



# DERBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INC.

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## Minutes of the Derby Chamber of Commerce held on the 30<sup>th</sup> January 2013

Meeting opened at 6:11pm

**Present:** Wayne Holland (WH), Hans Leenaarts (HL), Genevieve Russ (GR), Barbara Venn (BV), Stewart Milne (SM), Ross Sullivan (RS)

**Guest:** Gary Clark (GC) - CEO Shire of Derby West Kimberley

**Apologies:** Tim Bray

### Proceedings

#### **SDWK Presentation:**

WH welcomed GC to the meeting and expressed the Chamber's keenness to develop a good working relationship with the Shire. GC outlined to Shire's directions that are contained in the Strategic Plan which attempts to reflect the community's social, economic etc aspirations. It is increasingly the case that such plans should align with regional and state priorities to ensure a greater chance of attracting funding for projects. An example of this includes addressing housing issues that exist across the Kimberley as opposed to smaller local projects that have benefits limited to a smaller portion of the region. GC also outlined the critical objectives that he as the CEO has been assigned across the next six months.

WH asked how a regular dialogue can be established going forward. GC suggested writing to the CEO or requesting a meeting at any time and also pointed out that Councillors who are on the Chamber's committee can be a valuable link to the Shire.

#### **Website:**

HL will arrange a meeting for those who are responsible for placing content onto the website to move this project forward.

#### **Kimberley Economic Forum:**

RS suggested that this project urgently needs to commence planning for funding applications, speakers etc. RS will arrange a meeting for next week with those who are involved.

#### **Welcome to Derby Day:**

BV will arrange materials for the Chamber to have available at this event. They will essentially include a membership form that has information about the Chamber on the reverse side.

#### **Meeting with Brendan Grylls:**

WH gave a brief overview of a meeting with the minister last week.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2013, 6pm at West Kimberley House  
Meeting closed at 7:33pm