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Friday, 14 August 2020

Topic: BROC Meeting
Time: Aug 14, 2020 10:00 AM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

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Venue:	Zoom Meeting – Hosted by Tenterfield Shire Council	Date:	Friday, 14 August 2020
Chair:	Mayor Peter Petty - Tenterfield	Time:	10.00 am
Invitees:	• Mr Tim Breen – Waste to Energy Proponent		
File Ref:	G/21		

1.	Meeting Open
2.	Apologies
	Mayor Lawrence Springborg – Goondiwindi Regional Council
3.	Minutes of Meeting 13 March 2020 (Balonne Shire – St George) (attached minus presentations)
3.1	Matters Arising from the Minutes
4.	Correspondence

4.1	<p>Inwards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bank Statements Warwick Credit Union & National Australia Bank • Term Deposit Account Statement – National Australia Bank • Fixed Term Certificate – Warwick Credit Union • Ann Leahy MP – Re Appointment of a Queensland Cross Border Commissioner • Dept of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Communications – Success of Submission for Interface Development Program • Australian Rail Track Corporation – Congratulations of success of Submission for Interface Development Program • Office of the Premier of Queensland – Creation of a Cross-Border Commissioner role in Queensland • Southern Downs Regional Council – Appointment of Cr Andrew Gale to BROC • Goondiwindi Regional Council – Appointment of Cr Rob Mackenzie to BROC 																																
4.2	<p>Outwards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Letter of Support – Tenterfield Shire Council - Requested Appointment of a Qld Cross Border Commissioner • Bulloo Shire – Advice of BROC Membership • Warwick Credit Union – Request to Waive Fee 																																
4.3	<p>Matters arising from Correspondence</p>																																
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Reinvested 22 Jan 2020	\$ 11,224.91
Interest Paid 1.450%	\$ 40.47
Reinvested 22 April 2020	\$11,265.38
Interest Paid 1.3%	\$ 36.41
Reinvested 22 July 2020 @ 0.95%	\$11,301.79

5.2 Matters arising from Financial Report**5.2.1 Warwick Credit Union Account 400379187**

Requested that fees be waived (correspondence attached).

5.2.2 NAB Account 69-022-2187**RECOMMENDATION:**

That BROC apply for a Credit Card to be attached to this account in the name of the current Treasurer (Noelene Hyde) with the card to be cancelled and reissued as the responsible Council changes.

6. Speakers:

- Ms Ann Leahy MP – Member for Warrego & Shadow Minister for Local Government (**5 mins**)
- Mr James McTavish – NSW Cross Border Commissioner (**20 mins**)
 - Update Queensland-NSW Memorandum of Understanding
 - Update COVID-19 – NSW Border Restrictions
- Mr Tim Breen – Waste to Energy Proponent (**15 mins**)

7. Items Listed**7.1 Balonne Shire Council****7.1.1 Hebel Goodoonga Road Link – Upgrade to Bitumen****7.1.2 Border Closures – Local Government****7.1.3 Cross Border Regional Deal – Statement of Intent signed for Albury Wodonga**

Federal, State and Local Government representatives have formally agreed to progress the development of an Albury-Wodonga Regional Deal. Initial Federal Government funding of \$3.1 million has been put towards strategic planning for the Deal, which will be the first cross-border deal made in Australia. Developing local economies, education and health services, improving infrastructure, connectivity and liveability and supporting local Indigenous people have been highlighted as broad priorities for the Deal, according to NSW Deputy Premier John Barilaro. Wodonga Mayor Anna Speedie said that the agreement followed three years of work building momentum and hopes that the deal will harmonise “cross-border business opportunities” and identify investment opportunities for the “joint economy to thrive”.

	<p>7.2 <u>Bulloo Shire</u></p> <p>7.2.1 Queensland-NSW Cross Border Statement & Worklist 2020/21 Documents attached.</p>
	General Business
	<p>8.1 BROC Website Report attached.</p> <p>8.2 Bruxner Way Joint Committee Chair Peter Petty to provide a verbal update on the reclassification process for Bruxner Way</p>
9.	Next Meeting – Annual General Meeting & Ordinary Meeting - Friday, 13 November 2020 at Tenterfield Shire Council – Venue to be confirmed.
10.	Meeting Closed

Murray Darling Association Inc – Region 11 Ordinary Meeting – 1.00 pm

Zoom meeting :

Details as follows:

Friday 14 August

1:00pm

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ACTION ITEM LOG			
Officer	Item	Listed	Outcome
Exec	Reinvite Mr Newton (Bindaree Beef) to a future meeting	15/02/19	
Exec	<p>Exclusion Fencing That BROC write to the relevant NSW State Minister with a view to amending the Legislation regarding the special rates scheme with particular respect to exclusion fencing and make representations to IPART.</p> <p>No response received apart from an apology from Minister Hancock.</p>	09/08/19	29/01/20 Letters to Hon Adam Marshall MP & Hon Shelley Hancock MP extending an invitation to tour at St George
Exec	<p>Position of Cross Border Commissioner That BROC contact the Queensland Opposition Leader and current Queensland Government to promote the appointment of a Queensland Cross Border Commissioner and request BROC Councils for support from Mayors/Councillors.</p> <p>Response from Queensland Premier provided.</p>	08/11/19	03/02/20 Letter sent indicating motions of support to follow.
Exec/Chair	<p>The Coffey Scheme – A Water Infrastructure Plan for the Future That BROC support and become a driver for the Coffey Scheme with the Chair to form a delegation and organise a meeting with the politicians in the relevant areas.</p>	08/11/19	
Exec/Chair	<p>Road Network Strategy – New England Joint Organisation Chair of BROC and Bruxner Way Joint Committee to seek information from the State Government regarding the extended timeframe as this matter was an election promise.</p> <p>Verbal update to be provided by Chair Peter Petty regarding reclassification - Guidelines released weekend 8/9 August 2020.</p>	08/11/19	
Exec/Chair	<p>Engagement with NSW and Queensland State Governments That BROC commence the process to increase engagement with both NSW and Queensland State Governments by holding one (1) meeting per year with the relevant State Parliamentarians, commencing 2020. Anne Leahy MP, Member for Warrego as the Queensland contact.</p>	13/03/20	COVID-19 has delayed this action
Exec/Chair	<p>Fast Internet Connectivity Item for future discussion. Digby Whyte/Angus Witherby</p>	13/03/20	

Noelene Hyde

From: Lew Rojahn <lewr@bulloo.qld.gov.au>
Sent: Thursday, 16 July 2020 8:55 AM
To: Noelene Hyde
Subject: FW: Follow up - Qld-NSW Cross Border Statement and Worklist 2020-21
Attachments: 2867_001.pdf

Hi Noelene

Not sure if the BROCC has seen this document. I have attached the emails I received and my response to those emails below. The draft document is attached.

If it hasn't already, could this be placed on the Agenda for BROCC?

Call me if you have any queries

Regards

Lew Rojahn
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From: Lew Rojahn
Sent: Monday, 29 June 2020 5:45 PM
To: QCOAG@premiers.qld.gov.au
Cc: John Ferguson <mayor@bulloo.qld.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Follow up - Qld-NSW Cross Border Statement and Worklist 2020-21

Dear Jessica

Firstly my apologies for letting this slip through.

Council is a member of the *Border Regional Organisation of Councils* and fully supports any actions that enhance services and co operation between States.

You may be aware that Hungerford on the NSW border is serviced by the RFDS out of Broken Hill and people in the western part of the Shire near Cameron's Corner get mail and electricity from Tibooburra and NSW. The border fences and Dog fence maintenance teams interact with our towns and we have, I believe, 14 gates that access across the border. So we are actively supportive of item 2.9 Policing. Its automatic to know that we support tourism as we see the effect it has by the number of visitors staying and passing through.

Items 2.15 (Freight Opportunities) and 2.17 (Alignment of Priority Border Road Projects) align well with Council's vision of improving freight routes through the shire that will provide a benefit to all of Qld.

NSW has committed \$197 million dollars to seal the Silver City Highway. However, the extension of this highway in Qld, the Warrigate road, receives little interest from the Qld Government. We have business cases and Transit Models developed by CSIRO that state you could save \$11 per ton on freight and still we receive no interest from TMR. I would have thought this to be an excellent cross border collaboration with NSW committing so much to have this road done, but Qld is showing little interest as per item 2.17.

So whilst we fully support the document and the Items outlined on the works list, I would hope there is more commitment to it in remote areas than what is apparent at the moment.

Regards

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From: QCOAG <qcoag@premiers.qld.gov.au>

Sent: Monday, 29 June 2020 2:36 PM

To: Bulloo Shire Council <council@bulloo.qld.gov.au>

Cc: Katie Williams <katie.williams@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Sindy Banh <sindy.banh@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Julian Evans <julian.evans@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Andrew Burke <andrew.burke@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Jessica Collins <jessica.collins@premiers.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Follow up - Qld-NSW Cross Border Statement and Worklist 2020-21

Mr Lew Rojahn

Chief Executive Officer

Bulloo Shire Council

Dear Lew

I refer to my email of 18 June 2020, seeking your Council's comments on the Qld-NSW Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border Collaboration (Statement), and 2020-21 Annual Work List (Work list) originally due COB 26 June 2020.

Please note as both jurisdictions are looking to finalise the Statement and 2020-21 Annual Work List as soon as possible, we would appreciate your review of the current without prejudice draft of the Statement and Work list and any comments via email to mailto: QCOAG@premiers.qld.gov.au as soon as possible.

Should you require any further information, Mr Andrew Burke, Director, Intergovernmental Relations, Department of the Premier and Cabinet, can be contacted by email at andrew.burke@premiers.qld.gov.au or on telephone (07) 3003 9207.

Once again, thank you for your assistance.



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From: QCOAG <qcoag@premiers.qld.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, 18 June 2020 5:03 PM

To: 'council@bulloo.qld.gov.au' <council@bulloo.qld.gov.au>

Cc: Andrew Burke <andrew.burke@premiers.qld.gov.au>; Katie Williams <katie.williams@premiers.qld.gov.au>;

Julian Evans <julian.evans@premiers.qld.gov.au>

Subject: TRIM: Qld-NSW Cross Border Statement and Worklist 2020-21

Mr Lew Rojahn
Chief Executive Officer
Bulloo Shire Council

Dear Lew

I write to introduce myself as the Executive Director, Intergovernmental Relations in the Department of the Premier and Cabinet (DPC), and to seek your input on the Qld-NSW Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border Collaboration (Statement), and 2020-21 Annual Work List (Work list).

Ms Linda Keeshan emailed the Bulloo Council in September 2019 seeking your councils input, however no input was provided at the time. Since then the resolution of these documents have been unfortunately delayed due to a number of aspects, including the 2019-20 bushfires, the 2020 Queensland local government elections and the COVID-19 pandemic. However, the collaboration between the Queensland Government and our NSW counterparts has continued and has not been hindered by the expiration of the previous agreement.

I am pleased to advise that both jurisdictions are looking to finalise the Statement and 2020-21 Annual Work List as soon as possible. I have attached the current without prejudice draft version of the Statement and Work list. The documents have also been updated to reflect the priority both governments place on coordinating the recovery from the 2019-20 natural disasters and COVID-19 for border communities. I would appreciate your review to ensure both documents remain relevant to the Mayor, Councillors and the community of the Bulloo Shire Council.

Please provide your comments via email to mailto: QCOAG@premiers.qld.gov.au by COB 26 June 2020.

Should you require any further information, Mr Andrew Burke, Director, Intergovernmental Relations, Department of the Premier and Cabinet, can be contacted by email at andrew.burke@premiers.qld.gov.au or on telephone

(07) 3003 9207. You may also wish to discuss these matters with Ms Katie Williams, Principal Stakeholder Engagement Officer, in the Office of Rural and Regional Queensland (ORRQ). Ms Williams can be contacted by email at katie.williams@premiers.qld.gov.au, or on telephone 0417 436 804.

Once again, thank you for your assistance.



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From: QCOAG

Sent: Thursday, 22 August 2019 3:17 PM

To: 'council@bulloo.qld.gov.au' <council@bulloo.qld.gov.au>

Subject: Consultation with CEO Bulloo Shire Council - Qld-NSW Cross-Border Statement of Principles and Priorities – review and update

Good afternoon Mr Rojahn

The Qld-NSW Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border Collaboration 2016-19 (the Statement) supports Qld and NSW governments to collaborate on identifying and resolving cross-border issues that impede regional economic development and providing efficient and consistent service delivery to border communities.

The Department of the Premier and Cabinet (DPC) is seeking your input into the Qld-NSW cross-border annual work list and also the 3-year review of the Statement as follows:

1. Annual Work List

a. End of Year Report (2018-19)

Relevant Qld Government departments are currently being consulted on the progress of projects from the 2018-19 annual work list. Recognising the key role local governments play in delivering services and functions on the ground across the Qld-NSW border, your views/comments on the progress would be appreciated for inclusion in this report.

We understand that some actions will be carried forward to next year's list and may also include a variation of the action to better suit moving forward. It is not intended to be an all-encompassing list and there is flexibility to progress local issues as they arise or are identified.

Please find attached the approved 2018-19 annual work list and the 2018-19 end of year report form for provision of comment/s if required.

b. Work List Identification (2019-20) – This template is to be completed to identify additional issues that should be included in the 2019-20 annual work list.

These will then be reviewed jointly by the Office of the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner and Qld DPC Intergovernmental Relations to finalise the 2019-20 work list.

2. Qld-NSW Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border collaboration 2016-19 (the Statement)

Input is sought on whether the key focus areas in the Statement address current priorities for border communities. These are the high-level strategic issues that are then supported by annual work lists developed by Qld and NSW with specific actions.

DPC understands that NSW, through the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner, is undertaking a similar process of review with their NSW agencies and councils.

Please submit your responses to QCOAG@premiers.qld.gov.au by **COB Wednesday 4 September 2019**, providing a 'nil response' where no comment is provided. Once all responses have been received and reviewed in consultation with the Office of the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner, DPC will prepare a draft Discussion Paper and Report for review.

If you have any queries please email QCOAG@premiers.qld.gov.au or contact Theresa Faulkner on 3003 9701 or Linda Keeshan on 3003 9180.

NSW Cross-Border Commissioner's Infrastructure Fund

The \$20M infrastructure fund was established by the NSW Government in June 2018. Currently there is \$16M remaining for projects in 2019-20 and 2020-21 financial years. Funding is intended for regionally significant projects that deliver social, economic, environmental or cultural benefits to border communities.

The NSW Cross-Border Commissioner has advised that Qld border councils and departments are eligible to apply, however matched funding is required. Any bids for funding would need to be considered within current Council approval processes. It should be noted that all jurisdictions with a cross-border agreement with NSW are eligible to apply. For further information regarding the fund please see the attached. Initial enquiries should be directed to Kate Moodley in the Office of the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner at kate.moodley@dpc.nsw.gov.au.

Many thanks for your assistance.

Regards
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Queensland and New South Wales

Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-Border Collaboration 2020-2025



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Introduction

The Premier of Queensland, the Hon Anastacia Palaszczuk MP, and the Premier of New South Wales (NSW), the Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP, reaffirm the Queensland and NSW Governments' commitment to close collaboration between the two jurisdictions.

This agreement represents the continuation and renewal of the Queensland and NSW Governments' cross border relationship and builds on the collaboration between the two jurisdictions including the inaugural Memorandum of Understanding signed by the respective Premiers in 2011. It applies to state agency activities on the Queensland and NSW border region, as well as the respective Local Government Areas.

Recovery from the severe economic, social and environmental impacts on border communities, as a result of the natural disasters across 2019 and 2020, and the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic, is the key priority for the Queensland and NSW Governments. Both Governments are committed to working with local governments, organisations and the community over the life of the Statement to implement a coordinated approach that underpins as sustained recovery in border communities. The principles and priorities articulated in this Statement are the foundation for the recovery effort.

Purpose of the Statement

The key purpose of this Statement is to provide an authorising environment for both governments to collaborate on areas of mutual interest, identify and resolve cross-border issues that impede economic regional development and provide efficient and consistent service delivery to communities.

The Queensland and NSW Governments acknowledge the importance of each other in the border region and the importance of working closely and collaboratively to improve service delivery, build local communities and further develop the region economically.

Sustained population growth, interdependent economic relationships and the complex issues of service delivery require a coordinated approach to support the region's future.

The Queensland and NSW Governments are determined to work to the best of their abilities to address cross-border issues where they believe it is practicable and desirable to do so. This Statement of Principles and Priorities for Cross-border Collaboration reflects this intent.

Benefits of a close working relationship between the Queensland and NSW Governments include:

- enabling cooperative leadership and management of strategic growth issues in key population centres along the border
- promoting action to improve service delivery, economic development and resource management in cross-border areas

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- encouraging the development of shared goals and strategies for the border region and the communities that work and live in them.

Principles for Cross-border Collaboration

The cross-border collaboration between Queensland and NSW is guided by a set of principles:

- Cross-border collaboration will be outcomes focused.
- Areas of focus will be driven by priority areas identified in this Statement, however cross-border collaboration on other areas may occur.
- Collaboration will be driven by the responsible line agencies in each government and at the local level where possible.
- Collaboration will take into account national and state objectives and work underway.
- Consultation will occur with relevant ministers and their government agencies, local governments, communities, business and industry groups, and regional organisations to identify, consider and resolve cross-border issues.

Key Focus Areas

The Queensland and NSW Governments agree the key focus areas for cross-border collaboration are regional economic development, improving service delivery, simplifying regulation for residents, businesses and organisations, and issues of national significance.

Regional Economic Development

Businesses and services in cross-border communities are accessed by both Queensland and NSW residents. Taking a holistic view of the cross-border regions and towns when it comes to planning, infrastructure, connectivity and regional governance will make it easier for both governments to attract investment and develop the regional economies.

The priority areas are:

- undertaking a systematic approach to address the issues in approved urban and regional developments in cross-border communities,
- joint advocacy for and cooperation on major infrastructure projects,
- Develop a whole of region approach to identify and address infrastructure constraints and public domain improvements to encourage investment and economic development in cross-border regions, and
- Tourism opportunities and industry development.

Improving service delivery

Residents living in cross-border regions should have equitable and efficient access to services. The Queensland and NSW Governments need to maximise alignment of service delivery and avoid the need for individuals to navigate both service systems, where possible.

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Administrative arrangements should enable re-imbusement for the delivery of services to each other's citizens where appropriate.

In respect to vulnerable families and children, information sharing is central to providing appropriate services for families who may live or work across borders, or who may move from one state to another.

The priority areas are:

- the protection of children
- enhancing access to and delivery of health care services
- keeping communities safe
- enhancing sharing of information between agencies to support service planning and delivery
- planning and delivery of education and training services
- access to public, community and point to point transport services.

Simplifying regulation for residents, businesses and organisations

Business and communities in border regions are often required to navigate regulatory, legislative and policy gaps and duplication. The NSW and Queensland Governments will work to enable growth and confidence through the identification and reduction of these impediments.

The priority areas are:

- advancing mutual recognition of occupational licenses,
- sharing information and simplifying reporting for businesses, and
- identifying opportunities for collaboration between NSW and Queensland , regulators, and between ServiceNSW and Smart Service Queensland.

Issues of National Significance

The Queensland and NSW Governments will work together on issues of national significance.

The priority areas are:

- consistent action on waste management,
- expansion of mutual recognition arrangements,
- the protection and wellbeing of victims of domestic and family violence ,
- harmonisation of heavy vehicle regulations, where applicable, and
- sharing information and co-operating to advance the Council of Australian Governments' agenda

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The Statement in Operation

Annual Work List

The Queensland and NSW Governments agree there will be a work list, updated annually, with actions addressing the key focus areas. The work list will be drafted collaboratively by each government's nominated lead.

Roles and Responsibilities

Recognising the need to identify the roles and responsibilities of the Queensland and NSW Governments under this Statement, it is agreed:

- Premiers will write to their respective ministers outlining requirements and expectations to support implementation of this agreement.
- The Intergovernmental Relations Branch, Queensland Department of Premier and Cabinet, and the Office of the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner will serve as the key contacts and respective secretariats with regard to this Statement.
- State ministers within each government may be tasked with delivering actions in the work list and reporting progress to their respective Premier.
- Taskforces will be convened as necessary to consider priority areas (particularly for complex issues requiring a multi-agency approach) and make recommendations to the Premiers or State ministers.
- State ministers and their agencies remain responsible for the planning and delivery of state services.
- State ministers and their agencies may refer matters to their respective Premier's department where appropriate.
- This Statement does not limit the actions of ministers and agencies to proactively address other cross-border issues.

Meeting and Reporting

Officers from respective Premier's departments and the Office of the NSW Cross-Border Commissioner will convene an annual meeting to discuss implementation and update of the work list.

Government agencies in each jurisdiction may require assistance in resolving cross-border issues. While agency to agency collaboration is encouraged, the principle contacts for resolving cross-border issues in the respective Governments are:

Queensland - Executive Director, Intergovernmental Relations, Department of the Premier and Cabinet

Email: qcoag@premiers.qld.gov.au

New South Wales – NSW Cross-Border Commissioner

Email: enquiries@cbc.nsw.gov.au

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Engagement

The Queensland and NSW Governments recognise the importance of ongoing engagement with regional stakeholders, particularly local governments and regional entities. These groups assist both governments in meeting the Statement's objective and delivering on key focus areas. The Queensland and NSW Governments recognise the importance of collaborative regional engagement with these entities and local communities and businesses.

Status of the Statement

The Queensland and NSW Governments acknowledge the Statement provisions are not legally enforceable but rely on the spirit of cooperation between the two jurisdictions.

This agreement is not intended to remove power from either government to make policy decisions.

Final policy decisions remain with each jurisdiction.

Review of this Statement

The Statement will be reviewed and formally updated every five years.

Key focus areas will be reviewed every 12 months, and any revisions will be approved by both Governments.

The Statement may be amended at any time by agreement in writing of both parties.

Dispute Resolution

Where any dispute arises under this Statement, the Queensland and NSW Governments will take all necessary steps to resolve the dispute expeditiously by mutual agreement.

Commencement

This Statement commences on the date of execution.

The Hon Anastacia Palaszcuk MP

Premier of Queensland

Date:

The Hon Gladys Berejiklian MP

Premier of NSW

Date:

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BROC WEBSITE

Summary:

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval for the reactivation of the BROC website which has lapsed.

Background:

The website lapsed in March 2020 due to issues with payment to the hosting providers, Siteground Hosting Ltd.

Credit Card payment was the only option available.

Report:

In order to reinstate this important website, Tenterfield Shire Council's website staff have investigated options to reinstate the BROC website in a similar format with the domain name of borderroc.com.au.

The website will retain it's a simple layout with images from each region as previously supplied and a place for information, Minutes, Reports etc to be accessible by the public. The website will be a one page layout with scroll options and contact details. Very simple and easy to navigate.

Council would like to use the host GoDaddy for the new BROC website with a cost per annum of approximately \$52.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

That BROC approve Tenterfield Shire Council to reinstate the BROC website at a cost of approx. \$52.00 per annum and to provide regular maintenance and updates during the current term.