



Minutes

Outback Communities Authority

11 November 2021

Meeting No. 105

Members:

W McIntosh AM (Presiding Member)

J Fort, F Frahn, S Johnson OAM, A Vaughan ASM, L Warmington, T Wright

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Meeting held at the OCA Boardroom, Port Augusta

11 November 2021 at 12:49pm

Present:

W McIntosh AM (Presiding Member), J Fort, F Frahn, S Johnson OAM,
A Vaughan ASM and L Warmington. (OCA Members)
M Sutton (Director, OCA) and J Greatbatch (Executive Officer, OCA).

1. WELCOME/APOLOGIES

The Presiding Member welcomed everyone to meeting 105 of the Outback Communities Authority (OCA).

An apology has been received from Member Wright.

2. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Standing OCA Declaration of Interest 2021-22	
Member	Declaration of Interest
Presiding Member	Member of the Blinman Sports Club Director, Gum Creek Station Pty Ltd Trustee, McIntosh Family Trust
Member Fort	Chair, Flinders Ranges and Outback SA Tourism Inc Director/Owner, Innamincka Hotel
Member Frahn	Director/Owner, R Warwick Pty Ltd Trustee, Holowiliena Pastoral Trust
Member Johnson	Board Member, Regional Development Australia Far North CEO, District Council of Mount Remarkable
Member Vaughan	CE, Royal Flying Doctor Service Central Operations
Member Warmington	Secretary, Penong & Districts Progress Association LJ & GM Warmington (Farming)
Member Wright	Director/Owner, Wrightsair Pty Ltd Director/Owner, LA & AM Matthews Pty Ltd Director/Owner, William Creek Hotel Member of the William Creek Progress Association

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 23 September 2021 were circulated.

Moved by Member Frahn
Seconded by Member Fort

That the minutes of the Outback Communities Authority (OCA) meeting held on 23 September 2021, meeting number 104 as circulated to Members, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

Carried.

4.2 Business arising from minutes.

4.2.1 Business Plan Progress Report (Ref. agenda item 4.3.6, Meeting No.95)

The Director confirmed that a workshop will be held once the Outback Futures Project outcomes are known to consider a flexible planning process relating to the OCA's 5-year Strategic Management Plan, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.2 Member's Reports – Support for Regional Tourism (Ref. agenda item 10, Meeting No.95)

The Director advised that a workshop will be held after the completion of the Outback Futures project to consider support for regional tourism at a community level, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.3 Business Plan Progress Report (Ref. agenda item 8, Meeting No.99)

The Director advised correspondence is yet to be forwarded to the Minister for Tourism (the Premier) regarding the impact of increased regional tourism to both the environment and infrastructure, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.4 Authorisation Under Treasurer's Instruction 8 – Financial (Ref. agenda item 6.1, Meeting No.103)

The Director confirmed the process of increasing the Presiding Member's financial delegation to an amount of not higher than \$1.5m is still ongoing, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.5 Oodnadatta Health Service (Ref. agenda item 7.2, Meeting No.103)

The Director confirmed correspondence is yet to be forwarded to the Chair of the Eyre and Far North Local Health Network SA Health regarding the health service at Oodnadatta, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.6 Mental Health Support for Outback Tourism Operators (Ref. agenda item 10, Meeting No.103)

The Director confirmed correspondence is yet to be forwarded to the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) and appropriate Ministers seeking mental health

support services for tourism operators in Outback SA, therefore this matter is pending.

4.2.7 Re-Establishment of the Building Fire Safety Committee for Outback Areas (Ref. agenda item 6.4, Meeting No.104)

The Director confirmed information on the Building Fire Safety Committee has been provided on the OCA's website. This item can be removed from the action list.

5. ADJOURNED MATTERS

Nil.

6. OCA BUSINESS

6.1 Real Property Act – Client Authorisation (Ref. N21-01/11)

The Presiding Member handed over discussion to the Director who referred to correspondence received from the Crown Solicitor's Office (CSO) relating to the OCA's Client Authorisation and Verification of Identity that was previously approved by the OCA in 2019. This client authorisation is due to expire on 20 November 2021 and the CSO has requested a new client authorisation and verification of identity form be executed and provided to the CSO prior to the expiration date so they can continue to transact on behalf of the OCA with the Lands Titles Office.

Moved by Member Fort
Seconded by Member Vaughan

That the OCA:

1. *Note the information provided.*
2. *Note the Verification of Identity Declaration form.*
3. *Authorise execution of the Client Authorisation form.*

Carried.

6.2 Memorandum of Understanding for the Provision of Services between AGD and the OCA (Ref. N21-02/11)

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Director who tabled a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between the OCA and the Attorney-General's Department (AGD) which has been drafted to enable the OCA to meet the functions and objectives of the *Outback Communities (Administration and Management) Act 2009* (OCAM Act) whereby the AGD agrees to provide support services to the OCA on the terms set out in the MoU. The term of the MoU is for five financial years being 2021-22 through to 2025-26.

Moved by Member Warmington
Seconded by Member Vaughan

That the OCA approves the execution of the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the Provision of Services between the Attorney-General's Department and the OCA for a period of five financial years from 2021-22 to 2025-26.

Carried.

6.3 Travel Authorisations – Authorisation for Interstate and Intrastate Travel – 2021-22 Response (Ref. N21-03/11)

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Director who tabled suggested travel delegations for interstate and intrastate travel for the 2021-22 financial year. The Attorney-General's Department requires the OCA to have approved travel delegation authorisations for each financial year.

Moved by Member Johnson
Seconded by Member Vaughan

The OCA approves travel delegations for interstate and intrastate travel for the 2021-22 financial year.

Carried.

6.4 Regional Development Australia Far North Quarterly Report to September 2021 (Ref. N21-04/11)

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Director who tabled the Regional Development Australia Far North (RDA FN) Quarterly Report to 30 September 2021.

Significant achievements noted in the report include undertaking a Live, Work, Play campaign with Woof Media which will feature a 30 second council edit for the Flinders Ranges Council and the OCA.

The OCA noted the RDA FN Quarterly Report to September 2021.

6.5 Outback Futures November 2021 Update (Ref. N21-05/11)

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Outback Futures Project Manager who had provided the Members with copies of all feedback received from the in community consultation undertaken in late October and early November. The Members discussed further communication with the Outback Community on progress of the Outback Futures Project.

Moved by Member Johnson
Seconded by Member Fort

The OCA:

- 1. Adopt the preferred financial model for inclusion in the recommendation report to the Minister.*
- 2. Prepare an open letter and Frequently Asked Questions document for distribution to the Outback Community Progress Associations, Coober Pedy strategic planning attendees and other people whose email addresses have been captured along with an Australia Post mail out to all Outback residents.*

Carried.

6.6 Finance Report (Ref. N21-06/11)

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Director who tabled the Finance Report as at 31 October 2021.

The OCA noted the Finance Report as at 31 October 2021.

7. URGENT BUSINESS

Nil.

8. BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS REPORT

The Presiding Member referred discussion to the Director who tabled the 2021-22 Business Plan Action Plan.

The Director confirmed the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program, Round 2 agreements have been executed and projects have commenced.

The Members noted the Business Plan Action Plan.

9. PRESIDING MEMBERS REPORT

The Presiding Member summarised the activities he has been involved in leading up to the OCA meeting including participating with the SA Outback Roads Action Group meeting on 24 September 2021 and attending the Outback Futures in community consultation meetings at Blinman, Marree and Leigh Creek.

The OCA noted the Presiding Member's report.

10. MEMBERS REPORT

Member Fort reported a Flinders Ranges and Outback Tourism planning day will be held on 15 November 2021 and the OCA will be kept updated with outcomes.

Member Vaughan reported the Marree clinic installation has progressed and should be operational by in the coming months.

11. DIRECTORS REPORT

The Director tabled his report for the period leading up to the November meeting referring to the 2020-21 Annual Report that was late being provided to the Minister due to delays in the audit being finalised.

The Director tabled an extensive list of activities undertaken by the Office for the OCA since the September meeting.

12. CORRESPONDENCE REGISTER

The Director tabled the Correspondence Register for the period 8 September to 29 October 2021.

The OCA noted the Correspondence Register.

13. CONFIDENTIAL ORDERS

Nil.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The OCA noted that the next scheduled meeting will be 8, 9 December in Port Augusta.

The meeting closed at 1:22pm.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "W. M. ...".

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