



District Council of Cooper Pedy

MINUTES
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FY23 and is reviewing charges for the airport and Mini Gems in order to transform them from a deficit to breakeven position.

8 Advocacy

8.1 Public Post Office Bank

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Attachments: Nil

Purpose of Report: The purpose of this report is for Council to consider endorsing the option of Public Post Office Bank in Coober Pedy.

Conflict of Interest: The author declares no conflict of interest in this matter.

Type: Matter for Information

Discussion

The Australian Citizens Party is part of a nationwide campaign to establish a new government bank, like the original Commonwealth Bank, to operate in post offices, which would guarantee face-to-face financial services for all communities, and force the Big Four banks to compete on both cost and service.

The post office bank would also:

- Guarantee deposits, because it is a government bank;
- Maintain cash payments and processing, which the private banks are trying to do away with;
- Increase lending to individuals and small businesses in regional communities;
- Invest in more infrastructure, including through local government.

This campaign is supported by the Licensed Post Office Group (LPOG), which represents the interests of the almost 3,000 community post offices which are run as small businesses, the majority of the Australia Post network.

And it is supported by Katter's Australian Party, One Nation, the Greens, senior members of the National Party, and members of the Liberal and Labor parties.

Bob Katter MP is preparing a bill to introduce into Parliament, called the Commonwealth Postal Savings Bank Bill.

Local Councils are being invited to pass motions to endorse the bill and communicate the endorsement to their local federal Member of Parliament.

Five Councils have now passed motions:

1. Narrabri Shire Council (NSW)
2. Banana Shire Council (QLD)
3. Yilgarn Shire Council (WA)
4. Cobar Shire Council (NSW)
5. Strathfield City Council (NSW)."

Financial Implications: Not applicable

Consultation: Not applicable

Options

Option 1: Approve the recommendation.

Option 2: Amend the recommendation.

Option 3: No resolution.

Recommendation

That Council pass a motion to endorse the bill.

Resolution No.301

That Council pass a motion to endorse the bill.

9 Motion on Notice

9.1 Veterinary Services

Proposed Notice

1. That expressions of interest be sought from interested parties for the provision of veterinary services on a quarterly basis in Coober Pedy for a three year period.
2. That a report be prepared for the Council regarding suitable premises for the service to operate from.
3. That any net cost be funded from municipal rates which would require the approval of voters at a poll.

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