



MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Friday 1 December 2023

Balaklava Bowling Club May St Balaklava

OPENING OF MEETING

The Legatus Group Chair Mayor Rodney Reid opened the meeting at 10.34am

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY & WELCOME

Mayor Rodney Reid provided an acknowledgement of Country and welcomed everyone to the meeting and the venue. Mayor Reid provided background on the Wakefield Regional Council.

This included the progress on their strategic plan and development of master plans in preparation for when grants become available. Highlights of recent work completed included \$3.2m Balaklava Pool, \$1.2m Owen/Hamley Bridge Pool, New Works Depot, Roadside Vegetation, Tree Planting, Electric Vehicle Charging and their \$1.9m Roads Program.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

Attendance:

Members: Mayor Roslyn Talbot, Mayor Allan Aughey OAM, Mayor Ken Anderson, Mayor Bill O'Brien, Deputy Mayor Marcus Strudwicke, Mayor Stephen McCarthy, Mayor Sue Scarman, Mayor Grant Chapman, Mayor Ruth Whittle OAM, Mayor Bill Gebhardt, Mayor Leon Stephens, Mayor Darren Braund and Mayor Rodney Reid.

Others: Council CEOs, Helen Macdonald, Richard Dodson, Paul Simpson, Darren Starr, Dylan Strong, Legatus Group CEO Simon Millcock, Tony Fox (GM Landscape Board), Andrew Johnson (CEO LGA), Daniel Willson (CEO RDA Yorke Mid North), Bill Vandeppeer Kristine Peters and Lisa Teburea.

I.1 Apologies

Apologies: Mayor Leonie Kerley, Bim Lange OAM and Mayor Mark Wasley. MP's Hon Geoff Brock, Penny Pratt and Fraser Ellis. CEO's Peter Ackland, Andrew Cameron, David Stevenson, James Miller, Sam Johnson OAM, Kelly Westell, Maree Wauchope and Martin McCarthy and Acting CEOs Sean Cheriton and Colin Davies.

I.2 Leave of Absence

The meeting noted that Adelaide Plains Council advised that Mayor Mark Wasley is on leave and as such the principal member for their council is Deputy Mayor Marcus Strudwicke.

I.3 Conflict of Interest

Simon Millcock advised that he has a conflict of interest re item 4.4

1.4 Previous meeting minutes Legatus Group Ordinary meeting held 19 May 2023.

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda and the minutes had been distributed.

Motion: That the minutes of the Legatus Group Ordinary Meeting held on 25 August 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Moved: Mayor Talbot Seconded: Mayor Scarman CARRIED

1.5 Legatus Group Action List

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

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

Moved: Mayor Aughey Seconded: Mayor O'Brien CARRIED

1.6 Deferred / Adjourned Items

CWMS Conference

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group submits an application for funding to the Community Wastewater Management Scheme Research and Development Scheme for the Legatus Group to deliver regional workshops and the annual conference.

Moved: Mayor Anderson Seconded: Mayor McCarthy CARRIED

2. PRESENTATIONS / PETITIONS / DEPUTATIONS

2.1 Prof Ros Cameron Torrens University – Regional SA Local Government Workforce

2.2 Kristine Peters KPPM – Community / Council Disaster Emergency

2.3 Daniel Willson – CEO RDA Yorke Mid North

2.4 Andrew Johnson – CEO LGASA Mutual

3. REPORTS FOR INFORMATION

3.1 Committee Minutes

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with attachments of committee minutes with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives and notes the Legatus Group Audit and Risk Management Committee, Regional Management Group Committee, Road Transport and Infrastructure Advisory Committee, Waste Management Advisory Committee and the Community Wastewater Management Schemes Advisory Committee minutes.

Moved: Mayor Whittle Seconded: Mayor Talbot CARRIED

4. REPORTS FOR DECISIONS

4.1 Business Plan

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report of the Business Plan Update with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report.

Moved: Mayor Scarman Seconded: Mayor Stephens CARRIED

4.2 Auditors Balance Date Management Letter 2022/2023

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group certifies the annual financial statement for the year ending 30 June 2023 and notes the letter from the auditors.

Moved: Mayor Braund Seconded: Mayor McCarthy CARRIED

4.3 Financial Report 2023/2024

The Legatus Group CEO provided a financial report for 2023/2024 with the agenda.

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 31 October 2023.**
2. **Receives and adopts the revised 2023/2024 Budget Review 2**
3. **Notes the CEOs credit card expenditure report.**

Moved: Mayor Stephens Seconded: Mayor McCarthy CARRIED

4.4 Legatus Group Strategic Plan and Charter Review

The Legatus Group Chairman Mayor Rodney Reid provided a report and attachments with the agenda.

Legatus Group CEO Simon Millcock left the meeting at 11.52am

Motion: That the meeting move into confidence to discuss agenda item 4.4 on the basis the board considers it necessary and appropriate to act in a meeting closed to the public.

Members of the public were excluded except Debra Swan, minute taker, to enable the board to consider item 4.4 in confidence.

Moved: Mayor Talbot Seconded: Mayor Anderson CARRIED

12.03pm The meeting moved into confidence

Motion: That formal meeting procedures be suspended for one hour to discuss agenda item 4.4.

Moved: Mayor Talbot Seconded: Mayor Aughey CARRIED

12.05pm formal meeting procedures were suspended

Motion: That the meeting return to formal meeting procedures.

Moved: Mayor Talbot Seconded: Mayor Braund CARRIED

12.19pm formal meeting procedures resumed

Motion: That the discussion for agenda item 4.4 will remain in confidence until the matter is finalised.

Moved: Mayor Braund Seconded: Mayor Gebhardt CARRIED

12.23 pm The meeting moved out of confidence

Motion: That the Legatus Group receives the report and approves an extension of the CEO's position until 31 December 2024.

Moved: Mayor O'Brien Seconded: Mayor Whittle CARRIED

Legatus Group CEO Simon Millcock returned to the meeting at 12.24pm

4.5 Committees

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and approves the following:

- **Robyn Ridsdale and Megan Renzella to the Legatus Group Waste Management Advisory Committee**
- **Megan Renzella to the Legatus Group Community Wastewater Schemes Management Advisory Committee**

Moved: Mayor Gebhardt Seconded: Mayor O'Brien CARRIED

4.6 Roads Plan / SLRP

Mayor Stephens declared an interest in item 4.6 as he is a member of SAROC
Mayor Stephens remained in the meeting.

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and confirms the allocation of \$1,900 towards annual support for the Legatus Group data being stored within the main SAROC State-wide roads dataset.

Moved: Mayor McCarthy Seconded: Mayor Braund CARRIED

4.7 Preparing your community for disasters and emergencies – Northern and Yorke Region of SA

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and Kristine Peters had presented earlier in the meeting on this project.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and approves the release of the “Preparing your Community for Disasters Handbook” on the Legatus Group hosted Community Disaster Preparedness website.

Moved: Mayor Anderson Seconded: Mayor McCarthy CARRIED

4.8 Carbon Offsetting Pre-feasibility report for Local Government

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

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and requests the Legatus Group CEO to provide a report to the next Board meeting on interest from Constituent Councils in progressing with possible options identified from the reports.

Moved: Mayor Scarman Seconded: Mayor Chapman CARRIED

4.9 Regional LGA Workforce

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report and attachments with the agenda and Prof. Ros Cameron had presented earlier in the meeting on this project.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and:

- 1. Approves the release of the “Local Government Career Pathways and Workforce Toolkit for Regional SA” on the Legatus Group website.**
- 2. Request the Legatus Group CEO to provide a report to the next Board meeting on interest from Constituent Council in progressing with relevant recommendations in the report.**

Moved: Mayor Stephens Seconded: Mayor McCarthy CARRIED

4.10 Financial Services

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report and approves the Legatus Group CEO to offer a 6 month extension to the current contract with Colin Davies to provide the agreed financial services to the Legatus Group.

Moved: Mayor McCarthy Seconded: Mayor O'Brien CARRIED

4.11 Legatus Group CEO leave and involvement with outside organisations.

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report.

Moved: Mayor Whittle Seconded: Mayor Anderson CARRIED

5 MOTIONS AND QUESTIONS

5.1 Motions of which Notice has been given.

5.1.1 Quorn Water Quality

Mayor Ken Anderson the Flinders Ranges Council provided a report with the agenda.

Motion: That the Legatus Group advocate for and support The Flinders Ranges Council in its endeavours to achieve improved water quality for the residents of the Quorn township and that constituent Councils of the Legatus Group be encouraged to similarly support The Flinders Ranges Council in these endeavours.

Moved: Mayor Anderson Seconded: Mayor Scarman CARRIED

5.2 Motions without Notice Nil

5.3 Questions with Notice Nil

5.4 Questions without Notice Nil

6 MEMBERS COMMUNICATION

6.1 Chairperson's Report December 2023

Mayor Rodney Reid Chairperson of the Legatus Group provided a report the agenda.

Motion: That the chairperson's report for December 2023 be received and noted.

Moved: Mayor McCarthy Seconded: Mayor Stephens CARRIED

7 BEST PRACTICE PRESENTATION

Held over until next ordinary meeting due to workshop following the meeting.

8 CLOSE and DATE FOR NEXT MEETING

Meeting Closed at: 12.43pm

Next Meetings:

Friday 15 December – Online Special Meeting re Review of the Charter and Strategic Plan.

Friday 23 February 2023 – Ordinary Meeting to be hosted by Yorke Peninsula Council.