



Central Coast Council

Economic Development Committee

Held Function Room 2
2 Hely Street, Wyong

05 August 2025

MINUTES

Attendance

Members

Cr John McNamara (Chairperson)
Cr Jane Smith (Deputy Chairperson)
Mayor Lawrie McKinna
Cr John Mouland
Cr Trent McWaide
Cr Belinda Neal
Cr Kyle MacGregor

Status

Present
Present
Apology
Present
Apology
Present
Present (remotely)

Guest

Elizabeth York, Urban Development Institute of Australia
Anthony Oliver, Beveridge Williams
DM Doug Eaton OAM
Cr Margot Castles
Cr Sharon Walsh
Cr Helen Crowley
Cr Rachel Stanton
Cr Kyla Daniels

Status

Present
Present
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Present
Present (remotely)

Staff

Mel Smith, Director Community and Recreation Services
Luke Nicholls, Director Environment and Planning
Sue Ledingham, Unit Manager Economic Development
Chris Barrett, Commercial Property Manager
Breelle Varman, Senior Property Development Manager
Andrew Roach, Unit Manager Development Assessment
Myra Pettinger, Team Leader, Marketing and Tourism

Status

Present
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The Chairperson, Councillor John McNamara, declared the meeting open at 5:01pm.

A PROCEDURAL MOTION WAS *MOVED* by Councillor MCNAMARA:

That the Committee approves the request by Councillor MacGregor to attend the Economic Development Committee Meeting on 5 August 2025 at 5:00pm by audio-visual link because he is unable to attend in person due to work reasons.

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

REPORTS

1.1 Introduction: Welcome, Acknowledgement of Country, and Apologies

5:01pm

The Chairperson gave an Acknowledgement of Country.
The Chairperson noted apologies for Councillor McWaide.

1.2 Disclosures of Interest

5:03pm

No conflicts of interest were disclosed.

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:

EDC25/25

That the Committee confirm the minutes of the previous Economic Development Committee held on Tuesday 1 July 2025.

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.4 Items Resolved by Exception

No items were resolved by exception.

1.5 Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) - Work and Priorities on the Central Coast

5:04pm

The Policy and Regional Director Hunter and Central Coast of Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA), spoke to the 'Work and Priorities on the Central Coast' presentation.

1.6 Economic Development Strategy and Destination Management Plan Project Update

5:30pm

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

EDC26/25

That the Committee notes the Economic Development Strategy and Destination Management Plan Project Update.

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.7 Progressing the Warnervale Business Precinct – Standing item

5:52pm

Senior Property Development Manager, Commercial Property and Business Enterprise spoke to the 'Progressing the Warnervale Business Precinct' presentation.

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

EDC267/25

That the Committee:

- 1 Receives and notes the contents of the Progressing the Warnervale Business Precinct report.***
- 2 Supports the proposed accelerated program.***
- 3 Notes that a subsequent report will be provided at the May 2026 Economic Development Committee meeting with scenario-based options and recommended next steps for consideration.***

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.8 Warnervale Air Show Update - Standing Item

6:04pm

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

EDC278/25

That the Committee notes that action has been taken to instigate the selection of a suitable operator for a future air show at Central Coast (Warnervale) Airport, with the provision that the Committee makes recommendation whether to proceed, at the next Economic Development Committee Meeting.

CARRIED

FOR: UNANIMOUS

1.9 Potential Marathon Event – Standing Item

6:15pm

The Chairperson and committee discussed the 'Potential Marathon Event'.

The next meeting is to be held at 5:00pm on Tuesday 2 September 2025 at the Wyong Administration Building.

The Meeting concluded at 6:28pm.