

Central Highlands Council

Agenda – ORDINARY MEETING – 18TH FEBRUARY 2020

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 18th February 2020, commencing at 9am.

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

The Mayor advises the meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Sessions, are audio recorded and published on Council's Website.

2.0 PRESENT

3.0 APOLOGIES

4.0 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 (7) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, 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) or conflict of interest in any Item of the Agenda.

5.0 CLOSED SESSION OF THE MEETING

Regulation 15 (1) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* states that at a meeting, a council by absolute majority, or a council committee by simple majority, may close a part of the meeting to the public for a reason specified in sub-regulation (2).

As per *Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, this motion requires an absolute majority

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT pursuant to *Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council, by absolute majority, close the meeting to the public to consider the following matters in Closed Session

Item Number	Matter	<i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i>
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 January 2020	Regulation 15 (2)(g) – information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to Council on the condition it is kept confidential
2	Legal Advice	Regulation 15 (4)(b) – possible future legal action that may be taken, or may involve, the council

3	Consideration of Matters for Disclosure to the Public	Regulation 15 (8) - While in a closed meeting, the Council, or Council Committee, is to consider whether any discussions, decisions, reports or documents relating to that closed meeting are to be kept confidential or released to the public, taking into account privacy and confidentiality issues
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5.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT Council move out of Closed Session and resume the Ordinary Meeting.

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

The meeting opens to the public at 10.00am.

6.0 DEPUTATIONS

6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

9 th January 2020	Business of Council
10 th January 2020	Business of Council
11 th January 2020	Onsite Pelham Bushfire Inspection
12 th January 2020	Pelham Resident Phone Discussions
13 th January 2020	Meeting with General Manager
14 th January 2020	Planning Meeting Bothwell
14 th January 2020	Trout Guide and Lodge Meeting Bothwell
15 th January 2020	Audit Department Meeting with General Manager Hamilton
15 th January 2020	Integrity Meeting General Manager Hamilton
16 th January 2020	Business of Council
20 th January 2020	Business of Council
21 st January 2020	Meeting of Council Hamilton
22 nd January 2020	Business of Council
23 rd January 2020	Business of Council
25 th January 2020	Australia Day Awards
27 th January 2020	Guy Barnett Meeting
30 th January 2020	Business of Council
3 rd February 2020	Sub-Regional Meeting Brighton
4 th February 2020	Meeting with Deputy General Manager
4 th February 2020	Meeting with Ratepayer
4 th February 2020	Meeting with Ratepayer
4 th February 2020	Meeting with Deputy Mayor
5 th February 2020	Meeting with Tasmanian Police
6 th February 2020	Business of Council
8 th February 2020	CWA Annual Show
8 th February 2020	Reopening of Lake Sorell
8 th February 2020	ABC TV Interview
11 th February 2020	Meeting with Telstra
11 th February 2020	Climate Change Meeting
11 th February 2020	Onsite meeting with DES Manager (Bothwell Town Hall)
11 th February 2020	Business of Council - Community Members

7.1 COUNCILLOR COMMITMENTS

Deputy Mayor J Allwright

21 st January 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting Hamilton
26 th January 2020	Australia Day Ellendale
4 th February 2020	Meeting with Mayor
6 th February 2020	TasWater Meeting
11 th February 2020	Workshop Telstra black spot funding, and Climate Change workshop

Clr T Bailey

14 th January 2020	Planning Meeting Bothwell
21 st January 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting, Hamilton
26 th January 2020	Australia Day Ellendale
11 th February 2020	Workshop Telstra black spot funding, and Climate Change workshop
12 th February 2020	HATCH meeting Ouse.

Clr A Campbell

6 th December 2019	Official opening of Cattle Hill Wind Farm
21 st January 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting Hamilton
6 th February 2020	Health and Wellbeing Planning Meeting Hamilton
11 th February 2020	Workshop Telstra black spot funding, and Climate Change workshop
12 th February 2020	HATCH meeting Ouse

Clr R Cassidy

21 st January 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting Hamilton
26 th January 2020	Australia Day Ellendale
11 th February 2020	Workshop Telstra black spot funding, and Climate Change workshop

Clr J Poore

21 st January 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting Hamilton
26 th January 2020	Australia Day Ellendale
1 st February 2020	Wind farm meeting at Miena with Epuron (Community information day)
3 rd February 2020	Visitors Centre meeting with Ron Sonners and Keith Alcock.
8 th February 2020	CWA show day at Bothwell.
11 th February 2020	Workshop Telstra black spot funding, and Climate Change workshop

7.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

20th January 2020	Meeting TFS Cambridge
21st January 2020	Council Meeting
26th January 2020	Australia Day Ellendale
3rd February 2020	South Central Sub-Committee Meeting
4th February 2020	Meeting Justice Dept – Planning & Building Portal
6th February 2020	Health & Wellbeing Plan Meeting
11th February 2020	Workshop Michael Patterson Telstra
11th February 2020	Workshop Climate Change Presentation
12th February 2020	Meeting Des Moore ILU Lease

7.3 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

23rd January 2020	TCCI WHS Workshop 2
11th February 2020	Council Workshop
18th February 2020	Ordinary Council Meeting

8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

NIL

8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

19th February 2020 State Growth Workshop 1:00pm – 4:30pm - Hollow Tree Road Motorcycle Road Safety Workshop
Location: Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre, Hollow Tree Road, Bothwell

25th February 2020 Community Thank You Lunch 1.00pm Bothwell Supper Room and Meeting with Board of Rural Business Tasmania in Council Chambers Bothwell 2:00pm to 3:00pm

6th April 2020 Presentation to Councillors from Dr Katrena Stephenson, Chief Executive Officer of the Local Government Association of Tasmania. (Need to schedule)

12th May 2020 Integrity Commission Training Course for Elected Members at the Bothwell Council Chambers 11.00am and 1.00pm

9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.0 MINUTES

10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 21st January 2020 be received.

10.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 21st January 2020 be confirmed.

10.3 RECIEVAL DRAFT MINUTES PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 14th January 2020 be received.

11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

- 14.1 Correspondence sent by Development & Environmental Services
- 14.5 Correspondence sent by Development & Environmental Services
- 15.1 Correspondence sent by Acting Works and Service Manager
- 15.2 Correspondence sent by Acting Works and Service Manager
- 15.4 Correspondence sent by Acting Works and Service Manager
- 16.2 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.3 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.4 Policy updated
- 16.5 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.6 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.8 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.9 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
- 16.10 Risk Management Register Updated
- 16.11 Policy updated
- 16.12 Policy updated
- 16.13 Policy updated
- 16.14 Audit Panel Charter updated

16.15	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
16.17	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
16.18	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
16.19	Correspondence sent by General Manager
16.20	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager
16.23	Correspondence sent by Mayor
16.24	Correspondence sent by Mayor
16.25	Correspondence sent by Mayor

12.0 DERWENT CATCHMENT PROJECT REPORT

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Derwent Catchment Project report be received.



Derwent Catchment Project Report for Central Highlands Council

15th January – 12TH February 2020

General Business

The nursery suffered an irrigation fail in January and we lost 2500 plants. The water was turned off at the controller and we do not know by whom. To better manage access we have installed a combination lock. Karen will change the combination regularly and people wishing to access the nursery will need to contact Karen. She has been busy replacing stock, with many plants just being transferred from see raising trays to pots in the past month. This includes 10,000 saltbush for our Meat and Livestock Australia Forage Shrub Project, with another 5000 to go! We have also taken orders for shelterbelts and planting projects which we are still working on producing. Eve has also been making property visits supporting landholders with advice on species selection and planting for revegetation projects.

Weed Management Program

Control works under the Central Highlands Weed Management Plan

Control works have been undertaken on Nant Lane, Denniston Road and Tor Hill Road as part of planned works. Works are continuing this week in the Central Highlands Weed Management Plan eradication zones.



English Broom A letter has been sent to the residents of Miena on English broom requesting people in this area to undertake control work to coincide with works on public lands in the area.

Thanks to Katrina and Sharee for organizing the mailout. Additional broom control works have also been undertaken at Tarraleah and will continue over the coming months.

Poatina Fire ragwort program works have been completed for this season on ragwort control. This has been the 5th year of control and control efforts have focused on the intense area of infestation as the majority of outliers in the remote wilderness areas have been effectively controlled.

Platypus walk

There has been some community concern raised about potential fire hazard associated with the long grass at Platypus Walk revegetation site. The path is maintained, and the aim of the grass cover is to manage bare ground and erosion. To address community concern we consulted with Tim Parsons as the Fire Chief. He rated the fire risk as very low because of the proximity to the river, the dairy pastures adjacent and the good road access. We will seek confirmation of this from Tim Parsons in writing.

Building Better Regions – Strategic Plan for the development of Agriculture and Tourism in the Derwent Catchment (Central Highlands and Derwent Valley Municipalities)

We have some dates scheduled for the workshops – see below. Can you please **nominate a council representative?**

Workshop 1 - Cooperative and collaborative marketing, development of experience/destinations & products, resources for shared information about these: **DATE: 12 March 2-5pm**

- Development of route/circuits focused on:
 - Agri-tourism route/circuit - modern agricultural best practice – Derwent Valley point of difference - bulk producers of premium product, world class efficiency and productivity, export

some of the best quality commodities in the world, therefore tourism route would have authenticity. With interpretation signage, stopping points for non-visiting sites such of the hop fields.

- Natural values and adventure tourism experiences e.g. river access, platypus places, cycle way
- Heritage properties and experiences

- Brochures and self-driving apps for Derwent Valley circuits

Workshop 2 - Infrastructure – roads, litter and toilets **DATE: 12 March 10-1**

Workshop 3 - Biosecurity – communications with visitors **DATE: 26 March**

Workshop 4 - Response and communication during extreme events – fire and flood **DATE: 2 April**

We will send out flyers with formal invited to stakeholders in the next week.

River Recovery

Tyenna River Recovery program – Willow Warriors update

The Tyenna River Recovery Plans are on the Derwent Catchment Project website for consultation and we are actively seeking feedback from the local community, anglers, delivery and investment partners. We will be taking them along to the Celebration of 100 years of Westerway Primary School on the 29 February, along with a display about willow control methods and the Willow Warriors. The first series of Willow Warriors working bees have been scheduled for late February- March.

Agri best Practice

Pasture Information Network update

We are anticipating a March start date for this 3.5 year program as part of the Australian Governments regional Land Partnerships funding. We have started working on the project plan, schedule and staffing requirements.

This work will mean more resources and an active program in the Catchment focusing on ag-best practice.

MLA

You have heard Eve on the Country Hour talking about forages shrubs and our trial in the Highlands looking at the cost benefit of establishing forage shrubs on North facing slopes. This will be followed up by an article in the Tas Country.

Please don't hesitate to call us if you have any queries about our programs.

Yours Sincerely,

Josie Kelman, Facilitator, The Derwent Catchment Project
0427 044 700

Eve Lazarus, Project Officer, The Derwent Catchment Project
0429 170 048



13.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Finance Reports be received.

RATES RECONCILIATION AS AT 31 January 2020				
		2019		2020
Balance 30th June		\$41,105.55		\$43,833.95
Rates Raised		\$3,632,817.95		\$3,756,421.28
Penalties Raised		\$19,842.64		\$19,392.79
Supplementaries/Debit Adjustments		\$20,904.18		\$18,314.11
Total Raised		\$3,714,670.32		\$3,837,962.13
Less:				
Receipts to Date		\$2,537,610.90		\$2,639,884.50
Pensioner Rate Remissions		\$98,805.54		\$102,646.62
Remissions/Supplementary Credits		\$23,247.49		\$27,596.86
Balance		\$1,055,006.39		\$1,067,834.15

Bank Reconciliation as at 31 January 2020

	2019	2020
Balance Brought Forward	\$10,023,785.77	\$10,022,979.33
Receipts for month	\$205,333.41	\$527,986.91
Expenditure for month	\$384,485.82	\$513,284.70
Balance	\$9,844,633.36	\$10,037,681.54
Represented By:		
Balance Commonwealth Bank	\$679,720.88	\$523,590.99
Balance Westpac Bank	\$178,696.12	\$4,259.04
Investments	\$9,008,231.17	\$9,515,709.36
	\$9,866,648.17	\$10,043,559.39
Plus Unbanked Money & Floats	\$3,117.90	\$1,486.00
	\$9,869,766.07	\$10,045,045.39
Less Unpresented Cheques	\$1,890.71	\$478.73
Unreceipted amounts on bank statements	\$23,242.00	\$6,885.12
	\$9,844,633.36	\$10,037,681.54

	BUDGET 2019/2020	ACTUAL TO 31-Jan-19	ACTUAL TO 31-Jan-20	% OF BUDGET SPENT	BALANCE OF BUDGET
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES					
ADMIN. STAFF COSTS(ASCH)	\$569,056	\$316,740	\$299,195	52.58%	\$269,861
ADMIN BUILDING EXPEND(ABCH)	\$35,966	\$20,160	\$29,273	81.39%	\$6,693
OFFICE EXPENSES(AOEH)	\$139,500	\$86,751	\$68,790	49.31%	\$70,710
MEMBERS EXPENSES(AMEH)	\$193,410	\$106,378	\$90,376	46.73%	\$103,034
OTHER ADMIN. EXPENDITURE(ASEH + RATES)	\$318,166	\$179,903	\$198,815	62.49%	\$119,352
MEDICAL CENTRES(MED)	\$128,000	\$50,349	\$62,946	49.18%	\$65,054
STREET LIGHTING(STLIGHT)	\$39,600	\$16,573	\$18,820	47.53%	\$20,780
ONCOSTS (ACTUAL)(ONCOSTS)	\$493,952	\$214,138	\$274,408	55.55%	\$219,543
ONCOSTS RECOVERED	(\$430,000)	(\$255,450)	(\$276,900)	64.40%	(\$153,100)
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV & RELATIONS(CDR+EDEV)	\$211,150	\$115,352	\$142,429	67.45%	\$68,721
GOVERNMENT LEVIES(GLEVY)	\$253,837	\$130,732	\$134,985	53.18%	\$118,852
TOTAL CORPORATE & FINANCIAL SERVICES	\$1,952,637	\$981,626	\$1,043,137	53.42%	\$909,500
DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES					
ADMIN STAFF COSTS - DES (ASCB)	\$170,263	\$88,423	\$83,123	48.82%	\$87,140
ADMIN BUILDING EXPEND - DES(ABCB)	\$18,737	\$8,772	\$19,906	106.24%	(\$1,169)
OFFICE EXPENSES - DES (AOEB)	\$57,000	\$38,932	\$36,104	63.34%	\$20,896
ENVIRON HEALTH SERVICES (EHS)	\$32,384	\$13,757	\$12,986	40.10%	\$19,398
ANIMAL CONTROL(AC)	\$18,570	\$8,262	\$890	4.79%	\$17,680
PLUMBING/BUILDING CONTROL (BPC)	\$125,212	\$60,834	\$50,455	40.30%	\$74,757
SWIMMING POOLS (POOL)	\$40,591	\$22,212	\$25,962	63.96%	\$14,629
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (DEV)	\$185,000	\$40,881	\$98,553	53.27%	\$86,447
DOOR TO DOOR GARBAGE & RECYCLING (DD)	\$146,118	\$74,211	\$65,260	44.66%	\$80,858
ROADSIDE BINS COLLECTION (DRB)	\$110,000	\$58,176	\$50,617	46.02%	\$59,383
WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS (WTS)	\$192,252	\$102,597	\$104,126	54.16%	\$88,126
TIP MAINTENANCE (TIPS)	\$65,379	\$19,855	\$21,079	32.24%	\$44,300
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (EP)	\$2,718	\$1,538	\$844	31.04%	\$1,874
RECYCLING (RECY)	\$40,600	\$30,386	\$32,554	80.18%	\$8,046
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$1,204,824	\$568,836	\$602,461	50.00%	\$602,364
WORKS AND SERVICES					
PUBLIC CONVENIENCES (PC)	\$123,875	\$70,989	\$85,995	69.42%	\$37,880
CEMETERY (CEM)	\$21,180	\$14,393	\$9,145	43.18%	\$12,035
HALLS (HALL)	\$45,069	\$30,549	\$34,243	75.98%	\$10,826
PARKS AND GARDENS(PG)	\$75,622	\$52,130	\$57,372	75.87%	\$18,250
REC. & RESERVES(REC+TENNIS)	\$74,290	\$43,414	\$48,602	65.42%	\$25,688
TOWN MOWING/TREES/STREETSCAPES(MOW)	\$125,000	\$113,403	\$73,358	58.69%	\$51,642
FIRE PROTECTION (FIRE)	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$1,000
HOUSING (HOU)	\$51,800	\$34,557	\$45,870	88.55%	\$5,930
CAMPING GROUNDS (CPARK)	\$12,000	\$5,703	\$6,440	53.66%	\$5,560
LIBRARY (LIB)	\$545	\$677	\$724	132.81%	(\$179)
ROAD MAINTENANCE (ROAD)	\$788,370	\$524,384	\$582,806	73.93%	\$205,564
FOOTPATHS/KERBS/GUTTERS (FKG)	\$5,640	\$1,579	\$4,661	82.64%	\$979
BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (BRI)	\$22,891	\$9,320	\$10,745	46.94%	\$12,146
PRIVATE WORKS (PW)	\$85,000	\$130,210	\$60,284	70.92%	\$24,716
SUPER. & I/D OVERHEADS (SUPER)	\$347,608	\$200,132	\$199,409	57.37%	\$148,199

QUARRY/GRAVEL (QUARRY)	(\$48,000)	(\$64,433)	\$3,112	-6.48%	(\$51,112)
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT(NRM)	\$129,546	\$108,207	\$43,343	33.46%	\$86,203
SES (SES)	\$2,000	\$1,534	\$1,433	71.63%	\$567
PLANT M'TCE & OPERATING COSTS (PLANT)	\$477,348	\$325,857	\$361,715	75.78%	\$115,633
PLANT INCOME	(\$650,000)	(\$387,683)	(\$429,740)	66.11%	(\$220,260)
DRAINAGE (DRAIN)	\$23,000	\$5,640	\$10,120	44.00%	\$12,880
OTHER COMMUNITY AMENITIES (OCA)	\$23,118	\$17,390	\$16,243	70.26%	\$6,875
WASTE COLLECTION & ASSOC SERVICES (WAS)	\$26,200	\$21,469	\$24,033	91.73%	\$2,167
TOTAL WORKS & SERVICES	\$1,763,102	\$1,259,420	\$1,249,913	70.89%	\$513,189
DEPARTMENT TOTALS OPERATING EXPENSES					
Corporate Services	\$1,952,637	\$981,626	\$1,043,137	53.42%	\$909,500
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$1,204,824	\$568,836	\$602,461	50.00%	\$602,364
Works & Services	\$1,763,102	\$1,259,420	\$1,249,913	70.89%	\$513,189
Total All Operating	\$4,920,563	\$2,809,882	\$2,895,511	58.85%	\$2,025,052
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE					
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES					
Computer Purchases	\$16,500	\$9,030	\$0	0.00%	\$16,500
Equipment	\$15,000	\$46,919	\$13,333	88.89%	\$1,667
Miscellaneous	\$23,500	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$23,500
	\$55,000	\$55,949	\$13,333	24.24%	\$41,667
DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES					
Swimming Pool	\$37,000	\$5,000	\$0	0.00%	\$37,000
Waste Transfer Station	\$15,000	\$5,000	\$0	0.00%	\$15,000
	\$52,000	\$10,000	\$0	0.00%	\$42,000
WORKS & SERVICES					
Plant Purchases	\$424,000	\$197,382	\$325,262	76.71%	\$98,738
Camping Grounds	\$50,000	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$50,000
Public Conveniences	\$70,000	\$2,115	\$50,659	72.37%	\$19,341
Bridges	\$532,000	\$20,267	\$95,545	17.96%	\$436,455
Road Construction & Reseals	\$1,280,000	\$833,372	\$1,014,838	79.28%	\$265,162
Drainage	\$380,000	\$0	\$4,670	1.23%	\$375,331
Parks & Gardens Capital	\$63,000	\$27,360	\$49,513	78.59%	\$13,487
Infrastructure Capital	\$48,000	\$7,360	\$27,109	56.48%	\$20,891
Footpaths, Kerbs & Gutters	\$20,000	\$27,357	\$0	0.00%	\$20,000
Rec Grounds	\$10,000	\$15,438	\$150	1.50%	\$9,850
Halls	\$10,000	\$15,475	\$0	0.00%	\$10,000
Buildings	\$130,000	\$4,545	\$0	0.00%	\$130,000
	\$3,017,000	\$1,150,671	\$1,567,746	51.96%	\$1,449,254
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS					
Corporate Services	\$55,000	\$55,949	\$13,333	24.24%	(\$949)
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$52,000	\$10,000	\$0	0.00%	\$42,000
Works & Services	\$3,017,000	\$1,150,671	\$1,567,746	51.96%	\$1,866,329
	\$3,124,000	\$1,216,620	\$1,581,079	50.61%	\$1,907,380

Comprehensive Income Statement						
31/01/2020						
Recurrent Income	Reviewed Budget 2018-2019	Actual to date prior year	Actual to Date	Budget 2019-2020	Variation from YTD Budget %	Comments
Rates Charges	\$3,606,569	\$3,617,576	\$3,743,136	\$3,729,984	0%	
User Fees	\$238,500	\$258,823	\$265,204	\$257,500	45%	\$50K contribution for GP recruitment
Grants - Operating	\$2,318,505	\$610,445	\$747,974	\$2,428,040	(28)%	FAGs received prior year in advance
Other Revenue	\$492,034	\$288,536	\$257,492	\$512,034	(8)%	
Total Revenues	\$6,655,608	\$4,775,380	\$5,013,806	\$6,927,558	14%	
Expenditure						
Employee Benefits	\$1,788,651	\$1,082,245	\$1,136,385	\$1,949,709	(0)%	
Materials and Services	\$1,385,766	\$899,952	\$863,629	\$1,418,866	3%	
Other Expenses	\$1,374,973	\$837,527	\$917,952	\$1,551,987	1%	
Depreciation and Amortisation	\$2,116,000	\$1,254,468	\$1,244,149	\$2,112,000	1%	
Total Expenditure	6,665,390	4,074,191	4,162,115	7,032,562	1%	
Operating Surplus(Deficit)	(9,782)	701,190	851,691	(105,004)		
Capital Grants & Other	\$209,198	\$147,578	\$9,182	\$694,000		
Surplus(Deficit)	199,416	848,768	860,873	588,996		
Capital Expenditure	\$2,680,712	\$1,216,620	\$1,581,079	\$3,124,000		

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 31 JANUARY 2020					BALANCE	
No.	Bank Accounts	Investment Period	Current Interest Rate %	Due Date	2019	2020
0011100 Cash at Bank and on Hand						
0011105	Bank 01 - Commonwealth - General Trading Account				655,564.62	517,930.44
0011106	Bank 02 - Westpac - Direct Deposit Account				180,287.57	3,491.74
0011110	Petty Cash				350.00	350.00
0011115	Floats				200.00	200.00
0011199 TOTAL CASH AT BANK AND ON HAND					836,402.19	521,972.18
0011200 Investments						
0011206	Bank 04	30 Days	1.10%	10/02/2020		605,713.90
0011207	Bank 05	60 Days	1.32%	14/02/2020	1,188,970.38	1,626,580.20
0011207	Bank 06	30 Days			1,592,428.33	-
0011212	Bank 12	30 Days	1.10%	24/02/2020	807,731.35	1,725,719.75
0011214	Tascorp	91 Days	0.88%	18/03/2020	76,246.05	77,480.17
0011215	Bank 15	90 Days			3,308,529.16	-
0011216	Bank 16	90 Days	1.34%	21/04/2020	2,034,325.90	5,480,215.34
0011299 TOTAL INVESTMENTS					9,008,231.17	9,515,709.36
TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS AND CASH ON HAND					9,844,633.36	10,037,681.54

DONATIONS AND GRANTS 2018-2019											
Date	Details	Budget	Australia Day, ANZAC Day, Hamilton Show	Childrens Services	Community Grants \ Donations	Event Development and Sponsorship	Further Education Bursaries and School Support	General Items	Church Grants	Tourism	TOTAL
	Community & Economic Development Support	\$5,150									
	Support/Donations	\$6,230									
	Further Education Bursaries	\$1,500									
	Central Highlands School Support	\$3,000									
	Anzac Day	\$6,000									
	Hamilton show	\$5,000									
	Australia Day	\$926									
	Church Grants	(\$500)									
	Suicide Prevention Program	\$1,650									
	Anglers Alliance Sponsorship	\$3,000									
	Ellendale Buskers Bash	\$1,000									
	Bothwell Spin-out	\$2,000									
	Royal Flying Doctor Service	\$0									
	Bothwell Speed Shear	\$0									
	Ouse & Highlands Regional Community Craft Group	\$1,000									
	Youth Activities	\$0									
	Australasian Golf Museum contribution to power	\$5,000									
	South Central Region Projects	\$5,000									
	Local Govt Shared Services Project	\$5,000									
	Visitors Centre	\$4,101									
	World Fly Fishing Championships	\$600									
	Health & Wellbeing Plan	\$2,500									
17/07/2019	Royal Flying Doctor Service	\$1,000						1,000.00			
23/07/2019	Blue Farmer Sign	\$350						350.00			
28/07/2019	Bothwell Childcare Grant	\$5,000		5,000.00							
14/08/2019	2019 World Fly Fishing Championship 19.03.19	\$6,200						6,200.00			
19/09/2019	Bothwell Speed Shear - Community Grant 2019	\$2,000				2,000.00					
19/09/2019	Community Garden Interest Group	\$435			435.00						
19/09/2019	Comm Grant 2019 - Christmas Party	\$1,000			1,000.00						
19/09/2019	Westerway Primary School 100yr anniversary	\$1,000					1,000.00				
19/09/2019	Community Christmas Party - Comm Grant	\$785			785.00						
19/09/2019	Anglican Parish Hamilton Church grant 2018/19	\$2,500							2,500.00		
1/10/2019	Electrical repairs - CWA approved by Council	\$507						507.00			
1/10/2019	Fascia Repair - CWA building	\$452						452.36			
9/10/2019	Purchase fly fishing download - Visitor Centre	\$15						14.80			
25/10/2019	Anglican Parish Hamilton Church Heating Grant	\$3,000							3,000.00		
25/10/2019	3 defibs Bronte, Brady's & Derwent Bridge	\$780						780.00			
4/11/2019	Test and tagging of electrical equipment - GLCC	\$671						671.00			
14/11/2019	Sponsorship for Woodchopping Bushfest	\$2,000						2,000.00			
20/11/2019	25 ratchet Straps (38mm x 6m) - Show Marquee	\$375						375.00			
28/11/2019	Primary Value Award 2019	\$50						50.00			

6/12/2019	Citizenship Award 2019	\$50						50.00			
6/12/2019	Citizenship 2019 Westerway	\$50						50.00			
9/12/2019	2019 Primary Value Award	\$50						50.00			
11/12/2020	Lollies - Australia Day	\$24	23.90								
16/12/2019	Comm Grant - Bailey Mayne Cricket	\$150			150.00						
17/12/2019	Clothing Purchase for Tourism Centre	\$899						899.20			
18/12/2019	Smith awards, engraving trophies - Aust Day	\$280	280.00								
6/01/2020	Bursary Glenora - Georgia Edmonds	\$300				300.00					
17/01/2020	Central Highlands Health & Wellbeing Plan	\$7,500						7,500.00			
23/01/2020	Spring rolls, juice, s/drink, sausages etc - Aust Day	\$145	145.43								
23/01/2020	Sauce bottles, lollies - Aust Day	\$8	8.00								
23/01/2020	Platters, inflatable thong - Aust Day	\$57	57.10								
23/01/2020	Carrot cake - Aust Day	\$37	36.95								
31/01/2020	Pollie Pedal Donation 2020	\$250			250.00						
31/01/2020	Royal Flying Doctors Donation - 2019/2020	\$1,000			1,000.00						
31/01/2020	Party pies and sausage rolls, straw s-Aus Day	\$23	22.55								
YEAR TO DATE EXPENDITURE			573.93	5,000.00	3,620.00	2,000.00	1,300.00	20,949.36	5,500.00	0.00	38,943.29
BUDGET		97,100.00	12,500.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	6,000.00	5,800.00	49,800.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	97,100.00

No.	Plant	Total Expense	Sal and Wage	Oncosts	Internal Plant Hire	Materials	Plant & Equipment Maintenance	Insurance	Fuel	Tyres	Registration	Depreciation	Cost of capital	Recovered	Hours	Recovery per Hour	Expenditure per Hour	Recovery/(Loss) per Hour
PM0149	Loadrite Weighing System	\$ 575.18	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 39.38	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 446.50	\$ 89.30	-	-	-	-	-
PM0196	Transmig Welder	\$ 159.22	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 121.50	\$ 27.00	-	-	-	-	-
PM0238	Auger	\$ 728.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 49.78	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 564.45	\$ 114.03	-	-	-	-	-
PM0254	Test and Tag Equipment	\$ 144.68	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 112.14	\$ 22.65	-	-	-	-	-
PM0255	Floor Jack 15 Tonne	\$ 192.14	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13.13	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 148.92	\$ 30.09	-	-	-	-	-
PM613	Komatsu Loader Hamilton B08817	\$ 4,391.71	\$ 12.83	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 549.73	\$ 117.59	\$ 1,872.43	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 1,333.33	\$ 400.00	\$ 960.00	24.0	\$ 40.00	\$ 182.99	(\$142.99)
PM620	Herc Superdog - Kelvin (IT2581)	\$ 2,468.92	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 97.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 934.13	\$ 1,103.19	\$ 334.30	\$ 5,850.00	234.0	\$ 25.00	\$ 10.55	\$14.45
PM621	Pig Trailer Hamilton OT0770	\$ 1,438.91	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35.28	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 883.63	\$ 400.00	\$ 120.00	\$ 500.00	25.0	\$ 20.00	\$ 57.56	(\$37.56)
PM622	Fuel Tanker Bothwell PT4204	\$ 40.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 40.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM627	Small Mowers	\$ 923.71	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 168.13	\$ 123.91	\$ -	\$ 631.67	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,062.00	354.0	\$ 3.00	\$ 2.61	\$0.39
PM628	Chainsaws	\$ 1,538.76	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 115.00	\$ 1,365.83	\$ -	\$ 57.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 417.75	83.6	\$ 5.00	\$ 18.42	(\$13.42)
PM629	Spray Units	\$ 2,403.54	\$ 114.59	\$ 68.76	\$ 10.50	\$ 426.11	\$ 346.82	\$ 96.28	\$ 28.27	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,091.67	\$ 220.54	\$ 1,065.00	213.0	\$ 5.00	\$ 11.28	(\$6.28)
PM630	Compressors	\$ 126.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 8.69	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98.50	\$ 19.70	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM635	Sundry Plant	\$ 3,445.93	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,916.42	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 329.51	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM636	Small Trailers	\$ 1,111.97	\$ 213.12	\$ 66.31	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 513.17	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 319.37	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 112.50	22.5	\$ 5.00	\$ 49.42	(\$44.42)
PM652	Road Broom UT7744	\$ 219.26	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 68.27	\$ 102.00	\$ 40.00	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM654	New Holland Tractor Bothwell B08NO	\$ 2,867.97	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 545.63	\$ 126.41	\$ 163.80	\$ -	\$ 168.80	\$ 1,433.33	\$ 430.00	\$ 673.75	19.3	\$ 35.00	\$ 148.99	(\$113.99)
PM662	King Tandem Trailer Hamilton YT0630	\$ 89.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM664	Pressure Cleaner 2003	\$ 305.53	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 236.81	\$ 47.84	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM665	Dog Trailer - Neville (YT5100)	\$ 2,932.79	\$ 143.59	\$ 86.16	\$ 50.00	\$ -	\$ 66.21	\$ 82.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 934.13	\$ 930.57	\$ 640.05	\$ 6,387.50	255.5	\$ 25.00	\$ 11.48	\$13.52
PM666	Cat. Loader 950F Hamilton ES1483	\$ 9,323.78	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,341.40	\$ 436.89	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 4,953.61	\$ 1,486.08	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM667	Work Station Hamilton 2003	\$ 235.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 182.70	\$ 36.91	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM668	Work Station Bothwell 2003	\$ 235.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 182.70	\$ 36.91	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM671	Water Tanker	\$ 2,100.36	\$ 163.79	\$ 98.28	\$ 7.00	\$ 840.86	\$ 155.68	\$ 44.10	\$ 140.65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 4,909.20	490.9	\$ 10.00	\$ 4.28	\$5.72
PM676	Kobelco Excavator FA6566	\$ 52,170.66	\$ 480.50	\$ 288.30	\$ 562.50	\$ 124.55	\$ 41,486.74	\$ 365.62	\$ 2,538.28	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 4,145.58	\$ 2,072.79	\$ 13,000.00	200.0	\$ 65.00	\$ 260.85	(\$195.85)
PM677	Compressor/Post Driver	\$ 307.72	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 21.03	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 238.50	\$ 48.18	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM682	Float IT0169	\$ 3,607.18	\$ 317.70	\$ 190.62	\$ 75.00	\$ 49.00	\$ 1,268.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 772.73	\$ 934.13	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,575.00	63.0	\$ 25.00	\$ 57.26	(\$32.26)
PM684	Komatsu Grader FC7003	\$ 25,049.69	\$ 680.57	\$ 408.36	\$ 599.71	\$ -	\$ 4,771.69	\$ 519.48	\$ 7,928.87	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 105.80	\$ 5,890.14	\$ 2,945.07	\$ 16,965.00	261.0	\$ 65.00	\$ 95.98	(\$30.98)
PM687	Western Star - H. Chivers FB5754	\$ 20,774.86	\$ 494.16	\$ 296.51	\$ 751.50	\$ 235.01	\$ 1,015.00	\$ 394.27	\$ 8,650.20	\$ 1,363.64	\$ 868.95	\$ 4,470.42	\$ 2,235.21	\$ 20,025.00	400.5	\$ 50.00	\$ 51.87	(\$1.87)
PM695	Quick Cut Saw	\$ 84.13	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 5.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 65.20	\$ 13.17	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM705	Mack Truck FP4026 - Andrew Jones	\$ 33,305.67	\$ 525.90	\$ 30.79	\$ 228.00	\$ 233.47	\$ 1,807.50	\$ 879.91	\$ 11,187.72	\$ 1,363.64	\$ 5,056.45	\$ 9,976.79	\$ 2,015.51	\$ 37,050.00	741.0	\$ 50.00	\$ 44.95	\$5.05
PM709	CAT 950 Wheel Loader Bothwell (FR3357)	\$ 16,300.36	\$ 141.03	\$ 84.62	\$ 283.50	\$ -	\$ 3,424.03	\$ 672.49	\$ 913.90	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 7,625.00	\$ 3,050.00	\$ 392.00	7.0	\$ 56.00	\$ 2,328.62	(\$2,272.62)
PM717	2008 Dog Trailer (Harold) Z54AB	\$ 3,271.29	\$ 96.20	\$ 57.72	\$ 250.00	\$ -	\$ 155.25	\$ 105.23	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 934.13	\$ 1,193.11	\$ 479.65	\$ 5,537.50	221.5	\$ 25.00	\$ 14.77	\$10.23
PM720	S/Hand Tri Axle Dog Trailer Z24BO	\$ 3,980.07	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 137.37	\$ -	\$ 636.36	\$ 1,022.64	\$ 1,557.54	\$ 626.16	\$ 7,218.75	288.8	\$ 25.00	\$ 13.78	\$11.22
PM723	CAT 943 Traxcavator	\$ 3,542.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 987.87	\$ 174.63	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,980.00	\$ 400.00	\$ 300.00	10.0	\$ 30.00	\$ 354.25	(\$324.25)
PM724	Toyota Corolla Ascent - Doctor A48YD	\$ 3,868.04	\$ 89.79	\$ 53.87	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 911.23	\$ 178.48	\$ -	\$ 140.91	\$ 267.72	\$ 2,023.68	\$ 202.37	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM726	John Deere Tractor & Slasher B47EG	\$ 27,022.43	\$ 1,251.58	\$ 750.95	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ 9,595.37	\$ 589.37	\$ 5,883.87	\$ -	\$ 168.80	\$ 6,682.50	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 18,900.00	420.0	\$ 45.00	\$ 64.34	(\$19.34)
PM729	King Box Trailer Hamilton Z92HG	\$ 362.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18.65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89.63	\$ 211.50	\$ 42.73	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM731	Pig Trailer Bothwell VT9746 HC	\$ 1,522.29	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43.66	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 883.63	\$ 495.00	\$ 100.00	\$ 420.00	21.0	\$ 20.00	\$ 72.49	(\$52.49)
PM733	2010 Komatsu Grader Hamilton-B73TJ	\$ 33,875.03	\$ 1,149.04	\$ 689.47	\$ 445.50	\$ -	\$ 7,153.40	\$ 775.02	\$ 9,754.31	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 105.80	\$ 8,787.50	\$ 3,515.00	\$ 32,400.00	540.0	\$ 60.00	\$ 62.73	(\$2.73)
PM739	SES Vehicle Ex Huon Valley	\$ 1,905.54	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,320.00	\$ 40.09	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 454.55	\$ 90.91	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM740	Hino Tipper C95BL Hamilton 11/11	\$ 12,890.32	\$ 26.64	\$ 15.98	\$ 16.00	\$ -	\$ 90.00	\$ 681.26	\$ 2,972.77	\$ -	\$ 582.95	\$ 7,724.47	\$ 780.25	\$ 11,487.50	459.5	\$ 25.00	\$ 28.05	(\$3.05)
PM741	Mack Truck 2010 (C90JY)	\$ 30,372.48	\$ 453.96	\$ 272.38	\$ 235.50	\$ 26.00	\$ 1,230.60	\$ 507.01	\$ 13,269.72	\$ 1,272.73	\$ 5,056.45	\$ 5,748.67	\$ 2,299.47	\$ 30,175.00	603.5	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.33	(\$0.33)
PM743	Mulcher Head	\$ 1,660.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 113.51	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,287.00	\$ 260.00	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM744	Honda Tiller	\$ 514.09	\$ 64.16	\$ 38.50	\$ 14.00	\$ 72.73	\$ 210.32	\$ 7.82	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 88.65	\$ 17.91	\$ 480.00	48.0	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.71	(\$0.71)
PM745	Welder	\$ 107.10	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 7.32	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 83.01	\$ 16.77	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM746	John Deere X304 Ride on Mower (Bothwell)	\$ 483.70	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 43.14	\$ 25.30	\$ 49.98	\$ 20.45	\$ -	\$ 286.87	\$ 57.95	\$ 472.50	10.5	\$ 45.0	\$ 46.07	(\$1.07)
PM748	Hino Tipper C43LG (Bothwell)	\$ 19,830.28	\$ 218.89	\$ 131.33	\$ 151.50	\$ -	\$ 3,965.82	\$ 836.52	\$ 3,500.37	\$ -	\$ 582.95	\$ 9,484.84	\$ 958.07	\$ 12,395.00	495.8	\$ 25.00	\$ 40.00	(\$15.00)
PM751	Toro Groundmaster Mower (Bothwell)	\$ 4,523.42	\$ 104.48	\$ 57.45	\$ -	\$ 187.27	\$ 324.49	\$ 144.14	\$ 1,427.40	\$ 253.18	\$ 60.46	\$ 1,634.38	\$ 330.18	\$ 3,855.00	192.8	\$ 20.00	\$ 23.47	(\$3.47)
PM752	Ford Ranger (Bothwell) C77VJ	\$ 3,546.15	\$ 136.65	\$ 71.50	\$ 31.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 203.07	\$ 302.90	\$ -	\$ 267.72	\$ 2,302.55	\$ 230.26	\$ 913.50	130.5	\$ 7.00	\$ 27.17	(\$20.17)
PM753	Bomag Landfill Compactor	\$ 8,197.86	\$ 52.86	\$ 26.65	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 969.65	\$ 411.82	\$ 1,018.39	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 4,669.38	\$ 943.31	\$ 1,125.00	37.5	\$ 30.00	\$ 218.61	(\$188.61)
PM756	Kenworth - Bothwell (Whelan)	\$ 30,726.61	\$ 962.43	\$ 577.47	\$ 260.00	\$ 145.15	\$ 2,349.23	\$ 448.25	\$ 14,479.40	\$ 3,012.00	\$ 868.95	\$ 5,082.49	\$ 2,541.24	\$ 33,996.00	679.9	\$ 50.00	\$ 45.19	\$4.81
PM757	JBC Backhoe (Hamilton 2013)	\$ 18,803.14	\$ 420.89	\$ 162.02	\$ 27.00	\$ 31.38	\$ 6,933.40	\$ 520.78	\$ 2,907.62	\$ -	\$ 105.80	\$ 5,904.89	\$ 1,789.36	\$ 18,840.00	471.0	\$ 40.00	\$ 39.92	\$0.08
PM762	Toro Out Front Mower Hamilton	\$ 4,171.44	\$ 147.50	\$ 88.50	\$ 40.00	\$ -	\$ 664.00	\$ 134.50	\$ 929.35	\$ -	\$ 337.59	\$ 1,525.00	\$ 305.00	\$ 1,350.00	67.5	\$ 20.00	\$ 61.80	(\$41.80)
PM763	Toro Mower GM7200 Hamilton	\$ 3,647.07	\$ 247.16	\$ 148.30	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ 859.65	\$ 98.34	\$ 120.12	\$ 673.64	\$ 141.87	\$ 1,115.00	\$ 223.00	\$ 5,570	278.5	\$ 20.00	\$ 13.10	\$6.90
PM765	Rover Shredder Vac Hamilton	\$ 215.19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 14.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 167.05	\$ 33.41	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM768	Trailer - TMD Box 10x6	\$ 261.61	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 17.91	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 203.08	\$ 40.62	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM769	Mitsubishi Triton 4x4 E76VG	\$ 8,726.73	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 58.73	\$ 437.27	\$ 323.99	\$ 1,766.24	\$ 1,831.82	\$ 267.72	\$ 3,673.60	\$ 367.36	\$ 1,431.71	204.5	\$ 7.00	\$ 42.67	(\$35.67)
PM770	Nissan Tip Tray Ute	\$ 6,618.66	\$ 114.03	\$ 68.41	\$ 5.25	\$ -	\$ 1,242.73	\$ 298.33	\$ 901.28	\$ -	\$ 267.72	\$ 3,382.65	\$ 338.27	\$ 2,556.75	365.3	\$ 7.00	\$ 18.12	(\$11.12)
PM771	Polivac Suction Polisher	\$ 269.50	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 226.82	\$ 22.68	\$ 56.00	8.0	\$ 7.00	\$ 33.69	(\$26.69)
PM772	Hino Tipper - E96VP	\$ 9,895.30	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,071.82	\$ 174.10	\$ 3,928.80	\$ 1,372.73	\$ 584.23	\$ 1,974.02	\$ 789.61	\$ 10,437.50	417.5	\$ 25.00	\$ 23.70	\$1.30
PM773	Variable Mesaging Board	\$ 1,435.02	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 92.11	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 89.63	\$ 1,044.40	\$ 208.88	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM774	140M AWD William Adams CAT Grader Bothwell	\$ 43,456.80	\$ 504.32	\$ 302.61	\$ 278.00	\$ 1,950.89	\$ 8,665.22	\$ 996.61	\$ 8,697.00	\$ 6,136.36	\$ 105.80	\$ 11,300.00	\$ 4,520.00	\$ 27,630.00	460.5	\$ 60.00	\$ 94.37	(\$34.37)
PM777	Mitsubishi ASX AWD	\$ 6,510.48	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,092.59	\$ 221.01	\$ 1,177.04	\$ 945.45	\$ 267.72	\$ 2,505.96	\$ 300.71	\$ -	-	-	-	-
PM778	2017 Ranger 2.2l Diesel	\$ 3,855.77	\$ 25.65	\$ 15.39	\$ 7.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 209.96	\$ 931.42	\$ -								

14.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

In accordance with Regulation 25(1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, 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.

14.1 POSSIBLE FUNDING FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS FOR BOTHWELL AND ELLENDALE

Mayor Triffitt has requested that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion.

For Discussion

14.2 RECOMMENDATION FROM WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING

Report By

Graham Rogers (Manager Development & Environmental Services)

Background

The following item was presented to Council at the November 2019 Ordinary Meeting with a decision to defer to the Ordinary Meeting of Council in February.

A meeting of the Waste Committee was held on Wednesday 30th October 2019 with the following item being discussed.

Greenwaste Disposal at Miena WTS

G Rogers advised that greenwaste at the Miena WTS has become a problem.

In the past the local Fire Brigade have burnt this but the Fire Chief has advised that they will no longer do this. G Rogers advised that he would approach the Bothwell Brigade to see if they would undertake the burn. Options discussed included mulching but this would still require the removal of the mulched material from the site.

Provisions at other sites are as follows:

Bronte Park WTS – Greenwaste not accepted

Bothwell WTS – Greenwaste accepted as there is a gully where this is disposed of and compacted so it is not a problem at this site.

Hamilton RDS – Greenwaste accepted as this is not a problem at this site.

RESOLVED that the following recommendation be made to Council:

Moved Clr

Seconded Clr

THAT changes be introduced at the Miena Waste Transfer Station to remove greenwaste disposal and that ratepayers be given notice of the changes prior to the introduction by signage, notices and an advertisement in the Highland Digest.

14.3 DRAFT PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT (RZ2020/01) FOR BUSHFIRE PRONE AREAS OVERLAY

Report by

Jacqui Tyson (Senior Planning Officer)

Attachments

1. Planning Report - Bushfire-Prone Area Overlay Central Highlands LGA (Tasmanian Fire Service, May 2019)
2. Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay – FAQs (Tasmanian Fire Service)

Introduction

It is proposed that Council initiate an amendment to the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015 (the Scheme) in accordance with Section 34 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act) to insert Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay maps as recommended by the Tasmanian Fire Service (TFS).

The maps are provided in Appendix A of the Attachment 1.

Under the current Scheme bushfire prone areas are defined by the following terms in section E1.3 of the Bushfire Prone Areas Code:

Bushfire- prone area

- a) *land that is within the boundary of a bushfire-prone area shown on an overlay on a planning scheme map; or*
- b) *where there is no overlay on a planning scheme map, land that is within 100m of an area of bushfire-prone vegetation equal to or greater than 1ha.*

Bushfire- prone vegetation

- a) *means contiguous vegetation including grasses and shrubs but not including maintained lawns, parks and gardens, nature strips, plant nurseries, golf courses, vineyards, orchards or vegetation on land that is used for horticultural purposes.*

The proposed amendment does not change whether or not land is considered bushfire prone, it simply provides a map of all the land that is described by the current definition.

This will provide greater certainty for Council, property owners and practitioners in the application of the Bushfire-Prone Area Code under the Scheme and the Building Act 2016.

Council have already endorsed this mapping as part of the Central Highlands Local Provision Schedule for the Tasmanian Planning Scheme.

This report will assess the requested amendment against the relevant provisions of the Act and the Scheme.

If Council agree to initiate the amendment it will be advertised for public comment and referred to the Tasmanian Planning Commission for their consideration and decision.

It is recommended that Council agree to initiate the planning scheme amendment.

Background

The Tasmania Fire Service (TFS) has been working with Local Government over several years to prepare and implement Bushfire-Prone Areas mapping for Tasmania. The process for developing the maps is described in the TFS document attached.

It was initially intended to introduce the mapping as part of the future Tasmanian Planning Scheme, however as the assessment of Local Provision Schedules is taking longer than expected most Councils are now moving forward with amendments to their current Interim Schemes to add the Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay.

The mapping has been incorporated into the Interim Schemes of 11 Councils so far, with a further 5 underway.

Legislative Requirements

The proposed amendment is considered under section 34 (1) (b) of the Act which reads:

34. Amendment of planning scheme

(1) A planning authority may-

- (a) In response to a request under Section 33; or*
- (b) Of its own motion –*

Initiate an amendment of a planning scheme administered by it.

The matters which Council must consider when making a decision whether to reject or exhibit the application are listed in sections 32 and 33 of the Act and are set out in detail in the body of this report.

Public Notification

Section 38 of the Act sets out that after making a decision to initiate a planning scheme amendment it is to be publicly advertised for a minimum period of 28 days or longer period agreed to by the Council and the Planning Commission.

Following the advertising period a report will be presented to Council addressing any representations received which will then be provided to the Tasmanian Planning Commission along with the representations.

Assessment

Section 32 of the Act

The requirements for amendment of a planning scheme under Section 32(1) of the Act are addressed in the table below (Table 1).

Act Section	OFFICER COMMENT
32 (1) (e) must, as far as practicable, avoid the potential for land use conflicts with use and development permissible under the planning scheme applying to the adjacent area;	<i>The proposed amendment will not create any land use conflicts.</i>
32 (1) (ea) must not conflict with the requirements of Section 300	<i>Assessment against Section 300 is provided in Table 2 below.</i>
32 (1) (f) must have regard to the impact that the use and development permissible under the amendment will have on the use and	<i>The draft amendment will not change the use and development permissible under the Bushfire-Prone Areas Code.</i> <i>The introduction of the proposed overlay will</i>

development of the region as an entity in environmental, economic and social terms.	<i>clarify the application of existing requirements – no new requirements will be introduced.</i>
Section 32(2) - Considerations of Section 20 (2), (3), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9). This Part of the Act does the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prescribes what a Planning Scheme can provide for. • Prescribes requirements and protection for the continuation of a lawfully established use or development • Provides the scope of the planning system 	<i>The proposed amendment does not conflict with the requirements of Section 20.</i>
Section 20 (1) a) seek to further the objectives set out in Schedule 1 within the area covered by the scheme; and b) prepare the scheme in accordance with State Policies made under section 11 of the State Policies and Projects Act 1993 ; and c) d) have regard to the strategic plan of a council referred to in Division 2 of Part 7 of the Local Government Act 1993 as adopted by the council at the time the planning scheme is prepared; and e) have regard to the safety requirements set out in the standards prescribed under the Gas Pipelines Act 2000 .	<i>Assessment against the objectives of the Act is provided in Table 3 and Table 4 of this report.</i> <i>Assessment against the State Policies are provided in Part 6 and 7 of this Report.</i> <i>Assessment against the Strategic Plan is provided in Part 9 of this Report.</i> <i>In regard to the Gas Pipeline, the proposed amendment will not impact the pipeline.</i>

Table 1 – Section 32 of the Act**Section 300 of the Act**

The requirements of Section 300 of the Act are addressed in the Table (Table 3) below.

Act Section	OFFICER COMMENT
300 (1) An amendment may only be made under Division 2 or 2A to a local provision of a planning scheme, or to insert a local provision into, or remove a local provision from, such a scheme, if the amendment is, as far as is, in the opinion of the relevant decision-maker within the meaning of section 20(2A), practicable, consistent with the regional land use strategy, if any, for the regional area in which is situated the land to which the scheme applies.	<i>The proposed amendment is consistent with the Southern Regional Land Use Strategy (STRLUS).</i>

<p>300 (2)</p> <p>An amendment, of a planning scheme, that would amend a local provision of the scheme or insert a new provision into the scheme may only be made under Division 2 or 2A if –</p> <p>(a) the amendment is not such that the local provision as amended or inserted</p> <p>would be directly or indirectly inconsistent with the common provisions, except in accordance with section 30EA, or an overriding local provision; and</p> <p>(b) the amendment does not revoke or amend an overriding local provision; and</p> <p>(c) the amendment is not to the effect that a conflicting local provision would, after the amendment, be contained in the scheme.</p>	<p><i>The proposal does not include any changes that conflict with, or override, the common provisions of the Planning Scheme.</i></p>
<p>300 (3)</p> <p>Subject to section 30EA, an amendment may be made to a local provision if –</p> <p>(a) the amendment is to the effect that a common provision is not to apply to an area of land; and</p> <p>(b) a planning directive allows the planning scheme to specify that some or all of the common provisions are not to apply to such an area of land.</p>	<p><i>The proposed amendment is not inconsistent with and does not change any common provisions.</i></p>

Table 2 – Section 30 of the Act

Objectives of the Act

The objectives of Schedule 1, Part 1 of the Resource Management and Planning System (RMPS) are addressed in the Table (*Table 4*) below.

Objective	OFFICER COMMENT
<p>(a) to promote the sustainable development of natural and physical resources and the maintenance of ecological processes and genetic diversity;</p>	<p><i>The proposed amendment will support the application of existing regulations and provide clarity to all users regarding bushfire prone areas.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>

<p>(b) to provide for the fair, orderly and sustainable use and development of air, land and water;</p>	<p><i>The proposed amendment will support the application of existing regulations and provide clarity to all users regarding bushfire prone areas.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
<p>(c) to encourage public involvement in resource management and planning;</p>	<p><i>Should the Council decide to initiate the amendment and proceed to exhibit the application then the public will have the opportunity to comment on this proposal during the exhibition period,</i></p> <p><i>The public will have the opportunity to lodge a written representation during the public exhibition period.</i></p> <p><i>The Tasmanian Planning Commission may also hold a public hearing to consider the representations if any are received.</i></p>
<p>(d) to facilitate economic development in accordance with the objectives set out in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c);</p>	<p><i>The proposed amendment will support the application of existing regulations regarding bushfire prone areas.</i></p> <p><i>This will assist and provide clarity for the building industry and landowners.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
<p>(e) to promote the sharing of responsibility for resource management and planning between the different spheres of Government, the community and industry in the State.</p>	<p><i>The application represents a shared responsibility for resource management and planning by Council, the Commission, the TFS and the community.</i></p> <p><i>All relevant bodies and individuals will have either a formal role or an opportunity to participate in the approval process.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>

Table 3 – Objectives of the Act Part 1

The objectives of Schedule 1, Part 2 of the Planning Process established by the Act are addressed below.

Objective	OFFICER COMMENT
(a) to require sound strategic planning and co-ordinated action by State and local government;	<p><i>The proposal is consistent with the Southern Regional Land Use Strategy and will be assessed by local and State government authorities.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(b) to establish a system of planning instruments to be the principal way of setting objectives, policies and controls for the use, development and protection of land;	<p><i>Objectives, policies and controls are set by Planning directives, the Act and the Scheme as considered in this report.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(c) to ensure that the effects on the environment are considered and provide for explicit consideration of social and economic effects when decisions are made about the use and development of land;	<p><i>The proposal will provide economic and social benefit by improving the clarity of the Bushfire Prone-Areas Code.</i></p> <p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(d) to require land use and development planning and policy to be easily integrated with environmental, social, economic, conservation and resource management policies at State, regional and municipal levels;	<p><i>The proposal represents an integrated approach to land use planning and is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(e) to provide for the consolidation of approvals for land use or development and related matters, and to co-ordinate planning approvals with related approvals;	<p><i>The proposal is for a planning scheme amendment only and is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(f) to secure a pleasant, efficient and safe working, living and recreational environment for all Tasmanians and visitors to Tasmania;	<p><i>The proposal is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(g) to conserve those buildings, areas or other places which are of scientific, aesthetic, architectural or historical interest, or otherwise of special cultural value;	<p><i>The proposal will not impact these values and is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(h) to protect public infrastructure and other assets and enable the orderly provision and co-ordination of public utilities and other facilities for the benefit of the community;	<p><i>The proposal will not impact public infrastructure and is consistent with this objective.</i></p>
(i) to provide a planning framework which fully considers land capability.	<p><i>The proposed amendment does not impact land capability and is consistent with this objective.</i></p>

Table 4 – Objectives of the Act Part 2**State Policies**

The current State Policies under the State Policies and Projects Act 1993 are:

- State Policy on the Protection of Agricultural Land 2009 (“PAL Policy”);
- State Coastal Policy 1996;
- State Policy on Water Quality Management 1997; and
- National Environmental Protection Measures (NEPMs).

The proposed amendment to introduce Bushfire Prone Areas mapping does not change the current use and development standards under the Code or the Scheme more broadly. It will simply provide a clear communication method for showing if land is bushfire prone, in the form of a Scheme overlay.

The proposed amendment is not considered to conflict with any of the State Policies.

Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy

The Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (“STRLUS”) is a strategic land use plan for the twelve (12) Council areas in the southern region of Tasmania. It has a 25 year planning time horizon to 2035 for integrated infrastructure, land use and transport planning.

The proposed amendment must as far as practicable be consistent with the STRLUS in accordance with Section 300 of the Act. This is typically considered through assessment of the policies of STRLUS.

Assessment against the relevant regional policies within STRLUS are provided in Table 5 below.

Regional Policy – Managing Risks and Hazards	OFFICER COMMENT
MRH 1.1 Provide for the management and mitigation of bushfire risk at the earliest possible stage of the land use planning process (rezoning or if no rezoning required; subdivision) by the identification and protection (in perpetuity) of buffer distances or through the design and layout of lots.	<i>Incorporation of the proposed overlay in the Scheme will mean that bushfire-prone land will be easily identifiable early in the land use planning process by owners, Council and practitioners and ensure that the requirements of the Code are addressed as early as possible.</i>
MRH 1.4 Include provisions in planning schemes for use and development in bushfire prone areas based upon best practice bushfire risk mitigation and management.	<i>Mapping bushfire prone areas is considered to be best practice and directly furthers this policy.</i>

Table 5 – STRLUS**Conclusion**

This report has assessed a proposal to initiate an amendment to the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015 (the Scheme) in accordance with Section 34 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act) to insert Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay maps as recommended by the Tasmanian Fire Service (TFS).

If Council agree to initiate the amendment the proposal will be exhibited for public comment and referred to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

The proposal has found to be consistent with the applicable objectives and sections of the Act, State Policies and the Southern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy.

It is recommended that the Council agrees to initiate the planning scheme amendment and exhibit it for public comment.

Options

Option 1:

Proceed in accordance with the Recommendation below.

Option 2:

Determine not to proceed with the proposed amendment to the Bushfire Code of the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015.

Recommendation

That, Central Highlands Council:

1. Pursuant to Section 34(1)(a), former provisions, of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, the Planning Authority agree to initiate draft Planning Scheme Amendment RZ2020/01 by inserting a Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay map as shown in Appendix A of the Planning Report Bushfire-Prone Areas Overlay Central Highlands LGA (Tasmanian Fire Service, May 2019).
2. Pursuant to Section 35(1), former provisions, of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, resolves that draft Planning Scheme Amendment RZ2020/01 meets the requirements specified under Section 32 former provisions of the Act.
3. Pursuant to Section 35(2) of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, former provisions, resolves to prepare and certify draft Planning Scheme Amendment RZ2020/01 and sign and seal the instrument as required.
4. Pursuant to Section 35(4) of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, former provisions, that a copy of draft Planning Scheme Amendment RZ2020/01 and certified instrument be provided to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.
5. Pursuant to Section 38 of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, former provisions, resolves to place the draft Planning Scheme Amendment RZ2020/01 on public exhibition for a period of 28 days.

14.4 DOG HANDBOOK BY DR KATRINA WARD AND KINGBOROUGH COUNCIL

Councillor Cassidy would like to table the Dog Handbook developed by Dr. Katrina Ward and Kingborough Council. Dr. Ward suggested to Councillor Cassidy that Central Highlands Council may wish to use this document as a guide for dog owners and include it on the Council website.

As copy of the handbook is included as an attachment.

Councillor Cassidy would also like Council to consider making a donation to the RSPCA – Tasmania.

Recommendation:

1. **That** Council adopt the Dog Handbook developed by Dr. Katrina Ward and Kingborough Council and include a link to the Dog Handbook on the Central Highlands Council website.
2. **That** Council make a donation of \$..... to the RSPCA – Tasmania.

14.5 OVEN - BOTHWELL TOWN HALL

The oven in the Bothwell Town Hall is over 30 years old. It has been repaired over the years, but due to its age and model it is harder to obtain parts. Regular users of the oven have made comment that it's becoming harder to regulate the oven temperature as well as the hot plates.

Two quotes for a replacement stove will be tabled at the Council Meeting.

For Discussion

14.6 DES BRIEFING REPORT

PLANNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER DELEGATION

The following planning permits have been issued under delegation during the past month.

PERMITTED USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2019/66	P Cairns	1 Bronte Heights, Bronte Park	Shed

DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2019/84	B Benbow	985a Ellendale Road, Ellendale	Change of Use Outbuilding to Dwelling
2019/83	J Pashev	959 Ellendale Rod, Ellendale	Change of Use Multiple Dwellings (Additions & Alterations to Existing Outbuilding to be Second Dwelling)
2019/87	J & D Hall	20 Patrick Street, Bothwell	Storage Shed
2020/01	S Butler	3451 Lyell Highway, Gretna	Outbuilding

15.0 WORKS & SERVICES

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

WORKS & SERVICES REPORT **14th January 2019 – 12th February 2020**

Grading & Sheeting

Dawson Road

Thousand Acre Lane

Maintenance Grading

Potholing / shouldering

Victoria Valley Road

Spraying

Culverts / Drainage:

Replace culvert Mark Tree Road

Occupational Health and Safety

- Monthly Toolbox Meetings
- Day to day JSA and daily pre start check lists completed
- Monthly work place inspections completed
- Playground inspections
- 152hrs Annual Leave taken
- 25.5hrs Sick Leave taken
- 0hrs Long Service Leave

Bridges:

Pothole bridges 14 Mile

Refuse / recycling sites:

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

Other:

Trim trees Queens Park to Arborist recommendations

Rotary hoe play areas in all play grounds

Install log truck awareness signs Victoria Valley and 14 Mile

Vegetation clearance Arthurs Lake Road

Guide posts straighten and replaced Hollow Tree Road

Pelham road construction

Dig Out Hollow Tree Road

Pick up Rubbish Arthurs Lake bin

Clean vegetation from Ash cottage

Slashing:

Victoria Valley Road

Ellendale Road

Municipal Town Maintenance:

- Collection of town rubbish twice weekly
- Maintenance of parks, cemetery, recreation ground and Caravan Park.
- Cleaning of public toilets, gutters, drains and footpaths.
- Collection of rubbish twice weekly
- Cleaning of toilets and public facilities
- General maintenance
- Mowing of towns and parks
- Town Drainage

Buildings:**Plant:**

PM788 Toyota Hilux (H) new front tyres
 PM676 Excavator new top track rollers
 PM770 Nissan Navara new suspension
 PM628 Stihl chainsaw new fuel tank
 PM627 Stihl brushcutters serviced
 PM654 New Holland tractor serviced
 PM723 Traxcavator serviced
 PM613 Komatsu loader serviced
 PM753 Bomag Compactor serviced
 PM757 JCB backhoe serviced
 PM726 John Deer tractor new battery

Private Works:

Sam Branch dry hire of truck
 DCS Civil 50 tonne 14mm gravel
 Central Highlands Tasmania water delivery
 Shammai and Nathan Eggerling water delivery
 Jason Branch dry of truck
 Ian Rigby water delivery
 Tom Edgell water delivery
 Natalie Hansch water delivery
 Steven Jones water delivery

Casuals

- Toilets, rubbish and Hobart
- Bothwell general duties
- Hamilton general duties
- Mowing and brush cutting

Program for next 4 weeks

Pelham stage 3
 Road side slashing
 Replace Ouse footpath
 Level apex on corners to allow transport of bridge decks into Gowen Brea
 Gravel crushing

15.1 HAMILTON TENNIS COURT

A request from Hamilton residents has been received in regards to an upgrade of the current Hamilton tennis court. Works required would be to re-surface existing asphalt, new net, new posts and re marking of lines.

Recommendation

THAT the works and services manager presents a quote for works to be undertaken at Councils budget work shop.

Letter to Central Highlands Council in regard to upgrading Hamilton tennis court

If you enjoy the thrill of a great tennis match, a local tennis court is a convenient outdoor feature that lets you take part in a game any time you want. With the right design, the tennis court also could double as basketball or volleyball court, so the entire community has a place to practice their favourite games.

In the case of the Hamilton tennis court there needs to be a realignment of the net posts, new net and net tensioner (it is completely rusted in place) also the lines would need remarking (marking should be included in resurfacing)

Tennis as most racquet sports are; is an extremely beneficial sport that everyone just about can play, as a family or a couple or just a social game with friends. Playing helps with general aerobic fitness, involves the whole body and tests the hand eye coordination.

This cost guide outlines what it takes to build or resurface a tennis court.

To Build or Resurface a Tennis Court Costs these are only basic estimate costs, a quote for Hamilton site is needed.

\$18,750

Median Cost

\$3,800

Minimum Cost

\$53,000

Maximum Cost Average Range: \$8,000 to \$10,200

Average Cost	\$18,750
Minimum Cost	\$3,800
Maximum Cost	\$53,000
Average Range	\$8,000 to \$10,200

Next Step

Get a quote

Resurfacing A Tennis Court

Tennis Court Costs

The cost to build a tennis court ranges from \$20,000 for a basic court to as much as \$200,000 for an elite playing area (we are not looking at this option, just resurfacing the asphalt and realignment of net posts and tensioner for net, but most single courts pay between \$5,200 and \$11,000 for the project. Resurfacing a tennis court costs between \$4,000 and \$15,000 depending on the age, condition and size of the surface.

Tennis Court Cost Factors

The cost to build a tennis court varies from region to region. One factor in this variation is the cost of labour and materials in your area. However, you have some control over the following factors that can increase and decrease the tennis court cost:

Amenities: Lighting, **landscaping**, fencing, wind screens, backboards, shade and scorekeeping equipment are convenient if you want the option to play at different times of day and **weather conditions**. Adding these features increases the cost of building a tennis court and maybe be something to consider in the future..

Benefits Of All Tennis Courts

For those who enjoy playing tennis, the greatest benefit of having one in the local area is the proximity of the court. There is no need travel too far.

Get started find a resurfacers !

Blacktac are leaders in commercial and residential surface construction, specialising in tennis and netball court surfaces, driveways, roadways and car parks, and recreational areas.

Above a direct quote from their website.

Wayne Chugg 0417 331 001

448 Westbury Road

Prospect Tas 7250

E: blacktac@bigpond.com **LACC**

Drawbacks “Of All Tennis Courts”

Having a local tennis court requires regular maintenance to keep the surface in optimal condition. It also takes up a considerable amount of space — a regulation court is 60 feet wide and 120 feet long.

Option

There are four types of tennis courts, each classified according to the surface. Asphalt is the option for this court in Hamilton.

Pros

Durable and can last up to 20 years

More affordable than concrete courts

Higher ball bounce

Resurfacing A Tennis Court

Even with regular maintenance, tennis courts deteriorate. The lines fade, cracks appear on the surface and low or uneven areas develop (Hamilton court has quite a few dips and uneven spots). Not only is this unsightly, it's also dangerous because the cracks and uneven surface increase the chance of tripping (weeds are growing through the cracks in the Hamilton court) during play. Most hard courts need resurfacing every four to eight years depending on usage and maintenance habits. The resurfacing process includes surveying the court for damage and signs of wear and filling cracks. As soon as the surface is smooth and even, the project ends with a top coat of asphalt and new play lines. This project can cost, on average, between \$4,000 and \$8,000, but can go as high as \$15,000 for large courts and those that need extensive repairs.

At present both of us travel over 80 kms one way to play social tennis and when on limited income fuel for this can become an issue. We have tried to play at the Hamilton court, but need to bring a length of metal to hold up the net, also need to be very careful not to trip over the cracks filled with weeds sometimes green but most of summer just dried up and the weeds and grass seeds around the edge just attach themselves to the tennis balls and our socks and shoes so much so we just cannot get rid of these seeds.

The site is good and if resurfaced and the net post and winch for tightening the net fixed would be utilised by many more people than just us. It could be included in community activities that centre on fitness, family and fun.

Support

Tennis Tasmania also assists and supports communities with projects like this as well as **Sport and Recreation Minor Grants Programme – Round 2** which have a round opened up to 4th March 2020. (\$500 to \$10,000)

The contact details for Tennis Tasmania are below:

Phone: (03) 6108 8200 – Contact name Simonne

Fax: (03) 6108 8215

Email: tasinfo@tennis.com.au

Physical Address

Domain Tennis Centre, 2 Davies Avenue, Glebe TAS 7000

Postal Address

GPO Box 115, Hobart TAS 7001







15.2 HAMILTON BUS SHELTER

A request has been received from a Mr Dave Rainnie at Hamilton in regards to concerns of children using his property as a bus shelter, and that if an incident was to occur then a public liability claim could be made against him.(see attached photo)

Mr Rainnie has requested that Council consider installing a new bus shelter across from his property. (see attached photo).With this site it may pose a risk of a vehicle/truck losing control from the Lyell Highway and entering into this area. A new location at the Hamilton park/toilet area may be of a better and safer location.

Council in 2015 had L R Williams Sheetmetal from New Norfolk construct a bus shelter for Ouse at the price of \$4,262.50 and Council staff installed the shelter at approximate cost of \$1800. (See attached photo)

Total approximate cost for a new bus shelter with new price from fabricator and installation is approximately \$6800+gst

For Discussion

THE MAYOR, GEN MANAGER & COUNCILLORS
CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL
TARLETON ST
HAMILTON
TAS 7140

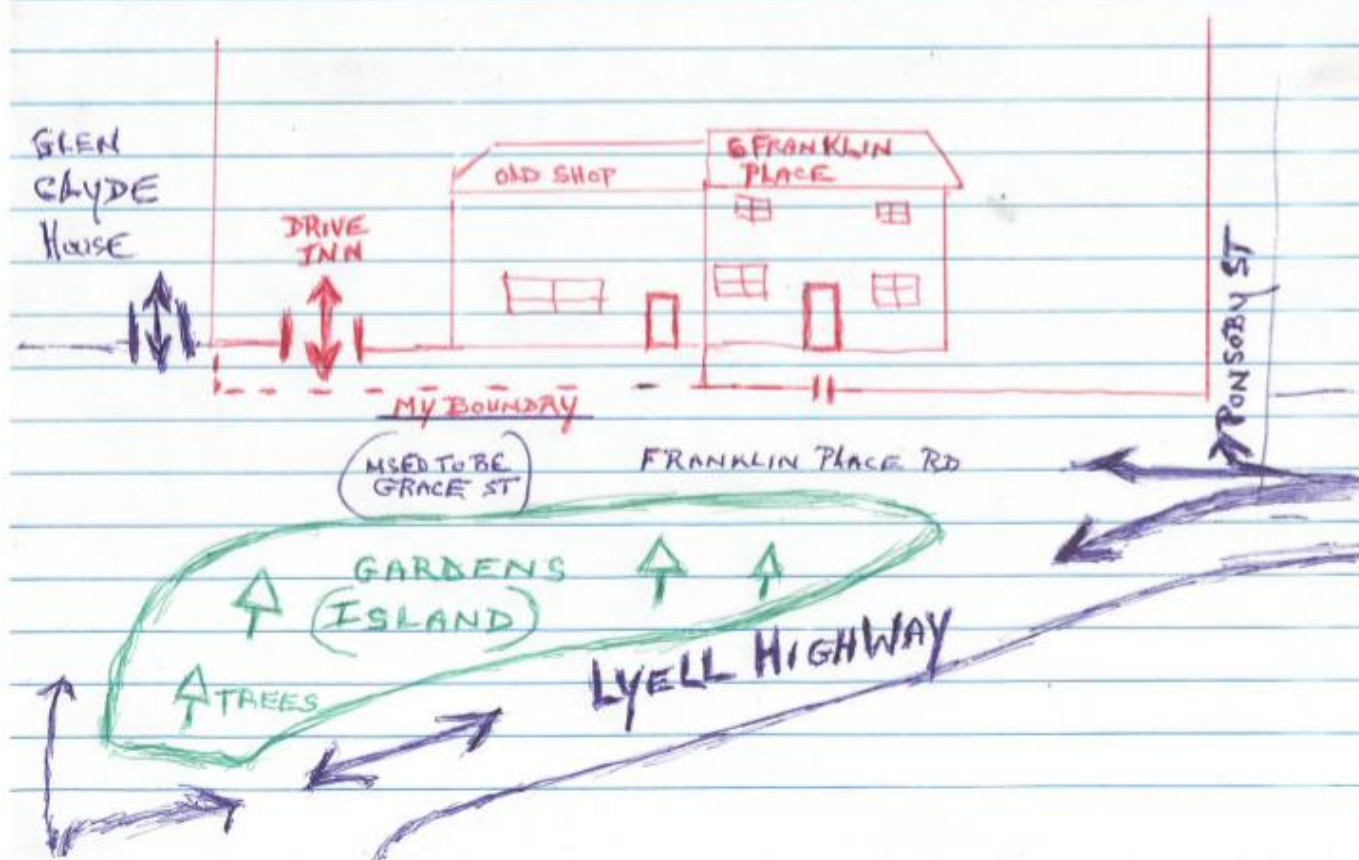
RE:- BUS SHELTER

Dear SIR, MADAME

I HAVE CONCERNS OF MY PRIVATE PROPERTY BEING USED AS A BUS SHELTER BY KIDS & OTHERS AS A PUBLIC LIABILITY CLAIM AGAINST ME.

THERE ARE BLACK SHOE MARKS OVER 1 METRE HIGH ON THE WALLS AND CONSTANT LITTER TO CLEAN UP.

WITH A LARGE VACANT ISLAND OPPOSITE OF ~~6 FRANKLAND PLACE~~ 6 FRANKLIN PLACE IS AN IDEAL PLACE FOR A BUS SHELTER TO BE ERECTED.





Where the children currently wait.





New Bus Shelter at Ouse

15.3 STOCK RAMP AT 729 GLENMORE LOWER MARSHES

A letter has been received from Ellen Mansfield and Shane Mathews of Glenmore Lower Marshes in regards to a stock grid on a Council road. The issue is that the ramp is too narrow and the stock jump across the ramp (approximately 1600mm in width).

With financial hardship of drought and length of fencing that would be required with excavation along with 2 river crossings this is not an option.

Ellen and Shane are content in contributing half the cost of a new stock grid, if Council can contribute half the cost as well and installation.

To extend the existing ramp, is most likely not as cost effective as replacement. Works would involve dig out and box out, pour concrete and extend rail bars as well as not allowing traffic to drive over ramp until concrete has time to cure. New ramp comes as complete set Council staff is to excavate hole and place ramp in and then reinstate road approaches.

Cost received for new cattle ramps are as follows

Hudson civil	\$3,520
Council to install	\$3,000
DelMade	\$5,544
Council to install	\$1,800

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Council purchase a cattle ramp from Delmade and install on Lower Marshes Road and that Mr Mathews contributes half the cost of the new cattle ramp.

20/1/2019

The Mayor,
Central Highlands Council
Alexander Street
BOTHWELL 7030

Dear Mayor and Elected Councillors,

I'm writing to enquire if there is a possibility of installing a bigger ramp at 729 Glenmore, Lower Marshes Road 7030. The current ramp does not keep our stock on Glenmore and is posing a risk to traffic travelling on the road. The volume of traffic has increased since sections of the road has been sealed and the increase in heavy machinery is damaging the current ramp dislodging the timber rails.

Our current financial situation with the drought does not enable us to afford to fence the road for the length of our property which include two river crossings, two bridges and is rough terrain that would require excavation works as well.

We would be happy to contribute to half the cost of the new wider ramp if the Council can pay for the other half and installation.

We would be extremely grateful if the Councillors and General Manager could give some consideration to our request.







15.4 GUM TREES CLYDE STREET HAMILTON

Recently a large limb fell from a gum tree in Clyde Street Hamilton and went over a neighbouring fence into their yard. The residents have requested to CLR Bailey for the removal of the gum trees. (see attached photos).

RECOMMENDATION

THAT Councils works and services manager engage an arborist to undertake a Conditioning report of the Gum Trees of an approximate cost of \$600 and present to Council next meeting.



15.5 TARGA ROAD CLOSURES

Targa Tasmania stage will be held at Tarraleah on May the 1st, all roads used are StateGrowth roads but Targa just requires a letter from Council as they do every year saying that Council are aware of the event and have no objection.

Recommendation

THAT Council Works and Services Manager write to Targa stating that Council have no objection and are aware of the event.



Mrs Lyn Eyles
General Manager
Central Highlands Council
PO Box 20
HAMILTON TAS 7140

30 January 2019

Dear Lyn

TARGA TASMANIA 2020 – ROAD CLOSURE APPLICATION

I wish to make application to council seeking in principal support of proposed road closures in connection with the international tarmac rally TARGA Tasmania 2020.

The event is scheduled to cover a statewide route from Monday 27th April to Saturday 2nd May 2020, with all activities relating to the Central Highlands municipality concentrated on Friday 1st May.

In accordance with the conditions of the Tasmania Police Motor Sport Permits Policy; I request approval in principal for the use and closure of the following roads for a maximum period of four and a half hours:

LEG FIVE – FRIDAY 1st MAY

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

Stage Name: TARRALEAH

Road closure time: 8:11 – 12:41

Roads Closed	Between the following Roads
Lyell Highway	Brady's Lake Road and Oldina Drive (Southern End)

All residents effected by road closures will be contacted prior to the event, advising full details of the road closure and of the safety and emergency response plans. This information will be distributed by TARGA Australia to ensure the greatest level of coverage.

Additionally TARGA Australia will also contact a wide variety of organizations and individuals including schools, harvesting contractors, transport companies, milk companies, tourism authorities and tourism operators advising details of the route and road closures as well as place advertisements in the three major newspapers.

TARGA Australia will remain in contact with council to ensure minimum disruption to community and council plans.

Thank you in anticipation, should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 0419 349 656.

Yours sincerely



Hamish Marquis
Clerk of the Course

16.0 ADMINISTRATION

16.1 CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY DRESS CODE

The Department of Home Affairs has advised Council that a number of changes have been made to the Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code. All councils are required to establish a Dress Code for Citizenship Ceremonies, to reflect the significance of the occasion, and provide a copy of their Dress Code to the Department of Home Affairs.

Below is a letter from the Hon David Coleman MP outlines key changes to the Citizenship Ceremonies Code which took effect on the 19th September 2019. As an outcome of these changes, the attached 'draft' dress code for citizenship ceremonies is submitted to Council for consideration prior to submitting to the Department of Home Affairs. It should be noted that in Council's experience to date, all new Australians and their guests have attended ceremonies in suitably formal and respectful attire reflecting the importance of the occasion.



**THE HON DAVID COLEMAN MP
MINISTER FOR IMMIGRATION, CITIZENSHIP,
MIGRANT SERVICES AND MULTICULTURAL AFFAIRS**

Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code

Dear Mayor,

I previously wrote to you advising of a number of proposed changes to the *Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code*, and invited feedback on these changes from all Australian local government councils. Having considered the views of councils, I am now pleased to announce the publication of a new version of the *Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code*, which will take effect from the date of this letter. Key changes are outlined below:

- Local government councils must ensure ceremonies are conducted in accordance with the *Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code*. This includes a requirement to hold a citizenship ceremony on Australia Day (January 26). Councils that conferred citizenship on less than 20 people in the previous year are exempt from this requirement.
- Federal Members of Parliament, if attending a citizenship ceremony, should read the Minister's message; and
- Individual councils are to establish a Dress Code for ceremonies, to reflect the significance of the occasion, and provide a copy of their Dress Code to the Department of Home Affairs.

I believe that the changes made to the *Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code* reflect the expectations of the Australian community and provide clear guidance to councils on hosting citizenship ceremonies. Should your council have any questions regarding these changes, please contact the Department of Home Affairs at natoceremonies@homeaffairs.gov.au.

Thank you on behalf of the Australian Government for your ongoing support of Australian citizenship ceremonies.

Yours sincerely

David Coleman

19 / 09 / 2019

Parliament House Canberra ACT 2600 Telephone: (02) 6277 7770 Facsimile: (02) 6277 2353

The wording from the adopted dress code will be included in the confirmation letters sent out with the ceremony's details.

Central Highlands Council Citizenship Ceremony Dress Code

The attire of attendees at Citizenship Ceremonies should reflect the significance of the occasion. We encourage Citizenship Ceremony attendees to wear smart casual attire. Attendees are also welcome to wear their own national/traditional/cultural dress.

This Dress Code is a requirement of the Australian Government's Australian Citizenship Ceremonies Code.

Recommendation

THAT Council adopt the following Citizenship Ceremony Dress Code

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16.2 TASSIE'S TOP TOURISM TOWNS

The Chief Executive Officer of Tourism Industry Council Tasmania Mr Luke Martin has written to Council to encourage council to have a good look at their major project 'Shine a bright light on Tassie's regional towns'.

Mr Martin suggests that Tassie's Top Tourism Town is about recognising and celebrating those towns and communities across Tasmania that offer outstanding unique visitor experiences, and where the local tourism operators, business community and Council band together in growing their share of the tourism market.

Mr Martin states there are two categories to enter; one for towns over 5,000 in population, and another for towns with less than 5,000 in population – so this program is open and accessible to local tourism destinations at all levels and scale across the industry.

Entering will require a little bit of work over the next few months but nothing too strenuous – we're asking you to think about the attractions and experiences that make your town and local destination so unique and special – and to share that through a travel-style article, some visual images, and an itinerary. The program is designed to be an initiative for a Local Tourism Association, Chamber of Commerce, Tourism Officer with a Council, or a Visitor Information Centre.

The benefits of entering are considerable – Spirit of Tasmania is offering a significant promotional package for all our finalists focussed on our all-important interstate touring market; and the Mercury Newspaper will feature all our finalists online over winter when the Tasmanian intrastate market is so important to regional destinations.

Mr Martin states the two category winners will share in a major marketing package from Spirit of Tasmania, TasVacations and TICT, and will also go on to be finalists in Australia's inaugural Top Tourism Town competition – where they will be recognised and judged alongside the top tourism towns across every State and Territory.

Mr Martin suggest this is a great opportunity to raise the profile of your town and local tourism industry, and have the chance to be recognised by the broader industry and community, across Tasmania, and potentially nationally.

All the details on the program are on their website at: <https://tict.com.au/awards/tassies-top-tourism-towns/>

For Discussion

16.3 AFLT STATEWIDE FACILITIES PLAN

The State Manager – Public Affairs & Infrastructure Mr Damian Gill has written to Council making the General Manager aware that AFL Tasmania has embarked on the development of a State-wide Football Infrastructure Plan in collaboration with the AFL and planning consultants *insideEDGE* Sport and Leisure Planning. The project commenced in October last year with a complete re-audit of all 94 facilities used for Australian Rules football across Tasmania.

A copy of the initial project bulletin is attached for your information.

Following the completion of the facility audit and an assessment of state-wide participation trends, an online survey has been distributed to all Tasmanian Local Government Authorities (LGAs) as well as Leagues/Associations in order to test the audit findings and identify more localised challenges, opportunities and priorities that are important within your locality.

As a way to bring this initial research and online consultation together, AFL Tasmania and *insideEDGE* will be conducting a series of Government and Football community forums in the following locations (exact venues to be confirmed):

Stakeholder Group	Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Location
North Western LGAs	Monday 24 February, 2020	1pm-3pm	Dial Park, Penguin
North Western Leagues/Associations	Monday 24 February, 2020	4pm-6pm	Dial Park, Penguin
Northern LGAs	Tuesday 25 February, 2020	1pm-3pm	UTAS Stadium
Northern Leagues/Associations	Tuesday 25 February, 2020	4pm-6pm	UTAS Stadium
Southern LGAs and Leagues/Associations (combined):	Wednesday 26 February, 2020	1pm-3pm	Blundstone Arena

These forums will be via invitation only and will focus on participation from local council and football league / association representatives and AFL Tasmania staff. During this phase of consultation, individual local clubs will not be asked to attend forums, however they will all be engaged via their own independent online survey during February and March 2020.

A formal agenda will be prepared and distributed for each regional forum, including:

- An introduction to the project and progress to date
- Successful outcomes from similar AFL state and regional plans
- A Tasmania wide football state of play overview
- A regional state of play and local influences overview
- A summary of club, league/association and LGA online survey progress and findings to date
- Workshop / discussion around localised needs, priorities and strategic opportunities

Please save the most relevant time, date and location for your LGA and please RSVP your availability and any dietary requirements to Damian Gill, AFL Tasmania's State Manager – Public Affairs & Infrastructure via Damian.Gill@afl.com.au by 19th February 2020.

To ensure that we can adequately manage the forum and the spaces available, we recommend that only a maximum of two representatives from your Council/League or Association attend.

Recommendation

THAT Council nominate Councillor and the Works & Service Manager to attend the stakeholder group meeting for Central Highlands Council.

16.4 GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

The General Manager received an email from the Mr Wayne Turale a Great Lake Community Centre Committee Person stating the following:

Payment of Aurora Energy Accounts. Great Lake Community Centre.

Mayor Triffitt & Councillors,

Hope you all are well, we wish to draw your attention to queries/concerns we have regarding the payment of Aurora Energy Accounts for the Great Lake Community Centre.

We draw your attention to the following 3 queries and hope you may assist us with these.

No 1.

As you recall the Centre was designated and declared an evacuation Centre, by the Council, during the Great Pine Tier Fire January 2019.

We believe the time period was approx Jan 18 to March 14, a period of approximately 56 days.

During that time the Centre was manned by local volunteers who provided respite and meals, for some at no cost, for person s evacuated and firefighting at request of the Council.

The Aurora Energy Accounts for that period, Account No 50292668 2 is a total of \$1059.00 over 92 days. Which is an average of \$11.43 per day. The account dates are from 24 Nov 2018 to March 12 2019.

We ask the Council give consideration for payment of this account for the 56 days the Centre was used as an evacuation centre, as it was declared by Council through the emergency necessity, not utilised as a venue by choice for Community Centre members. The ability of the Committee to cost recovery for this period was very restrictive.

The amount we ask for the Council to contribute is \$640.08, which is 56 x \$11.43 per day. We believe the Council may have received special funds from State or Federal Bush fire relief programs that may assist you with this.

No 2.

May we request that Aurora Energy Accounts for the Centre be forwarded to the Committee as soon as they are determined. We just recently received several accounts on mass, one of which was over

\$2,000. For some reason these accounts had not be forwarded to our Committee for ratification for some months.

As you all would appreciate, it is extremely difficult to budget when costs are not known.

No 3

Has consideration been determined regarding the urgent electrical work need to be effected to the Main Fuse Box at the Centr? Apparently it is a safety risk and has been for some time. Apparently previous temporary work has been done to this but an upgrade is needed to ensure electrical safety. It has been inspected by electricians, we understand and a cost estimate prepared for you.

We thank you for your continued co operation and support of the Community Centre and remind you the AGM will be held in Feb and welcome representatives to attend.

For Discussion

16.5 CATTLE HILL WIND FARM COMMUNITY FUND

The Community Engagement Manager for Goldwind Ms Sunny Rutherford has advised Council that Cattle Hill Wind Farm have a Community Fund which aims to share the benefits of Cattle Hill Wind Farm by investing in the communities around the wind farm. The Funds are intended to provide financial support for community-based initiatives, projects and events that produce lasting community benefit and reflect local priorities.

The annual allocation of funding is a voluntary contribution from Cattle Hill Wind Farm and will comprise of \$120,000 per annum for the life of the project. The Fund will commence in the first half of 2020 and will continue on similar dates each year.

Cattle Hill Wind Farm is currently seeking applications for local community members within the Central Highlands municipality that would like to be involved in the Cattle Hill Wind Farm Community Fund Committee.

Community representatives will play a key role in offering a local perspective and assist in the evaluation of applications for the Cattle Hill Wind Farm Community Fund. Community representatives will also be asked to share details for the Community Fund within the local community and encourage potential applicants to apply for the Fund.

The Committee will consist of representatives from Cattle Hill Wind Farm, Central Highlands Council and the local community. The committee will meet one to two times in Bothwell in the first half of 2020. Some pre-reading of application forms may be required prior to meetings.

Attached for Councillors information in a copy of the Seeking Applications – Cattle Hill Wind Farm Community Fund Committee information sheet.

Recommendation:

THAT Council nominate the Mayor and Councillor to be Central Highlands Council representatives on the Cattle Hill Wind Farm Community Fund Committee.

16.6 BOTHWELL MEDICAL CENTRE

Councillor Poore would like talk to the following: Dr Mary Lumsden is intending to replace the existing carpet in the Bothwell Medical Centre at her expense she is also intending to re upholster the chairs in the waiting room. I have no problem with the doctor reupholstering the chairs at her expense but I do not feel it is inappropriate for her to recarpet the centre at her expense. Council were very lucky to find such a professional and proactive doctor and Council should be attempting to assist Dr Lumsden in every way possible. I would like council to consider paying for the re carpeting of the Bothwell Medical Centre as this is a Council owned facility.

For Discussion

16.7 DERWENT PONY CLUB

The Derwent Pony Club has written to Council asking if Council would consider providing a donation towards their event "The Big Day Out" at the Hamilton Showgrounds Sunday 23rd February 2020. The Derwent Pony Club is a non-profit organisation and any contribution from Council would be much appreciated towards the costs of running this event in the Central Highlands.

The Derwent Pony Club state the dressage, hacking and show jumping event in Hamilton will bring people into the district, involves local community members and local young horse riders who will be participating in events on the day.



Central Highlands Council

PO Box 20

HAMILTON TAS 7140

Dear Lyn Eyles,

The Derwent Pony Club are hosting an event "The Big Day Out" including dressage, hacking and show jumping at the Hamilton Showgrounds Sunday 23rd February 2020.

The following event will bring people into the district and involves local community members and local young horse riders who will be participating in events on the day.

We would like to ask the Central Highlands Council to be a sponsor of this one day event as the club is a non-profit organisation and your contribution would be much appreciated towards the costs of running this event.

Regards,

Sharee Nichols

Derwent Pony Club Event Co-Ordinator

For Discussion

16.8 STATUS REPORT

The Mayor would like to introduce a status report for tasks/actions allocated to Councillors. The following status report is attached for Council consideration.

16.9 ANZAC DAY SERVICES

Generally a Councillor is nominated for each service to act as emcee and work with staff on the programs.

Recommendation:

Gretna Dawn Service, Mayor Loueen Triffitt, Cllr T Bailey and Cllr R Cassidy
Hamilton 11.00am Service Cllr Deputy Mayor J Allwright, Cllr R Cassidy, Cllr A Archer and Cllr A Campbell
Bothwell 11.00am Service Mayor Loueen Triffitt, Cllr J Honner, Cllr J Poore and Cllr S Bowden

16.10 INCREASE IN RABBIT POPULATION IN THE TOWNSHIP OF BOTHWELL

Mrs Sharlie Vince from Patrick Street in Bothwell has also written to Council about the ever increasing wild rabbit population within the township of Bothwell, her letter is attached for Councillors information:

22-24 Patrick St
Bothwell Tas 7030
26-01-2020

Councillor Loueen Triffit
Mayor
Central Highlands Council
P.O. Box 20
Hamilton Tas 7140

Dear Mayor,

I am writing to you and your fellow councillors to ask what is being done about the ever increasing wild rabbit population taking over the township of Bothwell.

I have been a resident in Bothwell since 2010 and in 2013 I purchased my current residence at 22-24 Patrick St. right in the centre of town.

This property has a large garden and also had a large in ground vegetable garden.

Until recently I have only noticed the occasional possum, cat or stray sheep visit my garden during the day or night.

This year, (and late 2019) my property is being overrun with rabbits day and night.

Each morning I have to check the garden for deceased rabbits (I am guessing wild cats etc have a feast overnight), and I have to return garden ornaments to their original positions as they are often knocked over.

I also have to look for burrows, holes etc dug by the rabbits and see the ever increasing piles of rabbit poo littering the grass and garden.

This may bring a smile to some people faces thinking so what is the problem?
The problem is a Health and Safety one.

As an older resident with fall and injury issues, I now have to check each day and fill in holes large and small to prevent accidental tripping and injury.

As an older resident with a chronic autoimmune disease I have to think twice about working in my garden without gloves on in case it is an area with rabbit urine and faeces as there is a slight risk of disease being spread to which I am susceptible.

I notice each day the tourists walking around St Michaels & All Angels Church opposite me and those enjoying Queens Park. I also notice the high number of rabbits playing and running around the grounds of these areas both during the day and at night.

I sincerely hope that someone does not trip on a rabbit hole and become injured or that a small child does not pick up rabbit poo to eat... (it does look like chocolate sprinkles)

If you walk around the streets of Bothwell (as many residents and tourists do) you find a lot of the gravel sidewalks littered with rabbit faeces. Surely this is not what the council want visitors and residents to see and experience.

If you walk or drive around Bothwell at night, (including the main street), you will find a very large number of rabbits running around. It is not uncommon to see dead rabbits on the street after being hit by vehicles.

I would appreciate your attention and discussion to this matter and look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely



Sharlie Vince

Recommendation

THAT the Works and Service Manager write to the Invasive Species Branch of the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment about the increase in rabbit population in the township of Bothwell and include the letter from Mrs Sharlie Vince.

17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

18.0 CLOSURE