

Hunter

Joint Organisation

Minutes of the 13 December 2018 Board Meeting
Commencing at 10.00am

The Board Room
4 Sandringham Avenue, Thornton

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Voting Directors Present

Cr Bob Pynsent,	Cessnock City Council
Cr Tracy Norman,	Dungog Shire Council
Cr Kay Fraser,	Lake Macquarie City Council
Cr David West,	MidCoast Council
Cr Sue Moore,	Singleton Shire Council
Cr Ryan Palmer,	Port Stephens Council
Cr Wayne Bedggood,	Upper Hunter Shire Council
Cr Loretta Baker,	Maitland City Council
Cr Nuatali Nelmes,	Newcastle City Council

Non-Voting Directors Present

Coralie Nichols,	General Manager, Dungog Shire Council
Morven Cameron,	CEO, Lake Macquarie City Council
David Evans,	General Manager, Maitland City Council
Adrian Panuccio,	General Manager, MidCoast Council
Fiona Plesman,	General Manager, Muswellbrook Shire Council
Jason Linnane,	General Manager, Singleton Council
Wayne Wallis,	General Manager, Port Stephens Council
Steve McDonald,	General Manager, Upper Hunter Shire Council
Stephen Glen,	General Manager, Cessnock City Council
Jeremy Bath,	CEO, Newcastle City Council

Apologies

Steven Wills,	Regional Director, Dep't of Premier & Cabinet
Cr Martin Rush,	Muswellbrook Shire Council

Staff in attendance

Roger Stephan, Interim CEO, Hunter Joint Organisation

Observer

Virginia Errington, Office of Local Government

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Cr Tracy Norman
Seconded: Cr Sue Moore

Carried.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. PRESENTATIONS

- Michael Comninos, Astrolabe Group: Intergovernmental Partnerships Project
- Joanne Tonks, Venues NSW and Bill Tatnell, Strategic Vistas: Sport Facility Plan for the Greater Newcastle Metro
- Richard Anicich: Committee for the Hunter

3.1 BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRESENTATIONS

Nil

4. REPORTS

4.1 Recruitment Process for the Chief Executive Officer

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT this matter be considered in Closed Session in accordance with Section 10(A(2)) of the Local Government Act 1993

Moved: Cr Nuatali Nelmes
Seconded: Cr Loretta Baker

Carried.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

1. The Board of the Hunter Joint Organisation note and accept Recommendations 1 and 3 of the presented report by Blackadder & Associates
2. The Board of the Hunter Joint Organisation note the Board-appointed recruitment panel's endorsement of the preferred candidate
3. The Board of the Hunter Joint Organisation determine its position in response to Recommendation 2 of the attached report presented by Blackadder & Associates
4. Subject to the appointment of the preferred candidate:
 - a. The Hunter Joint Organisation seek quotations from suitably qualified recruitment companies to assist the Hunter Joint Organisation Board in the development and review of the CEO performance agreement
 - b. The CEO performance agreement be prepared by the appointed consultant in consultation with the Hunter Joint Organisation Board Chairman and the CEO, within 8 weeks of commencement to determine mutually agreeable outcomes for the first year of the appointment; and
 - c. The performance agreement be circulated in 'final draft' form for endorsement by the Hunter Joint Organisation Board.
5. The Board of the Hunter Joint Organisation note that subject to the appointment of the preferred candidate, the General Manager Representatives of the CEO recruitment panel will make appropriate recommendations to the Board of Strategic Services Australia Limited in relation to the appointment of the preferred candidate to the role of CEO of Strategic Services Australia Limited.

Moved: Cr Nuatali Nelmes
Seconded: Cr Loretta Baker

Carried.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the meeting return to open session.

Moved: Cr Sue Moore
Seconded: Cr Kay Fraser

Carried.

4.2 Intergovernmental Partnerships Project

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

1. The Board note the actions to date of the Greater Newcastle Metropolitan Plan Standing Committee
2. The Board note and endorse the promotional document “Intergovernmental Partnerships Project” provided as an attachment to this report
3. The Astrolabe Group be appointed to undertake the next stage of the development of the Intergovernmental Partnerships Project subject to provision, by the company’s principal, of a formal quotation for the work.
4. Parts 3a and 3b of the third stage of the project be undertaken subject to confirmation of funding through the Department of Premier and Cabinet and the Hunter and Central Coast Development Corporation.

Moved: Cr Ryan Palmer
Seconded: Cr Wayne Bedggood

Carried.

4.3 Profit and Loss Statement for the period to 30 November 2018

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the profit and loss statement be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Sue Moore
Seconded: Cr Wayne Bedggood

Carried.

4.4 Meeting Schedule

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the meeting schedule, as amended at this meeting, be adopted..

Moved: Cr Nuatali Nelmes
Seconded: Cr David West

Carried.

5. NON-COMMERCIAL BUSINESS UNITS REPORTS

5.1 Environment Division

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

1. The update report be received and noted.
2. The Hunter Joint Organisation allocate \$10,000 to fund a legal review of the draft template Vegetation DCP.

Moved: Cr Loretta Baker
Seconded: Cr Davis West

Carried.

5.2 Screen Hunter

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

The update report be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Loretta Baker
Seconded: Cr David West

Carried.

6. COMMERCIAL BUSINESS UNITS REPORTS

6.1 Regional Procurement

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

The update report be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Sue Moore
Seconded: Cr Nuatali Nelmes

Carried.

6.2 Local Government Training Institute

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

The update report be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Sue Moore
Seconded: Cr Nuatali Nelmes

Carried.

6.3 Local Government Legal

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT:

The update report be received and noted.

Moved: Cr Sue Moore
Seconded: Cr Nuatali Nelmes

Carried.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no General business..

Meeting closed