



# Central Highlands Council

## AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 19<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2016

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Hamilton Council Chambers, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 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

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### 2.0 PRESENT

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### 3.0 APOLOGIES

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### 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.

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### 5.0 MOTION INTO CLOSED MEETING

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

**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 7 December 2015 Regulation 15 (2) (g)
  - 2 Personnel Matters Regulation 15 (2) (a)
  - 3 Confidential Matter regulation 15 (2) (g)
  - 4 Legal matter regulation 15 (2) (i)
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## 5.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

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

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## OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

The Meeting will be opened to the public at 10.00am

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## 6.0 IN ATTENDANCE

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Tim and Jock Parsons will be attending the meeting at 10.30 am

Nancy Hoskinson (Secretary Ellendale Hall Committee) will be attending the meeting at 11.00 am

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## 6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

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## 7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

7 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Council Meeting and Annual General Meeting
11 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Citizenship Ceremony Hamilton
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Independent Living Units Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Westerway Primary School Presentation
11 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Planning Committee – Bothwell

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## 7.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

### Deputy Mayor A J Downie

23 <sup>rd</sup> December 2015	Council Breakup - Bothwell
11 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Planning Committee - Bothwell
12 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Employment interviews - Hamilton

### Clr L M Triffitt

7 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Council Meeting and Annual General Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Bothwell District High School Presentation
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Ouse Primary School Presentation
12 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Great Lake Community Christmas Party
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Independent Living Units Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Westerway Primary School Presentation

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## 7.2 GENERAL MANAGER COMMITMENTS

9 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Audit Panel Meeting
10 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Common Services Meeting Brighton
11 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Citizenship Ceremony Hamilton
16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015	Independent Living Units Meeting
	Westerway School Awards
6 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Meeting Planning matter
11 <sup>th</sup> January 2016	Planning Committee Meeting

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## 8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

Tuesday 12 January 2016 to review the Draft Tasmanian Planning Scheme

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## 8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

Wednesday 3 February, 2016 – Hamilton at 10.00am to discuss the Long Term Financial Management Plan and Strategy

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## 9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## 10.0 MINUTES

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**10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of **Council** held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015** be **received**.

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**10.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Ordinary Meeting** of **Council** held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015** be **confirmed**.

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**10.3 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT MINUTES INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Independent Living Units Committee Meeting** held on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2015** be **received**.

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

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Central Highlands Audit Panel** held on **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015** be **received**.

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**10.5 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT TOURISM COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Tourism Committee Meeting** held on **Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015** be **received**.

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**10.6 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT WASTE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the **Waste Committee Meeting** held on **Monday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2015** be **received**.

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**10.7 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING**

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

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

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## 11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

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## 12.0 NRM REPORT

Nil

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## 13.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

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

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## 13.1 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDIT PANEL MEETING

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

- a. Roads and Bridges Asset Management Plan
- b. Buildings Asset Management Plan
- c. Asset Management Strategy

### **Recommendation:**

That Council adopts the following:

- a. Roads and Bridges Asset Management Plan
  - b. Buildings Asset Management Plan
  - c. Asset Management Strategy
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## 13.2 LONG TERM FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PLAN AND STRATEGY

The Audit Panel endorsed the Long Term Financial Management Plan and Strategy but recommended that Council hold a workshop to discuss the various options presented prior to adoption by Council with the aim of Long Term Financial Sustainability.

### **Recommendation:**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That a Council Workshop be held on Wednesday 3 February, 2016 at Hamilton commencing at 10.00am. to discuss options to be incorporated in the Long Term Financial Management Plan and Strategy prior to formal adoption by Council together with consideration of the contents of a letter from the Minister for Planning and Local Government regarding related issues.

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## 13.3 INDEPENDENT CHAIR OF THE AUDIT PANEL

Council has, due to amendments to the Local Government (Audit Panels) Order a non-compliant Audit Panel. The amendments which took effect from 1 January 2016 does not allow a councillor or employee from another Council to be a member of our Audit panel.

Councils are expected to have a compliant Audit Panel by 31 March 2016. Ian McMichael was previously chair of Councils audit committee prior to the introduction of legislation for Audit Panels and was a member of the Panel prior to not seeking re-election to Council in October 2015. On checking with the Audit Office, there is no concern with appointing a past councillor to the Audit Panel as Chair.

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

That Council appoint Ian McMichael as independent chair of the Central Highlands Audit Panel.

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**13.4 LAND UNDER ROADS**

The Auditor General has recommended that Council recognise land under roads in accordance with AASB 1051. The Audit Panel has noted that land under roads will be recognised as per this recommendation and will apply from 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Based on the Auditor General's recommendations, a land classification has been applied for each road segment based on the predominant class surrounding the road. The road formation area (M2) for each road has then been multiplied by the rate set by the Valuer- General for each land classification. The result is a value of \$957,396 for land under roads. The value will be added to Council's Balance Sheet but will not affect the Profit and Loss as these assets do not depreciate.

The land values now provided by the Valuer- General have been accepted by many local governments and it is considered that these now provide an industry standard for local government.

**Recommendation:**Moved **Clr**Seconded **Clr**

That Council value Land under Roads as per the recommended approach for Tasmanian Local Government from 30 June 2016.

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#### 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:

##### Recommendation

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

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

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#### 14.1 BOTHWELL SWIMMING POOL – AUSTRALIA DAY EVENT

A request has been received from Georgia Pennicott, Bothwell Swimming Pool Lifeguard, for support from Council to host an Australia Day Fun Day with a BBQ, cricket, ball games, inflatables at the Bothwell Swimming Pool. Over the past few weeks a lot of families and children have asked Georgia if the pool is hosting anything this year.

A copy of the request is below:

To dear the central highlands council

Over the past few weeks I've had a lot of families and children ask whether the pool is hosting anything this year for Australia Day ,and I've been thinking of hosting an Australia Day fun day with a bbq , cricket, ball games , inflatables and even getting the big blow up slide like they had last year. So I'm writing to see if there's any possible way of getting funding to support this great community event to make it a bit more affordable to be able to do this thanks I look forward to your response

Thanks Georgia Pennicott - Pool lifeguard

##### Recommendation

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT Council contribute \$250.00 towards the Australia Day Fun Day to be held on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2016.**

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#### 14.2 FUTURE OF BRONTE PARK

Concern has been raised by a ratepayer about the future of Bronte Park as follows:

*I write as a ratepayer to raise the subject of the sale of the Bronte Park village. We have learned that the man who has the controlling share in the body corporate has put the pub/chalet on the market along with the hostel and at least some of the houses. We understand that he intends to sell at least some houses and hostel separately from the pub. Although the roof of the hostel (the old Hydro medical centre) has been partly replaced, the interior is virtually derelict, but it sports a For Sale sign. We also do not know what will happen to the camping ground.*

*We are concerned about the continuing viability of the village. While the water & sewerage is run separately by Mr Dennis Wiss, and ratepayers can use the council tip, we understand that at least some of the electricity poles and wires are privately owned. In the past, the grass has been mowed under the direction of the managers of the chalet.*

*I would appreciate it if you could look into the possible options and whether some of these might involve the council assuming a greater role in managing the village. I should add that my concerns are shared by others in the village.*

The above was discussed by the Planning Committee on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016 with the following recommendation being made.

### Recommendation

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** a letter be sent to the concerned ratepayer advising that this is a private issue and not a Council matter.

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### 14.3 ROADSIDE BINS – ARTHURS LAKE

The roadside bins at Arthurs Lake are currently located on private land at 40 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake. The bins were placed at this location approximately 3 years ago with the consent of the owner of the land at the time. The land has now changed hands with the Arthurs Lake Shop being leased to Craig & Sue Walters.

A letter has been received from Craig Walters wanting to formalise an agreement with Council for the placement of the bins on the site and outlining some concerns (copy attached). Council is also in receipt of written advice from the owner of the land stating that he is happy for the leasee to liaise with Council in this regard.

The following concerns were raised by Mr Walters:

1. That all bulk rubbish left beside the bins is picked up regularly by Central Highlands Council.  
**Council will continue to monitor the site and pick up any bulk items deposited beside the bins as they have over the past 3 years.**
2. That some type of enclosure is built by Central Highlands Council around the bins to prevent any loose materials blowing towards the shop.  
**This will need to be a budget item.**
3. And if in some way we could be compensated by Central Highlands Council, for the bins being on the premises, in which we will keep an eye on and deter illegal dumping also report any problems to Central Highlands Council. Maybe a security camera be installed on the corner of the shop. Also that the Rates for 40 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake be reimbursed by Central Highlands Council. We would invoice every 12 months for the rent of Site for Rates.  
**The current rates for the premises are \$942.86 which includes the whole title (i.e. shop etc.). Please note that Council currently lease the site for the Bronte Park WTS at a fee of \$300 per year. Council should also give consideration to placing a security camera at the site to deter illegal dumping.**
4. Note: Public Liability? Bins on site, will Central Highlands Council insurance cover this or is it part of Lease Agreement.  
**This site would have the same liability coverage as all of Council's other roadside bins throughout the highlands and is covered in the proposed Lease Agreement.**

### Conclusion

The bins have been in place for approximately 3 years. A lease agreement to allow the bins to remain at the site will need to be formalised. Council will need to discuss and make a decision on the annual lease agreement fee for this site.

A draft lease agreement has been drawn up and is attached.

### Recommendation

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

**THAT** the General Manager be authorised to sign the Lease Agreement between Council and Craig Walters for the placement of the roadside bins at 40 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake with an annual fee of \$ .

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30<sup>th</sup> November 2015

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I Craig Walters, the Leaser of 40 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake Road House. I'm writing this letter in regards to the Waste Transfer Bins on our Site.

I would like to put a proposal to Central Highlands Council, that the bins may remain at this location with a few exceptions listed below.

1. That all bulk rubbish left beside the bins is picked up regularly by Central Highlands Council.
2. That some type of enclosure is built by, Central Highlands Council, around the bins to prevent any loose materials blowing towards the shop.
3. And if in someway we could be compensated by Central Highlands Council, for the bins being on the premises, in which we will keep an eye on and deter illegal dumping also report any problems to Central Highlands Council. Maybe a security camera be installed on the corner of the shop. Also that the Rates for 40 Arthus Lake Road, Arthurs Lake be reimbursed by Central Highlands Council. We would Invoice every 12 months for the rental of Site for \$Rates.
4. Note: Public Liability ? Bins on Site, will Central Highlands Council insurance cover this or is it part of Lease Agreement.

Hopefully you will take this into consideration.

Regards

Craig Walters



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#### 14.4 TASMANIAN PLANNING SCHEME COMMENTS

A workshop with Councillors was held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2016 to discuss the draft State Planning Provisions for the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. Council had received a letter requesting comments on the document by 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016. The aim of the workshop was to enable Councillors to put forward any concerns / comments to Council's Senior Planner to enable a submission to be prepared.

Council's Senior Planner, Damian Mackey, is currently preparing a response based on the concerns raised by Councillors which will be presented to Council for consideration.

##### **Recommendation**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

**That** the response prepared by Council's Senior Planner, Damian Mackey, be accepted and forwarded to the Department of Justice by close of business on February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

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#### 14.5 NATURAL ASSETTS VALUE

As a recent Planning Workshop the inclusion of a Natural Values Code in the Tasmania Planning Scheme was discussed. Concern was raised about the lack of a policy statement from the Government on the issue and it was suggested that lobbying of Government should occur for a policy position.

##### **Recommendation**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

**That** Central Highlands Council liaise with Southern Midlands Council to get a combined approach to Government regarding a policy on Natural Assets.

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#### 14.6 MOU WITH VOLUNTEERING TASMANIA FOR SPONTANEOUS VOLUNTEERS DURING EMERGENCIES-FOR ENDORSEMENT

LGAT has provided Council with the information below:

LGAT has been in discussions with Volunteering Tasmania (VT) about providing Councils with the ability to access spontaneous volunteers during an emergency through their new EV CREW system. Volunteering Tasmania received funding through the National Disaster Resilience Grant Program to implement the system in Tasmania. The system was developed in Queensland and capitalises on the community goodwill that follows a disaster by providing a coordinated system to match volunteers' skills, availability and location with the needs of organisations supporting recovery efforts (see attached one pager for more background).

The system has been frequently used in Queensland following floods and cyclones and has been well received. The State Government has also signed an MOU with Volunteering Tasmania to access the system during an emergency. It is more than likely that during a large scale emergency that the State Government will activate the CREW system, however, it would be good to have a mechanism to allow councils to activate the system should there be a more localised event.

LGAT and VT have drafted an MOU based on the MOU developed with the State (see attached). The draft MOU was provided to Municipal Emergency Management Coordinators for comment late last year. The feedback from the Co-ordinators has been supportive.

The draft MOU, once endorsed by councils, will be signed by the CEO of LGAT on behalf of councils.

Could you please review the MOU and provide me with advice as to whether you endorse the MOU for signing by **29 January 2016**.

#### Recommendation

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

**THAT** the Local Government Association of Tasmania be advised that Central Highlands Council endorses the MOU with Volunteering Tasmania.

## 14.7 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
2015 / 00049	M A Mohr	RA 990 Ellendale Road, Ellendale	Shipping Container - Storage
2015 / 00046	A D Jeffrey	RA 7617 Highland Lakes Road, Miena	Storage Shed

#### DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2015 / 00043 - Disc	Hamilton District Agricultural Society	RA 5595 Lyell Highway, Hamilton	Two Sheds

#### NO PERMIT REQUIRED UNDER PLANNING DIRECTIVE 4

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2015 / 00019 - PD4	J Bryant	9 Michael Street	Deck

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**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:

**There were no dogs impounded**

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**DERWENT BRIDGE TOILET UPDATE**

The new amenities at Derwent Bridge were opened for use on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2016 with the official opening to be held in February.

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**GARAGE SALE TRAIL- CAMPAIGN REPORT 2015**

Central Highlands Council supported the Garage Sale Trail again this year making a contribution of \$323.00 plus GST. A copy of the Campaign Report 2015 Impacts is attached for information.





## Reuse over refuse

NEXT time you consider throwing out that old pair of jeans, you might want to think again.

Attitude's biggest garage sale event - the annual Garage Sale Trail - is on October 24 with an emphasis on encouraging people everywhere to reuse and recycle.

Exeter Authority WA chair, Norman Geisler said it's all about water to enough cotton for a size of jeans - enough to fill your swimming pool, and if people could or could not put it all into their that month's them



out, it would effectively save enough water to fill all Olympic swimming pools.

The Garage Sale Trail is a perfect example of how we can actually reuse material and goods instead of putting it into landfill," Mr Geisler said.

Putney resident Karen Thompson, who is also a ques-

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the said the opportunity to

to some small businesses. It's just as the have the want to get the and.

"Let's not be in landfill, as money out of it. Registration potential now today. Log on to the website for



## CAMPAIGN REPORT 2015 IMPACTS



Garage Sale Trail is a national program that promotes reuse, waste education and community building. It is delivered locally by councils and state government in partnership with Garage Sale Trail.

This report provides an overview of the national, state and local impacts of Garage Sale Trail in 2015. Additional data for your LGA is available on request.







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## DATA AND TRENDS

Information in this report is based on 2015 registration data from [garagesaletrail.com.au](http://garagesaletrail.com.au) as well as the results of the 2015 Seller Survey which was completed by 28% of individual and group sale organisers (2,344 people). The numbers provided in the report may differ from those included in your council dashboard, as this data

is based on actual 2015 outcomes versus 2014 averages that powered the dashboard.

Media data is provided by media monitoring organisation iSentia.

LGA specific data is generally calculated using local outcomes multiplied by state averages.

### Key national trends



Council participation up

**23%**

**164** councils participated in Garage Sale Trail this year, up from 133 councils in 2014.

The percentage of participants who know councils are powering the program increased from **69% in 2014 to 76% this year**

For the first time this year, access to the program was capped for residents living in non-participating council areas.



Shopper attendance increased

**40%**

One of the key objectives for this year was to increase shopper attendances at garage sales, this was achieved with a **40% increase**. The average number of shopper attendances at garage sales increased from 30 to 42.

As a result of more shoppers, the amount made by householders at their garage sale also increased - average takings for a household sale went from **\$273 in 2014 to \$308 in 2015**.



**75%**

of participants are more conscious of the role they can play in reducing waste as a result of taking part in Garage Sale Trail, up from **71% last year**

**66%**

may not have organised a garage sale if it weren't for Garage Sale Trail

**The reuse and waste education message is making an impact**

40% of media secured this year referenced reuse or included waste education messages. This combined with other waste education initiatives such as the Reuse Display Kit and illegal dumping Facebook poll, helped to educate participants on the role they can play in waste reduction.



**71%**

of shoppers

feel more connected to their community as a result of taking part in Garage Sale Trail

**64%**

of sellers

**Participants feel even more connected to their community**

On average, sellers meet 20 new people on the day and will keep in touch with half of those they meet.



Federal Government funding opens up the program to a wider audience

Support from the Federal Government helped to make Garage Sale Trail more accessible to a non-English speaking audience this year. Included in the initiatives to make the program more accessible was the introduction of translation functionality on the website to over **90 languages** and the translation of marketing materials to the most commonly spoken languages.



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### MEDIA OUTCOMES'



# 40,073,153

Cumulative campaign  
media reach



# 594,762

Cumulative campaign  
media reach



# 178,065

Cumulative campaign media  
reach in your LGA

### Media highlights



1,491  
Media  
outcomes  
nationally



#### TV

Channel 10, The Project: 23.10.15 / 3 mins 31 secs  
Audience reached: 630,000

#### RADIO

Radio National, Breakfast: 23.10.15 / 3 mins 29 secs  
Audience reached: 121,000



41  
Media  
outcomes  
in your State



#### TV

WIN Hobart, WIN News: 24.10.15/ 0 mins 33 secs  
Audience reached: 19,000

#### TV

Southern Cross Tasmania, Southern Cross Nightly News: 10.08.15/ 0 mins 29 secs  
Audience reached: 57,000

#### PRINT

Launceston Examiner: 20.10.15/ page 10  
Audience reached: 23,431

#### PRINT

Hobart Mercury: 19.10.15/ page 11  
Audience reached: 35,037



#### Partnerships & Community Service Announcements

- Media partnership with ACM (a division of Fairfax Media)
- TV Community Service Announcement screened on the following channels: Channel 7 and Foxtel

1. All numbers in this section relate to PR and media. Data is provided by iSentia and does not include online articles, digital media or the cumulative reach of Garage Sale Trail Community Service Announcements run on TV and radio. Reach numbers also do not include marketing done by councils promoting the program or participants marketing their garage sales. LGA media reach has been compiled manually.





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## MARKETING OUTCOMES



### 218,737

unique users to  
garagesaletrail.com.au, up  
15% on last year



### 2,468,617

page views on  
garagesaletrail.com.au



### 1,012,669

reach of Garage Sale Trail's  
Facebook, Instagram and  
Twitter social media campaign



### 28,969

people subscribed to  
Garage Sale Trail  
e-newsletters



### The website

#### Improvements were made to the website:

**Seller dashboard** – digital promotional materials provided for all sellers

**Shopper functionality** - Treasure Trail and shopper Search Alerts

**Enhanced group sale functionality** - allowing stalls to register as a part of group sales

**91%** of sellers said they found it easy to register a sale this year.

Feedback has been sought from councils and sellers to further improve the website in 2016. The main areas identified are: the map, group sales, image uploads and printing of Treasure Trails.



### Sellers as marketing channels

A key marketing objective for 2015 was to enable sellers to better promote the program. To do this, promotional materials (including posters and social media assets) were provided via an online seller dashboard.

Half of all sellers downloaded materials from the dashboard to help them promote their sale

**15,538** materials were downloaded by sellers in total, a ten fold increase on last year

Almost **1,000** people shared photos using **#garagesaletrail** on the day (24 October)

**2,500** seller packs containing posters, flyers and information on what to do with unsold items were mailed to sellers

### How people heard about Garage Sale Trail



### 25%

Newspaper / Magazine



### 24%

Council



### 18%

Social Media



### 17%

Friends / Family member



### 10%

Television

The biggest increase in how people heard about Garage Sale Trail this year was in social media, up 68% on last year. This reflects a number of new factors including: more social media assets available for councils and sellers to share, investment in Facebook advertising as well as the introduction of a more strategic content and sharing plan for social media.

The number of people who heard about the program through their council also increased by 20%.

There was a significant decrease in the number of people who heard about Garage Sale Trail through radio, reflecting the fact that ABC Radio were not a partner in 2015 (as they have been in previous years).





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## 2015 PARTICIPATION OUTCOMES



### A note on more accurately collecting data relating to group sale data

From the data, we know that group garage sales involve many more seller households and shoppers. Given this, and as the number of group sales has increased significantly year on year, for the first time this year group garage sales are not being measured and reported in the same way as individual garage sales. Group sales represent more people and households than individual sales and are being reported to reflect that.

22% of group sale organisers used the group sale/stallholder functionality and where this is the case, this data has been combined with the individual sale number to calculate a new sales and stalls figure for your LGA. For the remaining group sales, an average number of stalls for each of the group sales in your LGA has been calculated. This calculation is based on 2015 data, which shows that 66% of the stall limit set at registration will be achieved on the day.



<sup>3</sup> Sellers = number of sales x national average for the number of people involved/sale. Shopper attendances = number of sales x national average for the number of shoppers/sale

<sup>4</sup> Sellers = number of sales x state average for the number of people involved/sale. Shopper attendances = number of sales x state average for the number of shoppers/sale

<sup>5</sup> Sellers = number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of people involved/sale. Shopper attendances = number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of shoppers/sale

<sup>6</sup> Sales + Stalls = number of individual sales + the number of stalls at group sales in your LGA

<sup>7</sup> Number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of seller households involved

<sup>8</sup> Shopper attendances = number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of shoppers/sale



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## WASTE AND ENVIRONMENT OUTCOMES



### National



**2,846,727**

number of items  
listed for sale / reuse



**54,446**

number of trolleys  
of stuff redistributed <sup>9</sup>



**16,029,261**

cumulative media reach of  
stories that carried waste  
education messages



**66%**

people who may not have had  
a garage sale if it were not for  
Garage Sale Trail <sup>10</sup>

### TAS



**822,296**

number items  
listed for sale / reuse



**2,958**

number of trolleys  
of stuff redistributed <sup>11</sup>



**237,905**

cumulative media reach of  
stories that carried waste  
education messages



**63%**

people who may not have had  
a garage sale if it were not for  
Garage Sale Trail <sup>10</sup>

### Your LGA



**675**

number of items  
listed for sale / reuse



**30**

number of trolleys  
of stuff redistributed <sup>12</sup>



**74%**

people think differently  
about waste as a result  
of taking part <sup>13</sup>



**100%**

of participants pledged  
not to illegally dump

<sup>9</sup>. Sales x national average for trolleys redistributed/sale

<sup>10</sup>. Sellers were asked the following question in the survey: Would you have had a garage sale this year if you hadn't participated in Garage Sale Trail? Relevant state & national averages were applied.

<sup>11</sup>. Number of sales x state average for trolleys redistributed/sale

<sup>12</sup>. Number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of trolleys redistributed/sale

<sup>13</sup>. Sellers were asked the following question in the survey: As a result of taking part in Garage Sale Trail do you feel more conscious about the role you can play in decreasing the amount of waste you generate? State average.





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## COMMUNITY OUTCOMES



**160,427**

number of new community interactions on the day <sup>14</sup>



**9,827**

number of new community interactions on the day <sup>15</sup>

### Your LGA



**123**

number of new community interactions on the day <sup>16</sup>



**64%**

people are more proud of their community as a result of taking part <sup>17</sup>



**52**

number of long term connections <sup>18</sup>

<sup>14</sup> Number of sales x national average for the number of new community connections made on the day

<sup>15</sup> Number of sales x state average for the number of new community connections made on the day

<sup>16</sup> Number of sales in your LGA x state average for the number of new community connections made on the day

<sup>17</sup> Sellers were asked the following question in the survey: Does participating in Garage Sale Trail make you feel more a part of your community? State average.

<sup>18</sup> Number of sales in your LGA x the state average for the number of long term community connections made on the day. A long term community connection is someone a seller will say hello to again



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## ECONOMIC OUTCOMES



National



**\$2,950,070**

total funds  
generated at garage sales <sup>19</sup>



TAS



**\$154,226**

total funds  
generated at garage sales <sup>20</sup>

Your LGA



**\$282**

Average amount made /  
household sale



**\$586**

Average amount made /  
group sale



**\$1,410**

Total funds generated at  
garage sales <sup>21</sup>

<sup>19</sup> Number of sales x national average for the amount made/ sale

<sup>20</sup> Number of sales x state average for the amount made/ sale

<sup>21</sup> Number of sales in your LGA x state average for the amount made/ sale

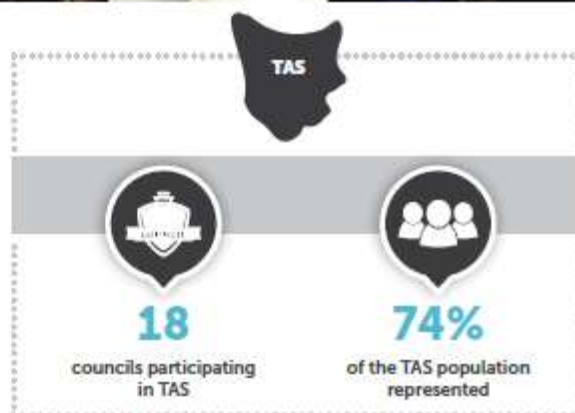


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## COUNCIL PARTICIPATION



## WHAT YOUR RESIDENTS THINK



<sup>22</sup> Sellers were asked the following question in the survey: Were you aware that your council is supporting Garage Sale Trail this year? State averages.

<sup>23</sup> Sellers were asked the following question in the survey: Garage Sale Trail is made possible by a small contribution from council. Do you think this is a good use of council money? State averages.





## BRIGHTON COUNCIL APPRECIATION LETTER

**Kathy Bradburn**

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**From:** Dryburgh, James <James.Dryburgh@brighton.tas.gov.au>  
**Sent:** Monday, 4 January 2016 2:09 PM  
**To:** Kathy Bradburn  
**Subject:** FW: Message from KMBT\_C652DS  
**Attachments:** SKMBT\_C652D16010414030.pdf

Hi Kathy,

A very Happy New Year to you!!

I just received this letter of thanks from you guys, and I just wanted to say it was a pleasure.

I think I speak for us all when I say we really enjoyed working for Central Highlands, we love your beautiful part of the world, enjoyed working with your staff and councillors.

We hope the new arrangement with Southern Midlands is going well, and... we miss you!

Please pass on our best wishes for 2016 to everyone at CHC.

Best,

**JAMES DRYBURGH**  
MANAGER DEVELOPMENT SERVICES



1 Tivoli Road, Old Beach TAS 7017  
Tel: (03) 6268 7038  
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Fax: (03) 6268 7013





Q4 JAN 2016

23 December 2015

Mr J Dryburgh  
Brighton Council  
1 Tivoli Road  
Old Beach, TAS 7017

Dear James

**CENTRAL HIGHLANDS INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2015**

On behalf of the Central Highlands Council I would like to extend our appreciation to all staff from Brighton Council involved in preparing the draft Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015. In particular we would like to thank Jacqui Tyson, Shane Wells and yourself for the extensive work with Council and Insight GIS in getting the scheme and maps to the point of submission to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

The input and assistance from you all through this process was greatly appreciated.

Yours faithfully

**Andrew Downie**  
Deputy Mayor  
Chairperson, Planning Committee

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website [www.centralhighlands.tas.gov.au](http://www.centralhighlands.tas.gov.au)



**TASMANIA LAW REFORM INSTITUTE FINAL REPORT NO 21 - PROBLEM TREES AND HEDGES : ACCESS TO SUNLIGHT AND VIEWS**

**From:** Law Reform [<mailto:Law.Reform@utas.edu.au>]

**Sent:** Thursday, 7 January 2016 8:55 AM

**To:** Law Reform

**Subject:** Tasmania Law Reform Institute Final Report No 21

Please find attached the Institute's Final Report No 21, *Problem Trees and Hedges: Access to Sunlight and Views*. The Report examines the law as it relates to disputes between neighbours about trees and hedges on one property that obstruct the access of sunlight to, and/or views from, a neighbouring property. In these situations, the landowner's right to the full use and enjoyment of their land, including the freedom to plant such vegetation as they choose, may impinge on neighbouring landowners' rights.

The report identifies a number of main concerns including:

- The lack of redress available to residents whose enjoyment of their property is reduced due to trees or hedges on a neighbouring property which block their sunlight or views
- The need to recognise the right of a resident to establish and maintain a garden on their property, which may include the use of trees and hedges to provide some form of privacy screen
- The need to identify a suitable mechanism to resolve disputes between neighbours which involve competing interests concerning trees and hedges.

It ultimately concludes that, due to inadequacies in the existing law in Tasmania, reforms in this area are required.

The report makes 18 recommendations. The principal recommendation is that a statutory scheme be implemented to address problems with trees and hedges on neighbouring land which block access to sunlight and views and that the scheme vests the Resource Management and Planning Appeals Tribunal with jurisdiction to hear disputes.

A copy of the final report can be found at [www.utas.edu.au/law-reform/](http://www.utas.edu.au/law-reform/)

**Helen Cockburn (PhD)**

Executive Officer | Tasmania Law Reform Institute

Faculty of Law | University of Tasmania | Private Bag 89, HOBART TAS 7000

PH: (03) 6226 2069



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## 15.0 WORKS & SERVICES

Moved Cllr

Seconded Cllr

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

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### 15.1 WORKS AND SERVICES REPORT

**4<sup>th</sup> December 2015 – 8<sup>th</sup> January 2016**

#### **Potholing / shouldering**

Dennistoun road  
14 mile road  
Waddamana road

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

Monthly Toolbox Meetings  
Day to day JSA and daily pre start check lists completed  
Monthly workplace inspections completed  
Playground inspections  
60.8hrs Long Service Leave taken - 25.5hrs Sick Leave taken - 597.5hrs annual leave taken

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

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

#### **Other:**

Pelham dust seal outside Sonners has been completed  
Westerway foot way has started  
Arthurs lake road seal project started

#### **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

#### **Plant:**

New drive tires Mack Hamilton pm741  
Service JCB backhoe Bothwell  
Service Hilux Works Managers pm759  
New batteries compactor Hamilton tip

#### **Private Works:**

Gravel supplies state wide earth works and loader hire  
Grader hire truck hire and gravel delivers tom brown  
Water delivers in land fishers

#### **Casuals**

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

**Program for next 4 weeks:**

Mowing towns  
Pothole municipal roads  
Park maintenance

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**15.2 SPEED LIMIT - HAMILTON**

A concerned rate payer has approached Council in relation to a speed limit extension at the Ouse end of the bridge. The current zone limit is 60 at one end of the bridge and 100 once you get off the bridge.

The reason behind this request is to provide a safer bus stop area for the travelling students, the bus currently has to pull over and stop in the 100 limit zone. He has requested that the 100 limit be moved further up the road to allow the bus to stop within the 60 limit zone.

I have informed the complainant to write a letter to Council and State Growth expressing his concerns as I believe it is a safety issue.

**Recommendation**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council support the proposal to relocate the 100 limit size further west towards Ouse.

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Mr. Barry Harbach,  
Acting Works Manager,  
Central Highlands Council,  
Tarleton Street,  
Hamilton. 7140

Dear Barry,

I wish to draw to your attention the inconsistencies of the town boundary speed limits on the western side of the township. As was drawn to my attention by a municipal officer the town boundary is where the sign 'Hamilton' is on the western approach. On this sign is 80 km per hour reducing to 60 km on the edge of the bridge when you leave Hamilton going west the speed limit is 100 km per hour off the edge of the bridge. In that area we have a fuel depot with tourists, log trucks, heavy machinery and school bus stops, also the milk tanker coming from our dairy out onto the highway to go toward Ouse.

We ask the Council to support us in having the speed limit reduced from 100 kms from the edge of the bridge out to the Hamilton Town boundary which is past the fuel depot and also the 80 kms approach to Hamilton be reduced to 60 km per hour from the Hamilton Town boundary.

Yours sincerely,

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### 15.3 SPEED LIMIT - LAKE CRESCENT

Council has received a letter from Lake Crescent shack owners regarding the speed limit on the Laycock Drive. They are requesting that the speed limit that is currently 40 be reduced.  
I don't believe that reducing the limit will achieve the desired outcome as there are 40 km signs as well as a Children's sign in place already. I don't see people slowing down to a lower limit.

#### Recommendation

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council take no further action.

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### 15.4 STATUS REPORT

- **328 - 20/4/2012**

Gorse at Christian Marsh, Responsible Officer: NRM

This item was asked to be placed on the Status Report at the March 2012 Meeting.

- **329 - 18/8/2012**

Platypus Walk, Responsible Officer: Works Manager

Regular Maintenance

- **332 - 17/9/2013**

Blackberry Removal, Responsible Officer: Works Manager / NRM

Clr Bowden requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

- **333 - 20/10/2015**

Schaw Street, Bothwell –Drainage, Responsible Officer: Works Manager

Clr L M Triffitt requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

- **334 - 20/10/2015**

Gorse at the Clyde River Bridge Interlaken, Responsible Officer: Works Manager / NRM

Clr R Bowden requested that this item be placed on the Status Report

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## 16.0 ADMINISTRATION

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### 16.1 DRAFT CLIMATE CHANGE ACTION PLAN 2016-2021

The Tasmanian Government has just released Embracing the Climate Challenge: Tasmania's Draft Climate Change Action Plan 2016-2021 which outlines the Tasmanian Government's framework for action through to 2021 to deal with climate change.

The Government's aspiration is for Tasmania to be:

- The best in the world in responding to climate change
- Renowned for our renewable energy expertise and our world class science and research
- Prepared to meet the challenges and seize the opportunities climate change presents.

The Government is focusing on sensible and practical actions to help Tasmania make the most of possibilities, better managing change, and reduce future impacts and costs. The purpose of the Draft is to seek public input on how to achieve these aims.

LGAT will be making a submission on behalf of the Local Government sector in response to the draft action plan, and is seeking comment from Councils.

LGAT seeks comments by Friday 18 March, 2016.

#### For Discussion

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### 16.2 HEALTHY TASMANIA FIVE YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN – COMMUNITY CONSULTATION DRAFT

The Consultation Draft of the Healthy Tasmania Five Year Strategy poses questions about a proposed new approach to preventative health in Tasmania, including the Government's priority areas for action and related initiatives that could be immediately implemented.

Stakeholder feedback will be used to test and refine principles and strategies that should underpin preventative health reform in Tasmania.

Submissions are invited addressing the questions raised in the Consultation Draft. Closing date for submissions is 19 February, 2016.

#### For Discussion

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### 16.3 PREMIER'S PHYSICAL ACTIVITY COUNCIL

A vacancy has arisen for a Local Government representative to join the Premier's Physical Activity Council (PPAC). The PPAC is seeking a motivated Local Government representative with high level knowledge or experience of physical activity, who has the ability to be influential in making a positive difference to physical activity in Tasmania. LGAT has been requested to submit three nominations, to be forwarded to the Premier for his consideration.

Nominations should be forwarded to LGAT by Friday, 22 January 2016 and should include a completed Statement in Support of Nomination Form and a short Curriculum Vitae.

#### For Information

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## 16.4 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR ELECTED COUNCILLORS

LGAT has been investigating organising some professional development for elected members with a focus on Governance. We have now found a suitable provider and would like to gauge the level of interest from councils in the training. The preferred provider is the Australian Institute of Company Directors. An outline of the program is described below:

### ***“Governance Essentials for Local Government - The role of the Council and Councillor”***

#### **Summary:**

The Role of the Council and the Councillor course has been developed for Local Government Council members and senior Council executives who want to learn more about how to be effective in their governance role.

The aim of this course is to examine the governance role of the Council including the Mayor, Councillors, CEO and executive management in local government organisations.

#### **Overview:**

The Role of the Council and Councillor provides an overview of how the Council uses systems and processes to control and monitor — or govern — Council activities.

These are distinct from management’s role, which is to ensure that the day-to-day operations of the Council are carried out within the framework of policies and strategic guidelines the Councillors have established.

Participants also explore the duties and responsibilities of a Councillor; and the Council’s key governance relationships, including those with Local, State and Federal levels of Government, Local Government staff, the local community and special interest groups.

The Role of the Council and Councillor covers:

- The role of Council and Councillors.
- How Councils do their job — ‘corporate governance’.
- Council governance relationships.
- Council governance roles.
- Councillors’ duties and responsibilities.
- Rights of Councillors.
- Case studies.

The session is likely to go for about 4 hours and will cost approximately \$350 per participant depending on the number of participants.

LGAT is seeking an indication of the likely interest in such a course from council, including estimated numbers. If there is sufficient interest LGAT would be aiming to run the training in February/March.

#### **For Discussion**

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**16.5 Local Government Regional Breakfast Series**

The first of the regional breakfast series for 2016 is to be held on Wednesday, 3 February 2016 at Rydges Hotel commencing at 7.15 am.

This series will focus on nbn and Local Government, best practice, successful initiatives and opportunities arising from digital innovation.

The cost is \$55.00 and registrations close 22 January 2016.

**For Information**

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**16.6 Community Grant Application – Ouse Bowls Club**

A community Grant application has been received from the Ouse Country Club for \$500 to assist with enticing 64 players from throughout the southern half of Tasmania to Ouse for the competition on 2 February, 2016.

**For Decision**

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## CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

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

### 1. APPLICATION & ORGANISATION DETAILS

Name of Project: BOWLS TOURNAMENT - OUSE BOWLS

Amount of Grant Requested: \$500

Estimated Total Project Cost: \$1,000

Applicant Organisation: OUSE Country Club

Contact Person's Name: MIKE ELLERY

Contact Details  
 Address: P.O. Box 48  
OUSE

Phone: (Business hours) 6287 1219

Mobile: —

Fax: 628 71219

Email: MikeEllery@bigpond.com

Signature

Name M. Ellery  
 Position in Organisation SECRETARY TREASURER  
 Date 15/12/2015

What is the overall aim/purpose of the applying organisation?

FOSTER SPORT FELLOWSHIP & WELL-BEING IN CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

What is the membership of the organisation?

President Tony Bailey  
 Secretary MIKE ELLERY  
 Treasurer  
 Public Officer/s ☒



**2. ELIGIBILITY** (see Community Grant Program Guidelines)**Is the organisation:**

- ☒ Representative of the interests of the Central Highlands Community  
☒ Incorporated  
☒ Not for Profit  
☐ Unincorporated  
☐ A Hall Committee

**OR**

- ☐ An individual community member

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

If yes;

Name of Project:

Date Grant received:

Amount of Grant:

YES  
TART RATES / CHARGES REBATE 2014.  
2010/11 - \$500 GRANT.  
- FULL RATE REBATE 2010/11

**3. PROJECT DETAILS**

Project Start Date:

2/2/2016.

Project Completion Date:

2/2/2016.

Project Objectives:

TO ENTICE 64 PLAYERS FROM  
THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHERN HALF OF TASMANIA  
TO OUSE FOR THE COMPETITION.

**4. COMMUNITY SUPPORT**

**What level of community support is there for this project?**

OUSE COUNTRY CLUB CURRENTLY HAS AROUND 70  
MEMBERS ALL FROM THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS.  
THE CLUB ALSO HOSTS MANY ORGANISATIONS  
FROM THE AREA.

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

Get EXTRA PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY USING THE LOCAL HOTEL & TAKE-AWAY.

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

OUSE COUNTRY CLUB REGULARLY HAS COMMUNITY GROUPS SUCH AS RED CROSS, UPPER DERWENT SENIOR CITIZENS & HEALTH CENTRE USING OUR FACILITIES. WE NEED TO ENSURE THE CLUB IS VIABLE & ONGOING.

#### 5. COUNCIL SUPPORT

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

If yes, please give details.

NO

Are you requesting participation by Councillors or Council Staff?

If yes, please give details.

NO.

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

WE HAVE A REGULAR ARTICLE IN THE HIGHLAND DIGEST. COUNCIL'S CONTRIBUTION WILL BE HIGHLIGHTED.

#### 6. FUTURE APPLICATIONS AND THE SUCCESS THIS PROJECT

Do you anticipate the organisation will apply for funding in future years?

YES.

How will you monitor/evaluate the success of this project?

By THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS ON THE DAY.

## 7. PROJECT BUDGET

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

Please provide a breakdown of the project expenditure and income:

Expenditure	Amount \$	Income	Amount \$
<b>Capital</b>		<b>Guarantee</b>	
Refurbishment		Government Grants	
Equipment		Trust/Foundations	
Premises		Donations from Business	\$ 500
Vehicles		Special Funding	
Other: <i>PRIZE MONEY</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>	Gifts in Kind	
Other:		Other:	
<b>Subtotal</b>	<i>\$1,000</i>	Other:	
		<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>		<b>Anticipated</b>	
Salaries (including super)		Government Grants	
Short-term contract fees		Central Highlands Grant	\$ 500
Running costs		Trust/Foundations	
Production of information PR materials		Donations from Businesses	
Training staff/volunteers		Special Fundraising	
Travel		Gifts in kind (details)	
Rent		Cash Reserves	
Reference materials		Other:	
Other:			
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>\$1,000</i>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>\$1,000</i>

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## 16.7 REGIONAL WASTE GROUP UPDATE FROM STCA

Brenton West, CEO Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority has provided the following update on the Regional Waste Group:

Dear Alderman/Councillors

Waste mitigation and collection remains and will continue to remain a major responsibility for local government in the future. That is why it is extremely important that we have a strong united regional waste group to provide regional leadership on waste management issues. The STCA believes it is critical that there is an opportunity for elected and officer representatives of the 12 southern councils to meet and develop strategies and programs that deliver benefits to member councils in the area of waste management.

As part of this process the Southern Tasmanian Councils Authority (STCA) resolved to establish a Regional Waste Group to guide the process of marrying the roles and responsibilities of Southern Waste Strategy Authority (SWSA) into the STCA. This group is being Chaired by STCA Board member, Mayor Kerry Vincent from the Sorell Council and each member council has been invited to provide a nominated representative.

The Regional Waste Group met for the first time this week and had extremely positive discussions about the future of a Regional Waste Group in Southern Tasmania. The Group has endorsed a timeline for the next nine months as well as making good progress on Terms of Reference for the Group, starting to develop a draft budget and identifying activities and programs it would like to pursue in its first year of operation.

There is recognition that there are some issues that still require addressing, so the STCA CEO Brenton West will be continuing to meet and work with elected members and officers from the Regional Waste Group out of session over the coming months. This extra work will then be presented to the full Regional Waste Group at its first meeting in early 2016.

The STCA will continue to provide written updates on the work of the Regional Waste Group and in the New Year the Chair of the Regional Waste Group Mayor Vincent and the STCA CEO Brenton West will be visiting your council to talk more about the proposal.

There are a number of key challenges and opportunities facing the region and the State over the coming years in the area of waste, but through a strong Regional Waste Group the 12 southern councils can take collective action to address these issues.

Over the coming months the Group will continue to meet and finalise a draft budget and program of activities for the 2016/17 year. The STCA looks forward to continuing to engage with member councils to ensure this process is successful.

**For Noting**

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## **16.8 EXPLORING HOBART AND BEYOND – NEW VISITOR MAP**

Destination Southern Tasmania (DST) is focussed on developing opportunities that facilitate increased regional dispersal and move visitors around the southern region to maximise the benefits of tourism to our local communities.

One of the core projects in DST's 2016 Marketing Plan is the production of a new Visitor Map for southern Tasmania. The purpose of the Map is to highlight how accessible and connected tourism experiences are in the southern region. The Map is a tool to drive regional dispersal and capitalise on the nearly one million international and interstate visitors that travel to our region.

DST is seeking financial support of \$1,850 from each of their Council stakeholders to maximise distribution of the map over a 12 month period from June 2016.

DST is seeking Council's advice on support for the project by 18 January, 2016.

**For Decision**



Ms Lyn Eyles  
General Manager  
Central Highlands Council

17 December 2016

Dear Lyn

#### **EXPLORING HOBART & BEYOND – New Visitor Map**

As you are aware, DST is focussed on developing opportunities that facilitate increased regional dispersal and move visitors around the southern region to maximise the benefits of tourism to our local communities.

One of the core projects in DST's 2016 Marketing Plan is the production of a new Visitor Map for southern Tasmania. The purpose of the Map is to highlight how accessible and connected tourism experiences are in the southern region. The Map is a tool to drive regional dispersal and capitalise on the nearly one million international and interstate visitors that travel to our region through Hobart.

We are seeking financial support of \$1,850 from each of our Council stakeholders to maximise distribution of the map over a 12 month period.

#### **Why is the Map needed?**

Maps are one of the key information sources that are used by visitors when they are in destination (City of Melbourne, Visitor Information Journey). Localised maps showcasing experiences within sub destinations exist and state-wide maps provide useful directional information. However, there is no map bringing together all of southern Tasmania and highlighting the range of experiences on offer and how easy it is to access these across the region for day or overnight trips.

The greatest challenge to regional dispersal is awareness of what is out there and how to get to it.

Hobart is the major gateway for visitors to the south with 60% of all interstate and international visitors arriving via the Hobart Airport. We also know that 81% of all visitors to Tasmania visit the southern region, including Hobart. In order to boost regional dispersal and increase visitor spend we need to develop tools that appeal to these visitors and encourage them to discover more of what is in our region.

It is also important to note that 70% of visitors to Tasmania intend to return. So any visitor tools we develop need to showcase how much there is to see and do to encourage return visits to our region.

By highlighting the wide range of attractions and experiences across our region in a map form, and by demonstrating the easy access from our capital city, DST aims to disperse visitors more widely across the region and increase their length of stay and spend. The Map will also be a useful tool for locals hosting visitors and friends.

#### **What will the Map look like?**

The Map will be A2, folding to DL and 100,000 will be printed for wide distribution on Spirit of Tasmania Ferries, at airports, Brooke Street Pier, via car hire companies, in visitor centres, through industry across the State and via Council venues as appropriate.

A local illustrator will create the Map which will focus on our region's key themes and attractions. It will be created entirely with the visitor in mind and will be both attractive and easy to navigate.

The Map will show main towns, sub-regions, key routes, driving times from Hobart, public toilets and other key facilities.



The Map will also have a grid, and on the reverse side, DST's members will be listed under the relevant sub-region section and with a grid reference.

**When will the Map be launched?**

The Map will be created early in the New Year (2016) ready for distribution at the major winter festivals in June. It will continue to be distributed right through 2016 and into 2017.

**How can Councils help?**

Design and production of the Map will be funded by industry contributions to DST. We are seeking \$1,850 from each southern Council stakeholder towards costs to ensure the map is distributed widely throughout the state, with over 100,000 copies distributed in a 12 month period.

We understand budgets have been allocated for 2015/2016 and are able to invoice this amount either in May/June 2016 or July 2016 to suit the budget cycle.

Council's support will be recognised with a logo on the reverse side of the map which includes regional information. Council will also be provided with copies of the Map for your own use.

We hope you see the benefit is supporting this project which will provide a tangible tool to enhance tourism benefits in your community and enhance economic benefits of the visitor economy right across our region.

It would be appreciated if you could advise your support for the project by 18 January 2015. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or you would like further information.

Yours Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melinda Anderson".

**Melinda Anderson**  
CEO



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## 16.9 RECOMMENDATION FROM INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS COMMITTEE

The Independent Living Units Committee met on 16 December 2015 to interview a tenant for Unit 2 at the Bothwell Independent Living Units.

The ILU Committee has made a recommendation to Council as included in the Draft Minutes of that meeting.

### **Recommendation:**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That Council accept the recommendation from the Independent Living Units Committee Draft Minutes of 16 December 2015 for the tenancy of Unit 2 of the Bothwell Independent Living Units.

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## 16.10 TERMS OF REFERENCE – CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL TOURISM COMMITTEE

At the Tourism Committee meeting held on 3 December 2015, the Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference. The Committee would like to continue with meetings being held quarterly. Existing members have been contacted asking if they are still willing to be on the committee and an expression of interest for new members was included in Councils Newsletter to go out in January.

The Terms of Reference as amended are submitted for Council's endorsement.

### **Recommendation:**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That Council endorse the amended Terms of Reference for the Central Highlands Tourism committee.

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## **Central Highlands Council Tourism Committee**

### **Terms of Reference**

#### **Background**

Central Highlands Council recognises a large range of benefits to be gained by enhancing the business opportunities within the Council area. In particular, tourism has a special place within the Council area as one of our predominant and important activities.

Tourism generates a variety of income within the community, including business income, wage earnings and multiplier effects, i.e. the circulation and re-spending within the community. Because most tourists are from the larger cities, tourism is an effective way to redistribute wealth from urban to rural areas.

The requirements of visitors can lead to the creation of new businesses and commercial activities, generating a more diverse economic base, and reducing reliance on one or two traditional industries. Tourism is a labour intensive industry, operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week and generating opportunities for employment for young people and for people interested in part time or casual work. While some of the employment is skilled, there are also opportunities for the less skilled.

As tourism increases, there are more opportunities for small business to develop. A thriving tourism industry generates growth in other sectors such as transport, construction and retailing. Tourism can showcase the lifestyle of Central Highlands - it is increasingly common for people who visit and are impressed with the area to return as residents, thereby increasing demand for housing, retailing and other services.

#### **Economic benefits**

Tourism is one of the most effective ways of redistributing wealth, by moving money into local economies from other parts of the country and overseas. It brings income into a community that would otherwise not be earned.

Economic benefits resulting from tourism can take a number of forms including:

1. **Jobs -** Employment may be associated directly, such as tour guides or managerial positions; or in supporting industries like food production, accommodation and retail supplies.
2. **Increased spending -** Increased spending in the community generated by visitors and tourism businesses can directly and indirectly promote the viability of local businesses.
3. **Economic diversification -** Tourism operators can play a role in highlighting the broad prosperity that tourism brings to a community. Economic diversification provides an

insurance against hard times. By offering an additional means of income, tourism can support the community when traditional industries are under financial pressure.

4. **Infrastructure** - Infrastructure development including roads, parks, and other public spaces can be justified on the basis of increased use due to increased tourism activity.

### **Social Benefits**

Tourism stimulates new and expanded community facilities and infrastructure initiatives, such as the improvement of retail, restaurant and entertainment options, transport services, education and sporting facilities. These increase the quality of life for the entire community. So too does the conservation of cultural heritage, either as a result of increased awareness and pride, or because it can be justified on economic grounds as a tourist attraction.

Tourism forces communities to widen their outlook and to embrace new ideas. It provides opportunities for residents to interact with other people, lifestyles and cultures. This can lead to a greater sense of pride and awareness of ownership. For example, the community's collective ego is boosted by the knowledge that others have travelled to our community from international, interstate or even just other nearby locations.

In Central Highlands we strive to limit population drift away, especially of our younger citizens. Tourism helps to do this, not only by making the local area attractive to young people and by generating employment opportunities, but also by attracting 'tree changers' in from the capital cities.

### **Environmental benefits**

Tourism development based on an environmental and commercially sustainable approach, integrated into the wider planning process, can generate significant benefits for the local environment, business and community. Tourism has been partly responsible for increased interest in, and concern for, the natural and built environment. Effective visitor information services, interpretative signing, guided tours, etc. can raise the profile of our natural assets.

### **Goals:**

The goal of the Central Highlands Council Tourism Committee is to increase and strengthen the economic, social and environmental benefits to the Central Highlands community that are available from tourism to and within the region.

Specifically, the Committee aims to ...

1. Highlight the tourism and business resources and opportunities within the Central Highlands area, through the Council web site and display boards, and by publishing and distributing pamphlets, maps, etc.
2. Provide facilities within and outside the Council area through which local businesses may show their wares.

3. Facilitate communications between tourism organisations, tourism groups (e.g. The Bothwell Tourism Association, Rivers Run, Destination Southern Tasmania) and the broader community.

#### **Deliverables:**

The Central Highlands Council Tourism Committee will advise Council on ...

1. Provision, on-going updating and distribution of a web site, Apps and other electronic media that highlight the attractions, events and benefits of visiting and investing in the Central Highlands. This will include the maintenance of the Highlands Tasmania brand and implementation of a marketing plan and associated marketing communications.
2. Production of pamphlets and maps for distribution Australia-wide, which advertise the Central Highland's attractions and businesses.
3. Provision at low cost, at events within and outside the Central Highlands area, to Central Highlands businesses that otherwise would not have the wherewithal to exhibit, of venues from which they can market their products and/or facilities .
4. Ideas for infrastructure development (from State and Federal Government and from big business), which will enhance the attractiveness of Central Highlands to visitors and business developers (e.g. (in 2014) Lakes Highway sealing, Derwent Bridge toilets).

#### **Scope / Jurisdiction:**

The Central Highlands Council Tourism Committee is a sub-committee of Central Highlands Council. It is advisory and subservient to Central Highlands Council, and will report to each full Council meeting with decisions that need full Council approval considered, possible future decisions foreshadowed and appropriate delegations approved.

The Central Highlands Council Tourism Committee may, on a needs basis, establish project and strategy based working groups (e.g. BUSHFEST Working Group) to assist in the delivery of its goals.

#### **Membership:**

There shall be 9 members of the Committee, each approved by a meeting of Central Highlands Council, and consisting of:

- 3 elected members of Central Highlands Council
- 6 Tourism/Business community representatives

#### **Meetings:**

1. Meetings will be chaired by one of the Central Highlands Council members.

2. Meetings will take place quarterly on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in March, June, September and December at Hamilton commencing at 10.30 am.
3. Meetings will be open to the public, who will be provided an opportunity to contribute to the meeting.
4. Meetings can co-opt specialists for particular events.

**Skill/characteristic requirements of Tourism/Business community representatives:**

- Credibility to represent the tourism industry
- Ability to rise above personal interests and focus on the whole picture
- Ability to network and engage the tourism community
- Inclusiveness with broader community
- Marketing experience
- Knowledge of the tourism industry
- Strong presentation and effective communications skills
- A big picture vision of planning and development
- Ability to generate operators' support for the Central Highland Council's tourism development and marketing initiatives
- Strong team player

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## 16.11 REVIEW OF POLICIES

The following Policies have been reviewed and are submitted for adoption by Council:

2013-02	Use of Council Halls
2013-05	Use of Council Vehicles
2013-10	Reimbursement of Councillors Legal Expenses
2013-12	Tree & Vegetation Vandalism Policy
2013-11	Legal Opinions Policy
2013-14	Manual handling Policy
2013-15	Occupational Exposure to Blood & Fluids
2013-16	Drug & Alcohol Policy
2013-18	Employee recruitment & Selection Policy
2014-20	Media Policy
2014-21	Alleviation of Dust Nuisance – Roadworks
2014-22	Customer Service Charter

### Recommendation:

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That Council adopt the following policies:

2013-02	Use of Council Halls
2013-05	Use of Council Vehicles
2013-10	Reimbursement of Councillors Legal Expenses
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## 16.12 PLANNING FOR HEALTHY COMMUNITIES GRANT

Central Highlands received a grant of \$5,000 from LGAT to engage a project officer to research and develop a plan to promote and support healthy lifestyle choices within the communities of the Central Highlands.

Janet Monks was engaged to undertake this project and the completed plan is attached.

### Recommendation:

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That Council receive and endorse the Central Highlands Mapping Project.

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## 16.13 GRANT APPLICATION

As requested by Council, staff are submitting an application for a Sport and Recreation Grant to construct a new netball/tennis court at the Bothwell Recreation Ground. Total cost to construct the court is \$90,121.40 ex GST. (quotes received). The Grant is \$ for \$ and if successful Council will need to contribute \$45,061. Grants close on 3 February 2016 and applicants will be advised in May 2016 on the success or otherwise of their application.

### Recommendation:

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That Council make an allocation in the 2016/2017 budget of \$45,061 if the grant application to Sport and Recreation for the construction of a netball/tennis court is successful.

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## 16.14 OPENING OF DERWENT BRIDGE PUBLIC AMENITIES

The public amenities at Derwent Bridge were due for completion on 13 January 2015 and are open to the public from that date.

An official opening will be held on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2016 at 3.00p.m. Invitations will be forwarded shortly. This is Council meeting day and current location is at Bothwell the Mayor has suggested that the meeting be moved to Hamilton

### Recommendation

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That the February Council meeting scheduled to be held at Bothwell on 16<sup>th</sup> February be now held at Hamilton to enable easier transport arrangements to Derwent Bridge for the opening.

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## **16.15 REGIONAL CABINET MEETING**

A Regional Cabinet Meeting with the Central Highlands Council and the Tasmanian Cabinet will be held on Tuesday 9 February, 2016 at the Council Chambers, Bothwell.

Councillors have the opportunity to meet with Cabinet Members from 10 am to 11 am and to join Cabinet Members at the community/business leader's luncheon (venue to be finalised)

Further information will be provided once details are confirmed.

### **For Information**

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## **16.16 TASWATER**

Notification under the Loan Agreement has been given by TasWater to drawdown the Loan for the Gretna Water Scheme. The Agreement provided that the Loan is to be paid within 10 days of notice being given. The Loan has been provided to TasWater.

### **For Information**

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## **16.17 BRIGHTON COUNCIL – POKER MACHINES**

Brighton Council has written stating that they believe it is important that local government again consider the impact of poker machines and this form of gambling on our communities. They have listed their concerns and advise that they intend placing this matter on the agenda for the forthcoming LGAT meeting.

Brighton Council is also urging Council to consider joining the Tasmanian Community Coalition and have enclosed details of the Coalition, its membership and aims.

### **For Discussion**

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**Brighton  
Council**

Cr Deidre Flint OAM  
Mayor  
Central Highlands Council  
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Dear Mayor *Deidre* Flint OAM,

As you may be aware, Brighton Council has long been opposed to the proliferation of poker machines in our community and particularly their concentration in lower socio-economic areas. Indeed, in 1997, Brighton Council initially rejected the planning application for the installation of poker machines in the municipality, but this was overturned by the State Planning Tribunal as the Government's gambling legislation overrides local government planning powers.

With the issue of the extension of the poker machine monopoly now very much under consideration, I believe it is important that local government again consider the impact of this form of gambling on our communities.

It is worth noting that Tasmanians lost almost \$200 million on poker machines last financial year, much of it taken from people who can least afford it. This is an unacceptable statistic and one that must be addressed by all levels of government.

Independent research released at the end of last year by respected social welfare agency Anglicare, shows 84 per cent of Tasmanians believe that the community receives no benefit from poker machines and 50 per cent of the population wants them removed from hotels and clubs.

Undoubtedly, gambling on poker machines is having significant adverse consequences for Tasmanian families, small business and general economic activity, and the community is unhappy. The information released by Anglicare clearly demonstrates that the Tasmanian community does not believe the State gets any positive return from poker machines in hotels and clubs, and the majority of people want them removed.

Brighton's concerns are not just centred on problem gambling. The reality is that the adverse impacts of poker machines go considerably beyond problem gambling. Our concerns are also about money being bled from local communities and this impacts on families, small businesses and the community in general.

Where incomes are low, money spent gambling on poker machines can mean that families go without food, medical treatment, heating and other basic, even vital, necessities, as well as subjecting many to domestic violence.

As councils we cannot stand idly by while this occurs.



Consequently, Brighton Council recently joined the Tasmanian Community Coalition campaigning for a curb on poker machines in hotels and clubs, as well as the National Alliance for Gambling Reform. The local Coalition comprises welfare organisations, community groups and people concerned at the adverse impacts of this form of gambling and interested in alleviating the consequential suffering in our community.

The Coalition has called for poker machines to be phased out in hotels and clubs, for a reduction in the maximum bet to \$1 and for pokies to be restricted to the two casinos in Hobart and Launceston. This is very much in line with the feeling of the Tasmanian community as confirmed by the independent research conducted for Anglicare.

Brighton Council intends placing this crucial community issue on the agenda for the forthcoming LGAT meeting and I look forward to discussing this further with you and our Mayoral colleagues. Our strong position is that we have a responsibility to achieve reforms in the gambling industry to minimise harm and particularly reduce the impacts on our more vulnerable communities.

In the meantime, I invite your Council to consider joining the Tasmanian Community Coalition, to represent our local communities and strengthen local government input on this key public issue. I have enclosed details of the Coalition, its membership and aims. Brighton's Manager Development Services, James Dryburgh (phone 6268 7038) would be happy to provide further advice to your Council if required.

I look forward to your consideration of membership and to discussing this further with you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Tony Foster', with a large checkmark at the end.

Tony Foster AM OAM JP  
**MAYOR**

8<sup>th</sup> January 2016

## **Terms of Reference for coalition of community organisations concerned about gambling**

### **1. The coalition**

The coalition was formed on 2 November 2015 by non-government organisations who were concerned about gambling and in particular the effects of poker machines in Tasmania. The coalition's Statement on Public Policy Principles and Recommendations released on 2 November forms the basis for the coalition's work together and for its public statements.

The coalition exists to ensure the Tasmanian Government consults with the community on the future of gambling in Tasmania, including the number and location of poker machines, the number of casinos and the level of consumer protection required by the State.

The coalition has no legal status. The responsibility for content in public statements will be borne by the members listed as a supporter at that time.

### **2. Coordination and decision making of the coalition**

Anglicare will facilitate coordination of the coalition. Most communications will be via email, which will provide proposals with a minimum of 1 week permitted for comments. Members are required to clearly articulate agreement, approval or objections as relevant. After the time for comments has passed, Anglicare will assume any organisation that has not commented has agreed to the proposal.

### **3. Membership of the coalition**

The coalition consists of fixed membership with a defined list of organisations. New members will be considered where they can demonstrate:

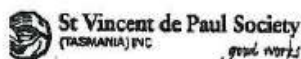
- Support and commitment for the coalition's objectives as outlined in the 2 November 2015 Statement and any subsequent statements authorised by the coalition; and
- An intention to actively participate in the coalition including the ability to contribute to meetings and discussions and consult their organisation's management where necessary and in a timely manner.

Political parties, politicians, individuals and lobby groups that do not provide services to the Tasmanian community or to Tasmanian community groups will not be accepted as members.

A minimum of 1 week will be given for existing members to share their approval or objections of any proposal for membership. All members of the coalition, current at the time of the application, must be in favour of new member applications for the application to be successful. If approved, the new member will be added to the contact list and any public statement issued thereafter.

### **4. Media, campaigns and activities**

Media, campaign and activities that are conducted independently by member groups themselves must be under that member group's name only. Media, campaign and activities that bear the name of the coalition must be approved by the coalition. The coalition may appoint spokespersons who can speak on pre-agreed positions without further consultation.



## Coalition of community organisations concerned about gambling

### Statement on Public Policy Principles and Recommendations

2 November 2015

A coalition of community sector organisations has formed today to express its concerns about gambling and to call on the Tasmanian Government to consult with the community on the future of gambling in Tasmania, including the number and location of poker machines, the number of casinos and the level of consumer protection required by the State.

The current Deed that sets out the conditions of the monopoly license for the casinos and poker machines in Tasmania is due to expire on 18 March 2018. It has the option of a further rolling term of five years. During recent discussions about a possible third casino, the Treasurer promised public consultation before any proposal is presented to Parliament.

The community sector coalition has a number of public policy principles it proposes should form the basis of negotiations about gambling:

1. Gambling problems are a public health issue that should be treated in the same way as other public health issues. This would see a public policy framework that prioritises prevention of harm across the whole population through effective consumer protection measures.
2. Parliament should use the data from Tasmania's three Social and Economic Impacts Studies (SEIS) to guide its public policy approach on gambling.
3. Public policy on gambling should recognise that higher gambling frequency is an indicator for developing gambling problems and should therefore address both the risk factors that lead people to gamble more frequently and the gambling features that are attractive to people who subsequently develop a gambling problem.
4. Public policy on poker machines should recognise that 98 per cent of the adult population either never touch a poker machine or spend less than 12 hours per year at a machine. Public policy should therefore focus on the people who face harm because of their intensified daily or weekly visits to the machines.



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Since the formation of the coalition, the final volume of the Third Social and Economic Impact Study of Gambling in Tasmania (SEIS) was released. This volume provides an analysis based on the subjective views of consumers and stakeholders about the harm minimisation measures that have been introduced since the first SEIS in 2008 and in particular the Responsible Gambling Mandatory Code of Practice for Tasmania.

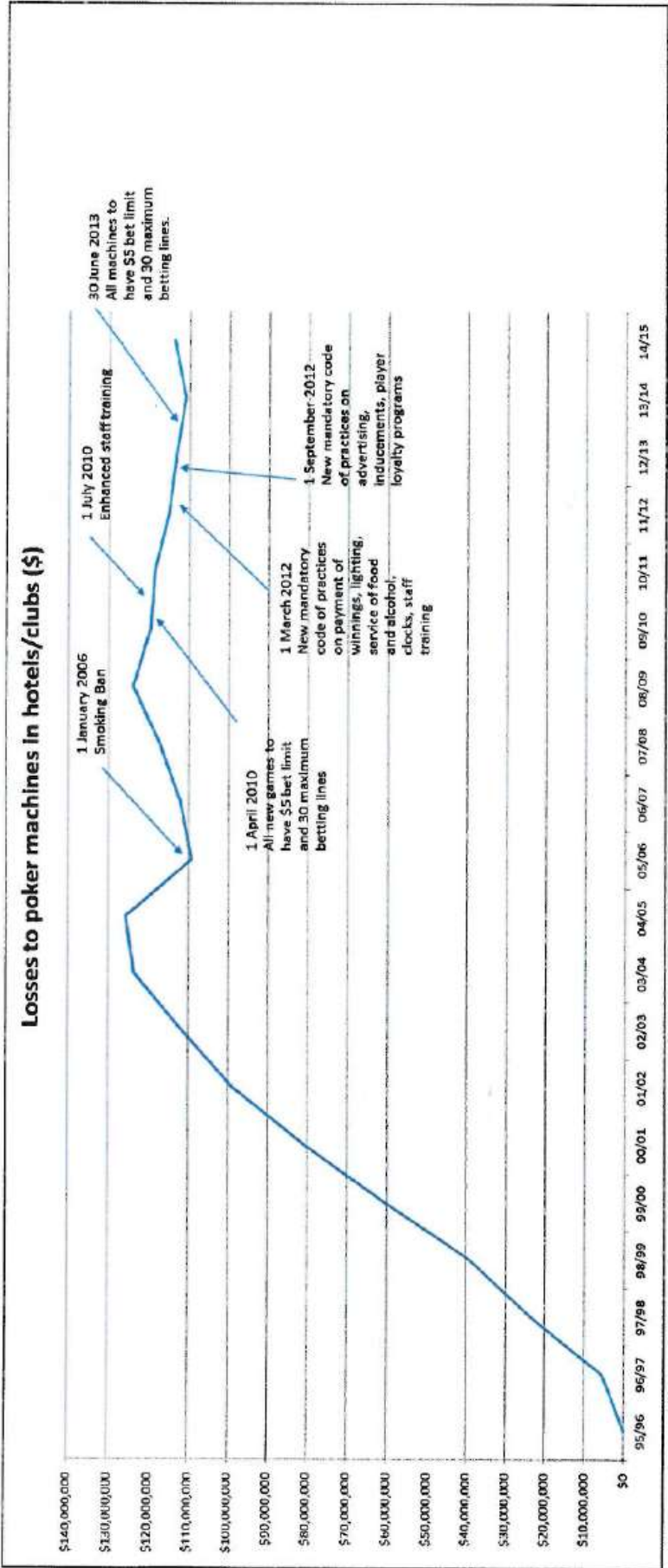
The Productivity Commission explained in 2010 that in order for harm minimisation measures to be effective, there needs to be a significant decrease in expenditure on gambling because of the large proportion of expenditure obtained from people with a gambling problem. Figure 1 (attached) shows that expenditure on gambling on poker machines in hotels and clubs has only decreased by \$5.8 million since the first harm minimisation measure was introduced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 (the \$5 bet limit and reduction in maximum betting lines for new games). This is less than a 5% decrease. This small decrease in expenditure comes at the same time that the State had experienced a difficult financial situation, with general retail expenditure also being reduced during this period.

Over the three month summer Parliamentary recess, a further \$50 million dollars will be lost by Tasmanians in their local hotels and clubs. Our coalition is eager to meet with you in the New Year to seek your support in reducing the harmful impacts that the loss of much of this money to poker machines has on families and communities. We all have a responsibility to act in the interests of public health in Tasmania and the expiration of the Deed between the Crown and Federal Hotels on 30 June 2018 offers us a significant opportunity to make meaningful positive changes.

Yours sincerely on behalf of the coalition of community organisations concerned about gambling,

Chris Jones, CEO, Anglicare  
 Tony Foster, Mayor, Brighton Council  
 Georgina McGlagan, Director Family Services, CatholicCare  
 John Stuble, CEO, Hobart City Mission  
 John Stuart, CEO, Launceston Benevolent Society  
 Stephen Brown, CEO, Launceston City Mission  
 Noel Mundy, State Director, Mission Australia  
 John Hooper, Executive Officer, Neighbourhood Houses Tasmania  
 Mat Rowell, CEO, Relationships Australia  
 Ruth Pinkerton, CEO, SU Tasmania  
 Bernard Saunders, State Secretary, St. Vincent de Paul Society  
 Carol Bennett, Synod Liaison Minister (Tas), Uniting Church in Tasmania  
 Eric Lockett, Public Questions Officer, Tasmanian Baptist Churches  
 Kym Goodes, CEO, TasCOSS  
 Stuart Foster, Social Program Secretary, The Salvation Army  
 Lindy O'Neill, CEO UnitingCare Tasmania

Figure 1: Introduction of harm minimisation measures and losses to poker machines in hotels and clubs 1995/96 to 2014/15



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### 16.18 LEASE GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY HALL

The lease prepared by Dobson Mitchell and Allport for lease of the Great lake Community Hall to the Great Lake Community Centre Inc has been signed by the new Committee and returned to Council.

#### **Recommendation:**

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

That the General Manager be authorised to sign and seal the lease between Council and the Great Lake Community Centre Inc for the lease of the Great lake Community Hall.

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### 17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

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

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### 18.0 CLOSURE

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