



DRAFT Notes of Legatus Management Group meeting

Friday 9 August 2019 10.30 am Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council Chambers

1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present: Helen Macdonald (Clare and Gilbert Valleys), Darryl Whicker (Flinders Ranges), Martin McCarthy (Barossa), Richard Michael (Light), Andrew Cole (Barunga West), Andrew MacDonald (Wakefield), Peter Porch (Northern Areas), David Harding (Yorke Peninsula), Peter Ackland (Port Pirie), Russell Peate (Copper Coast), Diedre Albrighton (LGA) and Simon Millcock (Legatus Group).

1.2 Apologies: Colin Byles (Chair Northern Areas), Dylan Strong (Orroroo Carrieton), Andrew Cameron (Yorke Peninsula), Brian Carr (Light), Wayne Hart (Mt Remarkable), David Stevenson (Goyder), Peter McGuinness (Peterborough) and James Miller (Adelaide Plains).

2. Welcome – appointment of Chair

Helen Macdonald was appointed chair and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

3. Notes from previous meeting 10 May 2019

Noted and received.

4. LGA – HR / IR update

Deidre Albrighton - HR Manager LGA outlined the following topics and areas of assistance:

- CEO performance review process now in place.
- HR/IR library out for tender.
- Training support being provided through her role to councils and willing to travel and assist with cluster approaches for regional councils.
- Commercial arm for CEO recruitments has commenced.

5. Local Government Reform

Andrew Lamb - LGA Local Government Reform joined the meeting by phone and provided an update and discussion held on the issues and process for consultation by LGA on Local Govt Reform including:

- Govt paper released that week with over 70 proposals and the LGA is aware of many of these.
- Workshops are being held around the regions and the Legatus Group workshop is on 30 August.
- Information will be out from the LGA next week to provide a starting point for the discussions.

Action: Simon Millcock to coordinate a session for Legatus Group CEOs to meet and consider a submission from CEOs. – Friday 27 September 2019 10.30am – 12.30pm Wakefield Regional Council.

6. Grant Guru

Peter Jeffrey – Grant Guru joined the meeting by phone and outlined the proposal. Advised that there are now 41 councils across Australia using the program and this included 13 in SA. The proposal was presented after Peter had meet with Simon Millcock and Kelley-Anne Saffin (RDA YMN). Peter advised he would be able to

provide a demonstration to those interested and that the purchasing across the 15 councils reduces the fee. There was general discussion around the product with some seeing value. No clear recommendations on way forward and Peter to contact councils individually.

7. Local Government Risk Services

The notes from the 3 May 2019 meeting held with the working group were provided with the agenda and discussed. The meeting resolved to have the matter progressed for discussion by the LGA CEO Advisory Group due to the concerns of there being little change.

Action - Martin McCarthy will provide a response from the Legatus Group CEOs to David Stevenson (Goyder Council) to take forward. Simon Millcock to provide information to the other Regional LGAs and LGA CEO.

Training topic was discussed including the feedback provided from Stevie Sanders JLT – noted that councils will individually follow up and no further action required by Simon Millcock.

8. Sustainability

Simon Millcock provided report and update with the agenda and discussions held on support for a Regional SA Sustainability Conference in 2020 to include workshop on Natural Hazard Data, Insurance and Liability.

Action – Simon Millcock to progress.

9. Digital Maturity Report

The meeting noted a lack of take up for a working group to progress the recommendations from the report and suggestion that this could be progressed to the LGIT working group.

Action – Simon Millcock to follow up.

10. Road / Transport

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and suggested that an agenda item be placed on the next Legatus Group Road and Transport Infrastructure meeting for a performance review of contractors for the regional road plan.

11. CWMS

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and the attached regional sludge report and noted that the population figures / estimates be looked at. The meeting was supportive of the report being provided to the Legatus Group ordinary meeting on 30 August with recommendation to receive and publish on the Legatus Group website and that the Legatus Group continues to support councils to improve their understanding of current sludge management.

The meeting discussed the possibility of an LGA R&D grant application being made for the Caravan / RV Dump Point Project and noted that there would appear to be no problem if Legatus Group approves the management of this project as there is no costs to Legatus Group and that 5 of the councils had shown interest.

12. Waste

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and discussed the proposal for Legatus Group to lead the SA Regional Waste Management Strategy. The meeting recognised that the funding allocation from SAROC budget would not be sufficient for the strategy and the need to gain other funding. The meeting was supportive of the Legatus Group taking the lead and the desire to have the Legatus Group develop a regional action plan. Suggested that an approach be made to Jo-Buchanan from RDA YMN and discussions on possible interest from Nystar and work they are doing with Port Pirie Regional Council.

13. Visitor Information Services Report

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and copy of the final report and supported the suggested approach to include this under the general heading of councils support for businesses. The meeting supported it being an agenda item at the next Legatus Group meeting for them to receive the report and for the formation of a Legatus Economic Development Advisory Committee (include the RDAs) and that this advisory committee consider the recommendations and provide a response to the Legatus Group.

14. Coastal

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

15. Disability Inclusion Action Planning

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and suggested this is a matter to also be listed on the Local Govt Reform agenda.

16. Planning

The letter from the Copper Coast Council for consideration at the Legatus Group meeting was provided with the agenda. Copies of the letters from Upper Spencer Gulf also provided. Discussions held including the need for DPTI representative to attend the next Legatus Group meeting. Dierdre Albrighton advised that she will be liaising with Stephen Smith LGA on the issues raised and will report to the Legatus Group meeting. Martin McCarthy is meeting with DPTI and follow ups to occur.

17. Financials

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and discussed the Northern Areas Council letter being presented to the Legatus Group meeting 30 August and recommended that this should be a matter to be addressed by SAROC.

18. Volunteering

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

19. Yorke Mid North Regional Alliance

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

20. Solid Waste Levy

The meeting noted the Clare and Gilbert Valleys Council will be raising the matter at the Legatus Group meeting 30 Augusts 2019 and that this should be a matter that is addressed through SAROC.

21. SAROC

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

22. Regional Growth Lunch

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

23. Business support / Creative Industries

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock and supported the recommended approach to establish an advisory committee to assist in progressing these matters.

24. Murray Darling Association

The meeting noted the minutes of the Region 8 meeting and the request for Legatus Group to provide secretarial support with consensus that it could be member council on a rotational basis to provide that support.

25. University MoUs

The meeting noted the update by Simon Millcock.

26. LED Street Lights

Held over till next meeting.

27. Illegal Dumping

Held over till next meeting.

28. NEXT MEETINGS

- Friday 15 November

29. CLOSE

The meeting was closed at 1.10pm

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