

# Shire of Kojonup Briefing Session – 16 May 2017

## **Record of Meeting (9:00am – 2:45pm, 3:25pm – 4:20pm)**

**Attendance:** Shire President and Councillors: Pedler, Radford, Warland, Hobbs & Pritchard

**Officers:** CEO, MCS (9:00am – 10:05am, 11:30am – 2:05pm) & MCDT (9:35am – 2:45pm), MWS (9:00am – 10:05am, 1:00pm – 2:05pm), MRS (9:30am – 10:05am, 1:00pm – 2:05pm), TP (11:30am – 12:40pm)

**Guests:** Louisa Ackermans & Kellie Miles – Kojonup Youth Centre (10:00am -10:30am), Karen Nicholl & Jo Steele – WA Country Health Service (1:05pm – 2:05pm)

**Apologies:** Cr Mathwin & Cr Sexton (Leave of Absence)

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nil

## CONCEPT/AGENDA FORUM

<b>Time Slot</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Response / Action</b>
9:00am – 9:30am	The Manager Corporate Services to workshop the 2017/18 Annual Budget with Council, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Road Program</li> </ul>	The MWS reviewed the proposed Road Program with Council for 2017/2018. Some of the proposed works to be undertaken include in the new financial year include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gravel sheeting for various roads</li> <li>• Partial reseal of Boscabel Rd</li> <li>• Reseal of Vanzuilecom Rd</li> <li>• Replacement of some wooden culverts</li> <li>• Stage 2 upgrades to Pensioner Rd</li> <li>• Partial reseal of Broomehill/Kojonup Rd</li> <li>• Partial widening of Frankland/Kojonup Rd</li> <li>• Partial reseal of Collie-Changerup Rd</li> <li>• Drainage on Anthony St</li> <li>• Reseal of Kojda Place Carpark</li> <li>• Partial reseal to various rural and town bitumen roads</li> <li>• Various kerbing and footpath replacements/construction</li> <li>• Various drainage repairs/upgrades</li> </ul>

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9:30am - 10:00am	The Manager Corporate Services to discuss the results of the Workshops for the Community Strategic Plan with Council	The MCS presented the Councillors with a summary document of all feedback received on the review of the CSP including workshops held, survey monkey and keypad votes at workshops.
10:00am - 10:30am	Louisa Ackermans to discuss Kojonup Youth Centre Proposal with Council ( <b>See Attachment 1</b> )	<p>The Shire President welcomed Louisa and Kellie who outlined the need for a Youth Centre which would initially operate Sunday to Wednesday to compliment those children that had sport commitments. They are aware of the Centre being sustainable and that there was not an expectation that Council would allocate a space and spend funds to make it 'fit for purpose' only to see in 2 – 3 years the group fold. The Scout Hall is an option however it requires significant maintenance and fencing to make it suitable.</p> <p>Louisa also indicated the CRC building would be ideal for the Centre especially homework group IT connection and rear access for visiting counsellors, etc. for private sessions.</p> <p>The group is in the process of forming a formal structure and constitution as per Department of Commerce guidelines.</p> <p>The MCDT indicated that Kojonup needs such a group for our youth as it is noticeable that some groups 'hang out' at Kodja Place because there is nowhere else to go or activities to do. If young people in town are not sport orientated what is here for them? If the community is serious about its youth then creating a Centre will be achieved in some form and there was general acknowledgement that not everyone is drawn to church orientated activities. Councillors are aware that the Community Strategic Plan makes specific mention of our Youth and Council supports the Wirrapanda Foundation in its 'Deadly Brotha Boyz' program but the community also needs to be an active participant other than sporting clubs.</p> <p>The Shire President congratulated the group for being prepared to 'have a go' and Council would give serious consideration to assisting the group however it could during its 2017/18 budget deliberations.</p>

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<p>10:45pm – 11:30am &amp; 2:05pm – 2:45pm</p>	<p>The CEO/MCDT to update Council on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CRC Visits (Gnowangerup, Tambellup &amp; Mt Barker)</li>   <li>• South Coast Alliance/Hidden Treasures</li> </ul>	<p>The CEO and MCDT outlined the differences between neighbouring CRCs (who received Dept. of Regional Development funding) and Kojonup’s CRC but also the difference in programs, events, activities being offered and the quality of Community Newsletters and content. The CEO will prepare an agenda item for the June Council Meeting in relation to the Kojonup CRC and extent of Council assistance.</p> <p>The MCDT outlined the importance of Kojonup’s ongoing involvement and support of The Hidden Treasures of the Great Southern and the LGA’s with the support of the new Chair of Hidden Treasures should start voicing their concern to the Regional and State Tourism bodies to recognise the need to market the full Great Southern region and not just a sub-section of the region (aka South Coast Alliance).</p>
<p>11:30am – 12:40pm</p>	<p>The Town Planner to update Council on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Town Planning Scheme</li>   <li>• Municipal Inventory</li>   <li>• Historical Society – Machinery Shed</li> </ul>	<p>The Town Planner provided an update to Council on the new town scheme and strategy under preparation and the need for Mainroads WA to finalise bypass route options for Council consideration.</p> <p>The Municipal Heritage Inventory has been completed and is now live on the State Heritage Office’s database ‘Inherit’. Thanks to Paul (Ranger) for his assistance with fabulous photos of the heritage sites. Next step is for Council to consider which places are to be included on the scheme heritage list.</p> <p>The Town Planner also spoke about the Kojonup Historical Society machinery shed, history, previous decisions/actions, site inspection and options to proceed.</p>
<p>1:05pm – 2:05pm</p>	<p>Karen Nicholl (WA Country Health Service) to discuss with Council the updated <i>Public Health Act 2016</i> and local government public health planning requirements</p>	<p>Karen made a power point presentation to Council and Managers outlining the various aspects which could be contained in a plan. There was general discussion on how the Government would measure the effectiveness of Local Government Health Plans which on the heading alone ‘Health’ connotated an emphasis on GP, Medical/Health Services whereas being active, general health and well-being, walking/cycling trails, Men’s Shed, Senior Citizen</p>

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		<p>activities, Youth events, activities and programs, Health Education, Breakfast Club, parenting skills, lifestyle, diet, stress, depression, drugs, alcohol, household incomes, cultural diversity, etc. were all factors determining Community Health.</p> <p>The Shire President questioned the recent figures quoted on the Sunrise program that depicted Kojonup as the least active town in WA and challenged the accuracy of same and also the sample size.</p> <p>What were repercussions to Local Governments (for example) of including reference to Health Planning in the Community Strategic Plan (CSP) rather than a dedicated Health Plan? Kellie commented that the Health Plan is an informing document to the CSP.</p> <p>The MRS made comment that the plan should not devolve more state responsibilities onto Local Government as we simply do not have the resource capacity in the bush! Kellie indicated that the VROC (for example) may wish to develop a joint sub-regional plan as many of the issues, opportunities and challenges were common with our neighbours. A full VROC meeting is scheduled for 31 May 2017.</p> <p>The MCS questioned the scorecard approach and what are the likely repercussions to Local Government not meeting State benchmarks?</p> <p>The CEO advised that any plan developed by Council would not be a 'cut &amp; paste' exercise simply to meet state timelines.</p>
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### COUNCILLOR Q & A

3:25pm – 4:20pm	<p>Councillor Updates</p> <p><i>Opportunity for Councillors to outline meetings attended, discussions had or queries received for Councillor and Officer information.</i></p>	<p>Shire President:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• She and the S/HTP were presented with a Water Wise Certificate of Endorsement at a recent function which is proudly displayed in the Council Chambers.</li> </ul>
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Enjoyed reading the article in the Tambellup Topics of Season 8 of the Old Fella's Footy Fun &amp; Laughter (OFFAL) as it is a great concept.</li><li>• Attended GSDC meeting at Bremmer Bay. Awaiting new Government's announcement regarding future of commissions and outcome of Ministers review of R4R projects which although approved by Barnett Government did not have formal agreements in place prior to the March Election. It appears Community Chest Grants may remain however large projects like Kodja Place may need to be staged and alternative funding sources found.</li></ul> <p>Cr Radford:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Questioned rationale behind Health Department allocating Flu Vaccinations to local GP's and not allowing the 90 Kojonup residents to visit hospitals as occurred previously. Cost cutting measure but additional expense to residents especially those from Tambellup and Cranbrook that have to travel to Katanning or Mt Barker.</li></ul> <p>Cr Warland:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Footpath at Honner Street looks excellent and has enhanced the visual street appeal. Well done to Works &amp; Services.</li></ul> <p>Cr Pedler:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disability Access &amp; Inclusion Plan – what provision is made for wheelchair access to parks and reserves including designs to allow seating at tables? Disability design elements were included in planning for Harrison Street Public Toilet and Landscape upgrade.</li></ul> <p>Cr Hobbs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Regional Road Group (RRG) – Sub Committee Next RRG meeting is scheduled for 5 November 2017 however would like Shire Presidents, CEOs, Works Manager/Supervisors and RRG reps to meet in August to discuss priorities for the upper Great Southern Road Network. CEO suggested Kojonup issue invitations to Woodanilling,</li></ul>
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		<p>Katanning and Broomehill-Tambellup to attend an August subcommittee meeting to be hosted in Kojonup. Councillors agreed. One section of Albany Road that needed upgrading was between Tambellup West intersection and Jago Road.</p> <p>Cr Pritchard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Status of Heavy Haulage Detour planning as need to have boundaries of any new alignment shown on our Planning Scheme. CEO to follow up.</li> <li>• Simon House – copy of letter forwarded to Water Corporation as issue relates primarily to them.</li> <li>• WALGA Training was very beneficial and informative. Similar sentiments were echoed by Cr Hobbs, Cr Radford and Shire President. CEO to thank WALGA on behalf of Shire.</li> </ul>
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*10:30am – 10:45am Morning Tea*

*12:40pm – 1:05pm Lunch*

Info Bulletin	Circulated.	<p>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.</p>
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