

**MINUTES FOR THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION,  
HELD AT UNI SA CAMPUS, WIRELESS ROAD WEST, MOUNT GAMBIER ON FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2018.**

Meeting opened at 10.20am

President's Welcome

Welcome by City of Mount Gambier Mayor Andrew Lee

- Uni SA new \$12.5 million learning centre was officially opened in April 2016.
- City of Mount Gambier Future Plan, Railway Land/ Rail trail community use and possible future expansion of trail.
- New Free WI-FI City Centre, Railway lands and Cave Garden.
- Acknowledged Councillor Mr Mark Lovett in attendance also and employee of UniSA.

Welcome by Ian McKay – Uni SA

The Mount Gambier New Learning Centre is part of UniSA's \$22 million Regional Connections project, which aims to revolutionise the student learning experience and enhance access to higher education programs for regional students across South Australia

Spanning 2,500m<sup>2</sup>, this brand new learning centre is a world-class tertiary education facility using high-speed fibre optic infrastructure, which will revolutionise the student learning experience. By upgrading the information and communications technology capacity, our Mount Gambier students are able to access resources at the same rate as metropolitan students. More information [here](#)

UniSA is actively involved and engaged with communities across the region including a new partnership with LC LGA's Regional Sporting Academy Pilot Program.

## **1.0 MEMBERS/DEPUTY MEMBERS**

### **1.1 Present**

LC LGA President /Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mayor Erika Vickery
City of Mount Gambier	Mayor Andrew Lee
District Council of Grant	Mayor Richard Sage Cr Bruce Bain
Wattle Range Council	Cr Robert Dycer
Kingston District Council	Mayor Reg Lyon Cr Kay Rasheed
District Council of Robe	Cr Harvey Nolan
Tatiara District Council	Mayor Graham Excell Cr David Edwards

### **1.2 In Attendance**

LC LGA	Mr Dominic Testoni (EO)
City of Mount Gambier	Mr Mark McShane (CEO)
Wattle Range Council	Mr Ben Gower (CEO)
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mrs Fiona Stringer (Acting CEO)
District Council of Robe	Mr Roger Sweetman (CEO)
Kingston District Council	Mr Andrew MacDonald (CEO)
Tatiara District Council	Ms Anne Champness (CEO)

### 1.3 Guests and Observers

LC LGA	Mrs Biddie Shearing (Tourism Industry Development Manager) Mr Rob Forgan (Regional Community Road Safety Officer) Mrs June Saruwaka (Regional Waste Management Coordinator) Mrs Prae Wongthong (Climate Adaptation Project Officer) Mrs Michaela Bell (Project Manager) Mr Tony Elletson (STARCLUB Field Officer) Ms Mae Steele (Executive Support Officer)
LGA SA	Mr Lea Bacon (Director – Policy)
RDA Limestone Coast	Mr Alan Richardson (Acting Chair) Mr David Wheaton (CEO) Dr Liz Perkins (Manager Infrastructure & Investment)
PIRSA	Ms Peta Crewe (Regional Manager – Limestone Coast)
State Planning Commission	Mr Tim Anderson, Chair
DPTI	Mr David Lake
Jeff Tate Consulting	Mr Jeff Tate
Uni SA	Mr Ian McKay (Regional Manager -Mount Gambier) Mr Mark Lovett (Aboriginal Student and Community Engagement Officer)
Member for Mount Gambier	Mr Troy Bell MP
Liberal Candidate for MacKillop	Mr Nick McBride
Liberal Candidate for Mount Gambier	Mr Craig Marsh

### 1.4 Apologies

Federal Member for Barker	Mr Tony Pasin MP
Tatiara District Council	Cr Robert Mock
District Council of Robe	Mayor Peter Riseley
Wattle Range Council	Mayor Peter Gandolfi
City of Mount Gambier	Cr Hanna Persello
Office of Local Government (DPTI)	Alex Hart (Manager)

**“That the apologies be accepted.”**

**Moved,** Wattle Range Council

**Seconded,** City of Mount Gambier

**CARRIED**

## 2.0 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

Any Delegate or staff member with a potential conflict of interest is asked to declare the interest on the supplied **Conflict of Interests Declaration Form** detailing what the conflict is and why they will not be participating in any item relating to that issue.

**NIL**



### 3.0 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

- 3.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the December LC LGA General Meeting held in the Kingston District Council on the 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

**“That the Minutes of the LC LGA General Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings at that meeting.”**

**Moved,** City of Mount Gambier    **Seconded,** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### 4.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Business arising from the Minutes of the General Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

### 5.0 ACTION SHEET

### 6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

#### 6.1 **Inwards and Outwards**

Correspondence register to 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Many of these correspondence items will have been received directly by member councils. Should any delegate wish to access any correspondence items listed, but not included with this agenda, they can be made available by contacting the LC LGA Executive Officer.

**“That correspondence be received and noted by LC LGA delegates.”**

**Moved,** District Council of Robe    **Seconded,** City of Mount Gambier

**CARRIED**

With the leave of the meeting the President requested to bring forward the Confidential Items 8.6 LCLGA Executive Officer Annual Performance Review and Late Item 1.0 LiDAR Mapping Tender/ South East Coastal Elevation 2018 Project.

#### LCLGA President

Pursuant to Section 3.6.18 of the LCLGA Charter, and Section 90 of the Local Government Act 1999, the Association orders that the public be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider and discuss in confidence Item No 8.6 LCLGA Executive Officer Annual Performance Review and Late Item 1.0 LiDAR Mapping Tender/ South East Coastal Elevation 2018 Project.

1. Is satisfied that the principle that meetings of LCLGA should be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in relation to this matter because it relates to information the disclosure of which would involve the unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of any person.

**Moved,** District Council of Grant    **Seconded,** Tatiara District Council



10.30am Moved into Confidence to Consider 8.6 & Late item 1.0

## 8.6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW

### LCLGA Vice President

1. Executive Officer Annual Performance Review Summary Report December 2017 is received and noted that the EO has delivered successfully on the majority of the priorities for the LCLGA and his performance is strongly positive.
2. Endorse the recommendations proposed by the Review Committee as circulated in the Minutes of the meeting held on the 5th February 2018 and that recommendation 2B be implemented from 9th November 2017.

**Moved:** District Council of Grant

**Seconded:** Wattle Range Council

**Late Item 1.0** LiDAR Mapping Tender/ South East Coastal Elevation 2018 Project

### Executive Officer

It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Endorse the recommendation by the assessment panel and award the contract to RPS Australia.
3. Authorise an amendment to the adopted 2018 LCLGA annual budget up to the value of \$17,700 in line with the recommendation by the assessment panel.
4. Confirm the final amount once the Coorong District Council have responded to the request to contribute to the project.

**Moved:** Kingston District Council   **Seconded:** City of Mount Gambier

Moved to go out of confidence.

**Moved,** District Council of Grant   **Seconded,** Wattle Range Council

**10.58** Mayor Richard Sage left the meeting and did not return. Cr Bruce Bain, District Council of Grant joined the meeting.

### **Guest Speakers**

Karen Raffan, CEO, Brand South Australia

- 2018 Regional Showcase Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018, The Bend Motorsport Park.
- Major Partner - PIRSA and Regions SA
- Regional Showcase program aims to celebrate the achievements of individuals, groups and businesses that have made significant contributions to regional South Australia.
- 3 Award Categories
- Team of Journalists in house and visit regions
- Suggest a Regional Story...[here](#)
- Travel and accommodation subsidy for finalists to attend presentation.



Mr Tim Anderson, Chair of the State Planning Commission

- The State Planning Commission has been established as the state's independent, principal planning body that provides advice and makes recommendations on the administration of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016*. [Responsibilities and Functions](#)
- The State Planning Commission guides decision-making of state government, local government and community and business organisations with respect to planning, development and infrastructure provisions in South Australia.
- The passage of the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* began the biggest modernisation of South Australia's planning system in over 20 years. [The New System](#). The Commission was established on 1 April 2017 with the commencement of new planning Act.
- Acknowledged key department staff and roles.
- The State Planning Commission assumed the functions, powers and duties of the Development Assessment Commission (DAC) on 1 August 2017. On the same day the State Planning Commission established the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP) to continue the assessment functions formerly undertaken by the DAC. The SCAP has the same membership as the former DAC to provide for a smooth transition to the new system.
- It is anticipated the workload for the State Planning Commission will be significant in its first two to three years of operation as the elements of the new system are established and the planning instruments become operational.
- Included in this are key responsibilities within the *Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016* to lead planning policies and ensure that genuine engagement with community occurs, as well as to help focus future developments in a coordinated manner with the required and appropriate infrastructure provisions and finally to provide guidance to local councils, practitioners and other users of the system in the delivery of a new planning services.
- Community Engagement Charter Link [here](#)
- Planning and Design Code Link [here](#)
- Regional Planning framework. Link [Here](#)
- Collaboration is essential in transitioning to the new planning system Link [here](#).
- Joint Planning Boards Pilot – David Lake, DPTI Discussion to continue at agenda item 8.1

**11.20** With the leave of the meeting the President authorised a short recess.

**11.30** Recommended meeting

## **7.0 REPORTS**

### **7.1 LC LGA President's Report**

Mayor Erika Vickery

Attended a banquet meeting with the Chinese SA Consul-General and Australian Asian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc at the Red Chilli Chinese Restaurant.

The objectives of this meeting were:

1. SA Council Mayors and CEO to meet the newly appointed Consul-General, Mr Siping CAI, and key members of his team.
2. Introduce LGA and council representatives to the Consul-General and key members of his team.
3. Introduce AACCI to the Consul-General and the Mayors, and explore how AACCI can assist LGA and SA Councils with their China engagements.
4. To discuss China engagements and how the Consulate-General could assist and facilitate with such engagements.
5. Promote bilateral trades, culture and friendship exchanges, investment opportunities, tourism, education and government to government relationships.



6. Together with AACCI, LGA, and interested SA Councils, to propose if we could meet with Consul-General on a quarterly basis to discuss China engagements and related topics to assist the local governments to enhance, maintain and boost SA and China relationships. Mayors present were from Onkaparinga, Mt Barker, Barossa, Wattle Range and Naracoorte Lucindale.

SAROC meeting –

The priorities for SAROC this year are:

- strong advocacy for our regions with the 2018 State Election – we are seeking a commitment from all political parties and candidates in the forthcoming State election to three strategic policy initiatives to secure future growth and prosperity of regional SA
- the establishment of the SA Coastal Councils Alliance – this will be the first time that regional and metropolitan coastal councils will have a consolidated approach. The project will deliver a consistent data set and identify gaps and priorities associated with adaption and inundation for coastal decision makers
- continue to advocate for equity in rating for major developments (electricity generators) which are currently exempt for rating purposes
- the development of a regional vocational education and training strategy – trends in this area are that spending for VET is decreasing while tertiary spending increases and it is essential for regional area to maintain strong tertiary education in VET.

Meetings with politicians to advocate for the Regional Councils Election strategy – growing regions. Met with Kelly Vincent, Mark Parnell, Robert Brokenshire and Nick Xenophon.

Attended RDA LC Board meeting at Kingston. Industry visit to Cape Jaffa Anchorage and development.

Attended rural health policy roundtable hosted by Senator David Fawcett, Senator for South Australia with special guest Professor Paul Worley, Australia's National Rural Health Commissioner and Hon Stephen Wade MLC, Minister for Health and Wellbeing (SA) – his major focus is workforce and training – getting enough staff into regional areas – setting up teaching hospital environment across Australia – human rights approach – train rural generalist (GPs with specialist skills)

Attended my first AMRC Board meeting in Adelaide on Wednesday. This organisation plays a significant role in Mt Gambier, Naracoorte and Bordertown, assisting the migrant communities to settle in our region.

#### 7.1.1 LGA Board

- (i) Draft Minutes of LGA Board Meeting held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

#### 7.1.2 SAROC

- (ii) Key Outcomes Summary of SAROC Meeting held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

### 7.2 Local Government Association of SA

Lea Bacon – Director - Policy

- State Election – Regional Strategy aligns with LGA. Information [here](#)
- 3 Phases to Awareness Campaign.
- Community housing rate impact on councils/rebates.



- Local Government Election Information & Resources [Link here](#)

### 7.3 Report from LC LGA Starclub Field Officer

Tony Elletson

- New Starclubs DC Grant, Wattle range and Mount Gambier.
- Strategic Planning Workshops for Starclubs
- LCRSA Uni SA First Education Workshop
- Successful Grant Applications for starclubs Wattle Range, Mount Gambier & Naracoorte. Follow up Kingston.

### 7.4 Report from LC LGA Tourism Industry Development Manager

Biddie Shearing

- Event Organiser Survey
- Digital Presence and Online Performance 156% improvement.
- SATC Investment and Infrastructure Manager Famil
- Industry Workshops
- LC Visitation
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Recommendation Report tabled

**Wine Australia Federal Funding Program – supporting a regional application.**  
Tourism Industry Development Manager

It is recommended that LC LGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. LC LGA Contribute in-kind support to the Mixed Dozen project lead Limestone Coast Grape and Wine Council and \$5,000 cash contribution to the project.

**Moved,** Kingston District Council **Seconded,** District Council of Robe

**CARRIED**

### 7.5 Report from LC LGA Regional Community Road Safety Officer

Rob Forgan

- MAC meeting 14<sup>th</sup> February for 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 contract.
- Little Blue Dinosaur Holiday Awareness Program
- Motor Cyclists Graduated Licensing System– [Have your say](#)
- Wattle range Council – Road Safety centre \$50,00 Upgrade.
- Agrifutures – National Rural Issues link [here](#)

### 7.6 Report LC LGA Regional Waste Management Coordinator

June Saruwaka

- School Waste Reduction and Recycling Challenge. DECD \$500 Contribution for additional category.
- China Ban on contamination rates of mixed plastics. LGA are keen to here from councils, LC LGA is responding on behalf of the region more information [here](#)
- China Ban Media coverage link [here](#)

### 7.7 Report LC LGA Climate Adaptation Project Officer

Prae Wongthong

- Tension Woods Showing DVD



- First coordinated regional Earth Hour – focus on community, public venues, schools, hospitality sector, dinner by candlelight, daytime traders, single use items. Information will be developed for each council.

## 7.8 Report from LC LGA Project Manager

Michaela Bell

- LC Brand, working with consultant, developed a story board, finalising quotes.
- Coordinating attendance at the LGA Showcase. Provides an opportunity to share and learn from other regions. Tony Elletson will be presenting on the LC LGAS development of the Limestone Coast Regional Sporting Academy Pilot.

“That the reports from the LC LGA President, Local Government Association SA, Office of Local Government, Starclub Field Officer, Tourism Industry Development Manager, Regional Community Road Safety Officer, Regional Waste Management Coordinator, Climate Adaptation Project Officer and Project Manager be received and noted.”

**Moved**, Kingston District Council **Seconded**, Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## 8.0 RECOMMENDATION REPORTS

### 8.1 Joint Planning Boards

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. That the LCLGA move forward with the establishment of the Business Case including the formation of a Joint Planning Board, Regional Assessment Panel, Regional Assessment Manager and a Regional Authority for Council planning staff.

**Moved**, Kingston District Council **Seconded**, District Council of Grant

**CARRIED**

### 8.2 Regional Airport Submission

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Note the submission that has been lodged with the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee.

**Moved**, City of Mount Gambier **Seconded**, Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

### 8.3 Regional Growth Strategy

Project Manager



It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.

**Moved**, Wattle Range Council **Seconded**, City of Mount Gambier

CARRIED

#### 8.4 Rating of Electricity Generators

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. LC LGA receive and note the report.

**Moved**, Wattle Range Council **Seconded**, District Council of Grant

CARRIED

#### 8.5 Regional Waste Management Strategic Direction 2018-2023

Regional Waste Coordinator

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. The Board receives and endorses the 'LCLGA Regional Waste Management Strategic Direction (2017/18 to 2022/23).'
2. Endorses the development of the Implementation Plan and Community Engagement Plan.

**Moved**, City of Mount Gambier **Seconded**, Tatiara District Council

CARRIED

#### 9.0 FINANCIAL

##### 9.1 Profit and Loss Statement

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. The Consolidated Profit and Loss Budget Analysis for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 be received and noted.
2. The Balance Sheet for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 be received and noted.
3. The Jobs Profit and Loss Report to the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 be received and noted.

**Moved**, District Council of Robe **Seconded**, Tatiara District Council

CARRIED

#### 10.0 OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES

- 10.1 **Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast**  
Dr Liz Perkins - Investment Attraction & Infrastructure



- Mentored by Bruce Rodda since commencement.
- Advanced Manufacturing and Engineering Forum [Link](#)
- RDA Infrastructure Audit
- Naracoorte Lucindale Council Area - Teys Australia looking to increase workforce, RDALC Assisting.
- Building Better regions Fund
- Kingston District Council Area – Blackspot /Mobile Phone infrastructure

#### 10.2 South East NRM Board

Executive Officer Dominic Testoni Local Government representative

- Spoke about the National Landcare Program Regional Land Partnerships South East partnerships and tender

It is recommended that LC LGA:

“Receives and note the Reports.”

**Moved,** District Council of Robe **Seconded,** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

### 11.0 LCLGA SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

#### 11.1 LCLGA Roads and Transport Management Group – 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018

#### 11.2 LCLGA Regional Waste Steering Committee – 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018

#### 11.3 LCLGA Tourism Management Group – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 & 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018

It is recommended that LC LGA:

“The Minutes of the LC LGA Roads and Transport Management Group, LC LGA Regional Waste Steering Committee and the LCLGA Tourism Management Group having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.”

**Moved,** District Council of Robe **Seconded,** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

### 12.0 OTHER BUSINESS

- 12.1 Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast and LC LGA Joint Meeting proposed for the 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Information will be send out.

#### 12.2 Tatiara District Council update on the Sherwood Bush Fire

- Mayor Graham Excell gave a brief update on the recovery process for the councils and communities involved.



### 13.0 MEETING CLOSURE – 2.25pm

The next LC LGA General Meeting is to be held in the Wattle Range Council on **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April 2018**. Acceptances and apologies to LC LGA Executive Support Officer  
Phone 8723 7310 or Email [admin@lclga.sa.gov.au](mailto:admin@lclga.sa.gov.au)

#### LC LGA CALENDAR

Date	Meeting	Location
24 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	SAROC	LGA, Adelaide
9 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	LC LGA AGM & GM	City of Mount Gambier
21 <sup>st</sup> March 2018	SAROC	LGA, Adelaide
6 <sup>th</sup> April 2018*	LC LGA GM	Wattle Range Council
12 <sup>th</sup> & 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	Council Best practice Showcase LGA Ordinary GM	Adelaide Town Hall
16 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	SAROC	Regional Location, TBC
1 <sup>st</sup> June 2018*	LC LGA GM	District Council of Robe
18 <sup>th</sup> July 2018	SAROC	LGA, Adelaide
10 <sup>th</sup> August 2018	LC LGA GM	Grant District Council
29 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> August 2018	LGA Roads & Works Conference	Barossa
12 <sup>th</sup> September 2018	SAROC	Regional Location, TBC
12 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	LC LGA	Tatiara District Council
26 <sup>th</sup> October 2018	LGA Conference & AGM	Adelaide Entertainment Centre
14 <sup>th</sup> November 2018	SAROC	LGA, Adelaide
14 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	LC LGA	Naracoorte Lucindale Council
8 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	LC LGA AGM & GM	Kingston District Council
*note change to regular bimonthly schedule		

