

# MINUTES

**Special Council Meeting** 

7 September 2021

# AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 7 SEPTEMBER 2021

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The Shire of Kojonup has a set of six guiding principles it uses when making decisions. These principles are checked and enhanced every two years; in line with the Strategic Community Plan review schedule.

# Leading community outcomes

community strategic direction, plus regional impact and state-wide needs are fused together when making decisions.

# Compliance

appropriate compliance and tolerable risk is considered, although not so much as to fatigue or delay growth.

# Past and Present

forward-thinking growth is encouraged, whilst we consider and celebrate the past.

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The Shire of Kojonup Decision Making Guiding Principles (2019)

Community members are encouraged to use the same six guiding principles when making local and working party decisions or recommendations.

# People First

when considering public spaces, people will be given precedence, over transport and business.

# Sharp Funding

short and long term financial implications will be considered, along with collaborative ownership options

# Analysis-based

objective and evidence-based data and insights must support decision making

#### **MINUTES**

#### 1 DECLARATION OF OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF GUESTS

The Shire President declared the meeting open at 3.00pm and draw the meeting's attention to the disclaimer below:

#### Disclaimer

No person should rely on or act on the basis of any advice or information provided by a Member or Officer, or on the content of any discussion occurring, during the course of the meeting.

The Shire of Kojonup expressly disclaims liability for any loss or damage suffered by any person as a result of relying on or acting on the basis of any advice or information provided by a member or officer, or the content of any discussion occurring, during the course of the meeting.

Where an application for an approval, a license or the like is discussed or determined during the meeting, the Shire warns that neither the applicant, nor any other person or body, should rely upon that discussion or determination until written notice of either an approval and the conditions which relate to it, or the refusal of the application has been issued by the Shire.

## **Acknowledgement of Country**

The Shire of Kojonup acknowledges the first nations people of Australia as the Traditional custodians of this land and in particular the Keneang people of the Noongar nation upon whose land we meet.

We pay our respect to their Elders past, present and emerging

#### Prayer – Cr Gale

Gracious Father, we acknowledge you as our Maker and Judge. We ask for wisdom for our reigning monarch Queen Elizabeth. Grant to her good health and strength in the executing of her duties.

We pray for all Ministers and Cabinet members of the Australian Federal and State Government. Grant to them wisdom in the welfare of Australia, so that truth and justice is established for all Australians.

Lastly Gracious Father, we pray for ourselves. We ask that you might grant to us the ability to speak with integrity and to work with uncompromising diligence. Grant to us the wisdom to make good decisions, remembering that we are one community. Grant to us the good humour to keep things in perspective in a community that is a diverse population.

We ask that we might always be mindful of the safety and welfare of the people of Kojonup. Grant to all who serve on Public Committees the ability to listen and work together with mutual respect for one another. Bless us with the personal joy of knowing that we have done our best.

## 2 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

#### **COUNCILLORS**

Cr Benn Shire President

Cr Radford Deputy Shire President

Cr Fleay Cr Gale Cr Webb Cr Wieringa Cr Singh

**STAFF** 

Grant Thompson Chief Executive Officer

Anthony Middleton Manager Corporate and Community Services
Lorraine Wyatt Executive/Human Resource Coordinator

#### **LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

Nil

#### **APOLOGIES**

Cr Pedler

# 3 SUMMARY OF RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

Nil

# 4 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Nil

# 5 PETITIONS, DEPUTATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Nil

# 6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

# 7 <u>CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES</u>

Nil

**8 ANNOUNCEMENTS** by the Presiding Member without discussion

Nil

# 9 <u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</u>

## 10 KEY PILLAR 1 – 'PLACE' REPORTS

#### 10.1 DELEGATED AUTHORITY FOR SPONSORSHIP

AUTHOR	Lorraine Wyatt, Executive/Human Resources Coordinator	
DATE	Thursday, 2 September 2021	
FILE NO	FM.SPN.1	

#### **BACKGROUND**

The item below was circulated via email for presentation to Council at the Ordinary Council meeting held 17 August 2021 however, was not addressed. Payment was subsequently made by the finance department following the meeting on the assumption that the item was considered and approved.

#### **COMMENT**

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Delegated Authority is limited to \$200.00: Instrument of Delegation - Admin 018, Donations to Local Groups or Individuals. Budget code 2006 Donations – CEO Discretion, has an allocation of \$2,000. No other expenditure has been made against this code to date.

The item is presented again in its entirety (including attachment) and retrospective approval is now requested.

AUTHOR	Emily Sleight – Sport and Recreation Officer	
DATE	Monday, 16 August 2021	
FILE NO	FM.SPN.1	
ATTACHMENT(S)	10.1.1 Royal Flying Doctor Sponsorship Letter	

STRATEGIC/CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS			
"Smart Possibilities – Kojonup 2027+"		"Smart Implementation –	
		Kojonup 2018-2022"	
Key Pillar	<b>Community Outcomes</b>	Corporate Actions	
KP 1 – Place	1.1 - Have maximised our	1.1.1 - Develop and grow an	
	'One Community' program	annual calendar of events	
	through specific events,	where community and visitors	
	celebration of built form	celebrate diversity, history and	
	and enhancement of our	place	
	environment		
KP 2 – Connected	2.2 – Have enhanced our	2.2.2 – Enhance alliances with	
	aged-care and health	state and local health providers	
	provisions by progressing	to grow a sustainable and	
	our connections with	modern health system	
	regional and state-wide		
	groups		

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

#### **SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is for Council to endorse sponsorship of the 2021 'Blanc et Noir' fundraising event for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

#### **BACKGROUND**

A request was made to the Chief Executive Officer from the 'Blanc et Noir' committee for financial sponsorship for the 2021 event (Attachment 16.1.1). The Shire sponsored this event for the same value in 2016.

#### **COMMENT**

The Royal Flying Doctor Service plays an important role in all remote and regional communities, providing urgent emergency transportation for those in need of specialist medical services. The 'Blanc et Noir' event held at the Cherry Tree Pool Tennis Club is an opportunity to both donate funds to a worthwhile cause and support a community event.

#### **CONSULTATION**

Nil

#### STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 2020 – Section 11 states the functions which the CEO can perform under delegated authority of the Council.

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Although not contained within a Council Policy, the Delegation Register advises the intent and limitations of Council delegations. Specified within the Delegation Register is the following:

#### INSTRUMENT OF DELEGATION

# ADMIN 018 DONATIONS TO LOCAL GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS

**Delegate:** Chief Executive Officer Sub Delegate:

Adopted by Council: 21/08/2007 Last Reviewed: /2014

#### POWER/DUTY

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is Delegated Authority to determine requests for donation of monies up to the value of \$200 when a group or individual can demonstrate:

- 1. Significant direct benefit to the local community
- 2. The group is a community group or non-profit making organisation or running a non-profit activity
- 3. The group's financial status is such as to justify a donation from the Shire
- 4. Special circumstances or needs exist in the opinion of the CEO to warrant a donation, e.g. support of needy groups and individuals who bring credit to the district by achieving State or National representation or awards, which sees them requiring financial assistance for travelling, accommodation or other incidental expenses.

#### **HEAD OF POWER**

Local Government Act 1995 (as amended) section 5.42(1)

#### **CONDITIONS**

The aggregate of any donations made by the CEO under this Delegated Authority shall not exceed the amount allocated in the Shire's Annual Budget for the purpose without prior approval from the Council.

Requests for amounts over \$200 must be approved by the Council and should have regard to the annual community grant submission process.

#### RELATED POLICY/FILE REFERENCE AND DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

Use of Delegation to be recorded on Shire of Kojonup Delegation Register and must be presented to the Council regularly.

As the sponsorship amount is over \$200, this report has been prepared for Council's endorsement.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Account 2006 – Donations CEO discretion will be reduced by \$1000, leaving a balance of \$1000 for the remainder of the 2021-2022 Financial Year.

#### RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS

RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK				
Risk Profile	Risk	Key Control	Current Action	
	Description/Cause			
3. Compliance	Lack of training,	Councillor / Staff	Nil	
	awareness &	Induction Process		
	knowledge			
Risk rating Low				
IMPLICATIONS				

By ensuring all staff have access to and knowledge of the delegations register documentation, the Shire can ensure that future decisions made that fall under the scope of delegations are adhering to correct procedure

#### **ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

SOUTHERN LINK VROC (VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS) IMPLICATIONS

Nil

#### **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority

#### OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

**Moved Cr Singh seconded Cr Gale** 

That Council endorse Silver level sponsorship of the 'Blanc et Noir' fundraising event to the value of \$1000.00

CARRIED 7/0

#### **COUNCIL DECISION**

**Moved Cr Singh seconded Cr Gale** 

That Council endorse Silver level sponsorship of the 'Blanc et Noir' fundraising event retrospectively to the value of \$1000.00

CARRIED 7/0

Reason: Council noted that the approval was retrospective and requested this be added to the record.

# 11 KEY PILLAR 2 – 'CONNECTED' REPORTS



#### 12 <u>KEY PILLAR 3 – 'PERFORMANCE' REPORTS</u>

#### 12.1 CHANGE OF MEETING DATE SEPTEMBER 2021

AUTHOR	Lorraine Wyatt – Executive/Human Resource Coordinator	
DATE	Friday, 3 September 2021	
FILE NO	GO.CNM.6	
ATTACHMENT(S)	Nil	

STRATEGIC/CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS			
"Smart Possibilities – Kojonup 2027+"		"Smart Implementation –	
		Kojonup 2021 +"	
Key Pillar	<b>Community Outcomes</b>	Corporate Actions	
KP3 - Performance	3.2 – Be exceptional in two-	3.2.2 - Engage with our residents	
	way communication within	and industry members through	
	our community, and	increased use of social media.	
	market our brand outside		
	of our community.		

#### **DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

Nil.

#### **SUMMARY**

Council is being asked to change the September Council Meeting date from 21 September 2021 to 28 September 2021.

#### **BACKGROUND**

At the Ordinary Council Meeting held 17 August 2021, Council resolved to authorised three additional Elected Members attendance at the WALGA Convention and Trade Exhibition as follows:

#### 97/21 Moved Cr Webb, seconded Cr Gale

That Council authorise the following Elected Members attendance at the WA Local Government Association Convention and Trade Exhibition to be held on Monday, 20 September and Tuesday, 21 September 2021:

- 1. Cr Fleay
- 2. Cr Singh
- 3. Cr Gale

The Shire President, Deputy Shire President and the Chief Executive Officer will also be attending the WA Local Government Association Convention and Trade Exhibition.

The September Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled to occur on Tuesday 21 September 2021.

#### **COMMENT**

In accordance with the Regulation 12 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulation* 1996, Local Governments are required to give local public notice of the date, time and place

with respect to ordinary council meetings and, committee meetings which are proposed to be open to members of the public and shall be held within the proceeding 12 month period. In October 2005 it was resolved that Council meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month commencing at 3:00pm except where dates clash with a public holiday or internal staffing management.

The September Ordinary Council Meeting is scheduled to occur on Tuesday 21 September 2021 however, Council will not be able to achieve a quorum as five of the Elected Members, the Shire President, Deputy Shire President and the Chief Executive Officer, will be attending the WA Local Government Association Convention and Trade Exhibition.

Regulation 12 of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996* requires that the scheduled Ordinary Council meetings which will be open to the public, are given local public notice at least once per year and that the notice should include the date, time and location of the meetings. Given that the scheduled Ordinary Council meetings is a decision of Council, only Council can approve any changes or amendments.

At the time of writing this report, the Author is aware of four agenda items which will required consideration by Council before the end of the month therefore, this officer's recommendation will be to change the meeting date from 21 September 2021 to Tuesday 28 September 2021.

Council may also wish to consider that Local government ordinary elections will be held on Saturday, 16 October 2021. The Ordinary Council meeting date under the current arrangement (third Tuesday of the month), is 19 October 2021 at which time, councillors elect will be sworn in, the Shire President and Deputy Shire Presidents positions will be filled. Council may wish to foreshadow that a Special Council Meeting be held to deal with all other matters which new Councillors are not familiar with.

#### **CONSULTATION**

Nil

#### STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1995 - Section 5.25(1)(g). Regulations about council and committee meetings and committees

Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 - Section 12. Meetings, public notice of

#### **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

#### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Nil.

#### **RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Nil

#### **ASSET MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS**

Nil.

# SOUTHERN LINK VROC (VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS) IMPLICATIONS

Nil

## **VOTING REQUIREMENTS**

Simple Majority.

# OFFICER RECOMMENDATION/COUNCIL DECISION

Moved Cr Fleay seconded Cr Singh
That the September Ordinary Council Meeting be changed from Tuesday 21 September 2021 to Tuesday 28 September 2021:

CARRIED 7/1

# 13 <u>KEY PILLAR 4 – 'PROSPERITY' REPORT</u>



# 14 KEY PILLAR 5 – 'DIGITAL' REPORTS



## 15 MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

Nil

# 16 <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

# 17 <u>CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS</u>

Nil

# 18 <u>NEXT MEETING</u>

To be confirmed.

# 19 CLOSURE

There being no further business to discuss, the President thanked the members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 3.07pm.

# 20 ATTACHMENTS (SEPARATE)

Item 10.1 10.1.1 Royal Flying Doctor Sponsorship Letter