

## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION HELD ON FRIDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019 IN THE CITY OF MOUNT GAMBIER AT CITY HALL.

Meeting opened at 10.00am by LCLGA President Mayor Erika Vickery

### Welcome by Mayor Lynette Martin, City of Mount Gambier

- Graeme Maxwell – Interim CEO has been with City of Mount Gambier for 7 weeks and will conclude his contract on the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019.
- New CEO Appointed - Mr Andrew Meddle. Commences on the 27<sup>th</sup> May 2019. More information on the City of Mount Gambier Website [here](#)
- Federal Member for Barker Tony Pasin's announcement that \$15 million in Federal grant funding for the Mount Gambier Community and Recreation Hub project under the Regional Growth Fund (RGF) has been approved. Council is in the process of finalising the funding agreement with the Department of Infrastructure, Regional Development and Cities.
- New Developments – Demolition of the Fidler & Webb Building to make way for the New ALD and retail complex, the Relocation of Coles to the proposed redevelopment of the Existing Target store, a proposed new KFC, On the Run Service Station plus New Residential developments.
- Fringe Festival success attracted approximately 16,000 attendees.

### Guest Speakers

- Emma Herriman, HWL Ebsworth recently partnered with the LGASA. Presentation given regarding the consultation on the new planning regulations. Discussed how the new regulations will impact the regions. <https://hwlebsworth.com.au/>
- Karen Raffan, CEO of Brand SA presented an overview of the Regional Showcase Program which shines a spotlight on Regional South Australia by uncovering, telling and showcasing stories of success. The top 15 stories across South Australia will be shared at a celebration evening on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October at the Commodore Motel, Mount Gambier, with three pear trophies awarded. <https://www.brandsouthaustralia.com.au/programs-events/regional-showcase/>

## **1.0 MEMBERS/DEPUTY MEMBERS**

### **1.1 Present**

|                              |                                  |
|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Naracoorte Lucindale Council | Mayor Erika Vickery (President)  |
| City of Mount Gambier        | Mayor Lynnette Martin            |
| Wattle Range Council         | Mayor Des Noll<br>Cr Glenn Brown |
| District Council of Grant    | Cr Bruce Bain                    |
| Kingston District Council    | Mayor Kay Rasheed                |
| District Council of Robe     | Mayor Alison Nunan               |
| Tatiara District Council     | Mayor Graham Excell              |

### **1.2 In Attendance**

|                              |                                 |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| City of Mount Gambier        | Mr Graeme Maxwell (Interim CEO) |
| District Council of Grant    | Mr David Singe (CEO)            |
| Wattle Range Council         | Mr Ben Gower (CEO)              |
| Naracoorte Lucindale Council | Mr Trevor Smart (CEO)           |
| District Council of Robe     | Mr Nick Brown (Interim CEO)     |

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| Kingston District Council | Mr Andrew MacDonald (CEO)        |
| Tatiara District Council  | Ms Anne Champness (CEO)          |
| LCLGA                     | Mrs Biddie Shearing (Interim EO) |

### 1.3 Guests and Observers

|                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Member for Mount Gambier           | Mr Travis Fatchen (Office Manager)                                                                                                                                              |
| LGA SA                             | Mr Stephen Smith (Director – Policy)                                                                                                                                            |
| City of Mount Gambier              | Deputy Mayor Sonya Mezinec<br>Cr Kate Amoroso<br>Cr Paul Jenner                                                                                                                 |
| Limestone Coast Leadership Program | Mr Michael Millhouse<br>Mr Perter Mitchell                                                                                                                                      |
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| Tate Consulting                    | Mr Jeff Tate                                                                                                                                                                    |
| PIRSA                              | Ms Peta Crewe (Regional Manager – Limestone Coast)                                                                                                                              |
| RDA Limestone Coast                | Mr Alan Richardson (Deputy Chair)<br>Mr David Wheaton (CEO)                                                                                                                     |
| DPTI                               | Mr David Lake (Principal Planner, Planning and Land Use Services)                                                                                                               |
| Substance Misuse Limestone Coast   | Ms Sophie Bouchier (Project Officer)                                                                                                                                            |
| Brand SA                           | Ms Karen Raffin<br>Miss Chelsea Bowring                                                                                                                                         |
| LC LGA                             | Mrs Biddie Shearing, Tourism Industry Development Manager.<br>Ms Ali Auld<br>(Special Projects Officer – Road Safety & Leadership)<br>Ms Mae Steele (Executive Support Officer) |

### 1.4 Apologies

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| District Council of Grant | Mayor Richard Sage (Vice President)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Tatiara District Council  | Cr Robert Mock                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Kingston District Council | Cr Jodie Gluyas                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Federal Member for Barker | Mr Tony Pasin MP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Member for Mount Gambier  | Mr Troy Bell MP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Member for MacKillop      | Mr Nick McBride MP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| UniSA                     | Mr Ian McKay                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| LC LGA                    | Mr Tony Elletson<br>(STARCLUB Field Officer & LC Regional Sporting Academy Manager)<br>Mrs June Saruwaka<br>(Regional Waste Management Coordinator)<br>Mrs Prae Wongthong<br>(Regional Waste/Climate Adaptation Project Officer)<br>Mrs Michaela Bell (Project Manager) |

**“That the apologies be accepted.”**

**Moved,** City of Mount Gambier

**Seconded,** District Council of Robe

**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.

## 3.0 MINUTES OF MEETINGS

- 3.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the February LC LGA General Meeting held in Kingston SE on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

**“That the Minutes of the LC LGA General Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings at that meeting.”**

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

**CARRIED**

## 4.0 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – Refer to Action Sheet

Business arising from the Minutes of the General Meeting, 8<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

## 5.0 ACTION SHEET

8<sup>th</sup> February 2019

### **8.3.2 – Mayor Lynette Martin Reported**

Further to the recommendation of the LCLGA Meeting of 8 February 2019, the ICAC Commissioner has advised his willingness to come to the Limestone Coast to conduct a Regional Elected Member Forum on the Officer’s role.

The following dates are provided for your consideration, to enable a choice of the most convenient date(s) for all Councils to be forwarded to the Commissioner.

- Tuesday 25 June
- Wednesday 26 June
- Thursday 27 June
  
- Tuesday 2 July
- Wednesday 3 July
- Thursday 4 July

Email to be circulated by LCLGA to set a suitable date and advise Mayor Lynette Martin.

**8.4 - The LCLGA has developed a Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan by engaging RAWTEC as consultants.**

This report and it’s technical appendices were presented to the LCLGA Board in Confidence at the LCLGA General Meeting on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February.

A motion was passed to request for RAWTEC to provide a full briefing to the LCLGA Board members together with members from the Limestone Coast Waste Management Steering Committee.



This briefing was held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019, in Naracoorte.

As a result of the briefing and broad discussion the following Motion was made and now seeks endorsement via e-mail a vote to carry the motion.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. The LCLGA Board receives and endorses the 'Limestone Coast Region Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan' and the 'Technical Appendices'.
2. The LCLGA Board resolves that the 'Technical Appendices' remain In Confidence. The 'Limestone Coast Region Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan' be released from confidence.
3. The LCLGA Board authorises the Regional Waste Management Steering Committee to prepare an Implementation Plan for the Limestone Coast Region Waste Resource and Recovery Plan.

Moved: Naracoorte Lucindale

Seconded: District Council of Grant

**CARRIED**

## **6.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

### **6.1 Inwards and Outwards**

Correspondence register to 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019.

- Note the Motion/Resolution circulated to Member councils regarding the Waste and Resource Recovery Infrastructure Plan.
- Letters received from City of Mount Gambier and District Council of Robe regarding updates to LCLGA committees and outside organisations.
- New LCLGA Executive Officer Appointment Mr Tony Wright to commence on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019.

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**, Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## **7.0 REPORTS**

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

27/2/19 Met with Tony Pasin MP and members of the Substance Misuse Limestone Coast Committee re Federal Government funding for next three years. The LCLGA has agreed to auspice the Substance Misuse Limestone Coast committee at its February 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 meeting. The Federal Minister for Health, Greg Hunt announced that the Substance Misuse Limestone Coast will receive \$175,000 per annum for three years to establish a sustainable community-based collaborative that will incorporate public education programs, training and education for professionals and reactive treatment programs.

28/2/19 Country Arts SA Meeting



- 6/3/19 SAROC –First meeting of South Australia Region Organisation of Council (SAROC) under the new constitution. There have been several workshops since January to develop the SAROC Strategic Plan and Annual Business Plan for 2019-2020. The draft plan was sent to all Councils for consultation which commenced on 1st April and close on 3rd May. The SAROC meeting also considered motions submitted by Councils to be included in the LGA SA General Meeting agenda.
- 6/03/19 LGASA Board Special meeting to consider motions submitted by Councils to be included in the LGA SA General Meeting agenda.
- 12/3/19 LC LGA Board and Waste Management Committee – Presentation of Waste Management Plan by Rawtec. Limestone Coast Economic Development Group meeting
- 13/3/19 Limestone Coast Local Government Association /Substance Misuse Limestone Coast to develop Memorandum of Understanding for the group to be under the auspice of LCLGA.
- 14/3/19 BBRF – Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster photo shoot. A grant of \$15,000 will allow the LCRMC to develop a Strategic Plan for the future of the organisation.
- 20/3/19 SA Regional LGA's EO meeting at LGFA office Adelaide
- 21/3/19 LGASA Board – media training & LGASA Board meeting
- 26/3/19 Australian Migrant Resource Centre Board meeting

#### 7.1.1 LGA Board

- (i) Draft Minutes of LGA Board of Directors Meetings held on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2019, Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March & Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2019.

#### 7.1.2 SAROC

- (ii) Draft Minutes of SAROC Meeting held on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### 7.2 Local Government Association of SA

Stephen Smith

- Strong advocacy from the LGA, ALGA and councils has resulted in the extension of supplementary road funding for South Australia, announced in 2019-20 Federal Budget. More information [here](#)
- SAROC 2019-2020 Annual Business Plan Circular resolution on the SAROC draft Strategic Plan and draft Annual Business Plan has resulted in two recommendations contained within the report have been carried. LGA to seek to commence consultation with councils within the coming week.
- Federal Drought Assistance
- LGA Reform – Have your say by 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019 more information [here](#)
- Landscapes SA Bill introduced to Parliament on the 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019. More information [here](#). Summary of the Bill can be found here.
- LGA SA AGM & Best Practice Showcase 12&13<sup>th</sup> April

### 7.3 Report from Coastal Alliance Project Coordinator

Anita Crisp & Prae Wongthong

- Note Action for Member Councils - the Jetty Management Summary Paper requiring individual council feedback, can be provided to the Coastal Alliance Research Support – Prae Wongthong at LCLGA by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2019.



**7.4 Report LC LGA Climate Adaptation Project Officer**

Prae Wongthong

- Note the Current Funding Agreement with RDALC, DEW and LCLGA expires on the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

**7.5 Report from LC LGA Starclub Field Officer**

Tony Elletson

**7.6 Report from LC LGA Tourism Industry Development Manager**

Biddie Shearing

- SATC Winter Campaign is featuring the Limestone Coast which includes a high volume of Familiarisation tours and media content production.
- Attended Destination SA – Corporate & Business event secured 19 appointments with event planners, 17 of which are seeking further engagement with the Limestone Coast region for pre and post touring.

**7.7 Report LC LGA Regional Waste Management Coordinator**

June Saruwaka

**7.8 Report from LC LGA Regional Community Road Safety Officer**

Ali Auld

- Final 12months funding agreement for MAC regional Road Safety Officer for 2019/20 year received.

**7.9 Report from Special Projects Officer**

Ali Auld

- Segra Conference Bid and secured funding with conditions
- Hosting the Famil in early May 2019

**7.10 Report from LC LGA Project Manager**

Michaela Bell

- Attending the Regional Australia Institute Regions Rising 2019 Conference

It is recommended that LC LGA:

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

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

**CARRIED**

**8.0 RECOMMENDATION REPORTS**

**8.1 LCLGA Business Plan & DRAFT Budget 2019.2020**

Interim Executive Officer

It is recommended that LCLGA;

1. Receive and note the report.



2. Refer the Draft Business Plan and Budget to member councils for comment prior to final adoption at the June meeting of the LCLGA Board.
3. Request any comments and/or amendments to the Draft Business Plan and Budget be communicated back to the Interim Executive Officer by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.
4. Note the Interim Executive Officer will be presenting the Draft Budget and Business Plan to member councils throughout the months of April & May 2019.

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

**CARRIED**

## 8.2 Limestone Coast Joint Planning Board

Jeff Tate

- Planning Reform - Joint Planning Boards more information [here](#)  
More Information at DPTI SA Planning Portal [here](#)

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Refer the Draft Business Case for proposed Planning Agreement to member councils for comment prior to final adoption at the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019 meeting of the LCLGA Board.
3. Request any comments and/or amendments to the Business Case be communicated back to the Interim Executive Officer by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019.
4. Note the Interim Executive Officer will be presenting the Draft Business Case to member councils throughout the months of April & May 2019.

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

**CARRIED**

12.11pm LCLGA President with the leave of the meeting deferred the meeting for a refreshment break.

12.25pm Meeting recommenced.

## 8.3 Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast – Funding

Interim Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Note the inclusion of the request by the RDA Limestone Coast for funding in the LCLGA Draft Business Plan and FY 2019 Draft Budget.

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

**CARRIED**





## 8.4 Limestone Coast Economic Development Group

### Interim Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

#### Recommendation 1

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Consider the Proposal for LCLGA to host the Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster under the Sub-Committee of LC Economic Development Group (LCEDG).
3. LCLGA endorses the LC Economic Development Group to host a subcommittee for the LC Red Meat Cluster and the interim executive officer draft terms of reference for consideration by the LCEDG.
4. The LC Red Meat Cluster comes under the auspice of the LCLGA.
5. Authorise the LCLGA President and Interim Executive Officer to work with the Naracoorte Lucindale Council to transfer the funds, contracts and other arrangements relevant to the LC Red Meat Cluster.

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

**CARRIED**

#### Recommendation 2

1. Receive and note the report.
2. Adopt the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the LC Leadership Program Committee
3. Refer the TOR for the LC Leadership Program to member councils to seek nominations for appointment to the LC Leadership Program Committee.

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

**CARRIED**

## 8.5 LC LGA Bank Signatories

### Interim Executive Officer

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Authorise the cancelation of Dominic Testoni as LCLGA Bank Signatory and cancel the Credit Card in Dominic Testoni's name.
2. Authorise the cancelation of Jan Shanahan as a LCLGA Bank Signatory.
3. Authorise the LC LGA Bank Signatories on all LCLGA Bank Accounts including the Term Deposit, Business Saver Account and Society Cheque Account. Authorise Online Banking access/ authority to all accounts to all Signatories below:
  - a. Tony Wright, newly appointed Executive Officer (Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019)
  - b. Erika Vickery, President
  - c. Richard Sage, Vice President
  - d. Mae Steele, Executive Support Officer





4. Authorise the LC LGA Bank Signatories to approve a Credit Card with a balance of \$4000 per month Tony Wright, newly appointed Executive Officer (Commencing 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2019).
5. The LCLGA Board authorises the President, Vice President and Executive Support Officer to complete the appropriate Bank SA Amendment to Authority forms and Credit Card Application forms for Tony Wright.

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

**CARRIED**

## **9.0 FINANCIAL**

### **9.1 Financial Statements**

It is recommended that LC LGA:

1. Receive and note the reports:
  - a. The Consolidated Profit and Loss Budget Analysis for the period 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be received and noted.
  - b. The Balance Sheet for the period ending 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be received and noted.
  - c. The Jobs Profit and Loss Report to the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 be received and noted.
  - d. Note the term deposit matured at 19<sup>th</sup> March with a balance of \$691,798.72 and has been rolled over for 4 months with an interest rate of 2.35% (\$5433.94) paid at maturity in July/August 2019.

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

**CARRIED**

## **10.0 LCLGA SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES & REPORTS**

### **10.1 LCLGA Tourism Management Group 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

### **10.2 LCLGA Roads & Transport Management Group 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

UPDATE: as of 2nd April 2019

- John Olsen from HDS circulated via email the updated LCLGA SLRP Priority List as required from the Meeting Actions.
- R&TMG members endorsed the updated list via email.

### **10.3 LCLGA Economic Development Group**

### **10.4 LCLGA Regional Waste Management Committee**

### **10.5 LCLGA Climate Adaptation Committee**

### **10.6 LCLGA Sport & Recreation Advisory Group – Draft Terms of Reference**

- Note and endorse the Terms of Reference.

It is recommended that LC LGA:



“The Minutes and reports from the LCLGA Tourism Management Group, LCLGA Roads and Transport Management Group, LCLGA Economic Development Group, LCLGA Regional Waste Management Committee, LCLGA Climate Adaptation Committee and LCLGA Sport & Recreation Advisory Group Terms of Reference having first been circulated amongst members, be adopted.”

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

**CARRIED**

## **11.0 OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS AND COMMITTEES**

### **11.1 Regional Development Australia Limestone Coast**

David Wheaton - Chief Executive Officer

- Designated Area Migration Agreement Contract
- 181 workers have been supported by the Forest Industry Employment Project to upgrade their skills and qualifications. HC target has been met.
- Manager Business and Workforce development position interviews conducted. Thanked Biddie for sitting on the Panel on behalf of LCLGA as a valued partner.

### **11.2 Substance Misuse Limestone Coast**

Sophie Bouchier Project Officer

Funding Confirmation

- Alcohol and Drug Foundation with a grant of \$9,925
- Grants SA Department of Human Services with a grant of \$28,949
- Federal Health Department with \$175,000 per annum for three years to establish a sustainable community based collaborative that will incorporate public education programs, reactive treatment programs and training and education for professionals.
- SMLC will be transitioning our 'home' to the LCLGA offices in the near future and that the LCLGA will act as the auspicing agency for all SMLC grant funding. All acquittals will be managed between the City of Mount Gambier and LCLGA.

### **11.3 Limestone Coast Heritage Adviser**

It is recommended that LC LGA:

“Receives and note the Reports.”

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

**CARRIED**

## **12.0 OTHER BUSINESS**

### **PIRSA - Peta Crewe, Regional Coordinator, Limestone Coast**

- SA Regional Growth Fund – \$500,000 Shield Intermodal at Bordertown
- National Institute for Forest Product Innovation (Mount Gambier) – Commonwealth & State Government have provided \$2.4M funding for \$5M worth of research across the forest sector in the Green Triangle.
- South Australia Red Meat & Wool Industry project - \$7.5M new investment from the State Government's Economic and Business Growth Fund. The funding will focus on three areas:



- Improve Productivity
- Install Infrastructure
- Enhance Market Access
- The 'improving productivity' component of project – expect to see good part of that in the Limestone Coast, with the work of the LCRMC heavily informing the project scope
- RDA LC & PIRSA's Regional Coordinator have been building closer ties with RDA & Regional Development Victoria (State Government) colleagues in South West Victoria. This included a recent visit to Horsham to hear 5 PhD students present their interim findings on a variety of regional development issues, and a meeting with RDA Grampians, RDA Barwon South West & RDA Loddon Mallee
- State Landcare Conference: to be held in Bordertown, 28 – 30 October 2019. Peta Crewe is on the steering committee

### **Limestone Coast Mayors - Informal Gathering**

- Discussed LCLGA Communication from LCLGA Committees and representatives on outside organisations including the process for information sharing.
- Discussed the role of council representatives appointed to represent their council or the LCLGA. Encouraged Mayors and councilors to connect with the representatives to develop understanding of the workplans or projects being undertaken by the LCLGA Committees and Groups.

### **Local Government Reform**

Communication from Alex Hart, Manager, Office of Local Government - DPTI Minister Knoll has started a Local Government Reform Program, that will be running over 2019, with an intention to have reform legislation in Parliament in the first quarter of 2020.

There's more information on the Reform Program on this website – [https://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/local\\_govt/local\\_government\\_reform](https://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/local_govt/local_government_reform)

In summary, it will have two stages – Stage One is 'Ideas for Reform', during which we are seeking reform ideas from councils and the community. All ideas are welcome; however, the Minister has identified four 'Reform Areas' where reform is needed:

1. Stronger council member capacity and better conduct
2. Lower costs and enhanced financial accountability
3. Efficient and transparent local government representation
4. Simpler regulation

Councils are reminded to visit the 'YourSay page' by Friday 26 April. These Reform ideas will contribute to discussion papers that we will be released in July, that will contain 'Reform Proposals'. The second stage of the process will be to discuss and debate these proposals to inform a reform Bill. A guest speaker will attend the next LCLGA Meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019 to discuss the process and proposals further.



### **Wattle Range Council – Mayor Des Noll & CEO Ben Gower**

- 18 months ago, WRC was approached by the industry raising concerns about the ongoing log supply for pulp wood.
- MP Troy Bell's has introduced a bill in state parliament Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> April to attempt to establish an inquiry/ parliamentary committee to examine the economic impact of wood fibre exports on the South East.
- WRC has led cross boarder collaboration on a regional Timber Industry media strategy to raise the awareness of the shortage of supply and the impact it may have on the ability for the industry to grow and on the communities within the region.
- Presented councils with a Research report on the Contribution of Forest Industry to the Wattle range Council Economy prepared by BDO EconSearch.
- The forest industry is a key driver of economic activity for the Wattle Range economy. The report key points
  - Over one-fifth of Green Triangle forest industry jobs are located in the Wattle Range LGA.
  - Over one-third of Green Triangle forest industry direct gross regional product is generated within the Wattle Range LGA.
  - More workers travel to Wattle Range to work in forest businesses than from it.
  - Regulatory burden, skills shortage and security of forest resource are key barriers to increasing processing volume.
- Although a formal motion was not received WRC sought comment from the member councils to gauge the level of support from the LCLGA member councils for the strategy. District Council of Grant and City of Mount Gambier have resolved to support this at council meetings. Wattle Range Council and District Council of Robe will consider this at their April Council Meetings. Tatiara District Council Mayor and Naracoorte Lucindale Council Mayor said there is in principal support however this has not been considered with council. Kingston District Council Mayor to discuss at council meeting in April.

### **Farewell Kingston District Council CEO – Andrew McDonald**

The LCLGA Board farewelled and acknowledged the contributions made to the LCLGA Board and Committees of outgoing Kingston District Council, CEO – Andrew MacDonald.

### **13.0 MEETING CLOSURE – 1.05pm**

The next LC LGA General Meeting is to be held in the Wattle Range Council area **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2019**. Acceptances and apologies to Mae Steele, 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                     |
|-------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2019                       | SAROC                        | LGA House, Adelaide          |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> June 2019                      | LC LGA GM                    | Wattle Range Council         |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> July 2019                      | SAROC                        | LGA House, Adelaide          |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2019                     | LC LGA GM                    | District Council of Robe     |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> - 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2019 | LGA Roads & Works Conference | Renmark.                     |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2019                 | SAROC                        | LGA House, Adelaide          |
| 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2019                   | LC LGA                       | Grant District Council       |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2019                   | LGA Conference & AGM         | Adelaide Oval, Adelaide.     |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2019                  | SAROC                        | LGA House, Adelaide          |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2019                  | LC LGA GM & Christmas Lunch  | Tatiara District Council     |
| TBA January 2020                                | SAROC                        | TBA                          |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020                  | LG LGA AGM & GM              | Naracoorte Lucindale Council |

