

# Central Highlands Council

## AGENDA - ORDINARY MEETING - 15th MARCH 2016

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016, 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.

Adam Wilson Acting General Manager

- 1.0 OPENING
- 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) in any item of the Agenda.

## 5.0 MOTION INTO CLOSED MEETING

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**THAT** pursuant to Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, Council close the meeting to the public.

Items for Closed Session:

- 1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 15 March 2015 Regulation 15 (2) (g)
- 2 Personnel Matters Regulation 15 (2) (a)
- 3 Tenders Regulation 15 (2) (d)

#### 5.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

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

## **OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC**

The Meeting will be opened to the public at 10.00am

#### IN ATTENDANCE 6.0

10.30 am Mrs Helen Jarman from District Nurses Hospice

11.00 am Mr Miles Hampton and Mr Mike Brewster from TasWater 12.00 noon Mrs Helga Grant and Mr Greg Jackman from Hydro Tasmania

#### 6.1 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

#### **MAYORAL COMMITMENTS** 7.0

15<sup>th</sup> March Council Meeting Hamilton

Meeting CEO Cota Sue Leitch and General Manager

Meeting Tasmanian Fire Service - Garrie Sullivan and General Manager (Belchers Tier Tower)

20th March Gretna Junior Cricket Club Trophy Presentation

2<sup>nd</sup> April Interview Tiger Air Radio - Topics Highlands Lake Road, Hamilton Agricultural Show, Buskers Event,

Bushfest Event and Derwent Bridge Toilets / Information Bay

4<sup>th</sup> April Telephone discussion - Belchers Tier Tower

Parliament House event hosted by Hon Jim Wilkinson, President Legislative Council

6<sup>th</sup> April 8<sup>th</sup> April Tasmanian Climate Change Office, Information Session before Submission

11<sup>th</sup> April Southern Tasmanian Council's Authority

**Destination Southern Tasmania** 

18<sup>th</sup> April Southern Tasmanian Council's Infrastructure Meeting - Priorities for forthcoming Elections.

#### 7.1 **COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS**

## **Deputy Mayor Andrew Downie**

15<sup>th</sup> March Ellendale - Public meeting 17<sup>th</sup> March SWSA - Glenorchy 12<sup>th</sup> April Planning - Bothwell

## **CIr L M Triffitt**

13<sup>th</sup> March Great Lake shack-owners meeting and AGM

15<sup>th</sup> March **Council Meeting** 

15<sup>th</sup> March Ellendale Public Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> April **Ellendale Public Meeting** 

12<sup>th</sup> April **Planning Meeting** 

12<sup>th</sup> April **Gretna Red Cross Function** 

## 7.2 ACTING GENERAL MANAGER COMMITMENTS

15<sup>th</sup> March Council Meeting

31<sup>st</sup> March Local Government Common Services Joint Venture 7<sup>th</sup> April Great Lake Scheme Trail Working Party Meeting

8<sup>th</sup> April Meeting with Minister Dr Goodwin MLC

## 8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April Budget Workshop with Managers

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> April Planning Workshop

## 8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Nil

## 9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil

## 10.0 MINUTES

## 10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved Cir Seconded Cir

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 be received.

## 10.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved Cir Seconded Cir

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2016 be confirmed.

## 10.3 RECEIVAL OF PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved Cir Seconded Cir

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2016 be received.

## 10.4 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES CENTRAL HIGHLANDS AUDIT PANEL MEETING

Moved Clr Seconded Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Central Highlands Audit Panel held on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2016 be received.

## 11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

12.0 NRM REPORT

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THAT the NRM Report be received.



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# NRM Report for Central Highlands Council 8<sup>th</sup> March – 13<sup>th</sup> April 2016

## **General Business:**

We have been working on developing plans and budgets for both Derwent Valley Council and NRM South to support the ongoing collaborative effort undertaken by the Derwent Catchment NRM Committee. We have presented our budget request to the Derwent Valley Council and asked them to raise their investment to match that of the Central Highlands Council. This will support us to strengthen and expand our extension and programs across the whole catchment, particularly the weeds program.

We have an update on the electrical problem between the Nursery, the Men's Shed and the Hamilton Resource Centre. Apparently there is a fault that occurs where the old line was changed to facilitate direct power to the Men's Shed. John Blyth has been working with Peter Hogan (electrician) to locate the exact point of the fault, which unfortunately is under the new pathway constructed by the Men's Shed. The immediate area has been dug up and Peter will address the fault which hopefully will restore consistent power to the nursery and allow us to get our irrigation functioning. We hope to have the situation resolved in the next fortnight.

## Miena Cider Gum Project

Progress has been made to identify and map priority sites on private land around core Miena cider gum locations. As part of this project, these landholders will be approached to undertake caging and other on-ground activities to protect seedlings and we hope to collect seed that will be used for a scientific research trial and a sample deposited with the Millennium Seedbank at the Royal Botanical Gardens in Hobart.

## **Weed Management Program**

## CHC Weeds Program

Our weed control crew have now eradicated the 3 separate Californian thistle populations found during the Poatina ragwort control project. These works are the end of the control program for this season. We have prepared a report to all stakeholders providing an overview of the works achieved this season. This report also provides an outline and budget for the works proposed for next season.

## Central Highlands Weed Plan

Fieldwork has been initiated to map roadside weed populations across the Central Highlands council zone. This project aims to ensure all roadside weed priorities are recorded so that control works can be more effectively planned and budgeted for into the future.

## Platypus Walk - Community Fund Grant development

We have been pulling together information to support an upcoming Tasmanian Community Grant Fund application which opens next month. We have attached a more detailed brief of the proposed project, "Rejuvenating Hamilton's Platypus Walk" for council approval. This utilises the \$10,000 which has been kept for an application of this type.

## Patrick Ransley's Healthy Hoof Project

We have completed the promotional video for a funding campaign to trial Patrick Ransley's organic solution to footrot. We are seeking to secure \$30,000 to undertake a scientific trial on 5 sheep properties within the region to determine if the results Patrick achieved on his Rockmount Road property can be replicated elsewhere. We will be approaching the State Government initially to see if they can support this work. The video will be available for viewing on the DCNRMC website shortly.

## Pasture principals

A pasture principals field day was held at Bloomfield and Llanberis which focused on prioritisation for the coming season: looking after the best paddocks; waiting for pastures to break dormancy until the third leaf stage and looking after water assets. The final pasture principals field day for this round will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

## **Derwent Catchment NRM Committee website upgrade**

We have been improving the layout and quality of our website to deliver up-to-date information to our members and other community. There is now information available on most of our programs with more to come. We would like to provide a direct link between council's website and the DCNRMC website if this is possible?

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## **Grant applications**

Naturally Inspired grant round 9 – submissions:

David Dyson - Clyde River Restoration at the Tannery Cottages - Pending decision

Tom Clarke – Tyenna River Restoration, Westerway – Pending decision

Richard Ellis – Wetheron Biodiversity Corridor – Stage 1 - Pending decision

Peter Murphy - Ellendale Spanish Heath Control and Trial Evaluation Project – Pending decision

National Landcare Program Sustainable Agriculture small grants round

Pasture Information Hub - Pending decision

Trial on the biochar and compost impacts on soil carbon in poppy crops – Pending decision

Yours Sincerely,

Josie Kelman, Facilitator, Derwent Catchment NRM Committee 0427 044 700 Eve Lazarus, Projects Officer, Derwent Catchment NRM Committee 0429 170 048

## Rejuvenating Hamilton Community's Platypus Walk

## Summary

This project will rejuvenate Hamilton Community's Platypus Walk by removing river bank willows, re-vegetating the banks of the river and upgrading existing pathways along the Platypus Walk in the small rural township of Hamilton.

## **Project details**

The existing Platypus Walk in Hamilton is in need of rejuvenation. Willows and other declared weeds have invaded the stream bank and riparian vegetation area, degrading the waterway. The track has also become degraded over time due to this process of weed invasion and the age of the path. Existing signage is becoming dated and there is no interpretation available for the historic heritage. Local tourist businesses recommend this trail and it provides a point of interest in Hamilton for visitors. A free camping ground also adjoins the walk.

The rejuvenation of the Platypus Walk is in-line with a long-term plan to restore the Clyde River starting at the key community areas of access and use, to which Hamilton is central. It is hoped that this approach will create momentum to undertake control of willows along the waterway, much of which is private land. The site selected is on public land.

This project will:

- 1. Remove willows along 4 km of riverbank,
- 2. Re-vegetate key areas
- 3. Upgrade the existing walkway and
- 4. Provide up-to-date signage about the local values.

The project will remove 80% of the willows. Some willows will be retained to keep the local amenity and allow new plantings to replace the larger trees and to safeguard river-bank stability. The revegetation component is also essential to ensure that weed incursion is minimised. The willow control will use best practice drill and fill as well as mechanical

removal (where appropriate) to ensure that willow regrowth is limited. This area will be maintained by the collaborative efforts of the Central Highlands Council, the Derwent Catchment NRM Committee and the local landholder. The local landholder is supporting the project with maintenance of the plantings along 2km of the riverbank.

The walkway is a combined mix of gravel pathways and mown areas along the river bank which is maintained by Council. This project would see improved delineation of the track with a mix of formed gravel pathway and pathway bordered by revegetation with native grasses and sedges. The project will also include identification of river access points and provide seating to complement the walk. The objective of which is to ensure visitors stay longer in the area and provide a chance to access natural areas. A component of this strategy is to also provide interpretive signage of the historic heritage values such as the old mill and water race visible from the track.

## **Budget**

Item	Grant request	In-kind
Machine hire and labour for willow removal \$125 hour for 25 tonne machine – 7 days		\$8,960 CHC (cash component)
\$35 an hour for chainsaw person		
Revegetation: 4000m of revegetation = 1 shrub/tree per metre across 25 metre buffer (\$6.50/tree with guard and stakes) Poa plugs and carex for river bank Grass seed to create open space	Tree guard, Stakes = \$15,617 Larger plants = \$1,617 Total =\$17, 534	Smaller plants = \$11, 466 (DCNRMC nursery and CHC \$1,040 for propagation materials)156
Upgrade of pathway: Formed path construction	29/lineal metre gravel path with formed edges x 500m = \$14,500	
New signage – 3 signs talking about Hamilton Heritage and the significance of the Clyde - old mill and race historical signage with image. Historical significance of Hamilton.	Signage Interpretative sign: Sign printing: \$200	Installation: \$100 (CHC) Text development: \$60/hour x 4 = \$240 (DCNRMC) Graphic design: \$140/hour x 4 = \$560 (DCNRMC) Total \$900
Seating – picnic table Wooden seat x 2		Picnic table \$1,000 Wooden seats \$500
Project administration (10%)	\$3,234	
Total	\$32,234	\$21,962

## 13.0 FINANCE REPORT

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THAT the Finance Report be received.

## 14.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

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

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THAT the Development & Environmental Services Report be received.

# 14.1 SA 2016/4 : GHD (OBO TJ DAVIS) : ARTHURS LAKE ROAD, STEPPES (CT 168232/2 & CT 168232/1) : BOUNDARY REORGANISATION – NO ADDITIONAL LOTS

## **Report By:**

Contract Planner (David Masters)

## Applicant:

**GHD Pty Ltd** 

## Owner

**Terry Davis** 

## **Discretions**

Use: 'Subdivision (Boundary Adjustment)'

## **Proposal:**

Council is in receipt of an application for a boundary adjustment involving two existing titles on land at Wilburville, Arthurs Lake. The current titles describing the land are in Certificates of Title 168232/1 and 168232/2.

The existing two titles are one large (335Ha) and one smaller (55Ha) rural lots. Both lots fall partly within the Rural Resource Zone and partly within the Low Density Residential Zone. Both lots are bisected by Arthurs Lake Road.

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The proposal is to combine all the land in the Low Density Residential Zone (and on the northern side of Arthurs Lake Road) into one title. The other proposed lot will encompass all the remaining land that is zoned Rural Resource and is on the southern side of the road. The new lots will be approximately 346Ha (Rural Resource) and 44Ha (Low Density Residential)

The land is predominantly native vegetation and cleared grazing land.

The proposal is within the Rural Resource and Low Density Residential Zone under the *Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015. Subdivision* is 'discretionary' within the Rural Resource zone and Permitted or Discretionary within the Low Density Residential Zone. There is a discretionary provision to approve a 'Boundary Reorganisation' within the Rural Resource Zone but no similar provision applies in the Low Density Residential Zone.

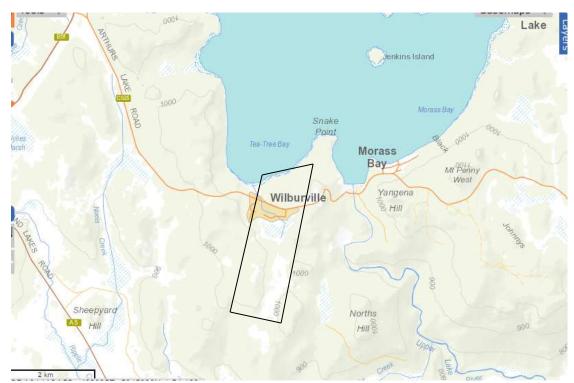
There is a special provision under the planning scheme that allows consideration of an 'Adjustment of a Boundary". The current proposal is most unusual in that it involves two titles that both have multiple zones and also both are bisected by a public road. The proposed boundary adjustment offers to remove the anomaly of multiple zones for both lots and also remove the road bisection while retaining full road frontage. There are no relevant buildings within either property.

## **Site Description:**

The overall land area is approximately 390 hectares and is predominantly bush with cleared grazing areas. The land is adjacent to the 'Wilburville' residential area and is divided by Arthurs Lake Road and the Wilburville residential development. Part of the land has frontage to the Arthurs Lake foreshore reserve.



Aerial photo showing zoning and proposed new lots.



Aerial phot showing approximate location of the property.

## **Access arrangements**

The land is currently accessed by numerous existing vehicle access points off Arthurs Lake Road. The new lots will have adequate road frontage and no new accesses will be required.

## **Environmental values**

The proposal is generally to amend existing boundaries and retain large two comparatively large lots. Whilst the land clearly retains substantial areas of native vegetation, the proposal would not directly threaten any significant environmental values that might exist on the land.

Should development, (such as a new dwelling), be proposed on any of the new titles, there are sufficient areas of cleared grazing land where such development could occur with minimal impact on environmental values. Any such impacts could adequately be assessed at that time, under the relevant provisions of the applicable planning scheme.

## Servicing

The subject site is not located within a serviceable district and any development on the land would require onsite servicing.

The land of both lots in the current configuration is zoned partly Rural Resource and partly Low Density Residential. The proposed boundary adjustment will result in all the land zoned Rural Resource being in one lot and all of the Low Density Residential Zoned land being within the other lot. The zone boundaries will align with the new lot boundaries.

## **Advertising:**

The application was subject to a 14 day notification period in accordance with section 57 of the Act from the 4<sup>th</sup> to the 21<sup>st</sup> of March 2016. No representations were received.

## **Planning Evaluation**

Under the Special Provisions of the planning scheme, 9.3 Adjustment of a Boundary enables consideration of an application for a boundary adjustment irrespective of the zoning of the land.

The following conditions must be satisfied:

Planning Scheme provision	Officers comment
No additional lots are created.	The condition is met
Any relevant local area objective or desired future character statement of the applicable zone.	There are none specified for either the Low Density Residential or Rural Resource zones.
No setback from an existing building will be reduced below the applicable minimum setback requirement.	There are no relevant buildings. The condition is met.
No frontage is reduced below the applicable minimum frontage requirement	The smaller lot will have increased frontage and the larger rural lot has three frontages to Willburville Street. The condition is met.
No lot boundary that aligns with a zone boundary will be changed.	This proposal does not change any existing boundaries that align with zone boundaries. In fact, the proposal removes existing anomalies and results in boundaries that do align with the zone boundaries.

## **State Policy Implications**

State Policy of Water Quality Management

The proposal will not result in any works near Arthurs Lake, despite the fact that the land borders the lake, and complies with this Policy.

State Policy on the Protection of Agricultural Land 2009

The State Policy on the Protection of Agricultural Land protects Prime Agricultural Land (Land Capability Classes 1, 2, and 3) and conversion to non-agricultural uses is subject to the principles of the Policy. There is no land within these land capability classes.

The proposed boundary adjustment will generally retain the rural land in a single large lot. The subdivision will not result in a conversion of significant agricultural land to other land use and is considered to accord with the Policy.

### **Technical Matters**

**Water:** No domestic reticulated water serves are available to the land.

**Sewer:** No reticulated sewer services are available to the land.

**Stormwater:** No reticulated stormwater serviced are available to the land.

**Access:** Refer to the body of this report for comments relating to access.

No other issues of concern have been raised.

## **Environmental Implications**

No environmental implications are expected as a result of the development.

## **CONCLUSION**

Application has been made to adjust boundaries so that the new lots will align with zone boundaries and also remove the division of the lots by a public road. This is a desirable and practically sensible outcome.

The boundary adjustment will ensure that the rural land will be contained fully within one lot and the residential land will be wholly contained within the other.

The proposed subdivision complies with the criteria for a boundary adjustment prescribed under the Scheme and is therefore justified on this basis.

No representations were received during the public consultation period.

Approval is recommended subject to standard conditions.

## Recommendation

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Seconded CIr

**That** Central Highlands Council (Planning Authority) in accordance with the provisions of the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015 and Section 57 of the *Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993*, APPROVE the application for a boundary adjustment at Arthurs Lake Road and Wilburville Street, Arthurs lake, (Certificates of Title 168232/2 and 168232/1, subject to the following conditions:

## General

1. The subdivision layout must be carried out substantially in accordance with the application for planning approval, the endorsed drawings and with the conditions of this permit and must not be altered or extended without the further written approval of Council.

## Final Plan

- **2.** A fee as determined by Council resolution from time to time must be paid to Council prior to the sealing of each stage of the final plan of survey.
- **3.** A final plan of survey and two (2) copies must be provided together with the schedule of easements as necessary.
- **4.** All conditions of this permit must be satisfied before the Council seals the final plan. It is the subdivider's responsibility to arrange any required inspections and to advise Council in writing that the conditions of the permit have been satisfied. The final plan of survey will not be dealt with until this advice has been provided.
- 5. The Final Plan is to be endorsed to the affect that public access from Arthurs Lake Road to the existing boat ramp at Arthurs Lake will be retained. This may be by formal right-of-way, road reserve or other suitable means by which continuing access for boats owners is retained.

## **Easements**

**6.** Easements must be created over all drains, pipelines, wayleaves and services in accordance with the requirements of the Council's General Manager. The cost of locating and creating the easements shall be at the subdivider's full cost.

## **Endorsements**

**7.** The final plan of survey must be noted that Council cannot or will not provide a means of drainage, water or sewer services to all lots shown on the plan of survey.

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## **Covenants**

**8.** Covenants or other similar restrictive controls that conflict with any provisions or seek to prohibit any use provided within the planning scheme must not be included or otherwise imposed on the titles to the lots created by this permit, either by transfer, inclusion of such covenants in a Schedule of Easements or registration of any instrument creating such covenants with the Recorder of Titles, unless such covenants or controls are expressly authorised by the terms of this permit or the consent in writing of the Council's General Manager.

## Rural access

- 9. A separate vehicle access must be provided from the road carriageway to each lot, whether by an existing compliant access, the upgrade of an existing non-compliant access or the construction of a new access. Accesses must be a minimum width of 3 metres at the property boundary and located and constructed in accordance with the standards shown on standard drawings SD-1009 Rural Roads Typical Standard Access and SD-1012 Intersection and Domestic Access Sight Distance Requirements prepared by the IPWE Aust. (Tasmania Division) (attached) and the satisfaction of Council's General Manager.
- **10.** No works on or affecting the Arthurs Laker Road or the Wilburville Street reservations are to be commenced until and unless construction details are approved by Council's General Manager.

## The applicant shall also be advised that:

- **A.** This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other legislation or by-law has been granted.
- **B.** This permit shall not take effect and must not be acted on until 15 days after the date of receipt of this permit unless, as the applicant and the only person with a right of appeal, you notify Council in writing that you propose to commence the use or development before this date, in accordance with Section 53 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.
- **C.** This planning approval shall lapse at the expiration of two (2) years from the date of the commencement of planning approval if the development for which the approval was given has not been substantially commenced. Where a planning approval for a development has lapsed, an application for renewal of a planning approval for that development shall be treated as a new application.

Carried

# 14.2 DA 2015/19: REQUEST FOR COUNCIL TO WAIVE PUBLIC OPEN SPACE CONTRIBUTION: HIGH STREET, BOTHWELL – SUBDIVISION OF 1 LOT & BALAANCE

## **Report By:**

Contract Planner (David MASTERS)

## **Background:**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Council approved an application to subdivide a property in High Street into 2 lots, subject to conditions (DA2015/19) and a planning permit was issued on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2015.

Conditions of the planning permit (#10 and 11) require payment of a cash-in-lieu contribution for public open space. The applicant did not lodge an appeal against the conditions at the time the permit was issued.

The applicant has requested in writing that Council waive the requirement.

## **Applicants Request:**

The required contribution (assessed at 5% of the value of the land subdivided) is \$1,165.

The applicant has requested that the public open space contribution be waived on the following grounds:

- 1. I have already paid to Council a considerable sum for the subdivision
- 2. I am creating a new rates-payer
- 3. I currently pay rates
- 4. I am now retired and have limited income

## **Statutory Basis**

Council has the power to require contributions for public open space under the Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993.

Central Highlands Council Policy No 2013-08 outlines the basis for assessment of open space contributions. The policy was adopted by the Council on 17/09/2013 and subsequently amended on 19/08/2015. The policy applies to this application and the contribution amount was assessed in accordance with the Policy.

The scope of the policy is as follows:

"This policy applies to all applications to subdivide land that may result in increased residential development potential in the Central Highlands Municipality."

The Policy Statement provides that:

"Either a land contribution or cash-in-lieu contribution must be taken for the purpose of providing open space where lots are created within the Village, Low Density Residential, Rural Living and Rural resource Zones. Discretion lies with the Council as to the preferred contribution method." The land is within the Village Zone.

### **Conclusion:**

The request from the applicant is based on four points, the first three of which would relate equally to all similar applications for subdivision.

The applicant asserts (in point four) that she is retired and has limited income. No formal evidence is provided in support of that assertion although local knowledge suggests that to be the case.

The Public Open Space Policy (no. 2013-08) outlines the procedure for assessment of the required contribution but makes no provision for waiving the requirement. Council staff cannot vary the policy. However, Council itself may vary the requirements of the Policy.

There is no apparent precedent to guide Council in this matter.

### Recommendation

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Seconded Clr

That Central Highlands Council determine whether the requirement for a public open space contribution as specified in condition 10 and 11 of the planning permit for DA2015/19 issued on 21<sup>st</sup> July 2015 be confirmed, reduced or waived.

Carried

## 14.3 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Central Highlands Emergency Management Plan is up for Review. The existing Emergency Management Plan was forwarded to all Central Highlands Council Emergency Management Committee Members in October 2015 asking members to forward comments on the exiting Plan and any changes that maybe added or considered.

A revised document was forwarded to all Committee Members on 9th March 2016 asking for comments on the updated version by 24<sup>th</sup> March 2016. No further comments were received by that dated. The final document has been received by Mark Nelson Regional Manager SES South and has recommended that it be endorsed.

## Recommendation

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

That the Central Highlands Emergency Management Plan 2016 be endorsed by Central Highlands Council and be forwarded to Commander Glen Frame, Southern Regional Emergency Management Controller for signing.

Carried

## 14.4 REVIEW OF BUILDING, PLUMBING, ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH & PLANNING APPLICATION FEES

The annual review of fees and charges associated with building, plumbing, environmental health and planning services has been undertaken.

The fees and charges schedule below provides all current items previously adopted by Council with recommendations as to whether they should be retained, deleted or modified.

DISCIPLINE	DESCRIPTION	FEE 2015/2016	PROPOSED FEE 2016/2017
Planning	Permitted Development	·	·
	All Permitted Development	\$105.00 min & \$1.10 per \$1000 value of works > \$10,000	\$105.00 min & \$1.10 per \$1000 value of works > \$10,000
	PD4 / No Permit Required Compliance Fee		
	Compliance Assessment for all PD4 / No Permit Required	\$105.00	\$105.00
	Discretionary Development		
	All Discretionary Development	\$180.00 min & \$1.10 per \$1000 value of works > \$10,000	\$180.00 min & \$1.10 per \$1000 value of works > \$10,000
	Statutory Advertising	\$310.00	\$310.00
	Amendments to Permits	50% of Original Planning Fee	50% of Original Planning Fee
	Extension of time to Permits	\$85.00	\$85.00
	<u>Final Plans</u>		
	Sealing Final Plans & Stratum	\$40/lot (minimum fee \$160.00)	\$40/lot (minimum fee \$160.00)
	Amendments to Sealed Plans	\$210.00 Plus \$500 if a hearing is required	\$210.00 Plus \$500 if a hearing is required
	Subdivision		
	Application for Subdivision or Boundary Adjustment	\$55/lot (minimum fee \$400)	\$55/lot (minimum fee \$400)
	Statutory Advertising	\$310.00	\$310.00
	Application for Adhesion Order	\$210.00	\$210.00
	Engineering Drawing Assessment Fee	\$250 minimum & 1% value of works	\$250 minimum & 1% value of works

	Engineering Inspections	\$125/hour	\$125/hour
	Amendments to Planning Scheme		
	Assessment of Applicant's Submission	\$800/ minor amendment or \$1600 / all others plus applicable DA/SUB assessment fee for s.43A combined applications	\$800/ minor amendment or \$1600 / all others plus applicable DA/SUB assessment fee for s.43A combined applications
	Statutory Advertising & Notification	\$800 per advertisement (2 advertisements required)	\$800 per advertisement (2 advertisements required)
	Council Undertakes Changes to Planning Scheme Maps	Council to advise fee when amendment finally approved by TPC	Council to advise fee when amendment finally approved by TPC
	Tasmanian Planning Commission Fee	Current fee as set by the TPC	Current fee as set by the TPC
Plumbing	Plumbing Permits		
	Plumbing Permit Class 1a Includes Completion Certificate	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Plumbing Permit Class 10a Includes Completion Certificate	\$100.00	\$100.00
	Plumbing Permit Class 2-9 Includes Completion Certificate	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Special Plumbing Permits		
	Special Plumbing Permits – Permit Authority Assessment & Issue of Certificates for all On-site Wastewater Management Systems - Includes Completion Certificate	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Special Plumbing Permits – Pools / Arrestors / Backflow	\$80.00	\$80.00
	All Inspections	\$100 per inspection	\$100 per inspection

		Class 1a – Minimum 2 Inspections	Class 1a – Minimum 2 Inspections
		<ul> <li>Class 10a – Minimum 1 Inspection</li> </ul>	• Class 10a – Minimum 1 Inspection
		• Class 2-9 – Minimum 3 Inspections	• Class 2-9 – Minimum 3 Inspections
	Amendments to all Plumbing Permits	\$50% of Original Fee	\$50% of Original Fee
Building	Building Surveying Certificate of Likely Compliance		
	Class 1 Building (Dwelling)	New Building - \$280.00 Extension / Alteration – 160.00	New Building - \$280.00 Extension / Alteration – 160.00
	Class 10 Building (Garage/Outbuilding/Farm Building)	New Building - \$150.00 Extension/Alteration - \$100.00	New Building - \$150.00 Extension/Alteration - \$100.00
	Inspection Fees (payable in all cases)	\$300.00 (class 1), \$200.00 (class 10)	\$300.00 (class 1), \$200.00 (class 10)
	Supplementary Inspection Fee (Re-inspections)	\$200.00/inspection	\$200.00/inspection
	Permit Authority		
	Assessment & Issue of Certificates		
	Class 1 Building (Dwelling) – New or Extension	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Class 10 Building (Outbuilding) – New or Extension	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Class 2 – 9 Building – New or Extension	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Temporary Occupancy Permit	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Staged Permits	\$100.00/ stage in addition to Permit Authority Fees	\$100.00/ stage in addition to Permit Authority Fees
	Building Certificates	\$400.00 & \$100/hr if >4 hours required	\$400.00 & \$100/hr if >4 hours required
	Permit to Proceed	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Permit of Substantial Compliance	\$200.00	\$200.00
	Illegal Works	\$500.00	\$500.00
	Building Permit Extension – 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	\$150.00	\$150.00
	Building Permit Extension – each year after 1 <sup>st</sup> extension	\$300.00	\$300.00

	Amendments to Permits	\$120.00	\$120.00
Environmental	As Per Attached – Environmental Health Activities		
Health			

# **ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ACTIVITIES**

Local Government Act 1993, Public Health Act 1997, Food Act 2003

DESCRIPTION	Fee 2015/2016	Proposed Fee 2016/2017
Food and Food Sampling	2015/2010	2010/2017
Food Businesses Licence for Preparing and Selling Food (Annual) Including Mobile	Food Vans	
Low Risk Premises [1]	\$145.00	\$150.00
Medium Risk Premises [2]	\$265.00	\$270.00
High Risk Premises [3]	\$505.00	\$510.00
Community Organisation	\$25.00	\$25.00
Transfer of Food Business Licence	\$145.00	\$150.00
Temporary Food Licence – Annual Fee	\$105.00	Remove.
remporary rood Electrice Familian rec	7103.00	Replaced with
		line item below
Mobile Food Van – Annual Fee		\$200.00
Temporary Food Licence –(Commercial) Per Day	\$25.00	\$30.00
Temporary Food Licence –(Community) Flat Fee	\$20.00	\$25.00
Food Sampling (Analysis Extra)	\$95.00	\$100.00
Food Act 2003 Infringement Notice (see Regulations)		
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Water, Wastewater, Environmental		
Reinspection Due to Incomplete or Faulty Work	\$145.00	\$150.00
Registration as User or Supplier of Water from a Private Source including	\$145.00	\$150.00
inspection		
Water Sampling Charges (analysis are extra)	\$110.00	\$120.00
EMPCA 1994 Infringement Notice (see Regulations)		
Environmental Protection Notices (for updating permits or to abate	\$215.00	\$220.00
environmental harm)		
Public Health		
Place of Assembly Licence (new or renewal)	\$125.00	Remove. No
		longer required
Place of Assembly Licence (temporary event)	\$100.00	\$110.00
Place of Assembly Licence (Community Organisations)	\$25.00	\$25.00
Registration of Premises for Public Health Risk Activity (E.g. Skin Penetration)	\$115.00	\$120.00
Registration of a Regulated System (E.g. Cooling Towers)	\$115.00	\$120.00
Hawkers Licence, Includes Kerb Side Vendors (residents)	\$55.00	\$60.00
Hawkers Licence (non - residents)	\$85.00	\$85.00
Caravans (per van per annum)	\$150.00	\$150.00
Public Health Act 1997 Infringement Notice (see regs)		

## **Notes**

- Premises are ranked in accordance with a Risk Classification system, low risk include B&B and cafes with no cooking. Premises are ranked in accordance with a Risk Classification System, med risk include restaurants.

Premises are ranked in accordance with a Risk Classification System, high risk include nursing homes; there are no high risk food premises in CHC and if a premises performs well then it may move down a category.

## Recommendation

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT pursuant to Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council resolve to adopt the revised Development and Environmental Services fees and charges register and for it to take effect commencing 1 July 2016.

Carried

## 14.5 DOG REGISTRATION & KENNEL LICENCE FEES

In accordance with the Dog Management Policy Council must determine all fees payable under the Dog Control Act 2000. The schedule of fees are to be set annually and are to be in line with the financial year, i.e. 1<sup>st</sup> July to 30<sup>th</sup> June.

## Recommendation

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT Council adopt the following fees and charges for the 2016/2017 period:

## **Dog Registration Fees**

Description	Paid by 31 July 2016	Paid after 31 July 2016
Domestic Dog (Desexed)	\$20.00	\$40.00
Domestic Dog (not Desexed)	\$40.00	\$70.00
Pensioner (1 <sup>st</sup> dog only)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Working Dog (used for the purpose of working farm stock)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Hunting Dog (used to flush game)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Greyhound (TGRA registered)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Registered Breeding Dog (TCA Registered & Dog Owner holding current membership of the TCA)	\$10.00	\$20.00
Special Assistance Dog (Guide Dog / Hearing Dog)	Nil	Nil
Declared Dangerous Dog	\$1000.00	\$1500.00

## **Kennel Licence Fees**

3-5 Dogs - \$20.00 >5 Dogs - \$30.00 Renewal Fee - \$10.00

## **Impoundment Fees**

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Impounding Reclaim Fee (first offence) - \$20.00 Impounding Reclaim Fee (subsequent Offences) - \$40.00 Maintenance Fee \$10.00 per day

## **Other Associated Fees**

Formal Notice of Complaint Fee - \$10.00 (refundable) Replacement of Registration Tag - \$5.00

Carried

## 14.6 TASMANIAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Correspondence has been received from the Tasmanian Planning Commission inviting Council to make any comments to the Interim Planning Directive No. 1 – Bushfire-Prone Areas Code. Any comments are to be received by the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Noted

## 14.7 TASMANIAN HERITAGE COUNCIL

Council has received correspondence from the Tasmanian Heritage Council regarding the Intention to remove an entry or entries from the Tasmanian Heritage Register.

The Central Highlands Council has been notified of one entry to be removed from the Register for not meeting the criteria of the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995, being 5 Alexander Street, Bothwell.

Noted

## 14.8 DES BRIEFING REPORT

## PLANNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER DELEGATION

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

## **DISCRETIONARY USE**

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
			Change of Use from
2016 / 00001 - Disc	Andrew Walter Constructions	13 High Street, Bothwell	Residential to Office &
			Storage (Temporary)
			Garage in Historic
2016 / 00005 - Disc	C D Q K M Eules	C.M. anti-us with China at Dath-wall	Heritage Area &
2010 / 00003 - DISC	S R & K M Eyles	6 Wentworth Street, Bothwell	Requiring Relaxation of
			Rear Setback
2016 / 00008 - Disc	Urban Design Solutions	454 Jones River Road,	Visitor Accommodation -
2010 / 00008 - DISC	Orban Design Solutions	Ellendale	Holiday Cabin

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2015 / 00048 - Disc	R A Pearton, P L Cooper	818 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake (CT 124925/17)	Dwelling in Rural Resource Zone

## 14.9 IMPOUNDED DOGS

Following a request by Council to be advised of all dogs impounded at Council's Bothwell and Hamilton pounds and the outcome of the impoundment, please be advised as follows:

3/03/2016	Blue Heeler Seized from Wayatinah Not registered Outstanding Infringement	Dog registered and reclaimed by Owner
3/03/2016	Malamute seized at Wayatinah Not registered Outstanding Infringement	Dog registered and reclaimed by Owner
15/3/2016	Staffy dropped off at the Hamilton Council Office Not microchipped & no registration tag	Dog registered and reclaimed by Owner
21/03/2016	Blue Heeler Cross dropped off at 1144 Main Road, Ellendale Not microchipped & no registration tag	Dog taken to Dogs Home
23/03/2016	Spaniel found wondering along road in Great Lake Area Not microchipped & no registration tag	Dog taken to Dogs Home
6/04/2016	Staffy Cross Not Microchipped & no registration tag	Dog taken to Dogs Home

## 15.0 WORKS & SERVICES

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THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

## 15.1 WORKS AND SERVICES REPORT

## **WORKS & SERVICES REPORT**

## 10th March 2016 - 12th April 2016

## **Grading & Sheeting**

Strickland Road

## **Maintenance Grading**

## Potholing / shouldering

Torhill Rd Dennistoun Rd
Weasel Plains Rd Torhill Rd
Strickland Rd Nant Lane
Interlaken Rd Pelham Rd

Browns Marsh Rd

## **Spraying**

Hamilton Township Ouse Township

## **Culverts / Drainage:**

Install new culverts Arthurs Lake Road Install new culvert Jones River Road Clean culverts Dennistoun Rd

Drainage

Kings Holme Rd Jones River Road Dennistoun Rd Woodmore Rd

## **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
365.5hrs Annual Leave taken
156hrs Sick Leave taken
38hrs Long Service Leave

## Refuse / recycling sites:

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

## Other:

Tree replacement Queens Park
Install new fence at Bothwell Depot
Install tables donated by Bothwell Tourism
Repair wire rope Ellendale Cause Way
Install Blackspot funding signs
Install signs Haulage Hill
Bulky rubbish Run
Storm water Hamilton showgrounds
Remove Pine Tree Queens Park
Repair signs and guide Posts Hollow Tree Rd
Scrubbing Bluff Road
Drains Wayahtina\
Completion of Westerway footpath

## Slashing

## **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:

PM759 Hilux (B) serviced PM705 Mack Truck (H) serviced PM666 Cat Loader (H) seat repaired PM676 Kobelco Excavator bucket repairs PM621 Pig Trailer (H) welding repairs PM733 Komatsu Grader (H) serviced PM738 Triton ute (H) new tyres PM613 Komatsu loader (H) fuel blockage

## **Private Works:**

Gravel and driveway repairs John Fowler
Float excavator Greg Oats
Gravel delivery and grader hire Bert Davie (Guilford)
Gravel delivery Ashley Jeffrey
Gravel delivery and grader hire Stuart Archer
Grader hire Chris Downie
Gravel delivery Giles Chapman
Gravel Delivery Wayatinah Caravan Park
Barry Harback Excavator truck hire

Bernie Rogers concrete premix Heather Noble gravel delivery

## **Casuals**

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

## Program for next 4 weeks:

Plant replacement for medium truck Hamilton Dangerous Tree removal Dennistoun Road Grading and re-sheeting of Council roads

#### 15.2 'GIVE WAY' SIGN DILLIONS ROAD, ELLENDALE

For Discussion

#### 15.3 WESTERWAY PEDESTRIAN FOOTPATH COMPLETION (PHOTOS)

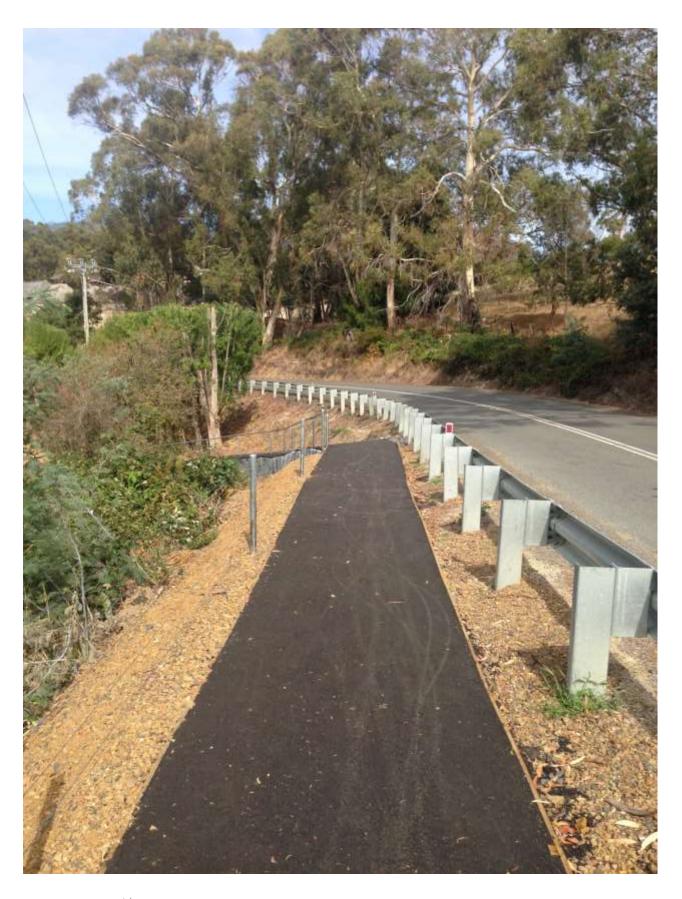
For Information



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## **15.4 STATUS REPORT**

## • 328 - 20/4/2012

Gorse at Christian Marsh, Responsible Officer: NRM This item was asked to be placed on the Status Report at the March 2012 Meeting.

## • 329 - 18/8/2012

Platypus Walk, Responsible Officer: Works Manager Regular Maintenance

## • 332 - 17/9/2013

Blackberry Removal, Responsible Officer: Works Manager / NRM Clr Bowden requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

## • 333 - 20/10/2015

Schaw Street, Bothwell –Drainage, Responsible Officer: Works Manager Clr L M Triffitt requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

## • 334 - 20/10/2015

Gorse at the Clyde River Bridge Interlaken, Responsible Officer: Works Manager / NRM Clr R Bowden requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

## **16.0 ADMINISTRATION**

## 16.1 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDIT PANEL MEETING

The Audit Panel has endorsed the following documents and recommended them to Council for adoption:

- a. Long Term Financial Plan and Strategy 2016/17 to 2026/27
- b. Central Highlands Council Audit Panel Charter

## **Recommendation:**

That Council adopts the following:

- a. Long Term Financial Plan and Strategy 2016/17 to 2026/27
- b. Central Highlands Council Audit Panel Charter

## 16.2 GREAT LAKE SCHEME HERITAGE TRAIL WORKING PARTY

The first Great Lake Scheme Heritage Trail Working Party meeting took place at Bothwell on Thursday the 7<sup>th</sup> April. The working party discussed the draft Terms of Reference and set a date for the site familiarisation visit which is proposed for Wednesday the 27 August at 1.00pm.

## Recommendation:

That Council adopt the Terms of Reference for the Great Lake Scheme Heritage Trail Working Party.

## 16.3 PROPOSED PARK NEAR THE CLYDE RIVER BOTHWELL

Councillor Cassidy would like to put forward the following motion for Council to consider:

That Council contact the Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources (DIER) or the appropriate Tasmanian government entity to see if Council can lease the road reserve at the end of Patrick Street, Bothwell. This would allow Council to un-fence the end of Patrick Street for the purpose of a Lion's Club Park with park facility and picnic tables, near the Clyde River. This area could also be used to allow recreational vehicles to park overnight as an alternative. I believe the leased area would tend to coincide with the "old road", where the former bridge crossed the Clyde River. Perhaps an access road would have to be built across the verge.

The Works & Service Manager and Manager Development & Environmental Services & Building & Planning Inspector provides the following feedback on the motion:

- The site would require DA approval for a Caravan Park if that is the proposed purpose of the area;
- Flood within the area is a concern, we have a duty of care;

- There is still areas for expansion and improvement at the existing Site in market place and overflow to the rec ground that has facilities
- Under the CHC Caravan By Law it would be prohibited to place or park a van / caravan on that site without the change of use for the area
- Community consultation would be required

## For Discussion

#### 16.4 HIRE OF THE RESOURCE CENTRE IN HAMILTON

The Anglian Parish of Hamilton wrote to Council on the 28<sup>th</sup> March regarding their plans to hold winter church services in the Resource Centre in Hamilton. This option would allow the Parish Council to centralise services during the winter and to hold them in an easily acceptable warm location. Mr Kevin Towns has approached the NRM Officer about the use of the Resource Centre in Hamilton for every second Sunday from mid May until September.

I understand that NRM have no objections for Anglian Parish of Hamilton to use the Resource Centre in Hamilton every second Sunday from mid May until September.

## Recommendation:

That Council approve the hire of the Resource Centre in Hamilton to the Anglian Parish of Hamilton for winter church services at no cost.

# The Anglican Parish of Hamilton

Ministering in the communities of

Hamilton, Ouse, Osterley, Ellendale, Macquarie Plains, Gretna & Maydena and surrounding areas



The Mayor, Central Highlands Council, Hamilton 7140

28th March 2016



Dear Diedre,

I am writing on behalf of the Anglican Parish of Hamilton and our plans for winter church services. Parish Council has decided to try centralizing services during the winter and to hold them in an easily warmed and central location.

With this in mind, Mr. Kevin Towns approached the NRM about the use of the Resource Centre in Hamilton every second Sunday from mid May until September and they are happy for us to use the building as outlined.

As we are obviously a not-for-profit organisation we ask Council to consider our use of the building on a rent free basis, grateful as we are for the extended help you always provide the Parish.

I look forward to hearing from you, and indeed seeing you soon.

Yours sincerely,

Nichola Ball, Secretary.

#### 16.5 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF TASMANIA GENERAL MEETING

This report considers the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) agenda for the General Meeting on the 22 April 2016. The decision of Council to this report will determine how the Central Highlands Council voting delegate should vote on each Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) agenda item at the General Meeting.

The following are the motions on which decisions are sought:

#### Item 1 Minutes

#### Decision sought:

That the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 February 2016, as circulated, be confirmed.

# Item 1.2 Business Arising

## Decision sought:

That Members note the following information.

## Item 1.3 Confirmation of Agenda

#### **Decision sought:**

That consideration be given to the Agenda items and the order of business.

## Item 1.4 Follow up of motions

#### Decision sought:

That Members note the report.

#### Item 1.5 Presidents Report

#### Decision sought:

That Members note the report on activity since the last General meeting.

#### Item 1.6 Chief Executive Report

## Decision sought:

That Members note the report on activity since the last General meeting.

## Item 1.7 Monthly Reports to Council

# Decision sought:

That Members note the reports for December 2015, January and February 2016.

# Item 1.8 Council Round-Ups

#### Decision sought:

That Members note the presentation being provided by George Town Council.

# Item 2.1 Changes to LGAT Rules

## Decision sought:

That Members agree in principle to the following changes to the LGAT Rules with drafting to be undertaken for, and formal endorsement to be received at the July 2016 Annual General Meeting:

- 1. That pending further advice, the Rules be adopted in full including the amendments (replaced) as opposed to simply adopting the amendments, in accordance with legal advice.
- 2. Ensure differentiation between motions which seek LGAT to take an action (Directive) and those which are designed to secure a sectoral policy position (Standing Policy).

- 3. Allow GMC some discretion to reject motions based on agreed criteria.
- 4. That it be made clear that authority to nominate for GMC must come from a council meeting decision or legal delegation.
- 5. That the nomination form be incorporated in the LGAT Rules.
- 6. That it be made clear that the voting delegate can also vote on amended motions at the General Meeting. That the terminology be changed to make it clear this is not a delegation under s22 of the Local Government Act.
- 7. That there is specific allowance for the suspension of the Rules for Items of Topical Discussion and guest speakers.
- 8. That references to the Welfare Fund be changed to LGAT Assist.
- 9. That the Rules reflect the changes that have resulted from the merger of Quadrant Superannuation to Tasplan.
- 10. That further clarity be provided in relation to the timing of an election triggered by a casual vacancy.
- 11. The Rule Changes agreed at the 2015 AGM be incorporated in the new/updated Rules document.
- 12. That Members agree any modelling to be undertaken on subscriptions for consideration as a Rule Amendment at the 2017 AGM.

That Members agree any other matters which they would like to be brought forward as possible Rules Amendments to the July 2016 AGM.

#### Item 3.1 2016 Annual Conference

# Decision sought:

That Members note the report.

#### Item 3.2 Elected Members' Workshop

# Decision sought:

That Members note the report.

# Item 3.3 Planning and Building Reform

#### Decision sought:

That Members note the progress of the State Government's Planning & Building Reforms and the key issues for the Local Government sector.

## Item 3.4 LGAT Policy Update

## Decision sought:

That Members note the report on current policy activity and in particular that:

- LGAT have recently commenced a shared energy contract re-negotiation on behalf of interested councils
- There has been no response from the State Government on the Waste Tyre Working Group's initial report.

# Item 3.5 State Roads Audit

Decision sought:

That Members note the following report.

## Item 3.6 Local Government Reform

Decision sought:

That Members note the following report.

# Item 3.7 National Activity

Decision sought:

That Members note the following report.

## Item 3.8 State of the State

Decision sought:

That the Members note the following report.

## For Discussion

The Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) seeks Council's feedback on the current electricity concerns. As we are all aware, low dam levels are impacting the state's hydro-electric scheme and the broken Bass Strait cable is limiting electricity supply from the mainland.

Whilst this has to date been a predominantly State Government focussed issue, there are obvious potential implications for local communities and councils if further problems or exacerbations are experienced with power supply within Tasmania.

LGAT is seeking to understand what councils see as the short/medium term implications for the sector in terms of:-

- energy rationing/black outs; and
- any issues that have been or are are likely to be raised with councils from the perspective of local communities.

#### For Discussion

Dear Asset/Financial Managers (Cc General Managers)

As we are all aware, low dam levels are impacting the state's hydro-electric scheme and the broken Bass Strait cable is limiting electricity supply from the mainland. There is increasing discussion and concern being voiced in relation to energy supply within media circles and the broader public arena and questions are being asked in relation to what governments are doing to sure up an appropriate level of response to what some are now calling a 'crisis'.

Whilst this has to date been a predominantly State Government focussed issue, there are obvious potential implications for local communities and councils if further problems or exacerbations are experienced with power supply within Tasmania.

LGAT is seeking to understand what councils see as the short/medium term implications for the sector in terms of:-

- energy rationing/black outs; and
- any issues that have been or are are likely to be raised with councils from the perspective of local communities.

We would appreciate any feedback/input you can provide as an overall sectoral picture or position will be useful in terms of advocacy and also responding to media/stakeholder enquiries going forward.

Happy to discuss.

Cheers, Mel

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At the March Council Meeting, Council agreed to defer the Bothwell District High School MDT Community grant application pending more information.

The following information has been received from Mr Ken Orr, the MDT teacher at Bothwell District High School about the community grant application which will help MDT classes achieve their goals and objectives in the future. The proposed funding will provide the following resources:

Item	Amount
Mobile Dust Extractor	\$689.00
Cleardust Exhaustion Kit	\$289.00
Exclusive Tackle Rod Building Program	\$672.00
Engineering Squares (6 @ 100ml)	\$90.60
Engineering Squares (6 @ 150ml)	\$126.00
300ml Metric Ruler (x20)	\$245.00
TOTAL COST	\$2,111.60

#### Recommendation:

That Council approve the Community Grant Application for the Bothwell District High School to the value of \$2000.

## 16.8 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION – WESTERWAY BUSH WATCH

A request for a community grant of \$5,000 has been received from the Westerway Bush Watch to assist with the costs to install a concrete slab, picnic table, seat and rubbish bin on the Bridge Road riverbank. Mr Frazik suggests the project will reduce crime in the bush and also support our community. The project will look at installing a concrete slab for the picnic table, seat and litter bin. The total cost of the project is \$5,000.

# 2. ELIGIBILITY (see Community Grant Program Guidelines)

is the organisation:

Representative of the interests of the Central Highlands Community

□ Incorporated

☑ Not for Profit

□ A Hall Committee

#### OR

An individual community member

Have you previously received funding from the Central Highlands Council? (Please attached additional pages if required)

If yes:

Name of Project: Bush Watch Trailer

Date Grant received: Harch 2014

Amount of Grant: \$ 505,80

Trailer Rego + Repairs Printing of Cards

#### 3. PROJECT DETAIL!

Projec

Project Completion Date: With in one month of starting - Weather Conditions.

Project

To lay a concrete slab, mount the Picnic Table on the slab, with a rubbish bin, for the use of the Community, Tourists and fishermen.

#### 4. COMMUNITY SUPPORT

What level of community support is there for this project?

100% of those who have been asked about the Project.

Does the project involve the community in the delivery of the project?

Yes with the guidance of Council Staff.

How will the project benefit the community or provide a community resource?

By People, both Local and Tourists using the table for Picnics

## 5. COUNCIL SUPPORT

Are you requesting other Council support? E.g. parks, halls, telephones, fax, photocopying, computers, office accommodation, cleaning facilities, street closure.

If yes, please give details.

Are you requesting participation by Councillors or Council Staff? If yes, please give details.

Guidance from Council Staff.

If your application is successful, how do you plan to acknowledge Council's contribution?

We Would exect a Buch Watch Sign with a Central Highlands Council Lago on it

6. FUTURE APPLICATIONS AND THE SUCCESS THIS PROJECT

Do you anticipate the organisation will apply for funding in future years? Yes maybe, To erect a shed over the table and add an electric BBA later.

# 7. PROJECT BUDGET

Note: Amount from Council must not exceed half the project cost

Please provide a breakdown of the project expenditure and income:				
Expenditure	Amount \$	Income	Amount \$	
Capital		Guarantee	<del>                                     </del>	
Refurbishment		Government Grants	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Equipment		Trust/Foundations		
Premises		Donations from		
		Business		
Vehicles		Special Funding		
Other: Banch + Sect, Concrete, Steel support bolts + nuts, Posts, Rubbush Bin, & Bush		Gifts in Kind		
Watch Sign	5,000	Cut		
Subtotal	5,000 5,000	Other:		
Oubtotal	5,000	Other	<u> </u>	
···		Subtotal		
Revenue	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Anticipated		
Salaries (including		Government Grants		
super)	•	Covernment Grants		
Short-term contract fees		Central Highlands Grant		
Running costs	·	Trust/Foundations	5,000	
Production of		Donations from		
information		Businesses		
PR materials				
Training staff/volunteers		Special Fundraising		
Travel		Gifts in kind (details)		
Rent		Cash Reserves		
Reference materials	,	Other:		
Other:				
Subtotal		Subtotal		
TOTAL	5 000	TOTAL	5,000	



#### 16.9 BOTHWELL POOL COMMITTEE

An email was received on the 9<sup>th</sup> April from Councillor McRae, stating that Councillor McRae would like to withdraw her position as Chairperson of the Bothwell Pool Committee, however remain as a committee member.

Councillor McRae would also like to put forward that Councillor Cassidy be nominated as Chairperson of the Bothwell Pool Committee.

For Decision

## 16.10 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF TASMANIA - GENERAL MEETING 20 JULY, 2016

This report considers the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) call for submissions of motions for the General Meeting on the 20 July 2016. The decision of Council to this report will determine if Central Highlands Council will put forward a motion at the Local Government Association of Tasmania General Meeting in July.

The following motion was put forward in 2015:

That LGAT lobby the State Government to amend the Exemption from rates provision of the Local Government Act 1993 to enable Councils to rate commercial developments on all Crown Land.

The Acting General Manager contacted the Chief Executive Officer in March on the draft rule changes and to determine what is the proposed period (2 years) before any reject motion can be repeated. This question was asked of the Chief Executive Officer as I believed Central Highlands Council proposed to table a motion at the General Meeting in July of this year, around rating of all Crown Land that is leased for commercial development including Hydro land, National Parks and Reserves.

The Chief Executive Officer LGAT stated that they still have a valid motion on the books, which has been raised at Premier's Local Government Council (PLGC) and it is being pursued so I am not sure there is much point in bringing back to the table. The motion is currently less than 12 months old as came up at last conference. The time limit will depend on the discussion but initially we had suggested in a 12 month period – and that would mean not at two successive AGM/Meetings.

The Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia (CMCA) is seeking Expressions of Interest from Tasmanian councils to partner with CMCA to establish a CMCA RV Park in their region.

CMCA has initiated the CMCA RV Park Project to develop a national network of member only RV Parks across Australia to provide low-cost, no frills, environmentally friendly accommodation for those CMCA members with self-contained recreational vehicles (RVs). These vehicles include motorhomes, campervans, caravans, fifth Wheelers and the like (see attached project overview) that comply with the CMCA Self-Contained Vehicle Policy.

The CMCA RV Park project seeks to develop member only RV accommodation for approximately 40 self-contained vehicles on land owned or leased by the club, with on-site facilities limited to a dump point with wash down tap, access to potable water and a shelter shed/gathering point.

The benefits CMCA RV Parks deliver to councils include:

- CMCA seeks no financial or in-kind support from councils to develop the RV Park network.
- CMCA seeks to lease council or State Government land on the same basis as any other not-for-profit association, such as a bowling club, pony club or the like.
- The CMCA will pay rates on the site.
- All required infrastructure is developed and paid for by CMCA, there is no cost to Council or the community
- All maintenance is organised and paid for by CMCA, using local contractors wherever possible.
- The RV Park activities will be overseen 24/7 by an on-site CMCA volunteer Custodian.

All CMCA seeks from council is advice and support in identifying a site, undertaking any required development application or obtaining other local or State government approvals. CMCA will develop the RV Park through an arm's length financial arrangement with no hint of any council giving CMCA a financial advantage.

A CMCA RV Park will increase RV tourism by attracting the self-contained RV market segment, RV tourists who have invested in the on-board facilities of their vehicles and only require low-cost, no-frills accommodation options. Although access to a CMCA RV Park is restricted to CMCA members, any owner of an RV can join the CMCA. As the current CMCA annual subscription is \$44, from a practical point of view any self-contained RV owner can use a CMCA RV Park.

CMCA is inviting expressions of interest from any Tasmanian council interested in establishing a CMCA RV Park in its region, either by converting an existing camping ground to an RV Park or by establishing an RV Park on land currently not in use.

#### 16.12 REDUCING COUNCILLOR NUMBERS BY NATURAL ATTRITION

Councillor McRae at the March Council meeting put forward the motion that Council look at reducing councillor numbers by natural attrition.

The following motion was approved:

Moved CIr E McRae

Seconded CIr L M Triffitt

THAT Council agree to reducing numbers by natural attrition.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Clr A W Bailey, Clr E M McRae and Clr L M Triffitt

Against: Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright and Clr R L Cassidy

The Acting General Manager discussed the motion with the Deputy Director of the Local Government Division and he suggested that Council write to the Minister for Local Government requesting the Local Government Board to undertake a review into councillor numbers at Central Highlands Council.

The Local Government Board is a statutory body established under the Local Government Act 1993 (the Act). The Act provides that the role of the Board is:

- to conduct reviews of councils or reviews that concentrate on a specific topic or topics at the request of the Minister for Local Government;
- to carry out reviews of single and joint authorities; and
- to provide general advice to the Minister at his or her request.

The framework used by the Local Government Board to review councillor numbers in the past two reviews has been a three-stage approach as follows:

- Stage 1 compares the population per councillor in Tasmania with similar councils nationally and establishes a target range for councillor numbers in Tasmania based on that comparison;
- Stage 2 compares Tasmanian councils with other similar Tasmanian councils using six indicators to suggest where a particular council should sit within the range determined in Stage 1; and
- Stage 3 of the framework considers other issues and factors that may be relevant to the number of councillors required in a municipal area, including the views of the council itself.

The Local Government Board will developed its final recommendations on the basis of the analysis conducted under stages 1 and 2 and consultation with councils conducted in stage 3.

#### For Discussion

## 16.13 COMMON SERVICES JOINT VENTURE PROJECT

See attached March 2016 - Common Service Activity

## For Information

## 16.14 COMMUNITY DONATION APPLICATION - MR JOHN WATKINS

A request for a community donation of \$150.00 has been received from Mr John Watkins who will be representing Tasmania to complete in the Darts Players Australia (DPA) tournament, being held on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2016 in Sydney.

31st March 2016

Mayor & Councillors Central Highlands Council Tarleton Street Hamilton Tas 7140

Dear Mayor and Councillors,

I am writing this letter seeking financial support as I have recently been asked to represent Tasmania to compete in the Darts Players Australia (DPA) tournament to be played at Dubbo Sydney for 8 consecutive days commencing on the 21st May 2016.

Every State from Australia will be represented, with two sides from New Zealand and 2 top ranked World Players being Steven Wright and Adrian Lewis.

The estimated cost for airfare, uniform, travelling to and from the event each day is \$800.00 to \$1,000.00.

If you require any further information I can be contacted on 03 62594027 or 0427 213 153

Yours faithfully

John Watkins



# CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL COMMUNTY DONATIONS PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

Please ensure you have read and understand the Program Guidelines prior to completing this form.

1. APPLICANT DETAILS			
Applicant's Name: John David Workins			
Contact Details 14 High St Bothwell Residential Address: Tas, 7030			
Phone: (Business hours)			
Mobile:			
Fax: —			
Signature farall.			
Amount Applied for \$15000 (Maximum as per Guidelines)			
2. INTERSTATE OR INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATION			
Where are you competing/attending? Dubto, Sydney			
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If you are a sports competitor, are you competing as an amateur? NO	43/40-1-17		
What sport/activity are you competing in, and at what level? Dirts British Bri			

Please provide details to support your application Representing	(T.45)
Durts players Australia.	
3. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	
What type of medical/rehabilitation treatment will you be receiving?	
Where will the treatment be administered?	
Please provide any additional information to support your request.	
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# 17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Seconded CIr Moved CIr

**THAT** Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

# 18.0 CLOSURE