

Combined Meeting:

MidCoast Council Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) and MidCoast Council Local Representative Committee (LRC)

Date	29 June 2016	Time	11.00am – 1.45pm	Venue	Committee Room - Taree
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Item		
1	Draft terms of reference - IAG and LRC	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Wide ranging views and proposed amendments to draft Terms of Reference for Local Representative Committee (LRC) and the Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) were shared, discussed and agreed changes are included in the draft Terms of Reference for the LRC and IAG to be circulated with draft minutes.</p> <p>Decision/ Action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Local Representative Committee (LRC) and the Implementation Advisory Group (IAG) meet as one committee. • The members of the IAG be included as members of the LRC. • The members of the IAG operate as an executive of the collective two committees when required by the Administrator. • The IAG and LRC Terms of Reference to incorporate agreed amendments as determined through the meeting and be circulated with these minutes. • Applicable insurance for committee members to be confirmed.
2	Representation on External Committees	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Refer attached list Committees and agreed proposed members to act as representatives of MidCoast Council</p> <p>Action:</p> <p>a) The Administrator to write to the NSW Minister for Planning and make the following recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carol McCaskie, Karen Hutchinson and Katheryn Smith be appointed to represent MidCoast Council on the Joint Regional Panel.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Karen Hutchison be appointed as the representative of MidCoast Council on Duralie Coal Mine - Community Environment Monitoring and Consultative Committee. • Jim Henderson be appointed as the representative of MidCoast Council on Stratford Coal Community Consultative Committee. • Jim Henderson be appointed as the representative of MidCoast Council on Gloucester Exploration Project Community Consultative Committee. • Katheryn Smith and Karen Hutchison be appointed as representatives of MidCoast Council on AGL Gloucester Coal Seam Gas Project Community Consultative Committee. <p>b) Committee members to advise Senior Leader Governance (Taree Office) of additional committees that may require consideration and possible representation from the LRC members for consideration at future meeting of the LRC.</p>
3	Councillor Expenses and Facilities policy	<p>Discussion</p> <p>Noted this is returning to Council for decision following exhibition period.</p> <p>Action:</p> <p>a) Tax Ruling for Councillor allowance to be circulated.</p> <p>b) Administration support for this committee to be further detailed.</p>
4	Stronger Communities Fund	<p>Discussion:</p> <p>Template application form received from Government</p> <p>Action:</p> <p>Agreed that \$50000 will be available for each grant.</p>

5	Late Business	<p>5.1 Committees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Band committee – more information to be provided prior to determining LRC representation. • Hunter Regional Weed Board meeting tomorrow. <p>5.2 Local Government Conference October 2017.</p> <p>Keith Rhodes from ALGA has advised that members of the LRC may attend the local government conference to be held in Wollongong in October.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LRC members to advise if booking is required. • Bookings to be confirmed by Taree office. • Carol McCaskie is an apology for Local Government Conference in October. <p>5.3 Apologies</p> <p>Katheryn Smith is an apology for Friday’s public meeting in Forster and for meetings being held during first week of school holidays.</p>
6.	Next Meeting	<p>Gloucester – 13 July 2016.</p> <p>Time to be confirmed.</p>