

Royalties for Rejuvenation Fund Hunter Expert Panel Meeting No. 4 - Summary

Details

Location: Q Building, The University of Newcastle,
Level 2, 16B Honeysuckle Drive, Newcastle
NSW 2300 and via MS Teams

Date/time: 1 May 2023, 1-4pm

Chairperson: Bob Hawes

Panel members in attendance

1. **Chairperson:** Bob Hawes
2. Joe James
3. Elizabeth Watts
4. James Barben
5. Warrick Jordan
6. John Turner
7. Fiona Plesman
8. Robin Williams
9. Professor Roberta Ryan

Meeting Summary

1 Acknowledgement of Country and Welcome

The Chair, Mr Bob Hawes, welcomed all participants and acknowledged that the meeting was being held on Awabakal and Worimi Country.

2 Expert Panel Meeting - Opening and update since last meeting

The Panel endorsed the Minutes and noted the Actions from the previous meeting.

3 Declarations of interest

The Chair called for declarations of interest. The Panel noted a declaration from a member of the Panel and a new Interests, Declaration and Undertaking form will be completed.

The Expert Panel noted that this declaration did not currently present any conflict.

4 Update on Regional Portfolio and Election Commitments including establishment of Regional Transition Authorities

The Department provided an update on the Regional Portfolio and Election Commitments.

5 Employment skills and workforce

1. Skills and Workforce development activity underway in the Hunter Region

Regional Development and Hunter and Central Coast Training Services NSW presented on the skills and workforce development activity underway in the region.

2. REZ Skills and Workforce

The Electricity Infrastructure Jobs Advocate provided an overview of activities undertaken to date.

3. Port of Newcastle - Clean Energy Precinct

The Port of Newcastle provided a presentation on their Clean Energy Precinct.

6 Expert Panel next steps discussion – Engagement and Action Plan

The Department facilitated a discussion on the next steps for the Panel including the development of a draft engagement and action plan.

The Panel discussed the priorities to be of most importance to progress the Expert Panel’s work.

7 General Business and Forward Agenda

Next meeting to be held on Thursday 8 June 2023 in Muswellbrook.

8 Actions and Close

The Chair thanked the Expert Panel members and closed the meeting.