



MINUTES

Economic Development Committee

held at

Council Administration Centre
Council Chambers
180 Mort Street, Lithgow

on

Tuesday 7 September 2021

at 5:00 PM

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The Chairperson declared the meeting open at 5pm.

2. Present

Mayor Councillor R Thompson
Councillor W McAndrew
Councillor C Coleman
Councillor D Goodsell (5:22pm)
Councillor D Goodwin
Councillor S Lesslie
Councillor S Ring
Councillor M Statham

Also in attendance

Craig Butler, General Manager
Andrew Muir, Director Economic Development and Environment
Simon Francis, Tourism Manager
Jonathon Edgecombe, Director Infrastructure Services
Michael McGrath, Director People and Services
Trinity Newton, Minutes Secretary

3. Apologies

An apology was received from and leave of absence granted to Councillor J Smith who is unable to attend due to personal business.

Procedural Motion

That a leave of absence be granted to Councillor J Smith.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor S Ring

CARRIED: Unanimously

Divisions

FOR: Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor R Thompson, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor M Statham and Councillor S Lesslie

AGAINST: Nil

4. Declaration of Interest

The Mayor called for any declarations of interest.

There were Nil declarations of interest.

5. Staff Reports

5.1. ECDEV - 07/09/2021 - 'The Seven Valley's' Discussion Paper

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

THAT The Economic Development Committee endorse the concept of 'The Seven Valley's' "in principle" with an implementation strategy to be developed and brought back to Council.

MOVED: Councillor W McAndrew

SECONDED: Councillor S Ring

CARRIED: Unanimously

For: Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor R Thompson, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor M Statham and Councillor S Lesslie

Against: Nil

5.2. ECDEV - 07/09/2021 - Post COVID - Tourism Opportunities

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

THAT the report on tourism initiatives planned in preparation for the easing of COVID restrictions be noted.

MOVED: Councillor S Ring

SECONDED: Councillor M Statham

CARRIED: Unanimously

For: Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor R Thompson, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor M Statham and Councillor S Lesslie

Against: Nil

5.3. ECDEV - 07/09/2021 - LEEP Update

Councillor D Goodsell entered the meeting at 05:22 pm.

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Economic Development Committee note the report on progress with the Lithgow Emerging Economy project.

MOVED: Councillor M Statham

SECONDED: Councillor W McAndrew

CARRIED: Unanimously

For: Councillor W McAndrew, Councillor C Coleman, Councillor R Thompson, Councillor D Goodsell, Councillor D Goodwin, Councillor S Ring, Councillor M Statham and Councillor S Lesslie

Against: Nil

6. General Business

The Committee were given a verbal update on Lake Wallace recognising the tourism potential for the Lithgow Local Government Area and discussions with the new owners, Greenspot.

ACTION / RECOMMENDATION

The verbal update on Lake Wallace be noted.

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