



STRATEGIC BRIEFING FORUM

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON
TUESDAY, 16 APRIL 2019, COMMENCING AT 1.00PM.

The Council Forum and Briefing session follows the suggested format proposed by the Department of Local Government Operational Guidelines (Number 5 January 2004). The role of such forums is to allow opportunity for elected members and senior officers of the Council to come together outside of the formal meeting process to discuss matters that do not require formal decisions, do not discuss matters on the Ordinary Council Meeting Agenda but to discuss matters that might be conceptual (brain storming etc.), informative (updates on progress with matters) or administrative in nature. For this reason they are normally held 'in committee'. Disclosures of Financial, Impartiality and Proximity interests are still to be recorded and dealt with if they arise.

1. DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE PERSON PRESIDING

RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/APPROVED LEAVE OF ABSENCE

MEMBERS:

Cr Ceinwen Gearon (Shire President)
Cr Peter Caron (Deputy Shire President)
Cr Mark Allen
Cr Kingsley Gibson
Cr Jan Lewis
Cr Ian Osborne
Cr Janine Phillips
Cr Roger Seeney
Cr Rob Whooley

STAFF:

Cary Green (Acting CEO / Director Corporate and Community Services)
David King (Director Assets and Sustainable Development)

APOLOGIES:

Bill Parker (Chief Executive Officer)

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nil

2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Citizen's Climate Lobby

On Friday, 15 March 2019 some students from the Denmark Senior High School participated in a Global Climate Strike. They walked from the School to the Shire Office and met with the Shire President.

At the request of the students, Mr Rod Mitchell from *Citizen's Climate Lobby* attended the meeting and briefed Council on a *Carbon Free and Dividend Policy* as a potential climate solution. Mr Mitchell also presented on a carbon fee and dividend policy which would include;

- Fee of fossil fuels;
- Return net revenues to households
- A border adjustment on imports/exports.

2.2 Denmark Men's Shed

Mr John O'Donnell, President of the Denmark Men's Shed, provided a presentation to Council on the proposed new \$500,000 Men's shed. Mr O'Donnell, outlined the funding proposal and noted that his group was not requesting any funds from the Shire. The funding bodies would include Lotterywest, Brandenburg Foundation, Jack Foundation and the Denmark Men's Shed.

2.3 Denmark Historical Railway Station Precinct / Spirit of Play Proposal

Item 8.1.1 on the Council Agenda for 16 April 2019 deals with a Development Application from the Spirit of Play Community School to build a new classroom and under some works within the Common Area on the Reserve.

The Director Assets and Sustainable Development took Councillors for a walk on site to show the scope of the building application and proposed tree removal.

2.4 Great Southern Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy

The Acting Chief Executive Officer spoke briefing about the proposed GS Arts, Culture and Heritage Strategy, seeking in-principle support for a joint strategy with the South Coast Alliance.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil

4. CLOSURE

3.45pm.