

Minutes of the South Australian Region Organisation of Councils Committee meeting held at 10:00am on Thursday 16 May 2019 in the Boardrooms at Local Government House, 148 Frome Street, Adelaide

1. Welcome, Present & Apologies

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 10:00am and welcomed members, Regional Executive Officers and staff.

1.1 Present

SAROC Members

Mayor Erika Vickery OAM*	Member / Chairperson
Mayor Dave Burgess	Member
Mayor Peter Hunt	Member
Mayor Dean Johnson	Member
Mayor Peter Matthey*	Member
Mayor Clare McLaughlin*	Member
Mayor Bill O'Brien	Member
Mayor Keith Parkes*	Member
Mayor Glen Rowlands	Member
Mayor Leon Stephens	Member
Mayor Sam Telfer*	Member / LGA President

Regional Executive Officers

Tony Irvine	Eyre Peninsula LGA
Simon Millcock	Legatus Group
Biddie Shearing	Limestone Coast LGA
Peter Bond	Murraylands & Riverland LGA

LGA Secretariat

Matt Pinnegar	Chief Executive Officer
Lisa Teburea	Executive Director, Public Affairs
Sean Holden	Senior Policy Advisor
Danni Bailey	Acting Administration & Research Coordinator (minutes)

* LGA Board Director

1.2 Apologies and Absences

Mayor Richard Sage	Member
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2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

2.1 Minutes of meeting held 6 March 2019

Moved Mayor Hunt Seconded Mayor Telfer that the SAROC Committee confirms the minutes of its meeting held on 6 March 2019 as a true and accurate record of the proceedings held.

Carried

2.2 Resolutions and Actions from previous meetings

Members and Executive Officers spoke to item 6.5 in the previous resolutions – Socio-economic impacts from the NDIS on regional local governments.

Moved Mayor Burgess Seconded Mayor Johnson that the SAROC Committee seek a report from Regional Development SA and NDIA regarding the issues around the NDIS rollout and the financial service losses to regions as a result of delays.

Carried

Moved Mayor Matthey Seconded Mayor Rowlands that the SAROC Committee notes progress with resolutions resulting from the meeting of 6 March 2019 and previous meetings of the SAROC Committee.

Carried

3. Invited Guest Speakers

Nil.

4. Proposed Items of Business Submitted by Member Councils

Nil.

5. Reports for Discussion

5.1 Consultation on the draft Strategic Plan 2019-2023 and draft Annual Business Plan 2019-2020

Moved Mayor Burgess Seconded Mayor Stephens that the SAROC Committee:

1. notes the report on the consultation on the draft Strategic Plan 2019-2023 and draft Annual Business Plan 2019-2020;
2. endorses the draft Strategic Plan 2019-2023 and draft Annual Business Plan 2019-2020;
3. presents the draft Strategic Plan 2019-2023 and draft Annual Business Plan 2019-2020 to the Board of Directors for approval;
4. notes that a 2019-20 SAROC Budget will be prepared based on the costings provided within the draft Annual Business Plan 2019-2020

and within this report and circulated to SAROC Members for out of session approval prior to the LGA Board of Directors meeting in June 2019;

5. approves \$25,000 from the SAROC strategic plan for developing a coastal planning overlay to be re-allocated to support the work and resourcing of the Coastal Councils Alliance;
6. requests that the LGA provides the feedback from the Minister for Planning regarding the Rating Equity report to SAROC members, in order to allow for regions to continue to advocate for change; and
7. requests the LGA Secretariat to add "including advocating for a national water policy" as part of *Facilitate local government discussion relating to water policy* in the Annual Business Plan.

Carried

5.2 Evidence to inform local government advocacy for a strategic population policy

Moved Mayor Burgess Seconded Mayor McLaughlin that the SAROC Committee:

1. notes the report on "*Evidence to inform LG Advocacy for a Strategic Population Policy*"; and
2. notes the opportunity to use the information contained in the SACES report "*Evidence to inform local government advocacy for a strategic population policy*" to assist SAROC in delivery on the Objectives and Actions outlined in its draft Strategic Plan and draft Annual Business Plan.

Carried

5.3 SA Regional Visitor Strategy

Moved Mayor Stephens Seconded Mayor Matthey that the SAROC Committee notes the report on the SA Regional Visitor Strategy.

Carried

6. Any Other Business

6.1 Regional LGA Executive Officers' report

Moved Mayor Burgess Seconded Mayor O'Brien that the SAROC Committee note that the Executive Officers will collectively prepare a report in relation to drought impact for future consideration and action by SAROC.

Carried



6.2 Murray Darling Basin

Southern & Hills LGA noted its intent to request solidarity of all councils in relation to their support of the Murray Darling Basin Plan. SAROC members discussed that the LGA AGM would be the appropriate forum for this matter to be debated.

6.3 Abundant Species

Southern & Hills LGA has offered to lead the action on the management and control of native abundant species from the Annual Business Plan 2019-2020.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the SAROC Committee will be held on Wednesday 17 July 2019 at 2:00pm at the City of Whyalla, Darling Terrace, Whyalla.

8. Close

The meeting was declared closed at 11:07am

Minutes confirmed

meeting

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 Chairperson signature

Date *19/9/2019*.....