



Central Coast Council

Economic Development Committee

Held in the Council Chamber
2 Hely Street, Wyong

04 March 2025

MINUTES

Attendance

Members

Mayor Lawrie McKinna
Cr John McNamara
Cr John Moulard
Cr Trent McWaide
Cr Belinda Neal
Cr Kyle MacGregor

Status

Present
Apology
Present
Present
Present
Apology

Guest

Alex Guan, General Manager, Worldvillage Holding Pty Ltd
(owner/applicant)
Chris Shannon, Western Practice Director, Mecone

Cr Jane Smith
Cr Doug Eaton

Status

Present until completion
of item 1.4
Present until completion
of item 1.4
Present
Present

Staff

Mel Smith, Director Community and Recreation Services
Jamie Loader, Director Environment and Planning
Sue Ledingham Unit Manager Economic Development
Shannon Turkington Unit Manager Strategic Planning
Louise Rampling, Unit Manager Governance Risk and Legal
Stephanie Prouse, Section Manager Councillor and Democratic
Services
Briony Stiles, Team Leader Civic Support
Karen Unsted, Civic Support

Status

Present
Present
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Present
Apology
Present
Present

Deputy Chair Lawrie McKinna, declared the meeting open at 5:01pm

The Deputy Chair read an Acknowledgement of Country statement.

REPORTS

1.1 Introduction: Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, and Apologies

5:01 pm

Chairperson John McNamara has provided an apology for this meeting in advance.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

5:02 pm

Councillor B Neal declared a non-pecuniary, non-significant interest under the Local Government Act on item *1.4 Old Sydney Town Planning Proposal*, as she has connections with a person working on the project. She will participate in the meeting discussion and voting on the item.

A MOTION TO MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor MCWAIDE:

That Committee members and staff now disclose any conflicts of interest in matters under consideration at this meeting.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

CARRIED

1.3 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

5: 03pm

A MOTION TO MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor NEAL:

That the Committee confirm the minutes of the previous Economic Development Committee meeting held on 4 February 2025.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

CARRIED

1.4 Old Sydney Town Planning Proposal

5:03 pm

A MOTION TO MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor NEAL:

That the Committee notes this information report on the Old Sydney Town Planning Proposal.

FOR: UNANIMOUS

CARRIED

1.5 Economic Development Strategy Actions Update

5:52 pm

A MOTION TO MOVE THE RECOMMENDATION was *MOVED* by Councillor MOULAND and *SECONDED* by Councillor MCWAIDE:

That the Committee:

- 1 Notes the progress of the actions identified in the Economic Development Strategy 2020 – 2040.***
- 2 Endorses the evaluation of the existing Economic Development Strategy and development of a new Economic Development Strategy and four-year implementation plan.***

FOR: UNANIMOUS

CARRIED

1.6 General Business and Review Action Log

6:20 pm

Nil

The Meeting concluded at 6:25.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE – ACTION LOG				
Item	Meeting Date	Action	Responsible Officer	Status
EDC Item 1.3 High Speed Rail - Economic Benefits for the Central Coast	04.02.2025	Provide members a copy of the High Speed Rail business case if available.	Director Environment and Planning	The Business Case is not a publicly available document
EDC Item 1.4 Destination Management Model and Destination Marketing Strategy Operations Report	04.02.2025	Provide information on how Councillors may get involved with content and marketing to improve public understanding and perceptions of Council.	Director Community and Recreation Services	A internal process is being finalised with Communications and Civic Support to share content and images with Councillors. Councillors will be notified shortly.
EDC Item 1.5 Business Economic Development Operations Report	04.02.2025	Report to committee at the April meeting with revised table of the statistics for the 2020-2040 strategy.	Director Community and Recreation Services	Noted, scheduled for April Committee Meeting.
EDC Item 1.5 Business Economic Development Operations Report	04.02.2025	Provide members with a detailed report of deliverables achieved.	Director Community and Recreation Services	Agenda item for March Committee Meeting.
EDC Item 1.5 Business Economic Development Operations Report	04.02.2025	Update members at the next meeting with: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the plan's revision schedule, • the Strategy's annual reports of actions and updates, and • the annual action plans since 2020 	Director Community and Recreation Services	Agenda item for March Committee Meeting.

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EDC Item 1.5 Business Economic Development Operations Report	04.02.2025	Provide the Director Community and Recreation Services with information or link to media of the Lake Macquarie potential initiative discussed.	Member – Councillor Jane Smith	
EDC Item 1.5 Business Economic Development Operations Report	04.02.2025	Provide copy of the documents that were include in the strategic themes under the strategic plans, or the status of where they are up to at the next meeting.	Director Community and Recreation Services	This has been provided as attachments in the Councillor BigTin Can
EDC Item 1.6 General Business	04.02.2025	Invite the Old Sydney Town Developers March or April meeting, and add a latest proposal report to that meeting’s agenda.	Director Environment and Planning	The Old Sydney Town Developers are presenting at the 4 March Committee meeting
EDC Item 1.4 Old Sydney Town Planning Proposal	04.03.2025	An economic impact statement and proposal be provided to the members in due course	Director Environment and Planning	
EDC item 1.6 General Business		Report on Central Coast Air Show to be provided at the next Economic Development Committee meeting.	Director Environment and Planning	
EDC item 1.6 General Business		Provide the committee with an update report on Waratah Super Battery project, including components if possible.	Director Environment and Planning	
EDC item 1.6 General Business		Provide the committee with an update report on the Food Innovation Hub	Director Community and Recreation	

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EDC item 1.6 General Business		Provide members an update on the Gosford Waterfront project once council has received information from the Hunter and Central Coast Development Corporation (HCCDC)	Director Community and Recreation Services	
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