

Employment and Economic Development Committee Meeting Record 5 July 2018



Location:	Gosford Smart Work Hub Imperial Centre, 28 William Street GOSFORD	
Date:	5 July 2018	
Time	Started at: 4.02pm	Closed at: 5.15pm
Chair	Mayor Jane Smith	
File Ref	F2018/00100	

Present

Mayor Jane Smith, Councillor Chris Holstein, Councillor Bruce McLachlan, Councillor Jeff Sundstrom, Councillor Jilly Pilon (arrived 4.05pm), Councillor Rebecca Gale Collins (arrived 4.06pm), Councillor Kyle MacGregor (arrived 4.18pm), William Adames, John Asquith, Michael Pilon, Mike Goodman

Also present were:

Jamie Barclay – Unit Manager Economic Development and Project Delivery, Andrew Pearce – Acting Senior Manager Business and Economic Development (on behalf of Acting Director Assets Infrastructure and Business), Kathy Bragg – Senior Governance Officer, Kelly Drover – Advisory Group Support Officer

Item 1 Apologies

Brad Wilson, Boris Bolgoff – Acting Director Assets Infrastructure and Business

Item 2 Disclosure of Interest

Councillor Sundstrom declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest as a labour candidate for Terrigal.

Councillor McLachlan declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest as a business owner on the Central Coast.

Mike Goodman declared a less than significant non-pecuniary interest as a Committee member on the Central Coast Industry Connect Advisory Committee.

Item 3 Employment and Economic Development Committee Terms of Reference

The Advisory Group discussed the draft Terms of Reference.

The Advisory Group recommends to Council that the Terms of Reference be amended as follows (additions and changes in ***bold and italic***):

- The role of the Employment & Economic Development Committee – Central Coast is to advise Council on all matters relating to projects or proposals that contribute to the ***employment and economic development*** of the Central Coast.
- The Advisory Group is responsible for providing advice and feedback to Council on:
Central Coast Council's major projects which contribute to ***employment and economic development***, employment generation and suggesting new ideas for new projects.
- ***Director Assets Infrastructure and Business*** be included as a staff member who can attend the Advisory Group meetings.
- The following be included as additional representatives who can attend Advisory Group meetings as non-voting members:
 - ***NSW Business Chamber (Daniel Farmer)***
 - ***Department Premier and Cabinet (Peter Brown)***
 - ***Regional Development Australia (RDA) Central Coast***
- The following be included as Key Stakeholders:
 - ***Department of Ministry***
 - ***Coordinator General***
 - ***Central Coast Tourism***
 - ***Central Coast Industry Connect (Frank Sammut)***
 - ***Town Centre Committees (Gosford Business Improvement District, Greater Toukley Vision)***
 - ***Affinity***
 - ***TAFE/University***
 - ***Central Coast Local Health District***
 - ***Darkinjung***
 - ***RMS***
 - ***State Rail***
 - ***Local bus services***
 - ***Dean of Newcastle University (Ourimbah Campus)***

Action: The revised draft Terms of Reference, including the Advisory Group’s recommendations, be reported to Council as soon as practicable.

The Advisory Group discussed the election of a Chairperson.

Action: The Advisory Group recommends to Council that the Mayor Jane Smith be appointed as the Chair of the Employment and Economic Development Committee.

Item 4 Action Plan for the next 12 months

Clean Green Economic Driving Machine (Councillor McLachlan)

Next Meeting (2nd Quarter) September	3rd Quarter - December	4th Quarter – March
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on REDES <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infrastructure priority list - Major projects - Key Strategic areas • Former Wyong Employment Plan • Gosford Vision • DPC Employment and Economic Strategy • Economic Corridors • Key actions in Central Coast Regional Strategy • Key actions in Central Coast Council Community Strategic Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Including feedback from local businesses, their expectations and needs • How do we measure economic development (quarterly update on measures) • Economic job creation in the North • Grant Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Smart Cities initiatives (David Abrahams) • Unlocking Employment Lands • Aviation Hub (WEZ) • Operating Budget • Vision/Brand for Central Coast Employment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Defining Councils role • Update on employment and economic development projects and proposals currently in the system <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Quick wins that can be acted on straight away • Clean Green Economic Development/Innovation Opportunities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Parking - Transport - Energy - Waste • Sustainability Cluster (Frank Sammut to present) • Grant Opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite reps from 4 key Town Centres <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Entrance, Wyong, Toukley and Gosford • Grant Opportunities • Overview of Councils Private/Public partnerships • Central Coast Research Foundation – Youth unemployment • Hunter Valley Research Foundation • Invite Central Coast Local Health District – Andrew Montague • ABR data for the Central Coast • Local Secondary Schools • Enabling infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bus networks - Train networks

Action: Unit Manager Economic Development and Project Delivery to give a presentation at the next Advisory Group meeting on REDES.

Action: John Asquith to provide the Advisory Group Support Officer with the article in Monday 2nd July Daily Telegraph on becoming owners of our own utilities, to then be circulated to Committee members.

Action: Advisory Group Support Officer to send link to ID Profile to Committee members.

Item 6 Confirmation of Next Steps

Action: Mike Goodman to provide Advisory Group Support Officer with details of Central Coast Logistics Forum to be forwarded to Unit Manager Economic Development and Project Delivery.

Future meetings to be held 5pm – 7pm, Wednesdays, alternating between Gosford and Wyong.

The meeting closed at 5.15pm

Next Meeting: **Wednesday 12 September 2018**
 Wyong Admin Building, Committee Room
 5pm – 7pm