenda and the RDAWEP report.

5.6 Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources Management Board (EPNRM)

- › Presiding Member; Regional Manager to provide verbal report.

5.7 Other Reports/Minutes

5.7.1 South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils (SAROC)

- › Minutes of SAROC meetings are distributed to all member Councils by the Executive Officer of the EPLGA.

6 COMMITTEES

6.1 CEO's Group/Committee

Draft Minutes of the EPLGA CEO's Group meeting held on Thursday 5 December 2019 at the Wudinna Community Club.

Meeting opened: Meeting opened at 2:00pm.

Present: Deb Larwood (CEO, District Council of Kimba), Stephen Rufus (CEO, Port Lincoln City Council), Alan McGuire (Chair & CEO, Wudinna District Council), Karina Ewer (CEO, District Council of Streaky Bay), Geoff Sheridan (CEO, District Council of Elliston), Peter Arnold (CEO, District Council of Cleve), Shane Gill (CEO, District Council of Franklin Harbour), Rod Pearson (CEO, District Council of Lower Eyre Peninsula), Geoff Moffatt (CEO, District Council of Ceduna),

Apologies: Trevor Smith (CEO, District Council of Tumby Bay),

Observers: Cecilia Pascale & Victoria Shute (KelliedyJones Lawyers), Deidre Albrighton (LGA), Tony Irvine (Executive Officer, EPLGA),

Minutes from last meeting: 5 Sept 2019 – correct & true record.

Actions from last meeting:

Tourism Advisory Committee – terms of reference review – DC LEP tabled reviewed document.

Agenda:

Engineering & Works Committee Report – Kelsey Trezise

EP Roadside Native Vegetation Plan

Discussion on history & work undertaken to date.

Recommendation: *That the EPLGA submits the plan for approval by the Native Vegetation Council.*

Transport Strategy Review

Update from SMEC tabled & discussed.

Councils still supplying road data to SMEC.

Plan will need further expansion to capture ports & airports in the near future.

GIS/Spatial Information

Committee is looking at suitable software for all EP Councils for common licensing & budget savings

Also allows a user group to be established for ongoing training & development. Regional resource building.

Damian Windsor & Kelsey Trezise actioning this.

Waste & Recycling

EPLGA Waste Strategy needs to be reviewed and updated.

LEGATUS Region has LGA R & D Funding to develop a state-wide approach to waste management.

DC LEP has submitted correspondence to the EPLGA Board Meeting

Resolved it was best to wait for the outcomes of the LEGATUS work before actioning at EPLGA level.

Action: Monitor the SAROC/ LEGATUS progress with the state-wide waste management work.

Coastal Alliance

There will be a call from the LGA Coastal Alliance Committee for individual coastal councils' costings to maintain jetties & other coastal infrastructure.

Railway Signage

Action: Encourage EPLGA Board to keep following up removal of signage due to no trains.

CWMS

The Committee is following up on the duplication of reporting with this function – attempting to simplify the reporting requirements.

6 COMMITTEES cont.

6.1 CEO's Group/Committee cont.

EP Tourism Advisory Committee – S Rufus

Planning to have the following take place: -

- Regional action planning
- A regional strategy
- Update the terms of reference to be reflective of what occurs

Questions asked:

- Who undertakes the administration of the committee? – Answer: - RDAWEP (to be reflected in terms of reference)
- What role does Sondra Stewart (RDAWEP) undertake? – Answer – the administration & leadership of the committee – agendas, minutes, correspondence etc.
- What role does the EPLGA have? – Answer – financial support for the holding of meetings. No need for the Exec Officer to even attend meetings – delete this from the terms of reference too.
- Email from Sondra tabled around a grant application – difficulty in preparing an application now due to time restraints.

Resolved: That the CEO's Group supports the RDAWEP in submitting an application for \$200,000 to BBRF Community Investment Stream for the EP Regional Events & Branding Strategy development.

Action: DC LEP to update the terms of reference of the Tourism Advisory Committee to reflect suggested changes as per directions from this meeting.

Regional Assessment Panel – Victoria Shute & Cecilia Pascale presented.

A presentation was given:

Detailed discussion took place.

Recommendation to the EPLGA Board:

- that the EPLGA Board encourages the establishment of a single Regional Assessment Panel ("RAP") including all member councils other than Whyalla City Council;
- that the EPLGA Board recognises that the following councils have resolved to establish the RAP on the basis of the Service Agreement and Terms of Reference referenced in the Executive Officer's "General Report", report number 1-1219, dated 6 December 2019: (list councils);
 - Streaky Bay
 - Wudinna
 - Elliston
 - Port Lincoln
 - Lower EP
- that the EPLGA Board acknowledges that the following councils are yet to consider establishing the RAP: (list councils);
 - Ceduna
 - Tumby Bay
 - Franklin Harbour
 - Kimba
 - Cleve
- that the EPLGA Board endorses the establishment of the RAP comprising all councils who agree to the establishment of the RAP on the Service Agreement and Terms of Reference mentioned above.

Landscape Reform Legislation – Jono Clark

Presentation by Jono was delivered.

6 COMMITTEES cont.

6.1 CEO's Group/Committee cont.

LGA Information – Deidre Albrighton

Presentation on the following topics: -

- LGA Reform
- Productivity Commission report
- Public Lighting
- DPI Act
- Jetties & Coastal Alliance
- Drought matters
- LGA Procurement
- LGA Commercial operations progress
- Human Resource matters – assistance available from LGA,

Other Agenda Items from the Floor:

CEO Work Related Stress – S Rufus

WA report now available and needs attention.

Agreed CEO stress is an issue for SA LG too.

Support???

SAPN Customer Consultative Panel – K Ewer

Karina advises of her appointment.

ICAC – City of Playford Report – S Rufus

Stephen brought this to the attention of other CEO's and suggested a read was well worthwhile for their own Council's benefit.

External Auditors – S Rufus

Stephen raised the possibility of a joint tender between all EPLGA Councils.

Action: Peter Arnold to email Councils on this.

Staff Service Awards – P Arnold

Peter inquired into what were other Councils policies on this.

Action: All councils to share their policy or procedures with this matter back to Peter for collation & distribution with a view to addressing a common approach in the future for all EPLGA Councils.

Disability Access & Inclusion Action Planning – G Sheridan

Include as an agenda item at next meeting with a view to sub-regional or regional action planning.
12 months to be compliant.

LGA has a policy officer who is available to assist Councils.

Child Care – G Sheridan

It is an issue for most Councils in region

RDAWEP have emailed all EPLGA Councils with a proposal for a regional strategy.

Meeting definite that Councils should not own or operate childcare centres – to assist in other ways e.g. premises at reduced rent etc.

In closing the Chair & others thanked Tony Irvine for his contributions to the EPLGA during his tenure as Executive Officer.

Meeting closure: Meeting closed at 4:30pm.

6 COMMITTEES cont.

6.2 Engineering & Works Committee:

Next Meeting Monday 24 February 2020.

6.3 EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee

Draft Minutes of the EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee Meeting held on Wednesday 5 February 2020 at Wudinna.

Present: Stephen Rufus (Chair EPLGA TAC & PLCC), Sondra Stewart (RDAWEP), Brad Riddle (RDAWEP), Naomi Blacker (PLCC), Craig Midgley (Wudinna DC), Penny Williams (DC Streaky Bay), Julie Crettenden (DCLEP), Jasmin White (DCTB), Jill Leonard (DC Elliston), Tracy Sampson (Elliston VIC), Stacey Franklin (DC Franklin Harbour), Shane Gill (DC Franklin Harbour), Emily Maxwell (DC Kimba), Peter Arnold (DC Cleve), Bess Winkley (DC Cleve), Karina Ewer (CEO DC Streaky Bay), Deb Larwood (DC Kimba), Emily Maxwell (DC Kimba), Jess Davis (DC Streaky Bay), Lynette Croft (DC Ceduna)

Apologies: Rod Pearson (CEO DCLEP), Trevor Smith (DCTB), Geoff Sheridan (DC Elliston)

1.0 Stephen Rufus, Chair EPLGA TAC

Welcome and apologies.

Emphasis to be on more of a strategic direction than operational focus.

Look to have Councils put in dollars for funding for marketing and strategic planning for the next financial year. Comments from the floor, are that instead of just a dollar amount being sought by the Councils, that a range of future projects could be assigned.

2.0 Terms of Reference:

Have been adopted by CEO Group meeting DEC19, however, the amendments to the Terms of Reference need to be amended and then circulated at the next meeting.

3.0 Key Initiatives

3.1 Eyes on Eyre (EOE)/Wayfinding/Signage – Brad to update

- RDAWEP, Peter Treloar, Mayor Brad Flaherty met with Premier Marshall in Port Lincoln when he visited the region early JAN20 to speak about Tourism on the Eyre Peninsula.
- EOE – Native veg surveys have been completed by local NRM staff – saving Councils and ratepayers \$30,000. Coastal Management plans will be able to be developed by local NRM staff. Pressure has been placed on to Minister Spears to waive the fee of the Coastal Management plans, although the project has been delayed by some of this, the net benefit to the region is significant. The requirements for Council to apply for development approval for the site, concurrently RDAWEP are exploring potential funding opportunities across all levels of government. Premier Marshall (who is now the Tourism Minister) and Minister Ridgeway have been briefed on the project and are supportive of its direction and proposed outcomes.
- Long-term functional solutions, Signage Infrastructure and furniture are being designed by Specialised Solutions ensuring the best technology and communication methods are incorporated for the EOE project. The City of Port Lincoln are funding and installing some Entry Statement signs and urban furniture seating which features solar, charging station, lighting, seating and shade. These installations are intended for Councils to establish the quality, performance and reliability before being rolled out as part of the EOE project. This pilot is well suited for collective procurement and pricing for all Councils around the Eyre Peninsula ensuring significant savings.
- RDAWEP met with NBN and are continuing discussions around NBN's ability to build digital inclusion across the Eyre Peninsula. One of the initiatives is to utilise Skymuster/Wifi hotspots for the EOE project.
- DPTI have agreed to allocate \$1m from the Roads of Strategic Importance (ROSI) budget to be used for DPTI signage on DPTI roads. The KPI are 500-1000 new signs (Blue, brown, green signage) in the Region. Brad asked for councils to allocate some money towards signage in the FY20/21. The next step is that Sondra will send each Council their individual reports from the Wayfound signage audit from the EP Tourism Signage Strategy to establish each Council's priorities.

6 COMMITTEES cont.

6.3 EPLGA Tourism Advisory Committee cont.

3.2 Tourism and Events Website Procurement update – Sondra

- The request for tender process has now closed for the EP Tourism and Events website with the LGA Procurement. The 20 tenders are currently being assessed and evaluated by LGA Procurement, then a Tender Evaluation Panel is meeting on the 14FEB. Martin Borgas, Brad Riddle, Bess Winkley and Sondra Stewart are on the Tender Evaluation panel.
- Stephen Rufus raised concerns around the potential new Eyre Peninsula website to be competition with individual town websites which have tourism product booking capability. Sondra explained that in the Website brief given to LGA Procurement these are attributes that were being investigated and not a confirmed requirement, but it was put out to market for recommendations for income streams.

3.3 Project update Building Better Regions – EPLGA application for the development of an EP Regional Events and Branding strategy – Sondra

- EPLGA application for the development of an EP Regional Events and Branding strategy – total grant \$195,000. The intention is that the Events and Branding Strategy will provide a blueprint for a sustainable events portfolio and brand identity.

4.0 Digital Solutions Workshops for the first half of 2020 – Sondra

- To assist in building capability on the EP, RDAWEP have collaborated with ADL Business Hub to roll out the Federal Government program – Digital Solutions. This program is targeted at small business with an ABN and employees less than 20 people. There is a \$55 fee which includes a 3-hour workshop and one on one mentoring. Five workshops are scheduled until JUN20 (Xero, Digital Marketing for Tourism) with more planned throughout the year. Get in touch with Sondra if you think your Council region can fill a workshop with 10 people. For more information or ideas for Digital workshops <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/o/adelaide-business-hub-17786249277>

5.0 Update on the Impact of bushfires on local operators on the EP and survey results/Regional Event Proposal – Nullarbor Links Recovery

- RDAWEP sent out a Bushfire perception & closure of the Eyre Highway survey and results are being analysed.
- Naomi Blacker – reported Tourism Operators in Port Lincoln have had significant cancellations from International Visitors.
- There is a proposed Regional Event “Nullarbor Links Recovery Drive Tournament” to recover self-drive tourism in towns directly affected by bushfires and closure of the Eyre Highway set for MAY-JUN20. This is a joint project with TICSA, TCWA, Australia’s Golden Outback, Tourism WA and SATC and funding has been sought from the Federal Tourism Recovery Package – regional events component. No confirmation of funding has been secured yet.

6.0 Other Business

- Tourism Industry Round Tables - invite industry to participate, there were discussions around the boundaries and options of having Industry get together. It was suggested that technology could be better used to connect people on the EP.
- Bushfire Crisis closure of the Eyre Peninsula – future management and disseminating information as it was an issue for VIC’s and Councils to inform visitors. A regional SOP around Emergency Management Communication was suggested.
- Spendmapp – standard data reporting template, RDAWEP to design. Stephen Rufus suggested a working group around how to generate data understanding a standard set of data analysis which gives a greater understanding of trends. There is a tendency to want finer details of the Spendmapp data, but this tool is to truly understand our economy. Plus using an overview of historical data.

Spendmapp working group

- Stacey Franklin – Franklin Harbour
- Penny Williams – Streaky Bay
- Emily Maxwell – Kimba
- Lynette Croft – Ceduna
- Bess Winkley - Cleve
- Map Pads – Penny Williams is going to follow up group procurement and thanks to everyone for information.

Meeting closed 12.35pm

6 COMMITTEES cont.

6.4 EPLGA Executive Committee

Nil.

7 FINANCE REPORTS

7.1 Balance Sheet as at 12 February 2020

7.2 Budget Comparison Report as at 12 February 2020

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the EPLGA Board receives the Balance Sheet as at 12 February 2020 and the Budget Comparison Report as at 12 February 2020.

12:46 PM
 02/12/20
 Accrual Basis

EPLGA Balance Sheet As of February 12, 2020

	Feb 12, 20
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Chequing/Savings	
Bank SA Society	17,000.43
Bendigo 6 Mth Term	163,846.94
LGFA - EPLGA 1 HR Project	47,455.14
LGFA (at call)	380,334.78
Total Chequing/Savings	608,637.29
Accounts Receivable	
Sundry Debtors	-11,000.00
Trade Debtors	105,116.44
Total Accounts Receivable	94,116.44
Total Current Assets	702,753.73
Other Assets	
Accrued Income	803.30
Total Other Assets	803.30
TOTAL ASSETS	703,557.03
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Trade Creditors	1,291.88
Total Accounts Payable	1,291.88
Other Current Liabilities	
Accrued Annual Leave Provision	16,411.90
Accrued LSL Provision	6,248.65
Income Received in Advance	1,473.68
Payroll Liabilities	
PAYG Liabilities	4,563.27
PAYG Paid	-2,524.00
Total Payroll Liabilities	2,039.27
Reserves	
CORES EP	8,389.77
T Irvine Long Service Leave	10,069.75
Unspent Project Funds	-108,550.81
Total Reserves	-90,091.29
Tax Payable	-1,182.36
Total Other Current Liabilities	-85,100.15
Total Current Liabilities	-83,808.27
TOTAL LIABILITIES	-83,808.27
NET ASSETS	767,365.30
EQUITY	
Opening Bal Equity	3,894.61
Retained Earnings	573,042.40
Net Income	190,428.29
TOTAL EQUITY	767,365.30

Budget 2019-20		2019/20 Budget Est	2019/20 Actual	2019/20 Balance
as at 20 Dec 2019	12/02/2020 0:00			
INCOME				
LGA of SA	See projects below	209399	209399	0
RDAWEP - 40% reimbursement for Salary	Peter Scott	29580		
Project Income - EP Councils	See projects below	0	0	0
Projects Income - Other	See projects below	0	0	0
Project Income Sub -Total		238979	209399	0
Reimbursed Income		0	0	0
Interest Received		5200	2537	2663
Membership Subs		199200	199187	13
Admin Sub - Total		204400	201724	2676
TOTAL INCOME		443379	411123	2676
EXPENSES				
<u>Exec Officer Employment Costs</u>				
Salary Expenses in total - P Scott	(including Vehicle)	73950	5192.31	68757.7
Salary Expenses in total - T Irvine		125930	125930	0
<u>Admin & Office Expenses</u>				
Admin General	9500 rent to RDA	9700	9500	200
Advertising & Promotion		0	0	0
Audit		1700	1640	60
Bank Charges		90	13	77
Insurance		6500	4500	2000
IT		1200	954	246
Legal Advice		1500	0	1500
Meeting Expenses - Board		7500	2164	5336
Reimbursable Expenses		0	0	0
President's Allowance		2350	1687	663
Secretarial Services		19300	19000	300
Telephone		1900	574	1326
Training & Professional Development		0	0	0
Travel other than Private Vehicle		15800	3932	11868
Admin Sub - Total		267420	175086	92333.7
<u>Projects</u>				
Unspent 2018-19 C/f	See projects below	181018	24228	156790
Projects 2019-20 as below	See projects below	175000	25886	149114
Project Sub - Total		356018	50114	305904
TOTAL EXPENSES		623438	225200	398238
TOTAL INCOME		443379	411123	2676
BALANCE - c/f		-180059	185923	-395562

PROJECTS

<u>Project Funding Break Downs</u>		2019/20	2019/20	2019/20	2019/20
<u>Income</u>		Budget	Actual	Balance	
LGA of SA	Regional Capacity - R & D Projects	41221	41221	0	
	Regional Capacity - Rubble Royalties	168178	168178	0	
		209399	209399	0	
Joint Project Income - EP Councils		0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
Grants/ Projects - Other	Other	0	0	0	
		0	0	0	
Total Project Income		209399	209399	0	
<u>Expenses</u>					
<u>LGA of SA</u>					
Regional Capacity Funded	Regional Transport Strategy Ext	45000	0	45000	Reg Transport Plan Review
	Environment & Waste	20000	0	20000	Reg Waste Plan
	Governance & Planning Reform	10000	1000	9000	LGA Reform & EP Strategy
	Coastal	10000	1000	9000	Coastal Plan - state wide
	Regional Committees support	10000	7379	2621	All other Cmtees support
	Mining Taskforce	20000	0	20000	RDWEP transfer
	Tourism/ Signage/ promotions	20000	0	20000	Regional Projects suport
	Regional Planning - General	20000	11169	8831	Sport & Rec Plan, EO Recruit
	JPB Support	20000	5338	14662	Set up, Regional Board & Plan
		175000	25886	149114	
<u>Unspent Project Funding C/E from 2018-19</u>					
	CWMS Group	8565	0	8565	Not Regional Capacity
	Mining & Energy Task Force	24505	0	24505	
	JPB Support	8221	23228	-15007	
	Regional Transport Strategy review	44972	0	44972	
	Charter Review/ Legals	1831	0	1831	
	Coastal Alliance	1000	1000	0	
	Projects to be Detetermined - Rubble Royalties	91924	0	91924	
		181018	24228	156790	
TOTAL EXPENSES		356018	50114	305904	
Balance of Projects		-146619	159285	-305904	

8 GENERAL BUSINESS – Motion on Notice and Motion Without Notice and Questions

8.1 Motions on Notice

8.1.1 Moved: District Council of Streaky Bay

Seconded:

That the EPLGA develop a Disaster Relief Register and administer the allocation of resources during disaster recovery.

COUNCIL NOTICE OF MOTION

Council Name:	District Council of Streaky Bay
Council Meeting Minute Reference:	16 January 2020
EPLGA Strategic/ Corporate Plan Reference: - Goal Area: Core Activity or Strategic Action.	Strategic Action 1.1.4 Develop effective working relationships between the EPLGA and member Councils and external stakeholder agencies and <u>organisations</u> .
Subject/ Title of Issue:	Disaster Relief Register
Proposed Motion:	That the EPLGA develop a Disaster Relief Register and administer the allocation of resources during disaster recovery.
Background/ Intended Purpose of proposed motion:	<p><u>In light</u> of the recent bushfires, Council were keen to connect with affected Councils to offer whatever support was possible. The concern was the number of similar offers already being made by well intentioned Councils to exhausted CEO's and staff.</p> <p>It is hoped all Councils on the Eyre Peninsula might be able to offer <u>a number of</u> staff willing to volunteer to assist with recovery, including their skill sets. Assistance by way of travel and accommodation would be met by the offering Council. It was thought if a Disaster Relief Register was managed centrally, support could be more efficiently offered and mean one call to each affected Council rather than 11 from the Eyre Peninsula alone.</p>
Dated:	21 January 2020
Council <u>Contact:-</u> Officer submitting form.	Name: Karina Ewer – Chief Executive Officer Telephone: 08 8626 1001 Email: ewerkarina@streakybay.sa.gov.au

Note: Submit this form as a Microsoft Word document via email to pscott@eplga.com.au at least 3 days prior to the meeting. (The earlier the better for inclusion in the agenda papers)



21 January 2020

Mr Peter Scott
Executive Officer
Eyre Peninsula Local Government Assoc.
88 Liverpool Street
Port Lincoln SA 5606

Email: peter.scott@rdawep.org.au

Dear Peter

Re: Disaster Relief Register

At the most recent District Council of Streaky Bay Ordinary Meeting, held 16 January 2020, Councillors requested I contact you so that a Disaster Relief Register, administered by the EPLGA might be considered at the next EPLGA Board meeting.

In light of the recent bushfires, Council were keen to connect with affected Councils to offer whatever support was possible. The concern was the number of similar offers already being made by well intentioned Councils to exhausted CEOs and their staff.

It was hoped all Councils on the EP might be able to offer a number of staff willing to volunteer to assist with recovery, including their skill sets. Assistance (travel, accommodation etc would be met by the offering Council). It was thought is such a register was managed centrally, our support could be more efficiently offered and mean one call to each affected Council rather than 11 from the EP alone.

I trust the information provided above is sufficient for discussion purposes.

If you have any questions, please contact me on either telephone 0409 175 760 or email ewerkarina@streakybay.sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



Karina Ewer MBA, MCMR, MAHRI
Chief Executive Officer

www.streakybay.sa.gov.au

8.2 Motions Without Notice/Questions from the Floor

8.3 Motions Laying on the Table

8.3.1 Motion without Notice from 28 June 2019 EPLGA Board Meeting:

Coastal Protection Board – Limitation of Additional Powers Within New Planning Legislation

Moved: Mayor Hancock

Seconded: Mayor Walsh

That the EPLGA call on the Minister for Planning to limit any additional powers of the Coastal Protection Board in the new planning legislation to those of the current planning system.

046/19: Formal Motion

Moved: Mayor Johnson

Seconded: Mayor Cameron

That the motion lay on the table.

CARRIED

Dr Murray Townsend, Coastal Protection Board has been invited to this meeting for this matter.

9 CORRESPONDENCE

9.1 Correspondence for Decision

1-0220 President, EPLGA: Loss of Mobile Telecommunications during Power Outages

Comments and Recommendations:

As per 5.1.2 Report no. 02-2020: Loss of Mobile Telecommunications during Power Outages

A copy of the correspondence is available on pages 36, 37 and 38.

2-0220 Peter Arnold, CEO, District Council of Cleve: Loss of Mobile Telecommunications during Power Outages.

Comments:

The CEO is requesting EPLGA and RDAWEP contact telecommunications providers in regard to the provision of supplementary power supply to telecommunication infrastructure during mains power outages.

A copy of the correspondence is available on page 39.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the Cleve District Council be advised of the President's request to the Federal Minister for Communications and telecommunications suppliers Telstra and Optus for mobile telephone towers to be fitted with generators.

Hon Paul Fletcher MP
Federal Minister for Communications
Suite 1, Level 2
280 Pacific Highway
Lindfield, NSW, 2070
CC: Hon Mark Coulton MP, Rowan Ramsey MP
January 20th 2020

Dear Minister,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association and our local communities on an issue which I believe is pertinent across our country, that is the loss of mobile telecommunications which occurs in our communities when there is a power outage.

Our request is that the Federal Government mandate, either through legislation or direction, for all mobile telephone towers to be fitted, or retro-fitted, with the ability to be powered through the use of generators and further, that telecommunication providers be required to purchase generators for use by local contractors or other suitable bodies, eg: local government or SES, and that such bodies shall be trained, inducted and contracted to implement generator use during power outages

The request for these measures have come about through regular power outages on the Eyre Peninsula and the failure of mobile telephone towers, in some instances within 4 hours of the outage.

In times of catastrophic weather conditions or natural disasters such as bushfires, having operational mobile telephone towers can be the difference between life and death. The ability to seek help and assistance, to report conditions and otherwise maintain communications is vital, and our communities are being let down by the current attitude of providers and government.

Mobile telephones are an essential service and have in many instances taken over from various forms of radio communications and landline telephones in rural and remote areas. Mobile telephones can also provide the portal for internet services where so much information is now posted by emergency services and agencies such as the Bureau of Meteorology.

If mobile towers are continually allowed to fail in times of emergency our communities will suffer, and potentially lives will be lost. The solution is simple to achieve and needs to be implemented immediately.

Your earliest consideration of this matter is requested and I look forward to your response. I would be please to discuss any aspects of this further if required.

Please feel free to contact either myself, or the Executive Officer of the EPLGA, Peter Scott.

Best Regards,



Mayor Sam Telfer

President - Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association



Mark Bolton
Telstra Area General Manager South Australia
L2/30 Pirie St,
ADELAIDE, 5000
January 30th 2020

Dear Mark,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association and our local communities on an issue which I believe is pertinent across our country, that is the loss of mobile telecommunications which occurs in our communities when there is a power outage.

Recently I wrote to the Federal Communications Minister Paul Fletcher highlighting our concerns from our experience on the Eyre Peninsula. We requested that action be taken so that all mobile telephone towers to be fitted, or retro-fitted, with the ability to be powered through the use of generators and further, that telecommunication providers be required to purchase generators for use by local contractors or other suitable bodies, eg: local government or SES, and that such bodies shall be trained, inducted and contracted to implement generator use during power outages

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Mobile telephones are an essential service and have in many instances taken over from various forms of radio communications and landline telephones in rural and remote areas. Mobile telephones can also provide the portal for internet services where so much information is now posted by emergency services and agencies such as the Bureau of Meteorology.

If mobile towers are continually allowed to fail in times of emergency our communities will suffer, and potentially lives will be lost. The solution is simple to achieve and needs to be implemented immediately, and I urge you to implement solutions to this significant issue.

Your earliest consideration of this matter is requested and I look forward to your response. I would be please to discuss any aspects of this further if required.

Please feel free to contact either myself, or the Executive Officer of the EPLGA, Peter Scott.

Best Regards,



Mayor Sam Telfer
President - Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association



Rob Seymour
Optus Territory General Manager South Australia

January 30th 2020

Dear Rob,

I am writing to you on behalf of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association and our local communities on an issue which I believe is pertinent across our country, that is the loss of mobile telecommunications which occurs in our communities when there is a power outage.

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21 January 2020

Peter Scott
Executive Officer
Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association
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PORT LINCOLN SA 5606

Dear Peter,

RE: Mains Power outages

On the 30th December Cleve, and a number of other EP Areas, experienced a mains power outage which lasted for in excess of 8 hours. Approx. 3 hours after commencement of the outage the local Telstra Mobile tower lost connectivity, and the Optus tower went down around 1/2 hour later. The towers remained inoperable until the restoration of mains power, which was at approx. 11.15pm.

Council has made numerous offers to both companies to provide a supplementary power supply to telecommunication infrastructure during mains power outages. Council has a trailer mounted generator which is considered fit for purpose and the local SES have volunteered to relocate the generator to the towers (which are in close proximity to each other) and keep the generator operational for the duration of any outage.

To date, Council has been unable to gain any traction in relation to this matter. Both companies have advised that this cannot be easily achieved however Council is aware of instances where this has occurred in other areas. Both companies have also advised that they have their own contractors responsible for providing back up power however Council is not aware of any instances where this has occurred in Cleve.

Council therefore seeks the assistance of the RDAWEP to open up constructive dialogue with the Telco's to achieve a more positive outcome for our community. Connectivity is considered an essential service by many, particularly during a time of elevated need, and Council is therefore seeking a resolution to this matter prior to it negatively impacting on one of more of our community members.

Yours faithfully

Peter J Arnold
Chief Executive Officer

cc: RDAWEP

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9 CORRESPONDENCE cont.

9.2 Correspondence for Noting

9.2.1 PIRSA Quarterly Summary

Report by Karen Hollamby, Regional Coordinator, Eyre and Western Regions SA

1) New Drought Support Program

The South Australian Government began responding to the worsening drought conditions in August 2018. On 10 December 2019, it announced a \$21 million Drought Support Program. The expanded Drought Support Program offers both immediate financial relief to address current impacts and long-term resilience incentives.

The expanded Drought Support Program includes the following new and increased initiatives for 2019/20 and 20/21:

- Increased funding to Rural Business Support for a number of support activities which includes assisting small rural and regional businesses and increasing the Rural Financial Counselling Services to meet growing demand.
- Additional funds to match the Commonwealth Government's On-farm Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate Scheme. We will increase the rebate from 25% to 50% (or up to \$50,000) which will provide a greater incentive for eligible primary producers to purchase and install new water infrastructure and improve drought resilience.
- Increased funding for the Family and Business Support (FaBS) Mentor program. This will boost wellbeing and business advice to farmers, farming families and small businesses in drought-affected regions.
- Immediate financial relief by offering a 50% rebate for council rates or pastoral lease rent for any primary producer currently receiving Farm Household Allowance. By targeting interventions largely to those farmers in receipt of the Commonwealth's Farm Household Allowance, we ensure that it is being received by those doing it tough.

2) Red Meat and Wool Growth Program

To support growth in our primary industries, the State Government is committing \$7.5m to a Red Meat and Wool Growth Program. Through improved systems and technology to help increase quality and production, the program will increase industry's ability to export more product, and thereby grow prosperous regions.

The program will partner with industry, private sector and universities to:

- Facilitate the use of agricultural technology by livestock producers, saleyards and processors to improve data based decision making and drive productivity improvements.
- Increase business acumen and skills in business, farm management and data based decision making to help build business resilience.
- Offer the opportunity for producers to learn from each other through membership of technology groups and involvement at demonstration farms.
- Enable producers to demonstrate the safety, welfare and quality of SA produce to meet premium market requirements.
- Improve the biosecurity culture across industry, decreasing the spread of disease, increasing survivability and increasing productivity.

With government working in partnership with industry and research bodies, this funding program for on-farm innovation and better business practices will support growth in the sector to meet future demand, improve product quality and give international consumers greater confidence in South Australia's reputation for premium produce.

Producer Technology Group activities will upskill and provide the opportunity for livestock producers to support each other in the implementation and practical application of precision livestock management technologies.

The aim of the Producer Technology Groups is to:

- Explore and share experiences and knowledge on ways precision livestock management technologies can be used.
- Learn from experts on how technologies could assist you to improve productivity, efficiency and profitability in your business.
- Support producer members to implement and apply technology to improve productivity and profitability.

Each group will be facilitated by livestock consultants with the support of technical experts.

The Program is seeking expressions of interest from producers, a group of producers who do not currently have a facilitator, or existing producer groups who are interested in participating as a Producer Technology Group within their region.

To apply, visit https://pir.sa.gov.au/major_programs/red_meat_and_wool_growth_program. Expressions of interest are open until 5pm Friday 13 March 2020.

9.2 Correspondence for Noting cont.

9.2.1 PIRSA Quarterly Summary cont.

3) Managing Wild Dogs in SA

Wild dog populations and distributions have increased inside the Dog Fence in South Australia over the past two decades. This is severely impacting livestock industries. The Marshall Liberal Government is working to eradicate wild dogs inside South Australia's Dog Fence and is consulting on policy changes to achieve this goal.

The revised Declared Animal Policy (Wild dogs and dingoes) provides strategies to manage wild dog populations across South Australia. Wild dogs are currently declared species required by law to be for eradicated inside the Dog Fence.

The draft revised policy has been developed by Primary Industries and Regions SA in consultation with the South Australian Wild Dog Advisory Group, the Department of Environment and Water, Natural Resource Management boards and other industry and community stakeholders.

For more information on the proposed changes, visit yoursay.sa.gov.au/wild-dog-management. Feedback is now open until 5pm Friday 17 April 2020.

4) Salinity-Tolerant Bread Wheat

South Australia could revolutionise the capacity to grow bread wheat in dry and saline soil conditions after the release of results from an eight-year research program. The South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI) recently released the results of the research program to develop lines of bread wheat with the potential for significantly improved adaptation to saline or sodic soils to boost both the yield and profit from the Australian wheat crop.

SARDI will now undertake further yield trials and evaluation over the next two years, which will determine the commercial potential of the new wheat lines.

Led by SARDI, the work was supported by the University of Adelaide, the University's Waite Research Institute and The Yitpi Foundation.

Salinity (presence of salt) and sodicity (presence of sodium) are major constraints to global cereal production, and despite significant international research effort, the impact in the field from this research for growers in marginal areas has been limited.

Read the full report at [Frontiers in Plant Science](https://www.frontiersin.org).

5) World Fisheries Congress 2020

In October 2020 leading global fisheries experts will converge on Adelaide, Australia, for one of the largest international fisheries conferences, the World Fisheries Congress 2020 (WFC2020).

WFC2020 will bring together research, industry, management and the latest technological advances in marine and freshwater fisheries worldwide.

Within the overall theme 'Sharing our oceans and rivers – a vision for the world's fisheries,' WFC2020 will be organised around four key themes:

- Sustainable Fisheries (Assessment, Regulation, Enforcement)
- Fish and Aquatic Ecosystems (Biodiversity, Conservation, Ecosystem Function, Integrated Management)
- Fisheries and Society (Contributions to Sustainable Development)
- Future of Fish and Fisheries (Innovations in Fisheries)

WFC2020 will be held 11-15 October 2020.

To find out more about WFC2020 and to register for updates visit wfc2020.com.au

9.3 Preci's of all Incoming and Outgoing Correspondence

Precis' of all incoming and outgoing correspondence for the period 6 December 2019 to 10 February 2020 for noting only – no recommendations/actions required, with full copies available on request.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That all incoming and outgoing correspondence for the period 6 December 2019 to 10 February 2020 as listed in the agenda be noted by the EPLGA Board.

Incoming

Received	From	Subject	To
7/01/2020	District Council of Ceduna - M Hewitson, A/CEO	Eyre Peninsula Regional Assessment Panel - Council agrees to be party to the Eyre Peninsula Regional Assessment Panel	EO
21/01/2020	District Council of Streaky Bay - K Ewer, CEO	Disaster Relief Register - Correspondence for Board Meeting and Motion that DCSB would like to move that the EPLGA develop a Disaster Relief Register and administer the allocation of resources during disaster recovery.	EO
28/01/2020	District Council of Cleve - Peter Arnold, CEO	Effect on Telecommunications during power outages on Eyre Peninsula	EO
28/01/2020	Local Government Professionals Australia SA	2020 Annual State Conference Brochure - Trust and Collaboration : Unlocking Results	EO

Outgoing

Date	To	Subject	From
20/01/2020	The Hon Paul Fletcher MP, Federal Minister for Communications	Loss of mobile telecommunications during power outages	President Sam Telfer
30/01/2020	The Hon Stephan Knoll MP, Minister for Planning	Request to establish the Eyre Peninsula Regional Assessment Panel	President Sam Telfer
30/01/2020	Rob Seymour, General Manager SA, Optus	Loss of mobile telecommunications during power outages	President Sam Telfer
30/01/2020	Mark Bolton, Area General Manager SA, Telstra	Loss of mobile telecommunications during power outages	President Sam Telfer
3/02/2020	EPLGA Board & CEO's	Announcement of new Executive Officer of EPLGA Mr Peter Scott	President Sam Telfer

9.4 Late Correspondence

10 FUTURE MEETINGS

RECOMMENDATION(S):

That the next meeting of the Eyre Peninsula Local Government Association Board be held on Friday 26 June 2020 at Wudinna, commencing at 10.00am.

Future meetings:

2020:

Friday 26 June	Wudinna
Friday 4 September:	Lower Eyre Peninsula
Friday 4 December	Wudinna

2021:

Late February/early March (TBC)	Cowell (including the Annual Conference hosted by Franklin Harbour DC)
Friday 25 June	Wudinna
Friday 3 September	Port Lincoln
Friday 3 December	Wudinna

MEETING CLOSE: