



Legatus Group CWMS Advisory Committee

11th February 2021 10.30am

Copper Coast Council Kadina + zoom

(draft) MINUTES

1. Welcome and apologies

Andrew MacDonald (Chair) via zoom welcomed members of the Legatus Group CWMS Advisory Committee: Matthew McRae, Riaz Uddin and Adam Broadbent in person and Gary Easthope via zoom. Simon Millcock and Paul Chapman from Legatus also attended in person. Hayden Battle was an apology.

2. Previous Minutes

Draft Minutes from the meeting on 12th November 2020 were accepted as correct.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 PhD Internships

The meeting noted progress with the two Internships and looks forward to a briefing from both researchers at the next meeting, after the CWMS Conference.

3.2 CWMS Discussion Paper

The meeting reviewed the context in which the paper was prepared and the process by which it had been reviewed before hearing of its contents, which covered evidence of a disproportionality between the risks, expense and challenges of CWMS and the governance provided to them, as well as canvassing some options for change.

The meeting reconfirmed the Advisory Committee's intention to highlight the issues raised in the Discussion Paper. The lack of skills and collaboration were seen to impede better management. The evidence in the Paper that CWMS were often not a major focus for senior Council was supported with the view that only those who work in CWMS focus on them.

Simon Millcock updated the advisory committee on the meeting held with the LGA Secretariat, Regional LGA EOs and SAROC Chair where it had been suggested the discussion paper be provided to SAROC. They had agreed that the discussion paper be initially provided to the LGA CWMS Management Committee.

The Committee supported the Legatus Group CEO including the discussion paper with the Legatus Group quarterly report to the LGA CWMS Management Committee and encouraging them to provide a response on a way to progress the issues and consider bringing the matters before SAROC.

3.3 Proposed CWMS training course

The Committee noted that the content for this course had been drafted and passed to the LGA who would discuss the final changes with the State government. The Committee acknowledged the work of Paul, Matt and Adam.

4. Legatus Strategic Plan

The Committee considered its future role, as part of the lead up to the Legatus Strategic Plan Review Workshop. It supported continuing the Advisory Committee and wanted to increase involvement of councils and to continue the state-wide Annual Conference. It recognised this had resource implications for the Legatus Group which needed to be considered. The current funding, which includes State-wide support, expires on 30 June 2021. Collaboration over CWMS could be furthered through the Regional LGAs and there would be value in a State-wide Network, with each Regional LGA having its own advisory group. The Committee asked whether the State-wide work would be better managed through the LGA with increased resources for Michelle Wittholz LGA CWMS Program Manager or via extending the current arrangements and resources for the Legatus Group or a blend of both. No resolution was reached.

5. CWMS Conference

The Advisory Committee noted the proposed agenda for the Conference and that senior people from the UniSA would be invited.

Andrew MacDonald had to leave the meeting and Simon Millcock took over as Chair.

6. Remote condition monitoring of CWMS pumps

The meeting welcomed researchers from Mawson Lakes, by Professor Chris Chow and Dr Linda Shi from UniSA and Dr Vinay Sriram from IPACS, who attended to meet all participants in the upcoming trial of sensors to be installed on the CWMS pumps of the Copper Coast Council. The meeting noted the value of the collaborations between business, researchers and local government. Lunch was provided and then most of the members and all the visitors inspected pumps and pump stations where the sensors will be installed.

7. Any other business

There was no other business for the meeting.

8. Date of next meeting

No date was set for the next meeting.

9. Close

Meeting closed at 12.10pm