NOTICE OF THE
CITY INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE

Date:      Tuesday, 9 June, 2020
Time:      9:30 am
Location:  Logan Entertainment Centre
           170 Wembley Road, Logan Central

Committee Members:
Councillor Lane (Chairperson)
Councillor Bannan (Deputy Chairperson)
Councillor Bradley
Councillor Russell
Councillor Koranski
Councillor Raven
Councillor Hall
Councillor Tim Frazer
Councillor Heremaia
Councillor Stemp
Councillor Willcocks
Councillor Murphy
His Worship the Mayor, Councillor Power

Confidential Deputation - Item 4.1
10.00 am - Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) - Inland Rail
1. Welcome
2. Acknowledgement of Country
3. Leave of Absence
4. Road Infrastructure Planning
   4.1 Confidential Deputation - Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) - Inland Rail
Logan City Council  
Committee Business Papers - 
Use of Information by Councillors

Please retain the attached Business Paper as it will be considered in conjunction with the recommendations of the relevant Committee meeting by Council.

Councillors are reminded that if a person is convicted of an offence against the following section 171 of the Local Government Act 2009 (Use of information by councillors), that penalties apply.

171 Use of information by councillors

(1) A person who is, or has been, a councillor must not use information that was acquired as a councillor to—

(a) gain, directly or indirectly, a financial advantage for the person or someone else; or

(b) cause detriment to the local government.

Maximum penalty—100 penalty units or 2 years imprisonment.

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply to information that is lawfully available to the public.

(3) A councillor must not release information that the councillor knows, or should reasonably know, is information that is confidential to the local government.

Note—

A contravention of subsection (3) is misconduct that is dealt with by the tribunal.
4.1 Confidential Deputation in accordance with Section 275 (1) (h) of the Local Government Regulation 2012

AUSTRALIAN RAIL TRACK CORPORATION (ARTC) - INLAND RAIL

REPORT OF: Road Infrastructure Planning Manager

REPORT OVERVIEW

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Officers from the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) were invited by the new Council of Logan City Council to provide a briefing/update on the Inland Rail project and explain actions so far with regards to community consultation and mitigation measures.

Following officers are expected to participate from ARTC as attendees:

- Rob McNamara, Project Director (presenting)
- Kerrin Roberts, Project Manager K2ARB (presenting)
- Long Kim Vo, Project Manager C2K (presenting)
- Me (available for questions)
- Amanda Quayle, Stakeholder Engagement Lead C2K (available for questions)

Criteria: Direction - It requires Council to make a decision of a strategic nature; or Council has specifically requested it

CORPORATE PLAN PRIORITY

Conveniently Connected

A confidential deputation will be presented at the committee meeting relating to the above matter. This deputation is considered confidential due to the following reason: "As it will provide an opportunity for open discussion concerning the project impacts."

RECOMMENDATIONS

IT IS RECOMMENDED:-

That the Road Infrastructure Planning Manager be requested to thank the Australian Rail Track Corporation (ARTC) attendees for their presentation.

REPORT DETAILS

INTERESTED PARTIES

Not applicable.
PURPOSE OF REPORT/BACKGROUND

Inland Rail is approximately 1,700km in length and will link Melbourne and Brisbane via regional Victoria, New South Wales and Queensland. One of the key objectives of the project is to deliver freight faster from Melbourne to Brisbane reducing reliance on road freight and generate new opportunities for industries.

The Kagaru to Acacia Ridge and Bromelton (K2ARB) section is one of 13 projects that complete Inland Rail. This section traverses through already populated areas as well as areas planned for major population growth in Logan City Council.

There are many concerns regarding the potential permanent impacts on Logan residents. The key concerns are the following:

- Considering the real potential of hauling coal, many residents are concerned about the impact of coal dust (air quality) on humans and neighbourhoods
- As the route is designed for 1.8 km long and double stacked freight trains running at 80 – 100kmph, the noise impacts on residents and the vibration impacts on building are two major concerns.
- The impact on wildlife is also a key concern raised by many

Council made a submission to the Senate Inquiry into the Management of the Inland Rail project by the Australian Rail Track Corporation and the Commonwealth Government in November 2019 capturing most of these impacts. In considering the submission, the Interim Administrator stated;

...Council does not have a legislative or approval role in regard to Inland Rail, however it is incumbent on us to advocate on behalf of the people in Logan who stand to be significantly affected by this proposal. The proposed alignment runs through what will become one of the most densely-populated areas in our region. The submission incorporates the concerns of Council and those raised by residents over a number of years with regards to alignment, impacts on associated infrastructure, the community engagement process and coordination with other levels of Government and related infrastructure projects.

We believe there is still more ARTC needs to do to demonstrate a genuine commitment to community engagement and consultation...

As of May 2020, this position remains unchanged. The Senate Committee is expected to hand down its report in September 2020.

It is expected, the briefing will provide insight to the concerns already raised and current status of the project.

ANY PREVIOUS COUNCIL DECISIONS

Adopted by Council at its meeting of 29/10/2019 Minute No 174/2019: That the submission to the Senate Standing Committees on Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport inquiry into the management of the Inland Rail project by the Australian Rail Track Corporation and the Commonwealth Government, as attached to the report of the Director of Innovation & City Transformation dated 8 October 2019 (Id: 13199470), be endorsed.

FINANCIAL/RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable
RISK MANAGEMENT IMPLICATIONS
Not applicable

LEGAL/POLICY
Not applicable

COMMUNITY AND OTHER CONSULTATION
Not applicable

CONCLUSION
Not applicable

ATTACHMENTS TABLE
Nil