



## **Minutes of the Legatus Group Ordinary Meeting held:**

**25 May 2018**

**Kapunda Bowling Club 19 Montefiore St, Kapunda.**

### **1.0 Meeting Preliminaries**

#### **Present**

Board members: Mayor Peter Matthey – Chairman (Goyder), Mayor Bob Sloane (Barossa) Mayor Cynthia Axford (Barunga West), Mayor Allan Aughey OAM (Clare & Gilbert Valleys), Mayor Peter Slattery (Flinders Ranges), Mayor Bill O'Brien (Light), Mayor Colin Nottle (Mount Remarkable), Mayor Denis Clark (Northern Areas), Chairman Kathie Bowman (Orroroo Carrieton), Mayor Ruth Whittle OAM (Peterborough), Mayor John Rohde (Port Pirie), Mayor Rodney Reid (Wakefield) and Mayor Ray Agnew OAM (Yorke Peninsula)

#### **In Attendance**

Deputy Mayor Roslyn Talbot (Copper Coast), Mr Andrew Cole (CEO Barunga West), Mr Peter Harder (CEO Copper Coast), Dr Helen Macdonald, (CEO Clare and Gilbert Valleys), Mr David Stevenson (CEO Goyder), Ms Sheree Schenk (GM Governance and Communication Adelaide Plains), Mr Richard Michael (General Manager Governance Light), Mr Wayne Hart (CEO Mount Remarkable), Mr Colin Byles (CEO Northern Areas), Mr Kristin Clark (CEO Orroroo Carrieton), Mr Peter McGuinness (CEO Peterborough), Mr Jason Kuchel (CEO Wakefield), Ms Anne Moroney (CEO RDA Barossa), Mr Lea Bacon (Policy LGA), and Mr Simon Millcock (CEO Legatus Group).

**State MP's:** Minister's Hon Stephan Knoll Member for Schubert and Hon Dan van Holst Pellekaan Member for Stuart, Mr Geoff Brock Member for Frome, Mr Fraser Ellis Member for Narrunga and Mr John Gee Member for Taylor.

#### **Apologies**

Mayor Paul Thomas AM (Copper Coast) and Mayor Tony Flaherty (Adelaide Plains).

CEO's Mr Martin McCarthy (Barossa), Mr Brian Carr (Light), Mr James Miller (Adelaide Plains), Mr Peter Ackland (Port Pirie), Mr Colin Davies (Flinders Ranges) and Andrew Cameron (Yorke Peninsula).

MP Mr Tony Piccolo Member for Light.

### **1.1 Opening**

The Chairman declared the meeting open at 10.00am

## 2 Presentation by Members of Parliament

Chairman Mayor Peter Matthey had invited all six South Australian Members of Parliament whose electorate is part of fully in the Legatus Group region to attend the meeting. Mayor Matthey then invited the five who attended the meeting an opportunity to present to the meeting and take questions.

**MP Geoff Brock (Member for Frome):** Acknowledged the close working relationship he had when he was Minister for Regional Development with all Legatus Group councils and that he will continue to work closely with all 4 Mayors and CEO's from his electorate. Discussion included the growth areas for his electorate and specifically renewable energy.

**MP Fraser Ellis (Member for Narrunga):** Outlined that this is his first term and focus areas of health and roads with interest areas including local hospitals, royalties for regions, tourism, waste, black sport funding and reform of NRM's. Discussed strengthening RDA's through longer tenure.

**MP John Gee (Member for Taylor):** Following the redistribution of boundaries he now takes in the Two Wells area. Outlined his background and involvement with union movement and now that he is in opposition the differences that will occur. He acknowledged the role by Geoff Brock when he was Minister for Regional Development and the high calibre of the MP's in the Legatus Group region.

**Hon Dan van Holst Pellekaan MP Minister Mineral, Resources and Energy (Member for Stuart):** With 6 of the Legatus Group councils and the Upper Spencer Gulf he undertook to continue to work closely with Local Government. Areas of specific interest including revitalisation of NRM Boards. Two specific areas of interest for the southern section are Health and Roads and Communications and Roads for the northern section. He undertook to provide information on regional health boards. Noted concerns by local government around rate capping and rubble royalties and sought to gain break down council by council of the costs for rubble royalties. The Royalties for Regions will have a specific focus on transport and infrastructure that will have economic and social benefit and the role Infrastructure SA will have in assessing the value of each project to the State.

**Hon Stephan Knoll MP Minister Transport Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development, City of Adelaide and Local Government (Member for Schubert):** Rate capping will see the 1<sup>st</sup> draft legislation within the next couple of weeks and will be seeking feedback from councils. Focus will be looking at the opportunities to incentives growth and then will move into discussions about strong reform after rate capping. This is being done to assist councils. Heavy Vehicle Permits System need to look at ways to stream line. Speed limit changes the Govt. are working to reverse the 8 roads that had speed limits reduced and greater discussion needed on speed limits. He spoke about the Port Wakefield overpass and also the DPA processes to help streamline and consultation will be taking place between now and February 2019 on the draft code.

Chairman Mayor Peter Matthey thanked all of the MP's for their attendance and that Legatus Group is looking forward to working with them during their term in parliament. There was a short break and the MP's remained for individual discussions and the meeting resumed at 11.45am

## 3 Welcome to Light Regional Council

Mayor Bill O'Brien welcomed everyone to the Light Regional Council and specifically to the Kapunda Bowling Club which had its official opening in 2017. This is a great example of community and council partnership. The venue included over 80,000 volunteer hours and councils purchase of the previous bowling club land and facilities resulting is the development of a lifetime village. The Light Regional Council area provides a significant role in value adding to its industries and the export market through viticulture, wine making, tourism, horticulture, agriculture, education and research with Adelaide University and the equine centre. Council has been able to generate income to assist the growth through the Gawler River re-use project and has a focus on improvements to 74km of township roads. The next significant project is the town square project in Kapunda.

#### **4 Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Minutes of the Legatus Group Meeting held on 18 February 2018 at the Council Chambers Adelaide Plains Council Redbanks Road were tabled.

Motion: That the minutes of the Legatus Group Meeting held on the 18 February 2018 at the Council Chambers Adelaide Plains Council Redbanks Road be taken as read and confirmed.

Moved: Mayor Ray Agnew Seconded: Mayor Cynthia Axford

**CARRIED**

#### **5 Business arising no otherwise on the agenda**

The Legatus Group CEO provided information on:

1. Publishing of changes to the Legatus Group Charter.
2. Stamp duty and land titles fees.
3. Remote airstrips – Legatus Group CEO to follow up with CEO's Northern Areas and Orroroo Carrieton regarding RFDS and HAC meetings.

#### **6 Presentations**

CEO Anne Maroney RDA Barossa, Light, Gawler and Adelaide Plains provided an update including:

- Differences between the peri-urban and regional areas.
- Interest by RDA's in the policy areas of today's MP's presentation and key focus areas of RDA's for investment, competition and industry development.
- Regional Investment map.
- Site selection assistance – including a planning officer as part of their team.
- Export focus with food and S-E Asia expanding on the work already occurring with China.
- Working closely with small business with their B2B program and 19 jobs have been created to date.
- Workforce development and career services and support for re-entering the workforce.
- Whilst wine has been major industry growth now working closely with food and producers.
- Music industry is a growing focus area.

Anne Moroney left the meeting 12.10pm

#### **7 Chairman's Report**

7.1 Chairman's Report.

Chairman Matthey outlined he attended all required meetings on behalf of Legatus Group including the LGA Board and SAROC meetings and included discussions on:

- Mobile Food Vendors.
- Outreach funding to regions had been removed and that a motion put forward to seek 50% during transitional phase is now in the hands of the LGA Executive.
- LGA budget was approved and has a \$366,000 deficient and that Mayor Matthey and Clark had voted against this budget.



1. That the Legatus Group notes the value and active partnership of the Yorke Mid North Regional Alliance and seek to progress discussions on a formal alliance with RDA Barossa, Light, Gawler and Adelaide Plains.
2. That the Legatus Group provide in principal support to the Northern and Yorke 2018-2028 NRM Strategic Plan

Moved: Mayor Denis Clark      Seconded: Mayor Ray Agnew

**CARRIED**

#### 9.6 Emerging Leaders Program

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report and he outlined discussions with one the groups from the Mid North program looking at volunteering and offered assistance through Legatus Group. Mayor Rodney Reid and Mayor Denise Clark spoke on the benefits of the program and both agreed on the value of continuing to run these programs.

#### 9.7 Rating Equity (Major Projects)

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report on the progress of the rating equity report.

Motions:

1. The Legatus Group notes that the Legatus Group CEO upon receiving confirmation from the steering and reference groups on the final report will publish the report on the Legatus Group Website.
2. The Legatus Group notes that the Legatus Group CEO will provide a report to the July 2018 South Australian Regional Organisation of Council meeting on the findings of the report for their consideration.

Moved: Mayor Bob Sloane      Seconded: Mayor John Rohde

**CARRIED**

#### 9.8 Socio-economic impacts from the NDIS

The Legatus Group CEO tabled the final report which had been approved by the steering and reference groups.

Motions:

1. The Legatus Group notes that the Legatus Group CEO has received confirmation from the steering group of approval of the final report which will be published on the Legatus Group Website.
2. The Legatus Group notes that the Legatus Group CEO will provide a report to the July 2018 South Australian Regional Organisation of Council meeting on the findings of the report for their consideration.

Moved: Mayor Ray Agnew      Seconded: Mayor Peter Slattery

**CARRIED**

### **10 Legatus Group Regional Management Group**

Yorke Peninsula Council CEO Andrew Cameron was Acting Chair and his report from the Legatus Group Regional Management Group meeting Friday 5 May 2018 was tabled.

### **11 Legatus Road and Transport Advisory Group**

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report which included the minutes of the Legatus Group Transport Advisory Group.

Motions:

1. The Legatus Group supports the progress by the Legatus Road and Transport Infrastructure Advisory Committee in their efforts to develop sub-regional workshops on heavy vehicle access to local roads which will include LGA, Mutual Liability and DPTI presentations.
2. The Legatus Group notes the appointment of Tom Jones the Assets Management Officer from Adelaide Plains Council to the committee.
3. The Legatus Group adopt the recommendations by HDS from Phase 1 of the Legatus Group Regional Transport Plan 2030.
4. The Legatus Group progress with Phase 2 of the Legatus Group Regional Transport Plan 2030 by contracting HDS from the 1 July 2018.
5. That the assessment and prioritising for Legatus Group region SLRP roads for 2018/2019 is noted.

Moved: Mayor Ray Agnew

Seconded: Mayor Peter Slattery

**CARRIED**

## **12. Audit and Risk Committee**

12.1 Audit and Risk Committee Chairman Kathy Bowman as Acting Chair of the Legatus Group Audit and Risk Committee tabled the unconfirmed minutes from their meeting held 20 April 2018.

12.2 2018/2019 Business Plan and Budget / Strategic Plan (3 Year Action Plan) and Long term Financial Plan.

The Legatus Group CEO provided an update on the responses from Constituent Councils noting that the plans have been endorsed by nine councils and the remaining six councils have these as agenda items for their June meetings.

Motions:

1. That the Legatus Group endorses the Legatus Group Strategic Plan 2018-2028 and 3-year Action Plan July 2018 - June 2011 subject to the endorsement of the 2018/2019 budget and business plan.
2. That the Legatus Group adopts the draft business plan and budget for 2018/2019 subject to endorsement by all Constituent Councils.
3. That all Constituent Councils who have not responded regarding the draft 2018/2019 Business Plan and Budget and Strategic Plan and three-year Action Plan provide their response by 30 June 2018.

Moved: Mayor Denis Clark

Seconded: Mayor Cynthia Axford

**CARRIED**

### 12.3 Membership of the Audit and Risk Committee

Motion: That subject to confirmation of interest from Port Pirie Regional Council CEO Peter Ackland the Legatus Group appoints Peter Ackland to the vacant position on the Legatus Group Audit and Risk Committee.

Moved: Chairman Kathy Bowman

Seconded: Mayor John Rohde

**CARRIED**

### 12.4 Financial Service Legatus Group

Motion: That the Flinders Ranges Council be appointed for 3 years starting from 1 July 2018 to provide the financial services to the Legatus Group at the amount of \$4,000 per annum.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid

Seconded: Mayor Denis Clark

**CARRIED**

## 12.5 Legatus Group Audit and Risk Committee report for 2017/2018

Motion: That the Legatus Group receive the Legatus Group Audit and Risk Committees report for 2017/2018 and adopts the work plan for 2018 and 2019.

Moved: Mayor Colin Nottle      Seconded: Mayor John Rohde

**CARRIED**

## 13. Financials

### 13.1 July / March Financial Report

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report prepared by Mr Griff Campbell Finance Manager which included the Legatus Group Balance Sheet as of 31 March 2018 and Profit and Loss Statement for July 2017 – March 2018.

Motion: That the Legatus Group notes the report on the Legatus Group Balance Sheet as of 31 March 2018 and Profit and Loss Statement for July 2017 – March 2018.

Moved: Mayor Allan Aughey      Seconded: Mayor Ray Agnew

**CARRIED**

### 13.2 Reimbursement Mayor Clark

Mayor Denis Clark left the meeting.

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report relating to a request from Mayor Clark for reimbursement for attending the Murray Darling Association board meeting and strategic planning session.

Motion: That the Legatus Group approve the reimbursement costs of \$2,091.04 for Mayor Denis Clark attendance at the Murray Darling Association Board Meeting and Strategic Planning Session in January 2018.

Moved: Mayor Ray Agnew      Seconded: Mayor Ruth Whittle

**CARRIED**

Motion: That the Legatus Group CEO provide a report for the next Legatus Group meeting on membership and representation by Legatus Group on the Murray Darling Association.

Moved: Mayor Allan Aughey      Seconded: Mayor Colin Nottle

**CARRIED**

Mayor Denis Clark returned to the meeting.

### 13.3 Legatus web-site upgrades

The Legatus Group CEO tabled a report relating the Legatus Groups current website and the need for updating.

Motion: That the Legatus Group approve funding from the 2017/2018 budget for the upgrade of the Legatus Group website in accordance with the quote received by Honeycomb Design.

Moved: Mayor Rodney Reid      Seconded: Mayor Bob Sloane

**CARRIED**

## 14 Local Government and SAROC

### 14.1 LGA Constitution and funding of Regional LGA's

The Legatus Group CEO provided report for information noting that this had been discussed during the Chairman's report.

#### 14.2 Local Government Association

The LGA March and May Topical Reports were tabled by Lea Bacon who spoke to both reports.

#### 14.3 South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils

The key outcome document of the South Australian Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on 16 May 2018 had been distributed with the agenda.

### **15 OTHER BUSINESS**

#### 15.1 Regional Health

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report on the workshop held with SA Health and the LGA and the Constituent Councils of Legatus Group.

Motions:

1. That the Legatus Group CEO is authorised to place an expression of interest to the LGA that one of the two regional Wellbeing Alliance positions to be based in the Legatus Group region and that Legatus Group's office space is offered as in-kind support.
2. That the Legatus Group supports the Legatus Group CEO to progress with a draft Memorandum of Understanding between the Legatus Group, Mid North Knowledge Partnership and Yorke & North Country SA PHN.

Moved: Mayor Bob Sloane

Seconded: Mayor Ray Agnew

**CARRIED**

#### 15.2 Digital

The Legatus Group CEO provided a report on the digital workshop held with FUTUREGOV and OurSay and the Constituent Councils of Legatus Group.

Motion: That the Legatus Group seeks funding from the LGA R&D program for a project to undertake a gap analysis that will provide recommendations on the digital opportunities of Constituent Councils.

Moved: Mayor John Rohde

Seconded: Mayor Cynthia Axford

**CARRIED**

#### 15.3 Conferences

The Legatus Group CEO's report on the Regional South Australia Conference 7-8 June 2018 in Kadina and the LG Professionals Economic Development Forum 20 June 2018 in Adelaide was received for information.

#### 15.4 CEO's leave and disclosed outside interest

The Legatus Group CEO's report was received for information.

#### 15.5 Permits for removal of dead trees

Mayor Rodney Reid provided a verbal update on a proforma that will come into being by mid-June 2018 for the removal of dead trees after a disaster and the work that the Wakefield Regional Council had undertaken to ensure this occurs. The meeting acknowledged this as a positive outcome that has state wide significance.

#### 15.6 Interest rates comparison between metropolitan and regional South Australia



Mayor Matthey advised this matter had not been raised at SAROC but he will endeavour to raise this at the next SAROC meeting.

15.7 November Legatus Group meeting for November 2018

General discussion held regarding the date of the next Legatus Group Ordinary meeting which is listed for 16 November 2018 being only a week after voting finishes for the local government elections.

Motion: That the Legatus Group Ordinary Meeting listed for 16 November 2018 be moved to Friday 14 December 2018.

Moved: Mayor Denis Clark

Seconded: Mayor Bob Sloane

**CARRIED**

**16 Close of Meeting**

Meeting closed by the Chair at 1.55pm and next meeting to be held Friday 17 August 2018 commencing at 10.30am which will be for the AGM to be followed by the Ordinary Meeting and to be hosted by the Northern Areas Council.

Signed as a true and correct record:

Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_