Economic Development Community Reference Group
Minutes

Date	1 September 2020	Time	7.30 – 8.45pm
Location	Online GoTo Meeting		

List of Council Attendees (P = Present, A = Apology, NA = Not in attendance)	
P	Mayor Teresa Harding (Chair)
P	Cr Kate Kunzelmann
P	Cr Andrew Fechner
P	Cr Jacob Madsen
P	Cr Nicole Jonic
P	Ben Pole, General manager of Community, Culture and Economic Development
P	Allison Grant, Engagement Manager, Coordination & Performance
P	Lynn Mathers, Community Engagement Officer, Coordination & Performance
P	Melanie Rippon, Community Engagement Officer, Coordination & Performance

Community Reference Group Attendees (P = Present, A = Apology, NA = Not in attendance)			
P	Peter Aylward	NA	Mike McInnes
P	Phillip Bell	NA	Richard Morrison
NA	Paul Casos	P	Nicholas Pender
P	David Cullen	NA	Ben Rawlings
NA	Nikketah Cuneo	NA	David Ritchie
NA	Linda Doonan	P	Paul Travis
NA	Adam French	NA	Begona Trillo
NA	Ashley Gillie	P	Ruth Tyssen-Day
NA	Christopher Hannah	P	Moein Varaei
NA	Ashley Marshall	NA	Kenneth Weaver

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1 Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country	Facilitator	Mayor Teresa Harding opened the meeting, welcomed attendees and acknowledged country. Mayor Teresa Harding welcomed Cr Kate Kunzelmann, Cr Andrew Fechner, Cr Jacob Madsen - deputy chair of the Economic Industry Development Standing Committee, and Cr Nicole Jonic- chair of the Economic and Industry development Committee - to the meeting. The Mayor provided an update on the following matters: - Council is now leading the way in open and accountable Government with the Transparency and Integrity Hub launch

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		- Ordinary and subcommittee meetings are now live streamed - The Hub is now gathering feedback - Policy workshops are being convened within Council before they go to committee. Associated documentation is being published - The 3 year capital works program is being published, including the 12 month budget - A Buy Ipswich Procurement Policy has been implemented - The City of Ipswich Defence Industry Development Committee has reconvened twice - Council has been working with local leaders under the banner of the Ipswich Leaders Alliance to advocate for our city's priorities - Council hosted a 6 part webinar series as a forum to connect small and big business, and share information and insights - Council is strengthening its commitment to the Ipswich region and also the greater Springfield Chambers of Commerce and has partnership agreements in place In addition to Council's credit recovery program, it has been advocating for investment from both the State and Federal governments for major transport infrastructure such as roads, rail and bridges.
2	**Standing Agenda Item: 'Declaration of potential or actual conflicts of interest'**		There were no declarations of conflicts of interest.
3	**Group check-in**	Facilitator Community Reference Group members	The group had a quick discussion checking in since the previous meeting.
4	**Overview of Corporate Plan**	Facilitator	Melanie Rippon provided a presentation and overview of Council's new Corporate Plan – iFuture (2021 – 2026) (attachment 1).

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	& Community Vision	Community Reference Group members	The presentation included a summary of responses to the study circle questions, an additional community engagement method that was used to gather broader community feedback prior to the CRG meetings. Lynn Mathers and Melanie Rippon facilitated an online community visioning session using Live Poll software. The questions included: 1. *What you love about Ipswich NOW. Prioritize the themes that are most important to you….* 2. *What you want people to love about Ipswich by 2040. Prioritize the themes that are most important to you….* 3. *What are the key issues and challenges for the City of Ipswich NOW? Respond in 5 words or less* 4. *How can we, as a community, manage these issues and challenges so they are improved by 2040? Respond with a brief sentence.* 5. *What do we want Ipswich look, feel and be like in 20 years' time?* 6. *Do you have any other feedback for us this evening?* Participants responded to each question using a personal device. Results were displayed live as the session progressed. The data from the questions (participant responses) will be analysed and used in forming the new Corporate Plan (2021-2026).
5	Close & check-out		Thanks and close.

Meeting closed: 8:45pm
Date of next meeting: TBA

Attachment 1: Overview of iFuture (20 year vision & new Corporate Plan)