

Meeting Notes

MidCoast Economic Development Working Group

Date	1 April 2019	Time	11:30am		
Venue	MidCoast Council	Chair	Cr Pontin		
	Committee Room Taree	Note-taker	Lianna Koller		
Attendance	Cr Pontin (Chair), Cr Epov, Trent Jennison, John Howard, Megan Lewis, John Mansour, Kevin Bakewell, Adrian Robertson, James Hooke, Liz Jarvis, Paul De Szell, Deb Tuckerman, Robyn Brennan, Dennis Christensen, Lianna Koller				
	Guest: Donna Hudson, Governance Liaison & Projects Coordinator				
Apologies	Cr Hutchinson, Brian Parry				

Meeting items

Item	Key points/actions				
1	Housekeeping/WHS – information provided relating to amenities and exits.				
2	Background Documents – The following background documents were provided to each member:				
	MidCoast Regional Economic Development Strategy				
	MidCoast Destination Management Plan – Action Plan				
	 NSW Planning and Environment - Hunter Regional Plan 2036 (and Implementation Plan 2016-2018) 				
	 NSW Government – A 20-Year Economic Vision for Regional NSW (July 2018) 				
	MidCoast Council Disability Inclusion Action Plan 2017-2012				
	 Regional Australia Institute, National Population Plan for Regional Australia, February 2019 				
3	Induction – members were provided with an induction relating to roles and responsibilities, code of conduct and communication/media and provided with a number of reference documents.				
	Question was raised by Cr Epov around the need for there to be two (2) Councillor present in order for there to be a quorum. Terms of reference will not be amended at this time. Matter will be noted and any changes will be collated and incorporate in review to be conducted of all committees by Council in February 2019.				

Item	Key points/actions				
4	Future Meetings – Future meetings were discussed and agreed to as follows:				
	Thursday 9 May – Forster				
	Thursday 11 July – Taree				
	Thursday 19 September – Gloucester				
	Thursday 14 November – location to be advised				
	Time: 10am – 11:30am (arrive 9:30am for 10am start)				
5	Other items – Each member was given the opportunity to raise an item that they would like the working group to achieve/address. These items were recorded and will be discussed at the next meeting.				

Next meeting

Date	Thursday 9 May 2019	Time	10:00am – 11:30am	
Venue	Large Committee Room - MidCoast Council, Forster			

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