## Shire of Denmark

# Notes



### **STRATEGIC BRIEFING NOTES**

#### HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON TUESDAY, 20 APRIL 2021.

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 Vacant

#### STAFF:

David Schober (Chief Executive Officer) David King (Director Assets and Sustainable Development) Lee Sounness (Acting Director Corporate and Community Services) Angela Simpson (Corporate Planning Officer) Noni Entwistle (Project Officer, Corporate Services) Judy Savic (Rates Officer) Gina McPharlin (Manager, Corporate Services) Jodi Vitler (Assistant Accountant)

APOLOGIES: Cr Ian Osborne ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE: Nil

<u>ABSENT</u>: Nil

<u>VISITORS</u>: Nil

#### **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:**

Item 2.2. Cr Bowley declared an interest relating to Mr Murray Thornton and the current review by the Department of Local Government for a change in Land Use.

#### 2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

#### 2.1 Long Term Financial Plan

The CEO shared a presentation on the process for a re-write of the Long Term Financial Plan. This included objectives, guiding principles and assumptions to allow staff to prepare a first draft for discussion at future workshops.

#### 2.2 Rating Review

The Acting Director of Corporate and Community Services provided an update following the last review with Councillors in April.

A report will now be prepared for Council's consideration at the May 2021 Ordinary Council Meeting.

#### 2.3 Director of Corporate and Community Services Recruitment process

The CEO provided feedback on the recruitment process and asked for two Councillor nominations to join the CEO and Director of Assets and Sustainable Development on the selection panel.

The Shire President and Deputy Shire President will join two staff to comprise the fourmember panel.

#### 2.4 CEO Performance Agreement 2021/2022 Held over until May 2021.

3. Close