

**LIMESTONE COAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP MEETING****1. Present**

Erika Vickery	Naracoorte Lucindale Council
Peta Crewe	PIRSA
Michaela Bell	LCLGA
Steve Chapple	Wattle Range Council
David Hill	DFEEST
Elise Gordon	AusIndustry
Judy Nagy	City Mount Gambier
Tony Wright	LCLGA
Mike Ryan	District Council Grant
Liz Perkins	LCLGA
Rachael Ashman	RDALC
Cathy Ashby	RDALC
Liz Goozens	Tatiara District Council
Trevor Smart	Naracoorte Lucindale Council
Clarissa Goh (Guest, Stakeholder Strategy and Engagement   Migration Policy and Deregulation Branch)	Australian Government Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business
Nicholas Carlyon (Guest, Stakeholder Strategy and Engagement   Migration Policy and Deregulation Branch)	Australian Government Department of Employment, Skills, Small and Family Business

**2. Apologies**

Ben Gower	Wattle Range Council
Nat Traeger	Kingston District Council
Daryl Whicker	District Council Grant
Andrew Meddle	City Mount Gambier
James Holyman	Robe
Biddie Shearing	LC LGA
Graham Excell	Tatiara District Council
David Wheaton	RDA LC
Anne Champness	Tatiara District Council

**3. Confirmation of the Minutes**

Confirmation of the Minutes of the LCEDG meeting held 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019 at the Naracoorte Council Chambers

“That the Minutes of the LCEDG Meeting held on the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2019, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings at that meeting.’

MOVED: Trevor Smart

SECONDED: Tony Wright

CARRIED

**4. Matters arising from the Minutes**

Nil

# MINUTES

26<sup>th</sup> November 2019, 10:30am – 12:00pm  
Naracoorte Town Hall

## 5. Work Plan update

No	Priority Area	Update	Actions required	Who	When
5.1	<b>Increase the working age population</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limestone Coast Rural Migration Project</li> <li>Limestone Coast Workforce Development Plan</li> </ul>	<u>LC RURAL MIGRATION PROJECT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LCLGA provided a submission to the Joint Standing Committee on Migration</li> <li>Tatiara Council presented to the Joint Standing Committee Public hearing on Wed 20<sup>th</sup> Nov on behalf of the LCLGA and the Tatiara Council</li> <li>RAI have had 2 visits to the Region to develop strategies around how to attract and retain migrants to NLC &amp; Tatiara. A draft report will be available at the end of the year.</li> </ul>	<p>Transcript of Joint Standing Committee on Migration available on below link <a href="https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Migration/RegionalMigration/Public_Hearings">https://www.aph.gov.au/Parliamentary_Business/Committees/Joint/Migration/RegionalMigration/Public_Hearings</a></p> <p>RAI Draft report to be made available to LCEDG members</p>	Peta Crewe	Jan 2020
5.2	<b>Building on the competitive advantage in agribusiness</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster</li> <li>Limestone Coast Brand implementation</li> <li>Limestone Coast Agribusiness SME Innovation Network Hubs</li> <li>Driving Growth Linking Industry</li> </ul>	<u>RED MEAT CLUSTER</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AsiaAustralis has been engaged by the LCLGA to assist with the preparation of a Strategic Plan for the Limestone Coast Red Meat Cluster (LCRMC).</li> <li>This consultation process has commenced and will be used to inform the first strategic workshop to be held in the region at the end of November 2019.</li> </ul> <u>DRIVING INDUSTRY, LINKING GROWTH PRIORITY PROJECT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>\$8M combined funding from Federal &amp; State Governments for roundabout upgrades on Riddoch Hwy, and Smith Street</li> <li>Subject to DPTI tender outcomes – works will hopefully extend to TEYS &amp; Qube Intersections on Wimmera Hwy</li> <li>Design works nearing completion</li> <li>DPTI to tender works</li> <li>This will complete Stages 1 &amp; 2 of 4 stages</li> </ul>	<p>Great Southern Coast to be invited to the next LCEDG meeting to present their 'Great South Coast Economic Futures Report' which details the region's future economic potential</p> <p>WRC have approached Food SA, Rural Solutions &amp; Waite Institute to present in the region and will provide information to the LCELEDG</p>	<p>Tony Wright</p> <p>Steve Chapple</p>	<p>Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 2020</p> <p>Early 2020</p>
5.3	<b>Capturing expected gain in the healthcare and social assistance sector</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limestone Coast Regional Healthcare Hub</li> </ul>	Awaiting private sector engagement	NLC will provide an update at the next LCEDG meeting.	Trevor Smart	Jan 28 <sup>th</sup> 2020

5.4	<p><b>Support the development of a vibrant business ecosystem</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limestone Coast Regional Leadership program</li> </ul>	<p><u>LC LEADERSHIP PROGRAM</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20 applications were received for the 2020 program. We anticipate that five of the seven council areas will have representation in the program. No applications received from Robe District Council and one, deemed unsuitable/language barriers, from Naracoorte Lucindale Council.</li> <li>The leadership program has been able to make nine full and six-part scholarship offerings for 2020.</li> <li>Induction day being held at Struan House on Sunday 15 December. It is anticipated that 18 candidates will accept offers, with program delivery beginning with a 2 day retreat in Robe on Thursday 6th and Friday 7th Feb 2020.</li> </ul>	<p>RDA LC organised an After Hour network event. Positive feedback was received from the WRC, with other Councils encouraged to support the initiative. RDALC to provide additional information to the LCEDG members</p>	RDALC	Jan 28 <sup>th</sup> 2020
5.5	<p><b>Collaborate to build Tourism capacity in the region</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Limestone Coast Regional Tourism Framework</li> <li>Limestone Coast Destination Marketing Strategy &amp; Tourism Plan</li> <li>Limestone Coast Regional Trails implementation</li> <li>SEGRA 2020</li> </ul>	<p><u>SEGRA</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In August this year, the Limestone Coast was announced as the successful region to host for the Sustainable Economic Growth for Regional Australia (SEGRA) National Conference 2020.</li> </ul> <p><u>LIMESTONE COAST REGIONAL TOURISM FRAMEWORK.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implementation of the Priorities to Grow the Visitor Economy by 2020, year 3 of 3 progressing well.</li> </ul> <p><u>LIMESTONE COAST DESTINATION TOURISM PLAN &amp; MARKETING PLAN</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tender submissions closes on Monday 18th November.</li> <li>\$40k allocated (\$20k SATC Grant &amp; \$20k LCLGA Tourism Budget)</li> <li>Assessment underway through the LCLGA Tourism Management Group</li> <li>Aiming to make a recommendation to the LCLGA Board on 13th December 2019 for preferred tenderer</li> <li>Timeline is to have draft plans by 3rd April to align with any budgeting/resourcing for FY2020/21</li> </ul> <p><u>LIMESTONE COAST REGIONAL TRAILS IMPLEMENTATION</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mixed Dozen Interactive Trails Project will launch digital itinerary planner tool prior to Christmas.</li> </ul>	<p>SEGRA Committee meeting with Conference organiser Friday 29/11/2019. LCEDG requested that Committee ensures relevant Stakeholders are invited to participate in the event in particular Government Ministers and the Cross Border Commissioner.</p> <p>National Economic Development Conference is inviting regions to host the 2021 Conference. No Action at this stage</p>	SEGRA Committee	2020
5.6	<p><b>Secure investment to deliver regional infrastructure priorities</b></p>	<p><u>NARACOORTE REGIONAL SPORTS CENTRE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Master planning process nearing completion</li> <li>General consensus from sporting/community</li> </ul>	<p>NLC have requested that the Naracoorte Regional Sports Centre be considered as a Priority Project. Project</p>	NLC	2020

	<p><b>enabling growth.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Regional Investment Prospectus</i></li> <li>• <i>Invest Limestone Coast</i></li> <li>• <i>Biomass Project</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>organisations and Council on preferred model and approach</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Once Council has adopted the masterplan, we will seek to elevate to a priority project.</i></li> <li>• <i>Conceptual design at the moment; costing and additional design work required.</i></li> <li>• <i>Project value likely to be \$15M-\$20M</i></li> </ul>	<p><i>Brief to be provided to the LCEDG</i></p> <p><i>RDALC requested to provide updates on Regional Investment Prospectus, Invest LC &amp; Biomass Project at next LCEDG meeting</i></p>	<p><i>RDALC</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 28<sup>th</sup> 2020</i></p>
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**6. Presentation – Stakeholder Strategy and Engagement / Migration Policy Branch**

Presentation to be provided to LCEDG

**7. Other Business****AusIndustry update – programs/opportunities**

Building Better Regions Fund

<https://www.regional.gov.au/regional/programs/building-better-regions-fund.aspx>

Regional and Remote Communities Reliability Microgrids

<https://www.business.gov.au/Grants-and-Programs/Regional-and-Remote-Communities-Reliability-Fund-Microgrids>

Regional Airports Program

<https://www.business.gov.au/Grants-and-Programs/Regional-Airports-Program>

Safer Community Funds

<https://www.business.gov.au/Grants-and-Programs/Safer-Communities-Fund-Round-5-Infrastructure-Grants>

Regional Agricultural Show Development Program

<https://www.communitygrants.gov.au/grants/regional-agricultural-show-sevelopment-grants-program>

**Limestone Coast Farm best practice at Struan & Kybybolite**

The state-owned Struan and Kybybolite farms, near Naracoorte, will allow farmers to trial relevant AgTech and latest animal genetics and pasture varieties, plus modern-day water utilisation, disease management and grazing strategies.

**Timber Industry**

3 submissions from the Limestone Coast made to the SA government 'Select committee on matters relating to the timber industry inquiry in the Limestone Coast'

**Regional Development Strategy Engagement Report released**

[https://pir.sa.gov.au/regions/regional\\_development\\_strategy](https://pir.sa.gov.au/regions/regional_development_strategy)

**University SA Graduate program with Wattle Range Council**

The Program is going extremely well, with the opportunity for other Councils to participate and be involved. WRC will prepare a Project Brief and present at the next CEO meeting to encourage engagement and participation from other LC Councils.

**8. Next Meeting**

*Tuesday January 28<sup>th</sup> 2020*