

ADDITIONAL ITEM

10 February 2016

To the Ordinary Council Meeting

Councillor

1.6 Mayoral Minute - Adoption of Employment and Economic Development Committee Minutes - 20 January 2016

TRIM REFERENCE: F2012/01905 - D12227036

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A meeting of the Council's Employment and Economic Development Committee (EEDC) was held on 20 January 2016. I attach the following:

- Minutes of that meeting;
- Minutes of the confidential part of that meeting;
- A confidential report titled "6.1 Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan" to the confidential part of that meeting; and
- The confidential attachment to that confidential report.

The EEDC resolved as follows in respect to item "6.1 *Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan*":

- "1 *That the Committee receive and note the report on the Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan (TESP).*
- 2 *That the Committee recommend to Council, that the TESP scheme be extended for a further 3 years with a varied rate of contributions that matches the current contribution rates."*

Council has not delegated its authority to the Committee to make decisions on its behalf. Accordingly the recommendation set out in respect to the Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan requires a separate resolution to the adoption of the minutes of the Committee.

The purposes of this Mayoral Minute are:

1. To seek a resolution of the Council to receive and note the minutes of the Committee's meeting on 20 January 2016; and
2. To seek a resolution of the Council to extend the operation of the Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan, in accordance with the recommendation of the EEDC.

I formally move:

- 1 ***That Council receive the Minutes of the Employment and Economic Development Committee Meeting held on 20 January 2016.***
- 2 ***That Council extend the Temporary Economic Stimulus Package (TESP) scheme for a further 3 years with a varied rate of contributions that matches the current contribution rates, in accordance with the recommendation of the resolution of the Economic Development Committee Meeting held on 20 January 2016.***

Council staff note

Councillors have previously been briefed on the extension of the TESP. The Director, Property & Economic Development can provide the Council with further information on the effect and consequences of the extension to the TESP recommended by the EEDC.

Consideration of s.23A guidelines

The Chief Executive of the NSW Office for Local Government has issued guidelines titled "*Council Decision Making during Merger Proposal Periods*" pursuant to s.23A(1) of the *Local Government Act 1993* ("LG Act"). The Council must consider those guidelines when making decisions during the "merger proposal period", which commenced on 6 January 2016 and will conclude on the date on which a proclamation is made to amalgamate the Wyong and Gosford local government areas or the Minister for Local Government determines that he will not proceed with the proposal for that amalgamation: s.23A(3) of the LG Act. Councillors have been provided with a copy of those guidelines and have been given advice concerning those guidelines.

General Counsel can provide the Council with advice on the application of these guidelines to the proposed resolution to extend the TESP, as recommended by the EEDC.

ATTACHMENTS

1	MINUTES - Employment and Economic Development Committee Meeting - 20 January 2016	D12208256
2	MINUTES - Confidential Employment and Economic Development Committee Meeting - 20 January 2016 -	D12208807
3	Report 6.1 Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan - EEDC 20 January 2016 -	D12199185
4	Attachment to Report 6.1 "Councillor Business Update - Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan (TESP)" -	D12173170

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WYONG SHIRE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE
EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE OF
COUNCIL

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER
WYONG CIVIC CENTRE, HELY STREET, WYONG
ON 20 JANUARY 2016
COMMENCING AT 4.00PM

PRESENT

Councillors G P Best (Chairperson), D J Eaton OAM, K G Greenwald, L S Taylor, A Troy and L D Webster.

IN ATTENDANCE

Director Development and Building, Director Property and Economic Development and Councillor Services Officer.

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

All reports were dealt with in the correct agenda sequence.

The Chairperson, Councillor Greg Best, declared the meeting open at 4.12 pm.

1.1 Disclosures of Interest

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TAYLOR and seconded by Councillor GREENWALD:

That the Committee receive the report on Disclosure of Interest and the fact that no disclosure was made be noted.

1.2 Notice of Intention of Deal with Matters in Confidential Session

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TROY and seconded by Councillor EATON:

1 That the Committee consider the following matter in Confidential Session, pursuant to Sections 10A(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1993:

Item 6.1 – Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan

- 2 ***That the Committee note its reason for considering Report No 6.1 – Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan, is that discussion it contains personnel matters concerning particular individuals (other than Councillors).***
- 3 ***That Council request the Committee Chairman to report on this matter in open session of the Committee.***

2.1 Address by Invited Speakers

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TROY and seconded by Councillor EATON:

That the Committee receive the report on Invited Speakers.

3.1 Confirmation of the adopted Minutes of the Employment and Economic Development Committee Meeting - 4 November 2015

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor GREENWALD and seconded by Councillor TROY:

That the Committee note that Council received the minutes of the previous meeting of the Employment and Economic Development Committee held on the 4 November 2015.

4.1 Iconic Sites Status Report

Mr Mike Dowling, Director Property and Economic Development, provided a verbal update on iconic sites.

The committee requested Mr Scott Cox, Director Development and Building, to look into what can be done to improve minor issues, particularly in regards to appearance, at the Toukley Caravan Park, BWS and 24 hour garage sites and provide Councillors with an update on any actions taken in response to these issues.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor TROY and seconded by Councillor TAYLOR:

That the Committee receive the report on Iconic Sites Status Report.

4.2 Major Projects Status Report

Mr Mike Dowling, Director Property and Economic Development, provided a verbal update on major projects.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor EATON and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:

That the Committee receive the report on Major Projects Status Report

5.1 Value of Development Assessments

Mr Scott Cox, Director Development and Building, provided a verbal update on the value of development assessments.

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor GREENWALD and seconded by Councillor TROY:

That the Committee receive the report on Value of Development Assessments.
CONFIDENTIAL SESSION

RESOLVED unanimously on the motion of Councillor GREENWALD and seconded by Councillor TROY:

That the Committee move into Confidential Session.

At this stage of the meeting being 4.58 pm the committee moved into Confidential Session with the members of the press and public excluded from the meeting of the closed session and access to the correspondence and reports relating to the items considered during the course of the closed session being withheld. This action is taken in accordance with Section 10a of The Local Government Act, 1993.

OPEN SESSION

Council resumed in open session at 5.19 pm and the Chairperson, Councillor Greg Best, reported on proceedings of the confidential session of the ordinary meeting of the committee as follows:

6.1 Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan

- 1 That the Committee receive and note the report on the Temporary Economic Stimulus Plan (TESP).***
- 2 That the Committee recommend to Council, that the TESP scheme be extended for a further 3 years with a varied rate of contributions that matches the current contribution rates.***

Cr Webster left the meeting at 5.17 pm and did not return.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 2 March 2016 at 4.00pm.

THE MEETING closed at 5.20 pm.