

# MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Meeting held in the Committee Room, Civic Centre, 10 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier on Tuesday, 25 July 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

**PRESENT** Cr Hanna Persello (Presiding Member)

Cr Penny Richardson

Cr Mark Lovett

**COUNCIL OFFICERS** General Manager Community Wellbeing - Ms B Cernovskis

WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE BOANDIK PEOPLES AS THE TRADITIONAL CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND WHERE WE MEET TODAY. WE RESPECT THEIR SPIRITUAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE LAND AND RECOGNISE THE DEEP FEELINGS OF ATTACHMENT OUR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES HAVE WITH THIS LAND.

# 1. APOLOGY(IES)

Apology(ies) received from Mayor Andrew Lee.

That the apology from Mayor Andrew Lee be received.

Moved: Cr Lovett Seconded: Cr Richardson Carried

# 2. CONFIRMATION OF COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION SUB-COMMITTEE MINUTES

Meeting held on 26 September, 2016

That the minutes of the Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee meeting held on 26 September 2016 be confirmed as an accurate record of the proceedings of that meeting.

Moved: Cr Richardson Seconded: Cr Lovett Carried

# 3. QUESTIONS

# 3.1. With Notice

Nil submitted.

### 3.2. Without Notice

Nil submitted.

#### 4. **DEPUTATIONS**

Nil



### 5. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SOCIAL INCLUSION SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1. Review of Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Terms of Reference - Report No. AR17/28518

#### SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Report No. AR17/28518 titled 'Review of Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Terms of Reference' as presented to the Community Engagement & Social Inclusion Sub-Committee on 25 July 2017 be noted.
- (b) That Council adopt the updated Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Terms of Reference (attachment 1).

Moved: Cr Richardson Seconded: Cr Lovett Carried

5.2. Membership Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee - Report No. AR17/28519

# SUB-COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

- (a) That Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Report No. AR17/28519 titled 'Membership Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee' as presented to the Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee on 25 July 2017 be noted.
- (b) That Council commence advertising for Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee Community Members on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.
- (c) That the selection guide and recommended nominees be presented to the 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Operational Standing Committee for consideration.

Moved: Cr Richardson Seconded: Cr Lovett Carried

# 6. MOTION(S)

6.1. With Notice

Nil submitted.

6.2. Without Notice

Nil submitted.

Meeting closed at 6:36 p.m.

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CONFIRMED THIS	DAY OF	2017.
PRESIDING MEMBER		





# Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee

# TERMS OF REFERENCE

A Sub-Committee of Council Established pursuant to the provisions of Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999.

Terms of Reference for the conduct of the business of the Council Sub-Committee were approved and adopted by the City of Mount Gambier at its meeting held on ##<sup>th</sup> Month 2017.

# Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee

The City of Mount Gambier is committed to social inclusion to building a community that is socially, culturally, politically and economically cohesive; where all citizens feel valued and their differences respected, and where everyone has the opportunity to participate fully in the life of the City.

# Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee

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#### 1. NAME

The name of the Council Sub-Committee shall be the Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee (in these Terms of Reference referred to as "the Sub-Committee").

# 2. INTERPRETATION

For the purpose of these Terms of Reference, unless inconsistent with the subject matter or context: -

# 2.1 Definition

- 2.1.1 "Act" means the Local Government Act 1999 and includes all Regulations and Schedules.
- 2.1.2 "Sub-Committee" means the Sub-Committee of Council established pursuant to 3.0.
- 2.1.3 "Sub-Committee Member" means the person appointed by the Standing Committee.
- 2.1.4 "Commencement Date" means the date on which the Sub-Committee is established and becomes operative pursuant to 3.2.
- 2.1.5 "Council" means the City of Mount Gambier.
- 2.1.6 "Presiding Member of the Sub-Committee of Council" means the person appointed to that position pursuant to 5.3.
- 2.1.7 "Observers" mean those persons attending any meeting of the Sub-Committee of Council, but not having a vote on any matter to be determined by the Sub-Committee and not having been appointed as Members.
- 2.1.8 "Singular" includes a reference to the "plural".
- 2.1.9 Standing Committee means the Committee that established the Sub-Committee and to which the Sub-Committee reports.

# 2.2 Defined Terms

Any words, phrases or terms used in these Terms of Reference that are defined in the Act shall have the same meaning as are given in the Act.

# 2.3 Local Government Act

The Terms of Reference shall be interpreted in line with the provisions of the Act.

# 2.4 Notices

All communication to be given to the Sub-Committee shall be addressed to: -

Community Engagement and Social Inclusion Sub-Committee PO Box 56

MOUNT GAMBIER SA 5290

Email: city@mountgambier.sa.gov.au

#### 3. ESTABLISHMENT

- 3.1 The Sub-Committee is established under Section 41 of the Local Government Act 1999.
- 3.2 The Sub-Committee will be established and become operative from the time a resolution of the Standing Committee is passed.
- 3.3 The Sub-Committee is established by the Standing Committee to assist in the co-ordination and administration of current and future Community Engagement and Social Inclusion practices.

# 4. OBJECTIVES

- 4.1 The Sub-Committee has been established in line with the City of Mount Gambier Social Inclusion Charter and the Community Engagement policy document to support Councils strategic framework and delivery of the Community plan by:
  - Making our services inclusive and accessible
  - Advocating on important issues for diverse communities
  - Working alongside the community on projects and activities that assist diverse communities
  - Aiming to ensure that everyone in the community has equality to access of Council's services and resources recognising that people are different and therefore require tailored responses to achieve equality for everyone

# 5. ANNUAL WORK PLAN

- 5.1 The Sub-Committee shall prepare and submit for the approval of Council an annual Work Plan to guide its activities within the scope of the Objectives at Clause 4
- 5.2 The Sub-Committee shall operate strictly within the activities contained within the approved Annual Work Plan unless otherwise approved by the Standing Committee and Council.

### 6. MEMBERSHIP

- 6.1 Membership of the Sub-Committee will comprise three (3) City of Mount Gambier Elected Members and four (4) Community Members. The Mayor has Ex-Officio membership on this Sub-Committee.
- 6.2 The Sub-Committee to favourably consider a representative of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander descent.
- 6.3 City of Mount Gambier Elected Members will serve on the Sub-Committee for a term determined at the pleasure of Council.
- 6.4 Community Members appointment will be for a four (4) year term commencing mid way through the Council term. Community Members will be stood down (with the right to re-nominate) mid way through the Council term to enable effective succession.

- 6.5 The Sub-Committee has the right to co-opt individual members who have special expertise to carry out specific projects under its objective. Such co-opted members have the right to attend meetings and participate in discussion and will have no voting rights on the Sub-Committee.
- 6.6 Notwithstanding Clauses 5.1 and 5.3 all Sub-Committee Members hold office at the pleasure of the Council.
- 6.7 The Sub-Committee will appoint a Presiding Member.
- 6.8 If a Sub-Committee Member is absent from 2 or more consecutive meetings of the Sub-Committee without an apology accepted by the Standing Committee and Council then that Sub-Committee Members position shall be considered vacant.
- 6.9 The Standing Committee reserves the right not to appoint any nominee, to remove and replace any Sub-Committee Member, or to leave any Sub-Committee member position vacant.

#### 7. CASUAL VACANCIES AND REPLACEMENT REPRESENTATIVES

7.1 The Standing Committee may replace any Member on the Sub-Committee or fill any casual vacancies, by notifying the Sub-Committee the identity of the person proposed to replace the representative or fill the casual vacancy.

#### 8. NO PROXY

8.1 The appointment of a person as proxy for any Member on the Sub-Committee is not permissible.

# 9. RESIGNATION OF REPRESENTATIVES

9.1 Any Sub-Committee Member may resign from the Sub-Committee, but such resignation shall not be effective until the Presiding Member has received written notice to that effect.

# 10. QUORUM

- 10.1 At all Meetings of the Sub-Committee a quorum must be present.
- 10.2 A quorum will be determined by dividing by 2 the number of Members formally appointed to the Sub-Committee ignoring any fraction and adding 1 (excluding Mayor as ex-officio).

# 11. MEETINGS OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

11.1 The Sub-Committee shall hold at least four (4) ordinary meetings per calendar year in accordance with a meeting schedule prepared in conjunction with the Presiding Member.

- 11.2 The CEO or his appointee shall give notice to each Sub-Committee Member at least five clear days prior to any meeting.
- 11.3 The CEO or his appointee shall send a copy of the notice of a meeting and minutes of the Sub-Committee to the Standing Committee.
- 11.4 The CEO or his appointee must, at the request of the Presiding Member or three other Members, call a special meeting of the Sub-Committee.
- 11.5 All notices of meetings shall be issued by the CEO or his appointee.
- 11.6 No business shall be transacted at any meeting of the Sub-Committee unless a quorum of Members is present.
- 11.7 Each Member of the Sub-Committee including the Presiding Member present at any meeting of the Sub-Committee must vote on any matter requiring determination and all decisions shall be decided on a simple majority of votes cast.
- 11.8 Each Member of the Sub-Committee including the Presiding Member present at any meeting of the Sub-Committee shall have one deliberate vote only.

# 12. PROCEDURES AT MEETINGS

The procedure to be observed in relation to the conduct of meetings of the Sub-Committee is in accordance with Local Government (Procedures at Meetings) Regulations 2013.

# 13. LIABILITY OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

- 13.1 A liability incurred by the Sub-Committee rests against Council.
- 13.2 No liability attaches to a Member of the Sub-Committee for an honest act or omission by that Member of the Sub-Committee in the performance or discharge, or purported performance or discharge, of the Member's or the Sub-Committee's functions or duties.
- 13.3 All members of the committee are bound by the Code of Conduct section 63 of the Local Government Act 1999.

### 14. MINUTES OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE

# 14.1 Administration

- 14.1.1 The CEO or his appointee must cause minutes to be kept of the proceedings of the Sub-Committee.
- 14.1.2 Minutes of the Sub-Committee shall be available to all Members of the Sub-Committee, Standing Committee, Council and the public.
- 14.1.3 The Minutes of the proceedings of a meeting must include:

- 14.1.3.1 the names of the Members present and the time at which they entered or left the meeting;
- 14.1.3.2 the names of observers or visitors to any meetings;
- 14.1.3.3 every motion or amendment and the names of the mover and seconder;
- 14.1.3.4 any disclosure of interest declared by a Member;
- 14.1.3.5 whether the motion or amendment is carried, lost or lapsed;
- 14.1.3.6 Minutes of the Sub-Committee Meeting shall be distributed within 5 days of the meeting;
- 14.1.3.7 Minutes of the Sub-Committee Meeting shall be submitted for confirmation at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee and if confirmed, shall be signed by the Presiding Member or other person presiding at the subsequent meeting.

# 15. AMENDMENTS TO THESE TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 15.1 It will be lawful for the Standing Committee by resolution of the Standing Committee to revoke, vary or add to any of the provisions of these Terms of Reference at its own discretion within the parameters of the Local Government Act and other relevant legislation.
- 15.2 Not withstanding 13.1 hereof before the Standing Committee resolves to revoke, vary or add to any of the provisions of these Terms of Reference the opinion of the Sub-Committee shall be obtained.

# 16. INTERPRETATION OF THESE TERMS OF REFERENCE

16.1 Should there be any dispute as to the definition and/or interpretation of these Terms of Reference, or any part thereof or any irregularities whatsoever, then the Standing Committee shall determine the dispute and the decision of the Standing Committee shall be final and binding.

# 17. WINDING UP

17.1 The Standing Committee may cease the operation of the Sub-Committee and the Sub-Committee may make such recommendation to the Standing Committee on the completion of its function.

8<sup>th</sup> June 2017 Ref.