



Central Coast Council

Economic Development Committee

Held in Function Room at
2 Hely Street, Wyong

06 May 2025

MINUTES

Attendance

Members

Cr John McNamara	Present
Cr John Moulard	Present
Cr Trent McWaide	Present
Cr Belinda Neal	Apology
Cr Kyle MacGregor	Present (remotely)
Cr Jane Smith	Present
Cr Jared Wright	Present
Mayor Lawrie McKinna	Apology

Status

Guest

Scott Goold, Regional Director, Business NSW	Present
Allison Basford, Chief Executive Officer, Space Urban	Present
Mark Daniels, Planning & Development Manager, Space Urban	Present
Deputy Mayor Doug Eaton OAM	Arrived at 5:27pm
Cr Margot Castles	Present
Cr Sharon Walsh	Present
Cr Jared Wright	Present

Status

Staff

Mel Smith, Director Community and Recreation Services	Present
Sue Ledingham, Unit Manager Economic Development	Present
Shannon Turkington, Unit Manager Strategic Planning	Present

Status

Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Economic Development Committee of Council (cont'd)

Bianca Gilmore, Section Manager Destination Marketing and Visitor Services	Present
Scott Duncan, Section Manager Local Planning and Policy	Present
Briony Stiles, Civic Support Team Leader	Present
Lisa Martin, Civic Support Officer	Present

The Chairperson, Cr John McNamara declared the meeting open at 5:08pm

REPORTS

1.1 Introduction: Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, and Apologies

5:09pm

Mayor Lawrie McKinna and Councillor Belinda Neal have both provided an apology for this meeting in advance.

The Chairperson read an Acknowledgement of Country.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

5:10pm

No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

5:11pm

A MOTION was *MOVED* by Councillor Wright and *SECONDED* by Councillor MOULAND:

EDC7/25

That the Committee confirms the minutes of the previous Economic Development Committee held on Tuesday 1 April 2025.

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.4 Business NSW

5:12pm

Scott Goold, Regional Director of Business NSW spoke to the Regional Business NSW Presentation.

1.5 Upcoming Projects on the Central Coast including 2 Wella Way, Somersby by Space Urban

5:29pm

Allison Basford, Chief Executive Officer and Mark Daniels, Planning & Development Manager, from Space Urban spoke to the presentation 'Central Coast Projects'.

1.6 Destination Central Coast, Visitor Economy Update

5:48pm

The Section Manager of Destination Marketing and Visitor Services spoke to the Destination Central Coast Presentation.

1.7 Economic Development Strategy and Destination Management Plan Project Update

6:06pm

A MOTION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor MCWAIDE:

EDC8/25

That the Committee:

- 1 Schedules a workshop in July 2025.**
- 2 Notes the Economic Development Strategy and Destination Management Plan Project Update.**

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.8 Draft Central Coast Employment Land Strategy - Public Exhibition

6:07pm

The Section Manager of Local Planning and Policy spoke to the 'Draft Central Coast Employment Land Strategy' presentation.

A MOTION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor WRIGHT:

EDC9/25

That the Committee:

- 1 Recommends to Council to endorse the draft Central Coast Employment Land Strategy (Attachment 1) and Background Report (Attachment 2) to be placed on public exhibition for a minimum of 42 days.**
- 2 Receives a report on the outcome of the community consultation.**

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.9 Central Coast Air Show

6:32pm

Recommendation

That the Committee:

- 1 *Notes the extensive insight into staging of future events at Central Coast (Warnervale) Airport gained through the after-event review of the 2024 Central Coast Air Show.*
- 2 *Acknowledges the resources and time needed to secure a suitable air show operator, gain the necessary approvals and undertake all necessary engagement with external stakeholders such as transport and emergency service agencies prior to staging future air shows on the Central Coast.*
- 3 *Endorses in principle the holding of future air shows at Central Coast (Warnervale) Airport.*
- 4 *Recommends to Council that a process to select a suitable air show operator commence as soon as possible, with a view to holding an air show at a suitable time in the 2026-27 financial year.*

EDC10/25

That the Committee defer the consideration of item 1.9 to the Economic Development Committee meeting to be held on 3 June 2025, was MOVED by Councillor WRIGHT and seconded by Councillor MCWAIDE:

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.10 Business Retention and Expansion Survey Report

6:34pm

EDC11/25

That the Committee:

- 1 ***Notes The Business Retention and Expansion Survey Report.***
- 2 ***Endorses The Distribution of the Final Report to Business Industry and on Council's website with supporting communications that will include Council's actions underway and commitment to use the feedback for future service improvements.***
- 3 ***Notes The survey results will be used to inform the research for the new economic development strategy and business concierge service.***

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

The next meeting is to be held at 5:00pm on Tuesday 3 June 2025 at the Wyong Administration Building.

The Meeting concluded at 6:34pm.