

Minutes of the Central NSW Joint Organisation meeting 4 June 2020 held via teleconference.

Attendees, voting members in bold.

Cr B Bourke	Bathurst Regional Council	Cr J Medcalf	Lachlan Shire Council
Cr A Ewin	Blayney Shire Council	Cr K Sajowitz	Oberon Council
Cr K Beatty	Cabonne Council	Cr R Kidd	Orange City Council
Cr B West	Cowra Shire Council	Cr K Keith	Parkes Shire Council
Cr P Miller	Forbes Shire Council		

Mr D Sherley	Bathurst Regional Council	Cr D Somerville	Central Tablelands Water
Ms R Ryan	Blayney Shire Council	Mr G Rhodes	Central Tablelands Water
Mr B Byrnes	Cabonne Council	Ms C Weston	RDA CW
Mr P Devery	Cowra Shire Council	Mr S Harma	RDA CW
Mr S Loane	Forbes Shire Council	Mr P Evans	OLG
Mr G Tory	Lachlan Shire Council	Mr A Albury	Regional NSW
Mr G Wallace	Oberon Council	Ms J Bennett	Central NSW JO
Mr D Waddell	Orange City Council	Ms K Barker	Central NSW JO
Mr K Boyd	Parkes Shire Council	Ms M Macpherson	Central NSW JO
Mr G Carroll	Weddin Shire Council	Ms V Page	Central NSW JO

1. **Opening meeting 10.05am**
2. **Acknowledgement to Country by Chair**
3. **Apologies applications for a leave of absence by Joint Voting representatives**

Cr M Liebisch and Cr S Ferguson

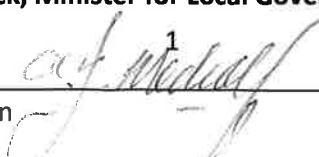
Resolved	Cr P Miller/Cr K Keith
That the apologies for the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board meeting 4 June 2020 listed above be accepted.	

4. **Election of Chairperson and Deputy Chairperson**
 - **The Chair, Cr Medcalf, stepped down**
 - **Mr D Sherley became the Returning Officer**
 - **Cr J Medcalf was elected unopposed as Chair**
 - **Cr S Ferguson was elected unopposed**
 - **Cr J Medcalf assumed the Chair**
5. **Speakers**
 - **Penrith City Council - 10.15am**
 - **Cr Ross Fowler OAM, Mayor and Mr Warwick Winn, General Manager**

Action – To follow up for a future meeting at Penrith and approach the Parkland Councils Group

 - **The Hon Shelley Hancock, Minister for Local Government**

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- Ms Steph Cooke MP, Member for Cootamundra

6. Confirmation of the Minutes of the Central NSW Joint Organisation meeting 27 February 2020 in Grenfell

Resolved	Cr P Miller/Cr B West
That the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board confirm the Minutes of the meeting 27 February 2020 held in Grenfell	

7. Business Arising from the Minutes – Matters in Progress

Resolved	Cr K Keith/Cr B West
That the Central NSW Joint Organisation Board note the Matters in Progress, making deletions as suggested, remove the suggested deletion of the Blayney to Demondrille so it remains on the action list.	

8. Reports to Statement of Regional Strategic Priority

Priority One

Report on Portfolio Mayors and representation to other entities

Resolved	Cr B Bourke/Cr K Beatty
That the Board note the Report on Portfolio Mayors and representation to other entities and from the floor determine delegates to external bodies and portfolio Mayors.	

Resolved	Cr R Kidd/Cr P Miller
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That Portfolio Mayors for the Joint Organisation be:

Priority One:	Inter-council cooperation
Portfolio Mayor	Cr John Medcalf
Priority Two	Regional Prosperity
Portfolio Mayor	Cr Bill West
Priority Three	Regional Transport and Infrastructure
Portfolio Mayor	Cr Ken Keith
Priority Four	Regional Water
Portfolio Mayor/Chair	Cr David Somerville

That the External Bodies for the Joint Organisation be:

Western Region Academy of Sport	Cr S Ferguson
NSW Council Safe Advisory Network	Natalie Terrazzino from Orange City Council and Matthew Bailey, Cabonne Council
Regional Strategic Roads Group	Cr B West, Cr K Keith, Cr P Miller
Regional Integrated Transport Group	Mr B Howard and Ms J Bennett
Lachlan Water Sharing and Water Resource Plan Stakeholder Advisory Panel	Cr D Somerville

9. Financial Report

Resolved	Cr K Keith/Cr B West
That the Board note the Financial Report	

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7. write to the Minister seeking to have JOs provide input of Terms of Reference for the JO Review
8. Write separately regarding the Emergency Services Levy to respective Ministers and LGNSW; and
9. continue to provide feedback to the Minister with regard to the above.

16. Charles Sturt Medical Scholarship Report

Resolved

Cr B West/Cr P Miller

That the Board note the Regional Medical Student Scholarships Report and

1. Note the report provides 2 options for a commitment to the Charles Sturt University Foundation for students from your region studying a five year undergraduate medicine degree full time on campus;
 - a. Option 1 - \$15k commitment per year for 5 years for a total of \$75k or
 - b. Option 2 - \$25k for 5 years for a total of \$125k to the Charles Sturt University Foundation for students from your region studying a five year undergraduate medicine degree full time on campus;
2. Adopt Option 1 to be funded from Joint Organisation reserves; and
3. Amend the budget for 2020/2021 accordingly.

11.29am Steph Cooke, Member for Cootamundra joined the meeting

11.30am Cr A Ewin left meeting

11.38am Steph Cooke, Member for Cootamundra left the meeting for Division in her role as Whip

17. Update to the MoU with RDA Central West

Resolved

Cr B West/Cr R Kidd

That the Board note the Update to the MoU with RDA Central West Report and provide scoping advice on progressing better telecommunications outcomes for the region to be included in the actions going forward.

12.01pm Cr A Ewin joined the meeting

Emergent

18. COVID-19 Response in region

Resolved

Cr P Miller/Cr B West

That the Board note the COVID-19 Response in the Region Report and support ongoing changes to the Board calendar including but not limited to:

- Adopting the date for the meeting with Federal representatives is 27 August through the Hon Michael McCormack's Office;
- Noting that the August Board meeting will be held the day before 26 August at a venue to be advised;
- A special meeting with State Parliamentarians supported by Steph Cooke MP later this calendar year;
- Meetings using online platforms from time to time to progress Board discussions with key influencers;
- These to include meetings online with State and Federal members;
- Note that scoping work on lessons learned from this region's response to Covid 19 has commenced through the Regional Leadership Executive; and
- Through the Chair monitor Covid19 and alter programming as needs.

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19. Report to the Central NSW JO Strategic Plan and Statement of Regional Strategic Priority 2019/2020

Resolved	Cr B Bourke/Cr R Kidd
the Board note the Report to the Central NSW JO Strategic Plan and Statement of Regional Strategic Priority.	

20. Updates provided by Mr A Albury, Mr S Harma and Mr P Evans

21. Matters raised by members

Review of business paper format – Ms J Bennett to work with Cr P Miller offline

12.30pm Cabonne representatives Cr K Beatty and Mr B Byrnes left meeting

22. Late reports – Nil

23. Speakers to the next meeting -

As the meeting will be in Canberra speakers will be determined through the Chair. Please note that based on positive feedback from the Board there may be meetings coordinated via Zoom for both General Managers and Board members with various State and Federal members, Ministers, agencies and other influencers.

24. The next meeting dates are

Board –3 July 2020 – Via Zoom - Adoption of the Statement of Revenue and Budget.

GMAC – 23 July 2020

Board – 26 August in Canberra

27 August 2020 – Parliament House Canberra

Meeting closed at 12:34pm

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10. Draft Statement of Revenue and Budget

Resolved

Cr B West/Cr P Miller

That the Board note the report on the Draft Statement of Revenue and Budget and

1. Approve the Draft Statement of Revenue and Budget (the Draft Statement) with the amendment to the fees to adopt Option 3 instead of Option 1;
2. Given the election period and associated Integrated Planning and Reporting timeframes have been extended by 12 months, note that the review of strategy for the JO will not occur until the end of 2021;
3. Accordingly, provide a report to the next meeting on programming until November 2021 that extends the life of CNSWJO Strategic Plan; and
4. Note a Special meeting will be held Friday 3 July to adopt the Statement of Revenue and Budget Subsequent to it being on exhibition

JO Sustainability report deferred until after the conversation with the Minister for Local Government, the Hon Shelley Hancock.

11. Regional Procurement and Contract Management Report

Resolved

Cr B Bourke/Cr R Kidd

That the Board note the Regional Procurement and Contract Management Report and

1. approve a procurement process for the supply and delivery of road signs be conducted on behalf of member councils, noting the inclusion of a 2% contract management fee payable to CNSWJO;
2. approve the contract extension of the Learning Management System contract with ELMO for a period of 3 years from 1 September 2020 for the Learning module and course content for participating councils;
3. approve the extension of the pre-employment screening contract with Recovre until 30 June 2021 with CNSWJO staff to provide the necessary documentation to councils to execute the extension;
4. approve the extension of the printing and mailing of rates notices contract with Forms Express until 30 June 2021 with CNSWJO staff to provide the necessary documentation to councils to execute the extension;
5. endorse the approval for the extension of the procurement support for water main condition assessment contract with Common Thread Consulting until 30 June 2020, including a variation to include a more detailed evaluation of responses;
6. approve the extension of the EV toolkit contract with Everergi until 31 August 2020; and
7. note the status of the BPAP Program and encourage council staff to provide information to inform the program if and when required.

12. Southern Lights Report

Resolved

Cr B Bourke/Cr P Miller

That the Board note the Southern Lights Report.

13. Formation of a Training, Learning and Development Working Group Proposal

Resolved

Cr R Kidd/Cr B West

That the Board

1. note the formation of a Training, Learning and Development Working Group Proposal report;
2. approve the formation of the Training, Learning and Development (TLD) Working Group where participation is optional; and

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3. approve the TLD Working Group resourcing to be funded out of existing CNSWJO reserves for 2020/2021 FY and recommend that fee options be included in the 2021/2022 FY budget for consideration and it be reported to the Board accordingly.

Priority Two: Regional Prosperity

14. Tourism Matters

Resolved	Cr B West/Cr K Keith
Note the Tourism Matters report and	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the advice from a survey conducted across the region on the role of the Joint Organisation in tourism encouraged continuing activity on tourism at the regional level; 2. Use surplus funds in the JO tourism budget to procure external support to refresh strategy for regional tourism leveraging the JO model; 3. Include in the heads of consideration for the strategic refresh; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The current framework for tourism in regional NSW from the LTO through to Federal support for tourism. This to include funding, strategic and structural arrangements; b. Opportunities and challenges for tourism in regional NSW; and c. The value to member Councils and through them to their communities of the JO taking a role in tourism; and 4. Note that this advice will inform future activity and its resourcing; 5. Continue with the existing fee structure to focus on the highly successful Public Relations and Social Media activity; 6. Commends to the Central NSW Regional Tourism Group it undertake minor structural change to enable a more nimble tactical response from the region while the broader strategic refresh is being undertaken; 7. Direct that the Tourism Review Subcommittee becomes the Steering Committee for the refresh of strategy for tourism in the region; 8. Note that the Tourism Review for the Central NSW JO is complete and thank the members of the Tourism Review Subcommittee for their ongoing support for tourism in the region; 9. Advocate to LGNSW to coordinate a Regional Tourism Awards seeking support from Destination Network Country and Outback; and 10. Note the progression of the "We Want You Back Campaign." 	

11.02am The Hon Shelley Hancock joined the meeting

11.21am Minister Hancock left the meeting

15. JO Sustainability Report

Resolved	Cr K Keith/ Cr R Kidd
That the Board note the JO Sustainability Report and	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. note that there is good support for the JO model from State agencies this region is engaged with; 2. remain alert to the challenges for sustainability of the broader network; 3. continue to support the broader JO network in its activities in sustainability; 4. monitor differing approaches to models for intergovernmental collaboration being considered by other regions; 5. note the briefing advice to the Minister for Local Government attending the Board meeting; 6. Welcome the Minister's positivity with regard to JOs; 	

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