

Springfield Regional Jobs Committee

MEETING MINUTES



1. Date and Time:

8th October 2024 | 8.00am – 9.30am

Venue:


Level 6, Block B University of Southern Queensland 37 Sinnathamby Bvd, Springfield Central


Chairperson:


Rees Banks, Chief Executive Officer, Regional Development Australia Ipswich & West Moreton Inc
Dr Richard Eden – Executive General Manager, Education and Smart City, Springfield City Group
Sarah Prest – Principal Economic Development Officer, Department of State Development and Infrastructure
Neil Coupland – President, Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce
Rouz Fard– Associate Director, Industry & Community Partnerships, Office of the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Uni SQ
Tom Rowe– Executive Director, Education and Training, TAFE Queensland South West
Jo Andrews – Head Of Department - Career Education & Pathways, Springfield Central State High School
Dan Heenan - Economic Development Manager, Office of the General Manager - Ipswich City Council
Glen Watson – Regional Director Department of Employment, Small Business and Training
Paul Clarkson, Senior Manager, Strategic Workforce Planning & Insight, Mater
Jeril Thomas – Regional Manager, Multicultural Australia
Alfio Balsamo – Dean of College WesTEC CEO
Sarah-Jane Gourley – Manager, Regional School Industry Partnerships Program, Department of Education

Secretariat:

Liz Conroy – Project Manager

1. Welcome and Open				
Item	Agenda & Discussion	Agreed Action	Action Officer	Required By
1.1	Welcome and Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was opened 8.13am 8th October, 2024 by Rees Banks Acknowledgement to Country by Rouz Fard Attendance and apologies 	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sarah-Jane Gorley Kylie Newey Tom Rowe Minutes from previous meeting confirmed	Rees banks	
1.2	Declaration: Conflict of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nil 		-	
1.3	Committee Member Terms of Reference and Update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminder of Terms of Reference to all Committee Members 	 Springfield RJC Terms of Reference 1.	Rees Banks	

2. Standing Agenda				
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2.0	Confirmation of previous minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes from the previous meeting held was accepted as a true and accurate record. 	 Minutes SRJC Committee Meeting A	Rees Banks	All agreed
2.1	Introduction of Uni SQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fortunate to have the Committee at the Springfield Campus Springfield is a very active community and from the Uni's perspective there is a very bright future regarding both the demographic and industry growth. Innovation index released – Australia slowly growing in the innovation index – clear parallel to GDP Springfield City Group have the perfect formula to lead the region in innovation SRJC is doing a great job 	Further engagement and collaboration with Uni SQ <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current enrolment related to studies at Springfield is approx. 5,000 students Springfield – surveying unique one of only two universities on the East Coast of Australia 	Rouz Fard	

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2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The uni is keen to collaborate further to work toward the broader agenda for the region as a strong partner in that. <p>Update from Project Chair</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion and Vote to change Committee Meeting back to AM Update – received funding payment last week to continue until June 30. Appraisal complete and signed off Chat about and thoughts regarding actions until June 30 Springfield Suggestion to move forward as an RJC to encompass the corridor that surrounds us. The areas that flow in and out – geographical we stand out compared to other RJC Econosis report – Springfield corridor Advantages and disadvantages discussed <p>Robust discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 24 suburbs – 21 of those suburbs are closer by design From workforce planning needs, industry is looking at all 21 suburb locations Rebank/Bellbird already coming this way for higher education Industry and workforce that is needed – parts of Ipswich that could benefit from this group Look at the workforce plan outline – broader Ipswich area changing Rail to Ripley could open things up Suggestion should be industry based rather than territory - might be benefits to Springfield industry and sector based engagement with industries that can boast Springfield and tap in more broadly into other areas in the region. Suggestion should be skills and jobs rather than territory 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> More health research between here and Ipswich in a strategic sense Space engineering by end 2025/early 2026 New model of engineering will allow more flexibility between micro learning and this has been led by industry feedback. <p>Motion carried to return to 8am meeting</p>  <p>Springfield-Growth-D rivers-2023-Report (1)</p> <p>What is the purpose and what do we want to achieve?</p> <p>Everyone in Springfield has a job Every employer has a workforce Skilling</p>	Rees Banks	

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3.1	<p>Communication/ Strategy update</p> <p>Springfield Jobs website portal (July 2024 – October 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 333 - Jobs Advertised ○ 88 - Employers ○ 4,737 - Registered Job Seekers ○ 28,694 - Jobs Viewed ○ 140,709 - Page views ○ 1,641 - Jobs applied <p>• Springfield RJC Community E-Newsletter (July 2024 – October 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2 - Campaigns ○ 4,085 - Emails ○ 41 % - Open Rate <p>• Springfield RJC Website (July 2024 – October 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 17,949 Views <p>• Springfield RJC Facebook (July 2024 – October 2024)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 64 - Posts ○ 300,121 - Reaches ○ 6,990 - Followers 		Liz Conroy	

4. Close and Next Meeting				
Item	Agenda & Discussion	Agreed Action	Action Officer	Required By
	Meeting Close <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was closed by R Banks at 9.39am Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 3rd December 2024 		Liz Conroy	

Attachments	
Attachment #	Description
1	No attachments required as attachments are embedded in meeting minutes above.

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1.0	Liz Conroy	10/10/2024	

Minute Authorisation:

Rees Banks
 Chief Executive Officer
 Regional Development Australia Ipswich and West Moreto

