



# Agenda

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## STRATEGIC BRIEFING

TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON  
TUESDAY, 16 JUNE 2020, COMMENCING 11.00AM.

*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 Jan Lewis  
Cr Janine Phillips  
Cr Roger Seeney

##### STAFF:

David Schober (Acting Chief Executive Officer)  
David King (Director Assets and Sustainable Development)  
Lee Sounness (Executive Manager Corporate Services)  
Angela Simpson (Executive Manager Community Services)

##### APOLOGIES:

Cr Steve Jones  
Cr Ian Osborne

##### ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

##### ABSENT:

VISITORS:

Shaun Ossinger, Executive Officer, Wilson Inlet Catchment Committee (WICC)

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

**2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS**

**2.1 Wilson Inlet Catchment Committee (WICC) Update**

The Executive Officer of Wilson Inlet Catchment Committee, Shaun Ossinger, provided an update on the Wilson Inlet Management Plan. This included the current challenges in respect to nutrient mapping and controls, achievements and the implementation strategy and objectives for the future. The future focus is on revegetation, particularly of waterways, and working with volunteers to achieve up to 50ha of plantings.

**2.2 Norm Thornton Park tree stump (proposed art project)**

The Director of Assets and Sustainability, David King, discussed the condition of the tree stump, which has wood borers, located next to the bridge in the Norm Thornton Park. Unfortunately it is no longer suitable for a public art installation. A press release will be issued prior to its removal.

**2.3 Dog Policy Review**

The Director of Assets and Sustainability discussed the proposed strategy for a comprehensive review of the Shire's Dog Policy.

Councillors requested staff review whether the Cat Local Law caught be bought forward and completed at the same time. Staff will review and advise accordingly.

**2.4 Opening of facilities with stage 3**

The Executive team shared the planned re-opening of shire services. This will involve a transitional approach for the Administration building front counter, Library, Recreation Centre and Parry's Beach campground.

The Rangers have also re-opened playgrounds, bbq's and other public amenities.

**2.5 Funding opportunity (\$349K)**

The Acting CEO and Director of Assets and Sustainable Development outlined suggested projects with a priority listing for progression. The intent is to leverage further funds from State and/or Federal Government.

**2.6 Visitor Servicing**

The Acting CEO and Project Officer, Kristina Low, addressed the briefing note supplied to Council on potential options for Visitor Servicing moving forward with the Amazing South Coast Tourism Inc. divesting itself of the Denmark Visitor Centre.

Discussion provided direction for staff to continue working with the Denmark Chamber of Commerce to further facilitate discussion with the tourism industry.

### 3. COUNCILLOR ROUND UP

#### **Cllr Allen**

- Noted the Over 50's are disbanding. Discussion on how the Shire engages with seniors in Denmark and this will be discussed with the Community Services team.
- Telstra tower network continues to cause confusion and concern in the community. Staff clarified the 5G position of Denmark.

#### **Cllr Gibson**

- President of Denmark Resident and Ratepayers Association (DRRA), Beverley Ford, has resigned.
- DRRA have requested a seat at the RoadWise Committee. This is a Council appointed Committee and does include reference groups such as the DRRA.

#### **Cllr Seeney**

- Nil to report

#### **Cllr Phillips**

- Request for a briefing agenda item held-over. It was noted this will occur in the next 2 months.

#### **Cllr Lewis**

- Sustainability Working Group initial meetings very successful.
- Update on Dog Park Concept Plan

#### **Cllr Gearon**

- Nil to report

### 4. CLOSURE

