

# Hunter Councils

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Minutes of the  
Hunter Councils Incorporated Board Meeting  
Incorporating Joint Organisation Briefing

13 October 2016

Hunter Councils, Thornton

1. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

**Directors Present**

Cr Bob Pynsent, Mayor, Cessnock City Council  
Cr Harold Johnston, Mayor, Dungog Shire Council  
Cr Kay Fraser, Mayor, Lake Macquarie City Council  
Cr Peter Blackmore, Mayor, Maitland City Council  
John Turner, Administrator, Mid Coast Council  
Cr Nuatali Nelmes, Lord Mayor, Newcastle City Council  
Cr Sue Moore, Mayor, Singleton Council  
Cr Wayne Bedggood, Mayor, Upper Hunter Shire Council

**General Managers Present**

Stephen Glen General Manager, Cessnock City Council  
Brian Bell General Manager, Lake Macquarie City Council  
Glenn Handford, Interim General Manager, Mid Coast Council  
Steve McDonald, General Manager, Muswellbrook Shire Council  
Frank Cordingley, Interim CEO, City of Newcastle  
Wayne Wallis, General Manager, Port Stephens Council  
Jason Linnane, General Manager, Singleton Council  
Waid Crockett, General Manager, Upper Hunter Shire Council

**Apologies**

Cr Martin Rush Mayor, Muswellbrook Shire Council  
Cr Bruce MacKenzie Mayor, Port Stephens Council  
  
Craig Deasey, General Manager, Dungog Shire Council  
David Evans, General Manager, Maitland City Council

**Staff in attendance**

Roger Stephan, CEO, Hunter Councils

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***RECOMMENDATION:***

**THAT the apologies be accepted.**

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**Moved: Cr Kay Fraser**  
**Seconded: Cr Wayne Bedggood**

***Carried.***

2. MINUTES OF THE 11 AUGUST 2016 MEETING

2.1 Adopting of the Minutes of the previous meeting

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT the minutes of the previous meeting be adopted.**

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**Moved: Cr Wayne Bedggood  
Seconded: Cr Peter Blackmore**

***Carried.***

2.2 Ratification of the resolutions of the previous meeting

**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT the resolutions of the previous meeting, at which a quorum was not present, be ratified.**

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**Moved: Cr Wayne Bedggood  
Seconded: Cr Peter Blackmore**

***Carried.***

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Nil advised

4. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRESENTATIONS

Nil

6. PROGRAM REPORTS

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT the program reports be received and noted.**

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**Moved: Cr Kay Fraser  
Seconded: Cr Sue Moore**

***Carried.***

7. DESTINATION NETWORK SYDNEY SURROUNDS NORTH

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

**THAT:**

1. The Board note the contents of the Position Paper
  2. Member Councils consult with their local tourism organisations in determining their position on the proposed model for the future
  3. The Board consider formal submissions from Councils at its December 2016 Meeting.
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Moved: Cr Sue Moore  
Seconded: Cr Peter Blackmore

*Carried.*

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no General Business.

**MEETING CLOSED**