

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SOUTHERN MIDLANDS
COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21ST APRIL 2015 AT THE BROADMARSH
COMMUNITY HALL, BROADMARSH COMMENCING AT 10:05 A.M.**

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OPEN COUNCIL MINUTES

1. PRAYERS

Mr Bo Pennicott conducted Prayers.

2. ATTENDANCE

Mayor A E Bisdee OAM, Deputy Mayor A O Green, Clr A R Bantick, Clr E Batt, Clr B Campbell, Clr D F Fish and Clr D Marshall

In Attendance: Mr A Benson (Acting General Manager), and Mrs K Brazendale (Executive Assistant).

3. APOLOGIES

Mr T Kirkwood (General Manager)

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 25th March 2015, as circulated, are submitted for confirmation.

C/15/04/005/20013 DECISION

Moved by Clr D F Fish, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT the minutes of the previous meeting of Council held on the 25th March 2015, as circulated, be confirmed; subject to the following amendment. (Item 13.12.1 – issues raised for discussed item 4. High Street – angle parking (between Wellington and Campbell Streets) remains an issue following a recent incident

CARRIED

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	

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:

- **Lake Dulverton & Callington Park Management Committee – meeting held 13th April 2015**

RECOMMENDATION

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

C/15/04/006/20014 DECISION

Moved by Clr D F Fish, seconded by Deputy Mayor A O Green

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

CARRIED

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	

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.

- **Lake Dulverton & Callington Park Management Committee – meeting held 13th April 2015**

RECOMMENDATION

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

C/15/04/007/20015 DECISION

Moved by Clr D F Fish, seconded by Deputy Mayor A O Green

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

CARRIED

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	

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** – Quarterly Report December 2014

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the reports received from the Joint Authority be received.

C/15/04/010/20016 DECISION

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

THAT the reports received from the Joint Authority be received.

CARRIED

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	

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.

C/15/04/011/20017 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr A R Bantick

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED

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	

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. ANZAC Day Services
Oatlands 6.00 a.m. and 11.00 a.m.
Bagdad 6.30 a.m.
Richmond 9.00 a.m.
Kempton 11.00 a.m.

2. Councillor availability for a Workshop – 12th May 2015 (Oatlands 9.30 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.) - Callington Mill Operations, HBS and HESC

- 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*.

Nil.

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 –

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- (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.

The General Manager reported that the following items need to be included on the Agenda. The matters are urgent, and the necessary advice is provided where applicable:-

- ‘In Committee’ (Item 22.2)
- ‘In Committee’ (Item 22.3)
- Clr B Campbell - LGAT Motion (Item 11.1)

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*.

C/15/04/014/20018 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with the above listed 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*.

CARRIED.

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	

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.*

At the time of issuing the Agenda, correspondence had been received from Broadmarsh / Elderslie Progress Association Inc. (refer attached – comment provided below).

This session was held later in the meeting at the prescribed time.

Broadmarsh / Elderslie Progress Association Inc - Refer letter dated 22nd April 2015 (attached)

The Association raises four issues:

1. Speed Limit within Township area - Council as its recent meeting of 25th March made a formal decision 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. This decision has been forward to Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources.
2. Sign at Blackbrush Road – Currently being replaced
3. Update on Church Road Intersection – Mr J Lyall Manager Works & Technical Services will provide a verbal update at the meeting.
4. New Notice Board – Council purchased four new notice boards this year and will purchase a further two more notice boards per year from here on until we replace them all and for this 2015/2016 purchase we have allocated one for Broadmarsh.

SCANNED

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL

Rec'd 23 MAR 2015

File no

Phone: 01

123305

Broadmarsh/Elderslie Progress Assoc. Inc.

*Southern Midlands Council,
High Street,
OATLANDS.*

Dear Sir,

*Items for Discussion At Community Consultation at Council Meeting on
22nd April 2015.*

1. *Speed Limit in Town 70 km to 50 km.*
2. *Sign at Blackbrush Road. (Burnt)*
3. *Up date on Church Road Intersection.*
4. *Notice Board has started to fall apart (water damage)*

*These are some items residents have expressed concerns at our AGM held
2nd March 2015.*

*Please note change of Secretary to M/s Jane Milburn 1194 Elderslie Road,
Broadmarsh \
Hall Bookings Eileen McKenzie 1240 Elderslie Road 62685254 as before.*

*I would like to thanks Council for help & advise given to me over the years
I have been Secretary*

*Eileen McKenzie
Eileen McKenzie
18/3/15*

10.1 PERMISSION TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

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

- 2.00 p.m. Mr G Green – Presentation to Council regarding the Bushlinks 500 Project outcomes. This presentation was to inform Council of the project works that occurred between May 2012 to December 2014. The project received a \$766,400 grant from the Australian Government.

Manager Development & Environmental Services, Damian Mackey as well as Planning Officer David Cundall attended the meeting at 10.35 a.m.

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

11.1 CLR B CAMPBELL – LGAT MOTION

Brush Tail Possum -*Trichosurus vulpecula* Motion:

- 1) That the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) develop and / or source a condensed information guide on "Living with possum" for adoption and use by all councils as a community resource, available on council website.
- 2) That the guide reflects the different approaches in urban and rural residential areas and rural agricultural areas.
- 3) That LGAT work with the State Government (Department of Primary Industries, Water and Environment) to agree and promote a clear and easy contact path for possum related queries.

Currently information on how to legally and appropriately deal with nuisance possums in Tasmania can be difficult to find. The legislative context has changed over recent years as has the research evidence on the best way to manage the human / possum interface.

Background Comments

Possum (Brush Tail)

- 1) The common belief was that a blanket protection order was put in place to protect all possum thus allowing the ring tail possum to increase in numbers. This has not happened in a number of areas where the brush tail possum in greater number thus the ring tail possum has gone into decline and in some areas disappeared. However the brush tail possum is increasing in numbers and in many cases has become a pest.

2) Brush Tail Possum -*Trichosurus vulpecula* Brush tail possum has become a common domestic pest.

A/ Trapping and relocating has not solved the problem as the brush tail possum will fight with fellow brush tail possum and can fight to a painful death.

B. Find its way back to where it was caught in the trap

C. Find its way to another location (unprotected territory) where it will wreak havoc to some ones desired garden.

3) Brush Tail Possum were introduced to New Zealand (1840 or thereabouts) where it is a serious pest and carries bovine tuberculosis (and other diseases that can be spread to humans and livestock). In the mid nineteen eighties the brush tail possum provide New Zealand with a six million dollar fur trade. NZ has been using 1080 to poison brush tail possum with little effect and the possum numbers have increased.

4) When a brush tail possum is suffering from toxicity it will then chew bark from trees especially domestic fruit trees e.g. apple, apricot, plum, mulberry and others. By chewing bark the brush tail possum can survive toxicity even if it has eaten rat poison or snail bait. The big problem with brush tail possum chewing bark of trees is that they can ring bark a tree thus the tree dies. It is also a belief that brush tail possum causes die back in a number of our native tree species and to domestic ornamental and fruit trees. Brush tail are renowned at stripping the leaves and flower of a wide range of domestic plants (including roses, strawberries, brambles, fruit trees etc.) and if this happens in spring when new growth appears and the plant is hit by a spring frost after possum damage the plant usually dies or is left in a state of poor recovery

5) Damage to domestic gardens

When a brush tail possum feeds it will eat blossom, leaves and fruit and will climb to the end of branches thus breaking the branches. Brush tail possum reduce toxicity in their body by chewing the bark on trees. The bark of the trees is the antidote to toxins and the full effects from eating bark can take up to three days sometime longer to kick in and the possum lives to see another day. Brush tail possum will eat a wide range of plants but decline eating red, black and white currants but will eat gooseberries and the fruit of joster berries. Rhubarb if eaten by brush tail possum will be rapid death. Possum do not like "hot plants like nasturtium and Tasmanian native pepper nor do they like plants with strong odours like chrysanthemums nor do they like prickly plants like yucca, hakea and cactus.

NOTE:

With 48% of Tasmania is locked up in parks and world heritage and going by the history of brush tail possum in New Zealand it would be near impossible to send brush tail possum into extinction in Tasmania.

The three main natural predators to brush tail possum on the mainland of Australia are dingoes, carpet python, lace monitor (which we do not want in Tasmania).

DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT

- a) the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) develop and / or source a condensed information guide on ‘Living with possum’ for adoption and use by all councils as a community resource, available on council website.
- b) The guides reflect the different approaches in urban and rural residential areas and rural agricultural areas.
- c) LGAT work with the State Government (Department of Primary Industries, Water and Environment) to agree and promote a clear and easy contact path for possum related queries.

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	√

THE MOTION WAS PUT AND LOST**C/15/04/020/20019 DECISION**

Moved by Clr D Marshall, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT Council place the information as a link to DPIPW on its website.

CARRIED.

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	

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

12.1.1 Development Application for the Adhesion of two land titles at 72 & 70A Main Street, Kempton.

File Reference: T3226478

AUTHOR: PLANNING OFFICER (D CUNDALL)

DATE: 9TH APRIL 2015

ATTACHMENT: Representation

THE PROPOSAL

The Applicant(s) Mr Kly and Ms Blackwell are seeking a Planning Permit to adhere two (2) existing parcels of land at 72 and 70A Main Street Kempton. The adhesion of these two parcels would create a single parcel of land (one title).

The two titles were originally created in 2013. The two titles were created via the subdivision of one former title. The current proposal to adhere these two titles is essentially 'reversing' the original subdivision of 2013 i.e. reverting back to one single title.

The Application is considered at Council's discretion. The application was advertised for the statutory 14 day time frame and received one (1) representation stating an objection to the proposal and questions regarding the adhesion of the land titles.

The proposal plan is included in this report as "Figure 1".

This report will assess the application and address the concerns raised in the representation. The application is recommended for approval.

THE SITE and CURRENT LAND USE

The land is in the Village Zone under the *Southern Midlands Planning Scheme 1998*.

72 Main Street is a 600m² lot fronting onto Main Street and currently contains an occupied dwelling and 70A Main Street is a 719m² vacant 'internal lot' also accessed via Main Street.

The land is adjoined by residential properties.

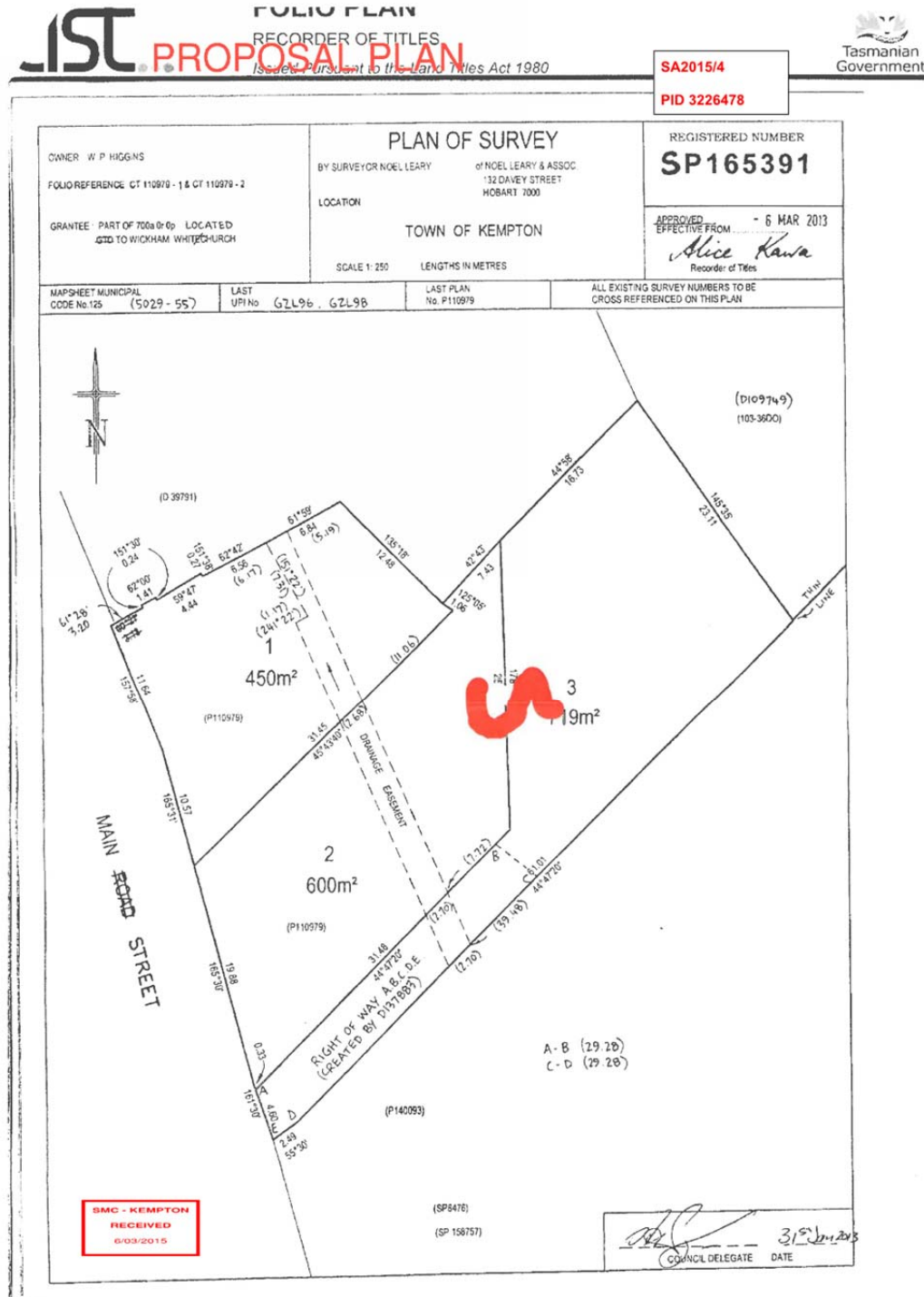


Figure 1: Proposal Plan



Photo 1 – The red roof dwelling is 72 Main Street.



Photo 2 – The red roof dwelling is 72 Main Street. The concrete access, in the foreground, is the access to 70A Main Street.

THE PLANNING SCHEME ASSESSMENT

Zoning

The land is located in the Village Zone.

Statutory Status

The Application is considered at Council's discretion per Section 11.5 of the Scheme, accordingly

- I. May be granted a Planning Permit by Council, with or without conditions, provided it complies with all relevant development standards and does not, by virtue of any other provision of this Scheme, invoke Clause 11.6 (prohibited use or development); or
- II. May be refused a Planning Permit by Council

Extract SMPS 1998

A discretionary use or development must be advertised under Section 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals act 1993* ("the Act").

Public Notification and Representation

The application was advertised, and all adjoining owners notified on the 13th of March 2015 for the statutory 14 day period.

One (1) representation was received. The representation opposes the adhesion of these two land parcels and includes a list of questions about the proposal and adhesion orders. Council Officers consider components of this representation to be a misunderstanding of the proposal.

The Planning Officer contacted the person to acknowledge receipt of the Representation and to answer the questions within. The person did not want to withdraw the representation.

The representation is transcribed in the table below with the personal details omitted. The representation is attached in its entirety (Attachment 2) to this Report for the Elected Members. The comments in the representation (tabled) include a response from the Planning Officer (in *Italics*).

Representation 1	Planning Officer Comment
<p>Dear Sir,</p> <p>Reference: Proposed adhesion of Titles 70a & 72 Main Street Kempton</p> <p>The purpose of this letter to make strong representation against the proposed adhesion of the above titles.</p> <p>.... I find it incomprehensible that</p>	<p><i>The existing lot arrangement is not a Stratum Title. The existing lot arrangement is two individual land titles (created in 2013 via the subdivision of a single title to create two titles). A Stratum Title is defined by separated buildings with land entitlements.</i></p> <p><i>If the landowner adheres these two (2) titles then the land will have only one</i></p>

<p>perhaps less than 12 months since the subdivision of No 72 Main Street was approved, there is now an application before Council to adhere these two titles again.</p> <p>The subdivision was to create a Strata Titled internal block, with all services installed on that land, ostensibly, for future sale and maximum profitability of the land.</p> <p>The fact that the subdivision was approved with an “at all times right of way” access through the newly created No 70a, seems at odds with the independence of the strata title.</p> <p>In order for the owner of No 72, to gain unfettered access to the back yard, needs to purchase 70a, but only conditional upon adhesion of the titles.</p> <p>This further demonstrates that the subdivision of 72 with its now attendant issues, may have been granted without deeper consideration for the issues that have come to light.</p> <p>The question remains as to why No 72 was permitted to be built without rear yard access in the first place.</p> <p>Street Numbering: The numbering of the Title 70a is equally strange to comprehend.</p> <p>The subdivision of No 72 created two titles, with the balance becoming the Strata Title. Why was the Strata Title not numbered in conjunction with No 72?</p> <p>Does the numbering have implications for my adjacent property at Number 70 Main Street?</p> <p>If I were to make application to have my</p>	<p><i>street number. This would be the same street number as the title with the dwelling. i.e. 72 Main Street Kempton.</i></p> <p><i>If the titles are adhered then the ratable amount would be for that amount of land i.e. a single parcel of land/one rated amount.</i></p> <p><i>A renumbering of the street is not necessary as part of this application for an adhesion. The street number for the land (when adhered) will be 72 Main Street. The current 70A would not exist.</i></p>
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<p>property subdivided, would any Strata Title created have the numbering 70A or (a), or indeed 70 (B) (b) or something else altogether, as is the case for newly created 70(a).</p> <p>If the adhesion is approved, does No 70(a) Main Street disappear as a street number but remain on the title, while it is adhered to No 72 Main Street?</p> <p>If I were to purchase the Strata Title land of 70a Main Street, upon application, would adhesion to No 70 Main Street be equally possible?</p> <p>If the current application for adhesion is approved, would a separation of titles be equally approved in the future if a new owner requests separation of the title in order to build on the Strata Title?</p> <p>Rates: As it stands now, there is a rateable amount due on both titles.</p> <p>Would the total rateable amount of both titles be subsumed into one rateable amount equal to the previously rated amount payable of both titles based on total area, or would there be a reduction in rates?</p> <p>Property Values: Would my property value increase, or reduce in value, given that there may be re numbering or removal of street numbers to accommodate the proposed adhesion.</p> <p>Summary: Given the number of questions that require clarification in regards to this application, I remain opposed to the application.</p>	
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ASSESSMENT

Intent of the Village Zone

The intent of the Village Zone is to:

- a) give priority to maintaining Kempton, Bagdad, Campania, Colebrook, Tunbridge, Parattah and Tunnack as local settlements;
- b) allow for a broad range of uses within the settlements provided they do not adversely affect the amenity of the settlement, nor place undue burden on the Council to provide infrastructure services; and
- c) encourage, where possible, the centralisation of future commercial and business development in positions close to existing facilities.

The adhesion of these two titles is considered in accordance with the intent of the zone. The adhesion of the land would revert the land to its former size. This still allows for further residential development on the land, i.e. sheds and amenities or even the stratum title of the land if a second dwelling is built.

Council Officers note there is also sufficient availability of vacant residential land in Kempton thus allowing plenty of land to be developed for other single dwellings.

Access

A requirement of the previous subdivision (2013) was to construct a separate access from Main Street to the property boundary. If the two parcels of land are adhered then there would be two (2) separate accesses to the one title. The distance between the two accesses is approximately 3m. The two accesses are depicted in “Photo 2” of this report.

Ordinarily Council would only allow one access per property. However Council Officers consider the removal of this access unwarranted in this situation for the following reasons:

- The distance between the two accesses is 3m (a short distance). It is therefore unlikely to cause any confusion to motorists in the Main Street or cause any foreseeable traffic or pedestrian safety issues.
- In considering any future road alterations or new access to other properties on Main Street, the short distance between the accesses would mean the two accesses, to the same parcel of land, would be treated as basically the same point of entry onto the roadway.
- It is possible that any future landowner/developer may want to again subdivide the land – therefore the access would need to be, again, reinstated.

- It is possible that any future landowner/developer may want to stratum title two or even three houses. Such development would require an access in the current location (albeit subject to some widening).
- Removal of the access would require a widening of the existing access (to the garage) to allow access to the rear of the property. The widening necessary would be approximately 3m.

SERVICES

As the land was recently subdivided, each lot was afforded separate services i.e power, storm-water, water and sewer connections. These services were installed by the developer at the developer's cost as part of the subdivision works.

The adhesion of titles would mean separate services are no longer warranted.

The water meter will more than likely be removed, by the landowner to negate paying additional/unnecessary TasWater fees. The sewer IO will remain capped and unused. The stormwater connection may or may not be used by any future development. It is not necessary to remove or interfere with the stormwater connection.

CONCLUSION

The Applicant has applied for a Planning Permit to adhere two parcels of land. The two parcels of land were created from a larger single title of land via a subdivision in 2013. Essentially the application is to reverse this arrangement to again create the original larger title.

One representation was received opposing the proposal. Council Officers responded to the person that lodged the representation with answers to the questions posed in the representation. Council Officers have also provided comments within this report. It is considered unnecessary to alter or refuse this application based on the representation.

The proposal is in the Village Zone, this zone encourages the use of the Main Street for both minor commercial development like small shops and services as well as residential use and development. This should continue unaffected by the proposal.

The proposal is recommended for approval subject to standard conditions.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT, in accordance with the provisions of the *Southern Midlands Planning Scheme 1998* and Section 57 of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993, Council approve the application to adhere the land titles described as 70A Main Street Kempton to 72 Main Street Kempton with the following conditions:

CONDITIONS*General*

- 1) The use or development must be carried out substantially in accordance with the application for planning approval, the endorsed drawings and with the conditions of this permit and must not be altered or extended without the further written approval of Council.
- 2) The developer shall submit an “Adhesion Order”, prepared by a suitably qualified person, for execution by the Council to adhere Certificate of Title 165391 Lot 2 to Certificate of title 1365391 Lot 3.

C/15/04/029/20020 DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A O Green, seconded by Clr D Marshall

THAT, in accordance with the provisions of the *Southern Midlands Planning Scheme 1998* and Section 57 of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993, Council approve the application to adhere the land titles described as 70A Main Street Kempton to 72 Main Street Kempton with the following conditions:

CONDITIONS*General*

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CARRIED.

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	

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

**T F KIRKWOOD
GENERAL MANAGER**

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**T F KIRKWOOD
GENERAL MANAGER**

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:

Nil

12.4 PLANNING (OTHER)

12.4.1 Progression of the Draft Southern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme

AUTHOR MANAGER STRATEGIC PROJECTS (D MACKEY)
DATE 16TH APRIL 2015

ENCLOSURE

1. Directions Notice from the Planning Minister, 30 March 2015.
2. Correspondence from Tasmanian Planning Commission, 30 March 2015.

ISSUE

Progression of the Draft Southern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme to declared ‘Interim Planning Scheme’ status.

BACKGROUND

In early 2014 Council submitted its Draft Interim Planning Scheme 2014 to the Minister for Planning requesting that it be declared an Interim Planning Scheme, alongside the eleven other Southern Tasmanian Councils.

The Minister has now issued the formal Directions Notice requesting that Council make certain changes to the draft scheme before it is declared. These are documented in Attachment 1.

The Directions Notice contains amendments to both the Regional Model Planning Scheme provisions, which are common to all twelve Southern Councils, and amendments specific to the Southern Midlands scheme.

- The changes to the Regional Model (Part A in Attachment 1) have been dealt with at the regional level utilising the new planning schemes’ central Content Management System.
- The changes specific to Council’s planning scheme are set out in Part B in Attachment 1. These include changes to both the ordinance and the mapping.

The Tasmanian Planning Commission has also written setting out the administrative procedure (Attachment 2).

DISCUSSION

Significant issues are:

- The removal of the intended new Rural Living (rural residential) zoning at Blackbrush Road. It is note that the Directions Notice encourages Council to

initiate an amendment to the Interim Scheme once it is declared to pursue this matter.

- The removal of the intended new special zone to accommodate the Buddhist Cultural Park at Tea Tree Road. This was anticipated given that the anticipated amendment to the existing planning scheme in 2014 did not eventuate. It is understood the landowners intend to initiate an amendment to pursue this matter once the interim scheme has been declared.
- The inclusion of state-wide overlays in the mapping for the Landslide Code. This was anticipated and is an outcome of a State Government project to address risk from landslide in a consistent way across the State.
- The inclusion of a State Government written Road and Rail Assets Code. This was anticipated and the Southern Councils had left space in their draft interim schemes for this to be incorporated.
- The inclusion of a State Government written Potentially Contaminated Land Code. This was anticipated and the Southern Councils had left space in their draft interim schemes for this to be incorporated.

As can be read in Part B of Attachment 1 there are a range of other changes that have been requested. Many of these are what might be called ‘scheme renovations’ being sensible minor corrections to the current scheme that Council wished to fix but which the Minister has not been able to allow because of the legal limitations of the interim planning scheme mechanism.

It is noted that all of the amendments that were made to the current planning scheme through the course of 2014 have been reflected in the interim planning scheme.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council:

- 1. Agree to make the changes to the Draft Southern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme requested by the Minister for Planning in the Directions Notice dated 30 March 2015;**
- 2. Return the final Interim Scheme to the Minister for Planning as soon as possible seeking declaration.**

C/15/04/035/20021 DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A O Green, seconded by Clr D Marshall

THAT Council:

1. Agree to make the changes to the Draft Southern Midlands Interim Planning Scheme requested by the Minister for Planning in the Directions Notice dated 30 March 2015;
2. Return the final Interim Scheme to the Minister for Planning as soon as possible seeking declaration.

CARRIED.

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	

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.

Nil.

13.10 WASTE

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

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

Nil.

13.11 INFORMATION, COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY

Strategic Plan Reference – Page 17

1.11.1 Improve access to modern communications infrastructure.

Nil.

David Cundall (Planning Officer) left the meeting at 11.10 a.m.

13.12 OFFICER REPORTS – WORKS & TECHNICAL SERVICES (ENGINEERING)

13.12.1 Manager - Works & Technical Services Report

AUTHOR MANAGER – WORKS & SERVICES (J LYALL)

DATE 16TH APRIL 2015

ROADS PROGRAM

Maintenance Grading is being undertaken in the Tunnack area.

Reconstruction works has currently commenced in the Oatlands Township other roads being York Plains Road, Stonor Road, Eldon Road, Woodsdale Road and Ballyhooly Road. Sealing is commencing once hardness has been obtained.

BRIDGE PROGRAM

Rotherwood Road Bridge Refurbishment - discussion with local residents and contractors will take place on day one of the commencement of the project, the 27th April 2015.

WASTE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

All operating well

TOWN FACILITIES PROGRAM

General maintenance as required

The following Works and Technical Services issues were raised for discussion:

- Bus Shelter for Church road intersection
 - Whilst bus shelters have been considered in previous years they have proved to be extremely expensive – Council officers will develop a design and pricing for consideration as a budget item
- Powerpoles at the junction of Elderslie Road and Church Road Broadmarsh
 - Acting General Manager, Andrew Benson provided a briefing to the meeting advising that relocation of the poles was never in the original design budget as the recommendation from the design Engineer was that relocation was not required. This was subject to discussions with TasNetworks (Quotation Approx. \$30,000) and they were advised that no budget allocation is available at this point in time. Council to consider in the next budget.

- Closing of Rotherwood Road time period
 - Acting General Manager, Andrew Benson advised the meeting that he had written to all residents in Rotherwood on three occasions to provide updates and the road closure details. He further advised that such road closures are advertised in the Mercury newspaper and also emergency services are advised (eg Tas Fire Service, Tas Ambulance and Tas Police) Clr Edwin Batt asked that local Fire Brigades be also advised.
- Sandy Lane, Muddy Plains, and Nala Road, new bridges for Tender
 - Acting General Manager provided a briefing to the meeting on the Tender development process and advised that the Tender will be advertised in Saturday 16th May 2015, Tender responses will be presented to the June 2015 Council meeting and installation will commence in September 2015
- Swanston Bridge
 - Acting General Manager advised that a report will be provided to the May Council Meeting including a range of options to address the bridge replacement over the Little Swanport River at Swanston
- Sports Lighting Project – Campania and Oatlands
 - Acting General Manager provided a briefing on the Sports Lighting installation at both sites and advised that there have been notification of setbacks from Tas Networks with the installation.
- Sign Tunnack Main Road on Oatlands has been removed (Oatlands)
 - Works manager will be asked to replace the missing sign

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

C/15/04/039/20022 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr D F Fish

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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	

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.
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14.2.1 Callington Mill Marketing Materials

AUTHORS ACTING GENERAL MANAGER (A BENSON) AND SENIOR VISITOR INFORMATION OFFICERS (J JONES AND L CHIVERS)

DATE 16th April 2015

ATTACHMENTS Printing Quotation
Advertisement – Travelways
Advertisement - Explore

ISSUE

The *Welcome to Oatlands* booklet was developed at the time of the opening of the Callington Mill and is due for a reprint. Pricing has been received and the advertising charge within the brochure requires consideration.

CURRENT

Below are the costing arrangements for the revised booklet;

1. Graphic design (booklet)

\$480 + GST

This includes retrieval and updating of the 2010 artwork to current software standards, making the changes that have been marked, and reworking the layout to accommodate the new advertisers. This doesn't include the design cost for the new ads

2. Graphic design (each new advertisement)

\$60 + GST

There's no charge for minor changes to existing advertisements. It is not known how many new advertisements there are going to be. Based on setting up quarter page advertisements along the lines of the current advertisements, allow for a charge of \$60 each plus GST

3. Printing (10,000 copies)

\$7875 + GST

Attached is the printing quote for various quantities from Foot & Playsted in Launceston: They come highly recommended, very reliable, with competitive prices.

The confirmation of the original 2010 print run is not known, however it was assumed that it was either 5,000 or 10,000 copies.

As can be seen from the unit prices printing 10,000 is a more cost-effective way to go, but not if they go out of date before they are all distributed. It would be meaningful to be aiming at two to three years supply, because after that there are bound to be lots of advertiser changes, if nothing else.

The printing is proposed to be on 100% recycled, Australian made uncoated stock, the same as the interpretive brochures eg the Supreme Court House and the Callington Mill. This will be a better match for the Callington Mill image than the current coated stock. (copies of the booklets/brochures will be available at the meeting)

The decision requiring guidance from Council is in respect of the charge rate for the advertisers. It is suggested that advertisements be charged at the rate of \$200.00 per quarter page advertisement plus GST. It is unsure what the original charge rate to advertisers was.

Investigation of other advertising charges is as follows;

Travelways Publication (Runs for 2 months)
\$185.00 10cm x 3cm size advertisement attached

Explore Publication (Runs monthly)
\$185.00 10cm x 11cm size advertisement - attached

The above publications have been stopped at present.

Heritage Highway Brochures
\$440.00 quarter size

It is understood that the *Welcome to Oatlands* booklet would not have quite the same distribution spread as the Heritage Highway brochure.

The original booklet went to all the Yellow *I* - Visitor Centres, it is also handed to every visitor that comes into the Callington Mill Centre, as they use them as a self-guided tour of Oatlands. Also Tour Company's like to have a copy on hand for when they plan there coach group tours from the mainland.

CONCLUSION

The pricing for advertising in the revised *Welcome to Oatlands* brochure at \$200.00 plus GST represents value for money for advertisers for the distribution of 10,000 copies.

RECOMMENDATION

For discussion and decision

C/15/04/043/20023 DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A O Green, seconded by Clr D Marshall

THAT Businesses within the Oatlands Township area be approached and asked to participate in advertising in the *Welcome to Oatlands* booklet at a cost of \$200.00 plus GST (average). Extra supplies to be purchased from the Council marketing budget.

CARRIED.

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	



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QUOTE NO: 68,591

ATTENTION: Julie Hawkins **DATE:** 23/03/15
CUSTOMER: IN GRAPHIC DETAIL
ADDRESS: 8 UNION STREET
 HOBART
 TAS 7000

JOB TITLE: Welcome to Oatlands Booklet - 32pp + Cover

REFERENCE No:

DESCRIPTION: FINISHED SIZE: 210 x 148mm
 INK: 4 Colour Process
 PAGES: 32pp + Cover
 STOCK: Cover: 210gsm Revive Laser
 Contents: 110gsm Revive Laser
 FINISHING: Saddle Stitched
 ARTWORK: Supplied
 PROOF: Inkjets
 DELIVERY: Oatlands

Quantity :	5,000	10,000	15,000	20,000
Printing(\$)	4,650.00	7,875.00	11,150.00	14,390.00
GST(\$)	465.00	787.50	1,115.00	1,439.00
TOTAL(\$)	5,115.00	8,662.50	12,265.00	15,829.00
Unit Price(\$)	0.93	0.79	0.74	0.72

kindest Regards

Ross Martin

ACCEPTANCE OF QUOTATION SPECIFICATIONS - FAX TO 6332 1444

Having checked the above Quote Specifications, we wish to place an order for: QUANTITY:

ORDER No: Name:..... Signature:

Terms & Conditions

Due to economic conditions beyond our control, we regret that this quotation is subject to review after 30 days. Liability for costs incurred within the total quoted cost begins with the commencement of work preparation to the print job. Cancellation or prolonged delay will incur authors alteration charges and are additional to the original quoted price. Quotation subject to viewing of final artwork. Our terms are strictly net 30 days.

<p>Mob: 0417 640 746 Amen: 2,23,28,D,E,F,H,J,K,L,M,R,T,U,W 2 Guests 1 AU SA \$210</p> <p>ATTRACTIONS</p> <p>TASSIE BLUE BLUEBERRIES 79 Cygnet Coast Road Ph: 03 6295 1795 During the January and February harvest time, pick your own blueberries</p> <p>TRU-BLU BERRIES 78 Cygnet Coast Road Ph: 03 6295 0082 Tru-Blue Berries is a berry farm located at Lymington, south of Hobart in the Huon Valley</p>	<p>MARION BAY</p> <p>✓BEACHBREAKS MARION BAY (CC)ISC 357 Marion Bay Road Ph: 03 6253 5476 Amen: 2,28,D,E,F,H,J,K,O,R,T,U,W 4 Guests 1 AU Apt \$210-\$270 EAA \$30</p> <p>MAYDNA</p> <p>✓GIANTS' TABLE AND COTTAGES (Apt)(CC)ISC 13 Junee Road Ph: 03 6288 2293 Amen: 2,7,8,15,20,23,27,28,29,30,A,C,D,E,F J,K,M,N,R,U,W 42 Guests 7 AU Apt \$150 CH \$10</p>
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www.heritagehighwaytasmania.com.au
www.callingtonmill.com.au

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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

- 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.

Nil.

15.1.1 Heritage Project Officer's Report

AUTHOR MANAGER HERITAGE PROJECTS (B WILLIAMS)

DATE 16TH APRIL 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. The ANZAC commemoration event will be held at Oatlands on the evening of May 13th which will involve a major digital projection installation on the Town Hall.
- Brad Williams will present Council's submission to the Legislative Council's enquiry into built heritage tourism on April 27th.
- Alan Townsend has been providing support to a community group at Pawtella for interpretation of the Pawtella Hall.

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

- Finalising the documentation of the walls project for the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens. A tender has been won for implementing stage one of the recommended works.

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

- Final planning of project rollouts for Brighton, Derwent Valley and Tasman portions of the 5x5x5 project as well as tradesperson engagement. Brighton to commence on 27th April.
- Finalisation of the communications plan for the 5x5x5 project.
- Recruitment of participants for the Brighton and Derwent Valley projects.
- The Chair of the TCF was given a tour of the Brighton, Derwent Valley and Southern Midlands project sites and briefed on progress so far.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the information be received.

C/15/04/048/20024 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr A R Bantick

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

Vote For	Councillor	Vote Against
√	Mayor A E Bisdee OAM	
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15.2 NATURAL**Strategic Plan Reference – Page 23/24**

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 14TH APRIL 2015

ISSUE

Southern Midlands Landcare Unit and GIS Monthly Report

DETAIL

- A meeting of the Midlands Water Scheme Irrigators Representative Committee and Tasmania Irrigation (TI) was held on Wed 25th March. M Weeding attended the meeting. The meeting reviewed 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. It has become apparent that some of the money saved from efficiencies generated at the power station are not been fully passed on to the benefit of the irrigation scheme users. The efficiencies were gained from a design change / improvement at the power station during the construction phase. This arguably means that the scheme irrigators are paying more per megalitre (ML) used than they should have to (estimated to be between \$15 - \$20 per ML). The Representative Committee are in the process of trying to change this ‘embedded revenue’ raising by TI, but it is currently proving to be a difficult issue to resolve.
- A section of the Dulverton Walking track has been upgraded to include a new pathway to a new seat on the Lake foreshore. The seat has been purchased by the Midlands Tree Committee and is a donation to the walking track. New signage will be placed to reflect the changes.
- M Weeding has been pursuing outstanding matters relating to Lake Dulverton between Southern Midlands and Parks and Wildlife, and also with Tas Irrigation re the water outlet.
- Helen Geard has been busy with work for the Heritage 5 x 5 x 5 Project.
- Graham Green has been very busy with mapping work to make the Southern Midlands planning scheme ready for ‘digital interpretation’ of the scheme rather than the viewing the printed map format traditionally used in the past. This is intense work that is very time consuming, but necessary to make the scheme ‘digital ready’.

The work is required to also fit in the changes generated by the updated cadastral system.

- A presentation of the Bushlinks 500 Project outcomes will be presented to Council at the meeting. This presentation will inform Council of the project works that occurred between May 2012 to Dec 2014. The project received a \$766,400 grant from the Australian Government.

RECOMMENDATION

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

C/15/04/050/20025 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr D F Fish

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

CARRIED.

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	

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.

16.9.1 2015/16 Animal Management Fees (incl. Dog Registrations)

AUTHOR ACTING GENERAL MANAGER – (A BENSON)

DATE 16TH APRIL 2015

ISSUE

Adoption of the 2015-16 Animal Management Fees.

BACKGROUND

Dog Registration fees are to be adopted in accordance with Council’s Dog Management Policy and the *Dog Control Act 2000*.

[EXTRACT - MINUTES FROM MAY 2014]

For information, the Animal Control operation provides for the following arrangements:

- Contractor engaged for 17 hours per week during normal Council office hours.
- In addition to this, the Contractor will respond to:
 1. Call-outs and special events as required by the General Manager or his delegate.
 2. Call-outs of an emergency nature, which shall include:
 - a) dog attacks on persons or stock;
 - b) animals impounded or detained by the public and the person(s) concerned are not prepared to house the animal(s) until the next working day; and
 - c) animals straying in areas that are likely to cause danger to the public (e.g. highways).

A mobile telephone is carried at all times for which a standby allowance of \$8 per day is paid. (Cost per annum \$2,920).

The following budget details have been submitted to indicate percentage cost recovery (59%) if the fees remain at the same level. For information, the actual percentage cost recovery budgeted for 2013-14 was 60% (60% in 2012/13).

Budget Details**Expenditure**

Refer Budget Working Paper attached – total expenditure of	\$ 71,164
Income	
- Present level of Fees (estimated)	\$(40,900)
- Infringements	\$(1,300)

Note: Income to date for the Animal Control Program is \$30,022 however a large number of dogs are registered prior to June 30 which is recognised as income this financial year.

Net Cost / Deficit **\$28,964**

There are currently 1,770 registered Dogs. Following Council's decision to introduce a standard fee, it is not possible to provide a breakdown by classification (i.e. Dogs (irrespective of sex) - Not sterilised, Spayed females and Neutered Males, Working Dogs etc).

Note: In relation to cost recovery through the collection of dog registration fees (and associated charges), at the time of considering the schedule of fees for 2013/14, it was queried as to what percentage of the Animal Control Officer's (ACO) time was dedicated to dog management issues, as opposed to other animal control matters (e.g. straying stock, snakes, animal welfare issues etc.) It should also be acknowledged that the ACO undertakes other works related tasks whilst performing his duties

In this regard, last year it was reported that following a basic assessment, approximately 70 to 75% of the Animal Control Officers time would be committed to dog control issues. Based on the increasing number of dog related nuisances and other dog incidents, it is suggested that this percentage would be more like 80 to 85% at the present time.

Based on the recommended increase in registration fees for 2014/15, this would provide an additional \$2,000 in income (not included in estimated income above), which would then increase the percentage cost recovery at 62.0%.

Human Resources & Financial Implications

The following fees and charges were adopted for the 2013-14 financial year:

	<u>Paid by the 31/7/13</u>	<u>Paid after 31/7/13</u>
Pensioners (first dog only)	\$ 13.00	\$35.00
All other Dog Categories	\$ 25.00	\$40.00
Guide Dogs	no charge.	

- Kennel Licence Application Fee - \$120.00
- Kennel Licence Renewal Fee - \$50.00
- Impounding Reclaim Fees - \$20 for the first impounding, \$40 for subsequent impoundings and \$10 per day maintenance

- Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$50.00
- Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00

In reference to Council's Dog Management Policy, refund of registration fees will only be provided for dogs that have died in the current year of registration. Refunds are only available on completion of the appropriate form lodged with Council by the owner of the dog subject of the claim. Any refund provided is on a pro-rata basis as at the time of application.

The Southern Midlands Council will transfer dog registrations from other Tasmanian Councils at no cost to the dog owner, provided the registration is for the same registration period.

Community Consultation & Public Relations Implications – Nil

Southern Midlands Council Web Site - The adopted Fees will be displayed on the Web Site.

Policy Implications - Policy position.

Priority - Implementation Time Frame – It is normal practice for reminder Notices to be issued in late May of each year. Registration fees are due on 1st July.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council adopt the following fees and charges for the 2014-15 period:

	<u>Paid by the 31/7/14</u>	<u>Paid after 31/7/14</u>
Pensioners (first dog only)	\$ 14.00	\$36.00
All other Dog Categories	\$ 26.00	\$42.00
Guide Dogs	no charge.	

- **Kennel Licence Application Fee - \$120.00**
- **Kennel Licence Renewal Fee - \$50.00**
- **Impounding Reclaim Fees - \$20 for the first impounding, \$40 for subsequent impoundings and \$10 per day maintenance**
- **Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$50.00**
- **Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00**

C/14/05/142/19708 DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor M Jones OAM, seconded by Clr M Connors

THAT Council adopt the following fees and charges for the 2014-15 period:

	Paid by the 31/7/14	Paid after 31/7/14
Pensioners (first dog only)	\$ 14.00	\$36.00
All other Dog Categories	\$ 26.00	\$42.00
Guide Dogs	no charge	no charge

- Kennel Licence Application Fee - \$120.00
- Kennel Licence Renewal Fee - \$50.00
- Impounding Reclaim Fees - \$20 for the first impounding, \$40 for subsequent impoundings and \$10 per day maintenance
- Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$50.00
- Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00

CARRIED.

The Animal Management Officer’s hours are consistent with the previous year and the dog registrations have increased from 1770 last year to 1833 currently. Therefore a very modest increase in fees is recommended of a dollar, plus an increase from \$50 to \$100 for a Formal Notice of Complaint, (where the fees are refunded if the compliant is found to be valid). The remaining Fees are recommended to remain unchanged.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council adopt the following fees and charges for the 2015-16 period:

	Paid by the 31/7/15	Paid after 31/7/15
Pensioners (first dog only)	\$ 15.00	\$37.00
All other Dog Categories	\$ 27.00	\$43.00
Guide Dogs	no charge	no charge
* Kennel Licence Application Fee - \$120.00		
* Kennel Licence Renewal Fee - \$50.00		
* Impounding Reclaim Fees - \$20 for the first impounding, \$40 for subsequent impoundings and \$10 per day maintenance		
* Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$100.00		
* Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00		

C/15/04/057/20026 DECISION

Moved by Clr A R Bantick, seconded by Clr B Campbell

THAT Council adopt the following fees and charges for the 2015-16 period:

	Paid by the 31/7/15	Paid after 31/7/15
Pensioners (first dog only)	\$ 15.00	\$37.00
All other Dog Categories	\$ 27.00	\$43.00
Guide Dogs	no charge	no charge

- * Kennel Licence Application Fee - \$120.00
- * Kennel Licence Renewal Fee - \$50.00
- * Impounding Reclaim Fees - \$20 for the first impounding, \$40 for subsequent impoundings and \$10 per day maintenance
- * Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$50.00
- * Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00

CARRIED.

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	

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

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

Nil.

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 TasWater – Expiry of Term as Owners Representative

AUTHORS EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT (K BRAZENDEALE)

DATE 14TH APRIL 2015**ISSUE**

To confirm Council's Owner Representatives to TasWater.

DETAIL

According to TasWater's records, Southern Midlands Council's current term is due to expire on 31st July 2015.

The selection of an Owner's Representative and a Deputy Owner's Representative is a matter for Council. There are essentially two options: Council may reappoint the incumbent in each role for a further term or elect to appoint different persons to these roles.

At the recent Ordinary meeting of Council 24th February 2015, Council nominated Mayor A E Bisdee OAM as the appointment and Deputy Mayor A O Green as proxy.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT TasWater be notified of Councils Appointments.

C/15/04/061/20027 DECISION

Moved by Clr D Marshall, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT Council confirm its appointments being Mayor A E Bisdee OAM and Deputy Mayor A O Green as the proxy.

CARRIED.

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

AUTHOR GENERAL MANAGER (T KIRKWOOD)

DATE 19th MARCH 2015

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.

C/15/04/064/20028 DECISION

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

THAT Council nominate Mayor A E Bisdee OAM as a candidate for the Southern Midlands Electoral District.

CARRIED.

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	

18.2.3 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

Motion 1

Development Approvals – timing for approvals to expire (irrespective of substantial commencement and what constitutes substantial commencement).

The Act:

Subsection 53(5) the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993* provides the following:

- (5) If the use or development in respect of which a permit was granted is not substantially commenced, the permit lapses –
- (a) at the end of a period of 2 years from –
 - (i) the date on which the permit was granted; or
 - (ii) if an appeal has been instituted against the planning authority's decision to grant the permit, the date of the determination or abandonment of the appeal; or
 - (b) if the planning authority has granted an extension under [subsection \(5A\)](#), at the end of a further period of 2 years from the end of the relevant period referred to in [paragraph \(a\)](#); or
 - (c) if the planning authority has granted a further extension under [subsection \(5B\)](#), at the end of a further period of 2 years from the end of the further period of 2 years for which the permit was extended under [subsection \(5A\)](#).
- (5A) If the use or development in respect of which a permit was granted is not, or is unlikely to be, substantially commenced before the permit would otherwise lapse under [subsection \(5\)\(a\)](#), the planning authority may grant (once only) an extension of the period during which that use or development must be substantially commenced.
- (5B) If the use or development in respect of which a permit was granted is not, or is unlikely to be, substantially commenced before the permit would otherwise lapse

under [subsection \(5\)\(b\)](#), the planning authority may grant (once only) a further extension of the period during which that use or development must be substantially commenced.

- (5C)** An application may be made under [subsection \(5A\)](#) or [\(5B\)](#), for an extension of a period during which a use or development in respect of which a permit was granted must be substantially commenced, at any time before the end of the period of 6 months from the day on which the permit has lapsed and, if the extension is granted, the permit is to be taken to not have lapsed on that day.

Timing for Approvals to Expire:

In summary of the above subsection of the Act; the use or development approved under a Planning Permit must be substantially commenced within two years. The planning authority (Council) may grant a maximum of 2 x two-year extensions of time in which the use or development must be substantially commenced. If substantial commencement occurs within the specified period, the Planning Permit will then live forever.

What Constitutes Substantial Commencement?

The issue that is often difficult to determine is: what constitutes ‘substantial commencement’ in a given case? The Act does not attempt to define this term. The practical issue is that approved use and development varies enormously - both in nature and in size. Works or activity that might constitute substantial commencement in one case may not reasonably be considered so in another.

This issue has often been a vexing one for Council planning authorities (and developers) to grapple with and the planning system generally would benefit from a set of statewide guidelines derived from practical experience and legal precedents. It is likely impossible to determine a set of guidelines that would work for all cases, however it may be possible to write guidelines that cover a discrete number of common situations.

Recommendation:

That Council recommend to the LGAT that request the Minister for Planning to endorse a joint State Government-Local Government project to develop a statewide set of legally robust guidelines to assist planning authorities and developers to determine the meaning of ‘substantial commencement’ for a discrete set of the most common types of development & use approved under planning permits.

Motion 2

Development Approvals – intent of applications need to be valid

It would appear to be difficult to develop a test for the ‘valid intention’ of proponents of development.

It is not unusual for Planning Permits to exist but to never be acted upon. This does not necessarily mean that the proponent never intended to act on the permit, or that the submission of the application was not well-intentioned.

If it comes to light that the intention of an application is not legitimate but to use the existence of the planning permit to thwart development on neighbouring land, then might be able to be taken into consideration by the planning authority depending on the ramifications of this happening, the provisions of the planning scheme and the Act.

Motion 3

THAT the Local Government Association of Tasmania, through either a separate working group or through referral to the Animal Management Officers Group, undertake a review of the provisions contained within the *Dog Control Act 2000* relating to the declaration (and subsequent management) of dangerous dogs, with the aim of identifying a more practical, timely, and cost effective process for dealing with dangerous dogs.

Background Comments

Following a declaration of a dangerous dog made by the General Manager in accordance with section 29 of the *Dog Control Act 2000*, the owner of the dog has the right to appeal against the declaration to the Magistrates Court (Administrative Appeals Division) within 14 days after service of the notice.

Firstly, an appeal may take many months to be scheduled before the Magistrates Court (Administrative Appeals Division), and assuming the dog(s) have been impounded pending the conduct of this appeal, significant costs are incurred in pound fees, which the majority of times cannot be recovered from the dog owner.

Note: In a recent case involving the Southern Midlands Council, two dogs were impounded for a period of approximately ten (10 months).

Following the appeal process, and assuming the Magistrate Court (Administrative Appeals Division) confirms the General Manager’s declaration, notice must then be given to the owner to undertake the necessary works to comply with the ‘control of dangerous dog’ provisions prior to releasing the dog(s). The Act provides for a further twenty-eight days to comply with these requirements.

If the owner fails to comply, the General Manager may then proceed to destroy the dog, but prior to doing so must, notify the owner of the general manager's intention to destroy the dog. An owner served with such a notice may, within 14 days after being served with

the notice, appeal to the Magistrates Court (Administrative Appeals Division) against the general manager's decision to destroy the dog.

The Magistrates Court (Administrative Appeals Division) may order that this decision is confirmed or the decision be set aside. A process that may yet again take many months.

Whilst the owner of a dog that is detained is liable for the costs of detaining the dog until it is released or destroyed, in some cases the owner may not have the resources to meet these costs and the Council finally bears the overall cost.

It can be seen that the current process is impractical; time consuming and extremely expensive, particularly given the involvement of the Magistrates Court (Administrative Appeals Division).

Whilst Council fully appreciates and values a persons' appeal rights, a more timely and cost effective system must be identified and implemented.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council determine Motions to be forwarded to the Local Government Association of Tasmania Annual General Meeting.

C/15/04/068/20029 DECISION

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

THAT the Local Government Association of Tasmania, through either a separate working group or through referral to the Animal Management Officers Group, undertake a review of the provisions contained within the *Dog Control Act 2000* relating to the declaration (and subsequent management) of dangerous dogs, with the aim of identifying a more practical, timely, and cost effective process for dealing with dangerous dogs.

CARRIED.

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	

Public Consultation Session

The public consultation session commenced at 12.30 p.m.

One (1) member of the public was in attendance for the public consultation session.

Mr C Williams requested that Councillors move a motion stating that the MeDals Report of last year to be out to public consultation.

Mr Williams attempted to raise issues relating to his quarry application and also attempted to raise a code of conduct issue relating to his quarry application. He was informed that the quarry could not be discussed at this time and that the code of conduct question should be raised directly with the GM outside the meeting.

Deputy Mayor A O Green left the meeting at 12.33 p.m. and returned 12.36 p.m.

During the departure of Mr C Williams another seven (7) members of the public attended the public consultation session.

The following items were discussed

- *Natalie Geard spoke on behalf of the Broadmarsh / Elderslie Progress Association who was elected as president at the last AGM which was well attended.*
 - *Can Council pass onto residents that the speed limit has reduced*
 - *Sight distance pass Blackbrush road – below cliff accidents 5 in last 18 months Can Council review the sight for any required works*
 - *Church Road Intersection update provided by Acting General Manager Andrew Benson*
 - *Bus Service with pull off areas on Church Road*
 - *Road Side slashing and weed management (currently once a year) can this be reviewed*
 - *Broadmarsh Sign at Blackbrush intersections*
 - *Management plan for Hall area – Electric BBQ, Play Equipment, better use of Tennis Court.*
 - *Can Council provide support and funding for this Management Plan*
 - *Very appreciative of the support that has been received from Council*

- *Local are complying heritage information on township and ANZAC information*
- *Probation Station plaque (need to follow up with Brad Williams)*
- *Signage at entrance (sight problem needs moving)*
- *Sydney Cottage Bridge –on notice*
- *Mobile Towers Reception service*

Public consultation session concluded at 1.15 p.m.

The meeting was suspended for lunch and resumed at 2.15 p.m.

Council Presentation – Graham Green

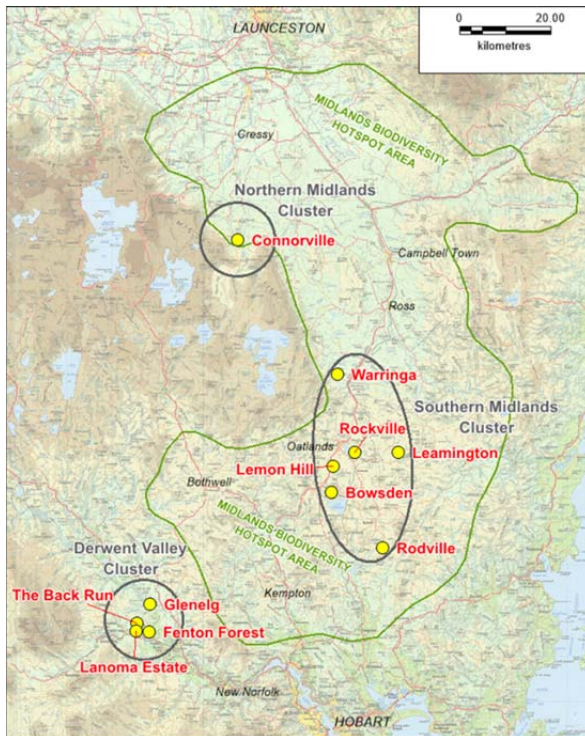
In 2012 Southern Midlands Council received funds of \$766 000 from the Australian Government's Biodiversity Fund Program to undertake environmental work in the Southern Midlands, Derwent Valley and Northern Midlands. Project partners were NRM South and Natural Resource Planning.

Project Aims

- **Protection** of important vegetation remnants through provision of fencing & resources to control threats such as gorse target 400 hectares
- **Revegetation** using native trees, shrubs & grasses between protected remnants - target 100 hectares

Project Sites

An open and transparent process was utilised to select Project sites using the Regional Ecosystem Model developed by Project partner, Natural Resource Planning. Site works were undertaken on 11 properties. All site works and ongoing obligations between relevant parties are detailed in management agreements which are valid for 5 years. NRM South is the custodian of the Management Agreements. Southern Midlands Council has an ongoing role in terms of monitoring the success of site works.



Social and Economic Outcomes

Bushlinks 500 project work generated a lot of employment through its planning and implementation phases as summarised below:

Employment	
Project management	3 organisations (5 people)
Administration and auditing	2 organisations (3 people)
Weed management	2 local contractors (3 people)
Tree planting	4 local contractors (18 people)
Fencing contractors	3 contractors (6 people)
Site preparation (spraying)	3 contractors (4 people)
Site preparation (mound ploughing)	3 contractors (4 people)
Materials	
Fencing materials	2 local suppliers
Tree stakes	2 local sawmillers
Horticultural materials	4 suppliers
Plants and seed	
Native tree & shrub tube stock	5 local nurseries
Native perennial grass seed	1 supplier

Environmental Outcomes

Bushlinks500 exceeded its targets for on-ground environmental outcomes:

Activity	Project Target	Achieved (hectares)
Revegetation	100	126
Remnant vegetation protection	400	431
Total	500	557

Bushlink500 Project statistics:

Trees planted	18,920
Native grass seedlings planted	54,320
Native grass seed sown	157 kg
Area of gorse controlled	54 hectares
Fencing for protection of sites	55 km



The presentation concluded at 2.50 p.m. and the meeting resumed

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

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

18.3.1 Monthly Financial Statement (March 2015)**AUTHOR** FINANCE OFFICER (C PENNICOTT)**DATE** 16TH APRIL 2015

Refer enclosed Report incorporating the following: -

- a) Statement of Comprehensive Income – 1st March 2015 to 31st March 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 7th April 2015
- e) Cash Flow Statement – March 2015

*Note: Expenditure figures provided are for the period 1st March to 31st March 2015 – approximately 75% of the period.***Comments****A. Current Expenditure Estimates (Operating Budget)****Strategic Theme – Growth**

- **Sub-Program – Business** - expenditure to date (\$188,170– 284.03%). 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 (\$304,999 – 80.08%). Expenditure includes costs relating to removal of trees at Campania Recreation Ground and removal of power poles Kempton recreation Ground.

Strategic Theme – Community

- **Sub-Program – Capacity** - expenditure to date (\$31,888 –91.04%). 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 (\$22,263 – 218.26%). 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 (\$1,571,588 – 78.79%). 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.

C/15/04/075/20030 DECISION

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

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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	

STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD
1st JULY 2014 to 31ST MARCH 2015

	Annual Budget	Year to Date as at 31ST MARCH	%	Comments
Income				
General rates	\$ 4,384,707	\$ 4,387,424	100.1%	Budget includes Interest & Penalties to be imposed to end of June 2015
User Fees (refer Note 1)	\$ 614,813	\$ 496,199	80.7%	
Interest	\$ 245,000	\$ 154,470	63.0%	
Government Subsidies	\$ 27,750	\$ 7,570	27.3%	Heavy Vehicle Licence Fees & Road Rescue MAIB reimbursements
Contract Income	\$ -	\$ -	0.0%	
Other (refer Note 2)	\$ 308,188	\$ 344,231	111.7%	
Sub-Total	\$ 5,580,458	\$ 5,389,894	96.6%	
Grants - Operating	\$ 3,250,402	\$ 2,442,081	75.1%	FAGS Grant \$3.245K
Total Income	\$ 8,830,860	\$ 7,831,975	88.7%	
Expenses				
Employee benefits	\$ 3,851,335	\$ 2,344,146	60.9%	Less Roads - Resheeting Capitalised
Materials and contracts	\$ 2,729,768	\$ 2,466,515	90.4%	Less Roads - Resheeting Capitalised, Includes Land Tax
Depreciation and amortisation	\$ 2,654,000	\$ 1,990,500	75.0%	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	\$ 215,974	94.6%	Higher than budget due to Private Works expenditure
Total expenses	\$ 9,694,818	\$ 7,133,761	73.6%	
Surplus (deficit) from operations	-\$ 863,958	\$ 698,213	-80.8%	
Grants - Capital (refer Note 3)	\$ 445,234	\$ 21,000	4.7%	
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	\$ 960,127.0	-230.7%	

NOTES

1. Income - User Fees (Budget \$614,813) includes:

- All other Programs	\$	296,813	\$	259,382	87.4%
- Carlington Mill	\$	318,000	\$	236,817	74.5% Actual Income Received (i.e. excluding Debtors)
	\$	614,813	\$	496,199	

2. Income - Other (Budget \$308,188) includes:

- Income (Private Works)	\$	76,188	\$	220,001	288.8%
- 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
	\$	308,188	\$	344,231	

3. Grant - Capital (Budget \$445,234) includes:

- Roads To Recovery Grant	\$	445,234	\$	16,000	3.6% To be claimed in March 2015
- DEDTA Economic Development Plan	\$	-	\$	5,000	
	\$	445,234	\$	21,000	4.7%

Note:

Operating Grants

- School Holiday Program	\$	-	\$	2,400
- Communities For Children	\$	-	\$	1,091
- Station Park Kempton	\$	-	\$	880
- ANZAC Memorial Grant	\$	-	\$	7,000
- Australia Day Awards	\$	-	\$	1,973
- Healthy Communities Initiative	\$	-	\$	3,604
			\$	16,947

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL : CURRENT EXPENDITURE 2014/15

SUMMARY SHEET

PROGRAM	TOTAL	REVISED BUDGET (GRANTS & OTHER REIMBURSEMENTS)	ACTUAL AS AT 31st MARCH 2015 75%	VARIANCE (+/-)	% BASED ON REVISED BUDGET 100%
INFRASTRUCTURE					
Roads	3044345	3044345	2388502	655843	78.46%
Bridges	415869	415869	295302	120567	71.01%
Walkways	178627	178627	114719	63908	64.22%
Lighting	89995	89995	64350	25645	71.50%
Irrigation	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Drainage	77923	77923	55919	22004	71.76%
Waste	575204	575204	388652	206552	64.09%
Public Toilets	56304	56304	31422	24882	55.81%
Communications	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Signage	12300	12300	2565	9735	20.85%
INFRASTRUCTURE TOTAL:	4450567	4450567	3321430	1129137	74.63%
GROWTH					
Residential	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Mill Operations	550291	550291	313960	236331	57.05%
Tourism	201345	201345	132472	68873	65.79%
Business	66250	66250	188170	-121920	284.03%
Agriculture	5493	5493	0	5493	0.00%
Integration	25350	25350	0	25350	0.00%
GROWTH TOTAL:	848729	848729	634602	214127	74.77%
LANDSCAPES					
Heritage	304709	304709	169580	135129	55.65%
Natural	147816	147816	74137	73679	50.16%
Cultural	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Regulatory	832085	832085	605848	226237	72.81%
Climate Change	37739	37739	4251	33488	11.26%
LANDSCAPES TOTAL:	1322349	1322349	853817	468532	64.57%
LIFESTYLE					
Youth	205731	205731	89457	116274	43.48%
Aged	1500	1500	1332	168	88.78%
Childcare	7500	7500	5071	2429	67.61%
Volunteers	34500	34500	21672	12829	62.82%
Access	6520	6520	0	6520	0.00%
Public Health	7826	7826	1584	6242	20.25%
Recreation	380880	380880	304999	75881	80.08%
Animals	70090	70090	48959	21131	69.85%
Education	0	0	0	0	0.00%
LIFESTYLE TOTAL:	714547	714547	473074	241473	66.21%
COMMUNITY					
Retention	0	0	0	0	0.00%
Capacity	35025	35025	31888	3137	91.04%
Safety	56650	56650	31424	25226	55.47%
Consultation	5070	5070	5079	-9	100.18%
Communication	12125	12125	5907	6218	48.72%
COMMUNITY TOTAL:	108870	108870	74299	34571	68.25%
ORGANISATION					
Improvement	10200	10200	22263	-12063	218.26%
Sustainability	1994595	1994595	1571588	423007	78.79%
Finances	244963	244963	141324	103639	57.69%
ORGANISATION TOTAL:	2249758	2249758	1735175	514583	77.13%
TOTALS	9694820	9694820	7092397	2602423	73.16%

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PROGRAM 2014-15 AS AT 31 MARCH 2015				BUDGET	EXPENDITURE	VARIANCE	COMMENTS
INFRASTRUCTURE							
ROAD ASSETS							
Resheeting Program		Roads Resheeting (40.00 kms x 5.5 x 150mm x \$20 m3)	\$ 600,000	\$ 357,727	\$ 240,493		
	C1020044	Dares Road - Woodsdale Resheeting		\$ 1,780			
Reseal Program		Roads Resealing (as per agreed program)	\$ 300,000	\$ -	\$ 300,000		
Reconstruct & Seal		Colebrook					
		Eldon Road - Vicinity Of Norm Housgos (200m)	\$ 26,400		\$ 26,400		
		Outlands					
	C1010027	Stonor Road (Vicinity Of Halls) - 250metres	\$ 33,000	\$ -	\$ 33,000		
Remove / Cut Bank Bank (DIER)		Woodsdale Road / Tunnack Main Rd Junction (30 mm Overlay)	\$ 6,400	\$ -	\$ 6,400		
		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	\$ 6,185	\$ 33,190		
		Ballyhooly Road (end of Bridge) - 100 metres	\$ 13,750	\$ -	\$ 13,750		
Minor Seals (New)	C1020030	Nunns Road - Junction with Elderslie Main Road	\$ 7,000	\$ -	\$ 7,000		
	C1020031	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		
		Yarlington Road - Realignment	\$ 20,000	\$ 11,023	\$ 8,977	Budget Incls. \$11,023 expended 13/14	
	C1020035	Estate Road (Survey Investigation Only - \$5,000)	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000		
	C1020037	Hall Lane, Bagdad - widening	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000		
	C1020038	Chauncy Vale Road, Bagdad	\$ 20,000	\$ -	\$ 20,000		
		Other:	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		
Junction Road Realignment/ O	C1020026	Church Road -Realign (Intersection with Elderslie Road) - Survey &	\$ 211,000	\$ 32,354	\$ 178,646	Budget Incls. \$16,044 expended 13/14	
	C1020040	Interlaken Road- Corner Realignment (Rockton)	\$ 20,000	\$ 6,692	\$ 13,308		
	C1010036	Green Valley Road - Widening	\$ 83,000	\$ -	\$ 83,000		
	C1010037	Campania - Reeve St / Clime Street	\$ 25,600	\$ 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	\$ 17,248	\$ 3,002		
		Tunbridge Main Road Verge	\$ 3,000	\$ -	\$ 3,000		
	C1010039	Woodsdale Road - Landslip Area (vicinity Scotts Quarry)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000		
	C1010042	Guard Railing Quarry Town Road	\$ -	\$ 6,225	\$ (6,225)	Replacement - Truck Accident	
		Woodsdale Road - Landslip Area(s) - Engineering Assessment	\$ 9,700	\$ -	\$ 9,700		
		York Plains Road (Camber adjustment)	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000		
			\$ 1,641,475	\$ 446,775	\$ 1,194,700		

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		BUDGET	EXPENDITURE	VARIANCE	COMMENTS	
BRIDGE ASSETS	C1030003	Brown Mountain Road (Coal River B637)	\$ 436,272	\$ 442,762	\$ (6,490)	
	C1030023	Swanston Road - Little Swanport Rv (B 1716)	\$ 336,335	\$ 3,225	\$ 333,110	
	C1030028	Rotherwood Road Bridge (No. 1137)	\$ 156,340	\$ 28,382	\$ 127,958	
	C1030029	Elderslie Rd - Jordan River B486	\$ -	\$ 200	\$ (200)	
	C1030030	Jones Rd (B5083)	\$ -	\$ 1,189	\$ (1,189)	
	C1030041	Kheme Road (Birralee Creek B5175)	\$ 142,600	\$ -	\$ 142,600	
	C1030044	Grahams Creek Road (Grahams Creek B2510) Elderslie Road	\$ 81,672	\$ 1,304	\$ 80,368	
	C1030045	Daniels Road - Marshalls Crk	\$ 26,440	\$ -	\$ 26,440	
		Noyes Road (Limekiln Creek)	\$ 60,129	\$ -	\$ 60,129	
	C1030006	Fields Road Bridge (B1851)	\$ -	\$ 1,489	\$ (1,489)	
	C1030049	Inglewood Road (Tin Dish Rivulet B4289)	\$ 212,650	\$ 459	\$ 212,191	
	C1030048	Muddy Plains Road (Summerfield Creek B417)	\$ 107,290	\$ 459	\$ 106,831	
	C1030050	Nala Road (Kittys Rivulet B4264)	\$ 107,290	\$ 459	\$ 106,831	
	C1030012	Sandy Lane (Red Rocks Race B4198)	\$ 56,950	\$ 459	\$ 56,491	Roads to Recovery 484,180
			\$ 1,723,968	\$ 480,365	\$ 1,243,603	
WALKWAYS		Footpaths - General (Program to be confirmed)	\$ 40,000	\$ -	\$ 40,000	
		Campania Township				
	C1040005	- Reeve Street (Vicinity of Store)	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	
	C1040005	- Reeve Street (500 metres)	\$ 80,000	\$ 8,386	\$ 71,614	
		- Review Management Plan (Site Plan) / Walking Tracks (Bush F	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	
		Oatlands Township				
	C1040019	- Esplanade (Roadside Stopover to Infant School)	\$ 9,100	\$ 9,681	\$ (581)	
		- High Street (Vicinity of School)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	
		- High Street (Vicinity of Pancake Parlour)	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000	
		- Church Street (K&G renewal)	\$ 15,000	\$ -	\$ 15,000	
		Tunbridge Township				
		- Various (to be confirmed)	\$ 7,800	\$ -	\$ 7,800	
		Colebrook Township				
	C1010005	- Richmond Street	\$ -	\$ 39	\$ (39)	
	C1040015	- Kerb & Gutter (Footpath Improvements)	\$ -	\$ 372	\$ (372)	
		Parattah Township				
		- Tunnack Main Road (Link footpath existing to Bailey's Rd)	\$ 8,000	\$ -	\$ 8,000	
			\$ 195,900	\$ 18,478	\$ 177,422	
IRRIGATION		Mt Pleasant Rec Ground (10ML) - Balance	\$ 8,262	\$ 1,528	\$ 6,734	
			\$ 8,262	\$ 1,528	\$ 6,734	

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			BUDGET	EXPENDITURE	VARIANCE	COMMENTS
DRAINAGE	Bagdad					
		- Midland Hwy/ Swan St Drainage (McShane Property)	\$ 22,500	\$ -	\$ 22,500	
	C1090013	- Swan Street - Kerb & Gutter (eastern & western side)	\$ 241,882	\$ 129,639	\$ 112,244	Budget - allocated in 2013/14
	C1090022	- Hyland Crescent	\$ -	\$ 14,351	\$ (14,351)	
		Campania				
	C1090008	- Reeve Street Open Drain (North Of Telephone Box)	\$ 45,000	\$ 44,792	\$ 208	
		Colebrook				
		- Franklin Street (Stormwater)	\$ -	\$ 100	\$ (100)	
		Oatlands				
		- Barrack Street(towards Mason St)	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	
		- High St/Wellington Street Junction	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	Included in costings for Wellington St
	C1090023	- Stanley Street / Lake Dulverton - Extension	\$ 13,000	\$ 11,052	\$ 1,948	Project Completed
C1090019	- Wellington Street (150 metres - kerb replacement)	\$ 12,000	\$ 25,000	\$ (13,000)	Refer above (additional \$5K) - project completed	
	- William Street (Church St to Gay St)	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000		
		\$ 359,382	\$ 224,934	\$ 134,448		
WASTE	C110001	Waste Receptives	\$ 7,500	\$ 9,117	\$ (1,617)	
			\$ 7,500	\$ 9,117	\$ (1,617)	
PUBLIC TOILETS	C1110001	Colebrook - Power Connection & Lighting	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	
		Campania - Urinal / Plumbing / External Shower Head	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ 4,000	
			\$ 9,000	\$ -	\$ 9,000	
SIGNAGE	C113001	Municipal Boundary (Brighton Bypass)	\$ 2,500	\$ 2,657	\$ (157)	Project Completed
			\$ 2,500	\$ 2,657	\$ (157)	
RESIDENTIAL	C201001	Kandara Court Subdivision (Stages 1 and 2)	\$ -	\$ 39,895	\$ (39,895)	Long-term WIP (pending Property Sales)
			\$ -	\$ 39,895	\$ (39,895)	
MILL OPERATIONS		Visitor Centre - Appliances	\$ -	\$ 1,814	\$ (1,814)	
			\$ -	\$ 1,814	\$ (1,814)	
HERITAGE	C3010002	Callington Mill (Master Precinct Plan)	\$ 20,000	\$ 1,260	\$ 18,740	
	G3010007	Southern Midlands Probation Station	\$ -	\$ 7,506	\$ (7,506)	Grant Funded
	C3010008	Commissariat (79 High Street)	\$ 89,500	\$ 3,423	\$ 86,077	
		Oatlands Gaol - Minor Capital Works	\$ 7,000	\$ 4,508	\$ 2,492	
	C3010009	Kempton Watch House (Fitout)	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500	
			\$ 124,000	\$ 16,697	\$ 107,303	
LANDSCAPES NATURAL	C3020004	Lake Dulverton - Improvements	\$ -	\$ 6,232	\$ (6,232)	
		Chauncy Vale - Day Dawn Cottage (Toilet Upgrade)	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	
			\$ 5,000	\$ 6,232	\$ (1,232)	

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			BUDGET	EXPENDITURE	VARIANCE	COMMENTS	
REGULATORY	C3040001	Kempton Council Chambers - Building & Office Improvements	\$ 8,954	\$ -	\$ 8,954		
	C3040001	Kempton Council Chambers - Office Equipment	\$ 3,000	\$ 1,438	\$ 1,562		
	C3040001	Kempton Council Chambers - Carpet & Flooring	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,700	\$ 2,300		
	C3040001	Kempton Council Chambers - External Repainting	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500		
			\$ 24,454	\$ 4,138	\$ 20,316		
LIFESTYLE	RECREATION	C4070001	Parattah Recreation Ground - Grandstand	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	
		C4070001	Parattah Recreation Ground - Demolish External Toilets	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000	
		C4070003	Campania Recreation Ground	\$ -	\$ 1,293	\$ (1,293)	
		C4070005	Recreation Committee	\$ 15,000	\$ 13,539	\$ 1,461	
		C4070005	Campania Hall - Internal Painting (Committee Contribution)	\$ (4,498)	\$ -	\$ (4,498)	
		C4070005	Mangalore Hall- Kitchen Amenities	\$ 3,300	\$ 2,636	\$ 664	
		C4070005	Mangalore - Bore Water	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500	
		C4070008	Campania Hall - Internal Painting	\$ 8,995	\$ 8,995	\$ -	
		C4070011	Oatlands Town Hall	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
		C4070016	Colebrook Recreation Ground (Amenities)	\$ 25,000	\$ -	\$ 25,000	
		C4070017	Kempton Memorial Hall	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,175	\$ 3,825	
		C4070019	Kempton Recreation Ground	\$ -	\$ 2,104	\$ (2,104)	
			Tunnack - Recreation Ground (Upgrade Toilets)	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000	
		C4070022	Playspace Strategy - Alexander Circle & Lyndon Road	\$ 10,000	\$ 4,830	\$ 5,170	
		C4070024	Lyndon Road - BBQ Shelter	\$ 10,000	\$ 5,451	\$ 4,549	
		C4070025	Alexander Circle Park - BBQ Shelter	\$ -	\$ 10,307	\$ (10,307)	
		C4070026	Tunbridge Park - BBQ Shelter	\$ 10,000	\$ 24,818	\$ (14,818)	
		C4070027	Oatlands Recreation Ground Flood Lights	\$ -	\$ 25,608	\$ (25,608)	Ground Lighting - Budget Amendment
		C4070028	Campania Recreation Ground Flood Lights	\$ -	\$ 49,873	\$ (49,873)	Ground Lighting - Budget Amendment
		C4070029	Lone Pine Park Oatlands	\$ -	\$ 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	\$ 166,549	\$ (36,052)		
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	\$ 1,717	\$ 5,683		
	C6020007	Council Chambers - Building Improvements	\$ 7,500	\$ -	\$ 7,500		
	C6020007	Town Hall (General) - incl. Office Equip/Furniture	\$ 8,000	\$ 4,806	\$ 3,194		
		Council (Notebooks/Tablets)	\$ 6,000	\$ -	\$ 6,000		
	C6020007	Photo Reframing	\$ 1,500	\$ -	\$ 1,500		
	C6020010	Municipal Revaluation	\$ -	\$ 49,000	\$ (49,000)		
WORKS		Kempton Depot - Furnishings	\$ 5,000	\$ 2,818	\$ 2,182		
		Kempton Depot - Rewiring	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ 10,000		
		Depot Relocation	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 5,000		
	C9990002	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	\$ 360,167	\$ 173,653		
		GRAND TOTALS	\$ 4,768,758	\$ 1,779,347	\$ 2,989,411		

SOUTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL				
SUMMARY OF RATES AND CHARGES LEVIED, REMITTED AND COLLECTED				
	This Financial Year 8th April 2015		Last Financial Year 7th April 2014	
Arrears brought forward as at July 1		\$ 431,103.63		\$ 352,040.89
ADD current rates and charges levied		\$ 4,326,873.65		\$ 4,142,807.56
ADD current interest and penalty		\$ 57,491.78		\$ 62,979.84
TOTAL rates and charges demanded	100.00%	\$ 4,815,469.06	100.00%	\$ 4,557,828.29
LESS rates and charges collected	81.22%	\$ 3,911,063.26	79.24%	\$ 3,611,826.07
LESS pensioner remissions	4.52%	\$ 217,665.10	4.58%	\$ 208,552.64
LESS other remissions and refunds	-0.19%	-\$ 9,253.81	-0.18%	-\$ 8,312.06
LESS discounts	0.45%	\$ 21,649.34	0.39%	\$ 17,782.22
TOTAL rates and charges collected and remitted	86.00%	\$ 4,141,123.89	84.03%	\$ 3,829,848.87
UNPAID RATES AND CHARGES	14.00%	\$ 674,345.17	15.97%	\$ 727,979.42

	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (July 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (August 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (September 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (October 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (November 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (December 2014)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (January 2015)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (February 2015)	INFLWS (OUTFLOWS) (March 2015)	INFLWS (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	- 233,697.11	- 2,390,829.45
Materials and contracts	- 521,480.45	- 306,375.10	- 373,753.54	- 428,830.09	- 164,442.42	- 227,023.86	- 276,792.28	- 305,409.87	- 180,516.73	- 2,784,624.34
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	- 28,376.38	- 336,482.93
	- 824,505.72	- 595,009.97	- 678,946.31	- 751,391.38	- 596,401.05	- 511,846.13	- 572,557.22	- 566,090.35	- 442,590.22	- 5,539,338.35
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	364,467.93	4,007,420.35
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	58,415.57	632,969.21
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	16,728.84	154,470.48
Subsidies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,570.00
Other revenue grants	-	812,046.89	-	3,490.91	-	5,000.00	278.45	-	23,196.27	844,012.52
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	32,805.12	45,274.63
	112,773.72	1,037,584.56	1,838,348.56	415,599.81	618,933.96	206,125.47	489,326.44	469,640.94	503,183.73	5,691,717.19
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	60,593.51	152,378.84
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	- 127,672.61	- 1,113,077.08
Proceeds from sale of property, plant & equipment	-	14,720.91	13,636.36	31,863.63	-	180,392.83	-	-	-	240,613.73
Proceeds from Capital grants	-	-	-	-	810,415.98	-	-	808,848.61	-	1,619,264.59
Proceeds from Investments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	- 127,672.61	746,801.24
Cash flows from financing activities										
Repayment of borrowings	- 4,262.22	-	-	-	10,723.83	- 37,808.03	-	-	-	52,794.08
Proceeds from borrowings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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	67,079.10	846,386.00
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	8,906,246.90	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	8,839,167.80	8,839,167.80

19. INFORMATION BULLETINS

Refer enclosed Bulletin dated 16th April 2015.

Information Bulletin dated 2nd April 2015 circulated since previous meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Information Bulletins dated 2nd April 2015 and 16th April 2015 be received and the contents noted.

C/15/04/085/20031 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr D F Fish

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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	

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.

C/15/04/086/20032 DECISION

Moved by Clr B Campbell, seconded by Clr A R Bantick

THAT the information be received.

CARRIED.

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	

CLOSED COUNCIL MINUTES

22. BUSINESS IN “CLOSED SESSION “

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

**T F KIRKWOOD
GENERAL MANAGER**

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**T F KIRKWOOD
GENERAL MANAGER**

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council move out of “Closed Session”.

C/15/04/091/20034 DECISION

Moved by Clr A R Bantick, seconded by Clr E Batt

THAT Council move out of “Closed Session”.

CARRIED.

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	

RECOMMENDATION

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

C/15/04/091/20035 DECISION

Moved by Deputy Mayor A O Green, seconded by Clr B Campbell

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

CARRIED.

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	

23. CLOSURE 3.45 p.m.