

MINUTES

24th September 2019
10:30am – 12:00pm
Naracoorte Town Hall

LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION LIMESTONE COAST ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GROUP MEETING

1. Present

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| Anne Champness | Tatiara District Council |
| David Wheaton | RDA LC |
| Graham Excell | Tatiara District Council |
| Tony Wright | LCLGA |
| Eilse Gordon | AusIndustry |
| Trevor Smart | Naracoorte Lucindale Council |
| Erika Vickery | Naracoorte Lucindale Council |
| David Hill | DTTI |
| Michaela Bell | LCLGA |

2. Apologies

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| Andrew Meddle | City Mount Gambier |
| Peta Crewe | PIRSA |
| Judy Nagy | City Mount Gambier |
| Biddie Shearing | LC LGA |
| Jane Fetherstonhaugh | Grant District Council |
| Mike Ryan | Grant District Council |
| Judy Nagy | City Mount Gambier |
| Steve Chapple | Wattle Range Council |
| James Holyman | District Council Robe |
| Ben Gower | Wattle Range Council |
| Richard Sage | Grant District Council |
| Nat Traeger | Kingston District Council |

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Confirmation of the Minutes of the LCEDG meeting held 23rd July 2019 at the Naracoorte Council Chambers

“That the Minutes of the LCEDG Meeting held on the 23rd July 2019, be taken as read and confirmed as a true and correct record of the proceedings at that meeting.”

MOVED: Trevor Smart

SECONDED: Graham Excell

CARRIED

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

To be discussed further in Minutes

5. Building Upgrade Finance presentation

(Lara Daddow)

Building Upgrade Finance is a unique finance product designed to assist building owners with environmental upgrades to non-residential buildings. Under Building Upgrade Finance, an agreement between the building owner, finance provider and local council is entered into, where a:

- building owner seeks finance for a building upgrade
- finance provider lends finance to the building owner

– council collects repayments from the building owner and transfers them to the finance provider.

For additional information visit

www.buildingupgradefinance.net.au

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6. LC EDG Terms of Reference

(Michaela/Tony)

Further discussion was held around the aims and objectives of the Limestone Coast Economic Development Group as detailed in the Terms of Reference including the further feedback received following the last EDG meeting. It was agreed that the current version of the TORs be recommended to the LCLGA

It was recommended that the LCEDG:

1. *Support the adoption of the LCEDG Terms of Reference.*
2. *Prepare a Recommendation Report for the LCLGA*

MOVED: Trevor Smart

SECONDED: Graham Excell

CARRIED

7. Review LC EDG Workplan

(Michaela Bell)

A draft of the 2019-2021 LC EDG Workplan was presented for further discussion and review, with members agreeing that the presented Workplan captures and reflects the Limestone Coast Regional Growth Strategy.

It was recommended that the LCEDG:

1. *Support the adoption of the LC EDG Workplan*
2. *Prepare a Recommendation Report for the LCLGA*

MOVED: Trevor Smart

SECONDED: Graham Excell

CARRIED

8. Priority Areas & Supporting Actions update

(Michaela Bell)

Refer to Workplan and Progress update

8.1 Increase the Working Age Population (Additional Information)

- Local Government Population Carrying Capacity, The LGA was successful with its application “Local Government Carrying Capacity Scope” to the March 2019 round of the Local Government Research and Development Scheme Fund and granted \$15,000 to complete the project. This project is to produce the scope that would be put out to tender for a detailed Local Government Population Carrying Capacity Project. The evidence-based document will be used to work with the State Government on a South Australian population policy, bringing a greater degree of certainty to government planning at all levels and private enterprise decision making.
- RDALC are contributing to the review of the federal governments National Skills Needs List



8.2 Building on the competitive advantage in agribusiness (Additional information)

8.2.3 LC Red Meat Cluster

- Minor amendments were made to the Limestone Coast Red Meat Clusters Terms of Reference

It was recommended that the LCEDG:

3. Support the adoption of the LCRMC Terms of Reference.
4. Prepare a Recommendation Report for the LCLGA

MOVED: Graham Excell

SECONDED: Trevor Smart

CARRIED

8.2.4 Food Wine & Agribusiness Discussion Paper

- PIRSA has worked with peak industry bodies to develop a Food, Wine and Agribusiness Discussion Paper. Feedback is encouraged by members. Additional information can be found https://pir.sa.gov.au/top_menu/about_us/growth_state_-_food,_wine_and_agribusiness

8.2.5 Select Committee Inquiry Timber industry

- LCLGA, RDA LC & Wattle Range Council are providing submission

8.4 Support the development of a vibrant business ecosystem (Additional information)

8.4.1 Welcome Elise Gordon, recently appointed Regional Manager for AusIndustry

- The \$50 million Manufacturing Modernisation Fund aims to stimulate business investment in new technologies and processes in the manufacturing sector. The program supports manufacturers to modernise, adopt new technologies, become more productive and create more jobs by co-funding capital investments and associated reskilling. Modernisation can include technology upgrades, efficiency upgrades, such as energy or process optimisation, or more transformative changes to your business, which will allow you to produce new products or diversify into new markets. www.business.gov.au/-/media/Business/MMF/Manufacturing-Modernisation-Fund-Grant-opportunity-guidelines-PDF.pdf

8.6 Securing investment to deliver regional infrastructure priorities enabling growth (Additional information)

- RDALC continues work on the Invest Limestone Coast website

9. Other Business

- RDALC David Wheaton and Alan Richardson attended the Rail Alliance Conference in Victoria

10. Next Meeting

LC EDG CALENDAR

| Date | Time | Venue |
|--|-------------------|----------------------|
| Tuesday 26 th November 2019 | 10:30am – 12:00pm | Naracoorte Town Hall |
| Tuesday 28 th January 2020 | 10:30am – 12:00pm | Naracoorte Town Hall |
| Tuesday 24 th March 2020 | 10:30am – 12:00pm | Naracoorte Town Hall |
| Tuesday 26 th May 2020 | 10:30am – 12:00pm | Naracoorte Town Hall |

