Agenda

Shire of Kojonup Briefing Session 17 March 2015

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

CONCEPT/AGENDA FORUM

Item	Issue	Response / Action
9:00am - 10:00am	Not Compulsory - iPad Training Session hosted by the Manager of Corporate Services.	
10:00am - 2:00pm	Russell Barnes & Paul Breman from UHY Haines Norton to conduct a Long Term Financial Plan Workshop including What If Scenarios.	
2:00pm - 2:30pm	Manager - The Kodja Place Precinct - Zahra Shirazee Introduction.	

COUNCILLOR Q & A

2:30pm - 3:00pm	Councillor Updates Opportunity for Councillors to outline meetings attended, discussions had or queries received for Councillor and Officer information.	
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9:45am Morning Tea Provided 12:00pm Lunch Provided

Info Bulletin	Will be circulated	Councillors to review and ask questions out of session or at the
		next briefing session.
		A copy of any question, and the response will be circulated to all
		Councillors for information.

<u>GUESTS</u> (By prior notice and scheduling with the CEO or President)

External Russell Barnes – UHY Haines Norton

Paul Breman - UHY Haines Norton

Internal Anthony Middleton – Manager of Corporate Services

Mort Wignall - Manager of Regulatory & Community Services

Craig McVee – Manager of Works & Services Sue Northover – Manager of Aged Care Services Zahra Shirazee – Manager - The Kodja Place Precinct Michelle Dennis – Development Services Coordinator Dominique Hodge – Personal Assistant to the CEO

> Rick Mitchell-Collins Chief Executive Officer

Explanatory Notes

COUNCILLOR Q&A Is where Councillors can ask operational questions of the Chief Executive Officer.

PROJECTS FORUM Is where Senior Management/officers provide monthly Status Reports on Projects adopted via the Annual

Budget or a formal request has been directed by Council to the CEO.

AGENDA FORUM Is where officers provide a status update or seek guidance in the work up of an item for a future agenda.

This allows Councillors to stay informed and ensure items have been adequately researched by the time the item is formally presented to Council. No decisions are made on the item and all aspects considered

will form part of the officer's report.

CONCEPT FORUM Is where plans, strategies, and opportunities can be work shopped between staff and Councillors to guide

the initial stages of development and test concepts before allocating further resources to the concept work up. This is normally not open to the public unless otherwise advised, where the workshop may involve members of a committee or community group. This is supported by the Department of Local Government

Guideline on Council Forums that states:

Behind closed doors and in a relatively informal manner are the two notable characteristics of concept forums. Holding such meetings behind closed doors is justified in that many of the ideas and concepts are preliminary and while looking for that creative gem some may be extreme, expensive or impractical and never adopted.

Discussion on such proposals in a public forum would be counter-productive. Privacy and informality allows elected members to propose ideas, ask questions and discuss issues for the better understanding of those in attendance. Such forums assist individuals to become better informed and to clarify their views.