



Minutes of Briefing Committee Meeting

15 September 2015

**MINUTES OF THE BRIEFING COMMITTEE
TUESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER 2015 AT 6.11PM**

PRESENT: The Lord Mayor, Councillor Nuatali Nelmes
Councillor Declan Clausen
Councillor David Compton
Councillor Therese Doyle
Councillor Jason Dunn
Councillor Brad Luke
Councillor Michael Osborne
Councillor Stephanie Posniak
Councillor Allan Robinson
Councillor Andrea Rufo
Councillor Lisa Tierney

IN ATTENDANCE:

General Manager	Ken Gouldthorp
Director Corporate Services	Glen Cousins
Director Infrastructure	Frank Cordingley
Director Planning and Regulatory	Peter Chrystal
Acting Manager Council and Legal Services	Emily Kolatchew
Acting Manager Strategic Planning	Patty McCarthy

MINUTES: Meetings Secretary Kerry Sullivan

WEBCASTING: Meetings Secretary Amy Leach

Chair, Councillor Nelmes, 27 October 2015

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1 OPENING OF MEETING

1.1 The meeting was opened at 6.11pm.

2 APOLOGIES

2.1 MOTION

Moved by Cr Posniak, seconded by Cr Luke

The apologies submitted on behalf of Councillors Crakanthorp and Waterhouse be received and accepted and leaves of absence granted.

Carried

3 DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND NON-PECUNIARY INTERESTS

3.1 Nil.

4 BRIEFING SESSIONS

ITEM-12 BR 15/09/15 - HUNTER RESEARCH FOUNDATION ANNUAL PRESENTATION TO COUNCIL

REPORT BY: EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT
CONTACT: GENERAL MANAGER

PURPOSE

CEO, Dr Brent Jenkins, Hunter Research Foundation (**HRF**)), will provide Council with a briefing on the work of the Hunter Research Foundation including:

- Pulse Check of the local economy
- What will it take to create a sustainable economic future for the Hunter - Region
- Hunter Research Foundation Update - Working with you to move the Hunter Forward

BACKGROUND

HRF is an independent, not-for-profit, regional research organisation that assists business, government, statutory authorities, universities and the community with research services.

RECOMMENDATION

The briefing be received.

ATTACHMENTS

Nil

Chief Executive Officer, Dr Brent Jenkins, Hunter Research Foundation provided Council with a briefing on the work of the Hunter Research Foundation including:

- Pulse check of the local economy / recent signs of improvement
- Creating a sustainable a sustainable economic future for the Hunter Region
- Hunter Research Foundation Update - working with councils to move the Hunter forward

Doctor Jenkins addressed KPI's and the expectations of Hunter businesses, youth employment rates and mega trends.

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Several questions from Councillors related to youth and current trends in career expectations, counseling and coaching in schools, affordable housing opportunities and migration rates to upper Hunter areas due to low rental and housing costs.

The meeting concluded at 6.52pm.

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