

AMENDED ITEM



Item No: 6.3
Title: Notice of Motion - Leveraging Jobs Hub off \$250M
State Government Rail Investment at Kangy Angy
Department: Councillor

28 September 2020 Ordinary Council Meeting

Reference: F2020/00039 - D14200089
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Rebecca Gale, Councillor
Bruce McLachlan, Councillor
Troy Marquart, Councillor

Councillors Best, Gale, McLachlan and Marquart have given notice that at the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 28 September 2020 they will move the following motion:

- 1 That Council congratulates the key contractors, their some 300 employees and the State Government for their \$250 million intensity rail hub investment at Kangy Angy that will employ more than 300 FTEs.**
- 2 That further Council recognises the outstanding contribution by the former Wyong Council and its staff in being able to competitively secure such an extraordinary jobs boost for our region.**
- 3 That despite this Council's strident opposition and repeated representations against this massive investment and jobs initiative, council now look to leverage from this project through the establishment of a Local Rail Hub Business Network not unlike the vision Wyong Council staff had for the job-generating proposed Airport Hub at Warnervale.**
- 4 That Council in partnership with the State, the Regional Development Australia (RDA) and the broader business community with a view to bring together a taskforce to investigate this unique opportunity and potential jobs bonanza.**
- 5 That Council request the Chief Executive Officer to report on such an initiative providing preliminary advice and possible direction that council may wish to consider.**

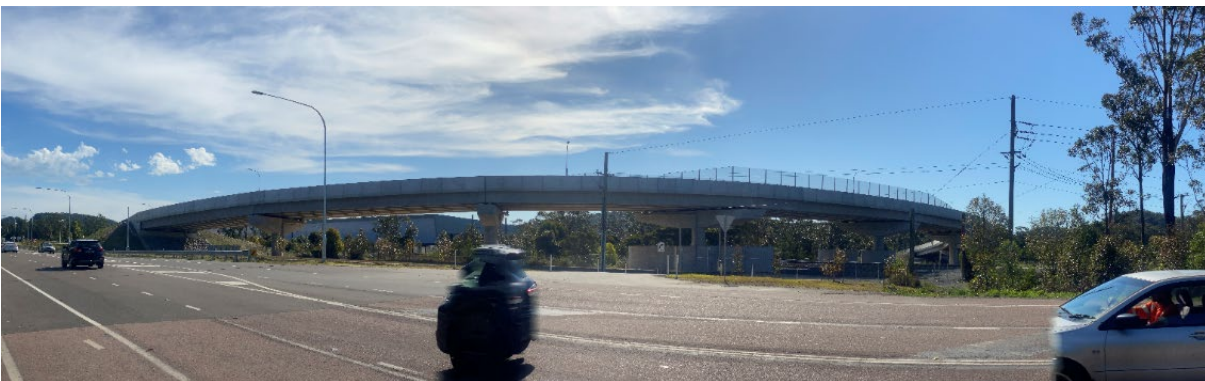
Councillors Note

Despite the Central Coast having extraordinarily high unemployment, this Council chose to object at every opportunity through its strident opposition to this massive investment that would underpin and employ hundreds of local Central Coast residents. It is not surprising that we were not invited to the recent opening of this facility, however, if we can now put behind ourselves this unfortunate chapter and genuinely reach out to our State counterparts

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and the Business Community with a view to developing a Specialist Rail Repair and Service Hub not unlike the vision that staff held in Wyong Council around the Airport Hub.

Now that we are in the COVID environment, every job is even more precious. It is with this understanding that I encourage this Council to move forward and seek to work cooperatively with the Government and key stakeholder groups.



**Chief Executive Officer Response**

The Chief Executive Officer has further considered this notice of motion for legal, strategic, financial or policy implications which should be taken into consideration by the meeting. As a result, the Chief Executive Officer has determined a report in relation to the notice of motion will not be required.

Attachments

Nil.