

**SOUTHERN
MIDLANDS
COUNCIL**



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**COUNCIL MEETING
AGENDA**

**25th March 2015
Woodsdale Hall
2310 Woodsdale Road,
Woodsdale
10.00 am**

COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

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ENCLOSED

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Item 13.10.1 SWSA – Correspondence dated 12th March 2015 (incorporates copy of the STCA’s Regional Waste Group Governance Paper)

19th March 2015

Dear Sir/Madam,

NOTICE OF MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the next ordinary meeting of Council will be held at the

**Woodsdale Community Hall
Wednesday 25th March 2015
10.00 a.m.**

I certify under s.65(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 that the matters to be discussed under this agenda have been, where necessary, the subject of advice from a suitably qualified person and that such advice has been taken into account in providing any general advice to the Council.

COUNCILLORS PLEASE NOTE:

- **Public Question Time has been scheduled for 12.30 p.m.**

Yours faithfully,



**Mr T F Kirkwood
General Manager**

OPEN COUNCIL AGENDA

1. PRAYERS

Councillors to recite the Lord’s Prayer.

2. ATTENDANCE

3. APOLOGIES

4. APPLICATION FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

5. MINUTES

5.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MINUTES

The Minutes of the previous meeting of Council held on the 24th February 2015, as circulated, are submitted for confirmation.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

5.3 SPECIAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL MINUTES

5.3.1 Special Committees of Council - Receipt of Minutes

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

Nil.

5.3.2 Special Committees of Council - Endorsement of Recommendations

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

Nil.

5.4 JOINT AUTHORITIES (ESTABLISHED UNDER DIVISION 4 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993)

5.4.1 Joint Authorities - Receipt of Minutes

The Minutes of the following Joint Authority Meetings, as circulated, are submitted for receipt:

- **Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority – Nil**
- **Southern Waste Strategy Authority – Nil**

Note: Issues which require further consideration and decision by Council will be included as a separate Agenda Item, noting that Council's representative on the Joint Authority may provide additional comment in relation to any issue, or respond to any question.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the minutes of the above Joint Authority meetings be received.

DECISION NOT REQUIRED

5.4.2 Joint Authorities - Receipt of Reports (Annual and Quarterly)

Section 36A of the Local Government Act 1993 provides the following;

36A. Annual reports of authorities

(1) A single authority or joint authority must submit an annual report to the single authority council or participating councils.

(2) The annual report of a single authority or joint authority is to include –

(a) a statement of its activities during the preceding financial year; and

(b) a statement of its performance in relation to the goals and objectives set for the preceding financial year; and

(c) the financial statements for the preceding financial year; and

(d) a copy of the audit opinion for the preceding financial year; and

(e) any other information it considers appropriate or necessary to inform the single authority council or participating councils of its performance and progress during the financial year.

Section 36B of the Local Government Act 1993 provides the following;

36B. Quarterly reports of authorities

(1) A single authority or joint authority must submit to the single authority council or participating councils a report as soon as practicable after the end of March, June, September and December in each year.

(2) The quarterly report of the single authority or joint authority is to include –

(a) a statement of its general performance; and

(b) a statement of its financial performance.

Reports prepared by the following Joint Authorities, as circulated, are submitted for receipt:

- **Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority – Nil**
- **Southern Waste Strategy Authority – Nil**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports received from the Joint Authorities be received.

DECISION NOT REQUIRED

6. NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

In accordance with the requirements of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*, the Agenda is to include details of any Council workshop held since the last meeting.

It is reported that no Council workshops have been held since the last ordinary meeting of Council.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
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| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

7. 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.

Comments / Update will be provided in relation to the following:

1.

2.

3.

4.

8. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*, 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 2005*.

9. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*, the Council, by absolute majority may decide at an ordinary meeting to deal with a matter that is not on the agenda if the general manager has reported –

- (a) the reason it was not possible to include the matter on the agenda; and
- (b) that the matter is urgent; and
- (c) that advice has been provided under section 65 of the Act.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|----------|------------------------|--------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
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| | Clr D Marshall | |

10. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (SCHEDULED FOR 12.30 PM)

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005*, the agenda is to make provision for public question time.

In particular, Regulation 31 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005* states:

- (1) *Members of the public may give written notice to the General Manager 7 days before an ordinary meeting of Council of a question to be asked at the meeting.*
- (2) *The chairperson may –*
 - (a) *address questions on notice submitted by members of the public; and*
 - (b) *invite any member of the public present at an ordinary meeting to ask questions relating to the activities of the Council.*
- (3) *The chairperson at an ordinary meeting of a council 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.*
- (5) *The chairperson may –*
 - (a) *refuse to accept a question; or*
 - (b) *require a question to be put on notice and in writing to be answered at a later meeting.*
- (6) *If the chairperson refuses to accept a question, the chairperson is to give reasons for doing so.*

Councillors are advised that, at the time of issuing the Agenda, no Questions on Notice had been received from members of the Public.

Mayor A E Bisdee OAM to invite questions from members of the public.

10.1 PERMISSION TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

- Nil.

11. MOTIONS OF WHICH NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN UNDER REGULATION 16 (5) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MEETING PROCEDURES) REGULATIONS 2005

Nil.

12. 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.

12.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Nil.

12.2 SUBDIVISIONS

Nil.

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

File Ref: (Refer PID numbers in table below)

AUTHOR PLANNING OFFICER (David Cundall)

DATE 18th March 2015

ATTACHMENTS Nil.

APPLICATION OF MUNICIPAL SEAL

The following final plans and related documents, pertaining to subdivisions, boundary adjustments and adhesion orders, etc. within Southern Midlands have had the Municipal Seal applied by the Manager Development & Environmental Services in the period 12th March 2014 till the 18th March 2015.

| Owner | PID | Address | Description | Date |
|------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Rodney Foster | 2892735 | 1754 Midland Hwy, Bagdad | Boundary Adjustment | 7 th May 2014 |
| Southern Midlands Council | 3303365 | Marlborough St, Otlands | Boundary Adjustment | 14 th May 2014 |
| David and Christine Marshall | 3226742 | 679 Brown Mountain Road | Boundary Adjustment | 7 th July 2014 |
| Gary Cooley | 5461842 | 83 Kings Road, Bagdad | 1 lot plus balance | 31 st July 2014 |
| Richard and Phyllis Darcey | 7458460 | 1063 Midland Hwy, Mangalore | Part 5 Agreement | 31 st July 2014 |
| Bill Love | 5019341 | 76 Goodwins Rd, Bagdad | Boundary Adjustment | 15 th August 2014 |
| Kuranda Pty Ltd | 5848000 | 850 Nala Rd, Pawtella | Boundary Adjustment | 19 th September 2014 |
| Middle Park Pty Ltd | 733561 | 7453 Midland Highway | 1 Lot Plus Balance | 1 st October 2014 |
| McShane/Hoskinson | 3179237 | 195 Main St, Kempton | 1 Lot plus Balance | 22 nd October 2014 |
| Cowle and Ritchie | 2640781 | Tasman Hwy, Runnymede | Boundary Adjustment | 27 th February 2015 |

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|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| P E & W N McShane | 2994555 | Church Road, Broadmarsh | Boundary Adjustment | 11 th March 2015 |
|-------------------|---------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
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12.4 PLANNING (OTHER)

12.4.1 Car Wrecks March 2015 Update – Progress of the *Southern Midlands Car Wrecks Policy 2008* –Assessment of nuisance and unsightly car wrecks in the local government area.

AUTHOR PLANNING OFFICER (D CUNDALL)

DATE 18TH MARCH 2015

ISSUE

In accordance with the *Southern Midlands Car Wrecks Policy 2008* (“the Policy”) Council Officers have continued to investigate unsightly and nuisance car wrecks and act where necessary.

BACKGROUND

In 2008, Council formulated a policy on unsightly car wrecks across the local government area. The *Southern Midlands Car Wrecks Policy 2008* is a policy for Council Officers to assess and act on unsightly car wrecks that have been formally reported to Council. Council may also act on the unsightly wreck(s) if a nuisance exists or if the car wrecks constitute a ‘Salvage Premises’ or other business under the *Southern Midlands Planning Scheme 1998*.

Since 2008, Council Officers have continued to provide updates on the progress of the Policy to the Elected Members. The last report was in April 2014. The last report demonstrated a significant improvement across the local government area.

Land owners have continued positive steps to remove or conceal unsightly wrecks and items in accordance with the Policy and in consideration to visitors and the local community.

However, there are still some properties that continue to accumulate car-wrecks in highly visible areas.

Unfortunately a property has been reported to Council on several occasions for accumulating a high number of vehicles and vehicles wrecks in a highly visible location alongside a busy main road. The Planning Officer will discuss this property during the meeting.

SCOPE

The Planning Officer will inform Elected Members with a verbal discussion on some of the car wrecks reported to Council Officers and discuss progress since the April 2014 report.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Report - Car Wrecks March 2015 Update – Progress of the *Southern Midlands Car Wrecks Policy 2008*, including further commentary to be provided by the Planning Officer, be noted.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

12.4.2 Campania Structure Plan Project - Update

AUTHOR MANAGER STRATEGIC PROJECTS (D MACKEY)

DATE 19TH MARCH 2015

ATTACHMENT Minutes – Campania Structure Plan Project Steering Committee Meeting - 13 March 2015.

ISSUE

Development of a structure plan for the township of Campania.

UPDATE

The project steering committee has appointed consultants JMG Engineers & Planners to the Campania structure plan project.

The ‘project inception meeting’ was held on Friday 13 March – see attached minutes.

Key dates moving forward are as follows:

- 20 April: Graffiti board, poster, suggestions box placed at school and around the town.
- 28 April (Tuesday): First Charrette:
 - Student session at school.
 - 6:00pm to 7:00pm - BBQ at school for students, parents, teachers.
 - 7:00pm: First Charrette commences:
 - To be held in the school hall.
 - The school will provide a film night for kids whilst parents and any interested older students attend the charrette.
 - Whilst this first charrette will be held at the school, all publicity needs to make it clear that all members of the community are invited.
 - 5 May (Tuesday): Second Charrette:
 - 7:30pm start.
 - At the Campania Hall
 - 12 May (Tuesday): Third Charrette:
 - 7:30pm start.
 - At the Campania Hall.

- 22 May: Draft Structure Plan produced.
- 29 May (to be confirmed): Steering Committee Meeting.
- June: Public exhibition of draft Structure Plan, (2 – 3 weeks).

The Committee noted that we need to ensure the project is publicised to as many members of the public as possible, particularly the dates of the three ‘charrettes’. Attendance at one or more of the charrettes will be the primary way in which members of the community can ‘have a say’. However, there will also be suggestions boxes at various venues around the town and a general public exhibition of the draft plan towards the end of the process.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
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Southern Midlands Council

CAMPANIA STRUCTURE PLAN PROJECT

STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING NO.3

Friday 13 March 2015, 11:00 am
Campania District School

Pre-Meeting Walkabout: 10:00 am

At 10:00am a pre-meeting walking tour of the town with the consultants from JMG was undertaken.

MINUTES

1. PRESENT

Cr David Marshall (SMC), Damian Mackey (SMC), David Cundall (SMC), Anna Viney (Campania District School), David Laskey (Dept. of State Growth), Shane Bogus (Dept. of Education).

2. APOLOGIES

Cr Alex Green (SMC)

3. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting of 19 February 2015 be confirmed, subject to adding David Cundall to 'present'.

4. PROJECT INCEPTION MEETING WITH THE CONSULTANTS

The primary purpose of the meeting was to meet with consultants Matt Clark and Tom O'Connor from JMG to ensure everything is in place to start the project and to make final amendments or add details to the project plan. This 'project inception meeting' with the consultants occurred prior to the steering committee meeting with the results encapsulated in the attached notes.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Nil

6. NEXT MEETING

Date to be set following completion of the charrette process.

ATTACHMENT 1

Project Inception Meeting – 13 March 2015 - Notes

The following headings and notes are as per 'Project Plan and Methodology' in the tender document from JMG.

Stage 1 – Preliminary Scoping (Constraints & Opportunities)

Demographic and Economic Trend Analysis.

- Demographer Amina Keygan has advised that the report 'Midlands Economic Development & Landuse Strategy' (SGS Economics & Planning) provides a significant proportion of the research data that she would have compiled.
 - It was agreed to utilise the spare 'demographic analysis' hours to value-add to the project outcomes.
 - Damian and Matt/Tom to explore this with Amina.
 - Factoring in the State Government's new long term population target plan is one area that could be explored.
- Damian to liaise with Amina via Matt/Tom to provide detailed building and other statistics for Campania (more 'localised' than available through the ABS).

Existing Infrastructure

- Access to State infrastructure data sets: David Laskey to follow up with relevant state agencies.
- Access to Forestry Tasmania's LIDAR data set: David Laskey to follow up.
- Contact at State Growth – Transport Infrastructure: David Laskey to follow up and advise who this will be for the project.

Stage 2 – Public Consultation

- Need to ensure the project is publicised to as many members of the public as possible, particularly the dates of the three 'charrettes'. Attendance at one or more of the charrettes will be the primary way in which members of the community can 'have a say'. However, there will be suggestions boxes at various venues around the town and a general public exhibition of the draft plan.
- JMG to prepare a flyer/brochure and a poster.
 - Council to do a mail out to local residents.

- School to distribute to students / parents.
- Poster to be placed on notice board.
- Flyers and poster to be provided to the shop and post office, with suggestions box. (School can loan suggestions boxes).
- Specific stakeholders: Ensure the following are directly approached to seek engagement:
 - School community.
 - Imagine Campania.
 - Hall Committee.
 - Farmers Market organisers.
 - Local Fire Brigade / SES
 - Sports clubs: Cricket, Football.
 - Local Red Cross.
 - Business owners (hotel, shop, post office / service station, the site of the former metal fabrication business).
 - The developer of the current subdivision at the southern end of town.
 - Hazell Bros (as current users to the old Flour Mill building).
 - Orchardists / Coal River Valley Producers Association.
 - TasWater, State Growth-Transport Infrastructure Services

Work Plan

- Dates:
 - 20 April: Graffiti board, poster, suggestions box at school.
 - 28 April (Tuesday): First Charrette:
 - Student session at school.
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- 29 May (to be confirmed): Steering Committee Meeting.
- June: Public exhibition of draft Structure Plan, (2 – 3 weeks).
- End June (to be confirmed) Steering Committee Meeting – consideration of submissions from public.

**12.4.3 Earthworks at St Ann’s Church and Cemetery, 5 Church Lane, Dysart:
Update**

File Reference: T5462693

REPORT AUTHOR: MANAGER DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES (D MACKAY)

DATE: 19TH MARCH 2015

- ATTACHMENTS:**
- 1. Photographs – Mid 2014**
 - 2. Photographs 19 March 2015**

UPDATE

Councillors will recall that in November 2014 the owners of St Anne’s church and cemetery received approval through the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal for the construction of a retaining wall and fence. This was, in part, to remedy the cut and fill works that had been undertaken in early 2014 without the necessary approvals.

One of the conditions required the top of the retaining wall to be at least three metres from the nearest grave. Other conditions required the fill material in front of the church to be put back behind the retaining wall, for the land to be re-vegetated with grass similar to the rest of the cemetery and for a fence (appropriately designed for the heritage setting) to be installed along the top of the retaining wall. The works were required to be finished by the end of February 2015.

On 24 February Council was advised by the owners that they no longer wished to build the retaining wall. Instead, the owners wished to reverse the excavation that was carried out in early 2014. That is: to move the fill material in front of the church back into the cut behind the church.

They then obtained professional advice from an engineering company to ensure that the material would be reinstated in a way that is stable.

The works were undertaken on several days in the first half of March 2015. Attached are before and after photographs. Note that the safety fencing is yet to be removed. Also note that the owners received approval from the Tasmanian Heritage Council to spread excess fill material in front of the church, rather than cart it off-site.

The owners have advised they will continue to protect and preserve the historic sandstone church building and to maintain and improve the grounds - whilst they retain ownership of the property.

In terms of future burials in the cemetery, the owners have provided the following information for the public:

Any future public enquires regarding interment in the cemetery should be directed to us through a state approved funeral director via email: gravedesigns@outlook.com.

People who have legal documents relating to exclusive rights of burial should ensure these documents are in order and secure; as this documentation will be required by the funeral directors to proceed with future interments.

On 25 February a community update detailing the above was provided by Council to members of the public who had expressed an interest in the situation through the course of 2014, (and for whom Council has contact details).

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

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ATTACHMENT 1

PHOTOGRAPHS – MID 2014



Rear view of the church, from Church Lane – Mid 2014



Rear cut area – Mid 2014



Front view of the church showing the fill embankment – Mid 2014

ATTACHMENT 2
PHOTOGRAPHS – 19 MARCH 2015



Dysart Church & Cemetery – Photos 19 March 2015



13. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – INFRASTRUCTURE)

13.1 ROADS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 13

1.1.1 Maintenance and improvement of the standard and safety of roads in the municipal area.

Nil.

13.2 BRIDGES

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

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

Nil.

13.3 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.

13.4 LIGHTING

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 14

1.4.1a Ensure Adequate lighting based on demonstrated need.
1.4.1b Contestability of energy supply.

Nil.

13.5 BUILDINGS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

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

Nil.

13.6 SEWERS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.6.1 Increase the capacity of access to reticulated sewerage services.

Nil.

13.7 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.

13.8 IRRIGATION

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 15

1.8.1 Increase access to irrigation water within the municipality.

Nil

13.9 DRAINAGE

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 16

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

13.9.1 East Bagdad Road Drainage Issues

AUTHOR DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER (A BENSON)
DATE 18TH MARCH 2015

ATTACHMENTS 1. Road and Stormwater Design Plans Finlayson’s Subdivision
2. General Arrangement Plan for the Area

ISSUE

For a number of years now Council has received complaints in respect of the drainage issues appearing to emanate from the land known as Finlayson’s Subdivision, in the vicinity of LeCompte Place. This is uphill from both Mr Michael Burnett of 7 East Bagdad Road and Mr Bruce Forster of 9 East Bagdad Road. The fact that when Green Ponds Council in late 1980s reconstructed East Bagdad Road, they did so at a higher level than was previously there, therefore providing little opportunity for overland water finding an outfall away from the East Bagdad Road properties. There is a current stormwater pipeline in front of the East Bagdad Road properties, but it is too shallow to adequately arrest the drainage problems.

Mr Burnett and Mr Forster did address Council some time ago and asked that an extra effort be mad to remedy their respective site drainage issues.

The General Manager asked the Deputy General Manager to further investigate this matter

BACKGROUND

It was felt that the subdivision uphill from the East Bagdad Road properties, when constructed, would have gone some considerable way towards remedying the issue, certainly in respect of overland run-off. That subdivision was in 2006.

CURRENT

This is a briefing to keep Councillors updated in relation to the matters raised by Mr Burnett and Mr Forster and to appraise Councillors in an analytical manner of the situation and then to scope a way forward in an attempt to address the issue(s).

Attached is the design plans for the Finlayson Subdivision (behind the properties that front East Bagdad Road), along with the pipeline profiles. This shows the amount of pipe works and roadways that should have to some degree arrested the drainage issue.

Attached is a general arrangement plan for the area showing the cut off drain that Council have constructed in Maria Bantick's property to attempt to alleviate the overland runoff (and to some extent the sub soil flows) and direct it to the highway table drain.

Councillors will note the contours on the design plans show that the natural overland flow that would have originally travelled down the hill and ending up in Nos 7 & 9, would have been cut off by the subdivisional road works and associated drains. Overland storm water flows travel at right angles to the contours as a general principle.

There is a 300 mm dia SW pipeline directly behind the properties in East Bagdad Road and Council have recently constructed two grated pits over that line behind 11 and 7 East Bagdad Road, as the owner from 7 advised that the stormwater from the roadway in LeCompte Place sometime breaches the kerb at the bottom of the cul de sac and travels overland towards his property. The pits installed by Council should remedy that issue.

The owner of the property at the rear of 7 & 9 also owns number 5 East Bagdad Road and he is well aware of the drainage problems, so he on his own accord (and expense) has constructed two soakage drains at approx. 600mm deep filled with a 100mm dia agricultural pipe and one sized screenings across the length of his property along the back of the East Bagdad Road properties and directed them into the highway table drain.

From this description I am sure that Councillors can see that Council as well the neighbour have done all that can be done to attempt to alleviate the upper catchment water flow from entering the East Bagdad Road properties.

Council Officers have heard from some owners that subsoil water appears to percolate up into the East Bagdad Road properties, which would mean that the sub soil water is travelling at some distance below the surface, until it reaches the East Bagdad Rd properties.

If these upstream issues are kept to one side for a minute, we should now turn our minds to East Bagdad Road, the road that the former Green Ponds Council reconstructed many years ago. As Councillors will have seen from previous site visits, this road has been constructed at a higher level than the properties on the northern side of East Bagdad Road. With the road having a two way cross fall, it, by enlarge sheds the stormwater to the edge of the road on the northern side and in some cases depending on the intensity of the precipitation washes into the low lying properties, specifically number 9. It is understand that there was a half round drain along the edge of the old road pavement before the road reconstruction on the northern side of East Bagdad Road, and when the road was reconstructed that half pipe was kept in place and another half was placed on top. Given this scenario, the invert of the drain must be very shallow. During a recent

site visit it was shown to have a depth of 500mm from the ground level to the invert of the pipe.

This latter information exacerbates the situation, in a manner that has created a “ponding” for property owners to deal with, but with an insufficient storm water outfall being available to drain the lowest part of their land.

In the view of the writer the only way that Council can assist these property owners is to construct a new pipeline from the corner of the Midlands Highway and East Bagdad Road, as deep as possible, to ensure that they (the property owners) have sufficient fall within their land to drain the lowest point in their respect properties into this new drain. It is also considered that the proposal to put a vee drain along the northern side of East Bagdad Road should be implemented and that would provide a footpath delineated by the vee drain and the property boundary, which could be, if required parked over (by residents/their visitors) until Council addresses the southern side at some time in the future. The new pipeline should be positioned under the vee drain with grated pits where required to take away the road drainage at regular intervals.

It would be extremely beneficial if a 1m depth from ground level could be achieved along the new stormwater pipeline with an invert level a little below that of the sewer (depending on the invert level at the highway), that would take account of intensive (backed up) rainfall in future years and provide some degree of freeboard/contingency. The new pipeline would also be haunched with 20mm one sized screenings so that it would act as a gigantic “French drain” for its entire length.

Whilst this will all be a somewhat costly exercise, somewhere in the order of \$50,000, it is the only way that Council can remedy the situation. Following a detailed design to “proof the concept”, this project should be considered during the budget workshops for funding in the next financial year, even just up to number 11 East Bagdad Road, in the first instance.

What does the legislation require of Council?

Urban Drainage Act 2013

5. Council to provide adequate public stormwater systems

(1) A council must, in accordance with the objects of this Act, provide for such public stormwater systems as may be necessary to effectively drain the urban area of the council's municipal area.

(2) If a complaint is made to the Minister that a council has failed or neglected to make provision in accordance with subsection (1), the Minister may investigate the complaint.

(3) If, after investigating a complaint, the Minister is satisfied that the council has failed or neglected to perform its duty, he or she may make an order declaring the council to be in default and directing it to make provision in accordance with subsection (1) within such period as may be specified in the order.

(4) A council may appeal to the Appeal Tribunal against an order under subsection (3) within the period specified in the order.

(5) The Appeal Tribunal is to hear and determine an appeal in accordance with the Resource Management and Planning Appeal Tribunal Act 1993.

(6) A council must –

*(a) comply with an order under subsection (3) within the period specified;
or*

(b) lodge an appeal in accordance with subsection (4).

Penalty: Fine not exceeding 1 000 penalty units.

(7) If a council fails to comply with any requirement of an order within the period specified, the Minister may take whatever action he or she considers necessary to rectify the council's default, and all the costs and expenses of and incidental to the Minister's action must be paid by the council to the Crown.

COMMENT

Clearly Council has an obligation under this part of the Act 5.(1). Whilst there is a drain in front of the properties it does not “effectively” drain the “urban area”

23. Property owners not to direct stormwater onto neighbouring properties

(1) A property owner must ensure that stormwater is not discharged from a private stormwater system so that it causes or is likely to cause a nuisance to a neighbouring property or its residents.

Penalty:

In the case of –

(a) a body corporate, a fine not exceeding 100 penalty units; or

(b) an individual, a fine not exceeding 20 penalty units.

(2) If a property owner directs stormwater onto a neighbouring property and creates a nuisance, a general manager may –

(a) issue a notice to the property owner giving him or her 28 days to stop causing the nuisance; and

(b) if the property owner does not comply with the notice, the council may carry out such works as may be necessary to rectify the nuisance, with the costs of such rectification to be borne by the property owner.

(3) Any costs incurred under subsection (2)(b) are recoverable in a court of competent jurisdiction.

COMMENT

Investigation has shown that no one property owner is discharging from their own storm water system into the properties in East Bagdad Road. There could be overland run-off to a lesser degree, but more likely sub soil drainage that is travelling through the clay layers at certain depths below the surface. Council have tried to address this via the open drain in Maria Bantick's property along the boundary as shown on the attached plan. However there is no other course of action that Council can take in this regard.

CONCLUSION

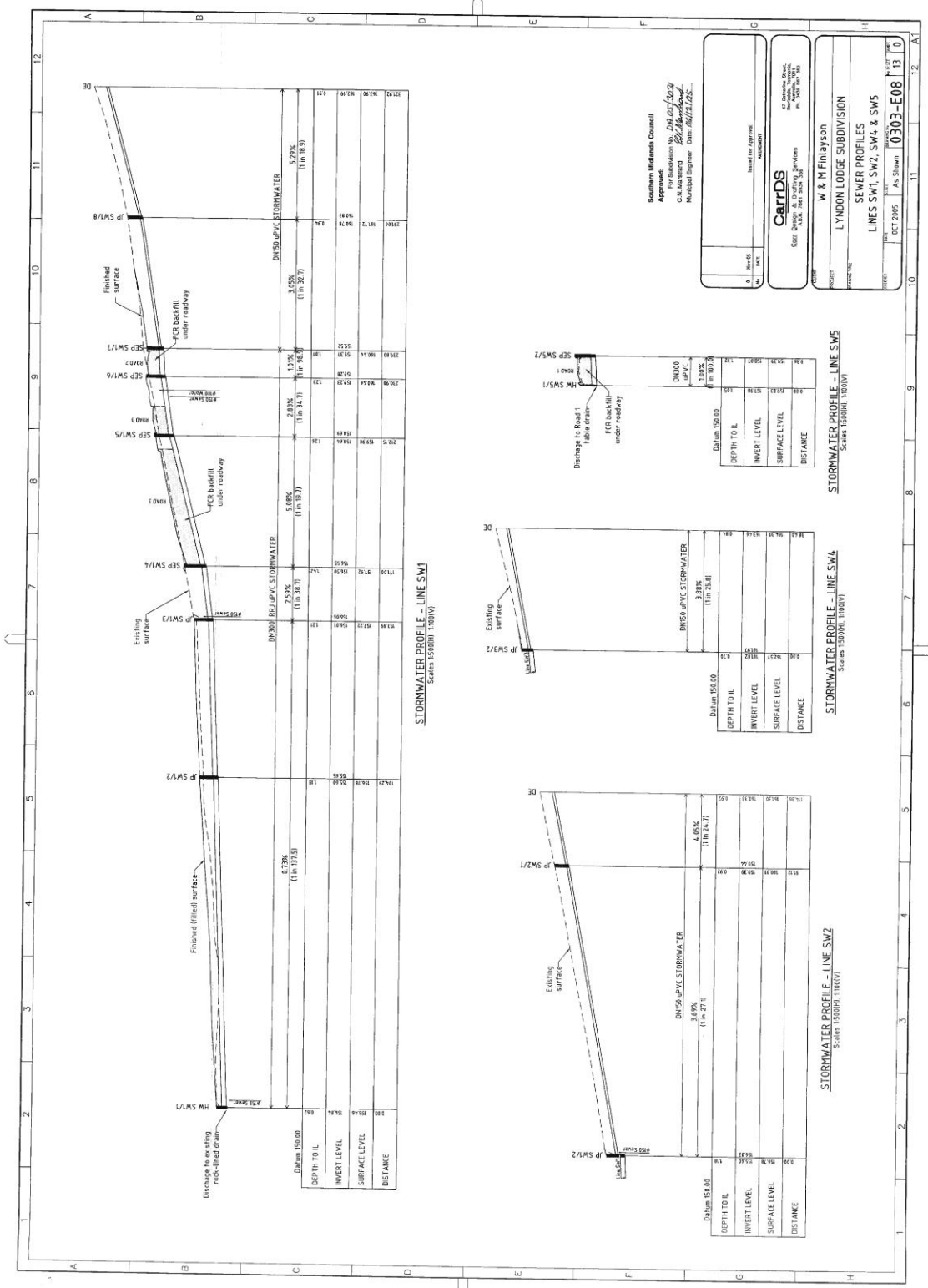
Proceed to survey and design to achieve a deeper stormwater line in East Bagdad Road to which the properties can effectively connect and drain the lowest part of their land.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
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East Baghdad Road Drainage Issues

13.10 WASTE

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

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

13.10.1 Southern Waste Strategy Authority – Future of a Southern Regional Waste Group

AUTHOR GENERAL MANAGER (T KIRKWOOD)
DATE 19th MARCH 2015

ENCLOSURE: SWSA – Correspondence dated 12th March 2015 (incorporates copy of the STCA’s Regional Waste Group Governance Paper)

ISSUES

Council to consider the enclosed Paper prepared by the Southern Waste Strategy Authority and determine its preferred option regarding the future of a southern regional waste group.

BACKGROUND

Following the withdrawal of Hobart City Council from Southern Waste Strategy Authority (SWSA), remaining Member Councils were polled regarding the future of SWSA and the great majority agreed to maintain SWSA in its then current format (excluding Hobart City Council) until 30th June 2015 and that a decision regarding the future of SWSA would be made prior to that date.

The SWSA has prepared the enclosed Paper, which includes a copy of the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) submission entitled ‘Regional Waste Group Governance Paper’.

DETAIL

In reference to the SWSA Paper, the Board feels that there are three possible alternatives, they being:

1. Wind SWSA up and return any remaining moneys to the current members.
2. Transfer the operations of SWSA to STCA and wind SWSA up and transfer remaining moneys to either STCA or current members.

3. Maintain SWSA as a separate legal entity and adopt a different method of operation and funding for 2015/16.

The Board has provided the following commentary on each of the alternatives:

Wind Up SWSA

This option clearly repudiates the undertaking given to the State and returns Waste Management Strategy to individual Councils. It would send a clear message to the State that Local Government is not united on Waste Management Strategy and would effectively repudiate the current agreement that LG has with the EPA, that a State Levy would be 100% hypothecated to waste management practices.

Sooner or later a waste levy will be introduced into Tasmania and if LG is split, the levy most likely would go straight into consolidated revenue and only a very small amount would be used to address waste management issues.

Strategically, it is considered that this would be a very risky option but certainly in the short term would return some funds to individual councils and eliminate the need for a contribution to a RWG in the future.

The Board is of the opinion that it would be shortsighted and premature to fold up a regional waste management group function in Southern Tasmania.

Waste Strategy to be administered within STCA

The proposal from STCA is attached is attached as Appendix 1. Firstly it needs to be said, that the Board is not against this arrangement per se. The Board however is concerned that this proposal appears still to be in the conceptual stage.

This proposal is deficient in that it does not:

- i. Identify the basis on which contributions would be determined
- ii. Identify the quantum of contribution of funds by member Councils
- iii. Identify the activities that would be undertaken
- iv. Provide the opportunity for decision makers to meet regularly
- v. Specifically identify any savings which might be made
- vi. Indicate whether all 12 members of STCA support and are willing to fund the proposal

In addition it appears that “waste” would be subsumed within a “sustainability” portfolio and administered by a Committee of the Board which would make recommendations to the Board. Not all Councils would be necessarily represented on the Committee. All decisions of the Committee would have to be ratified by the Board.

It seems difficult to understand how the proposal as currently presented could fulfil the commitment that has been given to the State regarding a regional waste group's capacity.

It has been mentioned that this is the model that operates in the north west of the State. This is not the case. The major differences are:

- The North-West RWG although housed within the Cradle Coast Authority, uses the CCA only as a postal address and to manage accounting.
- The NWRWG is entirely autonomous and manages the dispersal of the voluntary levy collected from the landfills.
- Dulverton Landfill Authority is contracted to provide all other services, manage contracts etc. for the NWRWG.
- The Board of CCA is not involved in the running of the NWRWG.

At this stage the Board considers that the STCA proposal has not been developed sufficiently to enable the Board or Member Councils to assess whether they could or would support this proposal.

The Board is further concerned that there is no clear indication that this proposal is supported by all Members of STCA and it is possible that some Members may not be prepared to contribute to the cost of a waste function and could in fact withdraw from STCA thus fracturing the political unity in the South.

The Board feels that STCA would need to place a fully costed proposal before its Members and obtain their agreement to this proposal before it could recommend that STCA and SWSA be combined.

Maintain SWSA as a legal entity

Although through unfortunate circumstances, the staffing situation which now exists, gives SWSA the opportunity to consider if there are other governance options which might fit the criteria.

It was quite clear given the declining volumes of waste going to Hobart and Glenorchy landfills and the likelihood of Copping being the only landfill in the south in the reasonably near future, that the funding basis of SWSA in the past was not sustainable into the future.

It would now seem that SWSA will have no employees after the 30th June 2015 and could look at other models of operation for 2015/16.

One model which could be considered, is the NRWG model where the Group is hosted within Launceston City Council. The NRWG has no employees and has an agreement with LCC which provides the services for a fixed charge.

Discussions have taken place and there is at least one Council which would be interested in participating in such an arrangement in Southern Tasmania for 2015/16. There may be others. It was however considered prudent to ensure there was at least one Council interested before suggesting this as an option.

In the past when Hobart City was a member, the annual contributions were about \$K300 p.a. This year the figure is about \$K223.

The CEO has prepared a budget for 2015/16 which would enable SWSA to operate at a reasonable level if hosted by a member Council without calling on Members for further contributions. It is assumed that hosting will involve, all accounting functions, all administrative functions such as agendas, minutes, telephone enquiries, correspondence and maintaining website and other similar activities. This budget is detailed below.

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| Hosting (Estimated at .2 FTE) | 25,000 |
| Accounting (finalize 2014/15) | 5,000 |
| Insurance | 2,500 |
| Garage Sale Trail | 10,000 |
| General Expenses | 5,000 |
| Available for activities (Media, schools and other projects) | 70,000 |
| Total | \$117,500 |

The Board is of a view that at this time option 3 is preferred because:

- i. It will enable LG in Southern Tasmania to continue to honour the undertaking that has been given to the State Government regarding the establishment and maintenance of a Regional Waste Group;
- ii. No contribution would be required from Member Councils in 2015/16;
- iii. It will enable continued representations to be made to the State Government regarding the waste levy. If the levy becomes a reality, then the legal framework of SWSA will remain and if the Government rules out a levy then a more informed decision can be made as to whether a RWG is even required;
- iv. SWSA nominates the Southern LG delegate to the Waste Advisory Committee. Our current nominee's term finishes in August 2015 and this will enable a replacement member to be nominated;
- v. It will enable STCA to prepare a detailed proposal addressing the items which are considered deficient in the current proposal and to obtain agreement of all Members of STCA to the proposal; and
- vi. It will enable Member Councils to assess whether the model proposed is satisfactory if during the year Members determine that SWSA should remain as a legal entity.

Comments / Discussion:

From the Southern Midlands Council's perspective, participation in the SWSA is at a minimal cost, being an annual levy of \$1,674, plus an additional \$741 payable for the Garage Trail initiative. For this level of contribution, the SWSA has provided significant achievements and recognition for the Southern Midlands in terms of promoting waste minimisation; and exposure through education and marketing programs.

Irrespective of the preferred option, it is apparent that there will be a significant reduction in resources available for the development and implementation of waste strategies, which is indicated by only a 0.20 FTE going forward. The question must be asked, is this sufficient to meet the primary objectives of either the current Authority; or the proposed duties detailed in the STCA Governance Paper?

Whichever option is adopted, the success of a regional organisation is reliant on all Councils being a member, and for this reason, the preferred option should be focussed on achieving full membership.

Based on the above, it is recommended that Council:

- a) adopt Option 3 as its preferred option for 2015/16, primarily for the reason that this would maintain the SWSA as a legal entity, and ensure that a regional waste organisation continues to exist - at least until such time that there is full support for the STCA sponsored model; and
- b) indicate its preparedness to support the STCA model on the proviso that all twelve southern Councils participate, and subject to the development of operating arrangements which provide for input by all Councils (at elected member and officer level); and
- c) strongly advocate for any newly established 'Waste Management Strategy Group' under the banner of the STCA to have a sufficient level of delegation whereby it can progress initiatives and programs in a timely and efficient manner, provided they are within the allocated budget.

Human Resources & Financial Implications – It is anticipated that SWSA will have about \$200,000 on hand at the end of 2014/15. The Board considers that it could operate quite successfully in 2015/16 without any call on contributions from Member Council in 2015/16.

Community Consultation & Public Relations Implications –Refer above comments.

Policy Implications – N/A.

Priority - Implementation Time Frame – The Board of SWSA will be meeting in the last week of April and Council has been requested to be in a position to advise on its order of preferences at that meeting (or submit alternatives). The Board has selected this time frame as it will still enable a Member to have sufficient time to withdraw from

SWSA prior to the end of the financial year if it is dissatisfied with the outcome of this process.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

- a) **The information be received;**
- b) **Council endorse Option 3 as its preferred option for 2015/16, primarily for the reason that this would maintain the SWSA as a legal entity, and ensure that a regional waste organisation continues to exist - at least until such time that there is full support for the STCA sponsored model; and**
- c) **indicate its preparedness to support the STCA model on the proviso that all twelve southern Councils participate, and subject to the development of operating arrangements which provide for input by all Councils (at elected member and officer level); and**
- d) **strongly advocate for any newly established ‘Waste Management Strategy Group’ under the banner of the STCA to have a sufficient level of delegation whereby it can progress initiatives and programs in a timely and efficient manner, provided they are within the allocated budget.**

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
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13.11 INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

1.11.1 Improve access to modern communications infrastructure.

Nil.

13.12 OFFICER REPORTS – WORKS & TECHNICAL SERVICES (ENGINEERING)

13.12.1 Manager - Works & Technical Services Report

File Ref: 3/075

AUTHOR MANAGER – WORKS & SERVICES (J LYALL)

DATE 19TH MARCH 2015

ROADS PROGRAM

Elderslie Road, Broadmarsh – Formal decision required to introduce 60 klm per hour speed limit through the immediate township area. It is suggested that the extent of the zone be based on the existing township boundary signs.

Maintenance Grading is being undertaken in the Colebrook area.

Church Road, Broadmarsh - Junction improvement works have commenced.

All road reconstruction / stabilisation projects will commence Tuesday 7th April 2015, with the Oatlands town streets being scheduled up-front.

Lovely Banks Road / Colebrook Main Road Junction – Proposed Upgrade – the General Manager has corresponded with Department of State Growth to ascertain whether this project could be jointly funded under its new ‘Community Road Safety Grants Program’ planned for implementation in early 2015-16. Alternatively, the Department has been requested to consider any other possible sources of funding that would enable the project to proceed on a timely basis.

BRIDGE PROGRAM

Rotherwood Road – Lower Marshes Bridge works due to commence on 13th April 2015.

Other bridges due for replacement awaiting quotes.

WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

No operational issues, but extra cartage still required at times.

TOWN FACILITIES PROGRAM

Oatlands Town Hall – Pavement and new grass area has been completed in readiness for the ANZAC Services.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT:

- a) the information be received and
- b) Council formally resolve to endorse the reduction in speed limit through the Broadmarsh Township (Elderslie Road) to 60 kilometres per hour.

DECISION

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14. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – GROWTH)

14.1 RESIDENTIAL

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 18

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

Nil.

14.2 TOURISM

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 19

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

Nil.

14.3 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.

14.4 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.

14.5 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.

15 OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – LANDSCAPES)

15.1 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. |

15.1.1 Heritage Project Officer's Report

AUTHOR MANAGER HERITAGE PROJECTS (B WILLIAMS)
 DATE 25TH MARCH 2015

ISSUE

Southern Midlands Heritage Projects – report from Manager Heritage Projects

DETAIL

During the past month, Southern Midlands Council heritage projects have included:

- Continued promotion and development of National Trust Heritage Festival and ANZAC centenary events. Invitations/briefings on these events will be sent to Councillors as details are finalised.
- Submission of a response to the Legislative Council's Enquiry into Built Heritage Tourism in Tasmania.
- Substantial time has been spent on a planning scheme compliance matter.
- Curatorial work on a collection of historic objects found under the floor at the Victoria Memorial Hall, Kempton.
- Provision of assistance to the Oatlands and District Historical Society for a grant application.
- Providing support to initiatives through the heritage arts and crafts group.

Heritage Projects program staff has been involved in the following Heritage Building Solutions activities.

- Undertaking a comprehensive condition assessment and works recommendations for 500-metres of historic stone and brick garden walls at the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens and Government House, Hobart (including the unique 'Arthur' heated wall). A draft report and scope of works has been submitted.
- Finalisation of project scope and quote for a substantial 1840s convict building on behalf of another council.
- Input into several heritage projects as part of HBS QA processes.

Heritage Projects program staff has been involved in the following Heritage Education and Skills Centre activities.

- Final planning of project rollouts for Brighton and Tasman portions of the 5x5x5 project.
- Finalisation of the communications plan for the 5x5x5 project.
- Curriculum development and learning objective definitions for the 5x5x5 project.
- Staging of a Traditional Timber Window Repair Course at Oatlands.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

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15.2 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. |

15.2.1 Landcare Unit & Climate Change – General Report

AUTHOR NRM PROGRAMS MANAGER – (M WEEDING)

DATE 18TH MARCH 2015**ISSUE**

Southern Midlands Landcare Unit and GIS Monthly Report

DETAIL

- An application for grant funding for watering the Mt Pleasant recreation ground has been submitted to the Tasmania Government's through the Sport and Recreation round Minor Grants program. The maximum of \$10,000 allowed under this program has been requested in the application. The Mt Pleasant Football Club and the Mt Pleasant Cricket Club have also both pledged a cash contribution to the project. The result of the application will not be known until middle May.
- The interest in the removal of the Callington Mill cap continues. The person wishing to remove the cap is currently waiting on Transport Department officers to check overhead power lines on the proposed transport route between Oatlands and Richmond.
- A meeting of the Midlands Water Scheme Irrigators Representative Committee and Tasmania Irrigation has been scheduled for Wed 25th March. M Weeding will attend the meeting. The meeting will review the operation of the Midlands Water Scheme to date, the costs, revenue, scheme changes and any efficiencies gained over the first season of irrigation etc. M Weeding has sent a memo to Southern Midlands landholders on the scheme asking that if they have any major concerns they would like discussed, then to make contact prior to the meeting.
- Helen Geard has commenced work on the Heritage 5 x 5 x 5 Project.
- Graham Green has been away for the last 5 weeks on annual leave.

RECOMMENDATION

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

DECISION

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15.3 CULTURAL

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 24

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

Nil.

15.4 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.

15.5 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.

16 OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING LIFESTYLE

16.1 COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 26

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

Nil.

16.2 YOUTH

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 26

4.2.1 Increase the retention of young people in the municipality.

Nil.

16.3 SENIORS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 27

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

Nil.

16.4 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.

16.5 VOLUNTEERS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 27

4.5.1 Encourage community members to volunteer.

Nil.

16.6 ACCESS

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 28

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).

Nil.

16.7 PUBLIC HEALTH

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 28

4.7.1 Monitor and maintain a safe and healthy public environment.

Nil.

16.8 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.

16.9 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.

16.10 EDUCATION

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 29

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

Nil.

17 OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – COMMUNITY)

17.1 RETENTION

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 30

5.1.1 Maintain and strengthen communities in the Southern Midlands.

Nil.

17.2 CAPACITY AND SUSTAINABILITY

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 30

- 5.2.1 Build the capacity of the Community to help itself and embrace the framework and strategies articulated through social inclusion to achieve sustainability.

Nil.

17.3 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.

17.4 CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 31

- 5.4.1 Improve the effectiveness of consultation and communication with the Community.

Nil.

18. OPERATIONAL MATTERS ARISING (STRATEGIC THEME – ORGANISATION)

18.1 IMPROVEMENT

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 32

- 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.

18.2 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. |

18.2.1 Local Government Association of Tasmania – Annual General Meeting & General Meeting (22nd July 2015)

AUTHOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT (K BRAZENDALE)
DATE 20TH FEBRUARY 2015

ISSUE

Council to consider issues for inclusion on the Agenda as motions at the Annual General Meeting and General Meeting to be held 22nd July 2015.

DETAIL

The Local Government Association of Tasmania has advised Council that it's Annual General Meeting and General Meeting will be held at the Inveresk Site, Launceston.

Proposed motions will need to be received at the Association offices by no later than close of business, Friday 24th April 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council determine if there are any issues for inclusion on the agenda as motions.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|----------|------------------------|--------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

18.2.2 2015 National General Assembly of Local Government

AUTHOR EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT (K BRAZENDALE)

DATE 3RD MARCH 2015

ISSUE

To:

- 1) confirm attendance at the Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) National General Assembly of Local Government; and
- 2) identify any issues which can form a 'Notice of Motion' for inclusion on the Agenda.

DETAIL

The National General Assembly of Local Government Conference will be held from 14th to 17th June, 2015 in Canberra.

The theme for the 2015 Conference is "Closest to the Community – Local Government in the Federation."

The Early Bird Registration Fee is \$899.00. This fee does not include accommodation or airfares.

The Australia Local Government Association is also calling for 'Notices of Motion' for the meeting. Motions need to be submitted by 17th April 2015.

Human Resources & Financial Implications – Registration fees, accommodation and airfares to be funded from the 2014/2015 Budget.

Community Consultation & Public Relations Implications – attendance at the conference assists Council in being proactive and having input into the planning and direction of local government for the future.

Policy Implications – Whilst not a formal Policy, it has been standard practice for the Mayor to attend. The General Manager has attended at times (depending on work commitments) but will not attend the 2015 Assembly.

Priority - Implementation Time Frame – Delegates registration must be lodged prior to the 1st May 2015 to receive the early bird registration fee. Motions need to be submitted by 17th April 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- a) **confirm attendance at the 2015 National General Assembly of Local Government Conference (ALGA) to be held in Canberra; and**
- b) **identify any Motions which must be submitted by 17th April 2015**

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

18.2.3 Local Government Association of Tasmania – General Management Committee (Election)

File Ref:

AUTHOR GENERAL MANAGER (T KIRKWOOD)
DATE 19th MARCH 2015

ATTACHMENTS: Nil
ENCLOSURE: Nil

ISSUE

Election of the Local Government Association of Tasmania's (LGAT) General Management Committee.

BACKGROUND

The LGAT General Management Committee comprises:

- a) The President
- b) provided the Hobart City Council is a current Member, the Lord Mayor or proxy;
and
- c) six members to be elected from the three electoral districts.

Each of the 3 electoral districts shall elect 2 members:

- (i) one from Members within the electoral district having a population of 20,000 or more;
and
- (ii) one from Members within the electoral district having a population of less than 20,000.

Note: Where a member of the General Management Committee is subsequently elected President, a recount of votes for the population category in the electoral district the President represented shall be held to fill the vacancy.

The Electoral Districts are:

- (a) NORTH WEST & WEST COAST ELECTORAL DISTRICT comprising the Burnie City Council, the Devonport City Council, the Central Coast Council, the Circular Head Council, the King Island Council, the Waratah-Wynyard Council, the Kentish Council, the Latrobe Council, and the West Coast Council;
- (b) NORTHERN ELECTORAL DISTRICT comprising the Launceston City Council, the Break O'Day Council, the Flinders Council, the Meander Valley Council, the West Tamar Council, the Dorset Council, the George Town Council, and the Northern Midlands Council; and

(c) SOUTHERN ELECTORAL DISTRICT - comprising the Clarence City Council, the Glenorchy City Council, the Kingborough Council, the Brighton Council, the Glamorgan-Spring Bay Council, the Derwent Valley Council, the Southern Midlands Council, the Central Highlands Council, the Huon Valley Council, the Sorell Council, and the Tasman Council.

The functions of the General Management Committee, amongst other things, include:

- (i) appointing and reviewing the performance of the Chief Executive Officer of the Association;
- (ii) determining Association Policy, with such policy to be ratified at a Meeting of the Association ;
- (iii) providing strategic direction to the Association in accordance with policies resolved by Meetings of the Association;
- (iv) carrying out such delegations as may be made to it by Meetings of the Association; and
- (v) providing for the good management and administration of the Association;
- (x) making nominations to various statutory and other bodies related to the operations of Local Government; and
- (xi) nominating representatives to the Australian Local Government Association.

DETAIL

The new General Management Committee will commence at the conclusion of the AGM which is to be held on 22nd July 2015.

At the last General Meeting of the Association held 13th February 2015, Members agreed that the terms of the recently elected President, Mayor Barry Jarvis and the Northern Representative, councils under 20,000, Mayor Craig Perkins would be extended for a further two years so no election is required for the two roles.

The Tasmanian Electoral Commission has confirmed the following election timetable.

2015 Election Timetable

| | |
|--|-----------------------------|
| Nominations open | Thursday 19 March 2015 |
| Nominations close | 5 pm Tuesday 19 May 2015 |
| Ballot material posted (if a ballot is required) | Friday 22 May 2015 |
| Close of postal ballot | 10 am Wednesday 8 July 2015 |
| Declaration of result | Wednesday 8 July 2015 |
| Annual General Meeting | Wednesday 22 July 2015 |

Human Resources & Financial Implications – Nil.

Community Consultation & Public Relations Implications – N/A.

Policy Implications – N/A.

Priority - Implementation Time Frame – refer above Election Timetable.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received and Council consider its intention to nominate a Candidate for the Southern Electoral District – population less than 20,000.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

18.3 FINANCES**Strategic Plan Reference – Page 34 & 35**

- | | |
|-------|---|
| 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. |

18.3.1 Monthly Financial Statement (February 2015)

AUTHOR FINANCE OFFICER (C PENNICOTT)

DATE 19TH MARCH 2015

Refer enclosed Report incorporating the following: -

- a) Statement of Comprehensive Income – 1st February 2015 to 28th February 2015 (including Notes)
- b) Current Expenditure Estimates
- c) Capital Expenditure Estimates

Note: Refer to enclosed report detailing the individual capital projects.

- d) Rates & Charges Summary – as at 11th March 2015
- e) Cash Flow Statement –February 2015

*Note: Expenditure figures provided are for the period 1st February to 28th February 2015 – approximately 67% of the period.***Comments****A. Current Expenditure Estimates (Operating Budget)****Strategic Theme – Infrastructure**

- **Sub-Program – Lighting** – expenditure to date (\$64,350 – 71.50%). Expenditure relates to ¾ of costs associated with lighting for the financial year, with the final payment due in April.

Strategic Theme – Growth

- **Sub-Program – Business** - expenditure to date (\$170,906– 257.97%). Works undertaken on a recharge basis (e.g. Stornoway Contract – not included in original budget). Expenditure will be offset by income received.

Strategic Theme – Lifestyle

- **Sub-Program – Aged** – expenditure to date (\$1332 – 88.78%). Expenditure consists of payments associated with the Healthy Communities Initiative which are recovered via operational grants.
- **Sub-Program – Recreation** – expenditure to date (\$270,631 – 71.05%). Expenditure includes costs associated with the operation of the Swimming Pool, which is due to be closed in early April. This will reduce the level of expenditure for the remainder of the financial year.
- **Sub-Program – Animals** – expenditure to date (\$47,917 – 68.37%). Expenditure includes \$3,885 professional fees for legal representation relating to dangerous dogs.

Strategic Theme – Community

- **Sub-Program – Capacity** - expenditure to date (\$27,088 –77.34%). Expenditure relates to annual donations and sponsorship. Including \$4,545 support for MILE and disbursement of the remaining \$5,000 to the Tunbridge Town Hall for the sale of the Tunbridge Fire Station land.
- **Sub-Program – Consultation** - expenditure to date (\$5,079 – 100.18%). Expenditure of \$2,488 relates to Aurora expenses associated with the operation of the Radio Station (Transmitter Tower). Apportionment of expenses to be addressed through joint negotiation with Radio Station.

Strategic Theme – Organisation

- **Strategic Theme – Improvement** – expenditure to date (\$21,336 – 209.18%). All costs relate to the joint OH&S / Risk Management project being undertaken by six participating Councils under a resource sharing agreement. The cost of the project is to be shared between the six (6) Councils with revenue coming back to Southern Midlands.
- **Sub-Program – Sustainability** - expenditure to date (\$1,431,981 – 71.79%). Includes annual insurance renewals payable at the commencement of the financial year.

B. Capital Expenditure Estimates (Capital Budget)

Nil.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD
1st JULY 2014 to 28th FEBRUARY 2015

| | Annual Budget | Year to Date as at 28TH FEBRUARY | % | Comments |
|---|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Income | | | | |
| General rates | \$ 4,384,707 | \$ 4,382,927 | 100.0% | Budget includes interest & Penalties to be imposed to end of June 2015 |
| User Fees (refer Note 1) | \$ 614,813 | \$ 437,284 | 71.1% | |
| Interest | \$ 245,000 | \$ 137,742 | 56.2% | |
| Government Subsidies | \$ 27,750 | \$ - | 0.0% | Heavy Vehicle Licence Fees & Road Rescue MAIB reimbursements |
| Contract Income | \$ - | \$ - | 0.0% | |
| Other (refer Note 2) | \$ 308,188 | \$ 321,018 | 104.2% | |
| Sub-Total | \$ 5,580,458 | \$ 5,278,971 | 94.6% | |
| Grants - Operating | \$ 3,250,402 | \$ 2,435,081 | 74.9% | FAGS Grant \$3,245K |
| Total Income | \$ 8,830,860 | \$ 7,714,052 | 87.4% | |
| Expenses | | | | |
| Employee benefits | \$ 3,851,335 | \$ 2,116,833 | 55.0% | Less Roads - Resheeting Capitalised |
| Materials and contracts | \$ 2,729,768 | \$ 2,285,104 | 83.7% | Less Roads - Resheeting Capitalised, Includes Land Tax |
| Depreciation and amortisation | \$ 2,654,000 | \$ 1,778,180 | 67.0% | Percentage Calculation (based on year-to-date) |
| Finance costs | \$ 53,023 | \$ 27,402 | 51.7% | |
| Contributions | \$ 178,450 | \$ 89,225 | 50.0% | Fire Service Levies |
| Other | \$ 228,242 | \$ 197,798 | 86.7% | Higher than budget due to Private Works expenditure |
| Total expenses | \$ 9,694,818 | \$ 6,494,542 | 67.0% | |
| Surplus (deficit) from operations | -\$ 863,958 | \$ 1,219,511 | -141.2% | |
| Grants - Capital (refer Note 3) | \$ 445,234 | \$ 5,000 | 1.1% | |
| Donations | \$ 2,500 | \$ 300 | 12.0% | |
| Sale Proceeds (Plant & Machinery) | \$ - | \$ 240,614 | 0.0% | |
| Net gain / (loss on disposal of non-current assets) | \$ - | \$ - | 0.0% | Budget Amount - Sale of Lots - Kandara Court |
| Surplus / (Deficit) | -\$ 416,224 | \$ 1,465,424 | -352.1% | |
| NOTES | | | | |
| 1. Income - User Fees (Budget \$614,813) includes: | | | | |
| - All other Programs | \$ 296,813 | \$ 234,760 | 79.1% | |
| - Callington Mill | \$ 318,000 | \$ 202,524 | 63.7% | Actual Income Received (i.e. excluding Debtors) |
| | \$ 614,813 | \$ 437,284 | | |

| | | | | |
|---|-------------------|-----------|----------------|--|
| 2. Income - Other (Budget \$308,188) includes: | | | | |
| - Income (Private Works) | \$ 76,188 | \$ | 196,789 | 258.3% |
| - Tas Water Distributions | \$ 228,000 | \$ | 114,000 | 50.0% |
| - Public Open Space Contributions | \$ 4,000 | \$ | - | 0.0% |
| - Other | \$ - | \$ | 10,229 | 0.0% Insurance Recoveries; Headworks Contributions |
| | <u>\$ 308,188</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>321,018</u> | |
| 3. Grant - Capital (Budget \$445,234) includes: | | | | |
| - Roads To Recovery Grant | \$ 445,234 | \$ | - | 0.0% To be claimed in March 2015 |
| - DEDTA Economic Development Plan | \$ - | \$ | 5,000 | |
| | <u>\$ 445,234</u> | <u>\$</u> | <u>5,000</u> | 1.1% |
| Note: | | | | |
| Operating Grants | | | | |
| - School Holiday Program | \$ - | \$ | 2,400 | |
| - Communities For Children | \$ - | \$ | 1,091 | |
| - Station Park Kempton | \$ - | \$ | 684 | |
| - Australia Day Awards | \$ - | \$ | 1,973 | |
| - Healthy Communities Initiative | \$ - | \$ | 3,604 | |
| | | <u>\$</u> | <u>9,751</u> | |

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL : CURRENT EXPENDITURE 2014/15

SUMMARY SHEET

| PROGRAM | TOTAL | REVISED BUDGET (GRANTS & OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS) | ACTUAL AS AT 28th FEBRUARY 2015 67% | VARIANCE (+/-) | % BASED ON REVISED BUDGET 100% |
|------------------------------|----------------|--|---|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| INFRASTRUCTURE | | | | | |
| Roads | 3044345 | 3044345 | 2156107 | 888238 | 70.82% |
| Bridges | 415869 | 415869 | 262006 | 153863 | 63.00% |
| Walkways | 178627 | 178627 | 96244 | 82384 | 53.88% |
| Lighting | 89995 | 89995 | 64350 | 25645 | 71.50% |
| Irrigation | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Drainage | 77923 | 77923 | 48808 | 29115 | 62.64% |
| Waste | 575204 | 575204 | 325710 | 249494 | 56.63% |
| Public Toilets | 56304 | 56304 | 28864 | 27440 | 51.26% |
| Communications | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Signage | 12300 | 12300 | 2353 | 9947 | 19.13% |
| INFRASTRUCTURE TOTAL: | 4450567 | 4450567 | 2984441 | 1466126 | 67.06% |
| GROWTH | | | | | |
| Residential | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Mill Operations | 550291 | 550291 | 285327 | 264964 | 51.85% |
| Tourism | 201345 | 201345 | 120155 | 81190 | 59.68% |
| Business | 66250 | 66250 | 170906 | -104656 | 257.97% |
| Agriculture | 5493 | 5493 | 0 | 5493 | 0.00% |
| Integration | 25350 | 25350 | 0 | 25350 | 0.00% |
| GROWTH TOTAL: | 848729 | 848729 | 576389 | 272340 | 67.91% |
| LANDSCAPES | | | | | |
| Heritage | 304709 | 304709 | 154775 | 149934 | 50.79% |
| Natural | 147816 | 147816 | 68689 | 79127 | 46.47% |
| Cultural | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Regulatory | 832085 | 832085 | 544390 | 287695 | 65.42% |
| Climate Change | 37739 | 37739 | 4251 | 33488 | 11.26% |
| LANDSCAPES TOTAL: | 1322349 | 1322349 | 772105 | 550244 | 58.39% |
| LIFESTYLE | | | | | |
| Youth | 205731 | 205731 | 80370 | 125361 | 39.07% |
| Aged | 1500 | 1500 | 1332 | 168 | 88.78% |
| Childcare | 7500 | 7500 | 5071 | 2429 | 67.61% |
| Volunteers | 34500 | 34500 | 19172 | 15329 | 55.57% |
| Access | 6520 | 6520 | 0 | 6520 | 0.00% |
| Public Health | 7826 | 7826 | 1584 | 6242 | 20.25% |
| Recreation | 380880 | 380880 | 270631 | 110249 | 71.05% |
| Animals | 70090 | 70090 | 47917 | 22173 | 68.37% |
| Education | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| LIFESTYLE TOTAL: | 714547 | 714547 | 426077 | 288470 | 59.63% |
| COMMUNITY | | | | | |
| Retention | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% |
| Capacity | 35025 | 35025 | 27088 | 7937 | 77.34% |
| Safety | 56650 | 56650 | 29172 | 27478 | 51.50% |
| Consultation | 5070 | 5070 | 5079 | -9 | 100.18% |
| Communication | 12125 | 12125 | 5907 | 6218 | 48.72% |
| COMMUNITY TOTAL: | 108870 | 108870 | 67247 | 41623 | 61.77% |
| ORGANISATION | | | | | |
| Improvement | 10200 | 10200 | 21336 | -11136 | 209.18% |
| Sustainability | 1994595 | 1994595 | 1431981 | 562615 | 71.79% |
| Finances | 244963 | 244963 | 136322 | 108641 | 55.65% |
| ORGANISATION TOTAL: | 2249758 | 2249758 | 1589639 | 660119 | 70.66% |
| TOTALS | 9694820 | 9694820 | 6415896 | 3278924 | 66.18% |

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM 2014-15
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015

| INFRASTRUCTURE | BUDGET | EXPENDITURE | VARIANCE | COMMENTS |
|---|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ROAD ASSETS | | | | |
| Resheeting Program | \$ 600,000 | \$ 301,898 | \$ 298,102 | |
| Reseal Program | \$ 300,000 | \$ - | \$ 300,000 | |
| Reconstruct & Seal | | | | |
| Eldon Road - Vicinity Of Norm Housgos (200m) | \$ 26,400 | \$ - | \$ 26,400 | |
| Outlands | | | | |
| C1010027 Stonor Road (Vicinity Of Halls) - 250metres | \$ 33,000 | \$ - | \$ 33,000 | |
| C1010028 Woodsdale Road / Turnack Main Rd Junction (30 mm Overlay) | \$ 6,400 | \$ - | \$ 6,400 | |
| C1010043 Woodsdale Road (Section - Runnymede Cricket Cub) - 400 metres | \$ 48,400 | \$ - | \$ 48,400 | |
| C1010043 York Plains (vicinity of Greggs Road) - 300 metres | \$ 39,600 | \$ 1,573 | \$ 38,027 | |
| Construct & Seal (Unsealed R/C) | | | | |
| C1020029 Williams Road - Option 1 (Junction to Bridge -250 metres) | \$ 39,375 | \$ 520 | \$ 38,855 | |
| C1020030 Ballyrooly Road (end of Bridge) - 100 metres | \$ 13,750 | \$ - | \$ 13,750 | |
| Minor Seals (New) | | | | |
| C1020031 Nunns Road - Junction with Elderslie Main Road | \$ 7,000 | \$ - | \$ 7,000 | |
| C1020032 Church Road | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| C1020032 Hasting Street Junction | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | |
| Unsealed - Road Widening | | | | |
| C1020034 Church Road (Corner widening) | \$ 20,000 | \$ 500 | \$ 19,500 | |
| C1020035 Yarrington Road - Realignment | \$ 20,000 | \$ 11,023 | \$ 8,977 | Budget Incls. \$11,023 expended 13/14 |
| C1020037 Estate Road (Survey Investigation Only - \$5,000) | \$ 30,000 | \$ - | \$ 30,000 | |
| C1020038 Hall Lane, Bagdad - widening | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | |
| C1020038 Chauncy Vale Road, Bagdad | \$ 20,000 | \$ - | \$ 20,000 | |
| Junction Road Realignment/ O | | | | |
| C1020026 Church Road -Realign (Intersection with Elderslie Road) - Survey & | \$ 211,000 | \$ 18,193 | \$ 192,807 | Budget Incls. \$16,044 expended 13/14 |
| C1020040 Interlaken Road- Corner Realignment (Rockton) | \$ 20,000 | \$ 6,682 | \$ 13,308 | |
| C1010036 Green Valley Road - Widening | \$ 83,000 | \$ - | \$ 83,000 | |
| C1010037 Campania - Reeve St / Clime Street | \$ 23,600 | \$ 5,467 | \$ 20,133 | |
| C1010038 Campania - Reeve St / Hall Street | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| C1010044 Colebrook Main Road - Verge (Station St to Shop) | \$ 20,250 | \$ 9,872 | \$ 10,378 | |
| C1010039 Tunbridge Main Road Verge | \$ 3,000 | \$ - | \$ 3,000 | |
| C1010042 Woodsdale Road - Landslip Area (vicinity Scotts Quarry) | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | Replacement - Truck Accident |
| C1010042 Guard Railing Quarry Town Road | \$ - | \$ 6,225 | \$ (6,225) | |
| C1010042 Woodsdale Road - Landslip Areas) - Engineering Assessment | \$ 9,700 | \$ - | \$ 9,700 | |
| C1010042 York Plains Road (Camber adjustment) | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | \$ 1,641,475 | \$ 361,964 | \$ 1,279,511 | |

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM 2014-15
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015

| | BUDGET | EXPENDITURE | VARIANCE | COMMENTS |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| BRIDGE ASSETS | | | | |
| C1030003 | \$ 436,272 | \$ 442,420 | \$ (6,148) | |
| C1030023 | \$ 336,335 | \$ 3,225 | \$ 333,110 | |
| C1030028 | \$ 156,340 | \$ 28,382 | \$ 127,958 | |
| C1030030 | \$ - | \$ 200 | \$ (200) | |
| C1030041 | \$ - | \$ 1,189 | \$ (1,189) | |
| C1030044 | \$ 142,600 | \$ - | \$ 142,600 | |
| C1030045 | \$ 81,672 | \$ 1,304 | \$ 80,368 | |
| C1030006 | \$ 26,440 | \$ - | \$ 26,440 | |
| | \$ 60,129 | \$ - | \$ 60,129 | |
| | \$ - | \$ 1,469 | \$ (1,469) | |
| | \$ 212,650 | \$ - | \$ 212,650 | |
| | \$ 107,290 | \$ - | \$ 107,290 | |
| | \$ 107,290 | \$ - | \$ 107,290 | |
| | \$ 56,950 | \$ - | \$ 56,950 | Roads to Recovery 484,180 |
| | \$ 1,723,968 | \$ 478,188 | \$ 1,245,780 | |
| WALKWAYS | | | | |
| | \$ 40,000 | \$ - | \$ 40,000 | |
| C1040005 | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| C1040005 | \$ 80,000 | \$ 8,386 | \$ 71,614 | |
| | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| C1040019 | \$ 9,100 | \$ 9,681 | \$ (581) | |
| | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | |
| | \$ 6,000 | \$ - | \$ 6,000 | |
| | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | |
| | \$ 7,800 | \$ - | \$ 7,800 | |
| C1010005 | \$ - | \$ 39 | \$ (39) | |
| C1040015 | \$ - | \$ 372 | \$ (372) | |
| | \$ 8,000 | \$ - | \$ 8,000 | |
| | \$ 195,900 | \$ 18,478 | \$ 177,422 | |
| | \$ 8,262 | \$ 1,528 | \$ 6,734 | |
| | \$ 8,262 | \$ 1,528 | \$ 6,734 | |
| IRRIGATION | | | | |
| | | | | |
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SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM 2014-15
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015

| DRAINAGE | | BUDGET | EXPENDITURE | VARIANCE | COMMENTS |
|----------|--|-------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---|
| | Bagdad | \$ 22,500 | \$ - | \$ 22,500 | |
| | - Midland Hwy/ Swan St Drainage (McShane Property) | \$ 241,882 | \$ 129,639 | \$ 112,244 | Budget - allocated in 2013/14 |
| C1090013 | - Swan Street - Kerb & Gutter (eastern & western side) | \$ - | \$ 14,351 | \$ (14,351) | |
| C1090022 | - Hyland Crescent | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | Campania | \$ 45,000 | \$ 3,750 | \$ 41,250 | |
| | - Reeve Street Open Drain (North Of Telephone Box) | \$ - | \$ 100 | \$ (100) | |
| | Colebrook | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | - Franklin Street (Stormwater) | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| | Oatlands | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | - Barrack Street(towards Mason St) | \$ 13,000 | \$ 11,052 | \$ 1,948 | Included in costings for Wellington St |
| | - High SWWellington Street Junction | \$ 12,000 | \$ 25,000 | \$ (13,000) | Project Completed |
| | - Stanley Street / Lake Dulverton - Extension | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | Refer above (additional \$5K) - project completed |
| | - Wellington Street (150 metres - kerb replacement) | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | - William Street (Church St to Gay St) | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | | \$ 369,382 | \$ 183,892 | \$ 175,490 | |
| | | \$ 7,500 | \$ 9,117 | \$ (1,617) | |
| | | \$ 7,500 | \$ 9,117 | \$ (1,617) | |
| | | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | | \$ 4,000 | \$ - | \$ 4,000 | |
| | | \$ 9,000 | \$ - | \$ 9,000 | |
| | | \$ 2,500 | \$ 2,657 | \$ (157) | Project Completed |
| | | \$ 2,500 | \$ 2,657 | \$ (157) | |
| | | \$ - | \$ 39,895 | \$ (39,895) | Long-term WIP (pending Property Sales) |
| | | \$ - | \$ 39,895 | \$ (39,895) | |
| | | \$ - | \$ 1,814 | \$ (1,814) | |
| | | \$ - | \$ 1,814 | \$ (1,814) | |
| | | \$ 20,000 | \$ 1,260 | \$ 18,740 | |
| | | \$ 89,500 | \$ 7,506 | \$ (7,506) | Grant Funded |
| | | \$ 7,500 | \$ 3,423 | \$ 6,977 | |
| | | \$ 7,500 | \$ 4,306 | \$ 4,462 | |
| | | \$ 7,500 | \$ - | \$ 7,500 | |
| | | \$ 124,000 | \$ 16,697 | \$ 107,303 | |
| | | \$ - | \$ 6,232 | \$ (6,232) | |
| | | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | | \$ 5,000 | \$ 6,232 | \$ (1,232) | |

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM 2014-15
AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2015

| | | BUDGET | EXPENDITURE | VARIANCE | COMMENTS |
|-----------------------|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| REGULATORY | | | | | |
| C3040001 | Kempston Council Chambers - Building & Office Improvements | \$ 8,954 | \$ - | \$ 8,954 | |
| C3040001 | Kempston Council Chambers - Office Equipment | \$ 3,000 | \$ 1,438 | \$ 1,562 | |
| C3040001 | Kempston Council Chambers - Carpet & Flooring | \$ 5,000 | \$ 2,700 | \$ 2,300 | |
| C3040001 | Kempston Council Chambers - External Repainting | \$ 7,500 | \$ - | \$ 7,500 | |
| | | \$ 24,454 | \$ 4,138 | \$ 20,316 | |
| LIFESTYLE | | | | | |
| RECREATION | | | | | |
| C4070001 | Paratiah Recreation Ground - Grandstand | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| C4070001 | Paratiah Recreation Ground - Demolish External Toilets | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| C4070003 | Campania Recreation Ground | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| C4070005 | Recreation Committee | \$ 15,000 | \$ 13,539 | \$ 1,293 | |
| C4070005 | Campania Hall - Internal Painting (Committee Contribution) | \$ (4,498) | \$ - | \$ (4,498) | |
| C4070005 | Mangalore Hall- Kitchen Amenities | \$ 3,300 | \$ 2,638 | \$ 664 | |
| C4070005 | Mangalore - Bore Water | \$ 7,500 | \$ - | \$ 7,500 | |
| C4070008 | Campania Hall - Internal Painting | \$ 8,995 | \$ 8,995 | \$ - | |
| C4070016 | Colebrook Recreation Ground (Amenities) | \$ 25,000 | \$ - | \$ 25,000 | |
| C4070017 | Kempston Memorial Hall | \$ 10,000 | \$ 250 | \$ 9,750 | |
| C4070022 | Tunnaack - Recreation Ground (Upgrade Toilets) | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| C4070024 | Playspace Strategy - Alexander Circle & Lyndon Road | \$ 10,000 | \$ 4,830 | \$ 5,170 | |
| C4070025 | Lyndon Road - BBQ Shelter | \$ 10,000 | \$ 5,451 | \$ 4,549 | |
| C4070026 | Alexander Circle Park - BBQ Shelter | \$ - | \$ 10,307 | \$ (10,307) | |
| C4070027 | Tunbridge Park - BBQ Shelter | \$ 10,000 | \$ 24,818 | \$ (14,818) | |
| C4070027 | Oatlands Recreation Ground Flood Lights | \$ - | \$ 11,582 | \$ (11,582) | Ground Lighting - Budget Amendment |
| C4070028 | Campania Recreation Ground Flood Lights | \$ - | \$ 18,173 | \$ (18,173) | Ground Lighting - Budget Amendment |
| C4070029 | Lone Pine Park Outlands | \$ - | \$ 5,719 | \$ (5,719) | \$4K Grant Funded |
| C4070005 | Mt Pleasant Floor Coverings | \$ 5,200 | \$ 5,200 | \$ - | |
| | Mt Pleasant - Upgrade Toilets | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | | \$ 130,497 | \$ 112,793 | \$ 17,704 | |
| SAFETY | | | | | |
| | Road Accident Rescue Unit | \$ 3,000 | \$ - | \$ 3,000 | |
| | | \$ 3,000 | \$ - | \$ 3,000 | |
| ADMINISTRATION | | | | | |
| C6020007 | Computer System (Hardware / Software) | \$ 35,000 | \$ 62,293 | \$ (27,293) | |
| C6020007 | Council Chambers - Damp Issues & Stonemasonry | \$ 15,000 | \$ - | \$ 15,000 | |
| C6020007 | Council Chambers - Concrete Paths (Forecourt) | \$ 7,400 | \$ - | \$ 7,400 | |
| C6020007 | Council Chambers - Building Improvements | \$ 7,500 | \$ - | \$ 7,500 | |
| C6020007 | Town Hall (General) - incl. Office Equip/Furniture | \$ 8,000 | \$ 4,806 | \$ 3,194 | |
| C6020007 | Council (Notebooks/Tablets) | \$ 6,000 | \$ - | \$ 6,000 | |
| C6020010 | Photo Reframing | \$ 1,500 | \$ - | \$ 1,500 | |
| C6020010 | Municipal Revaluation | \$ - | \$ 49,000 | \$ (49,000) | |
| WORKS | | | | | |
| C9990002 | Kempston Depot - Furnishings | \$ 5,000 | \$ 2,818 | \$ 2,182 | |
| | Kempston Depot - Rewiring | \$ 10,000 | \$ - | \$ 10,000 | |
| | Depot Relocation | \$ 5,000 | \$ - | \$ 5,000 | |
| | Minor Plant Purchases | \$ 9,500 | \$ 7,534 | \$ 1,966 | |
| | Radio System | \$ 2,000 | \$ - | \$ 2,000 | |
| | Plant Replacement Program | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | Refer separate Schedule (Net Changeover) | \$ 217,920 | \$ 170,477 | \$ 47,443 | |
| | Light Vehicles | \$ 168,000 | \$ 61,523 | \$ 106,477 | |
| | (Trade Allowance - \$240K) | \$ - | \$ - | \$ - | |
| | Water Tanks Replacement (Truck) | \$ 36,000 | \$ - | \$ 36,000 | |
| | | \$ 533,820 | \$ 358,450 | \$ 175,370 | |
| GRAND TOTALS | | \$ 4,768,758 | \$ 1,595,845 | \$ 3,172,913 | |

| SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL | | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES LEVIED, REMITTED AND COLLECTED | | | |
| | This Financial Year 11th March 2015 | Last Financial Year 19th March 2014 | |
| Arrears brought forward as at July 1 | \$ 431,103.63 | \$ 352,040.89 | |
| ADD current rates and charges levied | \$ 4,326,873.65 | \$ 4,142,426.92 | |
| ADD current interest and penalty | \$ 53,100.02 | \$ 58,348.12 | |
| TOTAL rates and charges demanded | 100.00% \$ 4,811,077.30 | 100.00% \$ 4,552,815.93 | |
| LESS rates and charges collected | 71.97% \$ 3,462,382.76 | 70.50% \$ 3,209,886.07 | |
| LESS pensioner remissions | 4.52% \$ 217,378.45 | 4.57% \$ 207,994.16 | |
| LESS other remissions and refunds | -0.18% -\$ 8,662.25 | -0.16% -\$ 7,119.13 | |
| LESS discounts | 0.45% \$ 21,628.61 | 0.39% \$ 17,747.50 | |
| TOTAL rates and charges collected and remitted | 76.75% \$ 3,692,727.57 | 75.31% \$ 3,428,508.60 | |
| UNPAID RATES AND CHARGES | 23.25% \$ 1,118,349.73 | 24.69% \$ 1,124,307.33 | |

| | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (July 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (August 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (September 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (October 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (November 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (December 2014) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (January 2015) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (February 2015) | INFLOWS (OUTFLOWS) (Year to Date) |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | | | | | | | | |
| Payments | | | | | | | | | |
| Employee costs | 286,297.46 | 268,596.25 | 270,131.91 | 239,132.31 | 400,241.97 | 245,082.68 | 201,646.82 | 246,002.94 | 2,157,132.34 |
| Materials and contracts | 521,480.45 | 306,375.10 | 373,753.54 | 428,830.09 | 164,442.42 | 227,023.86 | 276,792.28 | 303,409.87 | 2,604,107.61 |
| Interest | 373.55 | | | 8,701.09 | | 18,326.99 | | | 27,401.63 |
| Other | 16,354.26 | 20,038.62 | 35,060.86 | 83,428.98 | 23,015.57 | 21,412.60 | 94,118.12 | 14,677.54 | 308,106.55 |
| | 824,505.72 | 595,009.97 | 678,946.31 | 751,391.38 | 596,401.05 | 511,846.13 | 572,557.22 | 566,090.35 | 5,096,748.13 |
| Receipts | | | | | | | | | |
| Rates | 96,394.89 | 127,273.28 | 1,693,179.94 | 425,042.42 | 373,835.18 | 255,213.10 | 412,284.72 | 259,728.89 | 3,642,952.42 |
| User charges | 66,467.29 | 57,926.84 | 74,787.66 | 45,762.56 | 82,928.30 | 99,630.74 | 74,817.46 | 72,232.79 | 574,553.64 |
| Interest received | 17,918.73 | 10,122.94 | 20,688.05 | 18,022.03 | 16,523.83 | 21,208.92 | 16,721.75 | 16,535.39 | 137,741.64 |
| Subsidies | | | | | | | | | |
| Other revenue grants | | 812,046.89 | | 3,490.91 | | 5,000.00 | 278.45 | | 820,816.25 |
| GST Refunds from ATO | | | | | | | | | |
| Other | 68,007.19 | 30,214.61 | 49,892.91 | 76,718.11 | 145,646.65 | 174,927.29 | 14,775.94 | 121,143.87 | 12,469.51 |
| | 112,773.72 | 1,037,584.56 | 1,838,548.56 | 415,593.81 | 618,913.96 | 206,125.47 | 489,326.44 | 469,640.94 | 5,188,533.46 |
| Net cash from operating activities | 711,732.00 | 442,574.59 | 1,159,602.25 | 335,791.57 | 22,532.91 | 305,720.66 | 83,230.78 | 96,449.41 | 91,785.33 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | | | | | | | | |
| Payments for property, plant & equipment | 58,787.91 | 80,497.25 | 124,934.81 | 222,026.69 | 60,040.85 | 234,868.48 | 93,171.59 | -111,076.89 | 985,404.47 |
| Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment | | | | | | | | | |
| Proceeds from Capital grants | | 14,720.91 | 13,636.36 | 31,863.63 | | 180,392.83 | | | 240,613.73 |
| Proceeds from Investments | | | | | 810,415.98 | | | 808,848.61 | 1,619,264.59 |
| Payment for Investments | | | | | | | | | |
| Net cash used in investing activities | 58,787.91 | 65,776.34 | 111,298.45 | 190,163.06 | 750,375.13 | 54,475.65 | 93,171.59 | 697,771.72 | 874,473.85 |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | | | | | | | | |
| Repayment of borrowings | 4,262.22 | | | | | | | | 52,794.08 |
| Proceeds from borrowings | | | | | 10,723.83 | 37,808.03 | | | |
| Net cash from (used in) financing activities | 4,262.22 | | | | 10,723.83 | 37,808.03 | | | 52,794.08 |
| Net increase/(decrease) in cash held | 774,782.13 | 376,798.25 | 1,048,303.80 | 525,954.63 | 762,184.21 | 398,004.34 | 176,402.37 | 601,322.31 | 913,465.10 |
| Cash at beginning of reporting year | 7,992,781.80 | 7,217,999.67 | 7,594,797.92 | 8,643,101.72 | 8,117,147.09 | 8,879,331.30 | 8,481,326.96 | 8,304,924.59 | 7,992,781.80 |
| Cash at end of reporting year | 7,217,999.67 | 7,594,797.92 | 8,643,101.72 | 8,117,147.09 | 8,879,331.30 | 8,481,326.96 | 8,304,924.59 | 8,906,246.90 | 8,906,246.90 |

18.3.2 2014/15 Budget – Formal Amendment(s) to Budget (Operating & Capital)

File Ref:

AUTHOR GENERAL MANAGER (T KIRKWOOD)

DATE 11th MARCH 2015

ISSUE

Council to formally amend the 2014/15 Budget in accordance with section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

BACKGROUND

Council adopted the 2014/15 Budget (Operating and Capital) at its meeting held in June 2014. Since that time, there have been a number of developments and decisions which have required formal amendments to the Budget. One purpose of this report is to capture all those decisions in a single summary document.

In addition, the Tasmanian Audit Office, as part of its 2013/14 Audit Findings, reported that Council's annual financial statement is prepared on a consolidated basis (i.e. incorporates Heritage Building Solutions Pty Ltd and the Heritage Education and Skills Centre Ltd), however the budget which is reported in the Statement is based on Council's operations excluding the subsidiaries.

The Tasmanian Audit office recommended that Council prepare a budget covering all its activities, and this recommendation was endorsed by Council's Audit and Risk Management Committee.

For information, the following is an extract from section 82 'Estimates' of the Local Government Act 1993: In reference to section

82. Estimates

(1) The general manager must prepare estimates of the council's revenue and expenditure for each financial year.

(2) Estimates are to contain details of the following:

- (a) the estimated revenue of the council;*
- (b) the estimated expenditure of the council;*
- (c) the estimated borrowings by the council;*
- (d) the estimated capital works of the council;*
- (e) any other detail required by the Minister.*

(3) Estimates for a financial year must –

- (a) be adopted by the council, with or without alteration, by absolute majority; and*
- (b) be adopted before 31 August in that financial year; and*
- (c) not be adopted more than one month before the start of that financial year.*

(4) A council may alter by absolute majority any estimate referred to in subsection (2) during the financial year.

(5) A council may make adjustments to individual items within any estimate referred to in subsection (2) by a simple majority so long as the total amount of the estimate is not altered.

(6) A council, by absolute majority, may authorise the general manager to make minor adjustments up to specified amounts to individual items within any estimate referred to in subsection (2) so long as the total amount of the estimate is not altered.

(7) The general manager is to report any adjustment and an explanation of the adjustment at the first ordinary meeting of the council following the adjustment.”

DETAIL

Comments are provided in relation to each of the amendments:

Operating Budget:

1. At the time of adopting the Budget, negotiations had not been finalised, nor agreement reached in relation to Council undertaking works on a sub-contract basis to Stornoway under the State Government’s Southern Road maintenance Contract.

The Base contract amounts to \$213,996 per annum.

This amount is to be included as ‘User Charges’ income, with the following expenditure allocated to the Operating Budget (based on 85% expense to deliver to the contract services).

| | |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Employee Costs: | \$105,956 |
| Internal Plant: | \$ 22,880 |
| Materials & Contracts: | \$ 53,060 |
| Total Expenses: | \$181,896 |

2. Landscapes (Natural) Program – recognition of the expenditure associated with the Biodiversity Grant (Grant Income received in 2013/14 – no allowance recognised in Expenses for the unexpended amount of the Grant)

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Income | Nil |
| Employee Costs: | \$ 40,000 |
| Materials & Contracts: | \$345,000 |
| Total Expenses: | \$385,000 |

Note: Expenditure to date has been deducted from the report 'Current Expenditure Estimates' for the reason that it was not incorporated in the Budget.

3. Subsidiaries – Heritage Building Solutions Pty Ltd & Heritage Education & Skills Centre Ltd

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Contract Income | \$750,000 |
| Employee Costs: | \$335,000 |
| Internal Plant: | \$ 60,000 |
| Materials & Contracts: | \$355,000 |

Capital Budget:

1. Sports Ground Lighting (Campania & Oatlands Recreation Grounds) – Approved February 2015

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|------------------|-----------|
| Allocated Budget | \$635,000 |
|------------------|-----------|

2. Subdivision – Reeve Street, Campania – Approved November 2014

Approved contribution towards Stormwater Pipeline construction (upsizing)

| | |
|------------------|-----------|
| Allocated Budget | \$ 35,000 |
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Human Resources & Financial Implications – Refer detail provided.

Community Consultation & Public Relations Implications – N/A

Policy Implications – Nil.

Priority - Implementation Time Frame – 2014/15 Budget and reporting period.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council resolve, by absolute majority, to formally amend the 2014/15 Budget (Operating & Capital) in accordance with section 82 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, and endorse the budget amendments as detailed in the report.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

19. INFORMATION BULLETINS

Refer enclosed Bulletin dated 19th March 2015.

Information Bulletin dated 4th and 13th March 2015, has been circulated since previous meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Information Bulletins dated 4th, 13th and 19th March 2015 be received and the contents noted.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

20. MUNICIPAL SEAL

Nil.

21. CONSIDERATION OF SUPPLEMENTARY ITEMS TO THE AGENDA

Council to address urgent business items previously accepted onto the agenda.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council move into “Closed Session” and the meeting be closed to the public.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

CLOSED COUNCIL AGENDA

22. BUSINESS IN “CLOSED SESSION “

EXCLUDED FROM THE AGENDA PURSUANT TO SECTION 15 (2) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MEETING PROCEDURES) REGULATIONS 2005.

**T F KIRKWOOD
GENERAL MANAGER**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council move out of “Closed Session”.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council endorse the decision made in “Closed Session”.

DECISION

| Vote For | Councillor | Vote Against |
|-----------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| | Mayor A E Bisdee OAM | |
| | Deputy Mayor A O Green | |
| | Clr A R Bantick | |
| | Clr E Batt | |
| | Clr B Campbell | |
| | Clr D F Fish | |
| | Clr A O Green | |
| | Clr D Marshall | |

23. CLOSURE