ADDITIONAL ITEM

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To the Ordinary Council Meeting

Councillor

2.2 Mayoral Minute - Central Coast Economic Breakfast - October 2014

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Councillors have been invited to the Central Coast Economic Breakfast on 17 October 2014 at Mingara.

The forum provides an opportunity for Councillors to hear first-hand the current economic data from a leading global economist and local experts, presented in the context of the Central Coast. As well as a networking opportunity with fellow business leaders.

The Keynote speakers for the event are Peter Jolly, Global Head of Research - National Australia Bank and Dr Anton Kriz, Senior Lecturer – Newcastle University.

Peter is Global Head of Research in the Global Markets area of National Australia Bank. His team has specialist researchers across the world covering macroeconomics, credit markets, foreign exchange, and fixed income markets.

Peter has worked as an economist and researcher for more than two decades, starting out with the Central Bank of New Zealand. Peter is also an Honorary Fellow at Macquarie University and has a Master's Degree in Economics from the University of London.

Dr Anton Kriz is a Senior Lecturer at the University of Newcastle's Business School based at the UoN Central Coast campus.

He has an extensive background in business, government and academia. Anton has been a CEO, a management consultant and while working in Government has secured international joint ventures as well as conducted major research and development projects in Australia and overseas. He is also leading a major project to transform the innovative capacity of the Central Coast. His work on the Central Coast and in Regional Innovation Systems has led to the development of Innov8Central, which is now the lead agency for innovation in the Central Coast region.

The cost of the forum is \$50 per person. Attendance will be in accordance with Council's Facilities and Expenses Policy for Councillors.

I formally move:

- 1 That Council <u>authorise</u> those interested Councillors to attend the Central Coast Economic Breakfast on 17 October 2014 at Mingara in accordance with the Council's Facilities and Expenses Policy for Councillors.
- That Council <u>authorise</u> the reimbursement of expenses for Councillors in accordance with the Council's Facilities and Expenses Policy for Councillors.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil.