

LATE ITEM AGENDA

for the

ALL PURPOSE COMMITTEE MEETING

commencing at 6:30PM

on

15 JULY, 2019

at the

Councillor's Conference Room

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L.1 DEVELOP PLAN TO FIGHT FIFO

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Disclosure of Interest: Nil

VOTING REQUIREMENTS

Simple

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION

That Council consider further plans and actions to address the negative effects of FIFO on the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Council, at its strategic retreat, accepted the challenge under the Public Policy section to "Develop Plans to Fight FIFO". Cr Ayers has raised the issue again for discussion with a view to creating actions.

Council has recently lodged a submission to the Productivity Commission review on FBT and Remote Area Tax, and has regularly raised the detrimental effect that FIFO is having on our City.

It is clear however, that Kalgoorlie's issues are applicable to only us in WA. Our position is unique and therefore needs a new way of thinking.

COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN LINKS

This report links to the Strategic Community Plan through the Community's Guiding Principles to be a strong and vibrant community that plans for a diversified future.

BUDGET IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendations of this report.

REPORT

The issues surrounding FIFO and the effects it is having on our City during a time when the economy is thriving and the City is not have been canvassed widely. The reality however is that we are losing the battle at this time and that no other WA regional City is as affected as we are. The non-resource cities are supplying labour to those resource areas that depend on FIFO. The resource cities in the North West are being inundated with both resource projects and requests for labour camps. Rio

Tinto has embarked on a PR campaign pointing out the enormous benefits to regional towns and cities through its FIFO programs. The state government is not responding to the issue with any legislation or plan (with the exception of some action on mental health).

Council at its retreat recognised the problem and agreed to develop plans. Cr Ayers has suggested we look at other areas such as manipulation of the employer/employee cost base and packaging incentives.

The matter is listed for consideration, ideas and planning.

STATUTORY IMPLICATIONS

There are no statutory implications resulting from the recommendations of this report.

POLICY IMPLICATIONS

There are no policy implications resulting from the recommendations of this report.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONSULTATION

No community consultation was considered necessary in relation to the recommendations of the report.