
PRESENT

Members:

Councillor Rob Turner
Councillor Mike Cusato
Ross Cargill (Mid North Coast NSW Business Chamber)
Joy Corben (Port Macquarie-Hastings Education and Skills Forum)
Anthony Thorne (Hastings Construction Industry Association Inc.)
John Saunders (Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce & Industry)
Professor Heather Cavanagh (Higher Education)
Haydn Oriti (Port Macquarie Chamber of Commerce)
Belinda Richardson (Independent)

Other Attendees:

Craig Swift-McNair (General Manager)
Liesa Davies (Group Manager Economic Development)

Guests:

Matt Rogers (Director Development & Environmental Services)
Peter Cameron (Group Manager Strategic Planning)
Kim Gallery (Economic Development Project Officer)

Part Meeting:

Gary Humphreys, Chief Operating Officer - Essential Energy
Roger Marshall, Manager Corporate Affairs - Essential Energy

The meeting opened at 8.30am.

01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

02 APOLOGIES

CONSENSUS:

That the apologies received from Councillor Peter Besseling and Councillor Trevor Sargeant, Karen Archer, Rob Hamilton, Jill Follington and Tricia Bulic be accepted.

03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

CONSENSUS:

That the Minutes of the Economic Development Steering Group Meeting held on 2 September 2015 be confirmed.

04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures of interest presented.

05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

Nil.

06 ESSENTIAL ENERGY UPDATE

CONSENSUS:

The Group noted the brief from Mr Humphreys on recent and potential future changes at Essential Energy as a result of the Australian Energy Regulator's determination and thanked him for his attendance and responses to questions.

07 URBAN GROWTH MANAGEMENT STRATEGY - INDUSTRIAL AND RETAIL REVIEWS

Peter Cameron, Group Manager Strategic Planning, presented on the recently completed Industrial and Retail Land Reviews and noted feedback from the Group.

CONSENSUS:

The Group noted the presentation and agreed a further opportunity to provide feedback be included on the agenda for 4 November 2015 Economic Development Steering Group Meeting. The Group Manager Strategic Land Use Planning to email retail and industrial land renewal reports to the Group.

08 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

Due to time constraints, Group members were asked to provide any feedback on the implementation of Economic Development Strategy Actions report to Liesa Davies post-meeting.

09 GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

The meeting closed at 10.30am.