

## MINUTES FROM THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, HELD AT THE KINGSTON DISTRICT COUNCIL, KINGSTON ON FRIDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2017

### President's Welcome

- Mayor Erika Vickery welcome all members and guests. A special welcome to Anne Champness, New Chief Executive Officer at the Tatiara District Council.

### Welcome by Kingston District Council Mayor Reg Lyon

- Welcomed Anne Champness to the region.
- Offered best wishes to Dr Helen Macdonald for her approaching departure from the position of CEO at the Naracoorte Lucindale Council.
- A busy year in Kingston and looks as though it will be a busy 2018
- Friday December 1<sup>st</sup> 2017 a special council meeting was held to consider the Dredge Procurement Report. The report was accepted and a new dredge funding agreement has been entered into. The new dredge will be up to date and of great benefit to the community.
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### New Venture Institute – Envision Limestone Coast

Kathryn Anderson & Matt Salier

- NVI is the centre of innovation and entrepreneurship at Flinders. Through programs and activities they inspire, connect and educate future generations of entrepreneurs and innovators.
- eNVIision is a collaborative incubator space connecting local business owners and entrepreneurs with a wide range of resources within Flinders University.
- eNVIision Limestone Coast – opening early 2018 – is a purpose built incubator in the southeast of South Australia delivering born-global and export focused new ventures. It will create a local innovation ecosystem connected to a global network of markets and expertise.
- Limestone Coast innovation precinct/ learning lab to be developed in Mount Gambier and to work with SME's/business across the region.
- The Innovation hub will be tailored to the needs of the region and will work with council's networks and sister city connections to find the and develop opportunities.
- We are now seeking the first startup businesses to take through the program. Please refer anyone you think will also wish to be part of the Limestone Coast's new business incubator or send to this link [eNVIision Limestone Coast](#).

### Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster

Miss Meg Bell

- Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster fosters collaboration by working in a number of areas to develop a deeper understanding of the region's red meat industry, build innovation, grow profitability and enhance skills.
- The Limestone Coast holds 56% of SA's cattle and 34% of the states sheep flock. The sector employs 3,649 FTE's in the Limestone Coast.
- 2015-16 Net Revenue for the Limestone Coast Red Meat Industry – Includes production, processing, in region consumption and export, minus imports.
- The region's major red meat processors, Teys Australia at Naracoorte and JBS at Bordertown, are significant Limestone Coast employers, along with Thomas Foods International at Murray Bridge. There are also a large number of small meatworks, retail butchers and food service outlets that contribute significantly to the regional economy.

- Cluster in its fourth year funded primarily by PIRSA and supported by the Naracoorte Lucindale Council. The cluster will look to become self-sustaining in the future. Clusters historically take 8 years of government support to get fully established, to develop the research, upskilling the industry and developing the scalability of businesses to provide a consistent quality to supply new and established markets.
- The current funded projects do not allow for an administration component and the Cluster is seeking member councils financial support through the LC LGA.
- Members may consider the role of the livestock industry in future planning and maintenance of council assets including roads and bridges also the significant economic impact of this industry sector and the investment made to other sectors eg. Tourism.

## 1.0 **MEMBERS/DEPUTY MEMBERS**

### 1.1 Present

LC LGA President Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mayor Erika Vickery
City of Mount Gambier	Mayor Andrew Lee Cr Hanna Persello
Wattle Range Council	Cr Robert Dycer
District Council of Grant	Mayor Richard Sage
Kingston District Council	Mayor Reg Lyon
District Council of Robe	Mayor Peter Riseley
Tatiara District Council	Mayor Graham Excell

### 1.2 In Attendance

LC LGA	Mr Dominic Testoni (EO)
City of Mount Gambier	Mr Mark McShane (CEO)
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Dr Helen Macdonald (CEO)
Wattle Range Council	Mr Paul Duka (Director Corporate Services)
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

RDA Limestone Coast	Mr David Wheaton (CEO) Mr Alan Richardson (Acting Chair)
LGA	Mr Grant Waldron (Acting Director Member Services)
Uni SA	Mr Ian McKay
Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster	Miss Meg Bell (Coordinator)
PIRSA	Ms Ali Auld (Project Officer – Limestone Coast)
New Venture Institute	Mr Matt Salier (Director) Ms Kathryn Anderson (Deputy Director Enterprise)
LC LGA	Mrs Michaela Bell (Project Manager) Mrs Prae Wongthong (Climate Adaptation Project Officer) Mr Tony Elletson (STARCLUB Field Officer) Ms Mae Steele (Executive Support Officer)



## 1.4 Apologies

Office of Troy Bell MP	Mr Troy Bell MP Mr Travis Fatchen
Federal Member for Barker	Mr Tony Pasin MP
Minister for Local Government	Hon Geoff Brock MP
PIRSA	Ms Peta Crewe (Regional Manager – Limestone Coast)
District Council of Grant	Mr Trevor Smart (CEO) Mrs Jane Fetherstonhaugh
Kingston District Council	Cr Kay Rasheed
Wattle Range Council	Mayor Peter Gandolfi Mr Ben Gower (CEO)
Tatiara District Council	Cr Robert Mock
LGA	Ms Lisa Teburea
LC LGA	Mrs Biddie Shearing (Tourism Industry Development Manager) Mr Rob Forgan (Regional Community Road Safety Officer) Mrs June Saruwaka (Regional Waste Management Coordinator)

**“That the apologies be accepted.”**

**Moved,**

Wattle Range Council

**Seconded,** Tatiara District Council

**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 October LC LGA General Meeting held in the Naracoorte Lucindale Council on the 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017.

**“That the Minutes of the LC LGA General Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> October 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,** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## 4.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Business arising from the Minutes of the General Meeting, 13<sup>th</sup> October 2017.



## 5.0 ACTION SHEET

## 6.0 CORRESPONDENCE

### 6.1 Inwards and Outwards

Correspondence register to 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

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**, Naracoorte Lucindale Council   **Seconded**, District Council of Robe

**CARRIED**

## 7.0 REPORTS

### 7.1 LC LGA President's Report

- Launch of Election Strategy
- Media Release outlining three priorities.

#### 7.1.1 LGA Board

- (i) Key Outcomes Summary of LGA Board Meeting held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017.

#### 7.1.2 SAROC

- (ii) Key Outcomes Summary of SAROC Meeting held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017.

### 7.2 Local Government Association of SA

Grant Waldron

- Rates Awareness Campaign. More information [here](#)
- Election Campaign. More information [here](#)
- Code of Conduct Review
- Members services – Training needs analysis, councils of the future, IT, Unity upgrades.
- Emergency Management.
- Regional Youth Traineeship Programs through the State Government's \$10M Jobs Accelerator Fund success. Support for a further program to continue involving Youth in Councils.
- Workforce Alignment for Industrial relations framework – Steering Committee.

### 7.3 Report from LC LGA Starclub Field Officer

Tony Elletson

- Limestone Coast Regional Sporting Academy (LCRSA) Pilot Program Update



- LCRSA setup has been a significant amount of work with support of LC LGA team.
- Athletes are now training twice per week in their home towns with local coaches.
- 4 weeks into the twelve-month program
- Physical Screening for the athletes
- Coaches trained/ developed by Tony Checker
- Parent Feedback has been positive
- Trip to NSW to visit NSW Regional Sporting Academies.
- Economic Value of NSW Regional Academies of Sport research project.

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

Dominic Testoni

- Biddie Shearing returning to work on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018.
- In Biddies absence Mae Steele has assisted with managing tourism enquiries from Councils, Tourism businesses and working with the SATC team to continue the ongoing development of programs.
- Attended the SATC Regional Chairs meeting early November. Discussion around the attendance at Caravan and Camping shows. LC LGA Tourism Management Group made a decision based on a number of convincing factors to divert this to International Trade Programs.

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

Rob Forgan

#### **7.6 Report LC LGA Regional Waste Management Coordinator**

June Saruwaka

#### **7.7 Report LC LGA Climate Adaptation Project Officer**

Prae Wongthong

- Sector Agreement Signed 11<sup>th</sup> September 2017.
- Finalised Lidar Project Scoping Document has been distributed to the panel of suppliers. DEWNR will manage the procurement.
- Data acquisition is weather dependent. It is desirable for the data to be captured between January and March 2018, and to allow for product delivery by mid May 2018.
- Climate Adaptation Community Education Strategy – Multi Disciplinary Approach, not only science
- Community Education will be launched Around the Earth Hour on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Use of Photovoice designed to explore the voice of communities. Learn more [here](#).
- Update on Coastal Reef Project - now a statewide project with full support from SAROC, three other SA regions doing similar work. Development of coastal alliance.

#### **7.8 Report from LC LGA Project Manager**

Michaela Bell

- Limestone Coast Brand Update – meeting in with On Creative on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December where a concept will be presented.
- Coastal Connections 2017/18 program last year of funding. Unable find a suitable funding program to make an application at this stage.



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

**CARRIED**

## **8.0 RECOMMENDATION REPORTS**

### **8.1 Starclub Field Officer Position**

#### Starclub Field Officer – Starclub Update

- Child Safe Officer Training around region December 4-6.
- 4 New Starclubs since last LCLGA Meeting.
- Working with next stage for many starclubs in developing Strategic Plans, conducting workshops and planning sessions.
- Some councils have referenced Starclub Accredited clubs to their criteria for funding for sporting clubs, this supports the work of the Starclub program.
- Office of Recreation and Sport Star Club Program Finding expression of interest now open.
- Process has changed with more extensive application required.
- Seeking ongoing council support for the 50/50 funding contribution from LC LGA.

It is recommended that LC LGA;

1. Authorise the LCLGA Executive Officer to complete the Expression of Interest form and apply for the funding from the Office for Recreation and Sport.
2. Authorise the LCLGA President to sign the funding agreement once conditions have been agreed to that meet the intent of the outlined program.

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

**CARRIED**

### **8.2 Developing a Sustainable Limestone Coast Leadership Program**

#### Executive Officer

It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Have the President of the LCLGA sign the Auspice Agreement between the Stand Like Stone Foundation and the Limestone Coast Local Government Association.
3. Request that prior to the signing of any future agreements as a condition of the Auspice Agreement that a detailed project plan is prepared and presented to the LCLGA Board for approval.



**Moved,** District Council of Grant

**Seconded,** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### 8.3 Regional Growth Strategy

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Upon confirmation of a funding contribution by the RDA Limestone Coast engage the Regional Australia Institute to deliver a Regional Pathfinder Program for the Limestone Coast.
3. Authorise additional \$5,000 to come from reserves to fund the project in line with the quote received from the Regional Australia Institute.

**Moved,** Naracoorte Lucindale Council **Seconded,** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### 8.4 Amendment to LC LGA General Meeting Dates

Project Manager

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. That LC LGA receive and note the report.
2. Note and endorse the LC LGA GM date amendments for 2018

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

**CARRIED**

### 8.5 Reduction of Speed Limits

District Council of Robe

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Noting the work that has already been undertaken, that the LCLGA continues to advocate alongside the LGA SA and other regional LGA's for increased funding for SA's road network and to reverse the decision made by the South Australian Government to reduce speed limits.

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

**CARRIED**



## 8.6 Economic Development Work Plan – Deferred Decision on Red Meat Cluster Funding

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. For discussion and decision.
3. Amend the LCLGA budget and grant \$30,000 to the Red Meat Cluster. These funds are to come from reserves of the Association.

**Moved,** District Council of Robe

**Seconded,** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

## 8.7 Establish New Term Deposit

Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Authorise the President of the LCLGA and Executive Officer as signatories to the Bank SA accounts to complete the necessary paperwork and place an amount of \$450,000 into a three-month term deposit at an indicative rate of 2.05%.

**Moved,** District Council of Robe

**Seconded,** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## 8.8 SE NRM - Smart Farm Proposal

Project Manager

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Provide a letter of support for DEWNR NR SE 'Smart Farm Grant' Funding application.

**Moved,** District Council of Robe

**Seconded,** City of Mount Gambier

**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> October 2017 be received and noted.
2. The Balance Sheet for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 be received and noted.
3. The Jobs Profit and Loss Report to the 31<sup>st</sup> October 2017 be received and noted.
4. The Statutory Budget Review to the 31<sup>st</sup> October 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**

Alan Richardson, Acting Chair

- Infrastructure Audit – Elizabeth Perkins
- NDIS Hub now fully operational
- Recruitment of the New Chair for RDALC, applications closed awaiting a decision before new board can be sort and appointed.
- RDA Federal funding secured for further three years.
- RDA State funding \$3 million secured for further three years. Opposition have committed to \$4 million if elected.
- Red Meat Cluster and Regional Growth Plan

### 10.2 **South East NRM Board**

Dominic Testoni

- Smart Farms Program. More Information [here](#)

It is recommended that LC LGA:

“Receives and note the Reports.”

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

**CARRIED**

## 11.0 LCLGA SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

### 11.1 **LCLGA Roads and Transport Management Group – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017**

- Green Triangle Freight Action Plan
- Possible development of a Limestone Coast Freight Action Plan identifying the priorities for the region

### 11.2 **LCLGA Economic Development Reference Group – 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017**



### 11.3 LCLGA Limestone Coast Climate Adaptation Committee – 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2017

### 11.4 LCLGA Regional Waste Steering Committee – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2017

It is recommended that LC LGA:

“The Minutes of the LC LGA Roads and Transport Management Group, LC LGA Economic Development Reference Group, LC LGA Limestone Coast Climate Adaptation Committee and the LC LGA Regional Waste Steering Committee having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.”

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

**CARRIED**

## 12.0 LATE ITEMS

### 12.1 Emergency Contact List

- Recently Updated and circulated to South Australian and Victorian Emergency Management Committees.

### 12.2 Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport Reference Committee

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the email from the Rural & Regional Affairs & Transport Reference Committee.
2. Executive Officer to work with member Councils on compiling a regional submission to the Inquiry into the operation, regulation, and funding of air route service delivery to rural, regional and remote communities.

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

**CARRIED**

### 12.3 Rating equity for commercial and/or industrial land uses outside towns - Study

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Amend the LCLGA budget and contribute \$600 towards the study.

**Moved,** Wattle Range Council    **Seconded,** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## CONFIDENTIAL BUSINESS

**Late Item – Sponsorship agreement with University of South Australia**

To be circulated under separate cover

“It is recommended that LCLGA:



1. 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, with the exception of:

Mr Mark McShane (City of Mount Gambier)  
Mr Paul Duka (Wattle Range Council)  
Dr Helen Macdonald (Naracoorte Lucindale Council)  
Mr Andrew MacDonald (Kingston District Council)  
Mr Roger Sweetman (District Council of Robe)  
Ms Anne Champness (Tatiara District Council)

be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider and discuss in confidence *Late Item No 1, Sponsorship agreement with University of South Australia*; and

2. 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 commercial information of a confidential nature.

**Moved:** Wattle Range Council

**Seconded:** City of Mount Gambier

#### 12.4 Sponsorship Agreement University of South Australia

It is recommended that the LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Continue discussions with the University of South Australia to finalise the details of any sponsorship agreement prior to the 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017.
3. Delegate to the President of the LCLGA to accept the sponsorship on behalf of the LCRSA from the University of South Australia conditional on the following;
  - a. That a sponsorship agreement can be agreed to that does not guarantee further involvement in the Academy past the term of the initial sponsorship; and
  - b. As part of the agreement that there is no stipulation that the LCRSA must engage the University of South Australia to deliver modules as part of its education component.
4. Provide a report back to the Board of the LCLGA at the February meeting.

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

**CARRIED**

Moved to go out of confidence.

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

### 13.0 OTHER BUSINESS

#### 13.1 Media Release 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2017 – State Election Campaign



Media Release calling on all political parties and candidates in the forth-coming March 2018 State election to commit to (1) growing regional centres; (2) implementing a 'Royalties for regions' scheme and (3) strengthening regional policy and decision making was distributed across the state and throughout the region.

#### **13.2 Coastal Connections 2018**

- Coastal connections program can be found [here](#)

#### **13.3 Farewell to Dr Helen Macdonald, CEO Naracoorte Lucindale Council**

- Dr Helen Macdonald's final LC LGA meeting before she concludes her contract with Naracoorte Lucindale Council in January 2018 and commences as CEO of Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council.
- A gift was presented on behalf of member councils.

#### **13.4 Thank you to Members**

President Erika Vickery

- Thanked members for their attendance and contributions throughout the year, and wished all a very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year.

#### **14.0 ANTICIPATED MEETING CLOSURE – 1.02 p.m.**

The next LC LGA General Meeting is to be held in the City of Mount Gambier on **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2018**. Acceptances and apologies to LC LGA Administration Officer  
Phone 8723 7310 or Email [admin@lclga.sa.gov.au](mailto:admin@lclga.sa.gov.au)

Passed as a true and correct record

Signed.....Date.....



## 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
9 <sup>th</sup> February 2019	LC LGA AGM & GM	Kingston District Council
*note change to regular bimonthly schedule		

