

7 January 2005

Dear Elected Member,

I wish to advise that the next Council Meeting will be held on 11 January 2005 at the Council Chambers Smillie Street Robe commencing at 5.00pm.

Yours faithfully,

RJ Kay
Chief Executive Officer

AGENDA

PRESENT

APOLOGY

**CONFIRMATION
OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 December 2004.

BUSINESS ARISING

MAYOR'S REPORT

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Skate & Recreation Park Advisory Committee – 8 December 2004.
2. OHS Consultative Working Group – 21 December 2004.

Recommendation:

That the minutes be noted and that the recommendations and resolutions contained in the minutes be adopted.

REPORTS OF DELEGATES

REPORTS OF ASSOCIATED BODIES

1. SELGA Waste Management Committee Meeting – 26 November 2004.
2. Lacepede Tatiara Robe Animal & Plant Control Board – 9 December 2004.

Reccomendation:

That the minutes of the associated bodies be received and noted.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

1. Chief Executive Officer (green)
2. Manager of Works (gold)
3. Manager Child Services Occupational Health & Safety Report (dark green).
4. Library Report - December 2004.
5. Visitor Information Centre Report - December 2004.

FINANCE

1. Accounts Paid December 2004.
2. Budget Comparison 31 December 2004.
3. Budget Comparison 31 December 2004.

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following Notices of Motion have been received:

Cr Mathews

That a joint working party be put in place to investigate our aged care, medical services and obtaining doctors for Robe.

I am continually being queried by residents about the lack of facilities for the aged in Robe and when will we do something to improve the situation. Dr Senior is willing to be a part of a working party, and we have many others in our community that work with the aged and would be willing to participate.

CEO's Comment:

Council has already set in motion to meet Kingston and Naracoorte Lucindale Councils regarding succession planning for doctors resolution 114/2005 12 October 2004. This meeting will be held after Dr Senior has addressed all Councils individually, the last being on 25 January 2005.

Cr Denning-Wasson

(1) That the Robe Ratepayers/Residents be given the opportunity to provide direction to council on future commitments to the Robe Village Fair Event through a survey to be distributed in the February Community News. Survey forms to be lodged either at the Council Office or in a collection box at the Robe Public Library no later than 1 March 2005.

Proposed survey questions:

Survey to Robe Residents/Ratepayers

Council would like community direction on future involvement / commitment of public land and rate money to the Robe Village Fair.

Should the Robe Village Fair area be given permission to fence the current site location for the fairs exclusive use over 2 days?

If yes should any areas be excluded from the fenced off area?

Should the Council contribute with a monetary contribution to the event?

If so how much?

Should the Council contribute “in kind” to the event?

If so in what ways?

Any other comments for consideration.

Name:

Address:

Resident Ratepayer Both

Supporting Statement

The survey should be specific to Council involvement so questions need only relate to areas that Council have control of. I do not see the need for preambles as it would be too lengthy and involved to list the pros and cons from a council and tourism perspective. I am primarily interested in how the community would like to see me as their representative deal with any request the Robe Village Fair Committee may make of Council this year with regards to financial commitment and fencing of land.

CEO's Comment:

Council by resolution 186/2004 – 13 January 2004 made a commitment to the Robe Tourism & Traders Association to agree for two years ie. the 2004 and 2005 Village Fairs to provide:

- (a) gold sponsorship package of \$5000 and \$5000 in kind support
- (b) permission to fence the area over the weekend.

(2) Two Council Delegates be appointed to the VIC/Library Working Party. That the Working Party's primary focus be ways to improve the current partnership in the current location with current staff allocation. Long term the working party should look at **all** aspects of the Robe Public Library Service and Visitor Information Service. The working party should plan to meet as soon as possible. In the absence of the library manager a representative of the library staff should be asked to attend.

Supporting Statement

I would like to see this working party up and running as soon as possible. These two services are very important to our community. I don't see it as being vital in the early stages to have the librarian involved. I am confident that a library staff rep will be able to provide the necessary input in the initial stages. The resignation of Joann Rose and the Library / VIC current staffing situation during the interim of advertising and appointing a replacement librarian clearly indicates the important role volunteers may be able to play in assisting in the VIC and indeed the Library.

I see Council commitment to the current partnership or alternative arrangements along with a building maintenance plan as a high priority and one we should not be putting off month after month. All Councillors should, if they haven't already, ensure that they call into the library paying particular attention to general building maintenance issues, storage areas, staffing level and client traffic to assist in understanding their commitment to the proposed motion.

CEO's Comment:

Whilst I agree that the operations of the Library / VIC needs to be reviewed (which incidentally has occurred periodically and generally on a continuing basis between the CEO and Library/VIC Manager). I think it is inappropriate to conduct a review as proposed until the new Library/VIC Manager is appointed. No-one at the moment is qualified to understand the full library implications involved in such a review, or the requirements of VIC accreditation.

(3) That Council source local suppliers (Hyland Fox Signs) for a quote to supply a wooden Honour Board for Robe Australia Day Award recipients, and for that board to be appropriately sized to fit in the foyer of the Robe Institute, the funding to be sourced from the Institute maintenance budget line.

Supporting Statement

This was an issue we discussed at Council Meeting early in 2004. the budget allocation for Institute maintenance giving consideration to last months motion will still see several hundred dollars not allocated. It is my opinion that an appropriate sized honour board would cost in the vicinity of \$600.

CORRESPONDENCE Section A

1. State Electoral Office – Elector Representation Review (see attached).

Officers Comment – The process will commence in January with the initial notice being published on 27 January 2005.

2. LGA Workers Compensation Scheme – Work Cover Audit 2005 (see attached).

Officers Comment – I draw your attention to the third paragraph “Size of Council resources will not be a mitigating factor.” Council’s current resources do not allow Council to conform.

3. Local Government Association of SA – 2005 LGA Education & Training Service Program (see attached).

Officers Comment – Further information on the courses is available from the Chief Executive Officer.

4. Local Government Association of SA – Presiding Members for NRM Boards Appointed (see attached).

Officers Comment – Recommend that the letter be received.

5. Local Government Association of SA – Asian Tsunami (see attached).

Officers Comment – Council should donate.

6. Department of Trade & Economic Development – Economic Development Update (see attached).

Officers Comment – The brochure is available.

7. Robe Tourism & Traders Association – Zero Waste Plastic Bag Committee (see attached).

Officers Comment – The meeting will now be called by the Manager of Works.

8. National Sea Change Taskforce – Membership (see attached).
Officers Comment – Recommend that Council renews its membership.
9. Limestone Coast Tourism – Bicycle SA Proposal (see attached).
Officers Comment – Recommend that Council contribute.
10. Member for Bragg – School Buses (see attached).
Officers Comment – Recommend that the letter be received.
11. G Murphy – Robe Marina Corporation (see attached).
Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.
12. SAAS Robe Branch Committee Report (see attached).
Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.
13. Limestone Coast Regional Development Board – Food Industry Development Officer (see attached).
Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.
14. Robe Tennis Club – Sporting Assistance Program (see attached).
Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.
15. Lake Fellmongery Water Ski Club – Sporting Assistance Program (see attached).
Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.

16. Department for Environment & Heritage – Local Government Biodiversity Officers’ Concept (see attached).

Officers Comment – It is recommended that Council support the concept.

17. Department for Administrative & Information Services – Freedom of Information (Miscellaneous) Amendment Act 2004 (see attached).

Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received.

18. Minister for State / Local Government Relations – Consultation Draft of the Local Government (Financial Management and Rating) Amendment Bill 2004 (see attached).

Officers Comment – There is a number of concerns with the Bill including imposing rating restrictions whilst at the same time increasing Council’s workload – the two do not mix.

19. State Records of South Australia – Management of Records (see attached).

Officers Comment – More work – where are the resources both in cash and labour?

20. International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives – Local Greenhouse Action Report (see attached).

Officers Comment – The report is available.

21. South East Institute – “Pathways to Employment” Mature Aged Monitoring Programme (see attached).

Officers Comment - Recommend that the letter be received. Further information is available.

Section B

22. Annual Reports:
- National Transport Commission
 - State Electoral Office

23. Limestone Coast Strategic Plan.
24. National Awards for Local Government.
- 25.

OTHER BUSINESS