



Central Highlands Council

MINUTES – ORDINARY MEETING – 16th JULY 2013

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council held at Hamilton Council Chambers, on Tuesday 16th July 2013, commencing at 9am.

1.0 OPENING

Mayor D E Flint opened the meeting at 9am.

2.0 PRESENT

Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

3.0 APOLOGIES

No apologies

4.0 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

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

Clr A J Downie - 14.3 Black Snake Road & 17.4 Conservation Covenant

Clr J R Allwright - 17.4 Conservation Covenant

Clr G L Herbert - 15.7 Community Grant Bothwell Football Club

Clr L M Triffitt – 17.3 Great Lake Community Centre Lease

Casey Bryant – 15.1 and 15.4 Community Grant Bothwell Football Club

5.0 COMMITTEE

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

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

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



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5.1 MOTION INTO COMMITTEE

Moved **Clr A J Downie**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

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

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

5.2 MATTERS DISCUSSED IN COMMITTEE

Confirmation of Minutes
Accounts Paid
Personnel Matter

5.3 MOTION OUT OF COMMITTEE

Moved **Clr A W Bailey**

Seconded **Clr LM Triffitt**

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

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Hamilton Police Officer - Dion Menzies & Maydena Police Officer - Peter Sweetlove joined Council for morning tea.

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

Mayor D E Flint opened the meeting to the public at 10.04am.

6.0 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Lyn Eyles (General Manager), Mrs Casey Bryant (Minute Secretary), Mrs Tania Whelan (Minute Secretary)

6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Judy Madden, John Kuipers, Tim & Jane Parsons, Helen Poynder attended the meeting at 10.04am.

Tim Parsons suggested having quarterly meetings within different sections of the Municipalities.

Jane Parsons suggested renaming 'Highlands Tasmania' to 'Central Highlands Tasmania'



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Philip Ridyard (Community & Economic Development Officer), Jason Branch (Works & Services Manager) and Barry Harback (Leading Hand) attended the meeting at 10.08 am.

Kathy Hean (NRM) attended the meeting at 10.11 am

John Kuipers, Tim & Jane Parsons, left the meeting at 10.37am

7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

18 th June 2013	Council Meeting – Bothwell
19 th June 2013	ABC Radio Breakfast Program, Talkback Interview (10 mins)
20 th June 2013	Central Highlands Tourism Meeting
24 th June 2013	Ms Judy Travers, General Manager of Learning Services South
25 th June 2013	Ellendale Community Hall Meeting
26 th June 2013	Rotary Club presented funds for gates for farmers
27 th June 2013	NRM Strategy Launch
28 th June 2013	Premier announces release of further financial and in-kind support for the Farmers affected by the January Bushfires. This was the final package to assist farmers.
29 th June 2013	Ouse Country Club Trophy night for Bowls & Golf players
1 st July 2013	Family Day Care Launch – Ouse School
2 nd July 2013	*Community Launch – Bushfire Recovery Plan by the Premier *Meeting Mat Healey – Priorities for Council
3 rd July 2013	Bothwell and Districts Lions Club Handover Dinner
4 th July 2013	Central Highlands Tourism Meeting
7 th July 2013	Ellendale Winterfest
9 th July 2013	*Planning Committee Meeting *Draft Planning Scheme Workshop *Meeting with Brendan West, recently appointed CEO Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority *Public Meeting – Ellendale Sewerage
10 th July 2013	Mrs Gwen Hardstaff re: band – Bushfest
11 th July 2013	*Hon Brian Wightman *Managing the Disaster Recovery Process *Keith Rice of Poppy Growers Association
13 th July 2013	Bothwell Fishing Dinner – Presentation Night
15 th July 2013	Executive Bushfire Recovery Meeting



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7.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

Clr A J Downie

19 th June 2013	Great Lake Hall Committee - Bothwell
26 th June 2013	NBN dinner - Sandy Bay
27 th June 2013	Southern Waste - Clarence
9 th July 2013	Planning Committee and Workshop

Clr G L Herbert

18 th June 2013	Council Meeting – Bothwell
9 th July 2013	Planning Committee Meeting at Bothwell Draft Planning Scheme Workshop

Clr L M Triffitt

18 th June 2013	Council Meeting – Bothwell
25 th June 2013	Ellendale Hall Meeting
1 st July 2013	Ouse Family Day Care Centre Opening
7 th July 2013	Ellendale Winterfest
9 th July 2013	Planning Committee Meeting at Bothwell Draft Planning Scheme Workshop

Clr I V McMichael

26 th June 2013	Discussion re Insurance for Council Hamilton
1 st July 2013	Opening Day Care Centre Ouse
4 th July 2013	Meeting DHHS reps re CHCHSCC
9 th July 2013	Planning Meeting & Workshop Bothwell

7.2 GENERAL MANAGERS COMMITMENTS

18 th June 2013	Council Meeting
20 th June 2013	Central Highlands Tourism Committee Meeting
26 th June 2013	Meeting Insurance Broker
28 th June 2013	Launch of Bushfire Winter Assistance Package Ellendale
1 st July 2013	Ouse Family Child Care Open Day
4 th July 2013	Central Highlands Tourism Committee Meeting
9 th July 2013	Planning Committee & Planning Workshop Wastewater Meeting Ellendale

8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

Planning Workshop 8th July 2013



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8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Nil

9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nil

10.0 MINUTES

10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved **Clr L M Triffitt**

Seconded **Clr A J Downie**

THAT the Draft Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting of Council** held on **Tuesday 18th June 2013** be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Clr J R Allwright stated that he did send his apologies for the June Council Meeting.

10.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT the Draft Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting of Council** held on **Tuesday 18th June 2013** be confirmed.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

10.3 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved **Clr Downie**

Seconded **Clr Herbert**

THAT the Draft Minutes of the **Planning Committee Meeting of Council** held on **Tuesday 9th June 2013** be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt



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11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

Clr L M Triffitt asked if there had been a response from the request to remove trees on Hollow Tree Road. No response has yet been received.

12.0 NRM REPORT

Moved **Clr G L Herbert**

Seconded **Clr A W Bailey**

THAT the **NRM Report** be **received**.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

DISCUSSION

Areas of concern:

Continue program of Gorse Eradication in Kenmere Creek (Clr McMichael)
Gorse at Christian Marsh & along Blackburn Creek
Blackberries along Clyde River at Bothwell
Spanish Heath at Ellendale (Clr Jacka)

Kathy Bradburn (Acting DES Manager) and Chris Absolom (Finance Manager) attended the meeting at 10.43am

Kathy Hean and Philip Ridyard left the meeting at 10.50am

13.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved **Clr L M Triffitt**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

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

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

13.1 2013 / 2014 ANNUAL PLAN

Moved **Clr L M Triffitt**

Seconded **Clr T H Jacka**

THAT Council adopt the 2013 / 2014 Annual Plan with the amendments

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt



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Jason Branch & Barry Harback left the meeting at 10.53am

Moved **Clr G L Herbert**

Seconded **Clr L M Triffitt**

THAT the garbage remission be granted on property PID: 5012473 in the amount of \$1053.00

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Barry Harback returned to the meeting at 10.54am.

Chris Absolom left the meeting at 10.57am.

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:

Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr A W Bailey**

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

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

14.1 CLEARING FOR BUSHFIRE MANAGEMENT

Moved **Clr A J Downie**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT Central Highlands Council (Planning Authority) will require approval for vegetation clearance on Council land for bushfire management related to private developments to be obtained from:

(a) **To the satisfaction of the** General Manager; **after relevant council officers advice**

(b) Full Council if the General Manager is not in a position to issue such approval.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt



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Moved **Clr A J Downie** Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT a letter to be sent to LGAT Re: Fire Mitigation Matters

Carried

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Philip Ridyard attended the meeting at 11.07am

14.2 BRONTE ESTATE SUBDIVISION : D WISS.

Moved **Clr A J Downie** Seconded **Clr I V McMichael**

A: Council refuse to seal the Final Plan for stage 3 until agreement has been reached in regard to the future of the water and sewerage assets;

B: The Mayor to meet with Premier Lara Giddings to discuss the issue.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Clr A J Downie declared an interest and left the meeting 11.08am

14.3 DA 2012/17: LEGAL ADVICE : BLACK SNAKE ROAD, BOTHWELL - SUBDIVISION OF 9 LOTS AND BALANCE

Moved **Clr T H Jacka** Seconded **Clr I V McMichael**

Council acknowledge the legal advice received from Abetz Curtis Lawyers dated 14 June 2013 and that a response outlining the advice received be sent to the surrounding landowner.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Clr A J Downie returned to the meeting at 11.09am



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14.4 INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME PROCESS UPDATE

Moved **Clr A J Downie**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT Council resolve to:

Receive the information in this report, and that council invite Mr Damien Mackay to the next Planning Meeting.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

14.5 REMISSION OF FEE : PLACE OF ASSEMBLY – STEPPESS HALL

Moved **Clr G L Herbert**

Seconded **Clr L M Triffitt**

THAT Council remit the Place of Assembly Licence Renewal Fee of \$110.00 for the Steppes Hall for 2013 / 2014.

Amendment:

Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr J R Allwright**

THAT Steppes Hall Committee be charged \$25.00 for the Steppes Hall Place of Assembly.

Motion lost 3/6

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Clr J R Allwright, Clr T H Jacka

Against: Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Moved **Clr G L Herbert**

Seconded **Clr L M Triffitt**

THAT Council remit the Place of Assembly Licence Renewal Fee of \$110.00 for the Steppes Hall for 2013 / 2014.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt



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14.6 NAMING OF ROAD OFF CIDER GUM ROAD, MIENA

Moved **Clr R G Bowden**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT Council write to the Nomenclature Board seeking approval to allocate the name Five Mile Marsh Road to the unnamed road off Cider Gum Road, contained in CT 164721/799.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

14.7 DES STATUS REPORT

331 Added to DES Status Report – Vehicle body removal in the Municipality

Kathy Bradburn left the meeting at 11.42am

15.0 COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT

Moved **Clr A W Bailey**

Seconded **Clr T H Jacka**

THAT the **Community & Economic Development Report** be **received** and **noted**.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Casey Bryant & Geoff Herbert declared an interest and left the meeting at 11.43am

15.1 HIGHLANDS BUSHFEST

Moved **Clr L M Triffitt**

Seconded

THAT Bushfest be relocated after the CEDO consults with the school to see if it could be held there or another suitable location in the Bothwell area.

Motion lapsed



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Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr A W Bailey**

THAT Council proceed with the power upgrade at the Bothwell Recreation Ground at the cost of up to \$40,000.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr A J Downie**

THAT Bushfest be postponed for 12 months, and that Council allocate extra in the budget for 2014 / 2015

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael, Clr L M Triffitt

Casey Bryant & Clr G L Herbert returned to the meeting at 12.17pm

Barry Harback left the meeting at 12.18pm

15.2 HAMILTON INFORMATION BAY

Moved **Clr L M Triffitt**

Seconded

THAT the middle panel of the Hamilton Information Bay be 1/3rd Highlands Tasmania Touring Map and the remaining 2/3rd Hamilton Area.

Motion lapsed



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Moved **Clr I V McMichael**

Seconded **Clr G L Herbert**

THAT Council accept the compromised changes:

Left Panel – For business advertising (Hamilton Businesses)

Middle Panel – 2/3 Touring Map and 1/3 Hamilton Map

Right Panel – Advertising for the remaining areas of Municipality

Helen Poynder and Elaine Herlihy will look after the advertising spaces

The advertising criteria for the Information Bay – A4 page and laminated

History of Hamilton - with an indicator pointing to Museum (next to Council Office)

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

Against: Clr L M Triffitt

Council adjourned for lunch at 12.30pm

Council resumed at 1.34pm

15.3 REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT AUSTRALIA FUND – ROUND 5

It was resolved that the funding received from the Regional Development Australia Fund would go towards Information Bays and seating around them in the following towns: Gretna, Ouse, Arthurs Lake Road, Derwent Bridge, Fentonbury, Bronte, Pub With No Beer (Bothwell) and possibly Wayatinah.

Clr L M Triffitt left the meeting at 2.17pm

15.4 TOURISM INDUSTRY REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

Noted

15.5 GRANT APPLICATION STATUS

Noted



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Jason Branch attended the meeting at 2.25pm

15.8 WESTERWAY COMMUNITY HALL COMMITTEE

Moved **Clr G L Herbert**

Seconded **Clr A W Bailey**

THAT Council contribute \$1000 to Westerway community hall and that the CEDO provides support for funding from Tasmanian Community Fund, and the Mayor write to Derwent Valley Council asking for dollar for dollar support.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

Against: Clr A J Downie

15.6 DIGITAL MEDIA

Noted

Clr G L Herbert declared an interest and stood back from the table

15.7 COMMUNITY GRANT – BOTHWELL FOOTBALL CLUB

Moved **Clr A W Bailey**

Seconded **Clr A J Downie**

THAT the Bothwell Football Club be granted \$500.00 towards enclosing the kiosk area at the Bothwell Recreation Ground.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

16.0 WORKS & SERVICES

Moved **Clr A W Bailey**

Seconded **Clr I V McMichael**

THAT the **Works & Services Report** be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael



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16.1 HEAVY VEHICLE ACCESS DECISION MAKING & LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

Noted

Philip Ridyard left the meeting at 2.41pm

DISCUSSION

Council has received authority to undertake works on Pelham Road

Application for black spot funding: The Works Manager to apply for line marking on Hollow Tree Road and corners on Tor Hill Road.

Jason Branch left the meeting at 2.58pm

16.2 RECEIVAL OF STATUS REPORT

Moved **Clr T H Jacka**

Seconded **Clr J R Allwright**

THAT the Status Report be received.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

16.2.1 STATUS REPORT DISCUSSIONS

328 Gorse at Christian Marsh – A letter to be written to NRM asking for an update on the progress of this matter.

329 Council Website – Philip Ridyard advised that the website would be live by tomorrow (Wednesday 17th July 2013).

17.0 ADMINISTRATION

17.1 VALUATION & LOCAL GOVERNMENT RATING REVIEW

Noted



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It was resolved that a thank you letter be sent to Pip Allwright and Sally Downie regarding the opening of the Ouse Daycare Centre

17.2 LGAT ANNUAL AND GENERAL MEETING JULY 2013

The Local Government Association of Tasmania's Annual Conference will be held at Wrest Point from Wednesday 24 July 2013 to Friday 26 July 2013.

The Mayor will be required to vote on the following for the Annual Meeting:

1. That the President's report be received
 2. That the Minutes of the 100th Annual General Meeting held 11 July, 2012 be confirmed.
 3. That the Financial Statements for the period 1 July, 2011 to 30 June 2012 be received and adopted.
 4. That the President's and Vice President's allowance for the period 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 be adjusted in accordance with the movement in the Wages Price Index.
 5. That subscriptions be increased by 3.05% to meet the operating costs of the Association
 6. That the Meeting adopt the Budget as presented
- 7.1 **Moved Meander Valley:**
That the Rules of the Association be amended by deleting Section 18(a)(ii) thereby removing the Lord Mayor or proxy from the General Management Committee as Hobart City Council will no longer be a member of the Association.
- 7.2 **Moved Derwent Valley - NO**
That the Local Government Association of Tasmania Rules regarding Conduct of General Meeting be amended by deleting from Rule 16 voting by population categories and replacing it with one (1) vote per Council.
8. (a) That reports from representatives on various bodies be received and noted
(b) That Conference acknowledges the time and effort put in by all Association representatives on boards, working parties, advisory groups and committees etc.

The Mayor will be required to vote on the following for the General Meeting:

1. **Minutes**
That the Minutes of the meeting held on 20 March 2013, as circulated, be confirmed.
2. **Confirmation of Agenda & Order of Business**
That the agenda and order of business be confirmed
3. **Business Arising**
That Members note the following information
4. **Follow Up of Motions**
That the meeting note the report detailing progress of motions passed at previous meetings and not covered in Business Arising



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5. **Monthly Reports to Councils**
That members note the reports for February, March, April and May 2013
6. **Hobart City Council Withdrawal from LGAT**
That the meeting note the formal withdrawal of Hobart City Council from the Association and the financial implications of that action
7. **Constitutional Recognition**
That the Meeting note the report
8. **National Local Government Cultural reform**
That Members note the following report
9. **General Legislation Update**
That the Meeting note the report
10. **Agenda and Format of General Meetings**
That Members discuss the proposal to amend the format of future meetings and provide the opportunity for enhanced debate on matters of topical interest to the sector or issues that have key policy and/or resourcing implications for the sector
11. **Electoral Amendments**
That the Meeting note that with the passing of the above legislation elections will now be held each four years on an all in all out basis, that compulsory voting will not apply to Local Government elections, that postal voting will continue and that members of Parliament will not be able to serve as elected members of a local council.
That the meeting consider the implications of the qualification period for mayors with elections moving from a two year to a four year cycle.
12. **Bush Fire Inquiry**
That the meeting note the following report.
13. **Travel Allowances - YES**
That the meeting agree that all member councils use the Australian Taxation Office rate for travel allowances to ensure consistency across the sector.
14. **Container Deposit Scheme Study**
That the Meeting agree that the Local Government Association of Tasmania should liaise with the regional waste bodies to progress the commissioning of container deposit scheme research for Tasmania
- 15.1 **Elected Member Police Checks – Break O’Day Council - NO**
That there be a requirement for all current and future candidates for Local Government to undertake National Police Checks in their current name and any previous names as well as whether any candidate has been discharged or bankrupt
- 15.2 **Code of Conduct – Break O’Day Council - YES**
That LGAT work in partnership with Councils and the Local Government Division to update



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Regulations in relation to the Councillors Code of Conduct

15.3 Code of Conduct Panel – Hobart City

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania be requested to establish a panel to review the existing anomalies within the current legislation in respect to the Code of Conduct Panel and request that the Hobart City Council be included in the review process

15.4 Elected Member Training – Derwent Valley Council - NO

That all Councillors, as a requirement of being elected to Council are to within 6 months of being elected undertake training courses in the following areas:

1. Meeting Procedure
2. Planning

15.5 Legislative Council – Derwent Valley Council - NO

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania pursue on behalf of Local Government the option that the role of Legislative Council (House of Review) be undertaken by the Mayors of the 29 Councils in Tasmania

15.6 Local Government Minister to Attend AGM – Dorset - YES

That the Minister for Local Government be available at future LGAT Annual General Meetings to participate in a question and answer session in which the Minister will receive and respond to questions from the floor.

17.1 General Meetings of the Association – Derwent Valley Council - NO

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania consider changes to the Rules of the Association to allow for General Meetings by Skype video conferencing to the three regional locations.

18.1 Valuation and Rating Review – Capital Value Rating – Burnie City Council – change to land rating value

That LGAT seek funding assistance from the State Government for a consultant to assist Local Government with the transition to capital value rating and to resource a significant education and community campaign with the wider community

18.2 Concessional Loan Scheme – Burnie City Council - NO

That LGAT approach the State Government to set up a loan scheme that will allow Local Government to receive concessional funding through TASCORP to assist in increasing capital works to stimulate the economy

18.3 Financial Relationship between State & Local Government – Derwent Valley Council - NO

That the Local Government Association request the State Government under its current review of the role of Local Government, undertake a review of the financial relationship between State and Local Government

18.4 Loss of Rate Revenue – Waratah Wynyard Council - YES

That Council request the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) to review the



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potential loss of rate revenue as a result of the Forestry Agreement and failed Managed Investment Schemes and, that LGAT request compensation to Councils impacted by this loss be part of the Forestry Agreement.

19.1 Mobile Phone Coverage – Launceston City Council- YES

The LGAT write to the Federal Minister for Telecommunications and to the regional managers for Telstra, Vodaphone and Optus expressing concern about the lack of mobile phone coverage in rural areas within Tasmania particularly in light of the need for these communications during periods of catastrophic fire conditions.

The LGAT seek advice as to what action the Commonwealth is taking with Telstra in order to progress the initiative of installing transportable mobile phone towers in areas of highest bushfire risk during the bushfire season.

19.2 Unapproved Signage on State Roads – Northern Midlands Council - NO

That LGAT lobby the minister responsible for DIER to have all unapproved signage removed from state roads.

19.3 Road Works Signage – Northern Midlands Council- YES

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the Minister responsible for the Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources to ensure that speed restrictions of road works and the like are not erected prematurely, left in place beyond the completion of works or between work periods, unless required due to the condition of the road surface.

19.4 Responsibility for Forestry Roads – Glamorgan Spring Bay Council - YES

That LGAT request the State Government to confirm who has responsibility for roads that were previously owned by Forestry Tasmania or Gunns and requests an outline of the future actions government is considering for these roads

20.1 Amendment to LUPPA – Derwent Valley Council- NO

That the Local Government Association request the State Government to amend the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 by providing a scale of fees based on the value of the development for the lodgement of an appeal.

20.2 Subdivision Provisions – Huon Valley Council- YES

The Local Government Association of Tasmania request the Minister for Planning to review and repeal Part 3 of the Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993 in relation to subdivision provisions and make necessary amendments to the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and other consequential amendments such as the Land Titles Act 1980 and have all relevant provisions associated with subdivisions contained in the relevant legislation.

That this review of the provisions ensure that the new provisions are drafted in plain English.

20.3 Headworks Charges – Huon Valley Council- YES

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania request the Minister for Planning to amend the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 to provide legislative certainty for application of headworks charges and capital contributions toward Council infrastructure



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impacted upon by development proposals.

20.4 Funding Regional Planning Process/Strategy – Hobart City Council

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the State Government to commit appropriate funds to enable regional planning to continue beyond the end of the current financial year.

20.5 LUPAA Applications – Northern Midlands

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania request the State Government to make legislative change, if necessary, and confirm that representations made pursuant to sections 26, 30 I or 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 shall not be made public to the extent that they contain specific reference to individual councillors or staff.

21.1 Container Deposit Scheme – Kentish Council- YES

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the State and Federal container deposit scheme would have prior to the implementation of any such legislation

21.2 EMPCA – Level 1 Activities – Hobart City Council

That:

1. The Local Government Association of Tasmania support a request to the relevant Minister to have the State Government liaise with Local Government and other key stakeholders through the facilitation of statewide workshops, in order to clarify the role and responsibilities of local councils in managing Level 1 Activities.
2. Following the completion of the workshops, the State Government, as a matter of priority, update and complete the 1996 Environmental Assessment Manual to provide clear guidance to councils in assessing Level 1 Activities.

21.3 Storage of Used Tyres – Northern Midlands Council- NO

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the State Government, specifically Department of Economic Development and the Environment Protection Authority to address the pending environmental impacts resulting from excessive storage of used tyres in the absence of suitable recycling facility or other appropriate means of disposal.

22.1 Food Security – Derwent Valley Council - NO

1. That the Local Government Association include food security and building food resilience in communities as a key priority in its next strategic plan.
2. That the Local Government Association works to build capacity and improve the understanding of how Local Government can facilitate and play a key role in strengthening food resilience and food security in local communities.

24.1 Pensioner Rebate Concession – Burnie City Council-

That LGAT seek an amendment to the Pension Rebate Concession under the Water and Sewerage Industry (Community Service Obligations) Regulation 2009 to broaden the eligibility to those holding a Seniors Health Care Card.

24.2 Pensioner Rate Rebate – Burnie City Council -



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That LGAT seek an amendment to the Pensioner Rate Rebate under the Local Government (Rates and Charges Remissions) Act 1991 to broaden the eligibility to those holding a Seniors Health Care Card.

24.3 Social Enterprise – Derwent Valley Council- NO

1. That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobbies the Federal Government to identify social enterprise as an investment priority and fund it as such through the Regional Australia Development Fund and other such funds as appropriate.
2. That the Local Government Association of Tasmania further lobby for any changes required to the guidelines of such funds to allow social enterprise to be funded by various Federal Government funds and that this be a long term project in the period 2015-2020

24.4 Reinstatement of Funding to Tasmanian Regional Arts – Hobart City Council

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby for the reinstatement of funding to Tasmanian Regional Arts.

24.5 Tasmanian Heritage Council – Hobart City Council

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the Tasmanian Heritage Council for greater coordination of heritage initiatives

24.6 Reinstatement of the ABC Tasmanian Production Unit – Hobart City Council

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby for the reinstatement of the ABC Tasmanian Production Unit and its subsequent funding.

17.3 GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE LEASE

Moved **Clr A J Downie**

Seconded **Clr I V McMichael**

THAT

- (a) The lease be forwarded to the Great Lake Community Centre Inc . for signing and sealing; and
- (b) The General Manager be authorised to sign and seal the lease on behalf of Council.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

17.4 CONSERVATION COVENANTS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

Noted



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There were no supplementary agenda items.

19.0 COMMITTEE REPORTS

TOURING ROUTE MAP

RESOLVED That an advertisement be placed in The Highlands Digest advising that Council is seeking feedback on the proposed Highlands Tasmania Touring Route Map which is available for inspection at both the Bothwell and Hamilton Council offices.

TOURISM MATTERS

Moved **Clr T H Jacka** Seconded **Clr J R Allwright**

THAT Mr Tim Parsons be thanked for attending the Council meeting and be advised in response to his question that:

1. A) Council will advertise in the Highlands Digest that Council's Tourism Committee meetings are open to the public and will be held on the first Tuesday of every month;
And
B) That after further consideration, Council do not intend to hold mini forums at this stage.
2. Council's Tourism Committee will continue to make recommendations to Council.
3. Council will retain "Highlands Tasmania" as its regional brand.
4. Council will, by advertising in the Highlands Digest, call for expressions of interest to increase membership to the Tourism Committee.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

DONATION GLENORA DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Moved **Clr G L Herbert** Seconded **Clr A W Bailey**

THAT Council donate \$100 towards specialised play equipment for Kayla Harvey who has Angelman Syndrome.

Carried

For the motion: Mayor D E Flint, Deputy Mayor A J Downie, Clr J R Allwright, Clr A W Bailey, Clr R G Bowden, Clr G L Herbert, Clr T H Jacka, Clr I V McMichael

20.0 CLOSURE

Mayor D E Flint closed the meeting at 4.15pm