

Hunter

Joint Organisation

Minutes of the 22 February 2019 Extraordinary Meeting
Commencing at 11.00am

South Newcastle Rugby League Club,
44 Llewellyn Street, Merewether

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1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Voting Directors Present

Cr Bob Pynsent,	Cessnock City Council
Cr Tracy Norman,	Dungog Shire Council
Cr Kay Fraser,	Lake Macquarie City Council
Cr David West,	MidCoast Council
Cr Sue Moore,	Singleton Shire Council
Cr Ryan Palmer,	Port Stephens Council
Cr Wayne Bedggood,	Upper Hunter Shire Council
Cr Loretta Baker,	Maitland City Council
Cr Martin Rush,	Muswellbrook Shire Council

Non-Voting Directors Present

Coralie Nichols,	General Manager, Dungog Shire Council
Morven Cameron,	CEO, Lake Macquarie City Council
David Evans,	General Manager, Maitland City Council
Adrian Panuccio,	General Manager, MidCoast Council
Fiona Plesman,	General Manager, Muswellbrook Shire Council
Jason Linnane,	General Manager, Singleton Council
Steven Wills,	Regional Director, Dep't of Premier & Cabinet

Apologies

Wayne Wallis,	General Manager, Port Stephens Council
Steve McDonald,	General Manager, Upper Hunter Shire Council
Stephen Glen,	General Manager, Cessnock City Council
Jeremy Bath,	CEO, Newcastle City Council
Cr Nuatali Nelmes,	Newcastle City Council

Staff in attendance

Joe James, CEO, Hunter Joint Organisation
Graham Dean, Manager, Finance & Administration
Steve Wilson, Acting Director, Environment Div'n

Observer

Virginia Errington, Office of Local Government

The Chair welcomed the Directors, Staff & Observer to the meeting. The apologies of Mr Wallis, Mr McDonald, Mr Glen, Mr Bath and Cr Nelmes were acknowledged.

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the apologies be accepted.

Moved: Sue Moore
Seconded: David West

Carried.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were declared.

3. REPORT

A report on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Hunter Joint Organisation and the State and Federal Governments was presented by Mr Michael Comminos, Founding Director, Astrolabe Group,

RECOMMENDATION:

THAT the Board:

- **endorse the Memorandum of Understanding for execution by the Chair;**
- **delegate to the CEO the task of finalising the draft population paper for publication**

- on Hunter Joint Organisation's website.
- seek a commitment from candidates for state election in the Hunter to work with the Joint Organisation to have an MoU signed within 100 days.
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Moved: Ryan Palmer
Seconded: Davis West

Carried.

Meeting closed 11.40 am