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Border Regional Organisation of Councils



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BORDER REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS MEETING

FRIDAY 19 MAY 2023

Border Regional Organisation of Councils Notice of Meeting

10 May 2023

A Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting will be held in the Cultural Centre, Victoria Street, St George on **Friday 19 May, 2023** commencing at **9.00am (QLD time)**.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.



Cr Kate Dight
Chairperson

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Agenda

- 1 Meeting Open**
- 2 Acknowledgement of Country**
- 3 Apologies**
- 4 Confirmation of Minutes – 23 February 2023**
- 5 NSW Cross Border Commissioner Update**
- 6 Disaster Management Update**
 - QLD Police
 - Bureau of Meteorology QLD & NSW
 - NSW Reconstruction Authority
 - NSW SES
- 7 Guest Speaker**
 - Keiran Mau, Lonergan Projects
- 8 Strategic Planning for BROCC**
- 9 Agency Updates**
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- 14 General Business**
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1 MEETING OPEN

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Cr Samantha O'Toole

3 APOLOGIES

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 MEETING MINUTES – 23 FEBRUARY 2023

The minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on Thursday, 23 February, 2023 in Inverell (Inverell Shire Council) are attached separately (minus the presentations).

Recommendation:

That the minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on 23 February, 2023, as circulated to members, be confirmed as a true and correct record of that meeting.

4.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5 NSW CROSS BORDER COMMISSIONER UPDATE

9.10am James McTavish, NSW Cross Border Commissioner

6 DISASTER MANAGEMENT UPDATE

9.30am Chris Mitchell - Acting Senior Sergeant | Executive Officer, Dalby & Roma District Disaster Management Group, QLD Police – Cross Border Disaster Management Update

Bureau of Meteorology QLD (David Grant) & NSW (tba)

Mitch Parker - Manager - New England North West Regional Delivery Preparedness & Recovery Group, NSW Reconstruction Authority

Lukas Torr - A/Superintendent, Central West, NSW State Emergency Service

7 GUEST SPEAKER

9.45am Keiran Mau, Lonergans Projects

Keiran Mau has had extensive experience in delivery flood damaged programs on behalf of the Queensland Reconstruction Authority, Department of Transport and Main Roads and numerous Local Government Agencies. He has been involved in delivery of \$100 plus million-dollar programs from their inception phase through to the finalisation stages.

Keiran has delivered in excess of \$2bn of Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA) and \$300m of Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) projects. He is one of the most experienced and distinguished disaster recovery professionals in Queensland having delivered 35 natural disaster events in the past 15 years.

8 STRATEGIC PLANNING FOR BROC

10.00am BROC Area of Strategic Importance (BASI) Focus Group Updates

Each BASI Focus Group has been tasked to investigate and determine:

- What are the issues?
- Determine a priority order for the issues identified; and
- Come up with ideas on how BROC can assist with resolving the issues identified.

1. Attracting Population and Industry

Lead Council: Paroo
Associated Councils: Inverell, Moree

2. Transport Networks

Lead Council: Gwydir
Associated Councils: Southern Downs, Tenterfield, Inverell, Bulloo

3. Disaster Recovery, Management & Betterment

Lead Council: Balonne
Associated Councils: Goondiwindi, Moree, Tenterfield, Inverell

4. Health Services

Lead Council: Tenterfield
Associated Councils: Moree, Inverell, Goondiwindi, Paroo

5. Housing

Lead Council: Walgett
Associated Councils: Bulloo, Moree

6. Education & Childcare

Lead Council: Moree
Associated Councils: Bulloo, Balonne, Walgett

7. Telecommunication Connectivity

Lead Council: Goondiwindi
Associated Councils: Moree, Balonne, Inverell

9 AGENCY UPDATES

11.00am Bill Lansbury - Regional Director (Department Transport & Main Roads QLD)

Laura Colley - Inland Rail (Department Infrastructure)

Jo Tait - Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC)

Jenny Rix – Director, Regional Development Australia (Darling Downs & South West)

Russell Stewart - Chair, Regional Development Australia (Northern Inland)

10 CORRESPONDENCE

10.1 INWARDS

- Letter from the Hon Grace Grace MP, Minister for Education re: Viability of Kindergartens in Border Communities – Mungindi Community Preschool
- Bank Statements and Fixed Term Certificate – National Australia Bank & Credit Union
- Drought Resilience Community Co- Design – Information provided by Jenny Rix, Director, Regional Development Australia

10.2 OUTWARDS

- Letter to Assistant Commissioner Southern Region QLD Police welcoming continued support and future involvement of A/Senior Sergeant Chris Mitchell at BROCC meetings
- Letter to Brewarrina Shire Council confirming their BROCC membership
- Letter to the Hon Andrew Giles MP, Minister for Immigration, Citizenship & Multicultural Affairs requesting fast tracking of visas for people entering fields of health, education and industry development in regional and rural areas

Recommendation:

That the Inwards and Outwards correspondence be received and noted.

10.3 MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE

11 FINANCIAL REPORT

11.1 TRANSACTIONS

National Australia Bank – 69-022-2187

Opening Balance as at 12 January 2023	\$15,453.47
Interest	\$0.40
Membership – Inverell Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Gwydir Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Tenterfield Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Paroo Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Brewarrina Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Walgett Shire Council	\$500.00

Membership – Goondiwindi Regional Council	\$500.00
Membership – Bulloo Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Balonne Shire Council	\$500.00
Membership – Southern Downs Regional Council	\$500.00
Balance as at 11 April 2023	\$20,453.87

National Australia Bank – Term Deposit 42-388-8697

Lodged 27 December 2022 for 12 months @ 3.75%	\$10,583.97
Maturity Date – 27 December 2023	

Warwick Credit Union – Fixed Term Deposit 100005924

Opening Balance as at 31 March 2023	\$ 11,504.51
Interest Rate 1.95%	\$ 55.32
Reinvested 22 January 2023 @ 3.75%	\$ 11,559.83
Maturity Date – 22 April 2024	

Recommendation:

That the Financial Report be accepted.

11.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM FINANCIAL REPORT

12 ITEMS LISTED

Nil.

13 ACTION ITEM LOG

Action Item Log attached separately.

Recommendation:

That:

- a) the Action Item Log be received and noted: and*
- b) the following items be removed from the Action Log:*

14 GENERAL BUSINESS

15 NEXT MEETING

16 MEETING CLOSED