

Minutes Mid North Coast Joint Organisation Board Meeting

Date: 6th December 2019

Location: Kempsey Shire Council - 22 Tozer Street, Kempsey

Time: 9.30am

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1. WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

The meeting opened 9:30am and was chaired by Liz Campbell, Mayor of Kempsey Shire Council

ATTENDEES

Mayor Liz Campbell Kempsey Shire Council (Chair)

Mayor Dominic King Bellingen Shire Council (Deputy Chair)

Mayor Peta Pinson Port Macquarie-Hastings Council (Voting Member)

Liz Jeremy Bellingen Shire Council (General Manager)
Craig Milburn Kempsey Shire Council (General Manager)

APOLOGIES

Craig Swift-McNair Port Macquarie-Hastings (General Manager)
Louise McMeeking Regional NSW, R. I. A & R (Director North Coast)

Michael Thurston Destination North Coast (General Manager) –Associate member

OTHER ATTENDEES

Fionnuala Dixon Executive Officer (MNCJO)

Anita Gambhir Engagement Officer - North Coast, and Eastern, Office Local Government

2. ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COUNTRY

The Chair opened the meeting by respectfully acknowledging the meeting was being held on the traditional lands of the Dunghutti people and by extending respect to the Elders, present, past and emerging.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTEREST

MOVED: Pinson/King

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board confirm there are no PECUNIARY OR NON-PECUNIARY Interests

There were no declared Pecuniary or Non Pecuniary interests.

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

4. SPEAKERS

RECOMMENDATION:

That the following requests to address the Board be acceded to:

There are no requests to address the Board.

5. PROCEDURAL MOTION OF CONSENSUS - ITEMS BY EXCEPTION

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board accept items 5, 6, 9, 10 be dealt with by exception

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AGAINST: Nil

6. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the MNCJO Board meeting of 11 October 2019 be confirmed.

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AĞAINST: Nil

7. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board note the incoming and outgoing correspondence included on the correspondence register, for the period 1 October 2019 to 30 November 2019

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

8. MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MANAGERS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GMAC) MEETING – 8th NOVEMBER 2019

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board note the minutes from the General Managers Advisory Committee meeting held on the 8th November 2019 at Kempsey Shire Council

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AGAINST: Nil

9. STANDING ITEM - INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Note the information provided in the informational update reports, spoken to by the Office Local Government, and provided in the written report of destination NSW North Coast.
- 2. Invite Minister Matthew Kean and Minister Paul Toole to the MNCJO Board meeting of the 7th February 2020, with a view to discuss the issues around the Crown Land reforms

CARRIED: 3/0 FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AGAINST: Nil

10. ANNUAL PERFORMANCE STATEMENT - MNCJO FYE 30/6/2019

RECOMMENDATION:

MOVED: King/Pinson

That the Board note the MNCJO annual performance statement which was submitted to Office Local Government in compliance with the Local Government Act (s 428(1))

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell AGAINST: Nil

11. MNCJO AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT - FINANCIAL YEAR END 30/6/19

RECOMMENDATION:

MOVED: King/Pinson

That the Board adopt the MNCJO Audited Financial Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2019

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AĞAINST: Nil

12. MNCJO CAPACITY BUILDING FUND PROJECT SUBMISSION

MOVED: Pinson/King

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Note the requirements of the Office Local Government 's JO Capacity Building Fund
- 2. Endorse the proposed MNCJO project funding application
- 3. Approve for submission to Office Local Government by Monday 9th December 2019

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

AGAINST: Nil

13. COST SHIFTING TO COUNCILS

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board request the GMAC give consideration to developing a consolidated report on cost shifting that reflects the financial impacts and impost on the member Councils of the MNCJO

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

14. FIRE RESILIENCE FORUM

MOVED: Campbell/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Note the update provided on the Fire Resilience Forum conducted in the offices of Port Macquarie Hastings Council on the 28 November 2019
- 2. Establish a working group to support that Disaster Preparedness program, using the Forum outputs as a starting point
- 3. Write to Greg Mullins to thank him and to indicate support of his position in terms of climate change and an unprecedent bushfire season
- 4. Prepare a media release from the JO which summarises the forum and the actions outcoming including acknowledgment of the emergency services and volunteer responders.

CARRIED: 3/0 FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell AGAINST: Nil

15. MNCJO ONGOING ITEMS STATUS SUMMARY

MOVED: Pinson/King

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Note the status of items under auspices of MNCJO that are ongoing, including the formation of subcommittees and networks.
- 2. Request the Director North Coast, Regional NSW invite Transport for NSW to address the 7th February 2020 Board Meeting, on the status of the MNCJO Timber Bridge Renewal Prospectus
- 3. Note that the Great Koala National Park Headquarters will open on the 16th December 9.30am in Urunga. MNCJO Board and member Council staff are invited to attend
- 4. Note that Bellingen Council have provided input into the governance protocols surrounding the Great Koala National Park Project currently being scoped by NPWS

CARRIED: 3/0 FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell

16. NSW JOINT ORGANISATION CHAIRS FORUM- 31/10/2019

MOVED: King/Pinson

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board:

- 1. Note the information provided in the minutes of the NSW JO Chairs Forum 31/10/2019, which was chaired by the MNCJO Chair Mayor Liz Campbell, and included the appointment of Clr. Rowena Abbey, Canberra Region JO, as interim Chair and Clr Rick Firman Riverina JO as Interim Deputy Chair
- 2. Discuss any implications arising from JO and member Councils' data being included on the Office Local Government 'Your Council' Website
- 3. That the MNCJO write to Office Local Government asking for the following clarification:
 - The extent and format of the Local Government complaints data that is planned to be included on the 'Your Council' website
 - Will the Office of Local Government supply the full context surrounding the complaints, including:
 - The nature of the complaint,
 - Council's response to the compliant
 - Whether the complaint was upheld or otherwise
 - Are there plans for similar complaint comparative data from the NSW state government agencies, to be made equally publicly available

CARRIED: 3/0

FOR: Pinson, King, Campbell AGAINST: Nil

17. CONFIDENTIAL MATTERS

There were no confidential matters tabled for discussion

18. NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting will be held on the 7th February 2020 at CEX Urunga, 2 Morgo Street , Urunga, starting at 9.30am

Nearest accommodation if required: Urunga Riverside Resort , Atherton Drive, Urunga Phone: 02 6655 3911

Meeting closed: 11.25am

