

Challenge Remote Single Industry towns in transition – are they sustainable

Citable operational definitions – Andrew Beer

Definition= function rather than size/scale; remoteness

Mining- Nuhlimboy

Barracks Katherine, Exmouth, Pine Gap

Manufacturing

Government function

Business function

Vulnerabilities

Lack of diversity Mineral or agriculture, defence

Mobility of business in terms of economic factors eg international market forces, energy, demand for the resource,

Changing climate

Changing business practices – scaling up of business

Land tenure

Lifestyle expectations – family towns -

Simon Boughey /Craig Perkins– Queenstown and Zeehan (Nickle mine

Growth opportunities - % growth likelihood – rank in terms of viability- regional realities

Ageing population - grey nomads

Other assets

High end Nature based tourism– geotourism, ecotourism - low return

Sunseekers

Indigenous economic development

Online business

Aquaculture – susan penfold – Eyre Peninsula

Public Policy considerations

Servicing remote populations = costs

more e-technology

Responding to fly in fly out – flexible residential arrangements – family towns

Front end policy considerations – do we want towns – socio cultural, economically – mining lifecycle – construction and operational

How have we responded in the past?

Should become recognised service centres- by function

Homeland movement

Thinking creatively – what are the other alternatives?

How do we learn from our mistakes?

Service Centres

Defence: Tennant Alice Springs Towns in Wheatbelt – historical circumstance

Government function – law and order education health community services

Community function

Services the industry activity

Vulnerabilities

Commented [KC1]:

Strengthening regions through: Nodes and networks outer regional Australia:

Definition strengthening regions

Peter: What is the reason that's lead to these? Central place theory

Brain storm: What sort of region do you want? What sort of region do I wish to go to?

What are the impediments to achieving this for your region ? – decentralisation policy, increased livability; trying to be pull towns; what can derail –external and internal decisions – leadership-shifting urban sprawl to somewhere else, building on agricultural land, not having the revenue streams to maintain services, not being able to attract health and education services; provision of utilities (presentation plus add to list0

Maintain livability - - Wayne Drinkwater

Power_ Nic Jacobsen,

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Mike Chiodo and Glen Atkenson – innovative futures.- what do we need there Case study

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Some take homes what will you do to realise this for your region?

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Diversity – Dubbo, Townsville, Mt Isa, Bathurst, Emerald

Characteristics _ major haulage infrastructure linkages

What are the attributes of successful regional hubs – diversity of employment; services for whole region, intrinsic economic resources that can be build on, innovative diversification, unique urban design planning in regional centres;

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