## Record of Meeting (9.05am – 5.05pm) Shire of Kojonup Briefing Session 15 July 2014

**Attendance:** Shire President, Crs: Trethowan, Mathwin, Benn, Pritchard, Pedler & Radford.

**Officers:** CEO, MCS (9.35am-12.55pm) & (3.00pm-5.05pm), MRCS (11.02am-12.55pm), MW&S (11.02am -12.30pm), SFO (9.35am-10.30am) & (3.00pm -5.05pm), DSC (11.02am - 12.15pm)

**Guests:** David Jones-Principal, Planning & Urban Design (Hames Sharley) 10.30am – 12.30pm, Bevan Bessen (Tuna Blue Pty Ltd) 12.55pm – 2.45pm.

**Apology:** Cr Sexton

## **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil

## **CONCEPT FORUM**

Item	Issue	Response / Action
9:05am - 9:30am	Councillors to advise the WALGA AGM delegates on way to vote at AGM to be held on Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> August 2014.	Motion 4.1 – Discussion on ESL and need for equipment provision to improve communications such as Mobile Radios, Monitors and Towers. Support CPI increase in administration fee.
		Motion 4.2 – Meeting with Professor Dollery regarding structural reform.  Agreed that delegates make a decision after hearing debate.
		Motion 4.3 – Bushfire Management – Support Vehicles. Agreed that delegates make a decision after hearing debate.
		Motion 4.4 – Contaminated Sites – Auditing requirements Discussion on Department being regulator/compliance controller as well as auditor and therefore possesses all power and control without independent assessment on performance. Agreed that delegates make a decision after hearing debate.
		Motion 4.5 Valuation of Land S6.28 Review

9:30am - 10:30am	Budget Workshop – Part One	Discussion on Urban/metropolitan rating requirements as against Rural areas. Agreed that delegates make a decision after hearing debate. The Manager of Corporate Services led discussions on Draft 2014/2015 Budget papers.
10:55am - 12.30pm	David Jones from Hames Sharley to discuss the Main Street Master Plan & Civic Centre.	Councillors and Officers were provided 3 concept options by Hames Sharley for discussion prior to finalizing preferred option which would be displayed for public comment.  Discussion points included:-  Signage & Entry Statements Hillman Park Civic Precinct Potential street closures , realignment or one-way alterations Walking/cycling links to other land marks/areas of interest (Noting that no mention was made of link to school for children) Extent of Commercial area and practicalities of higher density development options which is presently restricted on R codes of TPS3 Time frames required to address Planning Scheme provisions Caravan etc. parking areas Amended Car park layout for Kodja Place to make this landmark first point of entrance rather than Apex Park. Landscaping, street furniture, energy efficient lighting requirements Stormwater issues and need to improve present drainage system Increased utilization of Co-op /Jones Street area
12.55pm - 2:45pm	Bevan Bessen – Tuna Blue Pty Ltd – Southern Link VROC (Voluntary Regional Organisation of Councils) Strategic Planning Session	President welcomed Bevan who then proceeded to conduct a workshop with Councillors and CEO to gain elected member input for the development of a new Strategic Plan for the VROC.  As a result of the workshop Councillors were able to :-  Gain a clearer picture of the current outlook

		<ul> <li>Identified critical or issues to regional growth</li> <li>Developed regional directions and need for collaboration</li> <li>Generated priority strategies</li> <li>Clarified next steps of Strategic Planning process which involves Officers at Mount Barker on 30 July 2014 as well as continuing elected member sessions with VROC member councils this week and next.</li> </ul>
3.00pm – 5:05pm	Budget Workshop – Part Two	Continuation of 2014/2015 Budget Papers including Fees & Charges Review.

10:30am Morning Tea Provided 12:30pm Lunch Provided

Info Bulletin	Circulated	Councillors to review and ask questions out of session or at the
		next briefing session.
		A copy of any question, and the response will be circulated to
		all Councillors for information.

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