

MEETING NOTES Strategic Plan Meeting – Coffin Bay Yacht Club 7:30pm, Thursday 17 October 2019

PRESENT:

Mayor Jo-Anne Quigley, Cr Wendy Holman, Cr Steve Woolley, Cr Dave Barrowcliff, Cr Alan Tingay, Cr Brett Howell.

CEO Rod Pearson, DWI Tim Blacker, MCS Sacheen Hopewell, MDES Leith Blacker, SCSO Bryce Breed

Community members – John Hyde, Kevin Barton, Lloyd Hetzel, Marc Plummer, Christine Stevens, Kerryn McEwan, Andrew Stevens

APOLOGIES:

Cr Peter Mitchell

NOTES:

Presentation of survey data provided, along with an overview of the format (vision, mission, function areas) of the current strategic plan by Mr David Harding, Excelerate Consulting.

Current Strategic Plan

Question raised as to whether the current Strategic Plan will be obsolete (i.e. will all of the budget items at the back that people have been waiting for be discarded)?

Council responded that this is a review by the new Council who may have different ideas / visions / priorities for the Council district, however the starting point for the review is looking at what we have already deemed a priority.

What is the role of the consultant in this?

David is assisting as an independent facilitator, no ownership or ties to the area so is impartial. His role is to work through challenges and get the right outcome for Council.

Roads

Comment made that the survey data shows a lower number of people in the Southern area are dissatisfied with the rubble roads than what was expected - it should be higher.

Road maintenance needs to be better.

Roads and kerbing required in Boston area.

It was noted that this area was opened up when there was no requirement for developers to seal and kerb roads. There is now, but Council are retro fitting (at significant expense) those roads.

Question asked of consultant – As a consultant for many other rural areas, were any results of the survey surprising to you?

Consultant indicated highest issues are always, roads, waste and footpaths although noted that the level of dissatisfaction shown in roads was one of the lowest he had seen.

Waste & Recycling

Attendees noted an increase in participation in recycling and noted an improvement in the percentage of people willing to pay.

Q: Would the recycling collection cost only be reduced based on offset from less landfill (and less landfill fees / solid waste levy reduction) negates the charges?

CEO outlined there was potential for a reduction in the levy paid if recycling lowered the general land fill tonnage. Cardboard is almost cost neutral (including gate fees)

Contract is due for review in 2021 and Council will be working on a thorough review of waste streams, charges and options.

Comment made recycling needs to happen before then. Has been happening for 30 years in Adelaide.

Q: Where would local recycling go? It was noted that that would need to be investigated / determined.

General observations of the survey data:

Public observation:

Noted that expenditure items that people showed the highest levels of dissatisfaction were the 'big ticket' areas and that changes in these areas were difficult without more money.

Not a huge level of input from youth - Council advised it had contacted the Cummins school (with high school students) for input and the Mayor is meeting with school staff in a couple of weeks to try and obtain more youth 'buy in' to the plan.

General discussion about the presentation of the survey;

- Second recycling question should have had more data and information in the question.
- Discussion around what 'neutral' means.
- How would people know the questions relating to walking trails meant the trails currently in existence?

Vision

Suggestions made that the vision could include:

- 'sustainability in the environment'
- 'fun & enjoyment'

General Comments

Finish kerbing on Jubilee Drive

Council need to involve itself with the reliable supply of energy and water.

CEO noted Council were involved in the consultation regarding the electricity plans, attended sessions with SA Power Networks, provided feedback.

Also attended meetings relating to the SA Water long term supply plan and are working with SA Water on the desal plant and will continue to advocate for the community and provide feedback.

Attendee noted that there are a whole heap of 'experts' on the water issue that are providing advice but they don't know what they are talking about. Things were covered up, basins have collapsed.

Comment made that while Council are undertaking various actions, the Strategic plan should reference and provide focus on:

- Coastal protection
- The management of tourism while it is great for the economy, there
 can be areas of risk for Council and the natural environment. Need to
 manage the tourists.
- Development of a master plan for Coffin Bay and potentially Cummins as well rather than simply allowing expansion of residential development.

Comment made in support of a coastal management and the need to address sea level rise and climate change.

Dutton Bay dust – Will Brocabruna Drive and woolshed be sealed in Strategic Plan?

Mayor noted these are all things that will be considered.

Stormwater for Coffin Bay. Noted the management plan is the only inclusion for this year.

Staff noted it is only the plan but have not yet received the funding for this and any future works will be dependant upon the outcome of the plan.