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GVROC Council Meeting

Friday 29 June 2018
In-Person Meeting
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Councillors Conference Room
commencing at 9.02am

MINUTES

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GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS (GVROC)

An in-person meeting of the GVROC Council held Friday 29 June 2018 commencing at 9.02am

MINUTES

1. OPENING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss business related to the activities of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils and to consider and provide advice to the WALGA State Council Representative, Cr Mal Cullen.

Cr Cullen opened the meeting at 9.02am welcoming all delegates.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Pursuant to the Code of Conduct, Councillors and CEOs must declare to the Chairman any potential conflict of interest they may have in a matter before the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils as soon as they become aware of it. Councillors, CEOs and Deputies may be directly or indirectly associated with some recommendations of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils. If you are affected by these recommendations, please excuse yourself from the meeting and do not participate in deliberations.

Nil

3. RECORD OF ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES AND LEAVE OF ABSENCE

3.1 Attendance

Cr Mal Cullen (Chair)	President, Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Tracey Rathbone	Councillor, Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Sherryl Botting	Councillor, Shire of Coolgardie
Ms Laura Dwyer	Manager Recreation and Community, Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Laurene Bonza	President, Shire of Dundas
Mr Gihan Kohobange	A/CEO Shire of Dundas
Mr Matthew Scott (via telephone from 10.54am)	CEO, Shire of Esperance
Mayor John Bowler	Mayor City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Cr Suzie Williams	Councillor, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Mr John Walker	CEO, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Cr Peter Craig	President Shire of Leonora
Mr Jim Epis	CEO, Shire of Leonora
Cr Greg Dwyer	President, Shire of Menzies
Cr Jill Dwyer	Councillor, Shire of Menzies
Ms Rhonda Evans	CEO, Shire of Menzies
Cr Keith Dunlop	President, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Cr Ian Goldfinch	Councillor, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Cr Peter Smith	Councillor, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Mr Ian Fitzgerald	CEO, Shire of Ravensthorpe
Cr Jim Quadrio	President, Shire of Wiluna
Cr Peter Grundy	Councillor, Shire of Wiluna
Mr Colin Bastow	CEO, Shire of Wiluna

Mr Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer BHW Consulting

3.2 Apologies

Mr James Trail, CEO Shire of Coolgardie
Cr Victoria Brown, President Shire of Esperance
Cr Basil Parker, Councillor Shire of Esperance
Cr Patrick Hill, President Shire of Laverton
Mr Peter Naylor, CEO Shire of Laverton
Cr Damian McLean, President Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku
Mr Chris Paget, CEO Shire of Ngaanyatjarraku

Mr Kyran O'Donnell MLA, Member for Kalgoorlie
Mr Peter Rundle MLA, Member for Roe

Hon Ken Baston MLC, Member for Mining and Pastoral Region
Hon Colin de Grussa MLC, Member for Agricultural Region
Hon Laurie Graham MLC, Member for Agricultural Region
Hon Rick Mazza MLC, Member for Agricultural Region
Hon Kyle McGinn MLC, Member for Mining and Pastoral Region
Hon Darren West MLC, Member for Agricultural Region

Ms Kate Fielding Chair Goldfields Esperance Development Commission (GEDC)
Mr Kris Starcevich, A/CEO GEDC
Ms Jodie Holbrook, Director Local Government Policy and Engagement, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
Ms Erin Bond, Regional Manager, Goldfields – Sport and Recreation, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
Mr Tony Snelling Water Corporation, Kalgoorlie-Boulder office

Ms Helen Westcott, Joint Executive Officer

3.3 Guests

Mr Josh Chiat, Resources Reporter Kalgoorlie Miner
Ms Mandy Reidy, Chief Wrangler Goldfields Tourism WA 'Drive Yourself Wild'
Ms Sandra Donkin, Manager of Administration Goldfields Tourism
Ms Georgia Foulkes-Taylor, Electorate Officer Hon Kyle McGinn MLC, Member for Mining and Pastoral Region
Ms Lee Jacobson, Chair RDA Goldfields Esperance
Ms Kate Mills, A/Director RDA Goldfields Esperance

3.4 WALGA Representatives

Ms Anne Banks-McAllister AM, Regional Capacity Building Manager
Ms Carol-Anne Bradley, Roads Safety Officer Goldfields Esperance Region

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.1 Presentation by Mandy Reidy Goldfields Tourism Network Association (Attachment)

Mandy Reidy, Chief Wrangler Goldfields Tourism Network Association

At the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 in considering the Event Evaluation Report prepared by the Goldfields Tourism Network (GTN) on its participation in the annual Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia Royal Show it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Williams Seconded: Cr Brown

That GVROC invite representatives from the Goldfields Tourism Network to the June GVROC Council Meeting to discuss new directions for tourism funding.

CARRIED

The matter is also included as Item 10.2 on this agenda.

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation used by Mandy Reidy in her meeting with the GVROC Council forms an attachment to the minutes.

4.2 Presentation by RDA Goldfields Esperance (Ms Lee Jacobson)

RDA Goldfields Esperance Chair Lee Jacobson advised that the recruitment processes for Board had been completed and also Dr Stephen Halls had been appointed Director of Regional Development.

4.3 Presentation by John Walker, CEO City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder on Growing Kalgoorlie-Boulder

John Walker, CEO City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder presented on the Growing Kalgoorlie-Boulder Strategy.

The presentation was similar to the one given by John at the Growing Kalgoorlie-Boulder 2018 Economic Development Conference held in Perth on 6 June 2018.

10.26am Meeting adjourned for morning tea

10.54am Meeting resumed after morning tea

Upon resumption of the meeting Mandy Reidy, Sandra Donkin, Lee Jacobson, Kate Mills and Josh Chiat did not return

10.54am Matthew Scott (CEO Shire of Esperance) joined the meeting by telephone

5. MINUTES OF MEETINGS

5.1 Minutes of a Meeting of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) Council held Friday 27 April 2018 (Attachment)

Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 27 April 2018 have previously been circulated.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 27 April 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Goldfinch** **Seconded: Cr Jill Dwyer**

That the Minutes of the GVROC Council Meeting held Friday 27 April 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

5.2 Business Arising from Meetings of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) – June 2018 Status Report

5.2.1 GVROC Meeting 27 April 2018 Agenda Item 10.2 Community Development Programme (Attachment)

At the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Botting** **Seconded: Hill**

That GVROC:

1. *Note the recommendation from the GVROC CEO's Group;*
2. *Note the discussion paper presented;*
3. *Authorise the engagement of Mia Hicks Consulting to develop a submission on behalf of GVROC to the discussion paper: Remote Employment and Participation – consistent with the context of the presented discussion paper;*
4. *Authorise the Chair to finalise the submission and the send the submission on behalf of the GVROC to the office of Mr Rick Wilson MP, Member for O'Connor; and*
5. *Authorise expenditure of \$2,000 for the preparation of the submission.*

CARRIED

Current Status

The submission, copy attached, was prepared by Mia Hicks Consulting and submitted by the GVROC Chair on 7 May 2018.

No further action is required.

5.2.2 GVROC Meeting 27 April 2018 Agenda Item 11.3 WALGA State Council Agenda Item 5.5 Community Resource Centre Funding Cuts

At the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Hill** **Seconded: Cr Botting**

That:

1. **WALGA:**
 - a. *Acknowledges the difficulties being faced by proposed funding cuts to all Community Resource Centres and the flow on effects this may have to Local Governments; and*
 - b. *Considers previous reviews into the location and functionality of Community Resources Centres.*
2. *WALGA coordinate a representative paper with affected Local Governments to highlight the long term implications for the Local Government Sector; and*

3. WALGA write to the relevant Ministers and Agencies to highlight the concerns of affected Local Governments and the need for appropriate resources and long term planning support to assist rural, regional and remote communities.

CARRIED

On Monday 30 April 2018, between the GVROC meeting and the State Council meeting, Minister MacTiernan issued a media statement (Sustainable Funding for Community Resource Centres - see attached) which outlines the future funding for CRCs.

WALGA has advised that State Council in considering the matter resolved as follows:

That

1. WALGA:
 - a. Acknowledges the difficulties being faced by proposed funding cuts to Community Resource Centres and the flow on effects this may have to Local Governments; and
 - b. Considers previous reviews into the location and functionality of Community Resources Centres.
2. WALGA, as a high priority, coordinate a representative paper with affected Local Governments to highlight the long term implications for the Local Government Sector; and
3. WALGA, as a matter of urgency, meets with the Minister to discuss the sectors absolute dismay at the potential loss of vital support services by Community Resource Centres to rural, regional and remote communities and the effect the cuts will have on the Local Government sector and request that this decision be reversed.

No further action is required as the matter is being progressed by WALGA.

5.2.3 GVROC Meeting 27 April 2018 Agenda Item 14.1 Establishment of a Mining Camp near the Leinster Townsite

At the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Dwyer* *Seconded: Cr Williams*

That GVROC write to the Minister for Regional Development, with a cc to Hon Kyle McGinn MLC, requesting that approval not be given to Goldfields Australia for the development of a fly-in fly-out camp near the Leinster townsite.

CARRIED

Following research, the Executive Officer wrote to the Minister for Lands as the most appropriate Minister together with a copy to Hon Kyle McGinn.

No response has been received at this time.

Ms Georgia Foulkes-Taylor, Electorate Officer Hon Kyle McGinn MLC, on behalf of Hon Kyle McGinn advised the meeting that contact had been made with Minister Saffioti's office. The Minister has received the letter and will provide a response within the next week.

5.2.4 GVROC Meeting 27 April 2018 Agenda Item 14.2 Ngadju People and Local Governments-Negotiation Protocol and Agreement Making

At the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Hill* *Seconded: Cr Craig*

That GVROC request law firm Squire Patton Boggs to meet with GVROC Council to provide an update on the Ngadju People's native title claim on land within the Goldfields Esperance region.

CARRIED

Arrangements have been made for Squire Patton Boggs to present at the GVROC Meeting on 2 August 2018 during Local Government Week.

5.3 Minutes of a Meeting of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils (GVROC) CEOs Group held Friday 25 May 2018 (Attachment)

Minutes prepared by the Shire of Coolgardie for the GVROC CEOs Group Meeting held Friday 25 May 2018 have previously been circulated.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the GVROC CEOs Group Meeting held Friday 25 May 2018 be received.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Bonza

Seconded: Cr Craig

That the Minutes of the GVROC CEOs Group Meeting held Friday 25 May 2018 be received.

CARRIED

5.4 Matters for Noting

No matters for noting

6. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS FINANCE

6.1 Financial Statements for 31 May 2018 (Attachment) and Accounts for Payment

Reporting Officer: Helen Westcott, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: No interest to disclose

Date: 20 June 2018

Attachments: Financial Statement to 31 May 2018

Background:

Presenting the unaudited financial statement for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 May 2018 and the accounts approved for payment for the period 29 March 2018 to 15 June 2018.

Financial Statement:

The Executive Officer provides the following comment:

Note No	Account No	Details
1	501	Members Subscriptions – all members’ annual subscriptions have been paid
2	502	Members Subscriptions Goldfields District Display – all members’ annual subscriptions have been paid
3	575.01	Interest - Interest on funds held by GVROC
4	512	Project General Contributions - all members’ annual subscriptions have been paid
5	1512, 1513, 1514 and 1515	Executive Officer Services – payment for Executive Officer Services and expenses incurred such as travel and accommodation. The account includes payment for Executive Officer Services until the 30 April 2018.
6	1555	Council Expenses – Meeting Food and Beverage - included in this account is expenditure for the GVROC Meeting held during Local Government Week and GVROC Dinner expenses for the dinner during Local Government Week 2017 that is being recouped from member Councils
7	1845	Refund of RDAGE Funding as approved by the GVROC
8	1846	Cost of preparation of submission on Remote Employment & Participation
9	1836	Sponsorship for the Royal Show Goldfields District Display
10	1848	DLG Asset Management Business Case – reimbursement payments paid to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder on a quarterly basis. This project has now been finalised and the acquittal submitted to the Department. A detailed report was submitted to the last meeting of the GVROC. The Department of Local Government has identified from the acquittal that an amount of \$12,629.09 needs to be reimbursed to the Department.
11	1849	Maintenance GVROC Equipment Pool – this account includes expenditure on maintenance of the equipment pool which is managed by the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

Accounts Paid:

Cheque/ EFT	Date	Payee	Details	Amount incl GST
EFT	150518	Up to Date Accounting	Accounting Services April 2018	607.20
EFT	160518	BHW Consulting	Professional Services March and April 2018, reimbursements airline bookings, accommodation, travel and teleconference facilities	10,150.92
EFT	170518	Mia Hicks	Preparation of GVROC's Submission Discussion Paper - Remote Employment and Participation	2,200.00
TOTAL				\$12,958.12

Consultation: Mr Ian Fitzgerald

Financial Implications: Funds for the expenditure is included in the 2017/2018 Budget

Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 3

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Statement of Financial Position for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 May 2018 and the accounts approved for payment for the period 29 March 2018 to 15 June 2018 totalling \$12,958.12 be endorsed.

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Williams

That the Statement of Financial Position for the period 1 July 2017 to 31 May 2018 and the accounts approved for payment for the period 29 March 2018 to 15 June 2018 totalling \$12,958.12 be endorsed.

CARRIED

7. GOLDFIELDS RECORDS STORAGE FACILITY

7.1 Management of Goldfields Records Storage Facility (GRS) Update Report and Signing of Agreement

Reporting Officer: Helen Westcott, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 22 June 2018

Attachments: GRS GVROC Report from Shire of Coolgardie

Background:

Presenting the report from the Shire of Coolgardie for the Goldfields Records Storage facility to the 19 June 2018.

Also, at the GVROC Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 in considering this matter resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Mayor Bowler Seconded: Cr Dwyer*

That GVROC Council:

1. *Endorse the Archives and Record Management (2018 Replacement) Agreement as attached, with the signing of the Agreement to take place at the GVROC Council Meeting scheduled to be held Friday 29 June 2018; and*
2. *Receive the report prepared by the Shire of Coolgardie on the Goldfields Records Storage Facility.*

CARRIED

The agreement has been printed and will be available for signing and sealing by all Members of the GRS.

Executive Officer Comment:

No further comment.

Consultation: Nil

Financial Implications: Unknown

Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 5
Goal 5.1

RECOMMENDATION:

That GVROC notes the Goldfields Records Storage Update Report and the signing and sealing of the Archives and Record Management (2018 Replacement) Agreement.

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Jill Dwyer Seconded: Cr Rathbone*

That GVROC notes the Goldfields Records Storage Update Report and the signing and sealing of the Archives and Record Management (2018 Replacement) Agreement.

CARRIED

8. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS - LAW AND ORDER
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This is a standing agenda item but there are no matters that have been submitted to the Executive Officer for inclusion in the agenda.

9. GVROC REGIONAL EQUIPMENT POOL

Nil report as reports are prepared quarterly.

The next report will be presented at the August meeting of the GVROC Council.

10. GOLDFIELDS VOLUNTARY REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS BUSINESS

10.1 Planning for GVROC Functions During Local Government Week 2018

Reporting Officer: Helen Westcott, Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 21 June 2018

Attachments: Nil

Background:

Arrangements for the GVROC Council Meeting and Facilitated Workshop on Thursday 2 August 2018 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre (PCEC) are underway.

Two functions are planned:

- GVROC Dinner to be held at the Adelphi Grill (Parmelia) on Tuesday 31 July 2018. Details of this function have already been provided to Member Councils; and
- GVROC Council Meeting and Facilitated Workshop – Thursday 2 August 2018.

As has been previously advised, RSVPs should be with the Executive Officer no later than close of business on Tuesday 17 July so catering for both functions can be finalised.

Executive Officer Comment:

At the GVROC Council Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018, in discussing the Structure of the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils, resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Brown* *Seconded: Cr Dwyer*

That GVROC:

1. *Maintain the current administrative arrangements;*
2. *Hold a facilitated workshop on the future structure of GVROC and how it will be administered;*
3. *Discuss with BHW Consulting the outcome of the facilitated workshop and how this outcome may be incorporated in the current contract; and*
4. *Reinforce the expectation for the CEO Group to introduce and assess the implementation of GVROC projects.*

CARRIED

In consultation with the GVROC Chair arrangements have been made to engage Tuna Blue (Will Bessen) to facilitate a planning and priority setting workshop for GVROC. To ensure that GVROC can meet in a room that will allow adequate space for the conduct of the Facilitated Workshop it has been necessary this year to pay for the hire of the room and associated AV technology. Morning tea and lunch will be arranged.

The GVROC Chair has also requested that the facilitated workshop be limited to 2 delegates from each Member Council together with the Executive Officers.

It is not intended to invite WALGA to the Facilitated Workshop.

It is planned to commence the meeting at 8.00am at the PCEC on Thursday 2 August with the opportunity to invite Squires Patton Boggs to present an update on native title issues including the matter related to the Ngadju People.

An invitation has also been extended to Mr Duncan Ord Director General Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC) to attend and address the GVROC.

The Executive Officer is currently working on the final timing for various aspects of the meeting so there is adequate time for the facilitated workshop.

Consultation: GVROC Chair Cr Cullen

Financial Implications: This is unknown at this time as it will be dependent upon the outcome of the GVROC's considerations

Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 1, Goal 1.1 and Goal 1.2
Objective 2, Goal 2.1 and Goal 2.2
Objective 3, Goal 3.1

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

The matter is presented for discussion.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report be noted.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Williams**

That the report be noted.

CARRIED

10.2 Royal Show Goldfields District Display Funding

Reporting Officer: Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 21 June 2018

Attachments: Nil

Background:

At the GVROC Council Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 in considering the Event Evaluation Report prepared by the Goldfields Tourism Network (GTN) on its participation in the annual Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia Royal Show it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Williams* *Seconded: Cr Brown*

That GVROC invite representatives from the Goldfields Tourism Network to the June GVROC Council Meeting to discuss new directions for tourism funding.

CARRIED

Mandy Reidy from GTN will be in attendance at the meeting as requested in the above resolution.

In consideration of this matter at the last GVROC meeting it was proposed that at the meeting with GTN, there would be a discussion on "new directions for tourism funding".

Executive Officer Comment:

No further comment.

Consultation: Nil

Financial Implications: GVROC annually provides funding of \$23,300

Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 2
Goal 2.3

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

The matter is listed for discussion and decision.

RESOLUTION: *Moved: Cr Craig* *Seconded: Mayor Bowler*

1. **That the Royal Show Goldfields District Display be funded for the 2018 Royal Show with the contribution being funded from the GVROC Project Account with an appropriate expenditure amendment to the 2018/2019 budget.**
2. **That the GVROC undertake a review of future funding arrangements for the Royal Show Goldfields District Display.**

CARRIED

10.3 Legislative Protection for Remotely Piloted Aircrafts (Drones) City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder (Attachment)

Reporting Officer: Stuart Devenish, General Manager Infrastructure & Environment, City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Bruce Wittber, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 21 June 2018

Attachments: Correspondence from City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and Council Report

Background:

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder (the City) has written to GVROC seeking for it to advocate to both State and Commonwealth Governments to develop greater legislative protection for individual against privacy-invasive technologies, including drones.

A copy of the correspondence and Council Report is attached to this agenda.

By way of background below is an extract from the City's Minutes of 14 May 2018:

The increased prevalence of drones has prompted Council to consider issues arising from their use, and the adequacy of controls around the operation of the devices.

Drones are used for fun and recreation, for legitimate commercial purposes and for government agencies as part of their operations. Common to all types of uses however are matters to do with safety, privacy and potentially trespass.

This report identifies and evaluates the existing statutory controls relating to drones in respect to operational considerations and the types of uses and users. It is found that issues of safety are uniformly regulated at a Commonwealth level by the Civil Aviation Safety Authority (CASA). Regulations administered by CASA allow for recreational users to fly drones in limited circumstances. Commercial operators of drones are subject to licencing requirements, and notification regimes to ensure suitable standards of safety are maintained. These arrangements also help to discourage nuisance drone operations.

While safety standards are regulated, issues around privacy however are less clear, with protections for individuals and remedies at Commonwealth and State levels remaining uncertain and without the benefit of substantial case law. It is recommended that the City advocate for better protections through industry associations.

At present, the use of drones is not considered to provide benefit to the City's operational functions. In this circumstance, and in view of legal uncertainty around information captured by drones, it is recommended the use of the device not be supported at this time.

At a local government level, certain activities can be allowed or prohibited through Local Laws. At present, the City's Local Government Property Local Law 2010 addresses the permissibility of powered model aircraft. These provisions could be amended to include reference to drones, thereby enabling Council to subsequently specify local government property where drones may and may not be operated. It is recommended that such amendments be considered during the next review or amendment to the Local Law.

Executive Officer Comment:

The attached correspondence and Council report clearly outlines the issue and the advocacy being requested.

Consultation: Nil

Financial Implications: Nil
Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 1
Goal 1.2

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils advocate to the State and Commonwealth Governments to develop greater legislative protection for individuals against privacy-invasive technologies including drones.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Quadrio**

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils:

- 1. Advocate to the State and Commonwealth Governments to develop greater legislative protection for individuals against privacy-invasive technologies including drones; and**
- 2. Advise WALGA of its concern of the need for greater legislative protection for individuals against privacy-invasive technologies including drones.**

CARRIED

10.4 Regional GVROC Meeting Shire of Ravensthorpe October 2018

Reporting Officer: Helen Westcott, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 22 June 2018

Attachments: Nil

Background:

When the GVROC finalised its meeting schedule for 2018/2019 it resolved to hold a regional meeting in the Shire of Ravensthorpe on Thursday 11 and Friday 12 October 2018.

The Executive Officer has been in discussions with the Ian Fitzgerald, CEO Shire of Ravensthorpe on a possible program once Members have arrived.

In addition, following discussions with GVROC Chair Cr Cullen, the Executive Officer has obtained costings from Kalgoorlie-based bus charter companies so that delegates can travel to Ravensthorpe/Hopetoun.

Costings for the "bus trip" were sought from Kalgoorlie based Buswest and Goldrush Tours for a trip from Leonora to Ravensthorpe and return.

Goldrush Tours cost for this charter is \$9576 exc GST (\$10,533.60 inc GST). The cost is based on the use of a 48-seat coach equipped with reclining seats, seat belts, air conditioning and CD/Stereo.

GVROC will be required to provide meals and accommodation for the coach captain. If this is not possible extra charges will apply.

The schedule would be as shown below.

Tuesday October 9, 2018

pm Mobilise coach and driver to Leonora

Wednesday October 10, 2018

Early am Collect passengers in Lenora
 Transfer to Kalgoorlie and collect passengers
 Transfer to Norseman and collect passengers
 Transfer to Esperance and collect passengers
 Transfer to Hopetoun

Thursday October 11, 2018

Bus to remain in Hopetoun for the day, requirements TBA (the GVROC Council would be held on 11 October)

Friday October 12, 2018

Early am Collect passengers in Hopetoun
 Transfer to Leonora, dropping passengers off at original locations

Saturday October 13, 2018

Am Demobilise coach and driver to Kalgoorlie

From the schedule shown above it can be seen that an additional day will be need to be added to accomplish the road trip/regional visit and the GVROC Council Meeting.

Buswest's costing is \$4970.00 exc GST (\$5467 inc GST). At this stage the costing is provisional.

As with Goldrush Tours, GVROC will be required to provide meals and accommodation for the coach captain. If this is not possible extra charges will apply.

Details on the type of bus to be used has not been provided.

A firm costing will be provided once the travel requirements for Hopetoun and Ravensthorpe are known and provided to Buswest.

The schedule would be as shown above.

Executive Officer Comment:

A costing to charter a plane has yet to be obtained as the GVROC Chair wanted to determine Member Councils thoughts on travelling by bus. Earlier conversations he had had with Member Councils identified a desire to travel to the Shire of Ravensthorpe in this way.

If GVROC decides to undertake the regional visit by bus travel the Executive Officer believes that Buswest should be engaged, subject to a confirmed costing being provided, as it is substantially lower than the costing provided by Goldrush Tours.

Consultation:	Nil
Financial Implications:	Cost of bus trip
Strategic Implications:	GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022 Objective 1 Goal 1.2
Voting Requirement:	Simple majority

Additional Meeting Comment:

During discussion there was a general view that a number of the delegates wished to travel via car to Ravensthorpe/Hopetoun. As such the cost of hiring a bus could not be justified.

With the decision to not travel by bus it was agreed to hold the meeting on Friday 12 October commencing at 8.30am or 9.00am.

RECOMMENDATION:

That:

1. Subject to a confirmed pricing, Buswest be engaged to provide bus charter services for the regional GVROC Council meeting to be held in the Shire of Ravensthorpe, leaving from Leonora on Wednesday 10 October and returning to Leonora on Friday 12 October 2018;
2. The GVROC Council Meeting be held on Thursday 11 October 2018; and
3. The Executive Officer finalise the regional tour program for circulation ahead of the GVROC meetings scheduled to be held during the 2018 WALGA Convention.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Williams** **Seconded: Cr Craig**

That:

1. **A bus charter not be supported and the GVROC Council Meeting be held on Friday 12 October 2018 (8.30am/9.00am start); and**
2. **The Executive Officer finalise the regional tour program for circulation ahead of the GVROC meetings scheduled to be held during the 2018 WALGA Convention.**

CARRIED

10.5 ABC Television Weather Reports

Reporting Officer: Helen Westcott, Joint Executive Officer

Disclosure of Interest: Nil

Date: 21 June 2018

Attachments: Email from Kim Jordan April 2010

Background:

At the GVROC Council Meeting on Friday 27 April 2018 it was resolved as follows:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Hill Seconded: Cr Dwyer

That the Executive Officer write to the ABC seeking the reinstatement of weather information for towns within the northern Goldfields on its nightly news program.

CARRIED

Cr Hill in raising the matter of limited weather information relating to the northern Goldfields being presented on the ABC News was seeking support from GVROC to seek reinstatement of this weather information on the ABC's nightly weather programs.

Executive Officer Comment:

The Executive Officer is yet to contact the ABC on the matter as requested by the GVROC because it would seem that an answer has already been provided following a similar request from the Shire of Laverton in 2010. Attached is a copy of the email response from the ABC in April 2010.

As an observation given the continued cuts in spending to agencies such as the ABC it is unlikely that anything cut from a budget a decade ago will find its way back into the current Government's budget (now or into the future).

In addition to the weather updates referred to in Kim Jordan's email the internet also now has, through the Bureau of Meteorology, extensive weather coverage of many parts of Australia, including the northern Goldfields and out into the Lands. The Bureau of Meteorology also has an App that provides up to date weather information.

Given the previous approach to the ABC the matter was referred to the GVROC Chair who has followed up with Cr Hill. In doing so it is noted that Cr Cullen had the opportunity to raise the issue with the ABC Managing Director Michelle Guthrie. Cr Cullen may be able to advise whether this conversation provided scope for hope in having the previous decision reversed.

The matter is presented for discussion.

Consultation: Nil

Financial Implications: Nil

Strategic Implications: GVROC Strategic Plan 2017-2022
Objective 1
Goal 1.2

Voting Requirement: Simple majority

Shire of Laverton Comment:

The CEO Shire of Laverton advised by email that the Shire was happy for this process to lapse through GVROC and the Shire President, Cr Hill will pursue through other avenues

RECOMMENDATION:

That no further action on the reinstatement of weather information for towns within the northern Goldfields on ABC nightly news program be taken.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Bonza** **Seconded: Cr Grundy**

That no further action on the reinstatement of weather information for towns within the northern Goldfields on ABC nightly news program be taken.

CARRIED

11. WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION (WALGA) BUSINESS

Zone delegates to consider the Matters for Decision contained in the WA Local Government Association State Council Agenda and put forward resolutions to Zone Representatives on State Council

11.1 State Councillor/Goldfields Esperance Zone President's Report (Attachments)

Cr Mal Cullen, President, Shire of Coolgardie

Cr Cullen advised that he, along with several other representatives from the Goldfields, attended the ALGA National General Assembly in Canberra.

During this time in Canberra he was able to meet with several Commonwealth Ministers including Deputy Prime Minister Hon Michael McCormack, Hon Ken Wyatt and Senator Hon Nigel Scullion, as well as various Members of Parliament including Senator Pauline Hansen.

Cr Cullen also advised he had received an email from WALGA requesting his support by "flying minute" for a new State/Local Government Roads Agreement. The recommendation for consideration by WALGA State Council is as follows:

That WALGA accept the State Government offer to allocate 20% of motor vehicle licence fee revenue to the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement, and the Agreement be executed accordingly.

Cr Cullen advised that it is forecast that local government will receive 14% more funding under the proposed agreement over the coming four years as compared the previous four years.

11.2 WALGA Status Report

From Executive Officer

BACKGROUND:

Presenting the Status Report for the Goldfields Esperance Country Zone (GVROC) for June 2018.

GVROC COMMENT:

No further comment required.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils note the State Councillor Report and WALGA Status Report.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Williams**

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils note the State Councillor Report and WALGA Status Report.

CARRIED

11.3 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Matters for Decision

From Executive Officer

Background:

WALGA State Council meets five times each year and as part of the consultation process with Member Councils circulates the State Council Agenda for input through the Zone structure.

The Zone is able to provide comment or submit an alternate recommendation that is then presented to the State Council for consideration.

5.1 Updated Climate Change Policy Statement (05-028-03-0011 LS)

WALGA Recommendation

That the revised WALGA Climate Change Policy Statement be endorsed.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation

5.2 Interim Submission – Model Subdivision Conditions (05-047-01-0003 VJ)

WALGA Recommendation

That the interim submission to the WA Planning Commission on the Model Subdivision Conditions be endorsed.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT:

This matter was considered by the GVROC Meeting on 23 February 2018, with the meeting resolving as shown below:

RESOLUTION: Moved: Cr Rathbone Seconded: Cr Hill

That WALGA advise the State Government the Local Government sector:

1. *Will not agree to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services' (DFES) transferring of responsibility to the Local Government sector for the clearance of a subdivision condition for Bush Fire Management Plans, when the condition has been requested by DFES; and*
2. *Requires adequate and effective consultation on any review of the model subdivision condition relating to clearance, including relating to Bush Fire Management Plans that would result in the transfer of responsibility from any agency for the clearance of a subdivision condition when that condition has been requested by that agency.*

CARRIED

WALGA considered the issue at its March 2018 State Council meeting, when a report on the significant shift in the implementation of the Bushfire Management Plans through the subdivision process was considered, and the following recommendation endorsed (RESOLUTION 11.1/2018):

That WALGA advise the State Government the Local Government sector:

1. *Will not agree to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) transferring of responsibility to the Local Government sector for the clearance of a subdivision condition for Bushfire Management Plans, when the condition has been requested by DFES;*
2. *Requires adequate and effective consultation on any review of the model subdivision condition relating to clearance, including relating to Bushfire Management Plans that would result in the transfer of responsibility from any agency for the clearance of a subdivision condition when that condition has been requested by that agency.*

In the current WALGA report to State Council the following has been noted:

The main changes are the removal of DFES as a clearing authority for Bushfire Management Plans and other bush fire planning matters, which is not acceptable. If a Local Government does not want to clear these conditions, then the WAPC must also be the clearing agency, particularly if the involvement of DFES has now been removed. This will then align with the State Council resolution in March 2018, which does not support the change in DFES's approach to these subdivision conditions.

It has been pointed out in the interim submission that the 'consultation' via an email subscriber list does not align with the State and Local Government Partnership Agreement, as only those subscribing to the 'Bushfire Policy Subscriber' list would have received the information and invitation to comment.

Other suggestions in the submission include further clarity on how the conditions are implemented, as they are not entirely specific as to exactly how and why they are used. Without this clarity, they could be applied in circumstances that make them difficult to clear, or possibly be applied by the WAPC in inappropriate circumstances.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation

5.3 Interim Submission – Position Statement – Housing on lots less than 100m² (05-306-03-0062 CH)

WALGA Recommendation

That the interim submission to the WA Planning Commission on Position Statement – Housing on Lots less than 100m² be endorsed.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation

5.4 Policy for Restricted Access Vehicles on Roads Not on an Approved Network During Harvest (05-006-03-0004 ID)

WALGA Recommendation

1. That WALGA support changes to the Harvest Mass Management Scheme to enable heavy vehicles that meet the requirements of RAV 2, RAV 3 or RAV 4 to travel on roads not assessed for the RAV network between paddocks and the nearest RAV route during the harvest period.
2. Advocate that any roads assessed on the initiative of Main Roads that do not meet the requirements for addition to the RAV network at the level used under the Harvest Mass Management Scheme remain unassessed for the purpose of network definition.

GVROC COMMENT:

The Executive Officer advised that he had received advice of concern relating to this matter from the Central Country Zone who had provided details of an alternate recommendation. The Executive Officer outlined the intent of the Central Country Zone's recommendation.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Goldfinch

Seconded: Cr Williams

That WALGA

1. Subject to part 3 of this resolution, supports continuation of the Harvest Mass Management Scheme to enable heavy vehicles that meet the requirements of RAV 2, RAV 3 or RAV 4 to travel on roads not assessed for the RAV network between paddocks and the nearest RAV route during the harvest period.
2. Advocate that any roads assessed on the initiative of Main Roads that do not meet the requirements for addition to the RAV network at the level used under the Harvest Mass Management Scheme remain unassessed for the purpose of network definition.

3. Advise MRWA that any condition requiring an Agricultural Pilot to accompany the RAV combination to facilitate the movement between the paddock and the nearest RAV Network road, is not acceptable.
4. Request Main Roads Heavy Vehicles Section to work with stakeholders in providing an alternative solution, prior to the 2018 harvest, to the proposed requirements for an Agricultural Pilot, on unassessed roads, that is within the legal boundaries and is acceptable to Industry.

CARRIED

5.5 WA State Library Strategy Implementation Plan and Consultation Report (05-057-02-0051 KD)

WALGA Recommendation

That:

2. The WA Public Libraries Strategy be endorsed; and,
3. WALGA continue to advocate with Western Australia Public Libraries and key stakeholders to Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to prioritise funding for implementation of the strategy.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation

5.6 Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 Review Submission to Stage 1 (05-032-01-0001 KD)

WALGA Recommendation

That the submission to Stage 1 Review of the Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 be endorsed.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation

5.7 Interim Submission – Review of the State Industrial Relations System (05-034-01-0001 KP)

WALGA Recommendation

That the interim supplementary submission in response to the Interim Report of the Review of the State Industrial Relations System be endorsed.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMMENT:

It is noted in a media release by Commerce and Industrial Relations Minister, Hon Bill Johnston MLA, dated the 18 June 2018, the review has been completed with the report by Senior Counsel Mark Ritter having been handed to the Government.

GVROC COMMENT:

GVROC supports the WALGA recommendation.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils endorses all recommendations being matters contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda other than those recommendations separately considered.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Williams** **Seconded: Cr Rathbone**

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils endorses all recommendations being matters contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda other than those recommendations separately considered.

CARRIED

11.4 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Matters for Noting/Information

- 6.1 Report on Local Government Road Assets and Expenditure 2016/17 (06-007-03-0016 MB)
- 6.2 ERA Draft Decision – Western Power Access Arrangement (05-049-03-0001 DM)
- 6.3 2017-18 State Budget (05-088-03-0001 DM)
- 6.4 Research on Verge Permit Fees and Bonds (05-036-03-0061 VJ)
- 6.5 Independent Planning Reform – Green Paper (05-047-02-0015 VJ)
- 6.6 Update on the Noongar Standard Heritage Agreement for Local Government (05-032-01-0001 KD)
- 6.7 Community Resource Centre Funding and Service Model (05-018-03-0004 KD)
- 6.8 Alternative Approaches to Volunteer Based Health Services in the Regions Survey (05-031-01-0001 EDR)
- 6.9 Public Health Act 2016 Regulation Review Program (05-031-01-0001 EDR)

11.5 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Organisational Reports

- 7.1 Key Activity Reports
 - 7.1.1 Report on Key Activities, Environment and Waste Unit (01-006-03-0017 MJB)
 - 7.1.2 Report on Key Activities, Governance and Organisational Services (01-006-03-0007 TB) (Attachment)
 - 7.1.3 Report on Key Activities, Infrastructure (05-001-02-0003 ID)
 - 7.1.4 Report on Key Activities, People and Places (01-006-03-0014 JB)

11.6 Review of WALGA State Council Agenda - Policy Forum Reports

- 7.2 Policy Forum Reports
 - 7.2.1 Mayors/Presidents Policy Forum
 - 7.2.2 Mining Community Policy Forum
 - 7.2.3 Container Deposit Legislation Policy Forum
 - 7.2.4 Freight Policy Forum

11.7 WALGA President's Report (Attachment)

Presenting the WALGA President's Report

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils notes the following reports contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda:

- Matters for Noting/Information;
- Organisational Reports;
- Policy Forum Reports; and
- WALGA President's Report.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Rathbone** **Seconded: Cr Bonza**

That the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils notes the following reports contained in the WALGA State Council Agenda:

- **Matters for Noting/Information;**
- **Organisational Reports;**
- **Policy Forum Reports; and**
- **WALGA President's Report.**

CARRIED

12. AGENCY REPORTS

12.1 Water Corporation

Mr Tony Snelling Water Corporation (Kalgoorlie-Boulder) was unable to attend the meeting.

12.2 Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (Attachment)

Although unable to attend the GVROC Council Meeting, the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries has provided a report for the meeting's information.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report provided by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries be received.

RESOLUTION: **Moved: Cr Dunlop** **Seconded: Cr Williams**

That the report provided by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries be received.

CARRIED

13. MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT

Ms Georgia Foulkes-Taylor, Electorate Officer Hon Kyle McGinn MLC, Member for Mining and Pastoral Region

14. LATE ITEMS as notified, introduced by decision of the Meeting

14.1 Development of Laverton Hospital

Mayor Bowler raised his concern at the approach being taken by the State Government with respect to funding of the Laverton Hospital development. Mayor Bowler referred to recent comments by the Minister for Regional Development that additional funding for the development should be provided by the mining sector, which in his view was not the correct approach.

He asked for an item to be included on the next GVROC Council Meeting agenda.

15. FUTURE MEETINGS/FUNCTIONS

- Friday 13 July 2018 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC CEOs Group (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined);
- Thursday 2 August 2018 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC Council in Perth during Local Government Week (venue to be determined);
- Friday 24 August 2018 – a teleconference to consider the WALGA State Council agenda for the State Council meeting to be held on Thursday 6 and Friday 7 September 2018;
- Friday 14 September 2018 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC CEOs Group (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined);
- Thursday 11 and Friday 12 October 2018 – a regional meeting of the GVROC Council hosted by the Shire of Ravensthorpe. Arrangements have commenced for this regional meeting (refer to Item 10.4);
- Friday 30 November 2018 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC Council to consider the WALGA State Council agenda for the State Council meeting to be held Wednesday 5 December 2018 (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined);
- Friday 7 December 2018 an in-person meeting of the GVROC CEOs Group (in Kalgoorlie unless otherwise determined); and
- Friday 1 February 2019 – an in-person meeting of the GVROC Council in Esperance.

16. CLOSURE OF MEETING

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 12.08pm

DECLARATION

These minutes were confirmed by the Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils at the meeting held _____

Signed _____

Person presiding at the meeting at which these minutes were confirmed