

THE BERRI BARMERA COUNCIL
NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE LIBRARY RELOCATION WORKING GROUP
HELD 3/05/2022 COMMENCING AT 2.00pm

- 1 **Present:** Peter Hunt (Mayor), Dylan Strong (CEO), Rhonda Centofanti (Councillor), Peter Ison (Library Manager)

Visitors: Brett Julian & Jake Fitton from Brett Julian Architects

- 2 **Apologies:** Nil

3. **Discussion Points:**

This is the third meeting of the Library Working Group held in the old JC Irving Printers building at 29 Riverview Drive, Berri.

Summary of Points discussed with Brett Julian Architects

- History of library services in Berri and other sites owned by Council that might be utilised for a public library.
- History of the JC Irving site and its overall condition and possible suitability as a public library – referencing the Naracoorte public library that was recently opened and Brett Julian worked on. This building was a little larger but also an old printers that was then renovated.
- Brett Julian discussed the previous meeting held earlier in the day with the current Berri Library staff to identify the strengths and weaknesses of the existing library on Kay Avenue. This meeting also identified some suggestions from staff about what could be incorporated in a possible new library.
- Architects requested some additional information including, riverfront redevelopment plans, Berri Library collection and usage statistics, etc.
- Library Manager accompanied the architects to the Visitor Information Centre to discuss services and the building design. They also viewed the existing Council office and other Council assets in the CBD.
- Architects then undertook a detailed onsite building investigation.
- Report on 29 Riverview Drive building and conceptual floorplan to be ready in the coming months.

- 4 **Closure:** The meeting closed at 2.45pm

Notes of meeting recorded by LM.