

9.1 KIMBERLEY REGIONAL GROUP FORUM - DATE AND THEME

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SUMMARY: At its 3 December 2019 meeting the Kimberley Regional Group (KRG) resolved to hold one forum in 2019 with timing to leverage flights to Singapore. This item provides the proposed date and theme for the conference.

BACKGROUNDPrevious Considerations

Joint Zone KRG Meeting 3 December 2018	Item 8.1
Joint Zone KRG Meeting 3 December 2018	Item 9.5

The Kimberley Zone has previously held a joint Kimberley/Pilbara Forum (bi-annual organisational responsibility) and a Joint Northern Territory Forum (annual organisational responsibility).

At the December 2018 it was resolved to hold one forum in 2019 to meet the obligations of the Joint Kimberley Pilbara Forum and continue to progress networking opportunities with Northern Territory local governments.

COMMENT

There is an urgent need to progress planning for the mid-year forum to ensure adequate notice is provided to speakers and delegates. The proposed forum is outlined below.

Date	17 June 2019
Forum Location	Broome
Proposed Venue	Broome Civic Centre with Dinner held at the Mangrove Hotel
Duration	One day plus dinner with the Zone meeting on the following morning.
Invitees	A list of invited guests (non-paying) will be prepared including representatives from the Northern Territory and Pilbara.
Speakers	A combination of local government, business, community organisations, state and federal government officers and Ministers.

Theme

The following theme is proposed for the forum. Once endorsed it will be further developed for review by Zone members.

New opportunities are emerging in the North. Increasing diversification in mining, changes to State Government policies and alternative energy development are actively being explored and may transform the face of the north. How can local government help to power this new economy? The forum will be a thought provoking day considering these new opportunities and what they could mean to the regional economy. Join us as we look at how the regions can effectively position themselves to capture benefits throughout the value chain to drive positive economic and social outcomes.

CONSULTATION

Following ratification of the date and theme of the forum consultation will be undertaken with both the Pilbara and the Northern Territory.

STATUTORY ENVIRONMENT

Local Government Act 1995

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

\$40,000 was assigned through the 2018/19 Zone KRG Budget to fund the Joint NT Forum and Joint Kimberley Pilbara Forum with a corresponding \$20,000 in reimbursements budgeted for both forums. The total budget allocated is \$20,000.

STRATEGIC IMPLICATIONS

Governance Goal – A collaborative group demonstrating strong regional governance:

Alignment and integration of regional and local priorities for member Councils.

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple Majority

REPORT RECOMMENDATION:

That the Kimberley Regional Group by circular resolution:

- 1. Endorse the date, location and theme for the 2019 forum as specified in this report; and*
- 2. Request the Secretariat to progress the organisation of the event.*

Attachments

Nil