



MINUTES

10 August 2018 – Goondiwindi Regional Council

Venue:	Council Chambers Goondiwindi Regional Council – 4 McLean Street	Date:	10 August 2018 at 10am
Attendees:	Cr J Coulton and Leeah Daley	Gwydir Shire Council	
	Cr Joan White	Goondiwindi Regional Council	
	Cr Ian Woodcock and Michael Taylor	Walgett Shire Council	
	Cr Richard Marsh	Balonne Shire Council	
	Cr Kate Dight, Cr Stewart Berryman	Inverell Shire Council	
	Cr Stephen Ritchie, Lester Rodgers	Moree Plains Shire Council	
	Cr Peter Petty, Cr Brian Murray	Tenterfield Shire Council	
	Cr Jo McNally	Southern Downs Regional	
	Russell Stewart	RDANI	
File ref:	S1242		

1	Meeting Open
2	Apologies
	Max Eastcott, Richard Jane and Robyn Phillips (Gwydir), Terry Dodds (Tenterfield), Matthew Magin (Balonne), Sue Price and Angus Witherby (MPSC) Moved Apologies be accepted: Tenterfield, Seconded MPSC Carried
3	Minutes of Meeting 04 May 2018 (Gwydir) (attached minus presentations)
3.1	Matters arising from the Minutes
3.1.1	Review of BROC Transport Plan
3.1.2	Further research on rural roads
	Moved the Minutes from 04 may 2018 be accepted: Tenterfield Seconded: MPSC Carried
4	Correspondence
4.1	Inwards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bank statements Warwick Credit Union and National Australia Bank

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Request for information further rural road studies Derek Baker, UNE Notification from Tenterfield Shire Council – Waste to Energy Resolution 																												
4.2	<p>Outwards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Invitation to Minister for Agriculture and Water Resources, David Littleproud to address the August BROCC meeting Invitation to Scott Smith – SE Qld Mayors – to address the August BROCC meeting Invitation to Cr Sue Price, Chair ARRG – to address the August BROCC meeting Request to Warwick Credit Union to transfer \$7,000 from term deposit upon maturity on 22 July to NAB Account and reinvest remainder for Request member councils to add BROCC link to their home webpage <p>Moved Inverell that the correspondence be accepted. Seconded Tenterfield Carried</p>																												
4.3	<p>Matters arising from Correspondence</p> <p>Waste to Energy – Tenterfield provided an update on the initiative advising that it was gaining momentum since the presentation to the Country Mayors Association.</p> <p>Moved Walgett that the correspondence be accepted. Seconded MPSC Carried</p>																												
4.3.1	<p>NAB Operating account now showing \$15,108 – can invest \$10,000 term deposit for 3 months</p> <p>Moved Inverell that \$10,000 be invested for 3 months. Seconded Walgett Carried</p>																												
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	<p><u>Warwick Credit Union</u></p> <p>Term Deposit renewed for six months to 22 July 2018 – 100005924-I2</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Balance as at 30 June 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$27,261.33</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Transfer to cover rural roads study</td> <td style="text-align: right;">7,000.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Transfer fee (to NAB)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">6.50</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Interest paid</td> <td style="text-align: right;">331.21</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Closing balance as at 31 July 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$20,586.04</td> </tr> </table> <p>Account 400379187 – S6</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Opening balance 30 April 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Closing balance as at 31 July 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.18</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>National Australia Bank</u> (since presented to the last meeting)</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Opening balance as at 10 March 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8,690.66</td> </tr> <tr> <td>29 March 2018 - Interest</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.18</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance as at 12 April 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8,690.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance as at 11 May 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8,690.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Balance as at 12 June 2018</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$8,690.84</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Cheque – Digit Design (Website, domain, gst)</td> <td style="text-align: right;">\$582.34</td> </tr> <tr> <td>29 June 2018 - Interest</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0.21</td> </tr> </table>	Balance as at 30 June 2018	\$27,261.33	Transfer to cover rural roads study	7,000.00	Transfer fee (to NAB)	6.50	Interest paid	331.21	Closing balance as at 31 July 2018	\$20,586.04	Opening balance 30 April 2018	0.18	Closing balance as at 31 July 2018	0.18	Opening balance as at 10 March 2018	\$8,690.66	29 March 2018 - Interest	0.18	Balance as at 12 April 2018	\$8,690.84	Balance as at 11 May 2018	\$8,690.84	Balance as at 12 June 2018	\$8,690.84	Cheque – Digit Design (Website, domain, gst)	\$582.34	29 June 2018 - Interest	0.21
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6	Guest Speakers		
6.1	<p>Lawrence Springborg (former leader of LNP and member for Southern Downs)</p> <p>Mr Springborg addressed the meeting concerning cross border anomalies during his period in parliament and beyond. He stressed the importance of the Cross Border Commissioner role in the facilitation of cross border service delivery. Mr Springborg encouraged the meeting to take forward by resolution the need for a Cross Border Commission in Queensland.</p> <p>Motion – The meeting was unanimous in agreement that BROCC should write again in support of the creation of a Cross Border Commissioner role in the Queensland State Government.</p> <p>Moved Goondiwindi Seconded Tenterfield Carried</p>		
6.2	<p>Julia Telford – Economic Growth</p> <p>Ms Telford spoke about the Murray Darling Regional Economic Diversification Project. This initiative was undertaken in and around the Goondiwindi area. The purpose of the Program was to work with participating businesses to build resilience around changing operating environment.</p> <p>A copy of the presentation is attached to the Minutes for information.</p>		
6.3	<p>Damon Meadows – Senior Regional Advisor Local Government and Regional Services (South), Department of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs</p> <p>Mr Meadows raised the issue of how the Queensland Government could access the funding from Department of Premier and Cabinet. He advised that the NSW Government has secured \$20M for cross border funding. Clarified that QLD Government will be required to support proposals through current funding programs.</p> <p>Mr Meadows advised that there had been departmental changes resulting in the following appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director General – Mr Warwick Agnew • Deputy Director- General, Local Government and Regional Services – Ms Natalie Wilde (Infrastructure and State Infrastructure Plan) <p>Racing and Multicultural Affairs were also added to the responsibilities of the Department.</p> <p>Advised that there had been changes to legislation as a direct result of the Belcarra Report. The legislation changes were made with the objective of strengthening equity, transparency, integrity and accountability in Queensland Local Government entities. The Department is providing training for Councillors on the legislative changes. The legislative changes provide for automatic suspension of Councillors charged with a disqualifying offence and they also provide for additional powers of State intervention if it is deemed in the public interest.</p> <p>Following up from an election commitment, a Local Government Grants Review, headed by Ms Kym Mahoney as Executive Director, has been established. The main focus of this review is to develop processes to</p>		

	<p>streamline and better administer grants.</p> <p>Advised that there was funding available, under the Maturing the Infrastructure Pipeline Program (MIPP), to conduct early planning for infrastructure projects. The Department looks forward to working with Councils to have 'shovel ready' projects.</p> <p>The Department is currently considering what role Local Government can take with the Waste Levy.</p>
7	Items listed
7.1	<p>BROC Transport Plan</p> <p>Report deferred to next meeting because Richard Jane and Angus Witherby were not at this meeting.</p>
7.2	<p>Bruxner Way Joint Committee report</p> <p>Deferred to an upcoming meeting.</p>
7.3	<p>Tenterfield Shire Council – Waste to Energy</p> <p>Dealt with in correspondence.</p>
8	General Business
8.1	<p>AARG and Further Research on Rural Roads – Cr John Coulton</p> <p>The meeting was advised that at a recent meeting in Canberra it was resolved to wind up the Australian Rural Roads Group. The decision to cease this group was made considering the fact that it had achieved its defined objectives.</p> <p>Cr Coulton suggested that the BROC group could continue the role of the AARG going forward. It was further suggested that a roads group be formed from the existing BROC member councils taking advantage of the foundation work undertaken by the ARR. G.</p> <p>The verbal report from Cr Coulton was noted.</p> <p>Motion – that the formation of a BROC Roads Group be included as an agenda item for the Annual General Meeting.</p> <p>Moved Tenterfield Seconded Walgett Carried</p>
8.2	<p>Update – Regional Development Australia – Mr Russell Stewart</p> <p>Mr Stewart advised that the RDA Conference will be held in Canberra. Mr Stewart requested information on any items that the group would like him to present at the conference.</p> <p>Advised that Ms Lou Gall from Moree had been approved as a new a committee member select.</p> <p>Outlined this involvement with the Youth Employment Innovation Challenge. This Challenge is aimed at tackling unemployment through innovation. The target group is 15-24 year olds, in at-risk groups, early school leavers or disengaged from school, not in education, employment or training and not receiving income support payments or under any other Commonwealth program.</p> <p>Further information on the Youth Employment Innovation Challenge can be found at the following link: https://launch.innovation.nsw.gov.au/youthemployment</p>
8.3	<p>NSW Water – 20 Year Infrastructure Options Study – Cr Kate Dight</p> <p>Cr Dight discussed the study which was concerned with the options for water storage and flood mitigation in NSW. Suggested that the study be included as</p>

	<p>an Agenda item for discussion at the next meeting. It was further recommended that the Minister or their Delegate be invited to attend the AGM to give a presentation on the 20 Year Infrastructure Options Study.</p> <p>Cr Dight stated that she would circulate the report to all BROCC Members.</p> <p>A copy of the Study can be found at the following link: https://www.waternsw.com.au/projects/infrastructure-studies/20-year-infrastructure-options-study</p>
9	Next Meeting – 09 November includes AGM - Tenterfield
10	Meeting Closed – 12.20pm

Action Item Log:			
Officer	Item	Listed	Outcome
Exec	4.3.1 – Invest \$10,000 for 3 months Term Deposit	10/08/18	
Exec	6.1 – Letter in support of creating a Cross Border Commissioner role in QLD government	10/08/18	
Exec	8.1 – Include item on AGM Agenda - BROCC Roads Group	10/08/18	
Exec	8.3 – Include 20yr water infrastructure study on Agenda for AGM	10/08/18	
Exec	8.3 – Invite Minister (or delegate) to give presentation at AGM	10/08/18	