

REPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE 19 MARCH 2018

PRESENT: Councillors J Diffey, V Etheridge, D Grant, A Jones, S Lawrence, G Mohr, K Parker, J Ryan and B Shields.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

The General Manager, the Director Corporate Services, the Manager Governance and Risk, the Team Leader Governance, the Director Economic Development and Business, the Manager Communications and Stakeholder Engagement, the Director Infrastructure and Operations (R Mills), the Director Planning and Environment, the Manager Strategic Planning Services and the Director Community and Recreation.

Councillor G Mohr assumed chairmanship of the meeting.

The proceedings of the meeting commenced at 6.00pm.

EDBC18/14 REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, BUSINESS AND CORPORATE COMMITTEE - MEETING 19 FEBRUARY 2018 (ID18/491)

The Committee had before it the report of the Economic Development, Business and Corporate Committee meeting held 19 February 2018.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

That the report of the Economic Development, Business and Corporate Committee meeting held on 19 February 2018, be adopted.

EDBC18/15 RURAL FIRE SERVICE TRAINING FACILITY AT DUBBO CITY REGIONAL AIRPORT - REQUEST FOR ADDITIONAL LAND (ID18/296)

The Committee had before it the report dated 28 February 2018 from the Manager Property Assets regarding Rural Fire Service Training Facility at Dubbo City Regional Airport - request for additional land.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

The Committee recommends:

- That Council agree to the request by Rural Fire Service to secure the 1.15 ha portion of land adjoining their current development site.
- 2. That in consideration of Council providing to Rural Fire Service the additional 1.15 ha land parcel, Rural Fire Service will upgrade Judy Jakins Drive and upgrade the unnamed road between Judy Jakins and Arthur Butler Drive to be permanent roads capable of handling traffic to be generated by the Rural Fire Service development. Including the upgrading of stormwater infrastructure where it impacts the Rural Fire Service site.
- 3. That Council consult with Rural Fire Service on the naming of the internal road and that a report be provided to the Airport Working Party for consideration.
- 4. That Council continue to consult with the Dubbo Aero Club in regard to an appropriate alternative site within the airport grounds and Rural Fire Service reimburse Council for all expenses incurred to relocate the building.
- 5. That any necessary documentation in relation to this matter be executed under the common seal of Council.

CARRIED

It is noted that as this matter relates to the compulsory acquisition, purchase, sale, exchange or surrender of land, the Economic Development, Business and Corporate Committee does not have delegation to determine this matter. This matter shall be referred to Council for determine accordingly.

EDBC18/16 WELLINGTON CAVES MASTER PLAN (ID18/419)

The Committee had before it the report dated 2 March 2018 from the Manager Visitor Experiences and Services regarding Wellington Caves Master Plan.

Moved by Councillor D Grant and seconded by Councillor V Etheridge

MOTION

- That the report of the Manager Visitor Experiences and Services, dated 2 March 2018 be noted.
- 2. That the Wellington Caves Draft Master Plan as attached as Appendix 1 to this report be adopted.

EDBC18/17 REPORT OF THE AUDIT AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE - MEETING 13 MARCH 2018 (ID18/494)

The Committee had before it the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held 13 March 2018.

Moved by Councillor J Diffey and seconded by Councillor D Grant

MOTION

That the report of the Audit and Risk Management Committee meeting held on 13 March 2018, be adopted.

CARRIED

EDBC18/18 INVESTMENTS UNDER SECTION 625 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT - FEBRUARY 2018 (ID18/428)

The Committee had before it the report dated 5 March 2018 from the Director Corporate Services regarding Investments Under Section 625 of the Local Government Act - February 2018.

Moved by Councillor B Shields and seconded by Councillor A Jones

MOTION

That the information provided within the report of the Director Corporate Services, dated 5 March 2018 be noted.

CARRIED

Councillor K Parker declared a pecuniary, significant interest in the matter now before the Committee and left the room and was out of sight during the Committee's consideration of this matter. The reason for such interest is that Councillor K Parker is the Manager of the Dubbo Branch of the Bank of Queensland, a bank that Council has funds invested with.

EDBC18/19 REVIEW OF RATES STRUCTURE FOR 2018/2019 (ID18/313)

The Committee had before it the report dated 1 March 2018 from the Revenue Accountant regarding Review of Rates Structure for 2018/2019.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Ryan

MOTION

- 1. That the Rates Structure to be included in the Revenue Policy as part of the 2018/2019 Operational Plan be based on the existing 2017/2018 rate structure.
- 2. That the 2018/2019 rate structure incorporate a General Income Variation increase (the rate pegging limit) of 2.3% being the maximum permitted for the 2018/2019 rating year as determined by the Minister for Local Government.

EDBC18/20 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

A request for leave of absence was received from Councillor D Gumley who was absent from the meeting due to personal reasons.

Moved by Councillor A Jones and seconded by Councillor J Diffey

MOTION

That such request for leave of absence be accepted and Councillor D Gumley be granted leave of absence from this meeting.

The meeting closed at 6.05pm.	
CHAIRMAN	