



**Finance and Infrastructure Standing Committee Meeting**

**MINUTES**

**Meeting held in the Central Highlands Regional Council Chambers, Emerald Office**

**Tuesday 11 July 2017**

**Commenced at 9.30am**

**CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**FINANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETING**

**TUESDAY 11 JULY 2017**

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HELD AT 9.30AM TUESDAY 11 JULY 2017 IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS REGIONAL COUNCIL  
CHAMBERS, EMERALD OFFICE**

**PRESENT**

**Councillors**

Councillor (Crs) K. Hayes (Mayor), G. Godwin-Smith (Deputy Mayor / Chair)  
Councillors (Crs) C. Brimblecombe, M. Daniels, D. Lacey, C. Rolfe and G. Nixon

**Officers**

Chief Executive Officer S. Mason, General Manager Corporate Services J. Bradshaw, General Manager Infrastructure and Utilities G. Joubert, General Manager Commercial Services M. Webster, General Manager Communities D. Fletcher, Manager Water Utilities, P Manning, Acting Manager Infrastructure, J Hoolihan, Infrastructure Project Engineer, S Robinson, Coordinator Communications A. Ferris, Minute Secretary S Cooper

**Observers**

Cr Nixon

**APOLOGIES**

Nil

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**Finance and Infrastructure Standing Committee Meeting: 13 June 2017**

***Resolution:***

Cr Rolfe moved and seconded by Cr Brimblecombe “That the minutes of the previous Finance and Infrastructure Standing Committee Meeting held on 13 June 2017 be confirmed.”

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Carried (6-0)

**Business Arising Out Of Minutes**

Nil

**Outstanding Meeting Actions**

Clarification sought on items discussed and agreed on actions to follow up.

Cr Rolfe requested an update on the State Infrastructure Funding. Cr Hayes advised that Emerald Saleyards, Bedford Weir Crossing and Emerald Entertainment, Events & Evacuation Centre are being progressed.

**Conflict of Interest, Personal Gifts and Benefits**

Nil

## **INFRASTRUCTURE AND UTILITIES' SECTION**

### **9.2 Infrastructure and Utilities - Department Update**

**Executive summary:**

The following information provides an update on key activities for the Infrastructure and Utilities Department.

Considered by Council

Attendance

Cr McIndoe entered the meeting at 10.02am.

## **COMMERCIAL SERVICES' SECTION**

### **10.1 Australian Airports Association National Conference 2017**

**Executive summary:**

The Australian Airports Association National Conference 2017 will be held in Adelaide from Monday 13 to Friday 17 November 2017. The National Conference provides an opportunity to hear the latest innovations in airport technology, learn about the latest developments in best practice principles and discover ways to increase non-aeronautical revenue. As per previous years, there is a dedicated Regional Airport Stream on day 2.

Considered by Council.

### **10.2 Airport Third Party Inspections Duaringa, Capella and Dingo**

**Executive summary:**

In February 2017 formal aerodrome inspections were carried out by Airport Operations Support Pty Ltd on the Capella, Duaringa and Dingo aerodromes. No third party inspections had been carried out since 2008. Since the aerodromes are neither "Registered", or "Certified", nor cater for Regular Passenger Transport (RPT) or charter operations involving more than nine passenger seat operations, the aerodromes are classified as an Aircraft Landing Area (ALA). The Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA) has chosen not to regulate ALA aerodromes unless a safety breach or hazard is brought to their attention. Instead, CASA allow airport operators to self-regulate and rely on the onus that pilots bear the responsibility of ensuring that an airport is safe for use. Notwithstanding the pilot's responsibility to only utilise those ALAs or airports that are capable of safely catering for their aircraft, airport owner/operators should demonstrate due diligence. The inspection reports have highlighted some mitigation actions and the findings of the inspections are reported for Council's information.

Considered by Council.

### **10.3 Commercial Services Department - June 2017**

**Executive summary:**

The report provides information relating to the activities of the Commercial Services Department during the month of May 2017 and is provided for Councillor's information.

Considered by Council

## **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Nil

## **CLOSED SESSION**

### **Into Closed Session**

#### ***Resolution***

Cr Lacey moved and seconded by Cr Daniels “That Council close its meeting to the public in accordance with Section 275 (1)(h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 that Council staff involved in the closed discussions remain in the room.”

**FISC 2017 / 07 / 11 / 002**

Carried (6-0)

The meeting was closed at 10.42am

### **Infrastructure and Utilities - Department Update**

#### ***Conflict of Interest***

Cr Godwin-Smith declared that a perceived conflict of interest in item 3 of the Infrastructure and Utilities Departmental Report (Blackwater Rolleston Road Water Agreement) (as defined in section 173 of the Local Government Act 2009), may exist due to her being related to Mr M Smtih of “Uranus”. Cr Godwin- Smith dealt with the perceived conflict of interest by stating that it was their determination that their personal interest is not of sufficient significance that it would lead to their making a decision on this matter that is contrary to the public interest. Cr Godwin-Smith participated in the discussion on this matter.

#### ***Attendance***

Michelle Webster entered the meeting at 11.10am.

Jason Hoolihan left the meeting at 11.10am

### **Commercial Services – Financial Performance - June Update**

#### ***Attendance***

Cr Bell AM (Observer) entered the meeting at 11.15am

### **Out of Closed Session**

#### ***Resolution***

Cr Rolfe moved and seconded by Cr Brimblecombe “That the meeting now be re-opened to the public.”

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Carried (6-0)

**Infrastructure and Utilities - Department Update**

**Executive summary:**

The following information provides an update on key activities for the Infrastructure and Utilities Department.

Considered by Council.

**Commercial Services - Department Update**

**Executive summary:**

The report provides information relating to Native Title and the financial performance of the Airport, Quarry and Saleyards businesses during the month of June 2017 (interim) and is provided for Councillor's information.

Considered by Council.

**Landholder Resource Agreements**

***Resolution:***

Cr Rolfe moved and seconded by Cr Hayes "That Central Highlands Regional Council seek to formalise resource agreements with landholders where the provision of private works is traded for same. Councils notes that its preference is to pay royalties for gravel and pay for water when requested by landholders to do so. Further, that Council seek legal advice regarding such transactions with a view to ensuring consistency and transparency in its dealings."

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Carried (6-0)

**CLOSURE OF MEETING**

There being no further business, the Chair closed the meeting at 11.30am.

CONFIRMED

CHAIR

DATE