

Elected Member External Groups Representation Information Statement

1. Objective

This Information Statement stipulates Elected Member positions endorsed by Council as representatives of the Town of Port Hedland (Town), at various external groups/committees of which the Town is a party to. The Town has a vested interest to working in unison with various external groups and community stakeholders with the aim to foster relationships, promote open communication, develop concepts, address concerns and provide services across the community.

Elected Members appointed to attend meetings on behalf of the Town is required to abide by the Town's Code of Conduct.

Arrangements to attend meetings in respect to the below groups/committees must be done in accordance with Policy 4/010 'Elected Members Travel and Training'.

A resolution of Council is required at the first Ordinary Meeting of Council following a local government election to formalise each appointment.

2. External Groups/Committees

2.1 BHP Stakeholder Engagement Group

The BHP Stakeholder Engagement Group (SEG) is an innovative forum for Pilbara stakeholders to meet, discuss BHP related issues and have input into aspects of the planning of our operations. The SEG will provide an opportunity for BHP to request feedback regarding its operating environment, growth programs, sustainable development and environmental and economic impacts to assist with internal decision making.

2.2 East Pilbara District Health Advisory Committee

The East Pilbara District Health Advisory Committee (EPDHAC) is established by the Western Australian Country Health Service to identify issues and improve health care experiences in regional centres, and promote community health information and services.

2.3 Hedland Community Road Safety Group

The Hedland Community Road Safety Group was founded in 1994 as a joint initiative between state, local and regional government in conjunction with the community to implement the Towards Zero state road safety strategy for 2008-2020. This group aims to encourage safe road use, improve roads safety raise community awareness and develop and coordinate road safety strategies.

The Mayor will be responsible for chairing this meeting.

2.4 Hedland Community Safety Advisory Forum

The Hedland Community Safety Advisory Forum (HCSAF) will identify and advise Council on current and emerging community safety and crime prevention issues within the Hedland community. The HCSAF has an interest in collaboration and partnerships, promoting community safety and creating a voice for the Hedland community on a State and Federal spectrum.

The Mayor will be responsible for chairing this meeting.

2.5 Hedland Senior High School Independent Public School Board

The Hedland Senior High School Independent Public School Board (School Board) was formed in 2013 to integrate the community business and resource sector in conjunction with community stakeholders to provide quality education for students and a future long term vision for the school.

2.6 Joint Development Assessment Panel

The Joint Development Assessment Panel (JDAP) was formed as a key component of planning reform in the state. The intention of JDAP is to improve the balance between technical advice and local knowledge. This is achieved by determining development applications within a threshold type and value, through consistent, accountable and professional decision-making. The Northern JDAP encompasses the Kimberley, Pilbara and Gascoyne region.

2.7 Local Emergency Management Committee

The Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC) is established under provision 38 of the Emergency Management Act 2005 (WA). The purpose of the LEMC is prescribed in section 39, to provide advice to Council, liaise with external authorities, complete any mandated emergency management activities.

2.8 Pilbara Country Zone (WALGA)

State Councillors are elected to State Council from one of 17 Zones, which are groupings of Local Governments convened together on the basis of population, commonalities of interest and geographical alignment.

The relationship between State Council and Zones within the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) is a critical one in the political representation of Local Government at the State and Federal levels.

Zones have an integral role in shaping the political and strategic direction of WALGA. Not only are Zones responsible for bringing relevant local and regional issues to the State decision making table, they are a key player in developing policy and legislative initiatives for Local Government. Zone delegates are elected or appointed to represent their Council on the Zone and make decisions on their Council's behalf at the regional level.

2.9 Pilbara Regional Council (PRC)

The Pilbara Regional Council (PRC) was created in May 2000, when four Pilbara local governments came together to give a greater voice to the Pilbara region, and to attract increased investment opportunities for the benefit of Pilbara communities. PRC is currently in the process of being wound up. The Shire of East Pilbara is currently handling administration matters for PRC.

~~*2.10 Port Hedland Industries Council*~~

~~The Port Hedland Industries Council (PHIC) was established by industry port users in 2009 to provide a collaborative approach to cumulative industry issues. PHIC provides a single industry point of contact and coordinates inter-industry responses to issues such as air quality and noise. The Council is the lead representative body on issues where two or more operators are involved.~~

~~*2.110 Port Hedland Technical Advisory and Consultative Committee*~~

The Port Hedland Technical Advisory and Consultative Committee ('Technical Committee') was established in 2006 by the Pilbara Port Authority. The purpose of the Technical Committee is to provide a platform for the discussion of dredging and ocean disposal of dredged material with community stakeholders, including the consideration of environmental matters and long term permitting arrangements.

~~*2.111 Regional Capitals Alliance Western Australia*~~

The Regional Capitals Alliance Western Australia (RCAWA) work in unison with both state and federal government to achieve a sustainable development future for Western Australia encompassing social, economic and environmental resources, infrastructure and funding requirements of sub-regional centres and strategies for the state's growing population.

| *2.4312 Regional Capitals Australia*

Regional Capitals Australia (RCA) was formed in 2012 to bring Australia's 51 regional capital cities together as one unified voice. The RCA vision is to provide an alliance, a reference group, a 'strength-in-numbers' body that understands all things 'regional capitals'. Through their local government member councils, they present to the Federal Government the needs of combined communities, voicing the social and economic issues specific to our cities.

| *2.4413 Regional Roads Group*

The Regional Road Group (RRG) of the Pilbara was established under the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement (between the state Government of Australia and the Western Australian Local Government Association). This is overseen by a State Advisory Committee. The RRG comprises of elected member representatives from each Local Government within the Pilbara.

The intention of the RRG is to make recommendations on the allocation of funds available from the State Government sources for local roads according to areas of greatest need and where they will provide maximum benefit to all roads users.

| *2.45-14 Spoilbank Community Reference Group*

The Spoilbank Community Reference Group (SCRG) will provide Stakeholder input and advice regarding the ongoing development of the Spoilbank Marina Project. This group have a particular focus on the landside development.

| *2.4615 The Port of Port Hedland Community Consultative Committee*

The Port of Port Hedland Community Consultative Committee ('Port Committee') was established in 2015 to promote and facilitate communication between the Pilbara Port Authority and the community in regards to port operations.