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## **12. Update from Advance Cairns, Danielle Carey**

- Cairns Regional Council ceased funding to Advance Cairns
- Business as usual in the meantime
- Rob Gaison currently acting CEO
- Looking at new CEO in new year
- Sent infrastructure priorities to major parties for Qld Election

## **13. IgniteFNQ**

- Funding received
- Coordinator position and chair position (now both closed)
- Can sign up to newsletter on Facebook
- Amber Marshal – putting together newsletter. Facebook page – can sign up with newsletter
- Advance Cairns would like an update on the project

**ACTION 7.3 – FNQROC to invite IgniteFNQ coordinator to FNQROC Economic Development group meeting in the new year.**

## **13. General Business**

### **13.1. LGAQ Tourism roundtable**

- Darlene will be attending the meeting on 14 December
- Aim of the discussion is to identify LGAQ advocacy priorities and actions that will support councils in growing tourism in their regions
- ? opportunities to change funding model
- Councils have different relationships with LTO's, KPI's and governance arrangements
- To be discussed at the FNQROC Board meeting on 11 December 2017

### **13.2. LGAQ**

- LGAQ 2017 Digital Productivity Report – on LGAQ website
- LGAQ – Future Cities Summit – 11-13 July
- LG Sherlock – new initiative from LGAQ – <https://sherlock.lgaq.asn.au/home>

### **13.3. .id economic and community profile tools**

- TRC looking at holding a business industry forum in March 2018
- TRC recently signed up to Atlas .id

## **14. Update from TTNQ/TEQ, Sarah Palmer (unable to attend the meeting)**

*Update to be distributed with the minutes*

## **15. Mareeba Shire Council**

- Completed Mareeba Airport and Mareeba Industrial Park investment docs for the forum

- Will be submitting BBRF application
- Successful application - 1.5M water infrastructure upgrade

#### **16. Cairns Regional Council**

- Angelo participating in visit to sister city in China and will be attending the marine expo
- Direct flights from China commence in Dec – 3 year commitment

#### **17. Douglas Shire Council**

- Economic Development Strategy implementation – formation of taskforces. Taskforce around Health, Training Hub, Sustainable Development and Business attraction
- Works for Queensland – Flagstaff Hill walk completed
- DSC – taking back ownership of Carnival – previously outsourced

#### **18. Tablelands Regional Council**

- 5 yr Economic development strategy adopted by Council
- 2M Disaster Coordinator and Education/Training Centre
- New disaster video in partnership with small town culture - great community response using school kids (55K views within a few days) \$5K investment
- Funding for 7 traineeships and apprenticeships plus 1 funded from TRC
- W4Q funds towards infrastructure upgrades, beautification of town centres, playgrounds and parks, racecourse, halls and community centres
- Tablelands Irrigation Project progressing with appointment of Aurecon
- TRC new position - Manager Enterprise review of alternative revenue streams and opportunities for commercialisation
- State Govt election priorities - health and wellbeing (Ath hospital upgrade, allied health and medical services precinct, additional services for ageing) water security and affordability (North Johnston diversion - feasibility), youth development programs (youth symposium held in November), and Main Road projects
- Participatory budget tool - input into service priorities from community as part of preparation of 2018/19 budget available on [trc.qld.gov.au](http://trc.qld.gov.au) or TRC Facebook
- Major events – request to revisit FNQROC's role as conduit to councils and bring together FNQ event officers from councils to collaborate and confirm existing processes

**ACTION 7.4 – FNQROC to organise a FNQROC Cross Region events group meeting to re-establish contacts within Councils, discuss events planned for 2018, opportunities to work together across events.**

- Queen's Baton Relay - Planning community event – looking at iconic speaker. Query what other Councils doing and can we work together to reduce costs and points of contact for special guests – CRC contact Jan Thomson.

#### **19. CCRC**

- Organisation restructure complete – still working on priorities
- Good tourist season in CCRC
- Aquatic festival planned – organised through Mission Beach Tourism

- Hosted some of the World Cup teams – streamed live
- Rafting – Hosting world championships on the Tully River
- Pre-worlds rafting in May 2018
- Qld Outdoor Rec Federation – Tablelands / Cassowary coast – Mountain bike trail

## 20. FNQROC

- Engaging with Queensland Treasury Corporation – support available to Local Government
- QTC can provide assistance in reviewing business cases
- FNQROC Strategic Opportunities – how can FNQROC support Councils in business case development
- Western Councils forum held 13-14 November 2017
  - o Key discussion items – opportunities around tourism.
  - o Minutes on FNQROC website
  - o Next forum 27/28 February 2018

## 21. Next meeting

Next meeting will be 23 February 2018.

The meeting closed at 1.55 pm.

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## Recommendations to FNQROC Board

- Nil

## ACTION ITEM(S) –

No.	ACTION	OWNER	COMPLETED?
6.2	TTNQ to share with FNQROC, TTNQ strategies	TTNQ	
6.3	TTNQ and FNQROC to discuss TTNQ Drive Strategy	TTNQ & FNQROC	
7.1	FNQROC to follow up with Dept of Agriculture and Fisheries regarding a planned industry event in the new year.	FNQROC	
7.2	FNQROC to investigate opportunity to develop a video that showcases the investment opportunities across the region.	FNQROC	
7.3	FNQROC to invite IgniteFNQ coordinator to FNQROC Economic Development group meeting in the new year.	FNQROC	
7.4	FNQROC to organise a FNQROC Cross Region events group meeting to re-establish contacts within Councils, discuss events planned for 2018, opportunities to work together across events.	FNQROC	