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AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 15th February 2011

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 15th February 2011, commencing at 9.00am.

I certify under S65(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 that the matters to be discussed under this agenda have been, where necessary, the subject of advice from a suitably qualified person and that such advice has been taken into account in providing any general advice to the Council.

Lyn Eyles
General Manager

1.0 OPENING

2.0 PRESENT

3.0 APOLOGIES

4.0 IN ATTENDANCE

4.1 GUEST SPEAKERS

9.30am – Mr Geoff Frier – Community Road Safety Partnerships Program

10.00am – Mr Malcolm Crosse – Fly Fishing Australia – Commonwealth Fly Fishing Championships 2012

5.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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6.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

Tuesday 18th January 2011	• Council Meeting – Hamilton
Tuesday 25th January 2011	• Hon Lara Giddings – Reception Australia Day
Wednesday 26th January 2011	• Australia Day Celebrations – Gretna • New Norfolk Pacing Club – Australia Day Race Meeting – Presented Trophies – Betty Knight (Winner – Irene Glover. Don Knight – Stakes
Saturday 29th January 2011	• Ellendale Hall Meeting • Great Lake Community Centre – Function "Highland Fling"
Wednesday 2nd February 2011	• Meeting Mr Jim Allwright – NRM/Landcare • Meeting with Mr John Brimble and Deputy Mayor Andrew Downie
Thursday 3rd February 2011	• Southern Water – Acting General Manager
Tuesday 8th February 2011	• LGAT "Truck Tenders" Workshop with Deputy Mayor & General Manager • Bothwell Tourism Association Function celebrating Lou tenant Laycock's stop-over in Bothwell on his journey from Launceston – Hobart
Friday 11th February 2011	• Government House Reception

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	Saturday 12th February 2011	• Relay for Life – Gretna • Official welcome – Country Women's Association – Annual Fair
6.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS	**Clr A J Downie** 26th January 2011	• Australia Day Ceremony at Gretna
	28th January 2011	• Southern Waste Briefing on SWSA Review
	2nd February 2011	• Meeting with Bothwell Postmaster
	7th February 2011	• Meet Mayor and Employee at Hollow Tree
	8th February 2011	• Truck Tender Workshop at Kingborough
	9th February 2011	• Waste committee at Bothwell
6.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS	18th January 2011	• Council meeting – Hamilton
	9th February 2011	• Truck Tender Workshop – Kingborough
6.3 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS		
6.4 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS		

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6.5 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they or a close associate have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary or pecuniary detriment) in any item of the Agenda.

6.6 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

7.0 MINUTES

7.1 RECEIVAL MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT the minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of **Council** held on **Tuesday 18th January 2011** be **received.**

Carried

7.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT the minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of **Council** held on **Tuesday 18th January 2011** be **confirmed.**

Carried

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7.3 BUSINESS ARISING	
7.4 COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT	Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr** **THAT** the **Community & Economic Development Report** be **received.** **Carried**
7.4.1 AUSTRALIA DAY 2011 & 2012	**For discussion**
7.4.2 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL TOURISM ACTION COMMITTEE	**For information**
7.4.3 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS CITIZENSHIP CEREMONIES	**For information**
7.4.4 BUSINESS START UP WORKSHOP – BOTHWELL	**For information**
7.4.5 GRANTS	**For discussion**
7.4.6 PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE FOR MIENA TOURISM GROUP	**For discussion**
8.0 WORKS & SERVICES	Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr** **THAT** the **Works & Services Report** be **received.** **Carried**

8.1 STOCK GRID ON WOOLPACK ROAD

9.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT the **Finance Report** be **received.**

Carried

9.1 DISCUSSION

9.2 REQUEST FOR REMISSION OF SOLID WASTE CHARGE – PROPERTY NUMBER: 01-0805-02781

A request has been received from the owners of a commercial property at Derwent Bridge for a remission of the current solid waste charge of $118.00 and arrears of $275.50 this business has their own contract for rubbish removal which includes visitors waste. As there is no alternative waste collection implemented to date the owners believe that it is not fair to charge them on what they already pay (in excess of $700 per annum).

For discussion

10.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

In accordance with Regulation 25(1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT the **Development & Environmental Services Report** be **received.**

Carried

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10.1 DA 2010/44 : PEACOCK DARCEY & ANDERSON (OBO C E & H J WHITE) : CT 108423/1 198 MACCLESFIELD ROAD WADDAMANA : SUBDIVISION – ONE LOT & BALANCE

10.2 DA 2010/42: DR PAUL : 4 WATER STREET, OUSE : BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT

10.3 PLANET FOOTPRINT SUBSCRIPTION

10.4 ELLENDALE WASTEWATER

10.5 DERWENT BRIDGE PUBLIC TOILETS

10.6 DRAFT CAT MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS : LOCAL GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION

11.0 ADMINISTRATION

11.1 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING GENERAL MANAGER

In accordance with Section 61(6) of the Local Government Act 1993, the Mayor appointed Robert Higgins as the Acting General Manager from 24th January 2011 to 7th February 2011. It is further specified in Section 61(6)(a) of the Act that this appointment must be confirmed at the next Ordinary Council meeting.

Recommendation

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council resolve to confirm the appointment of Mr Robert Higgins as Acting General Manager from 24th January 2011 to 7th February 2011.

Carried

11.2 STATE GRANTS COMMISSION (PAGES 1-51)

Treasury have advised that the commission have released three discussion papers for Council to consider as part of their annual round of hearings and visits in March 2011. The three papers are:

Roads Assessment Review – 'The Commission has undertaken a comprehensive analysis on its assessment of roads, which informs the distribution of the Road Grant, and seeks Council's input regarding the conclusions and suggested changes to the assessment.'

Tasmanian Freight Strategy – 'The Commission has received and updated freight demander survey conducted by DIER, but large movements in survey data have prompted a method change.'

Waterway Infrastructure – 'The Commission has investigated the significance of expenditure on boat ramp and jetty infrastructure, to determine whether it should be specifically acknowledged within the Base Grant Model assessments.'

Council are encouraged to review the papers and provide any comments to the General Manager prior to March 2011.

For information/Discussion

11.3 ELLENDALE PICNIC TABLE & CHAIRS

The Ellendale community have received grant funding for community facilities and are considering three projects.

i) Installing a picnic table and chairs in the park in the vicinity of the children's playground;
ii) Installing a bench(s) outside the Anglican (sandstone) Church; and
iii) Installing a bench(s) beside Jones River approximately 50m from the Bridge.

The Community are seeking Council approval to carry out one of the above options subject to liaising with the Works and Services Manager as to the exact location.

For discussion

11.4 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION (PAGES 52-56)

Mrs Joanne Jones, Secretary of the Hamilton District Agricultural Show Society has submitted a Community Grant Application requesting $500 towards running the 2011 Show.

The Agricultural Show is run by a group of dedicated volunteers and draws a large crowd to Hamilton to showcase our region.

Recommendation

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council make a contribution of $500 towards the running of the 2011 Hamilton District Agricultural Show.

Carried

11.5 LGAT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND GENERAL MEETING 20TH JULY 2011 (PAGES 57-58)

The LGAT Annual General Meeting and General Meeting will be held at Wrest Point Casino from Wednesday 20th July 2011 to Friday 22nd July 2011.

Councils are invited to submit motions by no later than 21st April 2011.

For Information/Discussion

11.6 LOCAL BUY PTY LTD – TRUCK TENDERS

LGAT has an agreement with its interstate counterparts for the supply of trucks through a National Recruitment Network for Local Government, Local Buy Pty Ltd. Local Buy Pty Ltd is owned solely by the Local Government Association of Queensland. Local Buy has undertaken a rigorous tender process for the supply of trucks gaining savings for Local Governments. LGAT has advised that Tasmanian Council's can use Local Buy P/L to purchase trucks without contravening any legislation requirements. Major truck manufactures who are part of this scheme include UD Trucks, Schwarze, Superior Pac (PP6), DAF & Kenworth (PACCAR), Western Star Man (TP^) Volvo, Scania, Paveline, Isuzu, Hino, Rosimech, Ivenco and Mack.

Councils can still source the truck from their preferred dealer – the dealer still receives the same profit margin by way of a rebate from the manufacturer. This is included in the contracts Local Buy has with the manufactures to ensure local dealers did not lose.

Prices for trucks cab chassis are fixed for a 12 month period from September to September.

To access the National Procurement Network Council only need to email Local Buy P/L to register for this, registering our intent to use confirming their intent to engage contractors under this arrangement.

Once registered Council's will receive:

- List of contractors
- Contractor pricelist
- Contractors contract details
- Regional contractor information
- List of contractors non compliances

To cease procuring under this arrangement, an email to Local Buy P/L advising of the decision is all that is required.

There are benefits to Council by participating in the National Procurement Network:

a) No need to call tenders – this has been done by Local Buy P/L – saving in advertising cost.
b) Staff time reduced as no specification and tender documents need to be prepared.
c) Sustainable savings to Council over Government list prices.

There is no cost to Councils to use this scheme.

Council staff have attended training on use of the contract and administrative advice and queries would be handled through the procurement division of the Municipal Association of Victoria. Councils Code of Tendering Policy may need amending.

For discussion

12.1 RECEIVAL

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT the **Status Report** be **received.**

Carried

12.2 STATUS REPORT DISCUSSIONS

13.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

14.0 ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

15.0 COUNCILLOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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16.0 COMMITTEE

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) regulations 2005 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters is Closed Agenda which relate to:

- Personnel matters, including complaints against an employee of the Council;
- Industrial matters relating to a person;
- Contracts for the supply and purchase of goods and services;
- The security of property of the Council
- Proposals for the Council to acquire land or an interest in the land or for the disposal of land;
- Information provided to the Council on the condition it is kept confidential;
- Trade secrets of private bodies;
- Matters relating to actual or possible litigations taken by or involving the Council or an employee of the Council;
- Applications by Councillors for leave of absence;
- The personal affairs of any person.

The decision to move in Closed Council requires an absolute majority of Council.

16.1 MOTION INTO COMMITTEE

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council move into **Committee** to discuss confidential matters in accordance with Section 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005.

Carried

16.2 MOTION OUT OF COMMITTEE

Moved **Clr** Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council move out of **Committee** and resume the **Ordinary Meeting.**

Carried

17.0 CLOSURE