



## **Minutes of the Legatus Group Meeting**

**10 June 2022**

**The Melrose Institute**

**1 Stuart St Melrose**

### **I Meeting Preliminaries**

Present: Mayor Phillip Heaslip (Chair), Mayor Leonie Kerley, Mayor Wayne Thomas, Mayor Greg Flint, Mayor Peter Matthey OAM, Mayor Mark Wasley, Mayor Ben Browne, Mayor Kathie Bowman, Mayor Ruth Whittle OAM, Mayor Rodney Reid and Mayor Darren Braund.

In Attendance: Eric Brown, Colin Byles, Paul Simpson, Stephen Rufus, Andrew MacDonald, Daniel Willson, Angela Ruddenklau, Tracey Raines and Simon Millcock.

#### **I.1 Apologies**

Mayor Bill O'Brien, Mayor Roslyn Talbot, Mayor Leon Stephens, Mayor Bim Lange, Acting Mayor Deane Rohrlach, Peter Ackland, Russell Peate, Helen Macdonald, Andrew Cameron, Tony Fox and Hon Geoff Brock MP.

#### **Opening**

The Legatus Group Chair Mayor Phillip Heaslip opened the meeting at: 10:30am

An acknowledgement of country was provided by Mayor Phillip Heaslip

Mayor Heaslip of The District Council of Mt Remarkable welcomed everyone to the meeting and provided an update on the work being undertaken by their council.

#### **I.2 Leave of Absence**

Nil

#### **I.3 Conflict of Interest**

Nil

#### **I.4 Confirmation of previous minutes 11th March 2022 Legatus Group Ordinary Meeting**

Motion: That the minutes of the Legatus Group Ordinary Meeting held 11 March 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Mayor Wayne Thomas    Seconded: Mayor Ben Browne

**CARRIED**

## **1.5 Legatus Group Action List (July 2021 - May 2022)**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda on resolutions of the Legatus Group requiring action relating to 2021/2022 Ordinary and Special meetings.

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives and notes the report.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund

CARRIED

## **1.6 Deferred / Adjourned Items**

Nil

## **2. PRESENTATIONS**

### **2.1 Daniel Wilson RDA Yorke Mid North**

Daniel provided an update on the work being undertaken for the Northern and Yorke Drought Resilience Plan and the presentation will be distributed to all member councils following the meeting. It was noted that there is a recommendation for consideration at item 4.1.

### **2.2 Tony Fox Northern and Yorke Landscape Board**

Tony Fox was unable to attend the meeting and Simon Millcock provided an update supplied by Tony on the Landscape Priority Fund Overview of which the NY Landscape Board has been awarded 2 projects with funding of \$1.3 mill in 2021/22 round. The Legatus Group has assisted with the application for the Resilient Coastal Ecosystems project with \$996k awarded as part of this \$1.6m, 3-year project and the Legatus Group has contributed \$10,000 towards this. This is a partnership with Legatus, NY Coastal Council Alliance, Narungga, community volunteers and significant contributions from Yorke Peninsula and Barunga West Councils. The other project is the Regenerating Catchments in the Mid North Farmscapes project. The report will be distributed to all member councils following the meeting.

### **2.3 Stephen Smith LGA**

The LGA and SAROC Topical Report had been distributed with the agenda and Stephen spoke to the report.

## **3. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION**

### **3.1 Committees**

The Chairs of the following Committees provided the minutes / communique of their meeting with the agenda:

1. Audit & Risk Management Committee 24 May 2022
2. Road Transport and Infrastructure Advisor Committee 5 May 2022
3. Regional Management Group forum 31 March and 1 April 2022 and 2 June 2022

The Legatus Group Chair invited questions / comments on these minutes and communique.

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives and notes the committee minutes and communique.

Moved: Mayor Leonie Kerley

Seconded: Mayor Peter Matthey

CARRIED

### **3.2 Caretaker Provisions**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda on Local Government Caretaker Provisions and their relevance to the Legatus Group. The Legatus Group Chair invited questions / comments on this report.

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives and notes the report on the Caretaker Provisions.

Moved: Mayor Mark Wasley

Seconded: Mayor Rodney Reid

CARRIED

### **3.3 Legatus Group CEOs leave and external interests**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report on his upcoming leave with the agenda. The Legatus Group Chair invited questions / comments on this report.

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives and notes the report on the Legatus Group CEOs leave.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Wayne Thomas

CARRIED

## **4. REPORTS FOR DECISIONS**

### **4.1 Business Plan Update**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion:

1. That the Legatus Group receives and notes the general update report and the specific reports on the Smart Irrigation, Stormwater Harvesting, Pump Monitoring, Brighter Futures and Data Gathering projects.
2. That the Legatus Group supports an approach to the Minister for Health regarding the centralised model for mental health wellbeing being progressed by the Legatus Group and Lifeline following an updated report on the Legatus Groups original Wellbeing Gap Analysis Legatus Group Northern Councils report.
3. That the Legatus Group notes the report by RDA Yorke Mid North on the Drought Resilience Plan and empowers the Legatus Group Northern and Yorke Alliance members to assist in finalising the plan.

Moved: Mayor Ruth Whittle

Seconded: Mayor Leonie Kerley

CARRIED

## **4.2 Financial Report**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion

Motion: That the Legatus Group:

1. Receives the report and that pursuant to Section 123(13) of the Local Government Act 1999 and Section 7 of the Local Government (Financial management) Regulations 2011 the Legatus Group notes the contents of the Statutory Finance Reports for the period ending 2 May 2022.
2. Confirms that \$5,000 is allocated from the budget for a contractor to deliver an updated report on the Wellbeing Gap Analysis Legatus Group Northern Councils report.
3. Receives and adopts the revised 2021/2022 Budget Review 3 and notes that there is no need to submit the revised budget to member councils for their approval.
4. Notes the CEOs credit card expenditure report 1 March 2022 till 31 May 2022.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Kathie Bowman

CARRIED

## **4.3 2022 / 2023 Business Plan and Budget**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion

1. That the Legatus Group adopts the 2022/2023 Legatus Business Plan and Budget.
2. That the Legatus Group gives due consideration to the long-term sustainability of the Legatus Group by continuing its practice of using reserve funds.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Mark Wasley

CARRIED

## **4.4 SA Regional Roads Plan**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion: The Legatus Group notes this report and congratulates the SA Regional Organisation of Councils for releasing the SA Regional Local Road Priorities report and supports the Legatus Group Road Transport and Infrastructure Advisory Committee investigating the recommendations for further consideration by the Legatus Group

Moved: Mayor Darren Braund

Seconded: Mayor Leonie Kerley

CARRIED

## **4.5 Legatus Group Bridges and Culverts Report**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion:

1. The Legatus Group receives and notes the report.
2. Approves the publication of the Legatus Group Bridges and Culverts Report on the Legatus Group Website.

3. That the report recommendations be referred to the Legatus Group Road and Transport Infrastructure Advisory Committee including support for commissioning of further work relating to funding opportunities for the region based on this report.

Moved: Mayor Peter Matthey

Seconded: Mayor Kathie Bowman

CARRIED

#### **4.6 Legatus Group SLRP Priorities 2022**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion:

1. The Legatus Group notes this report.
2. The Legatus Group supports the recommendation by the Legatus Group Road and Transport Infrastructure Advisory Committee that the Legatus Group response to the 2022 SLRP is based on the priority listing of the 4 roads North Coast Road (Yorke Peninsula), Gray Street (Light), Moculta Road (Barossa) and Hills Road (Goyder) which were identified and assessed in the Legatus Group Roads Data Base.

Moved: Mayor Mark Wasley

Seconded: Mayor Leonie Kerley

CARRIED

#### **4.7 Legatus Group Charter**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion: That the Legatus group:

1. receives and notes the report.
2. approves the revised draft charter and requests the Legatus Group CEO distributes this to the Legatus Group Councils for their endorsement.

Moved: Mayor Leonie Kerley

Seconded: Mayor Rodney Reid

CARRIED

#### **4.8 Legatus Group Committee Extensions**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Mark Wasley

CARRIED

Motion: That the Legatus Group appoints Stephen Rufus CEO District Council of Peterborough and Mayor Kathie Bowman as members of the Audit and Risk Management Committee

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Ruth Whittle

CARRIED

Motion: That the Legatus Group appoints Mayor Mark Wasley as a member of the Waste Management Advisory Committee

Moved: Mayor Wayne Thomas Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund CARRIED

Motion: That the Legatus Group appoints Mayor Wayne Thomas as a member of the Community Wastewater Management Schemes Advisory Committee

Moved: Mayor Mark Wasley Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund CARRIED

#### **4.9 Legatus Group Strategic Plan 2018 - 2028 Review**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion:

1. That the Legatus Group receives and notes the report.
2. That the Legatus Group CEO distributes the Draft Legatus Group Strategic Plan for the period 2022 – 2032 and its associated Long-Term Financial Plan and 3 year Action Plan to Constituent Councils for their endorsement.

Moved: Mayor Leonie Kerley Seconded: Mayor Rodney Reid CARRIED

#### **4.10 SA Coastal Council Alliance**

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and the Legatus Group Chair invited discussion.

Motion: That the Legatus Group pays the SA Coastal Council Alliance membership fees and makes an appropriate variation to its 2022/23 budget.

Moved: Mayor Peter Matthey Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund CARRIED

### **5 MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS**

#### **5.1 Motions of which Notice has been given Nil**

#### **5.2 Motions without Notice**

The Chair asked Members if there were any motions without notice.

Mayor Leonie Kerley advised that she had asked the Legatus Group CEO to distributed on 8 June 2022 a notice without motion titled Childcare and Family Day Care.

The Legatus Group Chair advised the meeting that he would accept the motion for consideration.

Motion that the Legatus Group:

1. Recognises the critical importance of the availability of early years childcare service to the liveability, economy and sustainability of regional South Australia;
2. Provides support to the RDAs investigating options for permanent childcare solutions in partnership with member Councils, the State Government and other relevant organisations and businesses; and

3. Advocates for SAROC, State and Federal Government support for permanent childcare solutions in regional South Australia.

Moved: Mayor Leonie Kerley    Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund

CARRIED

### **5.3 Questions with Notice Nil**

### **5.4 Questions without Notice Nil**

## **6 MEMBERS COMMUNICATION**

**6.1 Legatus Group Chair Mayor Phillip Heaslip** – No further updates.

**6.2 The Legatus Group SAROC Representative Mayor Peter Matthey** – Discussed the work by SAROC and LGA on regional housing needs and Rating Equity.

## **7. CONFIDENTIAL ITEM**

### **Legatus Group CEO Performance Review and Key Performance Indicators**

The Legatus Group Chair provided a confidential report with the agenda.

Confidentiality Clause:

*Provisions for Confidentiality (Commercial Advantage)*

That pursuant to Section 90(2) and (3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1999*, the Legatus Group orders that all persons present except Simon Millcock (Legatus Group CEO) and Tracey Rains (Legatus Group Administration Officer) be excluded from the meeting as the Legatus Group considers that the requirement for the meeting to be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in circumstances where the Committee will receive and consider a report relating to the personal affairs of a person (living or dead) being a report associated with the outcomes of the Chief Executive Officer's 2021/22 performance review.

Moved: Mayor Peter Matthey

Seconded: Mayor Mark Wasley

CARRIED

The Chair Mayor Phillip Heaslip suspended standing orders, with the approval of the majority of the board. (time 12:12pm)

The Chair invited CEO Simon Millcock to speak and be available for any questions from the board. Simon provided a brief overview of the efforts during 2021/ 2022 to provide a more focussed approach on key topics and he thanked the board for their support. There were no questions and Simon Millcock and Tracey Raines then left the meeting.

General discussion was held.

Motion: The suspension of standing orders come to an end. (time 12:36pm)

Moving: Mayor Ben Browne    Seconded: Mayor Darren Braund

CARRIED

Tracey Raines returned to the meeting.

Motion:

1. That the Legatus Group receives and notes the report.

2. That the Legatus Group approves a 3% increase to the Legatus Group CEOs Total Employment Package.
3. That the draft Key Performance Indicators for the Legatus Group CEO as outlined in this report be approved and that the Legatus Group Chair negotiates with the Legatus Group CEO on a variation to his contract that commenced on 5 June 2022 to include these changes.

Moved: Mayor Mark Wasley      Seconded: Mayor Rodney Reid      CARRIED

**End of in confidence** (time 12:38pm)

Motion: To exit the meeting of confidence.

Moved: Mayor Leonie Kerley      Seconded: Mayor Wayne Thomas      CARRIED

Simon Millcock returned to the meeting

Motion: The Motion moved by Mayor Mark Wasley and Seconded Mayor Rodney Reid be released from confidence.

Moved: Mayor Ben Browne      Seconded: Mayor Kathi Bowman      CARRIED

**8. NEXT MEETING** Next meeting to follow the AGM which will commence 10am with the Regional Council of Goyder hosting on Friday 9 September 2022

**9. CLOSE** The meeting was closed at: 12:42pm