



STRATEGIC BRIEFING

HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
953 SOUTH COAST HIGHWAY, DENMARK, ON
TUESDAY, 20 JULY 2021, 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 Mark Allen (Deputy Shire President)
Cr Geoff Bowley
Cr Kingsley Gibson
Cr Jan Lewis
Cr Ian Osborne
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)
Courtney Walsh (Communications & Engagement Officer)

APOLOGIES:

Nil

ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Nil

ABSENT:

Nil

VISITORS:

Department of Water & Environmental Regulation representatives

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

As this meeting is informal, Councillors are not required to declare any interests however, for transparency, it is recommended that both Councillors and Officers do and that those interests be recorded in the meeting Notes.

2. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Denmark Chamber of Commerce

Councillors were circulated a tourism report provided by the Denmark Chamber of Commerce, providing information on their visitor servicing at the Denmark Visitor Centre building since December 2020.

CEO, Sumer Addy, and President, Chris Langslow, discussed the report and answered questions from Councillors.

2.2 Tourism Discussion

The CEO and Corporate Planner lead a discussion on Tourism with Councillors.

2.3 Wilson Inlet Protocol Review

Representatives from the Department of Water & Environmental Regulation (DWER) shared an update on the review of the Wilson Inlet Sandbar Opening Protocol.

A copy of the current protocol was provided with DWER conducting a question and answer session on the process moving forward.

2.4 Tourism Discussion, continued

The CEO and Corporate Planner continued the discussion on Tourism with Councillors and provide a summary position. Further briefings are planned with a report to be prepared by officers for consideration at the September OCM.

2.5 Staff Introductions

Staff who commenced work with the Shire within the last 6 months were introduced to Councillors.

3. Close