

## Central Highlands Council

#### AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 16 AUGUST 2016

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> August 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.

Lyn Eyles 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

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

**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 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016 Regulation 15 (2) (g)
- 2 Personnel Matters Regulation 15 (2) (a)

#### 5.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

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

#### 6.0 ACTING DEPUTY MAYOR

Deputy Mayor Andrew Downie has been granted Leave of Absence for 6 months from 1 August 2016.

Under the Local Government Act Section 44 (5) if the Deputy Mayor is acting as Mayor or is temporarily absent for any period, the councillors may appoint one of their number to act as Deputy Mayor during that period.

It is recommended that Council appoint an Acting Deputy Mayor whilst Clr Downie is on Leave of Absence.

#### 7.0 IN ATTENDANCE

11.00 a.m. Juliet Smith – Spin-in

#### 7.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

#### 8.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

19 July 2016	Council Meeting - Hamilton
21 July 2016	Local Government Association of
	Tasmania - Awards Dinner
22 July 2016	Rural Primary Health Meeting -Brighton
	Civic Centre
26 July 2016	Independent Living Units Meeting
8 August 2016	Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority
8 August 2016	Nicole Sherriff Hydro Cloud Seeding Meeting
9 August 2016	Mr John Stevenson, Clr A Bailey & General Manager
10 August 2016	Special Council Meeting
15 August 2016	Citizenship Ceremony Mr. Philip Parker

#### Interview

The A.B.C. Radio Interview with Leon Compton Breakfast Program. The Mercury Blair Richards. - "Subject Cloud Seeding."

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#### 8.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

#### **CIr L M Triffitt**

19 July 2016Council Meeting Hamilton20 July 2016Department of Education Meeting Bothwell26 July 2016Independent Living Units Meeting Hamilton10 August 2016Special Council Meeting Bothwell16 August 2016Council Meeting Bothwell

#### 8.2 GENERAL MANAGER COMMITMENTS

19 July 2016	Council Meeting
20/22 July 2016	LGAT Conference
25 July 2016	Sub-Regional Meeting (CSJV)
	Meeting Blaze Aid
26 July 2016	ILU Committee Meeting
2 August 2016	Meeting Staples re photocopier
8 August 2016	STCA Meeting
	Meeting Hydro
10 August 2016	Special Council Meeting
	Meeting re sponsorship Bushfest
15 August 2016	Citizenship Ceremony
-	Inspection flood properties

#### 9.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

Nil

#### 9.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Nil

#### **10.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Nil

#### 11.0 MINUTES

#### 11.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016 be received.

#### 11.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016 be confirmed.

#### 11.3 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS MEETING

Moved Clr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Independent Living Units held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 2016 be confirmed.

#### 12.0 BUSINESS ARISING

#### 13.0 NRM REPORT

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT the NRM Report be received.

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#### NRM Report for Central Highlands Council 14th July – 9th August 2016

#### General Business:

We have been busy organising the Spring celebration and fundraising event which will take place on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September. This will be a great opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the growing season, particularly after a harsh drought and floods through winter. We have garnered several generous donations which will be auctioned off over the night by Livestock Consulting's Cade Ebdon. All Councilors and staff are welcome to attend. It is shaping up to be a great night. Invite follows!



Derwent Catchment NRM Spring Fundraiser

Friday 2nd September 2016

Curringa Farm Function Centre

AGM starts at 5.30 pm (all welcome) - main event from 7 pm

Featuring: Food catered by Will Chapman \$2 beer and glasses of wine, \$5 spirits Live music A huge range of excellent prizes that will be auctioned off over the night by Cade Ebdon from Livestock Consulting Lucky door prize

Cost is \$20 (cash at the door) RSVP is ESSENTIAL to Eve 0429 170 048

#### Central Highlands Weed Management Program

We have been collating data from all major Stakeholders as part of the annual report. This is a large task which we are close to completing. This year's report will be written in conjunction with the Central Highlands Council Weed Management Plan. Mapping for the CHC plan is completed and the plan is underway.

#### Technology workshop

On July 29<sup>th</sup> we facilitated a workshop focused on technology applications (apps) that are applicable to agriculture. The aim of the event was to introduce some of the available apps and demonstrate how they can save time and effort on farm. Staff from LIST Tasmania provided a very helpful demonstration of how to use The LIST. The event was well received by a small but enthusiastic audience (12 participants).

#### Floods

We have been continuing to work with affected landholders in the region, filing in site assessment forms for the Conservation Volunteers Australia (CVA) team so they can roll out assistance to those who require assistance with revegetation and clean up. We are still waiting for Government grants to be rolled out.

#### Nursery

Eve has been continuing to organise improvements in the nursery. Several seedlings are now visible and will be potted up shortly. Eve will be supervising our nursery volunteer Elisha Harrison to complete a Certificate of Horticulture through TAFE Tasmania.

#### NRM South

We have been preparing project planners for NRM South which outline additional monies required for us to run projects over the next 2 years. Projects that have been submitted for approval include:

- North-facing slopes (renewed NFS project based on the review of NFS conducted last year, see attached)
- Feral pest monitoring program (cats and deer)
- Dairy Cares for the Derwent
- Miena cider gum
- Nutrient budgeting
- Weed hygiene protocols and induction workshops
- Weed management in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area buffer

All of these projects will be delivered in the Central Highlands.

#### Grant applications

Tasmanian Community Grants Fund – Rejuvenating Hamilton's Platypus Walk – a revegetation and river restoration project - \$32,000 – pending

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



# North Facing Slopes Program 1993-2003

### – a retrospective evaluation of program success in 2016

Prepared by Josie Kelman

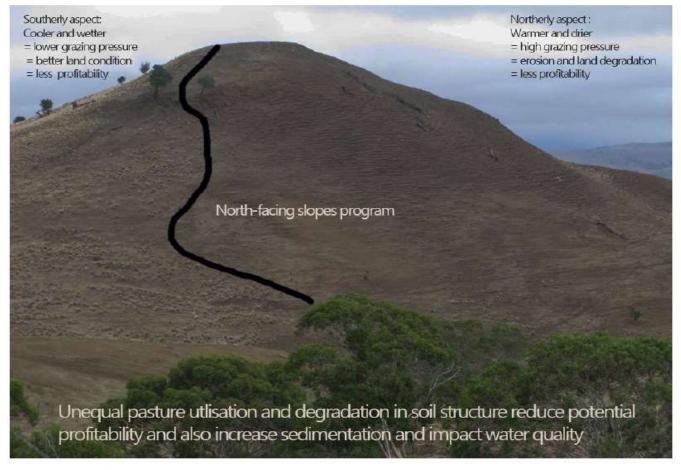
Derwent Catchment NRM Committee

#### Introduction

The North Facing Slopes project was a fencing scheme to encourage improved grazing management on north facing slopes of Tasmania's low rainfall areas in the Midlands and the Fingal and Derwent Valleys. The project ran from November 1999 to July 2003 and was funded through a partnership between the Natural Heritage Trust and the State Government. This funding was matched by farmer contributions of labour and machinery.

A total of 340 north facing slopes were fenced, using 383 km of fencing, and protecting 19,400 hectares of degraded northern slopes and underutilised southern slopes.

The following diagram illustrates the impacts on north facing slopes in semi-arid areas which are often degraded. Essentially stock preferentially graze these slopes due to warmth and improved grass production on these aspects.



#### Background

North facing slopes in the dryland areas of Tasmania are often steep stony sites with unimproved pastures. Stock tend to preferentially graze these slopes rather than the south facing slopes. The resulting over grazing causes loss of ground cover which is responsible for accelerate erosion especially in drought years. Over grazing causes depletion of perennial species with a proportional increase in annual species including weeds such as thistles. The south slopes by contrast remain underutilised which results in the dominance of mature tussock which dry off and provide little nutrition to stock.

Although the 1999-2003 project achieved most of its goals, a very extensive area of degraded north facing slopes remain in the Derwent. Of the 150,000 ha of such slopes identified prior to the original project, only 6.5% were improved as a direct result of the actions undertaken.

The purpose of this review was to evaluate the successes and failures of the past project to inform future investment into restoration of North Facing Slopes. The review also identifies North facing slopes in the Derwent Catchment to build understanding about the scale and extent of actions potentially required to address this land degradation issue.

#### Methods

A qualitative analysis approach was adopted to undertake an evaluation of the North Facing Slopes Program. This was deemed appropriate as the success of the program from a quantitative biological perspective has been previously assessed and found to be effective. The aim of this study was to understand successes and failures in implementation to ensure that lessons learnt in the program are utilised.

A stratified sample of the North Facing Slopes Program participants was adopted. The sample selected was the Derwent Catchment region. There were 24 participants in the North Facing Slopes Program in this region. There were a total of 88 participants across the State, the sample therefore reflecting 27% of the potential respondents.

Each Derwent Catchment North Facing Slopes Program participant was called for a phone interview. The same interviewer was used to maintain consistency in interpretation. The interviews were not recorded but were transcribed based on the interviewers notes. Key themes were assessed using a basic coding approach where recurring words were identified in responses. Where possible a 5-point scale was used to rate observations on biological parameters.

The following series of questions were asked with an estimated time taken of 15 minutes per survey.

#### North Facing Slopes Survey questions

- 1. Do you still use your North-facing slopes fencing to manage impacts of stock grazing? If not, why would that be?
- 2. What changes, if any, did you make to grazing practices following the installation of fencing on the north-facing slopes of your property?
- 3. Did the project improve pasture utilisation on your place?
- 4. Have there been any other benefits of fencing the north-facing slopes?
- 5. Were there any problems?
- 6. Questions about the conditions of the slopes in relation to land condition:
- a) Erosion

1	2	3	4	5
Very positive	Positive	Neutral*	Negative	Very negative

b) Ground cover meaning pasture

1	2	3	4	5
Very positive	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Very negative

c) Weed cover

1 (no weeds)	2	3	4	5 (lots of weeds)
Very positive	Positive	Neutral*	Negative	Very negative

d) Native vegetation regeneration

1	2	3	4	5
Very positive	Positive	Neutral*	Negative	Very negative

e) Wildlife numbers and diversity

1	2	3	4	5
Very positive	Positive	Neutral	Negative	Very negative

f) Tree health

1		2	3	4	5
Ve	ery positive	Positive	Neutral*	Negative	Very negative

7. What is the current condition of fencing that was installed for the north-facing slopes project?

1	2	3	4	5
Very good	Good*	Acceptable	Poor	Very Poor

- 8. Have you kept any written or photographic records of the management of your farm over the period before and/or since the installation of fencing on north-facing slopes?
- 9. Would you encourage other farmers to fence their north-facing slopes?
- 10. What other things have you done in relation to stock grazing impacts on north-facing slopes that have worked? Or do you have any recommendations?

#### Limitations

A limitation of the study was the difficulty of contacting participants. It is 13 years since the North Facing Slopes Program was completed. Five participants could not be contacted or were no longer on the property for a range of reasons include retirement, change of occupation and death. Out of date contacts also made this process challenging. Six people were unavailable. Twelve partipants were surveyed. The concept of saturation was applied i.e. the collection of new data does not shed any further light on the issue under investigation (Glaser & Strauss, 1967). The qualitative sample was deemed large enough to assure that most or all of the perceptions that might be important were uncovered, but at the same time the sample was not too large, so avoided becoming repetitive. The survey respondents expressed similar responses and very little unique information was collected and observable patterns in response were clear.

#### Analysis of North Facing Slopes in the Derwent Catchment

To build understanding of the extent of North Facing Slopes in the region a GIS analysis was completed. The 25m contour Tasmanian State Digital Elevation Model was used to isolate slope and aspect across the study area. All areas with a slope of less than 5 degrees were removed and all northerly slopes were isolated using the aspect function in QGIS. The cleared area on freehold land was extracted from the cadastre and Tasveg and combined to create a layer. This layer was then used to clip the north facing slopes to identify all areas likely to be under grazing pressure. All large known agricultural producers were also isolated to ensure that landuse was compatible. The resulting layers indicate the extent of cleared land with a northerly aspect which has an agricultural land use.

Ideally this would be further refined with ground cover mapping to identify priority areas but as yet that information is not available. It is currently being prepared by DPIPWE but will not be available for 12 months.

#### **Results and discussion**

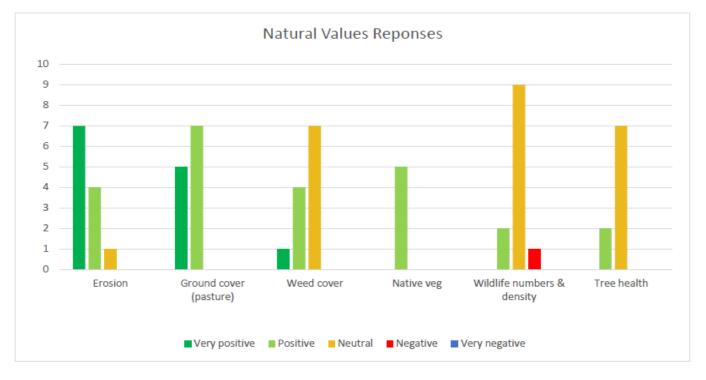
#### Survey responses

All of the participants surveyed still use the North facing Slopes fencing that was installed during the program. One of the respondents however said the use was only partial due to changes in farm infrastructure i.e. more fencing and installation of pivots. Another respondent has said that the recent drought had meant that this area had been over-grazed due to lack of pasture and over-stocking. He put this down to an error in judgement and was not the norm for the management of the area. All of the respondents had said that the installation of the fencing had led to a change in their grazing regimes and an improvement in pasture utilisation. The majority of the respondents noticed that with an increase in the capacity to move stock that there was an ability to manage dry matter in a more systematic way and that their awareness of pasture/land management increased. One respondent even said that the program had changed his whole approach to farm management.

There were two observations about how dividing the paddocks more to land type had been beneficial. This was in contrast to cell grazing or rotational grazing based on paddock sizes. The program was a starting point for change of grazing management and whole farm layout and resulted in improved grazing rotation. There were three observations on a positive impact on animal health and welfare. All participants would recommend the program to other farmers. All except one property had maintained fences. The property where the fences were no-longer maintained had been impacted by bushfire.

There were some problems observed after implementation of the North facing slopes fencing, mainly that stock favoured other areas once the North facing slopes had been excluded, for example stock focused on the eastern areas. Additional fencing was required beyond that installed in two cases due to this issue. Also water access for stock was a limitation. The cost of installing watering points higher in the landscape can be difficult and expensive and was not factored into the program. This meant that maximum utilisation was not possible and gates would be left open rather than restricting access to other areas. Also moving stock regularly in more labour intensive and expensive and there is a perception that stock are not valuable enough to warrant this level of input.

The impact on natural values was very positive with almost all observations reported improved condition. Most importantly erosion and ground cover in all instance except one were recorded which was neutral. This aligns very strongly with the aim of the program and reflects earlier quantitative studies.



#### Figure 1 - Natural values condition changes

#### Mental wellbeing

An interesting and unexpected benefit of the North Facing Slopes program was that people perceived a mental well-being benefit. The farmers had felt demoralised by looking at the degraded slopes. Observed benefits were:

"Psychologically, if you see bare ground it is depressing." And now the "slopes don't look so burnt out"

#### and

"everybody felt better looking at a grassed area rather than a bare area. Even when it was dry it looked better"

#### Monitoring of the project

No participants undertook monitoring. Indicating that this was not a realistic request for farmers to fit into their farm management regimes. Although one farmer mentioned the new photo point monitoring phone application would make this easier.

#### North facing slopes distribution

The GIS analysis of north facing slopes revealed 14,350 ha of area potentially impacted by grazing. Figure 2 illustrates the north facing slopes on cleared land in the region and the properties where projects have previously occurred. The majority have as yet not been involved in the north facing slopes program. Not all slopes will require fencing and some may already be fenced but this provides an indication of the extent of North Facing Slopes requiring action. Observation and anecdotal evidence also strongly support this observation.

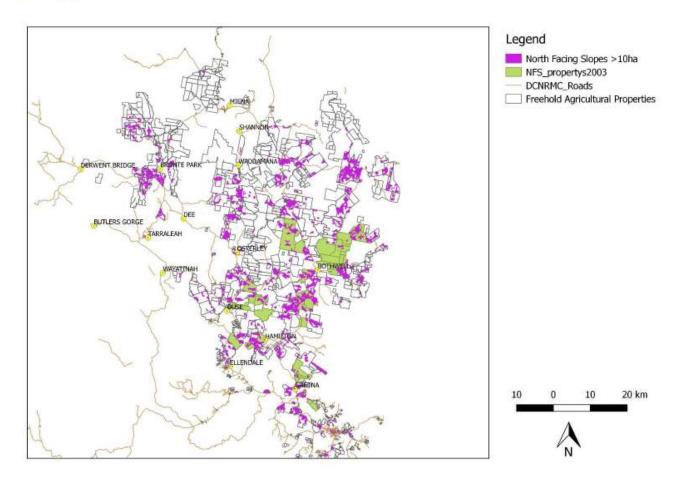


Figure 2 North facing Slopes of the Derwent Catchment

#### **Recommendations for future NFS program**

The North Facing Slopes program was well received and made substantial differences to the natural values reducing degradation in the landscape. There are however many areas which could benefit from improved north facing slopes management. Support for fencing these slopes and installing watering points will reduce degradation. It will also have a positive benefit on how farming and land management is perceived by the landholders and potentially the wider community.

The main recommendation is to identify properties with north facing slopes who haven't been part of the program and run a targeted tender process for north facing slopes fencing with support for watering points. The main observation for potential to improve the project was the limitation of not funding water points.

A secondary observation was the need to fence to land type to support improved management outcomes farm wide. A naturally complementary program to support this secondary observation is farm planning and nutrient budgeting. Farm planning and nutrient budgeting programs are currently undertaken on an *ad hoc* basis but a concerted combined program that supported farm mapping, nutrient budgeting and north facing slopes management support would provide a more holistic and strategic approach.



TCF ref:CommunityInfras00055Contact:Toni Ashlin – 6232 7269

Ms Eve Lazarus

Project Officer Derwent Catchment NRM Committee PO Box 22 Hamilton TAS 7140

Dear Ms Lazarus

#### **FUNDING APPROVAL**

Thank you for your application to the Tasmanian Community Fund (TCF) requesting funding under the community infrastructure grant round.

The Board accepted 45 applications for assessment requesting a total of \$1.96 million in funding in the community infrastructure grant round.

We are pleased to advise that your application requesting \$38 504 for the project '*Rejuvenation of Hamilton's Platypus Walk*' has been approved subject to the successful negotiation of an appropriate grant deed.

#### What is this letter?

This is a letter of offer and is not binding in any way therefore you should not start work on your project or incur any project expenditure until the grant deed has been successfully negotiated. The Tasmanian Community Fund cannot be held responsible for any costs incurred prior to the successful negotiation and signing of a grant deed.

You should advise the Tasmanian Community Fund if there have been any material changes to the project that you applied for. The Tasmanian Community Fund reserves the right to review its decision if it becomes aware of any material changes that have occurred since the application was lodged or if it becomes aware of errors of fact within the grant application.

#### What happens next?

Over the next two months the Tasmanian Community Fund staff will prepare the grant deed for your project. The grant deed will set out the obligations of grants recipients and the TCF.

Your organisation must read, sign and return one copy of the deed to the TCF office within two weeks of receiving it.

You will also receive a bank account details form with your grant deed. This form must be completed and returned with your grant deed. This form enables us to make payments to you so if we do not receive it we will not be able to forward any grant monies to you.

#### **Project reports**

At the completion of your project, your final project report must show evidence of expenditure against those items in the budget which will be listed in the schedule of the grant deed. We thoroughly recommend that appropriate record keeping procedures are put in place prior to the commencement of the project. This will assist your organisation with meeting its audit obligations and will enable easy access to receipts and other documentation required to fulfil the audit.

If you have any questions about the reporting requirements please do not hesitate to contact the Tasmanian Community Fund office. It is far easier to sort out an appropriate system prior to the commencement of your project than to try to find things once your project is finished.

#### Auditing

Most reports for greater than \$50 000 must be sent to Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu for auditing, enclosing appropriate evidence of expenditure. We will provide further advice on this requirement when we forward your grant deed. The Board may also select some smaller grants for auditing by Deloitte.

Your organisation should ensure that any internal accounting processes are sufficient to identify the breakdown of TCF expenditure against the items listed in the grant deed schedule.

#### Media

Grant recipients wishing to contact the media should discuss the matter with Lola Cowle from the TCF office on (03) 6232 7043. The Tasmanian Community Fund is independent of government and requires successful applicants to include the following statement in media releases: "The Tasmanian Community Fund is an independent Fund that supports and strengthens Tasmanian communities by distributing funds to those communities".

You will be provided with a media kit, with your grant deed, to assist with any media activities that you may like to undertake.

#### Queries

If you have any queries, please contact the Tasmanian Community Fund's Senior Executive Officer, Lola Cowle, on (03) 6232 7043.

Yours sincerely

Lynn Mason CHAIRWOMAN

2 August 2016

#### 14.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Finance Report be received.

#### 14.1 REQUEST FOR RATES REMISSION 04-0017-03967

Email received from Rate Payer 18<sup>th</sup> July 2016. In 2015 Council resolved to remit the rates on this property for that financial year.

According to the Crown Lands Dept. this P.I.D. is Last Street Bothwell. We use only a small portion of street, part is still public street, part is used by other residents and the bottom is flooded by Ratho Dam. We pay a lease to the Department of Primary Industries so if we have to pay rates as well the convenience of the part that we use is not worth it - we continue to keep our section free of noxious weeds (ie: goss etc.).

#### Recommendation:

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Seconded CIr

THAT Council remit the rates on property 04-0017-03967 for the amount of \$475.55

#### 14.2 REQUEST FOR RATES REMISSION 01-0838-02982

Letter received from Rate Payer 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016. Letter sent by the rate payer's Niece on behalf of property owner 01-0838-02982 Meadow Bank Road Meadow Bank.

The Niece states in the letter that her Uncle currently pays \$142 per year on his rates which allows him access to waste transfer station within the Central Highlands Municipality. The rate payer is 82 years of age and has some health issues and would prefer if he could use a wheelie bin and have them collected. It's the niece's understanding that this service is currently unavailable at his residence on Meadow Bank Road.

Last year Council kindly removed the yearly fee from her Uncles rates and he ceased using the waste transfer stations within the Central Highlands Municipality.

Derwent Valley Council have allocated two wheelie bins, which are collected and they have invoiced him for these and will continue to do so in the 2016-2017 financial year.

Could Council again remit the waste fee for his Central Highlands Council rates in the 2016 – 2017 financial year as her Uncle will continue to use the bins supplied by the Derwent Valley Council which are being picked-up.

#### **Recommendation:**

Moved CIr

Seconded Clr

THAT Council remit the Solid Waste Garbage Fee of \$142.00 on property 01-0838-02982.

#### **15.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

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

Moved Clr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Development & Environmental Services Report be received.

### 15.1 FEES AND CHARGES : ENTRY FEES TO BOTHWELL, MIENA & BRONTE PARK WTS & HAMILTON RDS

#### Report By

K Bradburn (Acting Manager DES)

#### Background

Council's fees and charges are reviewed annually as part of the budget adoption process.

#### **Current Situation**

The fees and charges for entry to Council's Waste Sites were marginally increased and adopted as part of the 2016/2017 Budget with the charges increasing by \$1.00 - \$3.00. Upon review the cost involved in replacing all the signage at Council's waste sites would far outweigh any income generated by the marginal increase in the entry fees.

Below is an extract from the 2016/2017 budget document.

	2015/16 (GST Incl) Ratepayers & Residents	2015/16 (GST Incl) Non-Ratepayers/ Residents	Proposed 2016/17 (GST Incl) Ratepayers & Residents	Proposed 2016/17 (GST Incl) Non- Ratepayers/Residents
Car	Nil	\$15.00	Nil	\$15.00
Trailer Single Axle/Utility/Van	Nil	\$20.00	Nil	\$21.00
Trailer Multi Axle	Nil	\$20.00	Nil	\$21.00
Truck Single Axle	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$26.00	\$51.00
Truck Multi Axle	\$40.00	\$80.00	\$41.00	\$82.00
Truck Semi-Trailer	\$60.00	\$120.00	\$62.00	\$123.00
Compactor Trucks <7m3	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Compactor Trucks >7m3	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Clean Fill	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
Disposal of Asbestos	Quote	Quote	Quote	Quote
Car Bodies by Arrangement	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available	Not Available

#### Tyre Disposal Fees - Residents and Non-Reside

	Without Rim	With Rim	Without Rim	With Rim
Car/Motorcycle	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$10.00
4WD/Light Truck	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$10.00	\$15.00
Truck	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$21.00	\$26.00
Tractor	\$35.00	\$40.00	\$36.00	\$41.00

#### **Conclusion**

Based on the above it is being recommended that the entry fees to Council's waste sites remain unchanged from 2015/16.

#### Recommendation

Moved Cir Seconded Cir

**THAT** the following entry fees to Bothwell, Miena and Bronte Park Waste Transfer Stations and Hamilton Refuse Disposal Site be adopted for 2016/2017:

	Ratepayers & Residents	Non-Ratepayers/ Residents
Car	Nil	\$15.00
Trailer Single Axle/Utility/Van	Nil	\$20.00
Trailer Multi Axle	Nil	\$20.00
Truck Single Axle	\$25.00	\$50.00
Truck Multi Axle	\$40.00	\$80.00
Truck Semi-Trailer	\$60.00	\$120.00
Compactor Trucks <7m3	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Compactor Trucks >7m3	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Clean Fill	No Charge	No Charge
Disposal of Asbestos	Quote	Quote
Car Bodies by Arrangement	Not Available	Not Available

#### Tyre Disposal Fees - Residents and Non-Residents

	Without Rim	With Rim
Car/Motorcycle	\$5.00	\$10.00
4WD/Light Truck	\$10.00	\$15.00
Truck	\$20.00	\$25.00
Tractor	\$35.00	\$40.00

#### 15.2 BOTHWELL SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

#### Report By

K Bradburn (Acting Manager DES)

#### **Background**

The Bothwell Swimming Pool Committee is a special committee of Council, with the first committee formed under the Bothwell Council in 1987.

#### **Current Situation**

The Management and Maintenance Plan for the Bothwell Swimming Pool was last reviewed in 1995. A review of the document has been undertaken with the attached Terms of Reference being developed to outline the roles and responsibilities of the Committee.

#### Recommendation

Moved Cir Seconded Cir

THAT the Swimming Pool Terms of Reference dated 16 August 2016 be adopted by Council.



## SWIMMING POOL COMMITTEE

## **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

The Central Highlands Council shall create a Special Committee to be known as the Swimming Pool Committee (hereinafter called "the Committee").

The Committee will assume responsibility for the management and maintenance of the Bothwell Swimming Pool, and will conduct it's affairs in accordance with the following guidelines:-

#### 1. The Swimming Pool Committee

- (a) The Committee is to consist of seven members comprised of as follows:
  - Two Councillors
  - Two Central Highlands Council Staff Members
  - Bothwell District High School Association Representative
  - Bothwell District High School Principal or Representative
  - Community Representative
- (b) Each member of the Committee will be nominated for a term of two years, commencing before October and will be eligible to seek re-election or renomination after the expiry of that term.
- (c) The committee will meet as the need arises but on at least three occasions during the year.

(d) The quorum of any meeting of the Committee will be constituted by the personal presence of five members of the Committee.

#### 2. Management and Maintenance of Pool

- (a) The Committee shall make recommendations to Council for all matters relating to the management and maintenance of the swimming pool.
- (b) The Committee will ensure that during school hours the Bothwell District High School have priority over the use of the swimming pool unless arranged otherwise with the Principal of the school, they will also ensure that the Principal arranges for the proper supervision of students using the pool by a staff member who meets the current Department of Education and Royal Life Saving requirements.
- (c) The Central Highlands Council & Committee will ensure that at all times outside of school hours when the swimming pool is being used by the public during prescribed hours, that there is continually present on the pool premises a person who holds the minimum requirements specified by Royal Life Saving Tasmania.
- (d) The Committee shall be responsible for reviewing and determining the opening hours and prescribed entry fees annually.
- (e) The Central Highlands Council shall be responsible for maintaining adequate cover of property and public liability insurance.
- (f) The male and female change-rooms and toilets associated with the Bothwell District High School Gymnasium will be made available during the operation of the pool.
- (g) The Committee shall give all reasonable consideration to any recommendations relating to management, maintenance or use of the swimming pool received from either the Department of Education or the Principal of the Bothwell District High School.

#### Adopted by the Central Highlands Council on 16 August 2016

#### **15.3 FLOOD RECOVERY**

#### Report By

B Armstrong (EHO)

#### **Current Situation**

Following the recent flooding in the Central Highlands an information session will be held on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 at the Ouse Country Club for flood affected residents and is being organised by the Tasmanian Flood Recovery Taskforce. The following organisations are supporting the information session:

- Blaze Aid
- Conservation Volunteers Australia
- Legal Aid Tasmania
- North West Community Legal Centre
- Rotary
- Rural Business Tasmania
- Rural Alive and Well
- St Vincent De Paul
- Tasmanian Council of Churches
- Tasmanian Farmers and Graziers Association

Council's main involvement in the recovery is in the area of Waste Management and Environmental Health, to date we have had no requests for assistance in these areas. However, a clean-up of the Ouse River has been raised as an issue. Although this task would be the responsibility of DPIPWE Council could offer free entry to the Hamilton Landfill for trucks associated with any clean-up.

#### Recommendation

Moved Clr Seconded Clr

**THAT** Council allow free entry for trucks to the Hamilton Refuse Disposal Site for waste associated with the Flood Recovery Clean-up.

#### **15.4 DES BRIEFING REPORT**

PLANNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER DELEGATION

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

#### PERMITTED USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2016 /		25 Bronte Estate Road, Bronte	
00030	A L Ford	Park	Dwelling

#### DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2016 / 00033 - Disc	Rainbow Building Solutions	RA 71 Ellendale Road, Westerway	Garage & Pergola Relying on Performance Criteria

#### NO PERMIT REQUIRED

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2016 / 00038 - NPR	P L Martin	139 Barren Plains Road, Miena	Shed in the Low Density Residential Zone

#### **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:

No dogs have been impounded over the past month.

#### I'M ALERT FOOD SAFETY TRAINING PROGRAM

From: IM ALERT - Info [mailto:newserveremail@email.imalert.com.au]
Sent: Wednesday, 6 July 2016 11:00 PM
To: Beverley Armstrong
Subject: Congratulations I'M ALERT Milestone Reached!

#### **Congratulations Central Highlands Council!**

100 users have now conducted the I'M ALERT Food Safety training program via your organisations subscription.

The usage of your I'M ALERT Food Safety subscription is reflective of how you promote the FREE I'M ALERT Food Safety training to your customers and/or staff.

To generate a detailed usage report, please visit the "reports" page on <u>http://www.imalert.com.au/foodsafety/reports.php</u>.

For creative ideas on how to promote the training, please visit the "ideas" page on <a href="http://www.imalert.com.au/foodsafety/ideas.php">http://www.imalert.com.au/foodsafety/ideas.php</a>

Kind regards,

I'M ALERT Team I'M ALERT Are You Alert?

#### **BRONTE PARK WATER AND SEWERAGE ASSETT TRANSFER TO TASWATER**

On the 28th July 2016 Council received notification from TasWater **c**onfirming that TasWater had accepted the water and sewer infrastructure from Bronte Holding Pty Ltd at Bronte Park and they now own and operate the systems.

Copies of the communication between TasWater and the residents at Bronte Park are attached for information.

#### BRONTE HOLDINGS PTY LTD ABN 050 732 360

148 Gordons Hill Rd Lindisfarne TAS 7105 Ph. 03 6243 8078

28 July 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

#### Notice to property owners connected to Bronte Water and Sewerage Systems

After more than three years of negotiations with and between the Central Highlands Council and TasWater, Bronte Holdings Pty Ltd has resolved a handover of the water and sewerage services at Bronte Park to TasWater. That transfer is effective from 28 July 2016.

As TasWater is Tasmania's water and sewerage provider, I am confident that the organisation is in a strong position to manage these services for the residents of Bronte Park.

We have shared information regarding the list of properties connected to the Bronte Park systems with Taswater and they are also writing to you about the details of the transfer.

All customer accounts will be reviewed to ensure charges from Bronte Holdings are only for the period until 27 July 2016. We will write to customers over the coming weeks to confirm remaining amounts outstanding or refunds owing.

I thank you for allowing us to serve and contribute to the community.

Regards,

Denis and Robin Wiss



HPRM ref: 16/81050

29 July 2016

Property Owners / Residents Bronte Park TAS 7140

Dear Sir/Madam

Bronte Park water and sewerage systems

TasWater is pleased to let you know we are your new supplier of water and sewerage services.

This follows the transfer of water and sewerage infrastructure to TasWater by its previous owners, Bronte Holdings Pty Ltd, as part of an ongoing development approval process also involving the Central Highlands Council.

From 28 July, 2016 water and sewerage services in Bronte Park are owned and managed by TasWater.

Your actual services do not change. However, the legal requirements for TasWater are different to those regulating private operators and require a more cautious approach.

- Water quality Following a risk assessment, TasWater identified potential risks to public health based on contemporary standards. In light of our legal obligations, the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) has confirmed that we are obliged to put a Temporary Boil Water Alert in place. This approach is consistent with how other water supplies are managed by us. We enclose separate information about the reasons for this and what you need to do.
- Accounts we are currently evaluating the price of your water and sewerage services in consultation with the Office of the Tasmanian Economic Regulator. We will not issue any accounts until this evaluation is complete and we have contacted property owners with information and notice of any changes in pricing.
- Arrangements are in place for surveyors to shortly undertake works to help TasWater evaluate locations of assets and easements. Further advice will be provided to the community about when this will happen.

Over the coming months, residents may see TasWater staff out and about in Bronte Park as we increasingly build our knowledge and understanding of the water and sewerage systems.

Tasmanian Water & Sewerage Corporation Pty Ltd GPO Box 1393 Hobart Tas 7001 Email: enquiries@taswater.com.au Tel: 13 6992

ASN: 47 167 220 653

Our plan is to stay in close communication with property owners and residents to keep you informed of any upgrades or changes.

We will be in a position to provide more information over the coming weeks and we are happy to answer any questions by phone or meet with you if you have any concerns. Please contact TasWater on 13 6992 or phone Suzie Gaynor in the Community Engagement Team on 03 6237 8285.

Yours sincerely

Mike Brewster Chief Executive Officer



29 July 2016



Dear Resident

#### TEMPORARY BOIL WATER ALERT FOR BRONTE PARK

TasWater advises residents and customers in Bronte Park they should boil their drinking water until further notice.

Please refer to the attached map for details of the affected area.

This advice has been issued following the transfer of water and sewerage services to TasWater which took effect on 28 July, 2016.

This means residents and business operators must bring their water to a boil prior to any consumption.

Please note that there has been no actual change to your water supply.

#### Why a Temporary Boil Water Alert?

The legal requirements for TasWater are different to those regulating private operators and require a more cautious approach. TasWater has conducted a risk assessment and identified potential risks to public health based on contemporary standards.

In light of our legal obligations, we have consulted with the Department of Health and Human Services which has confirmed that we are obliged to put a Temporary Boil Water Alert in place. This approach at Bronte Park is consistent with how other water supplies operated by TasWater are managed.

These regulatory requirements mean we are required to show the drinking water provided to customers is safe for consumption without any risks to public health.

Tasmanian Water & Sewerage Corporation Pty Ltd GPO Box 1393 Hobart Tas 7001 Email: enquiries@taswater.com.au Tel: 13 6992 ABI: A7 162 220 653 HPRM number: 16/81049

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In order to show the Department of Health and Human Services that the supply is safe, we have sampled water from the Bronte Park system in recent weeks and will continue to do so.

We need to review the operations of the Bronte Park water system to ensure the current infrastructure is reliable. This information, together with the water sampling data, will be provided to the Department of Health and Human Services. Until this process is completed, a Temporary Boil Water Alert will remain in place for Bronte Park. Customers and residents will be kept informed about the status of the Temporary Boil Water Alert.

#### What do I need to do?

Customers should bring water to a boil by heating the water until a continuous and rapid stream of air-bubbles is produced from the bottom of a pan or kettle. Kettles with automatic cut-off switches are suitable and variable temperature kettles should be set to boil. After heating, water must be allowed to cool before using it and be stored in a clean, closed container for later use. Care should be taken to avoid scalding injuries.

Customers should boil all water used for:

- drinking
- brushing teeth
- washing and preparing food or beverages
- preparing baby formula
- making ice.

Unboiled water may be used for:

- showering and bathing (avoid swallowing water). As a precaution babies and toddlers should be sponge bathed to prevent them swallowing water
- washing dishes by hand or in a dishwasher, providing dishes are air-dried before being used after washing
- washing clothes.

The Department of Health and Human Services advises that consumption of unboiled water could lead to nausea, vomiting, diarrhoea, abdominal cramps and a general feeling of being unwell. If you are concerned that you may have been affected by contaminated water please contact your General Practitioner (GP) and advise them about this notice.

The State Chief Veterinary Officer has advised TasWater that there is no increased risk to animals drinking reticulated water in towns under a Boil Water Alert. Animals typically have access to and consume non-potable water from a range of other sources (puddles, watercourses, dams, toilets.)

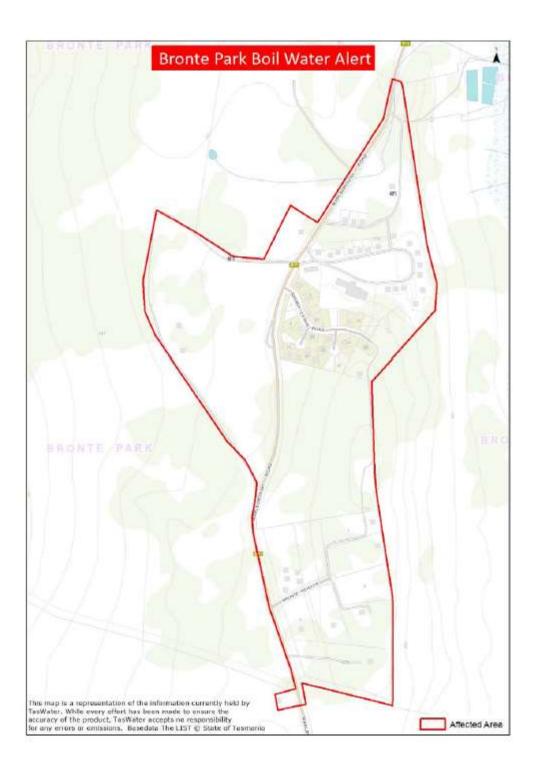
We will continue to treat the drinking water to current levels to minimise the risk of illness to customers from inadvertent consumption and TasWater will continue to monitor the water source weekly. It is important that all water used for the specified uses above is boiled.

Please contact TasWater on 13 6992 for any further enquiries. If you have any health concerns, please contact your GP or the Department of Health and Human Services on 1800 671 738.

Yours sincerely

Shiphed

Jayne Shepherd Department Manager Customer Services



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03 August 2016

Dear Sir/Madam

#### Survey work on Bronte Park Water and Sewage Services

We are writing to advise that we will be conducting inspections on water and sewerage infrastructure in your area. The information gathered as part of these inspections will help guide asset maintenance and will also ensure TasWater's service requirements are being met.

This work will involve undertaking surveys of water infrastructure and sewer maintenance holes. If water or sewer infrastructure is located on your property, surveyors will need to enter your property and lift the lids to carry out an inspection. You do not need to be present while the survey work is undertaken.

TasWater contractors, Esk Mapping and GIS, will conduct the survey for TasWater and their representatives will carry copies of this letter, as well as personal identification. Works will start on Thursday 11 August 2016 and will take place between 8.30am and 5.00pm weekdays.

Each property survey should take no more than 30 minutes. All surveys in the Bronte Park area should be completed by the week ending Friday 26 August 2016.

If your property is currently leased or occupied by a tenant, we ask that you advise them when the inspections are taking place.

If you have any questions or concerns about the survey, please contact TasWater's Asset Data Improvement Coordinator Luke Ellis on 03 6237 8311 or 0438 233 289 or email: <u>luke.ellis@taswater.com.au</u>

Yours sincerely

Ross Luttrell Department Manager Asset Information Management

Tasmanian Water & Sewerage Corporation Pty Ltd GPO Box 1393 Hobart Tas 7001 Email: enquiries@taswater.com.au Tel: 13 6992 ABN: 47 162 220 651

TW file number: 16/81443

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#### **16.0 WORKS & SERVICES**

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

#### WORKS & SERVICES REPORT

15th July 2016 – 10th August 2016

#### **Grading & Sheeting**

14 Mile Road	Waddamana Road
Langloh Road	Lanes Tier Road
Todds Corner Road	Interlaken Road
Dawson Road	Wetheron Road
Humbie Road	Green Valley Road
Bashan Road	

#### **Maintenance Grading**

#### Potholing / shouldering

Pelham RoadDennistoun RoadStrickland RoadVictoria Valley RoadWihareja RoadWaddamana RoadJean Banks RoadVictoria Valley Road

#### Spraying

#### Culverts / Drainage:

Cleaning culverts Dennistoun Rd Meadsfield Road Strickland Rd Install new culverts in Meadowbank Road and Bluff Road Clean out drains from flood damage on Tunbridge Tear Road Old Man's Head Interlaken Road Waddamana Road Install new culvert Dawson Road Drainage 14 Mile Road

#### **Occupational Health and Safety**

Monthly Toolbox Meetings Day to day JSA and daily pre start check lists completed Monthly work place inspections completed Playground inspections 80hrs Annual Leave taken 35hrs Sick Leave taken 0 Long Service Leave

#### **Bridges:**

#### **Refuse / recycling sites:**

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

#### Other:

Repair washouts from flood damage on Municipal Roads Clean drains Wayatinah Clean wash out bay\ Dig 1 x grave Snow clearing on Municipal roads Remove falling trees from snow on Municipal roads Remove rubbish from roadside bins at Breona Install sign Clyde River Drainage Hunterson Road Plant trees Hamilton Quarry Clean up gravel Nant Lane from flood damage Mill and Fills Hollow tree Road

#### 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: Repairs to power Hamilton rec

#### Plant:

PM705 Mack Truck (H) repaired fuel tank PM682 Float new tow hitch PM731 Pig trailer hose repair PM602 Mitsubishi grader (H) weld to blade

#### **Private Works:**

Ron McIntosh Gravel supply Kimbolton Coal Mine gravel and truck hire Ken King gravel and truck hire Robert Cassey gravel and truck hire Nigel Campbell gravel and truck hire Wade Triffitt gravel and truck hire Tas Water gravel and truck hire Andrew Walter Construction gravel and truck hire John Jones gravel and truck hire

#### Casuals

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

#### Program for next 4 weeks

Grading and re-sheeting of Council roads Drainage of Municipal roads Potholing of Municipal roads Prepare tender new grader Prepare tenders for Capital works programs

#### **16.2 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

#### **17.0 ADMINISTRATION**

#### 17.1 ELECTRONIC LIFT CHAIR

The Mayor has available a second hand Electronic Lift Chair at the price of \$500.00 (valued at \$1,400.00) and still under warranty, this will enable Councillors and employees who are not feeling the best a quiet place to sit down if required.

#### For Discussion

#### 17.2 LETTER FROM MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The Hon Jeremy Rockliff MP Deputy Premier and Minister for Education and Training has provided a fact sheet 'Lowering the Prep Starting Age by Six Months' which sets out the proposed change and reasons why it is so important for Tasmania.

Attached is also correspondence Council has received via email re lowering the prep starting age.

#### For Information/Discussion

#### 17.3 SIGNIFICANT ASSESSMENT – BOTHWELL LITERARY SOCIETY LIBRARY

Council's Deputy Mayor discussed the issue of maintenance of the Bothwell Literary Society Books at the February Council meeting. Council resolved that a quotation be obtained from a professional to view the books and provide advice on how to preserve and manage the collection. The Deputy Mayor advised that this would commence with an Assessment of Significance and had preliminary discussions with Mr Chris Tassell.

The following email was received from Mr Tassell:

As we discussed, earlier this year Andrew Downie approached me about the possibility of my undertaking an assessment of the significance of the Bothwell Literary Society Library for the Central Highlands Council. I indicated that I would be pleased to undertake the project but due to my existing commitments would be unable to commence the project until late August or September. Andrew was agreeable to this. He also indicated that the fee for the project would be about \$4,500 + GST, very much the standard fee for such assessments based on the rates established by the National Library of Australia.

I envisaged that the significance assessment of the Society's library, one of only a very small number of such libraries surviving in Australia, would follow the format established by the National Library of Australia for such assessments and which for all practical purposes has become the national de-facto standard. I look forward to discussing the project further with you.

Council has allocated \$10,000 in the current budget for protection of the literary society books.

#### **Recommendation:**

**That** Mr Chris Tassell be appointed to undertake an assessment of the significance of the Bothwell Literary Society Library for Council at a cost of \$4,500 plus GST.

#### 17.4 BOTHWELL FOOTBALL CLUB – PROGRESS REPORT

The Bothwell Football Club has provided a progress report on the club rooms/community centre at the Bothwell Recreation Ground.

As requested by the Bothwell Football Club, a payment for the slimline trestles and chairs has been made directly to the supplier. This is the final payment from loan funds allocated to the Bothwell Football Club.

#### For Information



27th July 2016

Lyn Eyles General Manager Central Highlands Council 6 Tarleton Street HAMILTON TAS 7140

Dear Lyn,

The progress with the Club Rooms / Community Centre is still progressing slowly, as there has been a slight hold up with the electrical work commencing, but this is now taking place.

The members are now looking at the next round off funding through Sport and Recreation, to try and obtain funding to get this project completed.

Now that the Club Rooms / Community Centre is now a lockable building we would now like to request the payment for the tables and chairs outlined in Australian Slimline Trestles Quote being \$6226.00. (attached).

We would like to request if convenient that this payment be made directly to them once we have received their invoice.

If you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact me on 03 62595538.

Yours faithfully

With honsin

Terry Hoskinson President Bothwell Football Club

# AUSTRALIAN SLIMLINE TRESTLES

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> PHONE 03 6259 5503 EMAIL: jhousego@centraihighlangs.tas

Good afternoon Joanne,

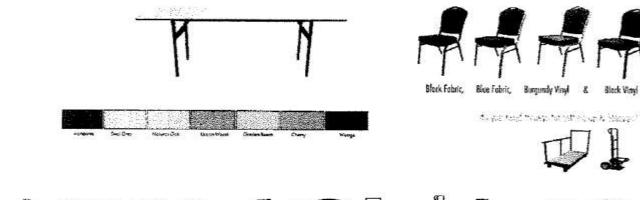
Thank you for your enquiry. Please find the pricing and information below.

If you decide to order please print Page 2 - sign and fax it through to us and we'll arrange everything OR call us on 03 9335-1555. For anything further please feel free to contact us.

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### 17.5 DERWENT VALLEY COUNCIL – TASWATER – DISPOSAL OF SHAREHOLDING

Correspondence has been received from Martyn Evans, Mayor of Derwent Valley Council, canvassing whether Council are interested in purchasing all, or a portion of, Derwent Valley Council's shareholding in Taswater.

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council decline the offer from Derwent Valley Council to purchase all, or a portion of, their shareholding in Taswater.



# **DERWENT VALLEY COUNCIL**

Enquires: Martyn Evans Telephone: 0429 167 796 File: 451

15 July 2016

Mayor Deirdre Flint Central Highlands Council PO Box 20 HAMILTON 7140

Dear Mayor Flint

#### TASWATER - DISPOSAL OF SHAREHOLDING.

The Derwent Valley Council last year raised the prospect of selling it's shareholding in the TasWater Corporation. In May 2015 the Council considered legal advice, noting that provisions within the Water and Sewerage Corporation Act 2012 presently restrict the manner of disposal.

Section 10 for example provides that only Tasmanian Councils may hold shares or securities in the corporation. The purpose of my letter is to canvas whether you consider there may be an appetite by your Council to consider purchasing the Derwent Valley shareholding (or a portion thereof). Should you consider this to be the case, I would welcome an opportunity to discuss this further.

**Yours Sincerely** 

Martyn Evans MAYOR

Circle Street, New Norfolk, P.O. Box 595, New Norfolk, 7140 Ph: (03) 6261 8500 Fax: (03) 6261 8546 Email: dvcouncil@dvc.tas.gov.au Website: www.derwentvalley.tas.gov.au

#### **17.6 AUSTRALASIAN GOLF MUSEUM – TCF GRANT APPLICATION**

The Australasian Golf Museum are applying to the TCF for a grant to conserve, record, interpret and install the Spotlight Golf Machine in the Museum.

The Committee is seeking a letter of support from Council and has requested Council support the project by contributing an amount of \$5,000. If the grant application is unsuccessful, the contribution will not be required.

#### **For Discussion**



Australasian Golf Museum Market Place Bothwell Tasmania 7030

ABN 797 516 716 96

Phone: (03) 62594033 Email: info@ausgolfmuseum.com

The Manager, Lyn Eyles Central Highlands Council Hamilton, Tasmania

Dear Lyn

I am applying to the Tasmanian Community Fund for a grant to conserve, record, interpret and install the Spotlight Golf Machine in the Australasian Golf Museum.

This machine was invented in 1936 and is the oldest computer game in the world, possibly the world's oldest computer. We are working closely with TMAG and the University to research its history and workings. When installed it will greatly enhance the Museum's displays and will appeal not only to golfers but to computer buffs as well. Visitor numbers to the Museum should increase greatly.

I would like a letter of support from the CHC and I will forward some points for you at a later date. I would also like to request the Council to support this project to the amount of \$5000. The total cost of the project will be around \$95,000. If we do not get the grant we will of course not expect the contribution from the Council.

The Committee of the Golf Museum appreciates all the assistance you have given us in the past and we look forward to continuing this partnership.

Yours sincerely

Dorothy Evans Manager 8<sup>th</sup> August 2016

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#### 17.7 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE ILU COMMITTEE

The ILU Committee met on the 16<sup>th</sup> July 2016 and interviewed prospective tenants for Unit 2 ILU at Ouse and Unit 3 of the Housing Units at Ouse.

The recommendations from the Committee are included in the Draft Minutes.

#### **Recommendation:**

That Council accept the recommendations from the ILU Committee for tenants for Unit 2 ILU Ouse and Unit 3 Housing Unit Ouse.

#### 16.8 FLOOD RECOVERY INFORMATION SESSION

The General Manager has had discussions with the Tasmanian Flood Recovery Taskforce regarding information for the owners of flood affected properties in the Central Highlands.

A Flood Recovery Information Session will be held at the Ouse Country Club on Wednesday, 31 August, 2016 from 10.00 am to 2.00 pm.

#### For Information

#### 17.9 ANNUAL END OF YEAR SCHOOL AWARDS

Council traditionally give awards to students at their end of year presentation assemblies. Awards are presented to students from New Norfolk High School, Bothwell District High School, Glenora District High School, Ouse District Primary School and Westerway Primary School.

#### Recommendation:

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

#### That Council make the following end of year awards:

- New Norfolk High School Central Highlands Continuing Education Bursary \$250
- Bothwell District High School Central Highlands Continuing Education Bursary \$250
- Glenora District High School Central Highlands Continuing Education Bursary \$250
- Ouse District Primary School Central Highlands Continuing Education Bursary \$100
- Westerway Primary School Central Highlands Continuing Education Bursary \$100
- Westerway Primary School Citizenship Award \$50
- Glenora District High School Citizenship Award \$50
- Ouse District Primary School Primary Value Award 2 Awards of \$50 each
- Bothwell District High School Primary Citizenship Award \$50
- Bothwell District High School Primary Encouragement Award \$50

# 17.10 HIGHLAND LAKES ROAD (LAKE SECONDARY ROAD) MIENA TO LIAWENEE – ROAD SEALING

The Department of State Growth has awarded the contract for the above works to Gradco Pty Ltd. Road works are programmed to commence in September 2016 and are anticipated to be completed by the end of February 2017, subject to weather conditions. The complete package of sealing work will be undertaken over two summers due to the short construction season and changeable weather conditions in the Central Highlands. Therefore the second stage of work is programmed to commence in the 2017/18 summer construction season. The work will involve sealing a 9.3km section of the Lake Secondary Road from Miena to Liawenee. This will include drainage improvement, pavement strengthening and sealing the unsealed section of road to provide two 3.0 metre wide lanes and 0.5 metre wide sealed shoulders.

The road works will be performed under an approved Traffic Management Plan by the contractor to ensure the least possible disruption to road users. Speed restrictions and altered traffic conditions will be in place throughout the construction period to ensure a safe work place for construction staff. Delays to the travelling public can be expected in the vicinity of the construction works for the duration of the project. Please obey all signs and allow sufficient time for travelling through these work areas. Further information about the project can be found on the Department of State Growth website: <a href="https://www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/projects">www.transport.tas.gov.au/road/projects</a>

#### For Information

## Highland Lakes Road – Miena to Liawenee

The State Government has allocated funds under the Roads for our Future program to continue sealing work along Highland Lakes Road (Lake Secondary Road). Road Sealing has previously been undertaken in 2012 - 2013 at Breona. From 2003 - 2005 road sealing works were completed from Poatina Main Road junction to Shannon Lagoon.

#### Location

These works are located on the Highland Lakes Road from Miena to Liawenee.

#### Features and Safety Benefits of the Project

This work will seal a long stretch of road along the western side of the Great Lake, delivering safety and efficiency benefits.

The works will involve drainage improvement, pavement strengthening and sealing the unsealed section of road to provide two 3.0 metre wide lanes and a 0.5 metre wide sealed shoulder.

#### Why is the Department of State Growth doing work on this road

The project will make travel safer, providing a consistent, all-weather road environment. Road maintenance costs will be reduced due to replacing a gravel road with a sealed road. A section of the upgraded highway will remain at 80km/hr due to the winding nature of the road in these sections.

#### Construction

The Department of State Growth has awarded the contract for construction to Tasmanian based contractor Gradco Pty Ltd.

Construction is programmed to commence this summer construction season 2016/17 and following a winter recess will resume in summer 2017/18. The road works will be undertaken over two summers due to the short construction season and changeable weather conditions in the Central Highlands.

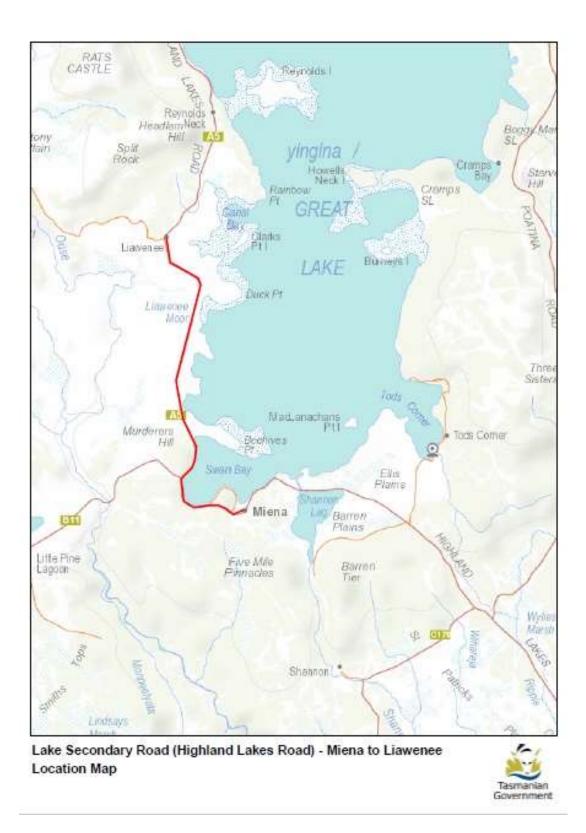
The road works will be performed under an approved traffic management plan by the contractor. At times traffic will be reduced to one lane. Speed restrictions and altered traffic conditions will also be required and this may cause delays to the travelling public.

Your safety is important to us so please drive with care and follow the traffic signs and other directions.

#### **Contact Details**

For further information about the project please contact the Project Manager, Vili Siale, on (03) 6777 1939 or by email at: <u>info@stategrowth.tas.gov.au</u>

Click on map below for larger version



#### 17.11 COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

At the July Council Meeting it was generally agreed that Council would review council's current committee representation:

The current committees and their representation are as follows:

#### **Bothwell Swimming Pool Committee**

Clr E M McRae (Chair) to April 2016 Clr L M Triffitt (Chair) from April 2016 Clr R G Bowden

#### **Bothwell Cemetery Committee**

Clr L M Triffitt (Chair) Mayor D E Flint OAM Proxy Clr R L Cassidy

#### Plant Committee

Mayor Deirdre Flint OAM (Chair) Clr R G Bowden Clr A W Bailey

#### Independent Living Units Committee

Mayor D E Flint OAM (Chair) Clr E M McRae Clr L M Triffitt

#### Audit Panel

Deputy Mayor A J Downie Clr E J Evans resigned Feb 2016 Clr J R Allwright from March 2016

#### Strategic Planning Sub-Committee

Deputy Mayor A J Downie (Chair) Clr E M McRae Clr A W Bailey

#### Planning Committee From 19 July 2016

Clr J R Allwright (Chair) Clr R G Bowden Clr R L Cassidy Clr A W Bailey Clr L Benson (proxy)

#### Highlands Tasmania Tourism Committee

Clr L M Triffitt (Chair) Mayor D E Flint OAM Clr R L Cassidy Clr A W Bailey

#### Australia Day Committee

Deputy Mayor A J Downie (Chair) Clr A W Bailey Clr L M Triffitt

#### Waste Committee

Clr A J Downie (Chair) Clr R G Bowden Clr J R Allwright

OTHER COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

**Bothwell Spin-In Committee** Mayor D E Flint OAM Clr R Cassidy Proxy

Australasian Golf Museum Mayor D E Flint Clr E M McRae

#### Southern Waste Strategy Authority (Now under STCA and called Waste Strategy South)

Deputy Mayor A J Downie Mayor D E Flint (Proxy)

Derwent Catchment NRM Committee Clr J R Allwright

Local Government Association of Tasmanian General Management Committee Mayor Deirdre Flint OAM

**Premiers Local Government Council** Mayor Deirdre Flint OAM

#### The Central Highlands Men's Shed Steering Committee

Clr Anthony Bailey Clr J R Allwright (Proxy)

Great Lake Community Centre Committee

CIr L M Triffitt

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### Central Highlands Health Service Community Consultation Committee

Mayor Deirdre Flint OAM Clr E M McRae

#### *Ellendale Hall Committee* Mayor D E Flint OAM

#### Rural Alive and Well Clr E M McRae

#### TasWater Owners Representative Mayor D E Flint OAM

#### **18.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS**

Moved CIr

Seconded CIr

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

#### **19.0 CLOSURE**