

SOUTHERN
MIDLANDS
COUNCIL



MINUTES

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, 27th September 2017
Municipal Offices, 71 High Street, Oatlands

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OPEN COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL
HELD ON MONDAY, 27TH SEPTEMBER 2017 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES, 71
HIGH STREET, OATLANDS COMMENCING AT 10:02 A.M

1. PRAYERS

Rev Dennis Cousens recited prayers.

2. ATTENDANCE

Mayor AE Bisdee OAM, Deputy Mayor AO Green, Clr A Bantick, Clr E Batt, Clr D F Fish and Clr D Marshall.

Mr Tim Kirkwood (General Manager), Mr Andrew Benson (Deputy General Manager), Mr David Cundall (Manager, Development & Environment Services) and Miss Elisa Lang (Executive Assistant).

3. APOLOGIES

Clr D Fish addressed the meeting and tendered his apology for this meeting. He stated that he requires additional time to consider whether he will remain as a Councillor as he needs to assess whether he is able to work with Mayor A E Bisdee OAM following the Mayor's recent traffic related offences.

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT the apology from Clr D Fish for the September 2017 Council meeting be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

4. MINUTES

4.1 Ordinary Council Minutes

The Minutes (Open Council Minutes) of the previous meeting of Council held on the 23rd August 2017, as circulated, are submitted for confirmation.

DECISION

Moved by Clr E Batt, seconded by Clr A Bantick

THAT the Minutes (Open Council Minutes) of the previous meeting of Council held on the 23rd August 2017 be confirmed subject to amending the section headed 'Permission to Address Council – Mr Craig Williams'

The Minutes are to be amended to include the following comment(s) at the end of the item:

"No response provided to the question acknowledging that Council does not discriminate against small quarry operators."

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

4.3 Special Committee of Council Minutes

4.3.1 SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL - RECEIPT OF MINUTES

The Minutes of the following Special Committees of Council, as circulated, are submitted for receipt:

- Campania Recreation Ground Management Committee Minutes – 22nd September 2017
- Facilities and Recreation Committee Minutes – 14th September 2017.
- Memorial Trees Committee Minutes – 11th September 2017.
- Campania Halls Management Committee AGM Minutes – 4th September 2017.

DECISION

Moved by Clr A Bantick, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT the minutes of the above Special Committee of Council be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

4.3.2 SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL - ENDORSEMENT OF RECOMMENDATIONS

The recommendations contained within the minutes of the following Special Committees of Council are submitted for endorsement.

- Campania Recreation Ground Management Committee Minutes – 22nd September 2017.
- Facilities and Recreation Committee Minutes – 14th September 2017.
- Memorial Trees Committee Minutes – 11th September 2017.
- Campania Halls Management Committee AGM Minutes – 4th September 2017.

DECISION

Moved by Cllr E Batt, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT the recommendations contained within the minutes of the above Special Committee of Council be endorsed.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

4.4 Joint Authorities (Established Under Division 4 Of The Local Government Act 1993)

4.4.1 JOINT AUTHORITIES - RECEIPT OF MINUTES

DECISION NOT REQUIRED

4.4.2 JOINT AUTHORITIES - RECEIPT OF REPORTS (ANNUAL & QUARTERLY)

DECISION NOT REQUIRED

5. NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

DECISION

Moved by Clr A Bantick, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

6. QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

An opportunity is provided for Councillors to ask questions relating to Council business, previous Agenda items or issues of a general nature.

The following questions on notice were received from Councillor Bob Campbell on the 21st September 2017. Responses from the General Manager are provided below.

Q1 - Re Horse Carriage Shed

Could we have a full report re "Andrew Walters" handing back the shed and what condition it was left in and was is locked when it was handed over and has a check been carried out re contents and is there anything missing?

General Manager's response:

Andrew Walters Construction (AWC) ceased renting the 'Carriage Shed' from end of June 2017. At the time they withdrew, it was indicated that the company may need to return to undertake further works in the vicinity of Mood Food. For this reason, no action was taken to return the carriages, however it is now apparent that these works will not be progressed. It follows that Council now has full control of the building.

The building was left in a substantially improved state, and was certainly clean and tidy. AWC were asked to leave all internal walls and lining that had been erected including all electrical wiring; heat pump; etc which was all installed by AWC at their own cost. In relation to the building being locked, I can confirm that there was a period of time when no lock was installed, but immediately upon notification, a lock was placed on the building. There is no evidence, nor have I been advised of any items that are missing.

Q2 - Re August Agenda

It was listed in the agenda a number of questions from Craig Williams re neighbour ("Buda Park") where Craig requested answers to his question from the elected members (councillors) but the questions were not debated or answered by the councillors but were answered by the General Manger could you explain why this action was taken?

General Manager's response:

In reference to your question, you have asked for an explanation why I provided the responses to Mr Williams' questions when they were directed to elected members. As Council's General Manager, I feel it is my responsibility and considered standard practice that I provide written responses to members of the public when questions are received in advance. This does not preclude Councillors from challenging the validity (or otherwise) of those comments.

In terms of debating the questions on notice, I make reference to the provisions contained within the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 relating to 'Public Question Time'. Amongst other things, the regulation states that a question by any member of the public under this regulation and an answer to that question are not to be debated at the ordinary council meeting.

[Extract from the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*:]

“31. Public question time

- (1) A member of the public may give written notice to the general manager at least 7 days before an ordinary council meeting of a question to be asked at that meeting.
- (2) The chairperson of an ordinary council meeting may –
 - (a) address questions on notice submitted by members of the public; and
 - (b) invite any member of the public present at the meeting to ask questions relating to the activities of the council.
- (3) The chairperson of an ordinary council meeting must ensure that, if required, at least 15 minutes of that meeting is made available for questions by members of the public.
- (4) A question by any member of the public under this regulation and an answer to that question are not to be debated at the ordinary council meeting.
- (5) The chairperson of an ordinary council meeting may –
 - (a) refuse to accept a question from a member of the public; or
 - (b) require a question from a member of the public asked without notice to be put on notice and in writing to be answered at a later ordinary council meeting.
- (6) If the chairperson of an ordinary council meeting refuses to accept a question from a member of the public, the chairperson is to give reasons for doing so.
- (7) A council is to determine any other procedures to be followed in respect of public question time at an ordinary council meeting.
- (8) The period referred to in subregulation (1) includes Saturdays, Sundays and statutory holidays, but does not include –
 - (a) the day on which notice is given under that subregulation; and
 - (b) the day of the ordinary council meeting.

Q3 - Re Travelling Allowance

(Travelling to and from meetings re council business)

If an elected member drives their own vehicle they can claim travel allowance.

If an elected member uses their vehicle but someone else drives that vehicle can they still claim travel allowance?

If an elected member (a) travels to a meeting in a vehicle belonging to and driven by another elected member (b) can you still claim travel allowance?

If an elected member travels with a council staff member in a council vehicle and the elected member claim travel allowance?

General Manager’s response:

I refer to Council’s Policy entitled – ‘Payment of Councillors Expenses and Provision of Facilities’. In relation to Expenses, it states (amongst other things) that a Council is to reimburse a Councillor for reasonable travel expenses incurred in carrying out the duties of office. In terms of Council’s policy, this is paid on a per kilometre basis. It should be noted that this is a reimbursement and not an allowance (i.e. the expenses must have been incurred).

Therefore in answer to the questions raised:

1. *If an elected member drives their own vehicle they can claim travel allowance. - Yes*
2. *If an elected member uses their vehicle but someone else drives that vehicle can they still claim travel allowance? – Yes (on the basis that the elected member incurs the costs as it is their vehicle).*
3. *If an elected member (a) travels to a meeting in a vehicle belonging to and driven by another elected member (b) can you still claim travel allowance? – The answer is dependent on who incurs the cost.*

4. *If an elected member travels with a council staff member in a council vehicle can the elected member claim travel allowance? – The answer is No.*

Q4 – Street lights

Amber Lights as used for main through roads for towns i.e. Kempton is it correct that they are being faded out if not why is there a mix , amber and white lights in the main street of Kempton and when will the be replaced with light bulbs (all) one colour?

General Manager's response:

Historically, amber lights have been installed in the Kempton township which are consistent with the historic nature of the town. This has been a standing arrangement with Aurora, noting that no formal agreement exists. In past years, Council has experienced ongoing issues with replacement of the streetlights, whereby the 'white lights' have been installed at various times. Whilst this has been continually raised with Aurora personnel, I am led to believe that in recent times all streetlights have been replaced with the 'white' lights as opposed to amber (although I have not personally inspected all streetlights to confirm that this is the case).

The relevant Aurora officer has been contacted to confirm the circumstances.

Q5 – Computer program

Re Computer program bought (at considerable time back) for the Works and Technical Services Department in relation to better road management. A request was made for a report on how the program is operating, the reply was the question was taken on notice and nothing happened - no report. The question was asked again 2016 and the question was taken on notice and a report given in the following council meeting but it did not happen it got deferred. Here we are in September 2013 and the question is when will we get a report on the computer program re better road management? Has the program delivered better efficiencies to the management of roads etc.?

General Manager's response:

The computer program being referred to is the 'Assetic MyData' Asset Management System'. In summary, this is a database that records all Council's Road Assets, and the individual components of each road i.e. surface, pavement base, pavement sub-base, footpaths, kerbs, land under roads.

In terms of delivering better efficiencies in the management of roads, the answer is definitely 'yes'. It should also be noted that one of the primary purposes of the database is to comply with asset accounting practices and provide base information for audit purposes.

It is acknowledged that a presentation was to be provided and was deferred due to other Council business. A presentation date has not been rescheduled.

Councillors may wish to indicate whether there is sufficient interest in attending a dedicated session for this purpose and a date can be set.

Q6 – Oatlands History Room

Re Oatlands History Room - Wool Press

As it has been some time when it was agreed to put the old wool press on display at the history room could we have a progress report in writing as to when the wool press will be located at the history room?

General Manager's response:

The historic Wool Press is to be relocated in the coming weeks. It is not possible to nominate an exact date as it is dependent on the contractor that has been engaged to fabricate the 'shelter' to be placed over the wool press. The contractor has two prior projects for Council, being the tree guards for Colebrook street trees and the shelter shed to be erected in the Alexander Circle public open space. The wool press shelter will follow these two projects and the press will be relocated at that time.

It is confirmed that formal development approval is not required as the land is zoned 'Environmental Management'. Items such as park furniture, memorials etc. on public land are exempt.

Q7 – LED Lighting

How is council progressing with LED lighting for council owned buildings and when will the conversion of all council owned buildings be completed?

General Manager's response:

LED lighting for the Oatlands Council Chambers has been progressed in accordance with the submission made to the Budget Workshop(s) held in June 2017 and the allocated budget.

No additional budgets have been allocated to install LED lighting in other council owned buildings and hence no completion date can be nominated.

Questions without notice were then taken from Councillors.

1. Cllr Bantick – vacant house / property on the corner of Ballyhooly Road and the Midland Highway that is scheduled to be demolished as part of the highway upgrades is very untidy; there have been a number of fires (issued raised by Bagdad Fire Brigade); external building materials removed from site etc. – can Council contact the Department of State Growth to rectify.
2. Cllr Bantick – Huntington Tier Road – due to increasing number of residents, consideration needs to be given to undertaking road improvements (i.e. widening / extension of seal) in future budget deliberations.
3. Cllr Bantick – Huntington Tier Road - complaints received about the amount of 'road kill' in the Huntington Tier area. Signage to be investigated (.e.g. 'Beware of Wildlife'). There was also discussion in relation to the 'Sonic Animal Guards' and whether a supply of these could be made available for sale at the Oatlands and Kempton Council offices.

4. Clr Bantick – request for ‘No engine brakes’ signage for Bagdad (northbound traffic). This issue has been raised a number of times over the years, there is also a sign at Kempton. *Council will follow up further with the Department of State Growth.*
5. Deputy Mayor A Green – Request for the Road Traffic Counter to be installed on Huntington Tier Road (Green Valley Road end) and then on the Clifton Vale Road end. It was advised that this road is included on the schedule of roads for the road traffic counter to be installed over the coming months.
6. Clr Campbell – In addition to question 7 that he submitted on notice regarding LED street lighting, how is this project going and when are we likely to see the rollout to convert to LED lights? *The General Manager advised that the question would be taken on notice and will obtain a project progress report from LGAT.*
7. Clr Marshall – request for further information/report on Council’s plan to upgrade Waste Transfer Stations. *Question was taken on notice and a report will be provided.*
8. Clr Batt – advice that the mailbox at Melton Mowbray is inaccessible due to an overhanging tree that requires trimming. *Council staff will rectify.*
9. Clr Batt –advised that no remediation work has been undertaken on the heritage listed Bridge at Blackwell Road, Melton Mowbray. *Council officers will follow up with the Department of State Growth.*

7. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Mr T Kirkwood (General Manager) declared an interest in Agenda Item 16.1 – Southern Midlands Community Small Grants Program 2017/2018 – appointed Auditor of an applicant organisation - Oatlands RSL/Community Club.

8. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

Nil.

9. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Public Question Time was held later in the meeting.

9.1 Permission to Address Council

Permission has been granted for the following person(s) to address Council:

- Nil.

**10. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN UNDER
REGULATION 16 (5) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT
(MEETING PROCEDURES) REGULATIONS 2015**

Nil.

**11. COUNCIL ACTING AS A PLANNING AUTHORITY
PURSUANT TO THE LAND USE PLANNING AND
APPROVALS ACT 1993 AND COUNCIL'S STATUTORY LAND
USE PLANNING SCHEME**

Session of Council sitting as a Planning Authority pursuant to the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and Council's statutory land use planning schemes.

11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Nil.

11.2 SUBDIVISIONS

Nil.

11.3 MUNICIPAL SEAL (Planning Authority)

**11.3.1 COUNCILLOR INFORMATION:- MUNICIPAL SEAL APPLIED UNDER
DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO SUBDIVISION FINAL PLANS & RELATED
DOCUMENTS**

Nil.

11.4 PLANNING (OTHER)

**11.4.1 TASWATER SMALL TOWNS WATER SUPPLY PROGRAM;
DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS APPROVED FOR COLEBROOK WATER
SUPPLY WORKS**

DECISION

Moved by Cllr E Batt, seconded by Cllr R Campbell

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

12. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – INFRASTRUCTURE)

12.1 Roads

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

1.1.1 Maintenance and improvement of the standard and safety of roads in the municipality.

Nil.

12.2 Bridges

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

1.2.1 Maintenance and improvement of the standard and safety of bridges in the municipality.

Nil.

12.3 Walkways, Cycle ways and Trails

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

1.3.1 Maintenance and improvement of the standard and safety of walkways, cycle ways and pedestrian areas to provide consistent accessibility.

Nil.

12.4 Lighting

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

1.4.1a Ensure Adequate lighting based on demonstrated need.

1.4.1b Contestability of energy supply.

Nil.

12.5 Buildings

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.5.1 Maintenance and improvement of the standard and safety of public buildings in the municipality.

Nil.

12.6 Sewers

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.6.1 Increase the capacity of access to reticulated sewerage services.

Nil.

12.7 Water

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.7.1 Increase the capacity and ability to access water to satisfy development and Community to have access to reticulated water.

Nil.

12.8 Irrigation

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.8.1 Increase access to irrigation water within the municipality.

Nil.

12.9 Drainage

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 16

1.9.1 Maintenance and improvement of the town storm-water drainage systems.

Nil.

12.10 Waste

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

1.10.1 Maintenance and improvement of the provision of waste management services to the Community.

Nil.

12.11 Information, Communication Technology

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

1.11.1 Improve access to modern communications infrastructure.

Nil.

12.12 Officer Reports – Works & Technical Services (Engineering)

12.12.1 MANAGER - WORKS & TECHNICAL SERVICES REPORT

QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE TO MANAGER, WORKS & TECHNICAL SERVICES

Clr Campbell – ‘Parattah’ township signs and ‘60km/h’ signs need replacing. Council will follow up with Department of State Growth.

Clr Campbell - Two large potholes on Inglewood Road near viaduct – maintenance required.

Clr Campbell – Wool Press installation, when is this happening? Advised that this will occur within the next 1 – 2 months – an order has been placed for fabrication of the shelter component and works to complete concrete base are scheduled.

Clr Marshall – Brownwood Estate guard rail – have the rectification works been undertaken? The guard rail has been repositioned further from the road shoulder.

Clr Marshall – update on safety issues previously raised - Campania store. Advised that Tas Networks are unable to remove the ‘stay wire’ and Council has installed white line for parking and bollard around wire.

Clr Bantick – Swan Street intersection (northern end) - very untidy, bushes etc. requires maintenance.

Clr Bantick - Chauncy Vale Road widening project (as allocated in budget) - can this project commence? On-site meeting held but need to follow up with actual property owner – to be progressed.

Deputy Mayor – request for update on vandalism of Council property at Campania. Advised that there have been recent incidents of graffiti in the toilets; security cameras removed from the Hall (persons identified) and trees within Recreation Ground also damaged.

Deputy Mayor – small ‘no camping’ signs for park at Colebrook History Room property.

Deputy Mayor – request for update on Woodsdale Road and heavy traffic on this road raised by a number of residents. Profiling of lime stabilisation is booked in, extra works to be undertaken. Heavy vehicles are certainly putting pressure on this road.

Deputy Mayor – Black Post Road, Tunnack – received concerns regarding recent roadworks undertaken. To be inspected and rectified.

Deputy Mayor – submit request to Department of State Growth to consider installation of street lights in the following locations:- Woodsdale Road at Tasman Highway at Runnymede (amber light), junction of Colebrook Road and Tea Tree Road (south of Campania).

Mayor – Blackbrush Road requires maintenance. Property owner prepared to relocate boundary fence in narrow section of road where reconstruction and seal works proposed.

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT the Works & Technical Services Report be received and the information noted.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

*The meeting was adjourned for morning tea at 11.19 a.m.
The meeting reconvened at 11.33 a.m.*

13. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – GROWTH)

13.1 Residential

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 18

2.1.1 Increase the resident, rate-paying population in the municipality.

Nil.

13.2 Tourism

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 19

2.2.1 Increase the number of tourists visiting and spending money in the municipality.

Nil.

13.3 Safety

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 31

5.3.1 Increase the level of safety of the community and those visiting or passing through the municipality.

Nil.

13.4 Business

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 20

2.3.1a Increase the number and diversity of businesses in the Southern Midlands.

2.3.1b Increase employment within the municipality.

2.3.1c Increase Council revenue to facilitate business and development activities (social enterprise)

Nil.

13.5 Industry

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 21

2.4.1 Retain and enhance the development of the rural sector as a key economic driver in the Southern Midlands.

Nil.

13.6 Integration

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 21

2.5.1 The integrated development of towns and villages in the Southern Midlands.

2.5.2 The Bagdad Bypass and the integration of development.

Nil.

14. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – LANDSCAPES)

14.1 Heritage

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 22

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|-------|--|
| 3.1.1 | Maintenance and restoration of significant public heritage assets. |
| 3.1.2 | Act as an advocate for heritage and provide support to heritage property owners. |
| 3.1.3 | Investigate document, understand and promote the heritage values of the Southern Midlands. |

14.1.1 HERITAGE PROJECT PROGRAM REPORT

DECISION

Moved by Cllr R Campbell, seconded by Cllr E Batt

THAT the Heritage Projects Report be received and the information noted.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

14.2 Natural

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 23/24

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| 3.2.1 | Identify and protect areas that are of high conservation value. |
| 3.2.2 | Encourage the adoption of best practice land care techniques. |

14.2.1 LANDCARE UNIT, GIS & CLIMATE CHANGE – GENERAL REPORT

DECISION

Moved by Cllr R Campbell, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT the Landcare Unit Report be received and the information noted.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

14.3 Cultural

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 24

3.3.1 Ensure that the Cultural diversity of the Southern Midlands is maximised.

Nil.

14.4 Regulatory (Other than Planning Authority Agenda Items)

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 25

3.4.1 A regulatory environment that is supportive of and enables appropriate development.

Nil.

14.5 Climate Change

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 25

3.5.1 Implement strategies to address issues of climate change in relation to its impact on Councils corporate functions and on the Community.

Nil.

15. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – LIFESTYLE)

15.1 Community Health and Wellbeing

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 26

4.1.1 Support and improve the independence, health and wellbeing of the Community.

Nil.

15.2 Youth

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 26

4.2.1 Increase the retention of young people in the municipality.

Nil.

15.3 Seniors

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 27

4.3.1 Improve the ability of the seniors to stay in their communities.

Nil.

15.4 Children and Families

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 27

4.4.1 Ensure that appropriate childcare services as well as other family related services are facilitated within the Community.

Nil.

15.5 Volunteers

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 27

4.5.1 Encourage community members to volunteer.

Nil.

15.6 Access

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 28

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|--------|---|
| 4.6.1a | Continue to explore transport options for the Southern Midlands Community. |
| 4.6.1b | Continue to meet the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act (DDA). |

**15.6.1 REVIEW OF BUS TRANSPORT SERVICES (GENERAL ACCESS)
BOTHWELL TO HOBART SERVICE**

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT

- a) The information be received;
- b) Council seek the views of the Central Highlands Council in relation to the proposed changes to Bothwell Bus Service;
- c) Council seek advice from the Determine of State Growth regarding the status of the Colebrook Bus Service review and what consultation processes are envisaged or planned; and
- d) Council monitor any issues that may arise from the changes to school bus services arising from the review of 'catchment areas'.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

15.7 Public Health

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 28

4.7.1 Monitor and maintain a safe and healthy public environment.

Nil.

15.8 Recreation

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 29

4.8.1 Provide a range of recreational activities and services that meet the reasonable needs of the Community.

Nil.

15.9 Education

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 29

4.10.1 Increase the educational and employment opportunities available within the Southern Midlands.

Nil.

15.10 Animals

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 29

4.9.1 Create an environment where animals are treated with respect and do not create a nuisance for the Community.

Nil.

16. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – COMMUNITY)

16.1 Retention

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 30

5.1.1 Maintain and strengthen communities in the Southern Midlands.

Mr T Kirkwood (General Manager) declared an interest and left the meeting at 11.54 a.m.

16.1 SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COMMUNITY SMALL GRANTS PROGRAM 2017/2018

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Clr A Bantick

THAT the

- 1. Report be received and noted;**
- 2. Structured and transparent assessment process undertaken by the Facilities & Recreation Committee be endorsed;**
- 3. Considerations and decisions of the Facilities & Recreation Committee as detailed in the Report for the SMC Community Small Grants Program 2017/2018 be endorsed for the allocation of the funding under this Program.**

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

Mr T Kirkwood (General Manager) returned to the meeting at 12.02 p.m.

17. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – ORGANISATION)

17.1 Improvement

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 32

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|-------|---|
| 6.1.1 | Improve the level of responsiveness to Community needs. |
| 6.1.2 | Improve communication within Council. |
| 6.1.3 | Improve the accuracy, comprehensiveness and user friendliness of the Council asset management system. |
| 6.1.4 | Increase the effectiveness, efficiency and use-ability of Council IT systems. |
| 6.1.5 | Develop an overall Continuous Improvement Strategy and framework |

Nil.

17.2 Sustainability

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 33 & 34

- 6.2.1 Retain corporate and operational knowledge within Council.
- 6.2.2 Provide a safe and healthy working environment.
- 6.2.3 Ensure that staff and elected members have the training and skills they need to undertake their roles.
- 6.2.4 Increase the cost effectiveness of Council operations through resource sharing with other organisations.
- 6.2.5 Continue to manage and improve the level of statutory compliance of Council operations.
- 6.2.6 Ensure that suitably qualified and sufficient staff are available to meet the Communities needs.
- 6.2.7 Work co-operatively with State and Regional organisations.
- 6.2.8 Minimise Councils exposure to risk.

17.2.1 COMMON SERVICES JOINT VENTURE UPDATE (STANDING ITEM – INFORMATION ONLY)

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Cllr A Bantick

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

**17.2.2 SOUTH CENTRAL SUB-REGION COLLABORATION STRATEGY –
STANDING ITEM**

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Cllr D Marshall

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.2.3 AMENDMENT OF EXISTING POLICY – CODE FOR TENDERS & CONTRACTS

DECISION

Moved by Cllr E Batt, seconded by Cllr D Marshall

THAT Council

- 1. Receive and note the report;**
- 2. Consider the adoption of the revised prescribed amount of \$250,000.00 as detailed in the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015* to be included in Council's Code for Tenders and Contracts;**
- 3. Consider the inclusion of the reference to the Procedures of the *Public Interest Disclosures Act 2002* in Council's Code for Tenders and Contracts; and**
- 4. Consider the adoption of draft version 6 Code of Tenders and Contracts at the October 2017 Council meeting.**

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.2.4 RENEWAL OF LEASE 1562 – SUSTAINABLE TIMBER TASMANIA AND SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL – MOUNT HOBBS RADIO COMMUNICATION

DECISION

Moved by Cllr R Campbell, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT Council execute the lease agreement with Sustainable Timber Tasmania and affix the Common Seal on Lease No 1562 for a six year period commencing on the 1st October 2017.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.2.5 TASMANIAN BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY TRAINING BOARD – COLLECTION AGENCY AGREEMENT

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Cllr E Batt

THAT Council execute and affix the Common Seal on the Collection Agency Agreement with the Tasmanian Building and Construction Industry Training Board.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.2.6 REPORT ON ATTENDANCE AT THE NATIONAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT 2017, HELD AT THE NATIONAL CONVENTION CENTRE, CANBERRA FROM THE 19-21 JUNE 2017

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Clr D Marshall

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Deputy Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

17.2.7 GRANT DEED – (DEPARTMENT OF PREMIER AND CABINET – CONSTRUCTION OF THE OATLANDS AQUATIC CENTRE)

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Cllr E Batt

THAT Council execute the Grant Deed with the Department of Premier and Cabinet for the amount of \$2.0 million dollars for the Oatlands Aquatic Centre Project.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.2.8 TABLING OF DOCUMENTS

This is to be a standing item on the Agenda (tabling of documents that don't necessarily require any specific action(s)).

Correspondence received from Mrs Julie Hyatt was tabled.

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Cllr D Marshall

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

17.3 FINANCES

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 34 & 35

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|-------|---|
| 6.3.1 | Communities finances will be managed responsibly to enhance the wellbeing of residence. |
| 6.3.2 | Council will maintain community wealth to ensure that the wealth enjoyed by today's generation may also be enjoyed by tomorrow's generation. |
| 6.3.3 | Council's finance position will be robust enough to recover from unanticipated events, and absorb the volatility inherent in revenues and expenses. |
| 6.3.4 | Resources will be allocated to those activities that generate community benefit. |

17.3.1 MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT (AUGUST 2017)

DECISION

Moved by Cllr D Marshall, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green

THAT the Financial Report be received and the information noted.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Cllr A Bantick	√	
Cllr R Campbell	√	
Cllr E Batt	√	
Cllr D Marshall	√	

18. MUNICIPAL SEAL

Nil.

19. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

Nil.

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (12.36 P.M)

There were three (3) members of the public in attendance.

The Mayor advised that there were no Questions on Notice received from members of the public in advance of the meeting. Mayor Bisdee then invited questions from members of the public in attendance.

Rowena McDougall - Baden

Request relating to the roadside 'pull-off' area on Tunnack Main Road (opposite 1648 Tunnack Road) – evidence of being used as a dump point; weeds; dead animals/car parts etc. Requested that this area be tidied up.

The General Manager advised that it will be referred to Stornoway as the responsible road maintenance authority.

Craig Williams – Rekuna

Mr Williams advised Council that he had submitted a development application for his quarry in the past hour and circulated paperwork to Councillors from the EPA. The correspondence from the EPA dated 20th September 2017 advises that Mr Williams is complying with his permit conditions regarding noise issues (refer attached).

Manager, Development and Environment Services, David Cundall advised that this correspondence relates to Mr Williams Level 2 quarry application and notes that the quarry is in compliance.

DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Clr R Campbell

THAT the correspondence received from the Environment Protection Authority dated the 20th September 2017 regarding a noise survey for 1356 Tea Tree Road, Rekuna be noted in the minutes.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

Mr Williams stated that Council allows 17 containers on his neighbouring property and requested that Council make the playing field even as a small fine is not effective and trees for the shelter belt at 1384 Tea Tree Road are not in the correct location as required on the permit conditions i.e. on the western edge of the western concrete slab - they are further west than they should be.

ATTACHMENT

Public Question Time – Mr Craig Williams

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GPO Box 1550, Hobart, TAS 7001 Australia

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20 September 2017

Mr Craig Williams
1356 Tea Tree Road
CAMPANIA TAS 7026

Dear Mr Williams

**NOISE SURVEY
TEA TREE ROAD QUARRY, CAMPANIA**

I wish to acknowledge receipt of the document titled '1356 Tea Tree Rd, Rekuna – Field report from site visit 13 June 2017', received 4 August 2017 and prepared by Pearu Terts.

The report has been prepared and submitted under Conditions N3 and N4 of Permit Conditions - Environmental No. 9340, Part B of Permit No. DA 2015/122. The Permit and conditions contained within having been amended pursuant to an order of the Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal in decision Ref: 30/16P, dated 10 February 2017 (the Permit).

I can advise the abovementioned document has been reviewed by the EPA Tasmania Noise Specialist and I consider it to adequately address the elements required in Condition N3 and N4 of the Permit. The document is therefore accepted.

Further, I am satisfied based on the results of the noise survey that the maximum sound power output of the crushing unit when used to crush extracted material did not exceed 118 dB(A), as required by Condition N7(1) of the Permit

Should you have any queries regarding this correspondence, please contact Damien Jones on (03) 6165 4623.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Langenberg', written in a cursive style.

John Langenberg
SECTION HEAD - INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS SOUTH
Delegate for the Director, Environment Protection Authority

----- Forwarded message -----

From: Pearu Terts <pearuterts@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, 18 Jul 2017 02:09:19 +1000

Subject: Crusher noise tests

To: caswilliams <caswilliams@bigpond.com>, Michael Lichon
<mlichon@hotmail.com>, Pearu Terts <pearuterts@gmail.com>

Dear Mr Craig Williams, Here are the results of the recent crusher noise tests.

The main result is on page A 10, under the column in the middle
"Crushing at 18.5 m" which gives a sound pressure level of $Leq = 78.8$
dB(A)

This value gives the Sound Power level of the crusher as 112 dB(A).

The other measurement is the one obtained at 14 m (3 rd column) which
gives a sound pressure level of $Leq = 78.4$ dB(A). See top photo of
page A 4. This gives a sound power level of the crusher as 109.3
dB (A).

Lining the chute with rubber belting reduced the impact (rock/metal)
noise and was a good idea of yours.

Page A 15 shows the spectral content of the crusher noise and the
noise at location 4, closer to the highway. Note the spectral features
at location 4 at 800 Hz to 1200 Hz band. This is the highway road tyre
interaction noise indicating that the highway traffic noise is the
dominant noise.

The crusher operation meets the imposed noise requirements regarding
sound power level.

Yours sincerely,

Pearu Terts

03 6249 7165

Terry Loftus – Southern Midlands Regional News

The minutes of the Facilities & Recreation Committee lists all community owned halls and buildings. Why is the Midlands Memorial Community Centre (68 High Street, Oatlands) not included on this listing?

It was advised that this was an oversight on Council's behalf and would be included in future.

Request for details of any outcomes from the NGA Conference that will directly assist the Southern Midlands?

The General Manager made reference to the report provided in the Agenda. He provided additional comment in relation to the Roads to Recovery Program and the discussions held at the Assembly – the continuation of this program is worth approximately \$450,000 per annum to the Southern Midlands Council. Another key outcome was listening to the reports and discussions regarding 'emerging' methods of community consultation and the best means of consulting with communities. The conference acknowledged that a greater use of social media, electronic surveys etc. is the way of future communications rather than 'town hall' type meetings. The conference is also an opportunity to gain a better understanding of the issues facing local government from a national perspective. In particular, the changing practices to address new challenges.

The Mayor advised that attendance at the Assembly provides an ideal opportunity to network with the Federal politicians, which then creates a linkage when seeking funding for major infrastructure projects within the municipality. Experience can also be gained from other regional councils in relation to how they address issues.

Mr Loftus requested details of the total costs associated with attendance at the ALGA Assembly. To include registration fees; accommodation; airfares; etc.

Question taken on notice and details will be provided.

The meeting was adjourned for a break at 12.53 p.m.

The meeting resumed at 1.00 p.m. and was immediately suspended to participate in workshop discussions.

The meeting reconvened at 2.10 p.m.

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

CLOSED COUNCIL MINUTES

20. BUSINESS IN “CLOSED SESSION”

20.1 CLOSED COUNCIL MINUTES - CONFIRMATION

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.2 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (h) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.3 AUDIT PANEL MINUTES - CONFIRMATION

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.4 PROPERTY MATTER – OATLANDS

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (f) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.5 PROPERTY MATTER - COLEBROOK

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (f) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.6 PROPERTY MATTER - INTERLAKEN

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulation 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (f) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.7 PROPERTY MATTER – LOWER MARSHES

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (j) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.8 LEGAL MATTER

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (i) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

20.9 PROPERTY MATTER - OATLANDS

In accordance with the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the details of the decision in respect to this item are to be kept confidential and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by Council.

Item considered in Closed Session in accordance with Regulation 15 (2) (a) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

DECISION

Moved by Clr R Campbell, seconded by Deputy Mayor A Green.

THAT Council move out of “Closed Session”.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

OPEN COUNCIL MINUTES

21. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 3.36 p.m.

SOUTHERN
MIDLANDS
COUNCIL



MINUTES

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Friday, 13th October 2017

Municipal Offices, 85 Main Street, Kempton

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OPEN COUNCIL MINUTES

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL HELD ON FRIDAY, 13TH OCTOBER 2017 AT THE MUNICIPAL OFFICES, 85 MAIN STREET, KEMPTON COMMENCING AT 9:03 A.M

1. ATTENDANCE

Mayor AE Bisdee OAM, Deputy Mayor AO Green, Clr A Bantick, Clr E Batt, Clr B Campbell, Clr D F Fish and Clr D Marshall.

Mr Tim Kirkwood (General Manager), Mr Andrew Benson (Deputy General Manager) and Miss Elisa Lang (Executive Assistant)

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the chairman of a meeting is to request Councillors to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have, a pecuniary interest in any item on the Agenda.

Accordingly, Councillors are requested to advise of a pecuniary interest they may have in respect to any matter on the agenda, or any supplementary item to the agenda, which Council has resolved to deal with, in accordance with Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

Nil.

4. BUSINESS IN “CLOSED SESSION”

Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meetings Procedures) Regulations 2015* provides that Council may consider certain sensitive items in Closed Meeting.

The following matters were listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meetings Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

4.1 PROPERTY MATTER – INTERLAKEN (RELATES TO REGULATION 15(2)(F))

4.2 BUSINESS ACTIVITY (RELATES TO REGULATION 15(2)(A))

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting.

DECISION

Moved by Clr E Batt, seconded by Clr D Marshall

THAT the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D F Fish	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

The following Closed Meeting Motions have been authorised by Council for publication in the public Minutes.

4.2 BUSINESS ACTIVITY**DECISION**

Moved by Deputy Mayor A Green, seconded by Clr R Campbell

THAT

- a) the information be received;
- b) Council, having consulted with the employees of the Callington Mill Precinct about possible 'major change' within the meaning of that phrase at 2.1.3 of the SMC EA, confirm its decision to close the Callington Mill Visitor Information Centre, including guided tours, retail and café, effective from close of business on Friday, 20th October 2017.

CARRIED

Councillor	Vote FOR	Vote AGAINST
Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	√	
Dep. Mayor A O Green	√	
Clr A Bantick	√	
Clr R Campbell	√	
Clr E Batt	√	
Clr D F Fish	√	
Clr D Marshall	√	

5. CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 10.01 a.m.

**CHAUNCY VALE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL**

MINUTES

**OF GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUE 10TH OCTOBER 2017 @ 10 AM
CHAUNCY VALE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY, BAGDAD**

Present: Heather Chauncy; Denna Kingdom (TLC); Peter Bird (BF&G); Graham Green (SMC); Councillor Tony Bantick; Councillor Bob Campbell (Chair); Jamie Ward; Victoria__

Apologies: Paul Helleman (P&WS); Danielle Madden Hallett

1. Minutes of Previous Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on July 4th 2017 were received as a true and correct record:

Moved – Heather Seconded – Denna *Carried*

2. Correspondence

Incoming:

Kamlesh Andrews – State Library – request for 10 DVDs

Outgoing:

Kamlesh Andrews – State Library – 10 DVDs and invoice

3. Financial Report

The financial report will be compiled and disseminated once Graham has had a meeting with Tim Kirkwood to rationalise recent income and expenses.

Expenditure to date on the Caretaker's cottage renovation is \$14,920 + wages (some of which may have been allocated against the grant budget)

Graham mentioned the meeting that was held with David Cundall and Tim Kirkwood requesting additional funds allocation towards the renovation work. Additional funds were pledged as it is a major renovation and almost everything needs replacing.

Agreed that excess funds requested will be up to \$10,000 and that once all current projects are completed we should be aiming for the budget to settle at no less than \$20,000.

Bob suggested that we determine what the weekly expense is in terms of running the cottage – Graham to follow up.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

A donation of funds was received from Friends of Chauncy Vale. These funds are to be kept aside for Day Dawn maintenance and republishing of books and dvds when necessary.

Motion that the financial report be accepted:

Moved – Heather

Seconded – Peter

Carried

4. Site Inspection 1 – Caretaker Cottage progress

Heather commented that it is 'a great job'

Brief discussion centred around potential painting of the cottage – agreed that it should be painted a 'woodland' green similar to the adjacent sheds and that the same paint would be used on 'the Shelter'.

5. Caretaker's Cottage – future caretaker model

Committee agreed to continue pursuing the short term volunteer model with 2 months minimum preferred. Graham hence to continue putting the application together to form a Wildcare group and the associated documents promoting the volunteer caretaker program through the Wildcare system.

This model of operation will be trialed for one year from inception to see how it goes.

JW – flexibility is important and we should have a back up plan if we don't get many volunteers initially. The potential for use as visitor accommodation for some periods in the year was discussed as having merit – perhaps best in the quiet season for Chauncy Vale.

Graham will keep in touch with Jamie and Denna in regard to getting volunteers prior to the official caretaker program being set up.

There needs to be a 'caretaker supervisor' to manage the system, do inductions, make clear the roles and responsibilities. Overlap for a few days between caretakers is a good idea.

Motion in support of the discussed caretaker model:

Moved – Denna

Seconded – Tony

Carried

6. Other site management and works

Track and bridge work

The stone arch bridge and new section of track to the caves has been completed under the grant funded project. This work was undertaken by John Hughes and Richard Chin

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

Campervans

The committee agreed that we should begin the promotion of campervans as soon as we can to generate some income flow to offset the loss of \$100/week in rental at the Caretaker's cottage. General principles:

- Promote as a unique and quiet destination
- Management of vans should be as hands-off as possible
- Charge \$20/night, maximum 3 nights (payment system to be discussed)
- Maximum of 3 vans at once
- Limit the size of the vans due to the road
- Must be self contained
- Install signs to mark the van sites

Denna and Graham to meet and progress this further

Day Dawn Cottage

Jamie and Victoria have commenced long overdue cleaning and maintenance on the cottage. Agreed short term work is as follows:

- Install UV stabilized window coverings for the west facing bedroom window
- Oil the deck
- Fix up the bridge – Jamie to keep in touch with Peter and Bob regarding materials

A donation of funds from Friends of Chauncy Vale will be used in part to fund the upkeep of Day Dawn

River works

Peter raised the issue that the river rehabilitation work needs to be done as a priority. Graham reminded Peter of his weir removal work and that anything else is dependent upon getting the machinery on site.

Graham to refresh himself of the recommendations in the hydrologist report.

There is an opportunity to undertake recommended works when council is getting the road upgraded and has machinery in the vicinity, Graham to keep in touch with Jack Lyall about this.

7. Tasmanian Land Conservancy - Flat Rock Reserve

- Track signage and interpretation funded under the Southern Midlands Small Grants has been largely installed.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

- Conservation Planning Conference field trip to Chauncy Vale is being conducted on the 18th October, a large group will be walking through the reserve from Flat Rock.
- There have been serious issues for wood hooking on Flat Rock related to tenants at Tim and Claire's place. Police were involved and these people have now been moved on. The house is currently on the market.

8. Other Business

Chauncy Vale Road

Tony – Council have allocated \$20K to fix the road beyond the bridge

New Committee members

Jamie and Victoria were nominated to join the committee and they accepted

Moved – Heather

Seconded – Tony

Carried

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting has not been scheduled as yet

**LAKE DULVERTON & CALLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MINUTES**

**Monday 16th October 2017
Council Chambers, Oatlands 6.30 p.m.**

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**LAKE DULVERTON & CALLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE**

MINUTES

Monday 16th October 2017

**6.30 p.m. Council Chambers
Oatlands**

MEMBERS:

Chairman: Councillor Don Fish (Proxy: Cllr B Campbell)

Parks & Wildlife Rep: Paul Helleman (Proxy: to be advised)

Resident Representatives: Mrs Maria Weeding, Mr Athol Bennett, Dr Robert Simpson, Mr Robert Foster, Mrs Stephanie Burbury, Ms Helen Geard, Mrs Jenni Muxlow

1. ATTENDANCE

Councillor Don Fish. Maria Weeding, Helen Geard, Athol Bennett, Jenni Muxlow.

2. APOLOGIES

Nil.

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The committee need to confirm the 17th July 2017 minutes.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee confirm the Minutes of the Lake Dulverton & Callington Park Management Committee meeting held on 17th July 2017.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Mrs Jenni Muxlow

SECONDED Mr Athol Bennett

THAT the Committee confirm the minutes of the Lake Dulverton & Callington Park Management Committee meeting, held on 17th July 2017.

CARRIED

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

4.1 TOILET BLOCK ON LAKE FORESHORE

Works on the upgrade of the toilet block commenced on Monday 3rd October. It is envisaged that the upgrade works will take about 4 weeks to complete. Progressing well to date.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

4.2 BUDGET – FOR 2017 – 2018 FINANCIAL YEAR

The committee submitted the budget request to Council in May. Information as to what is in the 2017/2018 Committee budget was initially delayed, and finally confirmed in August.

A copy of the final budget funds for 17/18 was noted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the information be noted.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

Notes

Lake Dulverton & Callington Park Committee		
17/18 Works Schedule and Budget - Final		
Item/Activity	Detail	
1	Balance forward	4159.76
2	Callington Park	
3	Aquatic Building	3840.05
4	Dulverton Walking track (Flax Mill to Parattah section)	0.00
5	Lake Dulverton Foreshore improvements (town area to Flax Mill)	4154.50
6	Midlands Water Scheme	1038.18
7	Weed control	22575.00
8	Marys Island	
9	Toilet block on Lake Foreshore	0.00
10	Seal section of walking track pathway	33600.00
11	Macrocarpa Trees at former picnic area near Mahers Point	0.00
12	Grant funding	2996.79
		\$ 68,204.52

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

4.3 MACROCARPA TREE AREA BESIDE MAHERS POINT

There was considerable discussion on this at the last meeting. It was decided that there would need to be more public consultation on this prior to outright removal of the trees. The Works Dept and Councillors will be asked to inspect the site for further deliberations. At this stage this has not occurred.

A letter was tabled at the meeting from nearby residents that had become aware that the future of the trees was under consideration. See attached.

There was no decision made by the Committee on the issue, other than recognising that it would be best if there was more consultation with the ratepayers if the decision is taken to have all the trees removed, rather than the other option of a tidy up and removal of any current fallen limbs.

RECOMMENDATION:

Nil.

4.4 CALLINGTON PARK YARDS – WORKING BEE

A working bee was held at the yards in September. Athol, Don, Maria and Ras (Dr Simpson) spent the morning replacing many of the rails and a number of posts at the former cattle yards and sheep yards in Callington Park. The changes made a significant impact on the yards.

RECOMMENDATION:

Note the information.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

4.5 AQUATIC CLUB BUILDING

The shower facility has been completed. The actual access to the site with the keyless card entry system has not eventuated at this stage. It is hoped that this system will be available in the near future.

RECOMMENDATION:

Note the information.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

4.6 COW SCULPTURES ON THE LAKE PROPOSAL

The Midlands Arts group made a submission to the Council for funding consideration in the 17/18 year budget. Cllr Fish provided an update to the committee. There are funds to proceed. An update will be provided to the next meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

Note the information.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

4.7 OATLANDS ROTARY

J Muxlow informed the committee that Oatlands Rotary have 'Community Portfolio' within the club. Jenni is involved with this aspect of the Rotary Club. She proposed that some Upgrade / renewal of the Callington Park area be considered by the Committee. Jenni reported that Rotary are wanting to support and help with funding a rotunda style building in the Callington Park area. It would be out from the current BBQ hut, between the hut and fence on the lake side. Jenni is to come back to the next meeting of the committee with design / concept plans.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

5.0 TREASURER'S REPORT

A statement detailing the Lake Dulverton and Callington Park Management Committee – Lake Dulverton account is attached for consideration.

A statement detailing Receipts and Expenditure this financial year to date for the committee's council funds was tabled at the meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the statement detailing the Committee receipts and expenditure for the Lake Dulverton and Callington Park Management Committee – Lake Dulverton account 2016 -2017 financial year be received and endorsed.

That the statement detailing the Committee receipts and expenditure for this financial year to date be received and endorsed.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

MOVED Ms Helen Geard

SECONDED Mrs Jenni Muxlow

THAT the statement detailing the Committee receipts and expenditure for the Lake Dulverton and Callington Park Management Committee – Lake Dulverton account 2016 - 2017 financial year be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

MOVED Mrs Jenni Muxlow

SECONDED Ms Helen Geard

THAT the statements detailing the Committee receipts and expenditure for the year to date be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

LAKE DULVERTON / CALLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Lake Dulverton Account
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2016 TO 30 JUNE 2017

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Balance from last Account	\$ 3,113.10	Materials - Shelter Shed	\$ 2,600.00
Donations	\$ 3,630.55		\$ -
Interest	\$ 16.10	Bank Fees	\$ -
			\$ -
		Balance To Next Account	\$ 4,159.76
	<u>\$ 6,759.75</u>		<u>\$ 6,759.76</u>

Funds on hand are represented by:

Commonwealth Bank Account 06 7004 28003859	\$	4,159.76	
Unpresented Cheque	\$	-	
	<u>\$</u>	<u>4,159.76</u>	

AUDIT REPORT

LAKE DULVERTON / CALLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

I have audited the Statement of Receipts and Payments for the Period 1st July 2016 to 30 June 2017.

In my opinion the Statement presents fairly the cash transactions of the Lake Dulverton / Callington Park Management Committee for the period.


 T Kirkwood
 Auditor

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL

LAKE DULVERTON / CALLINGTON PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD 1 JULY 2017 TO 13 OCTOBER 2017

RECEIPTS

Balance from last Account (Lake)	
Commonwealth Bank Account	
Callington Park	
Lake Dulverton Aquatic Building	
Lake Dulverton Corridor	
Lake Dulverton - Foreshore (to Flax Mill)	
Lake Dulverton - Foreshore Toilet Block	
Walking Track - Flax Mill To Parattah	
Grant - Walking Track Safety Upgrade	
Walking Track - Donation	
Water Operational Costs	
Weed Control	
Mary's Island	
Interest	

PAYMENTS

\$ 4,159.76	Project 407-7057	\$ 569.18	Timber & Screws
\$ 3,840.05	Project 302-7055 (Aquatic Building)		
\$ -	Project 302- 5015 (Dulverton Corridor)		
\$ -	Project 302-7053 (Lake Dulverton)		
\$ 1,038.18	Project 302-7053 (Lake Dulverton)		
\$ 33,600.00	Project 302-7053 (Lake Dulverton)		
\$ 4,154.50	Project 302- 5015 (Dulverton Corridor)		
\$ 2,996.79	Project G3020010 (Walking Track)	\$ 2,915.55	Galv \$160.00 Post Caps \$4.00 Cement \$51.55
\$ -	Operational Charge		
\$ 22,575.00	Asset Renewal Levy		
\$ -	Water Usage - Annual		
\$ -			
\$ -			

\$ -	Bank Charges	\$ -
\$ -		\$ -
\$ -	Total Expense to date	\$ 3,484.73
\$ -	Balance to Next Account	\$ 68,879.55
\$ 72,364.28		\$ 72,364.28
\$ 4,159.76		\$ 4,159.76
\$ 64,719.79		\$ 64,719.79
\$ 68,879.55		\$ 68,879.55

Funds on hand are represented by:

Comm. Bank Account No.06 7004 28003859
Special Projects - Unexpended Budget

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS:

6.1 DOG TIDY – DOG WASTE BAGS

There has been a call for an additional dispenser to be placed along the walking track. It is possible that one could be located at the current rubbish bin at near the old rail line signal at the Flax Mill area. A quote for two dispensers, one post (needed), and rolls was noted. The cost for such would be \$457.00 + GST. The committee agreed to go ahead and make the purchase.

SUB COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL:

RESOLVED

THAT the information be noted and that the units be purchased.

6.2 OTHER MATTERS

Nil

7.0 NEXT MEETING

Monday 27th November 2017, Council Chambers, Oatlands

The meeting closed at 7.35 p.m.

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CONFIRMED THIS DAY OF....., 2017

.....CHAIRMAN

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

Chairperson

Dennis Cousens

Cr Don Fish

PO BOX 25 Oatlands

Lake Dulverton Committee

11th October 2017

Southern Midlands Council

Oatlands.

Dear Don

Further to a brief conversation with you on the 10th October 2017 at the Oatlands Multipurpose Health Centre's annual dinner I wish to confirm in writing that I do not support the removal of the pines bordering the Esplanade of Lake Dulverton.

I had gathered from your comment that it maybe a forgone conclusion that these trees will be removed and new ones planted in their place.

Considering that the existing trees took 100 years to attain their height the protection and beauty they provide , the foreshore will be left unattended for many years, I would suggest that professional help be sought and that the pines be pruned and attended to in a manner pertaining to good management something that I feel has been lacking in this area for many years.

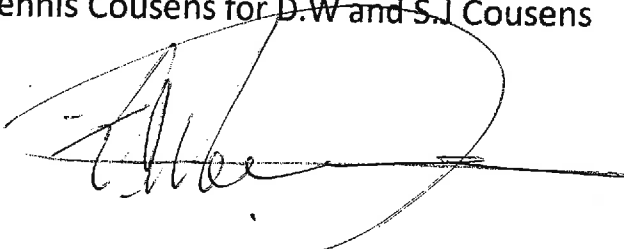
Being a property owner number 108 Esplanade an area of 0.6551 I would hope that the wind protection and privacy provided by the current trees would remain as I contemplate building in the near future.

When my wife and I purchases the land it was adjoined by a similar allotment and then sadly the neighbouring lot was subdivided in to four residential blocks totally changing the ascetic attributes of that part of Lake Dulverton.

I would ask that consideration be given to many ratepayers and not just one or a few, at least not without some consultation.

Yours Sincerely

Dennis Cousens for D.W and S.J Cousens

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dennis Cousens', with a large, sweeping flourish extending to the right.

ATTACHMENT - AGENDA ITEM 4.3.1

I have spoken to Vic Ayers, Peter Keys, of Chatham Street and Margaret Palmer of Glenelg Street ,all agree with the content of this letter.

Thank you for your consideration to this request

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized, cursive name that is partially obscured by a horizontal line drawn across it.

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting

Thursday 21st September 2017
Mangalore Recreation Ground Hall
Commenced at 5.06pm



Welcome – Chairman

Andrew Benson assumed the role of Chairman of the meeting in the absence of Committee Chairman Clr Tony Bantick.

Attendance

Acting Chairman Andrew Benson welcomed the existing Members as well as Lauren and Melissa, the new office holders in BEC, plus Kerrie Goudsouzian, the Immediate Past President of BEC and Chrissie Knight from BEC. He also introduced Michelle Webster, Council's Acting Community/Recreation Development Officer whilst Kelly is recovering from her accident.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	Andrew Benson Michelle Webster Mike England Ken King Lauren Hazelwood Melissa Lacey Kareena Blackwell Chrissie Knight Kerrie Goudsouzian	Deputy General Manager SMC A/Community Development/Recreation Officer SMC TasShep Inc. TasShep Inc. Brighton Equestrian Club Inc Brighton Equestrian Club Inc Brighton & Southern Midlands Pony Club Inc. Brighton Equestrian Club Inc Immediate Past President Brighton Equestrian Club Inc
INVITED GUESTS		APOLOGIES Clr Tony Bantick SMC Kelly Woodward SMC Danika Housego B&SMPC

Item Attachments to the Agenda

- Lease Agreement
- Calendar 2017
- Calendar 2018 to be determined

Confirmation of Previous Minutes	Attached File	.
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The sole purpose of the previous meeting was to agree the Grant submission and the Plans for the Mangalore Rec Grd Storage Facility. The approved plans and associated details were tabled for confirmation.

It was resolved that the grant application and the plans submitted and approved be confirmed as the ones agreed at the meeting.

CARRIED

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting



ITEM	Ground Lease Renewal	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>Andrew Benson briefly worked through the annual Ground Lease document for the clubs to utilise the site. He advised that nothing had changed since the previous Lease.</p> <p>The Ground Lease was signed by the three clubs and Lauren provided the Public Liability Certificate of Currency for the Pony Club. The other clubs agreed to send their respective Certificate of Currency through as soon as possible.</p>		
DECISION	<p><i>It was resolved that it be noted that the Grounds Lease for 2017/2018 has been signed and copies will be circulated to each Club.</i></p>		
ACTION ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE
TasShep and Pony Club to send their PL CoC to Andrew		ME & K B	ASAP
Circulate the signed copies of the Agreements back to the Clubs		AB	ASAP

ITEM	Gates & Security	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>AB asked if there any issues with the gates and security and the response was that the previous issues with the gate keys were resolved and everything is working well.</p> <p>The Members raised issues about motor bikes using the ground with jumps being used and the ground being torn up in some sections including the arena.</p> <p>AB advised that the law requires motor bikes to be ridden greater than 500m from residences.</p>		
DECISION	<p><i>It was resolved that the issues with the motor bikes be noted and signage prohibiting motor bikes on the site be installed</i></p>		
ACTION ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE
Arrange for signage		AB	ASAP
Talk to Tas Police		AB	ASAP

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting



ITEM	Grant – Construction Update	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>A site inspection was undertaken and the progress noted the area had be cleared of scrubs and the site levelled.</p> <p>The next stage is footings and Leon McGuinness to inspect the footings before they are poured (Kareena to contact Andrew when the footing are required to be inspected)</p> <p>Chrissie offered Craig’s laser level for assistance.</p> <p>Kareena advised that the steel roof is being fabricated and she provided the Structural Certificate” for the steel roof, given the original roof was going to b timber trusses.</p> <p>AB advised that the Container would be delivered as soon as he is advised that the site is ready to receive it. Kareena advised the same with BEC.</p> <p>AB advised the project timeline with completion in required in December 2017</p>		
DECISION	<p><i>It was resolved that the information be received and that the team are to be congratulated on the progress to date.</i></p>		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	

ITEM	Calendar of Events	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	Discussion ensued around this matter		
DECISION	<p><i>It was resolved that</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. The Club Presidents are to document their respective time requirements including half days for the ground and circulate that information to their counterparts in the other Clubs.</i> <i>2. Come to agreement on a site Calendar of times for the year.</i> <i>3. Any short term, adhoc changes through the year to be agreed by the three Presidents over the phone or by email.</i> <i>4. A final Calendar be provided to AB for inclusion on the Council website</i> 		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	
As above			

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting



ITEM	Other Business 1. Condition of the Club Rooms	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	Kerrie mentioned the state of the club rooms with mud over the floor and that muddy boots should not be on the carpet at all		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that the Presidents would reinforce the message of no muddy boots in the club house and that the areas should be tidied for the next user when the building is left for the day</i>		
ACTION ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE
Clubs be made aware of their responsibilities on the site		Presidents	ASAP

ITEM	Other Business 2. Mounting Blocks	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	Melissa mentioned that BEC have some mounting blocks that they would like to be concreted into the ground for older riders to use and they could also be used for seats. The meeting thought that was a good idea and that they should proceed with the works in a location that is safe and does not inhibit the maintenance of the grounds.		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that BEC agree a location with the other two Presidents and proceed with the works to concrete in the mounting blocks</i>		
ACTION ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE
As above		ML	ASAP

ITEM	Other Business 3. Dog Tas use of the Ground	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	ME asked if Dogs Tas were going to proceed with their interest in using the grounds. AB advised that he thought that they had moved on to another site, but would check with David Sales		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that an enquiry be made to Dogs Tas about the site</i>		
ACTION ITEMS		RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE
Enquiry to Dogs Tas about the site		AB	ASAP

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting



ITEM	Other Business 4. B&SMPC Entrance Portal Framework	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>AB asked if B&SMPC still wished their steel grounds framework sign to be erected above the gate, given it was the original framework sign for the site it may have some emotional significance for the Club and the grounds.</p> <p>Kareena responded yes they would like it re-erected now that it has been powder coated. AB confirmed the clear height of 5.5m and KG confirmed that dimension.</p> <p>AB advised that he will get it organised</p>		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that the sign that Council originally removed is to be replaced in its new location on the posts over the gateway</i>		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	
Gateway sign to be re-erected in the new location	AB	ASAP	

ITEM	Other Business 5. Gravel Road into the ground	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>KB asked if the gravel road into the ground could be fixed</p> <p>AB advised that he will check it out with the Manager Infrastructure & Works and advise.</p>		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that Council be asked to look at the gravel road into the Recreation Ground.</i>		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	
Council to investigate the requirements	AB	ASAP	

ITEM	Other Business 6. Second Arena Required on the Ground	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>ML & LH asked if there could be consideration given to another arena being developed t the site.</p> <p>Discussion ensued and AB suggested that the Clubs get together and determine a location, size and construction standard that would meet everyone's needs.</p>		
DECISION	<i>It was resolved that the three Clubs would get together to determine the requirements for a new arena including a timeline for development.</i>		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	
Determine the requirements for a new arena	Presidents	ASAP	

MINUTES

Mangalore Recreation Ground Management Committee Meeting



ITEM	Other Business 7. Kerrie's Acknowledgement	Attached File	
DISCUSSION	<p>AB thanked Kerrie for attending the meeting in providing a "handover" to Lauren the new President of BEC.</p> <p>He also acknowledged Kerrie's significant contribution in getting the Club House into good shape through the grant that BEC got to carpet and provide the furniture. He said that her contribution to discussion around the table has always been focussed and in the best interest of the grounds.</p>		
DECISION	<p><i>It was resolved that Kerrie's significant contribution to the Committee and the Mangalore Recreation Ground be acknowledged.</i></p>		
ACTION ITEMS	RESPONSIBILITY	TIME LINE	

Next Meeting

TBA

Meeting Closed

The Chairman thanked Members and guests for their contributions and closed the meeting at 6.16pm



**SOUTHERN TASMANIAN COUNCILS AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

**Minutes of a meeting of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority held on 25
September 2017 commencing at 11.00am at the Huon Valley Council Chambers, 40
Main Street, Huonville**

Present: Brighton Council – Deputy Mayor Barbara Curran and Mr James Dryburgh
Central Highlands Council – Mayor Loueen Triffitt
Clarence City Council – Mayor Doug Chipman and Mr Andrew Paul
Derwent Valley Council – Mayor Martyn Evans
Glenorchy City Council – Mr Tony McMullen
Hobart City Council – Mr Nick Heath
Huon Valley Council – Commissioner Adriana Taylor and Mr Emilio Reale
Kingborough Council – Mayor Steve Wass and Mr Gary Arnold
Tasman Council – Mayor Roseanne Heyward

Apologies: Brighton Council – Mayor Tony Foster and Mr Ron Sanderson
Central Highlands Council – Ms Lyn Eyles
Derwent Valley Council - Mr Greg Winton
Glamorgan/Spring Bay Council – Mayor Michael Kent and Mr David Metcalf
Glenorchy City Council - Commissioner Sue Smith
Hobart City Council – Lord Mayor Sue Hickey
Sorell Council – Mayor Kerry Vincent and Mr Robert Higgins
Southern Midlands Council – Mayor Tony Bisdee and Mr Tim Kirkwood
Tasman Council - Mr Robert Higgins

1. Welcome and apologies

In the absence of the Lord Mayor, the Board resolved to appoint Commissioner Taylor as the Chair of the meeting.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mayor Heyward

CARRIED

2. Confirmation of the Minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority held on Monday 26 June 2017

Moved: Mayor Wass

Seconded: Mayor Evans

That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) Board Meeting held on Monday 26 June 2017 be confirmed as a true record of that meeting.

CARRIED

3. Matters Arising

Nil

4. Update from Commissioner Taylor

Commissioner Taylor provided an update on activities in the Huon Valley.

Overview of Huon Valley Council:

- HVC has a population of around 16,700 and a staff of 150. We are a very diverse Council which runs the traditional roles that most people expect from a Council.
- We also run Medical Centres, Retirement Villages and Child Care facilities.

We own and operate medical practices in Dover and Geeveston and until recently we did run the one in Cygnet; this has recently been transferred to a private operator to run, which happened through and Expression of Interest process.

We employ the doctors, nurses and administrative staff for these practices. We have independent living units in Dover, Geeveston and Cygnet. Council has run these services as they were non-existent in these areas.

When first arriving as Commissioner, there was:

- Low staff morale
- Loss of focus and direction

- Ministerial Directions had to be met
- Most of the Executive Management team had left and most Managers were acting
- Structure didn't seem to fit the needs of the community

Following the Commissioners arrival, the:

- Previous GM's contract was ended
- New GM recruited
- Restructure completed and all management positions now filled
- Met with many members of the community and listened to their concerns

From this:

- Set new direction which helped determined the structure
- Set new priorities for projects in the Valley which we are now lobbying the Government for funding or commitment
- New drainage infrastructure for Huonville which will unlock up to \$100 m of new residential development
- Channel Highway diversion to ease congestion at the current intersection and to prevent the road from being blocked by flooding
- Working on a solution to the Seasonal Workers Accommodation issue, which Council is facilitating with Fruit Growers, Government and private operators
- Working with private investors to invest in the Valley eg. Franklin Evaporators development, encouraging State Government investment as well to enhance the Crown Land area to make the area more attractive for private development
- Invited to host Coordinator General in the Valley for 2 days and show the potential of opportunities in the Valley. Hosted a gathering of key business people with the CG which has proved to be beneficial.

Since my time here we have progressed a number of projects:

- HVC has purchased the old Block Buster building to house our Visitor Information Centre. This will bring the VIC into the heart of Huonville boosting visitor numbers into the CBD and allowing us to develop a state of the art facility
- HVC is developing a land strategy to determine what land it should keep and which it should dispose of which will help fund new infrastructure in a number of areas
- Developing one of our parklands (Heritage Park) in Geeveston into a regional attraction, we have installed a Sky Bridge, which is a smaller scale replica of the Tahune Air walk and some small children and all ability play equipment. New public toilets, BBQ area and maze. This is in addition to the children's educational bike track and new enclosed dog walking area
- We have constructed new Kayak launching facilities on the Huon River and are looking at the possibility of installing more in suitable locations
- We have constructed a new jetty opposite the Esplanade on the southern side of the river as a docking point for boats that require a deep draft (need deeper water)
- We have secured funding from MAST to construct a new boat ramp at Barbazon Point (Cygnet Coast Road)

- We have let out 2 major tenders 1) to start the first stage of the drainage upgrade for Huonville by installing new stormwater pipes under Shield St to increase capacity of the system. 2) To reconstruct sections of Esperance Coast Rd which are effected by major landslips.

Financially we are sound. We do not have any debt, we deliver a balanced budget each year and we fully cash fund our depreciation for assets that need replacement and renewal. We put a percentage of funds collected from rates aside for new assets including the Taswater dividend.

5. Update from the Regional Climate Change Initiative

The report in relation to the Regional Climate Change Initiative was noted by the STCA Board.

It was agreed that the City of Hobart's Environment and Climate Change Project Officer would make contact with officers at the Clarence City Council to discuss the coastal monitoring project.

RECOMMENDATION -

That the STCA Board note the Regional Climate Change Initiative update.

CARRIED

6. Service Agreement Renewal

The STCA Board discussed the proposed Service Agreement between the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority and the Hobart City Council.

RECOMMENDATION -

That the STCA Board approve the Service Agreement between the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority and the Hobart City Council.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mayor Triffitt

CARRIED

7. STCA Secretariat Support

Board members discussed the provision of secretariat support for the STCA and agreed to recruit an appropriate person as a matter of urgency.

RECOMMENDATION -

That the STCA Governance and Audit Committee be empowered to undertake a recruitment process for a Secretariat Support Officer as a matter of urgency.

That the STCA approve the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority Secretariat Support Role position description.

A review of the scope and performance of the Secretariat Support Officer be undertaken six months from the time of appointment.

Moved: Mayor Heyward

Seconded: Mayor Evans

CARRIED

8. Updates from Members

8.1 South Eastern Regional Development Association update

The South Eastern Regional Development Association (SERDA) has completed a Regional Workforce Plan in conjunction with the South Central Councils Group. Both organisations were provided with funding from the Department of State Growth through Skills Tasmania with each of the SERDA Councils also contributing funding. KPMG were appointed to prepare both Regional Workforce Plans with the SERDA document now being circulated and considered by the State Government as to how best to implement the recommended actions that will support and facilitate further social and economic activity in the growing in the growing south-east.

8.2 Planning Reform update

Mr Paul provided a verbal update to the meeting and noted that:

- Local Planning Provisions need to be consistent with the Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (STRLUS) which in turn needs to be consistent with State Planning Provision;
- The Planning Policy Unit has noted a number of minor changes needed to the STRLUS to bring it into alignment with the State Planning Policies. The Technical Reference Group will work with the Planning Policy Unit to effect change;
- SPP's released are in respect of Biodiversity, water quality, geo diversity, cultural values, bushfire management and aboriginal heritage;

- Some project work being commissioned by the Technical Reference Group to give to new scheme requirements.

8.3 South Central Sub-region and Common Services update

The STCA Board noted the update in relation to the South Central Sub-region and Common Services update.

RECOMMENDATION –

That the STCA Board note the updates from members in relation to the South Eastern Regional Development Association, Planning Reform and South Central Sub-region and Common Services.

CARRIED

9. Waste Strategy South Update

9.1 Update from the Chair

The Chair of Waste Strategy South, Mayor Heyward provided an update on the activities of Waste Strategy South.

RECOMMENDATION

That the STCA Board note the Waste Strategy South Update.

That the STCA Board resolved that the Waste Strategy South Action Plan be amended to include an action to actively pursue Container Deposit Legislation.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mr Heath

CARRIED

9.2 Waste Strategy South Minutes

The minutes from the Waste Strategy South meeting from 1 August 2017 were noted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Waste Strategy South minutes from the meeting held on 1 August 2017 be noted.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mr Heath

CARRIED

9.3 Waste Strategy South Action Plan 2017 - 2019

The Waste Strategy South Action Plan was discussed by the STCA Board.

RECOMMENDATION -

That the Waste Strategy South Action Plan 2017 – 2019, as amended, be approved by the STCA Board.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mr Heath

CARRIED

10. Governance and Audit Committee update

The Minutes of the Governance and Audit Committee dated 19 September 2017 were approved.

The Board supported the scoping of a Strategic Plan for the southern region and agreed that this would be reported to the next Board meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That the minutes from the Governance and Audit Committee meeting dated 19 September 2017 be approved.

That the Board support the scoping of a Strategic Plan for the southern region and that a report on progress be provided at the next Board meeting.

Moved: Mayor Chipman

Seconded: Mayor Triffitt

CARRIED

11. Financial Report to 31 August 2017

The financial report to 31 August 2017 was received and noted.

RECOMMENDATION

That the STCA Board receive and note the financial report to 31 August 2017.

CARRIED

12. Projects of Regional Significance Correspondence

The Board discussed the Treasurer's correspondence in relation to changes to the current Projects of Regional Significance (PORS) process.

The Board provided support to provide comment on the major issues relating to the change in process.

RECOMMENDATION –

That STCA support the provision of a submission to the Department of Justice listing the major issues with the proposed new process.

Moved: Mayor Wass

Seconded: Mayor Evans

CARRIED

13. LGAT meeting – call for motions

The opportunity was provided to identify any additional items for consideration at the LGAT Meeting.

The following matters were suggested:

- Container Deposit Legislation
- Urban Drainage Act
- Future of Waste and Recycling

It was agreed that Mr Heath would speak with Dion Lester from the LGAT in relation to these matters.

CARRIED

14. Other Business

Mr McMullen provided the Board with an update on the current Board of Inquiry process at the Glenorchy City Council.

The Board noted the sad passing of Rebecca Burton, former Deputy Secretary of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

The Board formally resolved to thank Commissioner Taylor for chairing today's meeting.

Meeting closed at 12.55pm



Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority

Quarterly Report to Members

September 2017



Each Joint Authority is required under Section 36B of the Local Government Act, 1993 to provide to its members a quarterly report that includes a statement of general performance and a statement of its financial performance

This report covers the three month period ending 30 September 2017. This report with all previous quarterly reports is published on the Authorities website: www.stca.tas.gov.au

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**Quarterly Report to Member Councils
September 2017**

REPORT SUMMARY

The Authority held an Ordinary Board Meeting on 25 September 2017. The meeting was hosted by Commissioner Adriana Taylor and was held at the Huon Valley Council Chambers.

Matters considered at the meeting included:

- 1. Huon Valley Council update**

- 2. Regional Climate Change Initiative Update**

- 3. Service Agreement Renewal**

- 4. Member updates on Planning Reform and South Eastern Regional Development Association**

- 5. Waste Strategy South Update**

- 6. Governance and Audit Committee Update**

- 7. STCA Financial Report to 31 August 2017**

- 8. Projects of Regional Significance correspondence**

1. HUON VALLEY COUNCIL UPDATE

Commissioner Taylor provided an update on activities in the Huon Valley since being appointed to that position by the Minister.

The Huon Valley municipal area has a population of around 16,700 people. The Council has a staff of over 150 and is a diverse organisation which is responsible for many of the traditional services most people expect from a council but it also runs medical centres, retirement villages and child care facilities. The Council employs doctors, nurses and administration staff and manages independent living units in Dover, Geeveston and Cygnet.

A number of projects have been progressed in the area since the Commissioner's arrival, including:

- Purchase of a building in the centre of Huonville which will house the Visitor Information Centre;
- The development of a land strategy;
- Development of Heritage Park, Geeveston into a regional attraction to include a Sky Bridge (a small scale replica of the Tahune Air Walk), play equipment, toilets, and BBQ area;
- New kayak launching facilities on the Huon River;
- New jetty opposite the Esplanade at Huonville;
- The letting of two major tenders, to start the first stage of the drainage upgrade for Huonville by installing new stormwater pipes under Shield Street to increase capacity of the system and to reconstruct sections of Esperance Coast Road which are affected by major landslips.



2. REGIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE INITIATIVE UPDATE

A number of initiatives are being pursued as part of the Regional Climate Change Initiative, including the Southern Tasmanian Coastal Monitoring project which is an inventory of coastal data, information and resources to assist councils and key stakeholders understanding of coastal processes and adaptation planning.

Southern councils in collaboration with Sustainable Living Tasmania (SLT) are delivering the Home Energy Bulk Buy program over the following stages: heat pumps/insulation/LED lighting; hot water – solar/heat pump; and rooftop solar/batteries. The project was launched on 5 September 2017.

The development of a regional profile of community carbon emissions for use in the development of a carbon strategy and suitable mitigation actions has commenced as has a project to develop climate and resilience communication resources for use by southern councils across their communities.



3. SERVICE AGREEMENT RENEWAL

The Board approved a new Service Agreement between the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) and the Hobart City Council (HCC). Under the new agreement, which is to run for three years, the HCC will assist the STCA by providing financial and human resources support.

4. PLANNING REFORM AND SOUTH EASTERN REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION UPDATES

A Planning Reform update was provided to the STCA Board that noted that:

- Local Planning Provisions need to be consistent with the Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (STRLUS) which in turn needs to be consistent with State Planning Provisions;
- The Planning Policy Unit has noted a number of minor changes are needed to the STRLUS to bring it into alignment with the State Planning Policies. The Technical Reference Group will work with the Planning Policy Unit to effect these changes;
- The State Planning Provisions (SPPs) released are in respect of Biodiversity, water quality, cultural values, bushfire management and aboriginal heritage;
- Some project work has been commissioned by the Technical Reference Group.

The South Eastern Regional Development Association (SERDA) has completed a Regional Workforce Plan in conjunction with the South Central Councils Group. Both organisations were provided with funding from the Department of State Growth through Skills Tasmania with each of the SERDA Councils also contributing funding. KPMG were appointed to prepare both Regional Workforce Plans with the SERDA document now being circulated and considered by the State Government as to how best to implement the recommended actions that will support and facilitate further social and economic activity in the growing south-east.

5. WASTE STRATEGY SOUTH UPDATE

Waste Strategy South received a presentation from Mr Darryl Nichols, Founder and Partner of the Garage Sale Trail program. The presentation included an overview of the 2017/18 program and activities as well as the outcomes of the 2016 Garage Sale Trail. This year's event will be held on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 October.

Mat Greskie, Chief Executive Officer of Dulverton Waste Management and Amanda Wilson, Communications Officer, Etela Project Management and Communication provided a presentation on the Statewide Waste Communication Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). This MOU will see Waste Strategy South, Cradle Coast Waste Management and Northern Tasmania Waste Management Group participate in statewide communication initiatives and programs.

An Action Plan, to cover the years 2017 – 2019, has been approved which will help guide the activities of Waste Strategy South.

6. GOVERNANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE UPDATE

Items discussed at the Governance and Audit Committee, included the STCA financials, STCA Service Agreement, a Regional Climate Change update, Waste Strategy South Minutes and Action Plan.

7. STCA FINANCIAL REPORT TO 31 AUGUST 2017

The STCA received the financial report to 31 August 2017.

8. PROJECTS OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE

The STCA Board discussed the Treasurer's correspondence in relation to changes to the current Projects of Regional Significance process. It was agreed that the STCA would provide a submission as part of the consultation process. The submission focused on the following main points:

- Eligibility criteria for the declaration of major projects is open to wide interpretation based on the opinion of the Minister;
- The eligibility criteria uses the terms 'significant', 'significance', or 'potentially significant' in relation to four of the six criteria. The draft Bill does not contain a definition of 'significant' leaving these criteria open to interpretation;
- The proposed process seems overly complex and prolonged with no real conceivable benefit to the proponent than the normal development application process;
- Existing structures within both State and Local Government can address the issues of concern raised within the discussion paper which are used as the basis for the Bill.