

**PRESENT**

**Members:**

Councillor Geoff Hawkins (Deputy Chair)  
Kelly King (Hastings Business Women's Network)  
Paul Dawson (Greater Port Macquarie Tourism Association)  
Susan East (Camden Haven Chamber of Commerce)  
Haydn Oriti (Port Macquarie Chamber of Commerce)  
Greg Freeman (Individual)  
Peter Halliwell (Independent)

**Other Attendees:**

Craig Swift-McNair (General Manager)  
Liesa Davies (Group Manager Economic Development)  
David Archer (Senior Economic Development Officer)  
Ian Scott (Local Manager NSW-North, NBN Co) [Item 8 only]

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The meeting opened at 8:30am.

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**01 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

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The Acknowledgement of Country was delivered.

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**02 APOLOGIES**

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**CONSENSUS:**

That the apologies be received from Councillor Rob Turner, Councillor Mike Cusato, Anthony Thorne, Professor Heather Cavanagh, and Holly McBride be accepted.

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**03 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

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**COSNENSUS:**

That the Minutes of the Economic Development Steering Group Meeting held on 6 February 2019 be confirmed.

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#### **04 DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

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There were no disclosures of interest presented.

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#### **05 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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CONSENSUS:

That the business arising schedule be noted.

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#### **06 HIGH SPEED RAIL**

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The Group discussed the NSW Government's Fast Rail Future Plans, having considered the limited detail available, and noted potential opportunities and costs.

CONSENSUS:

That the Group note the NSW Government's plans for Fast Rail Network Strategy and potential local implications.

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#### **07 SMART REGIONAL CITY PLANNING - STATUS UPDATE AND CONSIDERATION OF 'PLANNING' KEY INDICATOR**

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CONSENSUS:

That the Group note the further local analysis and comparisons regarding 'Planning', and consider this, as the fifth of the Australian Government Smart Cities Policy priorities, from a local future planning perspective.

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#### **08 NBN CO UPDATE**

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CONSENSUS:

That the Group note the update provided by NBN's Local Manager NSW-North regarding feedback from local business and their engagement with the NBN roll-out.

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**09 NEXT MEETING**

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CONSENSUS:

That the Group note the next meeting will be on Wednesday 10 April 2019 in the Function Room, PMHC Headquarters at 8.30am.

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**10 GENERAL BUSINESS**

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Nil.

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The meeting closed at 10:10am.