

Hunter Joint Organisation Board Meeting Minutes

11:00am – 1:00pm, Thursday 11 August 2022

Hunter JO Boardroom, 4 Sandringham Avenue, Thornton

Voting Directors Present

Cr Jay Suvaal,	Cessnock City Council
Cr John Connors,	Dungog Shire Council
Cr Kay Fraser,	Lake Macquarie City Council
Cr Maurice Collison,	Upper Hunter Shire Council
Cr Steve Reynolds,	Muswellbrook Shire Council
Cr Nuatali Nelmes,	Newcastle City Council
Cr Sue Moore,	Singleton Shire Council
Cr Ryan Palmer,	Port Stephens Council
Cr Claire Pontin,	MidCoast Council

Non-Voting Members Present

Gareth Curtis,	General Manager, Dungog Shire Council
Adrian Panuccio,	General Manager, MidCoast Council
Greg McDonald,	General Manager, Upper Hunter Shire Council
Morven Cameron,	CEO, Lake Macquarie City Council
David Evans,	General Manager, Maitland City Council
Fiona Plesman,	General Manager, Muswellbrook Shire Council
Jeremy Bath,	CEO, Newcastle City Council
Jason Linnane,	General Manager, Singleton Council
Peter Mickleson	Acting General Manager, Cessnock City Council
Tim Crosdale	Acting General Manager, Port Stephens Council

Alison McGaffin	Director, Hunter & Central Coast, Regional NSW
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Apologies

Cr Phillip Penfold,	Maitland City Council
Wayne Wallis,	General Manager, Port Stephens Council

Staff in attendance

Joe James, CEO,	Hunter Joint Organisation
Steve Wilson,	Director Regional Policy and Programs, Hunter JO
Louisa Bulley,	Executive Officer, Hunter JO (Secretariat)
Melinda Curtis,	Policy and Program Manager, Hunter JO
Tim Askew,	Policy and Program Manager, Hunter JO
Kali Somerville,	Media and Communications Officer, Hunter JO

Others

Virginia Errington

Council Engagement Manager, Office of Local Government

The meeting opened at 11:05am.

Item 1 Welcomes and Apologies

The Chair welcomed the Board to the meeting.

Item 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

2.1 Minutes of Meeting 9 June 2022

The minutes were taken as read.

Resolved: That the minutes of the previous meeting of 9 June 2022, be adopted.

Moved: Ryan Palmer, Seconded: Steve Reynolds

Item 3 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

3.1 Hunter JO Action Register

3.2 Greater Newcastle Metropolitan Plan Action Register

The registers were taken as read.

Resolved: That the Action Registers be received and noted.

Item 4 Presentations

Nil presentations.

Item 5 Correspondence

Nil correspondence.

Item 6 Items for the Hunter JO Board – For Decision

6.1 Hunter JO Advocacy Framework & Priorities for the NSW Government Election

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That, pending review of the Advocacy Document to be circulated following the papers, the Board endorse the Advocacy Agenda and Strategy for the NSW State Government election.

Moved: Jay Suvaal, Seconded: Ryan Palmer

6.2 Hunter JO Sub-Committees Standing Update

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That the Board:

- *Note the updates on the Hunter JO Sub-Committees*
- *Endorse the revised Terms of Reference for the Subcommittee for Economic Evolution (refer Attachment 1 - Meeting Minutes)*
- *Endorse the appointment of Mayor Steve Reynolds as Chair of the Subcommittee for Economic Evolution*

Moved: Kay Fraser, Seconded: Jay Suvaal

7. Items for Hunter JO Board Meeting – For Noting

7.1 CEO Report – Collaboration & Advocacy

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Jay Suvaal, Seconded: Maurice Collison

7.2 Hunter JO Financial Reports – June 2022 YTD

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That the Financial Reports for year-to-date June 2022 be received and noted.

Moved: Jay Suvaal, Seconded: Maurice Collison

7.3 Hunter JO Program Delivery Highlights

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That the report be received and noted.

Moved: Steve Reynolds, Seconded: Ryan Palmer

7.4 Regional NSW Standing Update

The report was taken as read.

Resolved: That the Board note the update on key activities of the Department of Regional NSW relating to current funding opportunities.

Moved: Steve Reynolds, Seconded: Ryan Palmer

8. Matters Raised by Members

Nil items

9. General Business

Nil items.

9.1 Compliance & Governance Calendars

*The calendars were
noted.*

Meeting Closed 11.49pm