

Shire of Kojonup Briefing Session – 27 July 2021

Record of Meeting: Commencing at 9.00am

Present: Shire President, Cr Radford, Cr Pedler, Cr Fleay, Cr Webb (From 9.15am), Cr Wieringa, Cr Singh (From 10.00am) and Cr Gale (From 10.45am)

Officers: CEO's (RMC & GT), MRS (9.00am – 9.35am), MSH & A/DC (9.35am – 10.00am), MCCS (10.25am – 12.07am)

Guests: Nil

Apologies: Nil

Leave of Absence: Nil

Shire President welcomed Grant Thompson to his first Briefing Session, which would also be Rick's last after 8 years at Kojonup.

Time Slot	Item	Response / Action
9.00am – 9.35am	Food Vendor Services	Manager Regulatory Services addressed Cr Webb's query regarding Not-For-Profit need to register
9.35am – 10.00am	Aged Care Standards with Ciara O'Regan	Manager Springhaven to update Councillors on Standard 8 provisions prior to re-accreditation visit
10.07am -10.25am 1.05pm – 1.30pm	CEO Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Black Cockatoo Café Lease • Saleyards (EOI) • Public Regional Galleries Improvement Fund Application • VROC CEO farewell which also allowed Grant to be introduced to colleagues
Morning Tea		
10.25am -12.07pm	Budget 21/22	Overview by Manager Corporate & Community Services
12.07pm – 12.30pm	South West Native Title Settlement	Carried forward from last session (Hard Copies distributed allowing Elected Members to absorb content of webinar)

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Lunch		
1.30pm – 2.00pm	Councillor Updates	<p>Cr Pedler:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Springhaven Xmas in July was excellent• Wishes Kerry Cribb all the best as B&B for sale <p>Cr Fleay:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australia's South West (ASW) has presented a draft proposal to Great Southern Treasures (GST) regarding Marketing, Promotion and Governance roles that could be undertaken in partnership given Emily Hardie's imminent departure. Cr Fleay as chair of GST will discuss same with CEO's next week as GST meeting scheduled for 5 August 2021. <p>Cr Radford:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Promotional Signage – CEO advised that a coordinated approach required that compliments signage for Trails, Kodja Place, Corporate, Heritage, Cultural, Tourism, etc., and emphasis for 21/22 is finally installing themed signs at the Airstrip.• South Dam – CEO to arrange meeting between Council and Water Corp (Mick Irving) as soon as practicable to discuss maintenance of catchment area v bank stabilisation and potential for Council taking over Dam infrastructure from Water Corp.• Albany Highway – Main Street damage – use of social media to get Main Roads WA to take immediate action to address same? <p>Cr Gale:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Together with the Shire President attended a second meeting at Katanning regarding Tourist Train operations on the Main Line from Perth to Albany. A Steering Committee is to be formed with one of its tasks being to approach Local Government

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		<p>seeking financial support to assist towards preparing a business plan which can then be sent to State/Federal governments for more comprehensive funding consideration.</p> <p>Cr Singh:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The recent heavy rainfall has highlighted potential structural integrity issues for shop verandahs on the main street and is there any Council regulations requiring shop owners to instal posts? CEO advised that the Town Planning Scheme does not have an historical precinct provision requiring property owners to recognise heritage preservation. The onus falls back onto the property owner to protect the structural integrity of buildings and Regulatory Services via the Building Surveyor may offer advice as to the type of treatments required (bracing) by the Building Code to prevent verandahs from collapsing onto footpath and also public patrons.• Traineeships and apprenticeships – how active are Council in these areas? CEO advised that Council has actively participated in traineeships for a number of years within Works & Services, Springhaven, Corporate Services and more recently at the Kodja Place. Council is presently in partnership with Edith Cowen University engaging a Social Worker placement over 500 hours.
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