STRATEGIC REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING JULY 2015 BETWEEN

CITY OF ALBANY



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SHIRE OF PLANTAGENET



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SHIRE OF DENMARK



PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT

This Agreement forms a Memorandum of Understanding between the following local governments:-

- City of Albany;
- ii. Shire of Plantagenet; and
- iii. Shire of Denmark;

1 OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Strategic Regional Economic Development Plan shall be:

To formalise a grouping of the three local authorities - City of Albany, Shire of Denmark and Shire of Plantagenet - for the purpose of furthering Economic Development in the sub-region, recognising that what is good for one is good for all.

2 HOW WILL THIS BE ACHIEVED

- Lobbying State and Federal Governments for direct or indirect assistance to encourage economic growth and employment. This will include, but not be limited to, improved and better access, power, water and communications.
- Not competing against each other in the Economic Development space.
- Encouraging business and industry to come to the area, stay in the area and grow in the area.
- Working with other agencies as a single entity.
- Recognising current strengths and building upon existing industries such as agriculture and tourism as well as newer industries.
- Sharing research and information on possible economic opportunities.
- Making joint submissions where appropriate and advantageous.
- Considering the development of Strategic Regional Economic Development Plan covering the Districts of the three participant councils.
- Preparing a Strategic Regional Economic Development Plan covering the Districts of the three participant councils.

3 SUCCESS WILL BE MEASURED BY

- Outcomes not inputs.
- An increase in employment in the sub-region across all demographics.
- The retention of young people in the sub-region.

City of Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington Date: 6 JULY 2015	City of Albany Chief Executive Officer Graham Foster Date:
Shire of Plantagenet President Ken Clements	Shire of Plantagenet Chief Executive Officer Rob Stewart
Date:	Date:
Shire of Denmark President Ross Thornton	Shire of Denmark Chief Executive Officer Dale Stewart
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