

# AMENDED ITEM

28 August 2013

To the Ordinary Council Meeting

Councillor

## 5.8 Queensland Airport Tour Delegation

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### SUMMARY

A Council delegation (comprising of the Mayor, General Manager and Director of Land Management) visited several airports in south-east Queensland in order to gain a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities in developing a regional airport.

### RECOMMENDATION

- 1 ***That Council receive and note the delegates' report on the Airports Study Delegation to South-East Queensland during the period 7 August 2013 – 9 August 2013 prepared by the Director of Land Management (added as Attachment 5).***
- 2 ***That Council request the General Manager to prepare a Project Plan.***
- 3 ***That Council note that the Project Plan, including the operational budget, will be submitted to Council for endorsement prior to the appointment of consultants.***
- 4 ***That Council endorse a delegation of interested Councillors and the General Manager to attend the Regional Aviation Association in Coolumberrah Queensland in October 2013 in accordance with Council's Policy for Facilities and Expenses for Councillors.***

### BACKGROUND

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 12 June 2013 resolved the following:

*"RESOLVED on the motion of Councillor NAYNA and seconded by Councillor WEBSTER:*

756/13 *That Council authorise the Mayor, the General Manager and delegated staff to participate in the delegation to visit the Queensland Regional Airports detailed in this report.*

757/13 *That Council authorise the reimbursement of expenses for Councillors in accordance with WSC Facilities and Expenses Policy for Councillors.*

*A DIVISION was called by Councillors Vincent and Matthews.*

FOR: COUNCILLORS BEST, EATON, GRAHAM, GREENWALD, NAYNA, TAYLOR, TROY AND WEBSTER

## 5.8 Queensland Airport Tour Delegation (contd)

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AGAINST: COUNCILLORS MATTHEWS AND VINCENT"

In accordance with the resolution a Council delegation comprising the Mayor, General Manager and Director of Land Management visited several airports in south-east Queensland in order to gain a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities in developing a regional airport. The delegation visited the following airports between 7 August 2012 and 9 August 2012:

- Gold Coast Airport
- Toowoomba Airport
- Sunshine Coast Airport

The delegation met with the developer/owners and managers of the above mentioned airports, namely:

- Queensland Airports Limited - Owners/operators of a network of airports including Gold Coast, Townsville, Mt Isa and Longreach airports.
- Wagners Group – Developers and operators of the new regional Toowoomba Airport
- Sunshine Coast Council – Owners and operators of the Sunshine Coast Regional Airport.

The attached delegates' report is added to this minute. This delegates' report includes market sensitive financial information which has been provided to Wyong Shire Council strictly on the basis that the information be recognised as 'commercial in confidence'. Accordingly, the delegates report (Attachment 5) is confidential.

Other reports attached to this minute include travel itineraries and information packs (developed by WSC staff) in relation to the study tour.

### CONCLUSION

The attached delegates' report provides details of the various meetings and site inspections including presentations provided by the hosting organisations. The delegation also presented information on Wyong Shire Council's vision and strategy for economic and social development as well as the proposed Central Coast Regional Airport to host organisations.

### ATTACHMENTS

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| 1 | Confidential - Study Tour Package - Gold Coast Airport - 2-8-2013 (D03668236) -           | D03668236 |
| 2 | Confidential - Annexure 1 - Wyong Site Visit - Gold Coast Airport (D03638177) -           | D03638177 |
| 3 | Confidential - Study Tour Package - Sunshine Coast Airport - 2-8-2013 (D03668237) -       | D03668237 |
| 4 | Confidential - Annexure 2 - Wyong Council Briefing - Sunshine Coast Airport (D03638113) - | D03638113 |
| 5 | Confidential - Study Tour Package - Toowoomba Airport - 2-8-2013 (D03668238) -            | D03668238 |