



**GENERAL MEETING  
OF THE LIMESTONE COAST LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION**

**MINUTES**

Date: 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2024

Time: 10:50am Start

Location: Council Chambers

Library Building

George Street, Millicent, SA 5280

WATTLE RANGE COUNCIL

## **1. OPENING MEETING**

Meeting Opening Time: 10:50am

### **1.1 President's Welcome**

Mayor Martin OAM welcomed everyone to the LCLGA General Meeting.

### **1.2 Host Mayor's Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country**

Mayor Noll OAM made Acknowledgement of Country.

Mayor Noll OAM welcomed everyone to Wattle Range Council and updated everyone on recent events and projects in the region. Some of these events and projects were:

- Capital Expenditure of \$10.4 Million.
- Millicent Swimming Lake re-development.
- Stormwater construction in Penola.
- Cancer Service Centre
- Unsealed \ Sealed Road Works
- Community engagement in budget discussions.

## **2. PRESENT**

### **Mayors**

City of Mount Gambier	Mayor Lynette Martin OAM
Tatiara District Council	Mayor Liz Goossens
Wattle Range Council	Mayor Des Noll OAM
District Council of Grant	Mayor Kylie Boston
Kingston District Council	Mayor Jeff Pope
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mayor Patrick Ross
District Council of Robe	Mayor Lisa Ruffell

### **CEOs & LCLGA**

City of Mount Gambier	Ms Sarah Philpott (CEO)
Wattle Range Council	Mr Ben Gower (CEO)
District Council of Grant	Mr Darryl Whicker (CEO)
Kingston District Council	Mr Ian Hart (CEO)
Naracoorte Lucindale Council	Mr Trevor Smart (CEO)
District Council of Robe	Ms Nat Traeger (CEO)
Tatiara District Council	Ms Anne Champness (CEO)
LCLGA	Mr Adrian Maywald (Executive Officer) Ms Kate Napper (Destination Development Manager 10:33am arrival) Mr Tony Elletson (Connected & Active Communities Officer left at 11:43am) Mr Paul Manfrin (Corporate Services Officer) – Online

**GUESTS**

Member for MacKillop	Hon Nick McBride MP
PIRSA	Ms Jennifer Schilling
LGASA	Ms Sarah Wozniak – Senior Policy Officer (Native Vegetation left at 11:34am) Mr Andrew Lamb Director Advocacy – (Online left at 12:22pm)
Coorong District Council	Mayor Paul Simmons Ms Bridget Mather PSM (CEO) Cr Jeff Arthur

**3. APOLOGIES**

Member for Barker	Hon Tony Pasin MP
Member for Mount Gambier	Hon Troy Bell MP
LCLGA	Ms Emma Herring (Destination Development Coordinator) Ms Rhiannon Zammit (Sports Academy Admin)
Team Telstra	Mr Michael Patterson
LGASA	Ms Rowena McLean – Director Sector Development
Heritage Advisory Service	Mr Ian Hamilton
RDALC	Mr David Wheaton
SACCA	Mr Adam Gray
UniSA	Mr Ian McKay

**Recommendation**

1. That the apologies be noted and accepted.

**Moved:** Kingston District Council

**Seconded:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**CARRIED**

**4. CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS**

NIL

**5. GUESTS & SPEAKERS**

**Mr Michael Patterson: Telstra**

Mr Patterson was a late apology, however provided documentation to the LCLGA Board, updating on the Telstra Connectivity Project. This report will be circulated out of session.

**Ms Sarah Wozniak** – LGA Senior Policy Officer (Native Vegetation)

Ms Wozniak spoke to the LCLGA Board regarding the Native Vegetation Act and the role LCGSA has played around Native Vegetation in the Local Government Sector.

Ms Wozniak provided a PowerPoint Presentation which will be distributed electronically.

**Hon Nick McBride MP - Member for MacKillop**

Hon McBride MP updated the LCLGA Board on some of the items he is working on, including road signage and housing shortages. He informed the LCLGA Board he will be meeting with the Premier of South Australia in the coming week and invited LCLGA Board Members to come forward and notify him of any important issues to discuss with the Premier.

## **6. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

### **Recommendation**

1. That the Minutes of the LCLGA General Meeting held at Wulanda Recreation and Convention Centre in the City of Mount Gambier on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 be accepted.

**Moved:** Tatiara District Council

**Seconded:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**CARRIED**

*- 5 min recess was called by the President and all members had a break at 11:25am with the meeting resuming at 11:30am*

## **11.4 Connected and Active Communities Report**

### **Recommendation**

1. That the Report be noted.

**Moved:** Kingston District Council

**Seconded:** Wattle Range Council

**CARRIED**

### 11.3 Destination Development Report

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| 1. That the Report be noted. |
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**Moved:** Wattle Range Council

**Seconded:** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

## 13. OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

### 13.1 Department for Primary Industries and Regions, South Australia.

Ms Schilling provided a written report, which is located in the February 2024 General Meeting Agenda. She provided extra information to the LCLGA Board regarding Saleyards compliance, broader thinking on energy in our region and Regional Growth Strategy.

### 13.4 Local Government Association & SAROC.

#### Mr Andrew Lamb – LGA Director of Advocacy

Mr Andrew Lamb who was filling in for Ms Rowena McLean spoke about the reports provided in the LGA hyper link. ‘Members Services Report’. There was additional discussion around cost shifting and gathering data on its impact to Councils.

## 7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES – ACTION SHEET

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| 1. That the action sheet be noted and accepted. |
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**Moved:** Kingston District Council

**Seconded:** Wattle Range Council

**CARRIED**

## 8. CORRESPONDENCE

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| 1. That the correspondence be received and noted. |
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**Moved:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**Seconded:** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

**9. FINANCE**

**9.1 Budget Reports 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2024**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Board Approve the Finance Reports as tabled.
2. That the Board acknowledge the comments in the Budget Report with Actuals.

**Moved:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council      **Seconded:** Tatiara District Council

**CARRIED**

**9.2 Budget Reports 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2024 – LCLGA Council Subscriptions Funding Model Considerations. An additional discussion paper was tabled at the meeting.**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Board receive and note the Report.

**Moved:** Wattle Range Council      **Seconded:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**Recommendation**

1. Wattle Range Council moved that we proceed to the next item.

**Moved:** Wattle Range Council      **Seconded:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**CARRIED**

## **10. RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **10.1 2024 Limestone Coast Local Government Association Meeting Dates – An updated Calander is provided at the end of the Minutes.**

#### **Recommendation**

1. That the Limestone Coast Local Government Association (LCLGA) Board endorses the proposed changes to the nominated dates for the 2024 LCLGA meetings as endorsed on 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2023.
2. Change 1: Move the Friday the 12<sup>th</sup> of April LCLGA Board Meeting that clashes with a Mayor's Forum to Friday the 19<sup>th</sup> of April 2024.
3. Change 2: Update the Mayor and CEOs Forum dates to be on the 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> of July, 2024 (as per email from Ms Rowena Mclean with date clarification on 18/1/24).
4. Change 3: Tatiara District Council will swap the hosting of LCLGA meeting with District Council of Grant. Tatiara District Council will now host the LCLGA General Meeting on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, 2024 and District Council of Grant will host the LCLGA General Meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> of August, 2024.

**Moved:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council      **Seconded:** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### **10.2 Eyes on Eyre**

#### **Recommendation**

1. That the LCLGA Board note the Report provided by the Executive Officer.
2. Request the Executive Officer to obtain more information about resources, including costing.
3. Present findings to the LCLGA Board at the LCLGA April Board Meeting.

**Moved:** Tatiara District Council      **Seconded:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council

**CARRIED**

## **11. LCLGA REPORTS**

### **11.1 LCLGA President's Report**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Report be noted.

**Moved:** City of Mount Gambier

**Seconded:** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### **11.2 Executive Officer's Report**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Report be noted.
2. The E.O of LCLGA to approach Marsden and Jacobs for a return brief – Scoping Document.
3. Working group to review the FSC Range Consulting. The 3 Councils involved – Wattle Range Council, District Council of Grant and District Council of Robe review the works thus far and provide recommendations regarding the future works contracted to FSC.

**Moved:** District Council of Robe

**Seconded:** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

### **11.5 Limestone Coast Regional Sporting Academy Report**

**Recommendation**

1. That the Report be noted.

**Moved:** District Council of Robe

**Seconded:** District Council of Grant

**CARRIED**

## **12. LCLGA SUB COMMITTEE MINUTES**

NIL



### 13. OUTSIDE ORGANISATIONS

#### 13.3 Regional Development Association Limestone Coast

Mr David Wheaton provided a written report, which is located in the February 2024 General Meeting Agenda.

### 14. OTHER BUSINESS

#### 14.1 Country Health Connect Services in the Limestone Coast –

Discussion across the floor around the Withdrawal and lack of Health services currently.

Further follow up to occur which includes the LCLGA Executive Officer supporting with advocacy, a collective Mayors voice and ensuring that a delegate of Mayors communicate with the South Australian Health Minister about concerns in the Limestone Coast.

##### **Recommendation**

1. Note the concerns across the Limestone Coast.
2. Support Advocacy of the Mayors to meet with the Health Minister.

**Moved:** Naracoorte Lucindale Council      **Seconded:** Wattle Range Council

**CARRIED**

#### 14.2 The Audit and Risk Committee and EO Remuneration Committee -

Discussion occurred around the following:

- Needing updated terms of reference for the Audit and Risk Committee to ensure it is compliant with legislation.
- Review membership for the Executive Officers Remuneration Committee to represent the Limestone Coast further and ensure no perceived conflict.

##### **Recommendation**

1. That the terms of reference be reviewed and updated for the Audit and Risk Committee and the Executive Officer Remuneration Committee.
2. The updated terms of reference are to be tabled at the April LCLGA Meeting 2024.

**Moved:** District Council of Grant      **Seconded:** District Council of Robe

**CARRIED**

**14.3 Possible LCLGA Office Relocation**

**Confidential Matter**

1. Pursuant to section 90(2) of the Local Government Act 1999, the LCLGA orders that the public be excluded from attendance at that part of the meeting relating to the Late Agenda item 1 – Possible LCLGA Office Relocation except the following people: Mayor Lynette Martin OAM, Mayor Des Noll OAM, Mayor Kylie Boston, Mayor Liz Goossens, Mayor Jeff Pope, Mayor Patrick Ross, Ms Sarah Philpott, Mr Trevor Smart, Ms Nat Traeger, Mr Darryl Whicker, Mr Ben Gower, Ms Anne Champness, Mr Ian Hart, Executive Officer Mr Adrian Maywald & Mr Paul Manfrin.
2. The LCLGA is satisfied that the principle that the meeting be conducted in a place open to the public has been outweighed in the circumstances to prevent the disclosure of this information.
3. All reporting documents will remain in confidence until the matter is resolved.

**Moved:** District Council of Robe

**Seconded:** Kingston District Council

**CARRIED**

[Moved into confidence and then out of confidence]

**15. CALENDAR KEY DATES & NOTICE OF MEETINGS**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Location</b>
18 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2024	LGASA & SAROC	LGA House
16 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2024	LCLGA AGM & GM	Wattle Range Council
14 <sup>th</sup> Mar 2024	LGASA & SAROC	LGA House
19 <sup>th</sup> Apr 2024	LCLGA GM	District Council of Robe
16 <sup>th</sup> May 2024	LGASA & SAROC	Regional
7 <sup>th</sup> Jun 2024	LCLGA GM	Tatiara District Council
18 <sup>th</sup> Jul 2024	LGASA & SAROC	LGA House
25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> of Jul 2024	Mayors and CEO Forum	LGA House
09 <sup>th</sup> Aug 2024	LCLGA GM	District Council of Grant
03 <sup>rd</sup> Oct 2024	Regional SAROC	Regional
11 <sup>th</sup> Oct 2024	LCLGA GM	Naracoorte Lucindale Council
05 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	LGASA SAROC	LGA House
13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2024	LCLGA GM	Kingston District Council
14 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2025	LCLGA AGM & GM	City of Mount Gambier

**16. NEXT MEETING**

The next LCLGA General Meeting is scheduled to take place in District Council of Robe on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

**17. CLOSE MEETING**

Meeting Close Time: 1:40pm

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LCLGA President's Signature

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Date