



Notes

STRATEGIC BRIEFING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON
TUESDAY, 19 NOVEMBER 2019, COMMENCING AT 11.30AM

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 Mark Allen (Deputy Shire President)
Cr Geoff Bowley
Cr Kingsley Gibson
Cr Steve Jones
Cr Jan Lewis
Cr Ian Osborne
Cr Roger Seeney

STAFF:

David Schober (Acting Chief Executive Officer)
Cary Green (Director Corporate and Community Services)
David King (Director Assets and Sustainable Development)
Mel Haymont (Bushfire Risk Planning Officer)

APOLOGIES:

Cr Janine Phillips

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

Nil

2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Berridge Park & Markets

The Acting CEO led a discussion regarding the use of Berridge Park, particularly in relation to significant events. Officers will prepare a report which will include the costs associated to maintain and repair the park each year. Considerations of time closed for rehabilitation and options available will be presented to Council in early 2020.

2.2 Seagulls within the CBD

The Director Assets and Sustainable Development, led a discussion on recent complaints regarding seagulls within the CBD and potential health related issues. Actions include working with staff at both IGA supermarkets, educating patrons and responding to Mr Colin Payne by written correspondence.

2.3 Integrated Planning and Reporting Framework timeline and process for 2020

The Corporate Planning Officer provided an update of the process to be undertaken for the year ahead. This included Councillors contribution towards the development of the Corporate Business Plan and subsequent budget, as per last year.

2.4 Department of Conservation, Biodiversity and Attractions – William Bay Project

Tim Foley and Cameron Shaw from the Department provided the same update as previously presented to Council on the William Bay project, following the funding announced by the Minister. The only change noted was additional funds may be available for the consideration of a ring road to the site.

Councillors requested the Department strongly consider its community engagement practices.

2.5 Bushfire Risk Management Plan (BRMP)

The Bushfire Risk Planning Officer briefed Councillors on the draft BRMP which is due to be considered formally by Council in December 2019. The timeline for funding and associated works were also discussed as well as the adoption of the Working Group to assist in community engagement.

2.6 The Amazing South Coast

The Executive Officer for the Amazing South Coast, Peter Grigg, provided an update on the organisation's activities and objectives. The financial performance and objectives of the organisation were discussed along with the operations of the Denmark Visitor Centre.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

3.1 Items for potential discussion at subsequent Strategic Briefing Forums

- Working Groups, Committees and Project Control Groups
- Mens Shed update

4. CLOSURE