

Mayors Report



I am most pleased to report that the Midlands Irrigation Scheme is now completed and operational. This is the biggest irrigation scheme introduced in Tasmania and certainly the biggest infrastructure project undertaken in the Midlands of Tasmania.

The Scheme has already resulted in substantial investment, including on-farm dam infrastructure, more pivot irrigators and a very large dairy operation at Tunbridge being established. I am certain we are going to see further investment in viticulture, horticulture, seed crops and other agriculture pursuits now that irrigation water is available to large areas of the Southern Midlands.

Due to this expansion within the agricultural sector, I am confident that we will see associated service industries establishing here in Southern Midlands which will not only support and service the sector, but provide much needed employment opportunities for our regional towns and villages.

It is also pleasing to note that the South East Irrigation Scheme, which will provide irrigation water to Tea Tree and Campania in the Southern Midlands, is also well advanced. This project is due for completion by the end of this year.

The Southern Midlands Council will continue to support these major projects for the benefit of advancing economic development in our region.

Recent Federal Budget

Recently I attended the annual Australia Local Government Assembly held in Canberra where about 800 Local Government representatives were present. This year's assembly was dominated by the recent Federal Government Budget and its impact on Local Councils nationally.

A great deal of attention was placed on the Federal Government's decision to freeze indexation (i.e. CPI increases) of the Local Government Financial Assistance Grants for the next three-year period. These grants are a most important source of funding for local Councils, especially for rural and regional Councils.

The General Manager has estimated a reduction in income of approximately \$300,000 over the three-year period that the Grant will not be indexed.

This considerable loss of funding will obviously have a significant impact on Council's budget, but we are confident that we can still continue with the asset replacement program, including road re-sheeting and reconstruction programs.

Southern Midlands Council finances remain in a sound position and Council has adopted a 10 year Long Term Financial Management Plan as required under the *Local Government Act 1993*.

Southern Midlands Councils – October 2014 Elections

Included in this newsletter is an item regarding the changes that have been brought about by the State Government in relation to the forthcoming Local Government Council Elections. Please read this carefully as there are a number of major changes. These include a reduction in the number of Councillors to be elected for the Southern Midlands from nine to seven.

Clr Tony Bisdee O.A.M.
MAYOR



UNITE IN PINK

The Rural Primary Health Service in the Southern Midlands is endeavouring to rally the town of Oatlands into *Going Pink* for the whole month of October to show support for those affected by breast cancer.

Unfortunately breast cancer has, and continues to affect members within our community. Although the majority of Australians diagnosed with breast cancer are women, many people are surprised to learn that men can also develop breast cancer.

We are hoping that you would be happy to show your support for this project by decorating your home, business or even your car with anything pink. Some Businesses might like to provide special pink food for the month!

We will be approaching local media and hope that this will provide the town of Oatlands with some positive publicity. The Southern Midlands Council is keen to support this event and will attempt to make the streetscape pink where possible.

So come on Oatlands get behind this and show those in our community and others that we can rally well together as a community to support those affected by breast cancer.

Please do not hesitate to contact Corina McCarthy on 0419 326 327 if you would like further information or email me on

corina.mccarthy@dhhs.tas.gov.au.





Heritage Trade Skills Showcased at Oatlands

The Centre for Heritage at Oatlands - Heritage Education and Skills Centre, recently hosted a Heritage Trades and Skills Weekend. Over 300 people attended this event, where demonstrations were held of skills such as traditional plastering, timber finishes, bricklaying and stonemasonry. A guest speaker series presented all manner of heritage and restoration topics and a series of trade stalls showcased some wonderful restoration products.



[Brian Fish of Oatlands walks the bullock team through the grounds of Callington Mill. Photograph - Anthony Bewley Photography/ Centre Heritage at Oatlands]

A bullock team provided a wonderful reminder of days gone by, and the Heritage Education and Skills Centre program for 2014-15 was launched.

Learn Heritage Trade Skills

The Centre for Heritage At Oatlands - Heritage Education and Skills Centre, has just released their 2014-15 course guide. Courses include repair of masonry, traditional plaster, sash windows, staircases etc. HESC also offer a variety of courses in conservation management and historical research.

HESC is a not-for-profit community initiative of Southern Midlands Council aiming to promote, conserve and utilise the historic heritage of the region.

Volunteer opportunities - SMC Heritage Projects Program

Do you have a few spare hours a week, and a keen interest in the heritage of your region?

Southern Midlands Council's Heritage Projects Program has opportunities for volunteers in the following projects:

- Historical research
- Archaeological artifact management/cataloging etc.
- Opening heritage buildings to the public (guiding etc).

If you'd like to discuss how your interests may fit the program, please contact Alan Townsend on 0419383552, or Brad Williams on 0418303184

heritage@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

Oatlands Gaol Arch - Back to its Original Location

Over the last 18 months, a project has been undertaken which has relocated the Oatlands Gaol arch from High Street to its original location at the front entrance to the Oatlands Gaol. As part of the Oatlands Gaol Restoration Project, this project was partly funded by the Australian Government's *Your Community Heritage* program, with the project also including the capping of the gaol walls to prevent further deterioration from exposure to the elements.

The arch when in High Street had deteriorated to a point where it posed a danger to pedestrians, and the scars on the gaoler's residence walls from its removal were letting the weather into the building. The relocation has essentially restored 2/3 of the original facade of the gaol complex, and the reinstatement of part of the front wall gives an idea of the height and size of the walls originally enclosing the half-acre site.

The Oatlands State School iron gates will be reinstated



in front of the former school building in High Street, together with an interpretation panel telling the story of the arch.

In late 2014/early 2015, the Oatlands Gaoler's Residence will be opened to the public, with displays on the history of the site

including a touchscreen and holographic depiction of an early

Gaoler's family. Archaeological artifacts found at the site will also feature in the displays, as well as the original gaol rules which were found stuck to the wall of the former men's kitchen, covered in layers of paint.

For more information on HESC, regular updates see www.centreforheritage.com.au or email info@centreforheritage.com.au, or contact Brad Williams on 0418 303184

Victoria Memorial Hall, Kempton

Do you have any past photographic evidence of a Sign on the Hall?

Recent discussions regarding the possibility of placing a 'naming sign' on the Victoria Hall, Kempton has led to the call for any photographic evidence of any signage that may have been on the Hall in the early days.

There are two reasons for seeking this information: To confirm the location (and design) of any sign that may have been on the Hall previously; and The historical wording that may have been on any sign.

In the absence of any photographic evidence, it is intended to refer to the facility as the 'Victoria Memorial Hall'.

Should you have any photograph (or similar evidence), or wish to provide comment in relation to the proposed naming, please contact:

Linda at Council's Kempton Office (62 593011) or email lcartledge@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

"Victoria Hall was built in 1892, the urgent need for a public hall was caused by the loss by fire of the Old Lecture Hall. The new wing of Victoria Hall was built on in 1955 by Phillip, Lighton, Floyd and Assoc."

Caring about Campania

Campania is a delightful place with a rich history.

We have two marvellous halls – Campania Hall, opened in 1912, and the War Memorial Hall, opened circa 1956 – and are justifiably, we think, proud of our beautiful sandstone Flour Mill, which dates from 1884, and our wonderful Flour Mill Park. Residents and visitors alike come along to view the delightful sculptures created and donated by, the sadly late, Stephen Walker, to enjoy the peace of the park, and to take advantage of our playground and exercise equipment, our BMX bike track, and our barbecues, all recently provided by Council.

We have our own school, our own supermarket, our own post office and service station – and, until recently, we had our own pub. We also have new residential developments and, again thanks to Council, a new Public Open Space at Alexander Circle.

We also have our own community organisation. **Imagine Campania** is dedicated to working for positive change in Campania: we seek to improve community facilities, continually monitor



Southern Midlands Community Radio Station

The Annual General Meeting of the Southern Midlands Community Radio Station Inc (97.1 FM) will be held on **Wednesday 17 September 2014**

commencing at 6.00 pm at the Aquatic Building 33 The Esplanade Oatlands.

This is an opportunity for people to become involved with the station.

Community radio stations are supporter based, operate democratically and are financed in a manner consistent with non-profit organizations. People can actively participate in the management of the station and have a say in the scheduling and content of the programs.

97.1 FM is operated and managed by a highly dedicated team of volunteers who have extensive experience in the world of radio broadcasting. Local presenters plus additional programs, sourced from the Community Radio Network Satellite, add variety and a broader perspective to the station enabling 97.1 FM to offer music, chat, news and current affairs in a format, that is up-to-date and relevant to our listeners in the Midlands, Central Highlands, areas of Hobart, Launceston, North-East and East Coasts, the Fingal Valley and travellers in these areas.



proposed changes, and are eager to foster community spirit and cooperation. Communication with Council and with various organisations, such as Tassielink and TasRail, has led to positive changes to bus time tables, the installation of pedestrian area signs, improvements to roads and railway crossings, and the provision of a community noticeboard. Applications to access funding have enabled us to provide courses and resources for the community, and to support community events, such as last year's very successful and enjoyable Campania Carols.

Imagine Campania is keen to ensure that, as we head into the future, Campania remains a desirable and interesting place to live and to visit.

We meet every other month at 7.30pm in the War Memorial Hall, Campania. If you would like to keep informed about community issues and participate in community matters, do join us. We will be very happy to welcome you. Our next meeting will be on Thursday September 18th.

For further information please contact Heather Kay, Secretary, at imaginecampania@gmail.com or Chris Adams, President, on 6260 4453.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2014

Local Government elections are conducted under the *Local*

Government Act 1993 and are managed by the Tasmanian Electoral Commission. The Electoral Commissioner appoints Returning Officers and supervises all Local Government elections.

From 2014, Tasmanian Local Government elections will be held every four years. Also from 2014, all Councillors (including Mayors and Deputy Mayors) will face the polls at the same time. Mayors and Deputy Mayors are elected by popular election.

Please note that following a review into the number of councillors to be elected, which was conducted by the Local Government Board in 2013, the Minister for Local Government has accepted the recommendation that there be a reduction from 9 to 7 councillors elected for the Southern Midlands Council area. The reduction of councillor numbers will occur at this election.

Elections are conducted by postal ballot and anyone who is listed on the electoral roll of their council is eligible to vote. Residents are automatically placed on the electoral roll for their council area via their House of Assembly enrolment. Voting is not compulsory.

All elections for councillor positions use a system directly modelled on the Hare-Clark method of proportional representation used in the Tasmanian House of Assembly elections.

Eligibility to Nominate for Local Government Elections

In order to nominate as a candidate in Local Government elections, a person must meet the requirements of Section 270 of the *Local Government Act 1993*:

- (1) A person is eligible to nominate as a candidate for the office of councillor if the person.
 - (a) is an elector in the municipal area;
 - (b) is not a councillor of another council whose term of office is to end after the certificate of election is issued in respect of that other council's elections;
 - (c) has not been barred by a court under section 48(6), 338A, 339 or 339A from nominating as a candidate at any election;
 - (d) is not an employee of the council in that municipal area;
 - (e) has not been removed from the office of councillor because of inadequacy or incompetency;
 - (f) is not a bankrupt;
 - (g) is not subject to an initial order or a continuing care order under the *Mental Health Act 1996* or an order under the *Guardianship and Administration Act 1995*; and
 - (h) is not undergoing a term of imprisonment.
- (2) A person is not eligible to nominate as a candidate for the office of councillor if the person has been sentenced for a crime but the sentence has not been executed.
- (3) If a municipal area is divided into electoral districts, a candidate is not required to be an elector in the particular electoral district for which the candidate is nominated.
- (4) A person may not be a candidate for the office of councillor in more than one electoral district in a municipal area or in more than one municipal area.

Local Government Elections 2014

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission has announced the elections timetable for the 2014 Local Government Elections.

The 2014 elections will be conducted by post and voting will remain voluntary.

The timetable for the 2014 ordinary elections is as follows:

Publication of notice of election	Saturday 13 September 2014
Electoral rolls close	6pm Thursday 18 September 2014
Nominations close	12 noon Monday 29 September 2014
Announcement of nominations	12 noon Tuesday 30 September 2014
Polling period	Tuesday 14 - 10am Tuesday 28 October 2014
Counting and announcement of results	From Tuesday 28 October 2014

Local Government Elections for the Southern Midlands Municipality Are you enrolled?

The Local Government Elections for Southern Midlands Municipality will be held in October 2014. A list of all vacancies and a call for nominations for the positions of Mayor, Deputy Mayor and all Councillors will be published in The Mercury newspaper on Saturday 13 September 2014. The polling period for eligible electors is from Tuesday 14 October to 10am Tuesday 28 October 2014.

If you are currently on the House of Assembly Roll at an address within the boundaries of the Southern Midlands municipal area, you are automatically on the Electoral Roll. If you are eligible to be on the electoral roll but are not correctly enrolled at present, you can get an enrolment form from any post office, electoral office or the Tasmanian Electoral Commission - tec.tas.gov.au or 1800 801 701.

ENROLMENT CLOSING AT 6PM ON THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER 2014 General Manager's Roll

Local Government elections are scheduled to be held in October 2014. In order to have a vote in the Southern Midlands Council elections, you must be enrolled on either the State electoral roll at an address in Southern Midlands or on the General Manager's roll for the Southern Midlands Municipal area.

If you are not eligible to enrol on the State roll, for example if you are not an Australian Citizen, you may be eligible to enrol on the General Manager's roll and vote if you own or occupy property within the Southern Midlands Municipality.

A person who is resident in one municipal area and is also an owner or occupier of land in one or more municipal areas, is entitled to enrol and vote in an election in respect of those municipal areas.

A corporate body that owns or occupies any land in the Southern Midlands municipal area is entitled to nominate one person to vote on its behalf at the local government elections.

Individuals or corporate bodies who have previously enrolled on the General Manager's roll are requested to notify the Council if your details have changed since the last local government elections.

Voting in local government elections is not compulsory. However Council would encourage every eligible voter to ensure that they are properly enrolled and have their say in the elections in October by completing and returning their postal ballot.

DOGS—FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Do I have to clean up after my dog?

When exercising your dog in a public place you are always required to clean up after them. Dog faeces are unpleasant and damage the environment. Cleaning up can be done simply and easily with the aid of a scooper or plastic bag and placing the faeces into the nearest rubbish bin.

This does not apply to a guide dog that is accompanying a wholly or partially blind person.

Failure to clean up after your dog can result in a fine of up to \$300.

2. Do I have to register my dog?

In Accordance with the [Dog Control Act 2000](#), every dog over the age of 6 months must be registered by its owner with their local council.

It is a legal requirement, and trying to avoid this by concealing or disposing of a dog is a punishable offence.

In Southern Midlands council the annual registration fee is due by 31 July of each year. Registration fees and forms are available on Councils web site.

3. How old does my dog have to be before it has to be registered?

The Dog Control Act 2000 requires all dogs over the age of six months to be registered with the local council.

4. How many dogs may I keep?

Under the [Dog Control Act 2000](#) you are required to apply for a kennel licence if you intend to keep:

- more than two dogs over the age of six months; or
- more than four working dogs over the age of six months.

If you have more dogs than this and do not have a current kennel licence you can be liable to a fine of up to \$500.

In this case you should apply to your local council for a

kennel licence.

If you need a kennel licence you should also check with your local council about local planning laws as some councils require you to submit a Development Application as well.

5. What is a nuisance dog?

A nuisance dog is generally one that:

- behaves in a dangerous way towards any person
- is often noisy or disturbs the comfort and convenience of neighbours, or anyone in a public place.

As a dog owner you are responsible for ensuring that your pet is kept under control and does not become a nuisance. Neighbours can complain if your dog unreasonably disturbs the peace, and you risk being fined if you fail to prevent the disturbance.

If you are being annoyed by a neighbour's dog the best way to handle the situation is to discuss your concerns in a friendly way with your neighbour. If this fails to resolve the problem, the next step is to speak with your local animal control officer. Lodging a formal complaint with the council should be your last resort, and to do so you will need to complete an appropriate form, pay a fee, and explain the nature and severity of the disturbance.

6. Can I be fined if my dog barks?

Yes, you may be fined. Under the [Dog Control Act 2000](#) you must not allow your dog to be or become a nuisance to your neighbours, or to the general public. If sufficiently annoyed, people can complain. If Council considers a complaint to be justified, the owner may be issued with an abatement notice. Ultimately, owners who do not abate the nuisance may be fined up to \$500. See question 5 "What is a nuisance dog?" for related information.



Southern Midlands Council - Beverage Container Recycling Community Grants

The Southern Midlands Council greatly appreciates and welcomes the funding that has been made available by the Coca-Cola Foundation, in conjunction with Keep Australia Beautiful (Tas), through the Beverage Container Recycling Community Grants Program. The funding received of \$9,200 has been used to assist purchase two solar powered compactor bins which have been installed in the Southern Midlands Council area: - Flour Mill Park, Campania and on the foreshore of Lake Dulverton at Oatlands.

These compactor bins not only provide an opportunity for Council to improve our waste management services generally, but it ensures that these valuable and well-supported community recreation spaces are well presented and litter free. At the same time, this type of infrastructure allows us to actively promote recycling, as opposed to sending all waste through to landfill and the impact that has on our environment.

Council is more than pleased that it has had this opportunity to participate in this initiative, and we acknowledge both the Coca-Cola Foundation and Keep Australia Beautiful in their endeavours to promote recycling, encourage improved waste management practices and in doing so, enhance our environment.



Red Cross Heritage and Family Fun afternoon to Celebrate 100 years of Red Cross in Australia

Saturday August 30th 2014, 1-4pm
at Flour Mill Park & Hall, Campania

FREE activities for the Kids - including Sumo Suits, Games and Activities by PCYC, Fire Trucks

FREE entertainment – Australian Army Band
Displays- Red Cross, Vintage Machinery, Campania District School

Demonstrations- Butter & Cheese making, Sausage making, Soap making & Card making

100 Free Kids Passes for
Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary
to give away!

Tea/Coffee & Afternoon tea plates will be available for \$5.

There will also be a well-stocked Trade table and raffle.

Enquiries:

Frances	6260 4453
Maureen	6259 7140
Janet	6260 4171

2014/2015 RATES AND CHARGES INTRODUCTION

Following a review of Council's Long Term Financial Management Plan and associated Strategy, it has been necessary to levy a 3.7% increase in the General Rate. The purpose of the Financial Management Strategy, which are now a requirement under the *Local Government 1993*, is to ensure that Council can demonstrate financial viability and sustainability in the long term.

For information, each Council is to prepare a long-term financial management plan for the municipal area which is to be in respect of at least a 10 year period. The plan is to be consistent with the strategic plan for the municipal area; and also refer to the long-term strategic asset management plan. The linkage to long-term asset management plans enables Council to more accurately forecast expenditure required for asset renewal and replacement.

In addition to the increase in the General Rate:

- a) The standard Waste Management Charge has been increased by \$4 per annum for all properties which include a residential use. The charge for vacant allotments has been increased by \$2 per annum.
- b) The Garbage Removal Charge (i.e. Household Collection) has been increased by \$6 per annum.

The Fire Service Contribution is an amount set by the State Fire Commission and collected by Council.

2014/2015 RATES AND CHARGES

RATES RESOLUTION SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL

THAT under the *Local Government Act 1993* and the *Fire Service Act 1979*, the Southern Midlands Council has made the following rates and charges upon rateable land within the municipal area of Southern Midlands ("the municipal area"):

1. General Rates

- (a) Under section 90 (3) (c) of the *Local Government Act 1993* ("the Act") Council makes a general rate of **7.8596** cents in each dollar of Assessed Annual Value for all rateable land within the municipal area shown on the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001* ("the valuation list"), subject to a minimum amount of \$285.00
- (b) Under sections 107 (1) (a) of the Act the Council also declares that the general rate is varied according to the use or predominant use of the land (as classified by the Valuer-General on the valuation list) and a rate of **7.2701** cents in each dollar of Assessed Annual Value applies for all rateable land classified as Primary Production, subject to a minimum amount of \$285.

2. Waste Management Charge

Under section 94 (1) of the Act Council makes a separate services charge in respect of the service of waste management called the Waste Management Charge upon all rateable land, which is capable of use for residential purposes, and Council declares that the charge is to be calculated in accordance with the following formulae:

- a) for rateable land upon which a dwelling or dwellings are constructed:
Waste Management Charge = \$118 x D, where D is the number of dwellings on the rateable land, capable of being occupied.
- b) for rateable land upon which no dwelling is constructed:
Waste Management Charge = \$40.00

3. Garbage Removal Charge

- a) Under section 94 (1) of the Act Council makes a separate

services charge of \$126.00 in respect of the service of waste management called the Garbage Removal Charge upon all rateable land.

- b) Under section 107 (1) (c) and section 94 (3A) of the Act the Council declares that the Garbage Removal Charge is varied according to the locality of the land and the level of service provided as follows:
 - (i) for the land identified by Property Identification Number 7462339 the charge is \$2,646.00;
 - (ii) for land in the Broadmarsh/Elderslie areas to which the Council provides a fortnightly garbage removal service (utilising wheelie bins) and kerbside recycling service, the charge is \$182.00.
 - (iii) for land in the Tunbridge area to which the Council provides a fortnightly garbage removal service (utilising wheelie bins) and kerbside recycling service, the charge is \$182.00.
 - (iv) for land to which the Council does not provide either a weekly garbage removal service and kerbside recycling service, or a fortnightly garbage removal service (utilising wheelie bins) and kerbside recycling service, the charge is zero.

4. Fire Service Contributions

For the Council's contribution to the State Fire Commission:-

- (a) for land within the Oatlands & Kempton Volunteer Brigade Rating District an amount of 0.3902 cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value of all rateable land subject to a minimum amount of \$37.00;
- (b) for all other land in the municipal area an amount of 0.30 cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value of the land subject to a minimum amount of \$37.00.

5. Instalments

These rates and charges are for the year commencing 1st July, 2014 and ending 30th June 2015 and are payable by 4 equal instalments, the first payable 30 days after the issue of the rates notices, the second by 4.30 p.m. on 28th November 2014, the third by 4.30 p.m. on 30th January 2015 and the fourth by 4.30 p.m. on 31st March 2015.

Where a ratepayer elects to enter into an arrangement to pay the current rates and charges by monthly, fortnightly, or weekly instalments via one of the electronic payment options (including direct debit), then the instalment amounts will be calculated to settle the debt by 30th June 2015. Penalty and interest will not be applied on any of the 2014-15 rates and charges at the relevant date, provided that the instalment arrangements are adhered to. In the event of default, penalty and interest is to be calculated on the outstanding amounts.

6. Late Payments

Penalty: A penalty of 5% applies to any rate or charge that is not paid on or before the date it falls due.

Interest: In addition to the penalty, interest under section 128 of the *Local Government Act 1993* will be charged at the rate of 9.5% per annum.

7. Discount

A discount of 1.7% will apply to all rates and charges paid in full within 30 days after the date of issue. This discount is not applicable to rates and charges which are paid in instalments. The payment due date will appear on the rates notice.

2014/2015 BUDGET – CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

ROADS PROGRAM			
Gravel Roads – Resheeting Program	600,000	Sandy Lane (Red Rocks Race B4198)	56,950
Sealed Roads – Resealing Program	300,000	Swanston Road - Little Swanport Rv (B 1716)	678,000
Road Reconstruction Projects			
Eldon Road	26,400		
Stonor Road	33,000		
Woodsdale Road (2 sections)	54,800		
York Plains	39,600		
Construct & Seal (Unsealed Roads)			
Williams Road (Junction to Bridge -250 metres)	39,375		
Ballyhooly Road (end of Bridge) - 100 metres	13,750		
Minor Seals (New)			
Various	32,000		
Other Road Projects:			
Church Road (Intersection with Elderslie Road) Realignment	211,000		
Colebrook Main Road - Verge Sealing	20,250		
Campania - Reeve St / Clime Street (c/fwd)	25,600		
Church Road (Corner widening) (c/fwd)	20,000		
Hall Lane, Bagdad – widening (c/fwd)	15,000		
Green Valley Road - Widening	83,000		
Other Misc. Projects	90,000		
BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROGRAM			
Brown Mountain Road (Coal River B637)	\$557,000	Nala Road (Kittys Rivulet B4264)	107,290
Inglewood Road (Tin Dish Rivulet B4289)	212,650	Noyes Road (Limekiln Creek)	60,129
Kheme Road (Birralee Creek B5175)	142,600	Rotherwood Road Bridge (No. 1137)	156,340
Muddy Plains Road (Summerfield Creek B417)	107,290		

WALKWAYS

Footpaths – Reeve Street, Campana (c/fwd)	80,000
Footpaths (Renewal/replacement) – General	40,000
Footpaths (Renewal/replacement) – High Street, Oatlands	15,000
Parattah (Tunnack Main Road) – link to Baileys Road	8,000
Footpaths (Renewal/replacement) – Main Road, Tunbridge	7,800
Footpaths (Renewal/replacement) – Other	21,000

STORMWATER / DRAINAGE

Reeve Street, Campana	45,000
Swan Street, Bagdad	22,500
Other Minor Drainage Projects	40,000

HERITAGE PROGRAM

Commissariat Property (79 High Street, Oatlands)	67,500
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RECREATION PROGRAM

Halls & Recreation Grounds - Various	83,000
Facilities & Recreation Committee (for allocation)	40,000
Playspace Strategy – Alexander Circle & Lyndon Road	20,000
Tunbridge Park - Shelter	5,000

Building Works - Frequently asked Questions:

What does the Building Permit process involve?

The Building Permit process begins with the assessment of the proposed building works for compliance with the Building Code of Australia. This must be undertaken by an accredited Building Surveyor. Council provides this service for Class 10a (Garages/Shed/Carport or Like) and Class 7 (Farm Buildings) buildings for customers convenience however, you have the option of using a Private Building Surveyor. The Building Surveyor assesses the plans and then issues a 'Certificate of Likely Compliance'.

The 'Certificate of Likely Compliance' will indicate that the proposed work is likely to comply with the appropriate legislation and the Building Code of Australia (BCA).

The 'Certificate of Likely Compliance' from the Building Surveyor will stipulate any relevant conditions that may apply to the building work, as well as nominate the required inspections to be undertaken.

Prior to commencing any building work, an application must be made on the approved form for a Building Permit.

The Certificate of Likely Compliance is submitted to Council for a building permit. Once approval has been granted a Building Permit will be issued. You are then required to lodge a [Building Start Work Notice](#) before any work can commence.

Minor Alterations Or Repairs

Minor alterations or repairs to existing buildings may not require a full building permit.

A Building Surveyor may issue a 'Minor Works Notification' if it is deemed that work is of a minor nature as defined in [Sec. 60 Building Act 2000](#).

How long does it take to obtain a Building Permit?

- A Building Surveyor must process a request for a 'Certificate of Likely Compliance' within 21 days or a period agreed between the applicant and the Building Surveyor.
- A Permit Authority (Plumbing) must process a request for a 'Plumbing Permit' within 14 days or a period agreed between the applicant and the Permit Authority (Plumbing).
- The Permit Authority (Building) must issue a Building Permit within 7 days of receiving the required documentation from the relevant authorities.

Council Meetings 2014
Meetings commence at 10.00 a.m.
 Wednesday 27th August 2014
Oatlands Council Chambers 10.00 am
 Wednesday 24th September 2014
Kempton Council Chambers 10.00 am
 Wednesday 22nd October 2014
Oatlands Council Chambers
 Wednesday 26th November 2014
Kempton Council Chambers
 Wednesday 10th December 2014
Oatlands Council Chambers -
AGM - 5.00 pm
Annual General Meeting
 Council's Annual General Meeting will be held on the 10th December 2014 at the Municipal Offices, Oatlands commencing at 5.00 pm. are available on councils web site.



Heritage Highway Visitor Centre & Callington Mill

1 Mill Lane, Oatlands Tas 7120
 Phone: **03 6254 1212** Fax: 03 6254 1467
 Email: tourism@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

Opened 9am to 5pm Daily
 (Closed Xmas Day & Good Friday)

Our team are on hand to assist you with local and state-wide travel information, maps, local accommodation bookings, tours through the fascinating Callington Mill, and the surrounding historic buildings plus general enquiries.

Located within the Visitor Centre is our gift shop and Mill keepers Café.

The gift shop offers a wide range of gifts, crafts and of course, our popular unique Callington Mill stoneground local and organic flours. After a tour of the Mill, indulge yourself with delicious snacks made with the Callington Mill Flour accompanied by a hot or cold drinks.

How to contact us!

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HOUSEHOLD WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS OPERATING HOURS Southern Midlands Council

OATLANDS Tunnack Main Road	DYSART Huntingdon Tier Road	CAMPANIA Brown Mountain Road
Tuesday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm	Tuesday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm	Tuesday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm
Friday 11.00 am to 3.00 pm		Thursday 1.00pm to 5.00 pm
Saturday 8.00 am to 12 noon	Saturday 12 noon to 5.00 pm	Saturday 8.00 am to 12 noon
Sunday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm	Sunday 10.00 am to 5.00 pm	Sunday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm
Closed Mon, Wed & Thurs	Closed Mon, Wed, Thurs & Friday	Closed Mon, Wed & Friday