

Terms of Reference

Lochinvar Urban Release Area Reference Group

Purpose:

The Lochinvar Urban Release Area Reference Group will be an important point of contact between Council, landowners and the community regarding the preparation of planning instruments for the Lochinvar Urban Release Area. The Reference Group will act to ensure that outcomes for the Lochinvar Urban Release Area respect community and landowner expectations. It will provide an opportunity for the decisions of the Council to be informed by the views and knowledge of the community and landowners. The Reference Group will act as an advisory committee reporting directly to Council.

Objectives:

- To provide advice to Council regarding the social, environmental and economic implications to the Lochinvar community with respect to the environmental studies and planning instruments for the Lochinvar Urban Release Area.
- To give input into the type, scope and scale of investigations for the Lochinvar Urban Release Area, within the framework of council and state government protocol and statutes.
- To ensure that the expectations and visions of the Lochinvar community and landowners is represented in the advice and input to the Reference Group.

Membership:

- The minimum membership of the Reference Group will be
 - Three (3) Councillors
 - Three (3) residents of the Lochinvar and surrounding area
 - Three (3) landowners (or representatives) from the Lochinvar Urban Release Area
 - Council officers, as ex officio members
- Resident and landowners representatives will be invited by self-nomination, and selected on the basis of broad interest, understanding and commitment to the Lochinvar area.

- Acceptance of nominations will be by Council and members will be appointed by way of letter.
- Members will be required to adhere to Council's code of conduct for Council Committees.
- Resident and landowner members are required to submit a declaration of political donations.

Meeting procedures:

- Meetings will be held at least monthly, with special meetings as required. The date, time and place for the meetings shall be determined by the Chair.
- Agendas of each meeting shall be distributed to each Member by the Chair at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

Terms of Reference Approved:

By Council – 27 January 2009

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By Reference Group – 2 March 2009