

## **MINUTES OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Wednesday 23 November 2022 at 2pm**

**Gallery Room, Coonabarabran Council Building**

**Present:** Cr Brady, L Ryan, J Houghton, S Edwards, L Cutts, S Freebairn, L Doyle.

**Meeting Opened:** 2.03pm

### **1 Apologies**

Cr Doolan, Cr Newton, Cr Kopke, D Mulligan

### **2 Declaration of Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests**

Nil.

### **3 Minutes from Previous Meeting**

John Whittall added as attendee guest speaker for September 2022 meeting representing National Parks

S Edwards/L Doyle

#### **3.1 Business Arising from Minutes**

**Action:** Manager EDT to carry over Capture the Cosmos report to next meeting.

**Action:** Cr Brady to email Manager EDT draft concept sketch for Coonabarabran town entrance sign.

**Action:** Manager EDT to investigate visuals proofs for sign concepts through Coona Times designer, and circulate Coolah and Coonabarabran to EDT committee members for consultation.

**Action:** EDT Committee members to email preferred designs, including all planned locations for entrance signs to Manager EDT to collate for next EDT Committee Meeting.

**Action:** Manager EDT to submit Development Applications for town entry signs.

### **4 Reports**

#### **4.1 Tourism Report**

**Recommended:** That the Tourism Report be received and noted.

S Edwards/L Doyle

#### **4.2 Economic Development Report**

**Action:** Manager EDT to email EDT committee the draft revised REDS for feedback to be returned to Manager EDT by 5 December 2022 and then submitted to RNSW by 7 December 2022.

**Recommended:** That the Economic Development Report be received and noted.

S Freebairn/S Edwards

#### **4.3 Visitor Information Centre Report**

**Action:** Manager EDT to organise further promotion of VIC app.

**Action:** Familiarisation tours to be organised for each town in Warrumbungle LGA for 2023 by Manager EDT. Mendooran Famil was very beneficial for all who attended recently.

**Recommended:** That the Visitor Information Report be received and noted.

L Doyle/S Freebairn

### **5 New Business:**

#### **5.1 Request for rest area and signage** - honouring Coonabarabran Police Senior

Constable John Ward on corner of Castlereagh Highway and Barney Reef

**Action:** Given the request for the rest area is located on a State Highway, and this matter is outside the scope of EDT Committee it will be passed to Council's Traffic Committee for their consideration/processing; Manager EDT to forward request to Manager Roads.

#### **5.2 Rail Trail survey** – the EDT Committee agreed to gain information about community interest for rail trail network within Warrumbungle LGA from community groups via a short survey.

**Action:** S Edwards to prepare and email a digital version of survey to CDC's for circulation, with responses to be received and collated by CDC's by 21.02.23; for presentation to a future EDT Committee meeting.

**Next Meeting:** 28 February 2023

**Meeting closed:** 3.30pm