



Welcome to the Southern Midlands

SOUTHERN
MIDLANDS
COUNCIL



As Mayor of the Southern Midlands Council and on behalf of my fellow Councillors, I wish to extend a warm welcome and thank you for choosing to live in the Southern Midlands.

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Edwin Batt', with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.

Edwin Batt
MAYOR



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About our Council

The Southern Midlands Council was created on the 2nd April 1993 through the merging of the Municipalities of Oatlands, Green Ponds and the Northern wards of the Municipalities of Brighton and Richmond. The area of the Southern Midlands is 2,561 sq km's, a high proportion of which is privately owned land (2406 sq.kms), divided into approximately 3,800 rateable properties.

The municipality has a population of approximately 6000 persons scattered throughout the district, which is predominately a rural based economy growing some of the world's best superfine wool. Tourism is now rising in importance.

Council is responsible for 803 kilometres of road made up of 30km of urban sealed roads; 153km of rural sealed roads; 13km of urban unsealed roads; 607km of rural unsealed roads and 152 bridges.

Towns and localities include Mangalore, Bagdad, Broadmarsh, Elderslie, Dysart, Jericho, Kempton, Melton Mowbray, Oatlands, Tunbridge, Tunnack, Parattah, Woodsdale, Levendale, Runnymede, Colebrook, Campania and Rekuna.

The municipal area is centrally located with both the Midland Highway and the north-south rail route bisecting the municipality.

Many examples of 19th century architecture can be found in the area's villages and rural districts, including convict-built grand Georgian rural homesteads and small workers' cottages. The region was the first broadly settled area outside Hobart.

Many architectural gems can be found by exploring the municipality's back roads. Heritage landscapes abound, with many views largely as they were 150 years ago.

Council Offices

OATLANDS Office – 71 High Street, Oatlands Tas 7120

General Manager's unit, Corporate Services, Heritage Projects, Infrastructure & Works, Landcare

Office Hours: 9.00 am – 4.30 pm (Monday to Friday)

Postal Address: PO Box 21, Oatlands Tas 7120

Telephone: (03) 6254 5000

Facsimile: (03) 6254 5014

Email: mail@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

Website: www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

Facebook: *follow us on Facebook 'Southern Midlands Council'*

After Hours Emergency Contact: 0419 325 405

KEMPTON Office – 85 Main Street, Kempton Tas 7120

Deputy General Manager's office, Development & Environment Services, Community & Corporate Development

Office Hours: 9.00 am – 4.30 pm (Monday to Friday)

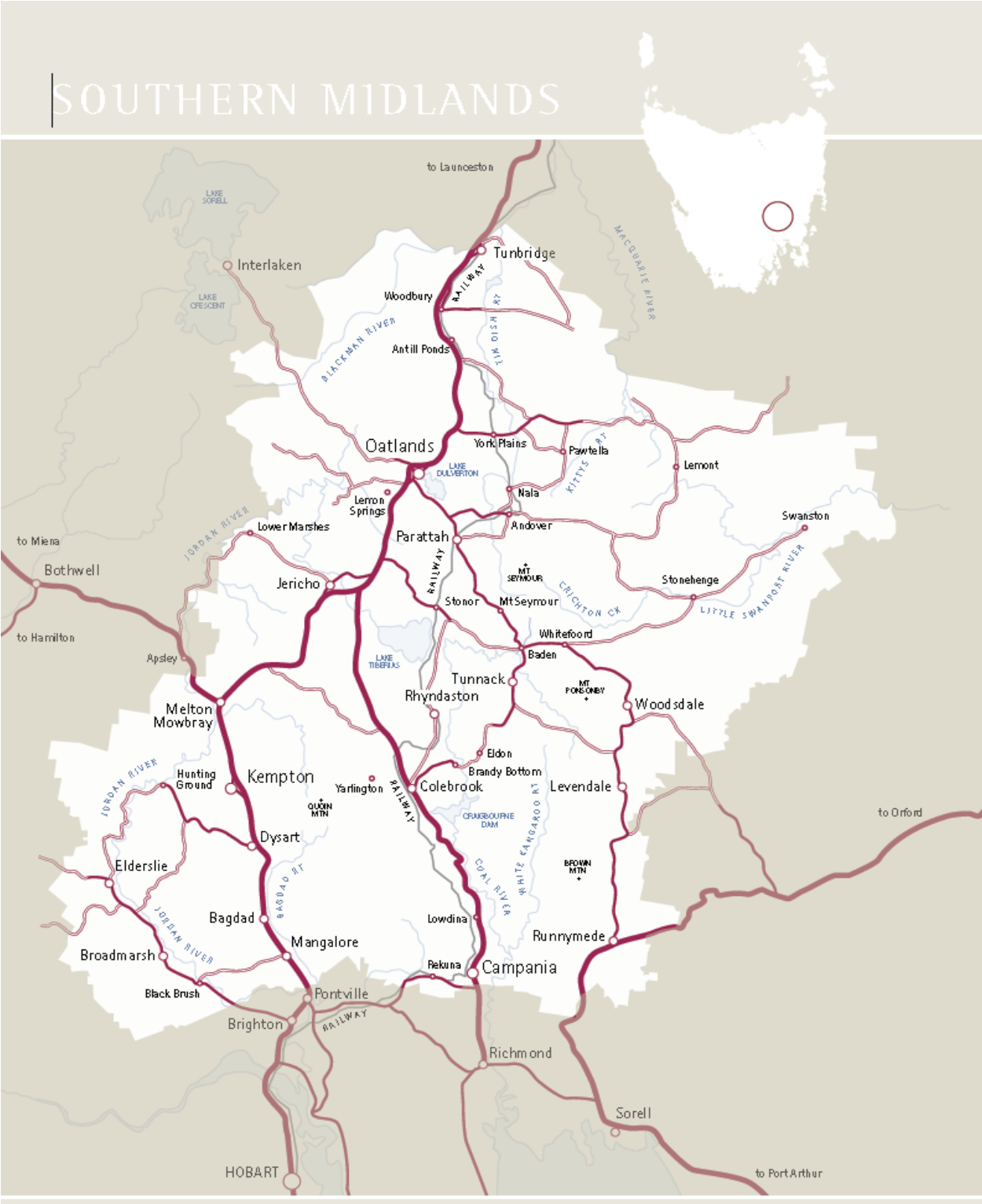
Phone: (03) 6254 5050

Email: mail@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

Website: www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au

After Hours Emergency Contact: 0419 325 405


Municipal Map



Councillors

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|  <p>Mayor Edwin Batt</p> | <p>Phone: (03) 6259 1166 Mobile: 0400 009 471 Email: ebatt@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au</p> |
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Councillors

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| <p>Councillor Fraser Miller</p> | <p>Mobile: 0497 611 777 Email: fmiller@southernmidlands.tas.gov.au</p> |

Council Meetings

The Southern Midlands Council holds its Ordinary Council Meetings in various locations within the Municipal area during the first part of the year. Meetings commence at 10.00 am and public question time session commences at 10.30 am for each meeting. The intention is to provide the public with an opportunity to come and talk directly to Council, ask questions and generally communicate with your elected members. All other meetings alternate between Oatlands and Kempton municipal offices.

Council meeting agendas and minutes are available in PDF format from Council's website.

Please note that any change to a meeting date/time will be advertised in 'The Mercury' and on Council's website and Facebook page.



2023 Council Meeting Schedule

| DATE | VENUE | TIME |
|---|---|--|
| Wednesday, 25th January 2023 | Broadmarsh / Elderslie Hall 1218 Elderslie Road, Broadmarsh | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Tuesday, 21st February 2023 | Tunbridge Hall 99 Main Road, Tunbridge | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 22nd March 2023 | Tunnack Hall 2147 Tunnack Main Road, Tunnack | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 26th April 2023 | Campania War Memorial Hall 45 Reeve Street, Campania | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 24th May 2023 | Runnymede Recreation Ground Woodsdale Road, Runnymede | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 28th June 2023 | Kempton Council Chambers 85 Main Street, Kempton | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 26th July 2023 | Oatlands Council Chambers 71 High Street, Oatlands | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 23rd August 2023 | Kempton Council Chambers 85 Main Street, Kempton | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 27th September 2023 | Oatlands Council Chambers 71 High Street, Oatlands | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 25th October 2023 | Kempton Council Chambers 85 Main Street, Kempton | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 22nd November 2023 | Oatlands Council Chambers 71 High Street, Oatlands | 10.00 a.m. <i>Public Question Time 10.30 a.m.</i> |
| Wednesday, 13th December 2023 | Kempton Council Chambers 85 Main Street, Kempton | 2.00 p.m. <i>Public Question Time 2.30 p.m.</i> |
| Annual General Meeting Wednesday, 13th December 2023 | Kempton Council Chambers 85 Main Street, Kempton | 5.00 p.m. |

Services

Development & Environmental Services

Development and Environmental services are primarily based at the Kempton Office situated at 85 Main Street Kempton.

The responsibilities of this department include Land Use Planning and Development, Environmental Health, Building and Plumbing regulatory control and Animal Control. There are also administrative services provided at the Kempton Office which enable payment of rates, dog registrations and general access to all council services and information.

Community & Corporate Development

The Community and Corporate Development Department is primarily based at the Kempton Office situated at 85 Main Street, Kempton.

The key functions and focus relating to community development include working with individual community groups and organisations to assist them in achieving their goals and objectives; youth and childcare services; sport and recreation; and generally facilitating and promoting health and well being activities within the municipal area.

Corporate Development has a more internal focus with a responsibility for developing corporate policies and systems; and encouraging ongoing improvement within council as an organisation.

Infrastructure & Works

Responsible for the provision of engineering and technical advice to Council in response to infrastructure and associated services. Key functions include maintenance of roads and bridges, footpaths, parks and reserves. The preparation and maintenance of assets registers and plans is a key priority for this Department. Infrastructure & Works employees operate from two depots located at Oatlands and Kempton.

An afterhours emergency services is provided on a rostered system.

Corporate Services

The Corporate Services Department's key roles are to provide administrative and financial services to Council, including information management technology and communications. Key functions include customer service, raising and collection of rates and charges, accounts payable and receivable, records and information management, provision of IT hardware and software and insurance services.

Natural Resource Management

The Southern Midlands Council is committed to working in partnership with the community to encourage public awareness of the importance of Natural Resource Management.

The Southern Midlands Council has sought to promote the integration of agricultural management practices with environment conservation in order to achieve sustainable land management. This is being achieved through developing and supporting community natural resource management projects both at the group and individual level. The program also involves working with neighboring municipal councils, non-government organisations such as the University of Tasmania, Greening Australia or the Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association, as well as State and Federal Government agencies. For a number of current projects, the partnership approach between Council and other relevant organisations is assisting to maximise opportunities to fulfill objectives.

The Southern Midlands Council is committed to the management of weeds within the Municipality and is working with landholders and other agencies to achieve positive outcomes. The Southern Midlands Weed Management Strategy was endorsed by Council in November 2017.

Heritage Projects

Council's Heritage Projects staff undertake planning, promotion and implementation of Heritage Projects within the Southern Midlands area. The focus being on conservation and promotion of Council owned heritage assets and the historic cultural heritage of the Southern Midlands municipal region.

Annual Reports

The Annual Report is one of four major documents produced by Council each year to ensure public accountability. They are the:

- Annual Report and Financial Statement;
- Strategic Plan;
- Annual Operational Plan; and
- Annual Budget.

The Annual Report and Financial Statements can be found online at <https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/annual-reports-strategic-plan/> or a hard copy can be posted on request



ANNUAL REPORT 2021/22

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Strategic Plan

The Strategic Plan for the Southern Midlands has been prepared as a ‘blue print’ for the future of the Southern Midlands local government area. This document also provides guidance for the organisation, to ensure that it has the capacity to deliver the range of services that the Southern Midlands community has identified.

The Strategic Plan has been based on information and advice provided through Community consultation with members of the Southern Midlands Community at a number of levels, as well as discussions with the elected members of Council and advice provided by the officers of Council.

The Strategic Plan document can be found online at <https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/annual-reports-strategic-plan/> or a hard copy can be posted on request



Strategic Plan 2020 – 2029

Adopted by Council 24th June 2020



Sport & Recreation Facilities

Oatlands Aquatic Centre

The new Oatlands Aquatic Centre Opened in November 2022 and is located at 70 High Street, Oatlands.



Wildlife

Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary

350 Chauncy Vale Road, Bagdad 7030

<https://www.chauncyvale.com/>

Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary is a 380 hectare reserve visited by bushwalkers, bird watchers, field naturalist groups, families, groups and school parties.

- There are a range of walks available which lead to points of interest such as Secret Cave, Brown's Caves Creek, Guvy's Lagoon and Flat Rock lookout points.
- A carpark with bus turning circle plus several areas suitable for picnics and gatherings with toilets, bbqs & picnic facilities, meeting room availability and toilets on site.
- For viewing of "Day Dawn Cottage", the Chauncy family home, It is necessary to make an appointment. Entry fee to house is \$2.00.
- For school groups visiting "Day Dawn", there is a flat \$20 fee.
- There is a \$2 entry fee and information regarding walks facilities and safety can be sourced from the caretaker.
- The reserve is closed to visitors on days of high fire danger.

With it's enchanting nature, heritage, culture and history, Chauncy Vale has shared a role in creating many meaningful experiences for over 3 generations of Tasmanian schools, families, individuals and community groups.



Council & Community Halls & Recreation Ground Facilities

Community Halls

Bookings:

To make a booking refer to the contact list located at <https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/contact/> or contact Council

| Community Hall | Address | Suburb |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Bagdad Community Hall | Midland Highway | BAGDAD |
| Broadmarsh/Elderslie Hall | 1218 Elderslie Road | BROADMARSH |
| Campania War Memorial Hall | 45 Reeve Street | CAMPANIA |
| Campania Community Hall | Reeve Street | CAMPANIA |
| Colebrook Hall | 45 Richmond Street | COLEBROOK |
| Jericho Hall | 471 Jericho Road | JERICHO |
| Kempton Victoria Memorial Hall | 89 Main Street | KEMPTON |
| Levendale Hall | 1325 Woodsdale Road | LEVENDALE |
| Mangalore Hall | 22 Blackbrush Road | MANGALORE |
| Oatlands Community Hall | 1 Gay Street | OATLANDS |
| Oatlands Town Hall | 71 High Street | OATLANDS |
| Parattah Hall | 657 Tunnack Main Road | PARATTAH |
| Stonor Hall | 859 Stonor Road | STONOR |
| Tunbridge Hall | 99 Main Road | TUNBRIDGE |
| Tunnack Hall | 2147 Tunnack Main Road | TUNNACK |
| Woodsdale Hall | 2310 Woodsdale Road | WOODSDALE |

Recreation Grounds

Bookings:

To make a booking refer to the contact list located at <https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/contact/> or contact Council

| Recreation Grounds | Address | Suburb |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Campania Recreation Ground | Reeve Street | CAMPANIA |
| Colebrook Recreation Ground | Colebrook Road | COLEBROOK |
| Kempton Recreation Ground | 132 Main Street | KEMPTON |
| Levendale Recreation Ground | Levendale Road | LEVENDALE |
| Mt Pleasant Recreation Ground | 912 Nala Road | PAWTELLA |
| Oatlands Recreation Ground | High Street | OATLANDS |
| Parattah Recreation Ground | 645 Tunnack Main Road | PARATTAH |
| Tunnack Recreation Ground | Tunnack Main Road | TUNNACK |
| Woodsdale Recreation Ground | 2578 Woodsdale Road | WOODSDALE |

Schools & Child Care Centres

SCHOOLS

Bagdad Primary School

Kinder to Grade 6

46 School Road, Bagdad 7030

Phone: (03) 6268 6127

Email: bagdad.primary@education.tas.gov.au

Campania District School

Kinder to Grade 12

2 Union Street, Campania 7026

Phone: (03) 6260 4133

Email: campania.district@education.tas.gov.au

Kempton Primary School

Kinder to Grade 6

95 Main Street, Kempton 7030

Phone: (03) 6259 1245

Email: kempton.primary@education.tas.gov.au

Oatlands District High School

Kinder to Year 12

Church Street, Oatlands 7120

Phone: (03) 6254 1110

Email: oatlands.district.high@education.tas.gov.au

CHILDCARE CENTRES

Bagdad Child Care Centre

Midland Highway, Bagdad 7030

Phone: (03) 6268 6664

Hours: Monday to Friday – 7.30am to 6pm

Lady Gowrie Child Care Centre

34 Wellington Street, Oatlands 7120

Phone: (03) 6254 1254

Hours: Monday to Friday – 8am to 5pm

Health & Wellbeing

Midlands Multi-Purpose Health Centre

13 Church Street, Oatlands 7120

Phone: (03) 6135 0540

The Midlands Multipurpose Health Centre provides 24 hour Accident and Emergency (outpatients), 4 acute care beds, 9 high care beds and 9 residential aged care beds and Family Care unit to the Midlands community.

The Centre also coordinates the delivery of a range of community services, visiting services and community groups such as Community Nursing, Child Health, Disability Services and Diabetic Education Services. Hospital services operate 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. The Centre also incorporates a Doctors Surgery and Ambulance Service.

Rural Alive and Well

73 High Street, Oatlands 7120

Phone: (03) 62541092

Email: admin@rawtas.com.au

Web: <http://www.rawtas.com.au/>

RAW (Rural Alive & Well Inc.) is a non for profit organisation helping individuals, families and the community through mental health issues with a focus on suicide prevention. RAW provides outreach support to rural Tasmania, as well as working with the community to undertake well-being initiatives.

RAW's outreach program is available 24/7, and outreach workers will come to you, or alternatively talk on the phone. RAW offers a friendly ear in a difficult time, and provide information, support and strategies to help, as well as linking you to relevant services that can assist.

RAW services are free and confidential.

Service Tasmania

Service Tas (Oatlands Branch)

71 High Street, Oatlands 7120

Phone: 1300 13 55 13

Web: <https://www.service.tas.gov.au/>

Hours: 11am – 4pm Monday to Friday

Waste Management Services

Roadside Household Garbage & Recycling Collection

Fortnightly collection (240 litre garbage and recycling bins)

Wednesdays* BAGDAD
DYSART
KEMPTON
MANGALORE
MELTON MOWBRAY
PONTVILLE
BROADMARSH
ELDERSLIE

Thursdays* CAMPANIA
COLEBROOK
OATLANDS
WOODSDALE
LEVENDALE
TUNBRIDGE
JERICHO

***To access the Garbage and Recycling collection schedule please go to <https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/garbage-and-recycling/>**

- *Residents are asked to have all bins placed on the roadside on the evening prior to your collection.*
- *Refuse is the responsibility of the owner until the contractor collects it. Loose rubbish should be cleaned up by the owner.*

A-Z of Recycling

C Contact Council **D** Donation/Charity **G** Garbage bin
R Recycling bin **S** Local supermarket **T** Transfer Station

A

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|----------------------------|---|
| Aerosol cans | R |
| Aluminium foil (scrunched) | R |
| Animal waste (wrapped) | G |

B

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|-----------------------------|-----|
| Batteries (car & household) | T C |
| Books | R D |
| Bottles (glass & plastic) | R |
| Bubble wrap | S |
| Building materials/concrete | T |

C

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|--------------------------------------|-----|
| Cans (aluminium & steel) | R |
| Car/auto parts | T |
| Cardboard | R |
| Carpet/carpet underlay | T |
| Cartons (incl. milk & juice cartons) | R |
| Chemicals | C |
| Cigarette butts | G |
| Clothing and shoes (good condition) | D |
| Clothing and shoes (damaged) | G |
| Coat hangers (metal) | G D |
| Coffee cups | G |
| Cooking oil | T |
| Crockery (broken) | G |
| Crockery (intact) | D |
| Cutlery (metal) | D T |

E

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| Envelopes (including windows) | R |
| E-waste (incl. TVs, computers & accessories) | T |

F

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| Fluorescent bulbs and tubes | C |
| Food waste | G |
| Furniture (good condition) | D |

C Contact Council **D** Donation/Charity **G** Garbage bin
R Recycling bin **S** Local supermarket **T** Transfer Station

G

| | |
|--------------|-----|
| Garden waste | T C |
| Garden hose | G |
| Gas bottles | T |

J

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| Jar lids (metal /plastic - 8cm across or larger) | R |
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M

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| Margarine tubs | R |
| Mobile phones | C |
| Motor oil | T |

N

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| Nappies (disposable) | G |
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P

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| Paint tins (empty) | R |
| Paint tins (full or partially full) | C |
| Paper (incl. junkmail, magazines, newspaper) | R |
| Pet food tins (empty) | R |
| Pizza boxes (empty & free from food scraps) | R |
| Plastic bags | S |
| Plastic containers | R |
| Polystyrene/styrofoam | G C |
| Printer/toner cartridges | C |

S

| | |
|------------------------------|---|
| Scrap metal | T |
| Shredded paper | G |
| Smoke alarms | G |
| Steel (other than tins/cans) | T |
| Strapping (nylon) | G |
| Syringes | C |

T

| | |
|-----------------------|---|
| Tissues | G |
| Toys (good condition) | D |
| Tyres | T |

W

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|-----------------|---|
| Waxed cardboard | G |
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Waste Transfer Stations

Opening Hours

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|---|---|---|
| <p style="text-align: center;">CAMPANIA Waste Transfer Station <i>Brown Mountain Road, Campania</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Thursday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 8.00 am to 12.00 pm</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">DYSART Waste Transfer Station <i>Huntington Tier Road, Dysart</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> | <p style="text-align: center;">OATLANDS Waste Transfer Station <i>Inglewood Road (off Tunnack Main Road), Parattah</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday 8.00 am to 12.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday 11.00 am to 3.00 pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Saturday 8.00 am to 12 noon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 1.00 pm to 5.00 pm</p> |
| <p style="text-align: center;">Closed <i>Monday, Wednesday & Friday</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Closed <i>Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday</i></p> | <p style="text-align: center;">Closed <i>Monday, Wednesday & Thursday</i></p> |

Effective from the 1st March 2018, all users will be required to show their Driver's Licence as evidence that they live within the municipal area. Alternatively, users will need to have some form of evidence that they are a property owner.

All non-ratepayers and non-residents will be strictly required to pay disposal fees in accordance with the Schedule of Charges displayed. Ratepayers and residents will still be required to pay the scheduled fee for disposal of Tyres; Whitegoods and Car bodies.

Car bodies: Please note that the disposal of Car Bodies is only available at Oatlands Waste Transfer Station and are not accepted at Dysart & Campana Waste Transfer Stations.

Waste Transfer Stations

Schedule of Fees

| SCHEDULE OF FEES <i>Campania, Dysart & Oatlands Waste Transfer Stations</i> | |
|--|-----------|
| THE FOLLOWING FEES ARE ONLY PAYABLE BY <u>NON-RATEPAYERS / NON-RESIDENTS</u> OF THE SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL AREA: | |
| Car Boot/Station Wagon | \$ 16.00 |
| Utility/Small Trailer | \$ 40.00 |
| Large Trailer | \$ 80.00 |
| Light Truck (up to 3m3) | \$ 110.00 |
| THE FOLLOWING FEES ARE PAYABLE BY <u>ALL</u> USERS: | |
| Tyres - Car / Motor Bike | \$ 10.00 |
| Tyres - 4WD / Light Truck | \$ 18.00 |
| Tyres - Heavy Truck | \$ 40.00 |
| Whitegoods (per item) | \$ 10.00 |
| Car Body (per car) <i>Note: received at Oatlands only</i> | \$ 55.00 |

Dog Control & Registration

The Southern Midlands Council recognises the importance of dogs within the community, especially the role they play within the family environment as companions and as working dogs on farming properties.

Council encourages owners to comply with the Dog Control Act 2000 and ask that owners take responsibility of their dogs to ensure all rights of members of the community are recognised and respected.

To help minimise the potential of problems caused by dogs, it is important that all dog owners ensure that their dogs are:-

- (a) registered;
- (b) not allowed to cause a noise nuisance;
- (c) kept under effective control at all times;
- (d) not to attack a person or animal; and
- (e) not allowed to roam free during the day or night.

The Animal Control Officer regularly patrols all areas of the municipality and an after hours service is available in case of an emergency.

Below are some frequently asked questions about Dog Registrations. If you would like to know more or require assistance in registering your dog please do not hesitate to contact the Municipal Offices at either Oatlands or Kempton.

Dog Control Act 2000

The Dog Control Act 2000 states it is a legal requirement for all dogs in Tasmania over the age of six (6) months to be registered by their owner with the local council. *It is the owner's responsibility to provide proof of the dog's age.*

Registration is designed to assist owners, dogs and the community. If your dog is unregistered and becomes impounded, then the Council has no information to assist them to reunite the dog with the owner. Under the Act any impounded dog that is not claimed may be disposed of after three (3) days.

Can I transfer my Dog Registration?

Yes you can. Registration is transferable from owner to new owner and between Councils. Failure to notify the Council of changes can lead to fines. For information on how to transfer registration contact the Municipal Offices.

How do I register my Dog?

Obtain an “Application for Registration of a Dog” from the Municipal Offices. After completion of the form, return it by mail or in person with the appropriate registration fee.

When the application is processed the Council will give you or post to you a disc marked with a registration number, the Council name and the expiry date.

How does registration help?

It is a means of identification if the dog is lost, injured or separated from its owner.

- If a dog becomes lost, injured or impounded, and is wearing a collar with a current registration disc it can be quickly re-united with its owner. All attempts are made to return the dog home.
- If a dog is impounded and is wearing a collar with a current registration disc, then Council is bound to notify the owner of the impounding and cannot dispose of the dog for five (5) business days.

This is why it is important to register your dog and also notify Council of a change of address or loss of a tag.

When do I renew my dog's registration?

Registrations need to be renewed annually. They expire on the 30th June of each year and should be renewed before the 31st July. If paid after this date then the standard registration fee will not apply, and the owners will be charged a higher fee.

Council will send you a renewal notice in June as a reminder. However, it is your responsibility to renew the registration. If for some reason you do not receive a renewal notice, this is not a valid excuse for not renewing the registration.

Rates & Charges

Rates & Charges Resolution

Please refer to Council's website for the current Financial Year Rates and Charges Resolution.

<https://www.southernmidlands.tas.gov.au/council-forms-property-rates/>

Feedback / Further Information

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