

NAMOI UNLIMITED – BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting of the **BOARD OF NAMOI JOINT ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS TRADING AS NAMOI UNLIMITED** held on WEDNESDAY 14 June 2023 in Canberra.

MEMBERS		PRESENT	APOLOGY
Cr Russell Webb	Tamworth Regional Council	✓	
Cr Jamie Chaffey	Gunnedah Shire Council	✓	
Cr Doug Hawkins	Liverpool Plains Shire Council	✓	
Cr Eric Noakes	Walcha Council	✓	
NON-VOTING REPRESENTATIVES			
Paul Bennett	Tamworth Regional Council	✓	
Eric Groth	Gunnedah Shire Council	✓	
Gary Murphy	Liverpool Plains Shire Council	✓	
Phillip Hood	Walcha Council	✓	

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Board of Namoi Unlimited resolved to:

- i) receive and note the information on each of the Joint Organisation Projects

ENDORSED

MOVED: Tamworth Regional Council

SECONDED: Liverpool Plains Shire Council

- ii) receive and note the Minutes of the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meeting held on 4 May 2023

ENDORSED

MOVED: Walcha Council

SECONDED: Tamworth Regional Council

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- iii) adopt the Internal Audit Charter

ENDORSED

MOVED: Gunnedah Shire Council

SECONDED: Liverpool Plains Shire Council

- iv) request the Northern Inland RDA to provide a proposal to provide Executive Services to Namoi Unlimited

ENDORSED

MOVED: Tamworth Regional Council

SECONDED: Gunnedah Shire Council

- v) resolve to keep membership fees at \$35,000 per Council for the 2023/24 Financial Year

ENDORSED

MOVED: Tamworth Regional Council

SECONDED: Liverpool Plains Shire Council

- vi) receive and note the financial report

ENDORSED

MOVED: Liverpool Plains Shire Council

SECONDED: Tamworth Regional Council

- vii) adopt the Draft Budget for the 2023/24 Financial Year

ENDORSED

MOVED: Gunnedah Shire Council

SECONDED: Liverpool Plains Shire Council

GENERAL DISCUSSION and INFORMATION

- Confirmed that all Councils apart from Gunnedah Shire Council have received a project update on Contaminated Lands from Moss Environmental.
- Tamworth Regional Council have agreed to continue with the interim provision of the Acting Executive Officer role so that existing projects continue to progress. The Acting EO will approach the RDA about a proposal for them to take on a formal secretariat role.
- General discussion regarding membership; all agreed to carry on with the current level of membership fees until specific future of Joint Organisations is determined by the new NSW Government.
- Gunnedah Shire Council requested that the Acting EO write to the Minister for Local Government seeking clarification on the position of the government in relation to JOs. This was agreed with letters also to be sent to **Brett Whitworth** – Deputy Secretary; **Daria Turley** – President LGNSW; and **Jamie Chaffey** – Chair of Country Mayors Association.

CONCLUSION OF THE MEETING

Meeting closed at 4.48pm