

Minutes

Attendees:

Adelaide Hills Council

Bill Spragg, Mayor

Andrew Aitken, CEO

Lachlan Miller, Director Strategy and Development (acting)

Mike Flehr, Senior Strategic and Policy Planner

Alexandrina Council

Keith Parkes, Mayor

Sally Roberts, Manager Planning and Development

The Barossa Council

Bob Sloane, Mayor

Paul Mickan, Principal Planner

Mount Barker District Council

Ann Ferguson, Mayor

Greg Sarre, Manager Strategic Planning and Economic Development

District Council of Yankalilla

Mayor Glen Rowlands

Nigel Morris, CEO

Matt Robertson, Strategy and Policy Planner

City of Onkaparinga

Lorraine Rosenberg, Mayor

Adam Mrotek, Manager Projects and Development Policy

Daniel Jellings, Team Leader Development Policy

Divya Bali Dogra, Built Heritage Planner

Stephanie Johnson, **Project Manager**

Elizabeth Vines, **Heritage Consultant**

Felice D'Agostino, Partner, **Norman Waterhouse Lawyers**

Apologies:

Adelaide Hills Council

Marc Salver, Director Strategy and Development

Alexandrina Council

Peter Dinning, CEO

The Barossa Council

Martin McCarthy, CEO

Gary Mavrinc, Director Development and Environmental Services

Mount Barker District Council

Andrew Stuart, CEO

City of Onkaparinga

Mark Dowd, CEO

City of Onkaparinga

Anne Moroney

Meeting start: 10:05 am

Meeting close: 12:37 pm

Agenda Item 1. Welcome and Apologies

- Mayor Rosenberg welcomed members and staff and noted the apologies.

Agenda Item 2. Presentation on National Heritage Listing nomination of City of Broken Hill by Elizabeth (Liz) Vines

- SJ introduced Liz Vines to the PSG and PMG.
- PSG and PMG briefly introduced themselves to Liz Vines.
- Liz Vines presented a video on Broken Hills's successful campaign for National Heritage Listing of City of Broken Hill.
- Liz clarified that the city is not state heritage listed and when the National Heritage listing (NHL) process was initiated, state government support was not considered. The local council, with the assistance of heritage consultants and historians filled the nomination form and submitted to Federal Government in 2005.
- City of Broken Hill was listed as National Heritage listed site in 2015 following a series of correspondence and meetings with the Federal Government. The city is listed for seven (7) out of nine (9) criteria for National Heritage listing.
- Following the listing, heritage and mining development control plans were revised. The control plans are similar to the principles of development control in South Australian Councils Development Plans.
- The NHL has assisted in managing local heritage in a positive manner and would promote a sustainable development.
- LV emphasised that NHL is a long process and it is important to lobby and maximise connections.
- LV mentioned the current tentative listing considerations which include Cornish Mining Sites and Arkaroola in South Australia.
- LV suggested maintaining a relationship with Australia International Council for Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS) to assist in lobbying with the Federal Government.
- LV mentioned a key factor for success was grass roots support including Aboriginal Groups.
- PM questioned whether there have been any development that have triggered the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act.
- LV replied that there have been no EPBC referrals so far.
- GS questioned how easy/difficult it was to get the Local Environment Plan (LEP) given the State Government was not involved in the initial stages of National Heritage listing.
- LV replied that LEP was a way to get the support of New South Wales (NSW) State Government for the national listing.
- AMr stated that Andrew McKeegan, Chief Executive of South Australia's Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI) has raised concerns about six different development plans and has suggested a single document to provide consistent decision-making.
- LV suggested reviewing the Development Plans to understand how the development plans support the national heritage values and to have a strategic document that is reflected in the development plans.
- LV stated that there is a shift in UNESCO's approach in identifying values in a listed site that includes buildings, stories and culture.

- Chair thanked Liz Vines for her presentation and advice on the National Heritage listing.

Agenda Item 6. Proposal to establish Regional Subsidiary

This agenda item was brought forward due to attendance of lawyer.

- AMr briefly explained the report and the process followed to date.
- LR questioned the members whether they were comfortable with progressing the subsidiary and made suggestions on preparations for presentations to each council.
- LR expressed that there is an opportunity to invite three (3) more councils as cost for establishment is an issue.
- GR stated that he has discussed the concept of Regional Subsidiary with his councillors and executive team and it is unlikely Yankalilla District Council would be part of the subsidiary due to various reasons.
- NM expressed that he doesn't agree with recommendation 1 in the report.
- BS suggested an attempt to portion the contribution based on likely benefit to each council's income, gross agricultural production and/or tourism.
- AA stated that in-kind support is very important to the project and appreciates City of Onkaparinga's contribution to date.
- LR questioned if there is a possibility if indexation of councils' contribution.
- FD'A clarified that there is a dispute resolution clause within the Charter and there will be discussions with the constituent councils on the funding model.
- B Sloane questioned the implications of reduced budget on Stage 1 – National Heritage listing process.
- LR would like to explore the need for undertaking research for filling the nomination form.
- The recommendations were updated following discussion at the meeting. Amended recommendations are listed below:

MOTION:

That the Project Steering Group:

- 1. Endorse the establishment of a regional subsidiary based on the revised Charter as enclosed in Attachment 1, subject to:**
 - a. the strengthening of the requirement for the subsidiary to raise external funding (aspiring to a target of less than 50% contribution by 2018-19 financial year)**
 - b. reviewing the options of determining Constituent Council contributions, considering the potential value from the listing to each Constituent Council (both for agriculture and tourism industries) and resourcing capacity of each Constituent Council to make a contribution (to be considered and option determined by the PSG through a teleconference).**
- 2. Seek an indication from each of the councils currently operating under the Memorandum of Understanding (and identified in Clause 1.4.2 of Attachment 1) for the establishment of the regional subsidiary and endorsement of the draft Charter as enclosed in Attachment 1 and as amended if necessary in accordance with paragraph 1 and 3 of this resolution.**
- 3. Concurrently with paragraph 2, resolve the intent of the other councils previously identified through the feasibility study as being located within the potential World**

Heritage listed area including Light Regional, Clare and Gilbert Valleys and Victor Harbor regarding joining the subsidiary with a response sought by 2 May 2016.

4. Notes and receives the draft three year business plan and budget for presentation to potential constituent council's identified in paragraph 2 and 3 (subject to amendments from this meeting).
5. In relation to financial contribution notes the following:
 - a. The cash contribution from each of the Constituent Councils will be determined subject to the outcomes of paragraph 1.
 - b. Councils will make non-financial or in-kind contributions to the Consortium as set out in the Budget adopted by the Consortium and approved by the Constituent Councils.
 - c. The Consortium will undertake all reasonable steps to secure funds for the delivery of the Objects of the Charter to result in the progressive reduction of funds required from the Constituent Councils (achieving a reduction in Constituent Council contributions to less than 50% by the 2018-19 financial year).

Moved: Mayor Spragg

Seconded: Mayor Parkes

Carried unanimously

Andrew Aitken left the meeting at 12:00noon.

Agenda Item 3. Adoption of previous minutes from 9 November 2015 and task schedule

MOTION: That the minutes of the 9 November 2015 meeting of the PSG be adopted.

Moved: Mayor Ferguson

Seconded: Mayor Sloane

Carried unanimously

Agenda Item 4. Engagement, Advocacy and Communications Plan Update - Summary of stakeholder meetings and Quarterly Newsletter

- SJ expressed the importance of face to face meetings with the stakeholders.
- LR emphasised the need to convince Minister Rau to gain his and State Government's support.

MOTION:

That the PSG:

1. Note meetings were held with the following stakeholders:
 - a. Hon Ian Hunter MP, Minister for Sustainability, Environment and Conservation and Sandy Pitcher, Chief Executive Officer, Department of Environment, Water and Natural Resources
 - b. Andrew McKeegan, Chief Executive Officer, and Stuart Moseley, General Manager, Planning Transport & Infrastructure, Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure
 - c. Regional Development Authority (RDA) Adelaide Hills, Fleurieu and Kangaroo Island
 - d. John Hill, Chair, McLaren Vale Grape Wine and Tourism Association
 - e. Chris Kwong, Advisor, Hon John Rau MP, Minister for Planning
2. That a verbal summary of key issues raised at the stakeholder meetings was provided at the PSG meeting.
3. Note the quarterly newsletter circulated to all stakeholders in early January 2016 that highlights key project initiatives and information.

4. That the PSG Chair meets with each Consortium Council Mayor, CEO and relevant PMG staff member to discuss how support might be provided to deliver on project advocacy goals in 2016.

Moved: Mayor Spragg

Seconded: Mayor Ferguson

Carried unanimously

Agenda Item 5. National Heritage Listing Nomination Dossier Update

- SJ explained the process and the gaps in the research.

MOTION:

That the Project Steering Group (PSG) note the Project Manager's progress report on the National Heritage listing nomination.

Moved: Mayor Rowlands

Seconded: Mayor Parkes

Carried unanimously

Agenda Item 7. Year to date financial position and budget projection for Mount Lofty Ranges World Heritage Bid for the 2016-17 financial year

MOTION:

That the Project Steering Group (PSG):

1. Note the year-to-date financial position for the 2015-16 financial year and the budget projections for the Mount Lofty Ranges World Heritage Bid for the 2016-17 financial year.
2. Supports the presentation of a report to respective councils as part of their 2016-17 budget process for a projected budget allocation of [\$TBD] (to be informed by the decision on relation to Agenda Item 6).

Moved: Mayor Ferguson

Seconded: Mayor Spragg

Carried unanimously

Agenda Item 8. Project Plan update

MOTION:

That the Project Steering Group (PSG) note the Project Manager's report on the Project Plan.

Moved: Mayor Sloane

Seconded: Mayor Rowlands

Carried unanimously

Agenda Item 9. Date of next meeting – 5 May 2016 (TBC), Location – TBC

Agenda Item 10. Confidential - Project Manager's performance review

MOTION:

That the:

1. Project Manager be excluded from attendance at the meeting in order to consider this item in confidence.
2. The information in this report relates to the terms and conditions of the consultancy contract for the Project Manager and disclosure of any information would involve unreasonable disclosure of information concerning the personal affairs of the person engaged as the Project Manager.
3. Public disclosure or discussion of information concerning the contract of employment of the person at the meeting would be inconsistent with accepted principles of professional human resource management.

Moved: Mayor Ferguson

Seconded: Nigel Morris

Carried unanimously

Mayor Parkes left the meeting at 12:30pm.

MOTION:

That the Project Steering Group:

- 1. Notes that appraisal of Project Manger's performance has been undertaken each month in October, November and December 2015 per the conditions of the contract.**
- 2. Notes that the Project Manager's contract will be renewed by the Project Management Group (PMG) for an additional 6 months concluding September 2016.**

Moved: Mayor Ferguson

Seconded: Mayor Spragg

Carried unanimously

Sue Oliver, owner of White Hill Farm led a tour of the property and provided an insight into the history of the property and change of uses over the years.

Lorraine Rosenberg

Chair, Project Steering Group