



## Notes of Legatus Management Group meeting

Friday 30 November 2018 11.00 am District Council of Mount Remarkable, Melrose SA

### 1. ATTENDANCE

1.1 Present: Colin Byles (Chair), Colin Davies, David Stevenson, Helen Macdonald, Wayne Hart, Jason Kuchel, James Holyman and Simon Millcock.

1.2 Apologies:

Andrew Cameron, Brian Carr, Peter McGuinness, Andrew Cole, Peter Ackland, Martin McCarthy, Peter McGuinness, Graeme Maxwell and James Miller.

### 2. WELCOME

Colin Byles welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### 3. PRESENTATIONS

#### i Ceilia Divakaran Native Title team Mellor Olson

Ceilia provided an update on the current status of the Native Title claims that Mellor Olsen are involved with specific to councils within the Legatus Group region. Information packs were distributed, and the Legatus Group CEO was provided packs for those not in attendance and will distribute at the next Legatus Group meeting.

#### ii Lisa Brock Regional Employment Facilitator

Lisa provided an update on the Regional Employment Trials, with the Yorke Mid North being 1 of only 2 programs in SA. This program is funded until 30 June 2020. The presentation to be distributed to all CEOs. The focus is on local solutions to regional employment challenges with a \$1 million Local Employment Initiative Fund, for projects which will partner with Employment Services Providers. Lisa discussed possible collaborations around technology training including with the game industry / game development and music and creative industry noting the Legatus Group CEO had been involved with these discussions.

(Wayne Hart departed meeting)

#### iii Bill Vandeppeer Chair and Brodie Papps RDA Yorke Mid North

Provided an update on the current programs being delivered by RDA YMN with current industry initiatives of:

- Entrepreneurs Leadership Program
- Rewilding Yorke Peninsula
- Aspirational Employment Model
- Business Needs Analysis Survey
  - Core sample of cross industry businesses surveyed.
  - Questions including energy and water usage, intentions to grow skills profile of their workforce.
- Generally optimistic outlook across most industries with next steps reporting back to the businesses surveyed.
- RDAYMN is currently seeking nominations for the board.

## 4. DISCUSSION ITEMS

### 4.1 Legatus Group CEO verbal report:

- Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held 30 November 2018 outlining key items including there is likely to be an extra \$40,000-\$50,000 via Rubble Royalties, changes to Legatus Board and Committee, Colin Davies indicating he will be resigning from both Audit and Road and Transport Committees and recommendations for the rubble royalty's surplus from 30 June 2018 to be aligned with road / transport projects.
- Road and Transport Infrastructure Advisory Committee meeting to be held 30 November 2018 follow the meeting.

#### Written report:

- Community Wastewater Management Schemes – formation of committee, training program Certificate III Wastewater at reduced fee taken up by 12 councils with 19 people registering interest. Meeting held with SA Water and progressing with PhD Intern for research into regional sludge facility and possible regional operations position being discussed.
- Waste/transfer station training – possible regional training being scoped.
- Emergency Management – Legatus CEO to attend meeting 12 December to gain update on the research undertaken by LGA.
- Wellbeing Officer – Waiting on update from LGA.
- Climate Change – PhD Intern re sustainability hub to commence, NRM confirmed funding towards the PhD Intern re coastal alignment, Anita Crisp commencing work on SA Coastal Council Alliance and meeting with Legatus Group Coastal Councils 17 December.
- NDIS socio-economic impact on regional councils – update on meeting with LGA Executive waiting on progress of letters and meetings.
- Rating Equity – LGA have written to Minister no response as yet.
- Rubble Royalties – Has been removed from State govt budget but still current.
- Yorke Mid North Regional Planning Day 22 March 2019 (topic Innovation and Initiators) and Regional Development South Australia Conference 23-24 May 2019 (topic Food).
- Digital Maturity – Waiting on 3 councils to provide key contact person and OurSay have commenced.
- Youth into Volunteering project – Not successful with LGA R&D grant and BBRF application submitted.
- Drought – This matter to be an agenda item for discussion at the Legatus Group meeting 14 December due to the following points:
  - Timing of the roll out impact on SA Councils ability to deliver due to being advised 12 weeks later than Eastern States and SA was in the midst of council elections. This resulted in decisions on projects leaving little time to complete by 30 June 2019.
  - Equity / clarity on the decision-making process for council selection as Port Pirie, Flinders Ranges and Peterborough not included.
  - Longer term issues and strategy should also be a focus given impacts if drought conditions continue. Planning needs to occur now to identify the gaps on what current services and programs are being delivered. The need for continuity planning and regional strategic projects scoped and ready for activating when funding opportunities occur.

4.2 LG Risk Services – Discussion on key issues at workshop in early 2019 for key operational risk management representatives and LGA's Andrew Johnson. Legatus Group CEO to seek feedback from CEOs on key issues. Suggested date to coincide with the Management Group meeting.

4.3 LED Street Lights – Andrew Cameron not in attendance and to be agenda item next meeting.

4.4 Illegal dumping – No updates and leave on agenda.

## **5 OTHER BUSINESS**

- 5.1 Proposal for development of a Regional Roadside Vegetation Management Plan – Meeting recognised there could be savings by taking a whole of regional or sub-regional approach with sharing of the costs and Legatus Group CEO to investigate further and gain interest from councils.
- 5.2 Unpaid rates – Discuss on ways to manage including payment plans.

## **6 CLOSE AND DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The meeting was closed at 2.05 pm and general discussion on dates and rotation of meetings with consensus that meetings be held in Clare and 2 weeks prior to the board meetings as such dates are:

- Friday 1 February
- Friday 10 May
- Friday 16 August
- Friday 15 November

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