



Notes

STRATEGIC BRIEFING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON
TUESDAY, 17 MARCH 2020, COMMENCING 2.20PM

The Council Forum and Briefing session follows the suggested format proposed by the Department of Local Government Operational Guidelines (Number 5 January 2004). The role of such forums is to allow opportunity for elected members and senior officers of the Council to come together outside of the formal meeting process to discuss matters that do not require formal decisions, do not discuss matters on the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda but to discuss matters that might be conceptual (brain storming etc.), informative (updates on progress with matters) or administrative in nature. For this reason they are normally held 'in committee'. Disclosures of Financial, Impartiality and Proximity interests are still to be recorded and dealt with if they arise.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MEMBERS:

Cr Ceinwen Gearon (Shire President)
Cr Mark Allen (Deputy Shire President)
Cr Geoff Bowley
Cr Kingsley Gibson
Cr Steve Jones
Cr Jan Lewis (arrived at 3:00pm)
Cr Ian Osborne
Cr Janine Phillips
Cr Roger Seeney

STAFF:

David Schober (Acting Chief Executive Officer)
David King (Director Assets and Sustainable Development)
Lee Sounness (Executive Manager Corporate Services)
Angela Simpson (Executive Manager Community Services)

APOLOGIES:

Nil

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

VISITORS:

Malcolm Trail, Chair – 2020 Conference Committee, Denmark Historical Society
Ashleigh Murch, President, Denmark Historical Society

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nil

2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

2.1 State Historical Societies Conference

Malcolm Trail and Ashleigh Murch provided information on the State Historical Societies Conference being held in Denmark in September 2020, including a request for Council to host a reception for delegates.

2.2 Denmark Men’s Shed Lease Signing

President, John O’Donnell, and Vice President, Mal Dickie, from the Denmark Men’s Shed attended to sign their lease for a portion of the Heritage Precinct, as determined at the February 2020 Council meeting.

2.3 Updates

a. \$1 million drought funding grant

Executive Manager, Community Services, Angela Simpson provided an update on the funding guidelines and progress to date.

b. ICT Policy

Executive Manager, Corporate Services, Lee Souness discussed the ICT draft policy and the timelines associated, seeking Councillor feedback and comment.

c. Future tourism workshop

Acting CEO, David Schober, discussed the draft proposal from the Denmark Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Great Southern Centre for Outdoor Excellence in respect to offering a visitor servicing model for Denmark.

d. Covid19 update

Acting CEO, David Schober, provided an update on the Shire’s activity and community support measures as a result of the pandemic.

3. COUNCILLOR ROUND UP

Nil

3:38pm

4. CLOSURE