

MEETING NOTES

Elected Member Workshop held on Wednesday 6 November 2024 at 5.30pm in the Council Chambers, 43-51 Tanunda Road, Nuriootpa.

An Information or Briefing Session is held under Section 90A of the Local Government Act 1999.

1. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/PRESENTATIONS

1.1 Raising Literacy Australia - BEES (Building Early Education Support)

Notes: Presentation by Kate Ellis from Raising Literacy Australia on the lasting impact of children's early years. A proposal to Council to support a pilot program - Building Early Education Support 5-Year Pilot, 2025 – 2029.

The proposal involves a nation-leading, intensive and innovative approach to directly improve outcomes for children in the council areas of Light Regional Council and The Barossa Council. The pilot program aims to aspire to engage every family with a 2025 newborn across the two council areas and provide them with a free early education support program that follows each family through the early years journey, up until their child starts school. The five year pilot will enable tracking of the real impact that intensive early intervention support can make to children's school readiness, which will become evident in future AEDC and NAPLAN results for this cohort of children.

1.2 RDA Barossa Presentation

Notes: CEO, RDA BGLAP, Leonie Boothby presented to Council on the RDA BGLAP priorities including the 'State of Play', Business activities, top strategic areas; land use planning and sustainability, priorities and Local Government engagement.

The presentation also included Rachel Brdanovic, member of the Board Executive who gave an update from the RDA BGLAP Board; Board Members, advocacy and collaboration, Local Government funding and changes to the CEO role.

1.3 Draft Tree Management Policy

Notes: The purpose of the presentation was to review the draft Tree Policy, outlining key points of interest as well as highlighting relevant changes.

Council's Manager Infrastructure and Environmental Services and the Team Leader Arboriculture presented to Council on maintenance focus areas, tree removals, tree planting, a proactive Management Plan, and community engagement. The Council will be presented the Tree Management Policy at a future Council meeting seeking endorsement to go out to public consultation.

2. CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Review of Economic Development, Tourism, Events and Executive Structure - Consultation Outcomes and Proposal - Engagement With Council

Notes: Pursuant to Section 90A(4) and 90(3)(e) of the Local Government Act 1999 and as Chief Executive Officer, I declare this matter a confidential informal discussion to Strategic Planning session in regards to Item 2.1 – Review of Economic Development, Tourism, Events and Executive Structure - Consultation Outcomes and Proposal - Engagement With Council as it is relating to being information that must be considered in confidence pursuant to:

Section 90(3)(e) of the Local Government Act 1999:

matters affecting the security of the council, members or employees of the council, or council property; or the safety of any person;

3. OTHER BUSINESS/LATE ITEMS

Nil

4. NEXT WORKSHOP

Wednesday 4 December 2024 at 5.30pm

5. CLOSURE