



# **BUSINESS PAPER**

## **BORDER REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS MEETING**

**FRIDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2023**



Cunnamulla 2023

## Border Regional Organisation of Councils Notice of Meeting

20 October 2023

A Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting will be held in the Council Chambers, 247 Rouse Street, Tenterfield on **Friday 10 November, 2023** commencing at **9.30am (local time)**.

Your attendance at this meeting would be appreciated.



Cr Kate Dight  
Chairperson

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Tenterfield Shire Council is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: BROC Meeting Tenterfield - 10 Nov 2023  
Time: Nov 10, 2023 09:00 AM Canberra, Melbourne, Sydney

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83738626274?pwd=ZU4vOU9mQU5yelQ5L01kbnJ4enNkdz09>

Meeting ID: 837 3862 6274  
Passcode: 294681

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# Agenda

- 9.30am    **1 Meeting Open**
- 2 Acknowledgement of Country**
- 3 Apologies**
- 4 Confirmation of Minutes – 11 August 2023**
- 9.40am    **5 NSW Cross Border Commissioner Update (James McTavish)**
- 10.00am   **6 Guest Speaker**
- Graeme Brittenden, Founder & Proponent, Let’s Fix the Time! - ‘Daylight Savings – The New Model for All’
- 10.30am   **7 Strategic Planning for BROC**
- 12.00pm   **8 Agency Updates**
- LGNSW (Darriea Turley AM, President and David Reynolds, Chief Executive)
  - LGAQ (Sarah Vogler, Head of Advocacy)
  - Department Transport & Main Roads QLD (Bill Lansbury, Regional Director)
  - Transport for NSW (Matt Perez, District Works Manager, Far West, Network & Assets | Maintenance & Delivery, Regional & Outer Metropolitan)
  - Australian Rail Track Corporation, ARTC (Jo Tait)
  - Regional Development Australia, Darling Downs & South West (Robyn Haig, Director)
  - Regional Development Australia, Northern Inland (Russell Stewart, Chair)
- 9 Correspondence**
- 10 Financial Report**
- 11 Items Listed**
- 12 Action Item Log**
- 13 General Business**
- 14 Next Meeting**
- 15 Meeting Closed**

**1 MEETING OPEN**

**2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

Mayor Bronwyn Petrie, Tenterfield Shire Council.

**3 APOLOGIES**

**4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**4.1 Meeting Minutes – 11 August 2023**

The minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on Friday 11 August, 2023 in Cunnamulla (Paroo Shire Council) are attached separately (minus the presentations).

Recommendation:

*That the minutes of the Border Regional Organisation of Councils meeting held on 11 August, 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**

9.40am James McTavish, NSW Cross Border Commissioner

**6 GUEST SPEAKER**

10.00am Guest Speaker – Graeme Brittenden, Founder & Proponent, Let's Fix the Time!  
– 'Daylight Savings – The New Model for All'

**7 STRATEGIC PRIORITY AREAS (SPA) FOR BROCC**

**7.1 BROCC Strategic Priority Areas (SPA) Focus Group Updates**

10.30am Each SPA 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 and report back on how BROCC can assist with resolving the issues identified.

The four (4) Strategic Priority Areas are listed in the table below.

Several guest speakers have been invited to address BROC at today’s meeting, details of which are provided in the table below.

Strategic Priority Areas (SPA)		Encompassing	Responsible Council
1	<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &amp; TOURISM</b>  Lead Council: Inverell	Industry	Inverell
		Digital Connectivity - Field Solutions ( <b>Phillipe Benoile</b> ) - Telstra ( <b>Scott Mullaly &amp; Ian George</b> )	Goondiwindi
		Tourism	Paroo
2	<b>LIVEABILITY</b>  Lead Council: Moree Plains	Health	Tenterfield
		Housing	Goondiwindi / Bulloo
		Education	Moree
		Policing / Crime Prevention - <b>Danny Lester</b> (Director Aboriginal Outcomes, Regional NSW) – Engaging employment services for indigenous cross border communities - Prospects of a judicial bubble for cross order crime issues	Goondiwindi / Moree
3	<b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b>  Lead Council: Gwydir	Road Network - NHVR ( <b>Rochelle Matthews &amp; Jose Arredondo</b> )	Gwydir / Balonne
		Transport	Southern Downs
		Water Security, Urban & Waste Water	Inverell
4	<b>DISASTER MANAGEMENT</b>  Lead Council: Balonne	Agency Coordination - QLD Police Service ( <b>Chris Mitchell</b> )	Balonne
		Bio Security	

## 8 AGENCY UPDATES

12.00pm Bill Lansbury - Regional Director (Department Transport & Main Roads QLD).

Matt Perez - District Works Manager – Far West, Network & Assets | Maintenance & Delivery Regional & Outer Metropolitan, Transport for NSW.

Jo Tait - Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC).

Robyn Haig – Director, Regional Development Australia (Darling Downs & South West).

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

## 9 CORRESPONDENCE

### 9.1 Inwards

- ARTC Inland Rail – acknowledgment letter re Narrabri to North Star (N2NS) Project
- Senator the Hon Anthony Chisholm – Mungindi Community Preschool
- Bank Statements and Fixed Term Certificate – National Australia Bank & Warwick Credit Union

**9.2 Outwards**

- LGAQ – Extending Standing Invitation to address BROC meetings
- LGNSW - Extending Standing Invitation to address BROC meetings
- Cross Border Commissioner – Extending Standing Invitation for alternate officer to address BROC meetings
- Minister Home Affairs – Support for DAMA Agreements
- The Hon Grace Grace MP – Occupational Licenses (request to sign National Agreement)
- The Hon Catherine King MP, Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development & Local Government – Inland Rail (Completion of the Narrabri to North Star Project – Section 2C of N2NS Phase 1 and N2NS Phase 2)

**Recommendation:**

*That the Inwards and Outwards correspondence be received and noted.*

**9.3 Matters Arising from Correspondence**

**10 FINANCIAL REPORT**

**10.1 Transactions**

**National Australia Bank – 69-022-2187**

Opening Balance as at 12 July 2023	<b>\$20,954.38</b>
Interest	<b>\$0.52</b>
23/24 Membership – Bourke Shire Council	<b>\$500.00</b>
Balance as at 11 July 2023	<b>\$21,454.90</b>

**National Australia Bank – Term Deposit 42-388-8697**

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

**Warwick Credit Union – Fixed Term Deposit 100005924**

Reinvested 22 April 2023 for 12 months @ 3.75%	<b>\$ 11,559.83</b>
Maturity Date – 22 April 2024	

Recommendation:

*That the Financial Report be accepted.*

**10.2 Matters Arising from Financial Report**

**11 ITEMS LISTED**

**11.1 Memorandum of Understanding Signing**

A draft Memorandum of Understanding has been prepared and forwarded to all member Councils to consider alongside with their neighbouring cross border council(s). It was the intention that there would be a group signing of the MOUs at today’s meeting.

Balonne and Tenterfield Shire Councils have progressed their MOU and are in a position to sign at today’s meeting.

If any other Councils have progressed their MOU’s to the point of signing, they are invited to do so at today’s meeting.

Recommendation:

*That BROC note the signing of the Memorandum of Understanding between the cross-border Councils of Balonne and Tenterfield.*

**11.2 BROC Constitution / Terms of Reference**

At the August 2023 BROC meeting, it was resolved that notice of the following change to the BROC Constitution would be tabled for consideration at the next meeting:

- i) Clause 3

Strategic Priority Areas (SPA)

The Strategic Priority Areas for the organisation include:

Strategic Priority Area		Encompassing
1	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM	Industry
		Digital Connectivity
		Tourism
2	LIVEABILITY	Health
		Housing
		Education

		Policing / Crime Prevention
3	INFRASTRUCTURE	Road Network
		Transport
		Water Security, Urban & Waste Water
4	DISASTER MANAGEMENT	Agency Coordination
		Biosecurity

ii) Clause 5

**Members**

Membership of the organisation be amended to include Bourke Shire Council as a member council.

Note: The BROOC Constitution adopted on 1 December 2022 requires that any decision by the Organisation to change its name, objects or corporate status, or to voluntarily wind up the Organisation, must be made by a special resolution (Item 19). A special resolution requires written notice to be given of the meeting at which it is to be considered, and of the proposed special resolution not less than 21 days prior to the meeting at which a quorum is present. Three quarters (3/4) of those delegates present and entitled to vote must vote in favour of the resolution (Item 20).

Recommendation:

*That the BROOC Constitution be amended as follows:*

i) Clause 3

*Strategic Priority Areas (SPA)*

*The Strategic Priority Areas for the organisation include:*

<b>Strategic Priority Area</b>		<i>Encompassing</i>
1	<b>ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT &amp; TOURISM</b>	<i>Industry</i>
		<i>Digital Connectivity</i>
		<i>Tourism</i>
2	<b>LIVEABILITY</b>	<i>Health</i>
		<i>Housing</i>
		<i>Education</i>
		<i>Policing / Crime Prevention</i>
3	<b>INFRASTRUCTURE</b>	<i>Road Network</i>
		<i>Transport</i>



		<i>Water Security, Urban &amp; Waste Water</i>
4	<i>DISASTER MANAGEMENT</i>	<i>Agency Coordination</i>
		<i>Biosecurity</i>

ii) *Clause 5*

*Members*

*Membership of the organisation be amended to include Bourke Shire Council as a member council.*

**12 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:*
  - i) Memorandums of Understanding*
  - ii) Telstra Invitation to Address BROCC*
  - iii) Transport Networks – Invitation for NHVR to Address BROCC*
  - iv) Telecommunications Connectivity – Invitation for Telstra/Field Solutions to Address BROCC*
  - v) Strategic Priority Areas – Amendment to Constitution*

**13 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**14 NEXT MEETING**

The next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Friday 9 February, 2024 commencing at 9am (NSW time) and hosted by Brewarrina Shire Council.

**15 MEETING CLOSED**