

Central Highlands Council

Agenda – ORDINARY MEETING – 17th July 2018

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Hamilton Council Chambers, on Tuesday 17th July 2018, commencing at 9am.

I certify under S65(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 that the matters to be discussed under this agenda have been, where necessary, the subject of advice from a suitably qualified person and that such advice has been taken into account in providing any general advice to the Council.

Lyn Eyles
General Manager

1.0 OPENING

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

2.0 PRESENT

3.0 APOLOGIES

4.0 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 (7) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor requests Councillors to indicate whether they or a close associate have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any Item of the Agenda.

5.0 CLOSED SESSION OF THE MEETING

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

Moved:

Seconded:

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

The following matters have been listed in the closed meeting section of the Council agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015:

- Confirmation of the Closed Meeting Minutes of Council's Ordinary Meeting held on 19 June, 2018 – Regulation 15 (2)(g) - *information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential*
- Confidential Update on Insurance – Regulation 15 (2)(g) - *information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential*
- Confidential Update on Bothwell Medical Centre - Regulation 15 (2)(c)(i) – *commercial information of a confidential nature that, if disclosed, is likely to(i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it.*
- Legal Opinion Defined Benefits Scheme - Regulation 15 (2)(g) - *information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential*
- Legal Opinion Tartan - Regulation 15 (2)(g) - *information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential*

- Annual Leave General Manager – Regulation 15 (2)(a) – *personnel matters, including complaints against and employee of the council and industrial relation matters*
- Consideration of Matters for Disclosure to the Public – Regulation 15 (8) - *While in a closed meeting, the Council, or Council Committee, is to consider whether any discussions, decisions, reports or documents relating to that closed meeting are to be kept confidential or released to the public, taking into account privacy and confidentiality issues*

5.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved:

Seconded:

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

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

The meeting opens to the public at 10.00am.

6.0 DELEGATIONS

10.30am	Juliet Smith – SpinIn Committee
11.00am – 11.50am	Alison Johnson & Katrina Graham – STCA Community Emissions Project findings

6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

19 th June 2018	Ordinary Council Meeting - Bothwell Business of Council
22 nd June 2018	Meeting with the World Fly Fishing with GM Business of Council
26 th June 2018	Tour of all Anglican churches/cemeteries
27 th June 2018	Business of Council- meeting with rate payer
28 th June 2018	Business of Council
2 nd July 2018	Uniting Care op shop meeting Visit to Community Health Centre Garden - Ouse
3 rd July 2018	HATCH Meeting - Ellendale Western Wild Meeting with General Manager and Deputy General Manager
4 th July 2018	Meeting with Federal MP Brian Mitchell Meeting with Councillor and Rate Payer Lions Club Dinner- Bothwell
10 th July 2018	Business of Council

7.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

NIL

7.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

19 th June 2018	Ordinary Council Meeting
20 th June 2018	CH Visitor Centre management Committee Workshop
22 nd June 2018	Meeting Malcolm Crosse 2019 Fly Fishing Championship
26 th June 2018	Community Health & Wellbeing Scoping Meeting
3 rd July 2018	Meeting Alex Heroys CEO DST

7.3 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

20 th June 2018	Workshop Central Highlands Visitor Centre
25 th June 2018	Site meeting to look at drain with Ms Teresa Nichols, Clr Poore and Works Manager
	Site meeting with Clr Poore to look at proposed Mountain Bike Trails around Great Lake
26 th June 2018	Community Health and Wellbeing Plan scoping meeting with LGAT
	Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Meeting
3 rd July 2018	Cleaning contract meeting with Manager Central Highlands Community Health Centre Ouse
	Meeting with Mayor, General Manager, Mrs S Gorriange Managing Director Ascent and Mr A Heroys, Chief Executive, Destination Southern Tasmania regarding Western Wilds
4 th July 2018	Meeting with Mrs A Mills Dobson Mitchell Allport regarding superannuation scheme
11 th July 2018	Northern Local Government Health and Safety Working Group meeting
12 th July 2018	Meeting with Mr B Pettman, Trails Project Manager - Mountain Bike Trails Break O'Day Council
16 th July 2018	Central Highlands Community Garden Meeting
17 th July 2018	Ordinary Council Meeting

8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

NIL

8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

14 th August 2018	11am at Bothwell- Aboriginal Heritage Council
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9.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

10.0 MINUTES

10.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 19th June 2018 be received.

10.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 19th June 2018 be confirmed.

10.3 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES BOTHWELL FOOTBALL CLUB AND COMMUNITY CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Minutes of the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Management Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 26th June 2018 be received.

11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

14.1	Policy on website
16.2	Conference registrations forwarded to LGAT
16.2	Independent Chair advised of appointment
16.3	Mayor progressing public meetings
16.4	Donation forwarded
16.7	Invitation to Hydro for August meeting forwarded
16.8	Signs ordered
16.12	Letter forwarded
16.13	Inland Fisheries Service advised of Council's decision
16.14	Works & Service Manager progressing
17.2	Rates resolution advertised
17.3	Annual Plan on Website

12.0 DERWENT CATCHMENT PROJECT REPORT

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Derwent Catchment Project Report be received.



The Derwent Catchment Project

Increasing Productivity. Restoring Landscapes

Derwent Catchment Project Report for Central Highlands Council

14th June – 12th July 2018

General business

NRM funding

The federal funding from NRM into the NRM South region is still unknown. We have been notified that a second tender round will be held to offer a second opportunity for people to bid to deliver NRM Services across the NRM south region. It is our understanding that NRM south will submit a second bid. We are actively pursuing funding opportunities and working on how best to attract funding into the region.

Cat management

There is a State Government funded position working across all of the Southern Councils based at Kingborough Council. Eve met with the project officer, Nikki Brookman, and discussed how we can be involved in supporting the program in the Derwent. This ties in with some of the work we have been doing with the Tasmanian Land Conservancy and the University of Tasmania on pest and wildlife monitoring. We are particularly interested in cats and game management. Cats carry disease which impact both human and livestock health. In particular, toxoplasmosis which can cause a foetus to abort and sarcoidosis which causes benign tumours which impact meat quality.

Agricultural best practice program

BBQ Series – water quality in the Derwent Catchment

We held our BBQ Series Discussion on water quality in the Catchment on the Thursday 31st May focusing on catchment river health and farming. We had panel of 10 experts to discuss water quality more broadly and to present the recent results of the Derwent Catchment water quality study. We had a great turnout with almost 50 people coming along to be part of the discussion. The discussion was wide ranging about current water quality issues and the history of use in the Catchment. There are a broad range of uses which impact on water quality: Hydro, sewage treatment plants, septic tanks, fish farms, forestry and agriculture. Our discussion touched on all of these issues and on how it is

important to recognize that we are all stakeholders in the system and it is collaborative action on all of these issues which will make a difference to declining water quality.

NRM facilitation

Eve and Jim visited a new property owner in the region to provide NRM and farming advice.

Conservation and Restoration

Ouse River Recovery Project

The Ouse River Recovery Project has just been finished for the Winter with all allocated machine works wrapped up this week. The project will be ongoing with follow up control and funding permitted more machine works to follow. We have completed ~8km of machine works on the river and planted over 8000 plants. Thanks so much for Council support on this big project.

Michael Ball from Lachlan Vale was the last property where works were undertaken. Michael sent through these great before and after photos. We still have some planting planned with Michael over the next month.

Before



After



Overwhelmingly the feedback has been positive. The work completed by Woodlands Land Management was outstanding and we thank Greg and Will Jordan for their commitment to the job.

Platypus Walk

Due to the season (Winter and limited plant growth) control of weeds has been deferred until Spring. We have carried over some funds to ensure we have enough funding for multiple follow ups in Spring. Blackberries re-growing continue to be the biggest issue. John has deferred control until Spring to ensure an effective kill rate.

Tyenna River Recovery

We have been asking for support from industry for NRM programs. Our visit to Norkse resulted in an offer of support of \$5,000 of on-ground labour i.e. works crew time. The target for this funding is to support the Tyenna River Recovery –

willow removal program. Norske have a number of plantations in the area and are keen to be involved in improving the health of the river.

Miena Cider Gum

Hydro have been supporting our Miena Cider Gum Conservation Program. Part of this support has included funding for an arborist to collect seed. There was an insufficient store of this Critically Endangered Species seed in the Millennial Seed Bank.



The Millennium Seed Bank is an international conservation project coordinated by the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew. Its purpose is to provide an "insurance policy" against the extinction of plants in the wild by storing seeds for future use. The storage facilities consist of large underground frozen vaults preserving the world's largest wild-plant seedbank or collection of seeds from wild species.

The arborist has been collecting seed in the past month and reached our target for collection which has now been lodged at the Hobart Botanical Gardens Seed Bank who are part of international Millennial Seed Bank Partnership. A great outcome for ensuring that the genetic material of this species is conserved.

Grants roundup

- **Stockwise Tasmania – Smart Farming Partnerships – Statewide bid for \$3.8 million with a focus on action in the Derwent - Unsuccessful**
- Agri-best Practice in the Derwent – Smart Farming small grants round - \$61,000 - pending
- Dairy Cares for the Derwent: Open Gates - Smart Farming small grants round - \$100,000 – pending
- Pasture Hub: a new model for extension in the Derwent Catchment - \$250,000 - Meat & Livestock Australia – pending
- Spanish heath at Monto's Creek, Ellendale – Enviro grant through National Landcare Program - \$30,000 - pending

Yours Sincerely,

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

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

13.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT the Finance Report be received.

14.0 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

In accordance with Regulation 25(1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Development & Environmental Services Report be received.

14.1 HAMILTON HALL REPAIRS

Report by

Manager Development & Environmental Services (Graham Rogers)

Background

Repair works are required at the Hamilton Hall due to water damage and movement.

Current Situation

Council has received an estimate of costs to undertake repair works at the Hamilton Hall from Heritage Building Solutions (Rob Whitney). Pictures attached show the areas that work needs to be undertaken. Although no pictures have been supplied of the internal ceiling in the hall plastering work needs to be undertaken to replace a hole in the middle area. This has been covered in the estimate supplied.

The internal area in the hall has been barricaded off for safety reasons at this stage. It is recommended that works be undertaken as a matter of urgency in this area to eliminate the danger from falling plaster.

The reason for this report is that no money has been allocated in the 2018/2019 budget to undertake this work. The estimate received from Heritage Building Solutions to undertake the work is \$16,150 (excluding GST).

Conclusion

Emergency works are required on the Hamilton Hall to make the building safe. No money has been allocated in the 2018/2019 budget to undertake this work.

Recommendation

Moved Clr

Seconded Clr

THAT Council allocate \$16,150 (excluding GST) for Heritage Building Solutions to undertake the required rectification works to the Hamilton Hall as outlined in the estimate dated 1 April 2018.

Carried

14.2 CAPITAL WORKS BUDGET

Report by

Manager Development & Environmental Services (Graham Rogers)

Background

In Council's 2017/2018 budget funds were allocated for the following:

- Golf Museum & Old Headmasters House - \$10,000 for painting windows and trims.
- Small Office behind Council Office at Bothwell - \$5,000 for painting.

Quotations were received for the above works with the work awarded to Glenn Britten Painting.

It was anticipated that works would be completed before the end of the 2017/2018 financial year. Works were commenced but unfortunately were not completed due to weather conditions (winter months too cold to apply paint). Only a small portion of the work has been undertaken.

During this time the 2018/2019 budget deliberations were being undertaken and the funds for the above works were not carried over as it was assumed that the works would be completed.

Therefore it is proposed that Council re-allocate \$15,000 in the 2018/2019 budget to enable the works to be undertaken as per the quotations submitted.

Recommendation

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council re-allocate \$10,000 for painting of windows and trims at the Golf Museum & Old Headmasters House and \$5,000 for painting of small office behind the Council Office at Bothwell in the 2018/2019 budget.

Carried

14.3 REQUEST FOR LANDOWNER CONSENT TO LODGE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION – BASHAN & WADDAMANA ROAD

Report by

Graham Rogers (Manager, DES)

Background

In 2010 Council approved a Development Application for a windfarm at Waddamana. Goldwind Australia (GWA) are now in the final stages of preparing a Development Application for the roadworks that will be required to allow for transport of the large and heavy components of the wind towers into the site. This is going to require works both within the road reserve and extending into private land for road widening and road deviations across private land.

Council has received a request from GWA seeking permission from Council, as landowner of the road, for the lodgement of a Development Application for the roadworks.

Legislative Considerations

Section 52 (B) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* provides the following:

(1B) If land in respect of which an application for a permit is required is Crown land, within the meaning of the Crown Lands Act 1976, is owned by a council or is administered or owned by the Crown or a council and a planning scheme does not provide otherwise, the application must –

(a) be signed by the Minister of the Crown responsible for the administration of the land or by the general manager of the council; and

(b) be accompanied by the written permission of that Minister or general manager to the making of the application.

Permission is therefore required from Council as landowner for a Development Application to be lodged for development on Council owned land.

Discussion

If Council agrees to provide landowner consent for the Development application it would proceed through the usual planning process, including public exhibition for 2 weeks.

Providing land owner consent does not indicate Council has made a decision to approve the application, as the Planning Authority they will retain the power to approve or refuse the application.

Recommendation

THAT Council agree to provide landowner consent for the lodgement of a Development Application under Section 52 (1B) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* for use and development of roadworks at Waddamana Road and Bashan Road.

Carried

14.4 REMISSION OF FEES : FOOD PREMISES & PRIVATE WATER LICENCE RENEWAL'S : COUNCIL PREMISES

Council is in the process of renewing the Food Business Licences and Private Water Licences for 2018/2019 and as such the following premises which are owned or operated by Council are up for renewal:

<u>PREMISES</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>CATEGORY</u>	<u>INVOICE NUMB</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>LICENCE NO</u>
Hamilton Rec Ground	5595 Lyell Highway, Hamilton	Food Licence	488	\$160.00	FL-28
Bothwell Swimming Pool	37 Patrick Street, Bothwell	Food Licence	471	\$ 160.00	FL-9
Ellendale Hall	939 Ellendale Road, Ellendale	Food Licence	481	\$ 160.00	FL-20
Bothwell Town Hall	19 Alexander Street, Bothwell	Food Licence	472	\$ 280.00	FL-10
Central Highlands Council Water Cart- Depot	Alexander Street, Bothwell Tarleton Street, Hamilton	Water Licence		\$ 160.00	WS-PW13

As the above relate to licence renewals for premises owned or operated by Council it is being requested that the fees be remitted.

Recommendation

Moved **Clr**

Seconded **Clr**

THAT Council remit the Food Business Licence Renewal Fees and Water Licence Renewal Fees for the following for 2018/2019:

Hamilton Recreation Ground - \$160.00
 Bothwell Swimming Pool - \$160.00
 Ellendale Hall - \$160.00
 Bothwell Town Hall - \$280.00
 Central Highlands Council Water Cart - \$160.00.

Carried

14.5 WASTE REPORT

Report By

Environmental Health Officer (Beverley Armstrong)

Annual Waste Report

The Annual Waste Report is due and when all figures are in the Report will be submitted to EPA a copy will be forthcoming for Councillors when the information is complete.

Solid Waste Update and Recycling update

Figures for May and June are not available as yet however, Council have recycled 8.02 tonne of Steel and 400 litres of oil for the Month of May. Council also recycle AG Pipe and Silage plastic through Enviroinex at no cost to Council on an as needed basis. These items are stored at Hamilton Landfill site until pickup.

Martin Conlan, Huon Valley Council has advised their Council was granted permission by SKM to make a short film at the MRF which explains the recycling process and requested I shared the link to the film with members. So if anyone is interested this is the link.

<https://www.facebook.com/HuonValleyCouncil/videos/1842488065807759/>

Drummaster annual report has been completed Hamilton Depot has recycled through Drummaster 1430 Drums and Council has been reimbursed \$1702.70 including GST.

This amount also covers the cost of Veolia truck hire and labour costs for picking up the drums.

Council hope to improve this figure of drums recycled when the Bothwell Depot opens for collection.

Hamilton Landfill

The survey of the Landfill has been completed and the Review for the EMP should be completed by the 30th June 2018.

UPDATE : Have not yet received Report chasing up.

Single Use Plastics

Waste Strategy South are promoting Plastic Free July.

Council will be participating in so far as posters and Food Premises communication to encourage this activity.

Activity 2.3.1 *Promote participation in Plastic Free July, include retailers via industry associations and in-store promotions.*

The promotion of using your own shopping bags, using refillable drink bottles and using your own travel mug

FOR INFORMATION

14.6 DES BRIEFING REPORT

ANIMAL CONTROL

Two dogs were impounded over the past month as follows:

BREED	REASON FOR IMPOUNDMENT	OUTCOME
Labrador	Dog found at Victoria Valley. Not microchipped or registered	Owner came forward after seeing a facebook post.
Labrador	Dog found at Victoria Valley. Not microchipped or registered	Owner came forward after seeing a facebook post.

PLANNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER DELEGATION

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

DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2018 / 00018	J E Barr	452 Jones River Road, Ellendale	Garage Ancillary to Visitor Accommodation
2018 / 00019	Hydro Tasmania	(Part Of) Roadsides - 3759 Highland Lakes Road, Bothwell & 4244A Waddamana Road, Steppes	Interpretive Signage & Works (Parking Layover)
2018 / 00020	R C Brindley	2 Chert Place, Flintstone	Outbuilding
2018 / 00022	C B M Sustainable Design Pty	47A Wilburville Road, Wilburville	Dwelling and Outbuilding

NO PERMIT REQUIRED

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2018 / 00021	R P & J M Hume	3 Trout Crescent, MIENA	Dwelling
2018 / 00024	C D & A J Viney	149 Barren Plains Road, Miena	Dwelling
2018 / 00025	Michael R Cooper Architects	3059 Highland Lakes Road, Bothwell	Dwelling Alterations
2018 / 00026	A McMahon	49 Dolerite Crescent, Flintstone	Dwelling Alterations & Additions

15.0 WORKS & SERVICES**Moved:****Seconded:**

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

WORKS & SERVICES REPORT

14th June 2018 – 11th July 2018

Grading & Sheetting

Old Mans Head Road
Interlaken Road
Lanes Tier Road
Belchers Road

Tunbridge Tier Road
Victoria Valley Road
Tor Hill Road
Dennistoun Road

Maintenance Grading

Montford Road
Boomer Road

Hamilton Quarry Road
McGuire's Marsh Road

Potholing / shouldering

Interlaken Road
Humbie Road
Wheatheron Road
Theissen Crescent
Jones Road
Anglers Road
Lochiel Drive
Thousand Acre Lane

Fourteen Mile
Green Valley Road
Cider Gum Drive
Berry Drive
Robertson Road
Trout Court
Pelham Road

Spraying**Culverts / Drainage:**

Drainage Waddamana Road
 Culvert Cleaning Dawson Road
 Culvert Cleaning Pelham Road
 Repair culverts Waddamana Road
 Repair Culvert Strickland 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
- 85 hrs Annual Leave taken
- 42.5 hrs Sick Leave taken
- 0hrs Long Service Leave
- Council Online induction for all employees
- Traffic Control course for 2 employees
- Small plant and power tool training for employees

Bridges:

NIL

Refuse / Recycling sites:

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

Other:

Install signs Bothwell rec ground (Children Crossing, 10km, Do Not Litter)
 Install signs at Depots
 Install new chemical sheds Bothwell Depot
 Replace Dennistoun Road sign
 Repair signs Dennistoun Road
 Change entrance to Bethune Park
 Help prepare garden memorials Hamilton and Queens Park
 Trim trees Mt Adelaide
 Pick up rubbish Hollow Tree Road
 Hot mix edge breaks Hollow Tree Road
 Signs Ellendale 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:

NIL

Plant:

PM782 ford Ranger service
 PM684 Komatsu grader (H) serviced, new shims for mull board, repairs on brakes
 PM717 Dog trailer repairs and brakes adjusted
 PM757 JCB Backhoe (B) serviced

PM756 Kenworth (B) new drive tyres
 PM687 Western Star (B) serviced
 PM707 Mack Truck (H) serviced

Private Works:

Christine Turner pre mix
 Mountain trails truck and gravel hire
 Tony Bowerman concrete premix
 Rebecca wedding grader hire
 Bill Denny gravel delivery
 Bert Davie truck and trailer hire
 John Jones gravel delivery
 Lyn Van Arrstel gravel pick up
 Kathy Van Dulleman gravel pick up
 Ratho Farm gravel pick up
 Meadow Bank Ski Club side arm slasher hire and truck and trailer hire
 Charles Downie Grader hire and truck and trailer hire
 Hydro backhoe works and culvert pipe
 Tony Blake gravel
 Jake Herbert concrete premix
 Lana Benson potholing

Casuals

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

Program for next 4 weeks

Grading and re-sheeting Municipal roads
 Dig out Marked Tree Road
 Tender for Lower Marshes Road Works

15.1 LOWER MARSHES ROAD STABILIZATION CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

The report for this item will be tabled at the meeting.

For Discussion

16.0 ADMINISTRATION

16.1 LGAT Annual General Meeting & General Meeting

LGAT will be holding its Annual General Meeting and General Meeting on Wednesday 25 July 2018.

The following decisions and motions are listed on the agendas:

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

1 MINUTES OF 105TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Decision Sought

That the Minutes of the 105th Annual General Meeting, held 26 July, 2017 be confirmed.

2 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Decision Sought

That the President's report be received.

3 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO 30 JUNE 2017

Decision Sought

That the Financial Statements for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2017 be received and adopted.

4 LGAT BUDGET AND SUBSCRIPTIONS 2018/2019

Decision Sought

That the Meeting endorse the adoption of the Budget and Subscriptions as presented.

5 PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT HONORARIUMS

Decision Sought

That the President's and Vice President's allowance for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 be adjusted in accordance with the movement in the Wages Price Index.

6 RULES OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION OF TASMANIA

Decision Sought

That Members agree to amend the Rules to reflect electronic voting practices as outlined in Option One.

7 LGAT/LG PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE

Decision Sought

That Members note the intent to undertake scoping work with LG Professionals Tasmanian with respect to combining our conferences in future. That Members further note, that should conferences combine, it may be prudent to shift the AGM and General Meeting to a separate date.

8 ANNUAL PLAN

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report.

9 REPORTS FROM BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Decision Sought

(a) That the reports from representatives on various bodies be received and noted.

(b) That Conference acknowledges the time and effort put in by all Association representatives on boards, working parties, advisory groups and committees etc.

GENERAL MEETING

1 MINUTES

Decision Sought

That the Minutes of the General Meeting held on 18 May 2018, as circulated, be confirmed.

2 CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA & ORDER OF BUSINESS

Decision Sought

That the agenda and order of business be confirmed.

3 PRESIDENTS REPORT

Decision Sought

That Members note the report on the President's activity since the last General Meeting (18 May to 22 June Inclusive).

4 CEOS REPORT

Decision Sought

That Members note the report on the CEO's activity since the last General Meeting (18 May to 22 June Inclusive).

5 BUSINESS ARISING

Decision Sought

That Members note the following information.

6 FOLLOW UP OF MOTIONS

Contact Officer: Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That the meeting note the report detailing progress of motions passed at previous meetings and not covered in Business Arising.

7 MONTHLY REPORTS TO COUNCILS

Decision Sought

That Members note the reports for April and May 2018.

8 ITEMS FOR DECISION

8.1 Waste Management

Contact Officer – Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That Members agree to a feasibility study into the establishment of a state-wide Waste Management arrangement.

8.2 Review of Councillor Allowances

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That the Meeting note the update on the Review of Councillor Allowances. That the Meeting agree that LGAT pursue a review of the further areas identified. That the Meeting agree that any such review should be completed in the next 12 months.

8.3 Board of Enquiry Recommendations

Contact Officer – Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members determine that the feedback to the Director of Local Government on the sector wide recommendations arising from the Glenorchy City Council Board of Inquiry (below) is that they are not system issues and a legislative response is not endorsed.

- Provide the Mayor with the power to approve the agenda prior to its release by the General Meeting;
- Provide the Mayor with the power to approve the release of draft minutes to other councillors;
- Provide the power to the Mayor to approve the General Manager's leave;
- Mandatory requirement for all council meetings to have audio recordings;
- The Minister may direct a council to terminate the employment of a General Manager; and
- The General Manager is to consult with the Mayor and councillors on senior executive appointments.

8.4 Sale of Anglican Churches

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members note the actions taken since the May General Meeting with respect to the sale of churches and cemeteries.

That Members note that LGAT will coordinate a response to any proposed changes to the Burial and Cremation Act 2002.

That Members agree that LGAT should provide appropriate support to Mayors of affected areas as requested.

That Members note the request from a member of the Uniting Church that Local Government explore taking over control of Tasmanian Cemeteries.

That Members agree that it is not the role of Local Government to take over cemeteries established by religious organisations.

That Members discuss and determine any further actions for LGAT.

9 ITEMS FOR NOTING

9.1 Local Government Elections

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members note LGAT's activity in support of the upcoming Local Government elections. That Members note the imminent changes to the Local Government Regulations with respect to 'gifts and benefits' and 'election advertising'.

9.2 Code of Conduct

Contact Officer – Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That Members note the State Government's response to the sector's recommendations.

9.3 Planning Reform

Contact Officer: Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on the State Government's Planning Reform Agenda and related matters.

9.4 Local Government Sustainability

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on future Local Government sustainability.

9.5 Council Camping and Competitive Neutrality

Contact Officer – Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on the State Government's review of National Competition Policy as it related to council-owned RV parking and camping facilities.

9.6 Credit Card Policy

Contact Officer: Michael Edrich

Decision Sought

That Members note the final draft of the Model Credit Card Policy.

9.7 Mentoring for New Councillors

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members note LGAT's plans to establish a mentoring program for new councillors.

9.8 Climate Change

Contact Officer: Michael Edrich

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report.

9.9 TasWater

Contact Officer: Katrena Stephenson

Decision Sought

That Members note the report on TasWater.

9.10 Foreshadowed Training

Contact Officer: Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That Members note the following training activities currently under development for the 2018/19 year.

9.11 Performance Improvement Survey

Contact Officer: Michael Edrich

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on preliminary findings from LGAT's performance improvement survey.

9.12 Roads and Transport

Contact Officer: Michael Edrich

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on policy activity related to roads and transport.

9.13 EPA Memorandum of Understanding and Workforce Development Project

Contact Officer: Penny Finlay

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on the Association's Memorandum of Understanding with the Environment Protection Authority and other work to support Environmental Health Officers.

9.14 Communications, Media and Events Update

Contact Officer: Kate Hiscock

Decision Sought

That Members note the following report on LGAT communications and events

9.15 Policy Update

Contact Officer: Dion Lester

Decision Sought

That the Meeting note the general policy update.

Motions For Which Notice Has Been Received

10 ROADS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

10.1 Interpretive Tourist Signage Council – Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek that the State Government provides a strategic commitment of a 4 year resources funding program for the implementation of international (Non English) visitor interpretive signage to ensure the dispersal of the increased international tourism economic benefits across the state.

11 SECTOR PROFILE AND REFORM

11.1 Elected Members Election to State Government

Decision Sought

That LGAT pursue legislative changes which would:

1. Require a councillor who is standing for State or Federal Parliament to take a leave of absence from Council for the period between accepting the nomination and declaration of the poll.
2. Require a councillor who is elected to State or Federal Parliament to resign their council position following declaration of the poll.

11.2 Mayoral Vacancies Council – Burnie City

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby for a change to the Local Government Act 1993 to allow for a recount on the previous election to be used to fill a vacancy of Mayor at any time throughout the term, instead of the current provision for a by-election which applies up to six months prior to the next ordinary election, which can be costly for a community.

11.3 Code of Conduct Council – City of Hobart

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby the State Government to remove the 'materiality' test as it relates to conflict of interest set out in Part 2 of the Model Code of Conduct.

11.4 Qualified Advice for General Manager Contracts Council – Glenorchy City

Decision Sought

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania recommends that the Local Government Act 1993 be amended to allow a Mayor (or their delegate) to qualify a Council or council committee agenda item that relates to the performance of or contractual arrangements with the General Manager.

11.5 Elected Member Titles Council Burnie City

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby for a change to the Local Government Act 1993 to remove the word alderman from the Act entirely, leaving only councillor.

12 SECTOR CAPACITY

12.1 Environmental Health Officer Training Council - Latrobe

Decision Sought

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the University of Tasmania for the continuation of the Bachelor of Health Science (Environmental Health) or similar tertiary degree that is eligible for the Environmental Health University Course Accreditation with Environmental Health Australia.

12.2 State Wide Training and Employment Council – Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek that the State Government provides a strategic commitment of a 4 year resources funding program working with Local Government and established industry training providers for the implementation of targeted VOC Training initiatives to ensure the dispersal of employment and apprenticeship opportunities from all emerging industry investment and expansion opportunities across the state.

13 FINANCIAL SUSTAINABILITY

13.1 Accounting Standards Council - Break O'Day

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby the State Government to amend the Local Government Act to provide the Tasmanian Audit Office with the power to consider whether an Australian Accounting Standard should be applied to Local Government and to what extent.

13.2 Accounting Standard - Depreciation Council – Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek that the State Government, in conjunction with the Tasmanian Audit Office, provides a strategic commitment to lobby for a new change in accounting standards for depreciation calculation and management of all state and federal government funded projects, as the present model significantly disadvantages low growth communities and undermines opportunities to reinvigorate and re-energise local economic prosperity and community wellbeing.

13.3 Accounting Methodologies Council – George Town

Decision Sought

a) That Councils and the Local Government Association of Tasmania work with the Local Government Division of Premier and Cabinet to review the various accounting methodologies being used by Councils with a view to developing standardised reporting; and

b) Address some of the complexities such as volume/length of reporting driven by disclosures required in the Local Government Act and International Accounting standards which are not necessarily relevant to Council operation and reporting.

13.4 Fire Service Levy Council - Burnie City

Decision Sought

That LGAT:

1. Advocate on behalf of all Councils the deep concern at the level of the Fire Service Contribution that councils are expected to collect from ratepayers each year on behalf of the State Fire Commission; and
2. Seek justification for the excessive level of financial burden that has been imposed over the last five years.

14 LAND USE PLANNING & ENVIRONMENT

14.1 Stream Management Council – Break O’Day

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby the State Government to take greater responsibility for the management of streams.

14.2 Building Act 2016 Council – Break O’Day

Decision Sought

That LGAT request that the State Government provide the necessary resources and undertake an urgent review of the Building Act 2016 to address the shortcomings being experienced by Local Government in relation to the operation of this Act.

14.3 Single Use Packaging Council – City of Hobart

Decision Sought

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania lobby the State Government for the introduction of legislation to ban the provision of petroleum-based single-use take-away food packaging currently used to enable prepared food or beverages to be carried from the retailer’s premises.

14.4 Recycling Council – City of Hobart

Decision Sought

The LGAT urgently consider through its appropriate body a response to the recent increase in costs of recycling to Local Government as a consequence of changes to the Chinese government’s policies and consider development of a range of responses, including collective negotiations between the Federal and State Governments and other stakeholders, to prompt a market response for recycling opportunities in Tasmania.

14.5 Sustainable Council Events Council – City of Hobart

Decision Sought

The LGAT lobby all councils to adopt the use of reusable and compostable items for use in council sponsored events.

14.6 Tourism Destination Action Plans Council – Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek from the State Government a strategic commitment of a 4 year resources funding program for the implementation of all Tourism destination action plans to ensure the dispersal of the increased tourism economic benefits across the state.

14.7 Container Deposit Scheme Council – Glamorgan Spring Bay

Decision Sought

That Tasmanian Councils, through LGAT, support a container deposit scheme within Tasmania and call on the State Government to investigate the best model for implementation within the State.

14.8 Implementation of Statewide Planning Scheme Council - Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek from the State Government a strategic commitment to developing and implementing in the new state-wide planning scheme provisions to allow the as of right development of existing small titles of land in the rural production zone that does not compromise or fetter agricultural production capacity and provides opportunities to diversify and reinvigorate local economic prosperity and community wellbeing.

14.9 Telecommunication Towers Council – Break O’Day

Decision Sought

That Members note a lack of input into the location of telecommunications towers and other similar infrastructure emitting radiation/microwave links and request that LGAT investigate options to allow councils to have more input prior to the submission of the Development Application.

14.10 Fruit Tree Management Council – Derwent Valley

Decision Sought

That Local Government consult with Fruit Growers Tasmania and the State Government regarding the biosecurity risk with roadside fruit trees on state and local roads.

15 PUBLIC POLICY GENERAL

15.1 Decentralised Action Plan Council – Circular Head

Decision Sought

That LGAT seek from the State Government a strategic commitment, resources and a funding program for the implementation of a State and Federal Government services decentralisation action plan to leverage and ensure the dispersal of employment opportunities across the state.

15.2 Spirit of Tasmania Council – Northern Midlands

Decision Sought

That LGAT lobby the State Government and Spirit of Tasmania to ensure the availability of sailings adequately meets demand of Tasmanian residents, tourists and other users and that affordable pricing is available to users.

15.3 Affordable Housing Council – Southern Midlands

Decision Sought

That the Local Government Association of Tasmania be requested to lobby the State Government to ensure that the State is taking sufficient measures and allocating sufficient resources to provide affordable, low cost housing, particularly in rural and outer suburban areas.

16.2 REQUEST FOR RATES REMISSION 01-0838-02982

Letter received from 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 a fee in his rates which allows him access to waste transfer stations within the Central Highlands Municipality.

Derwent Valley Council has allocated the ratepayer two wheelie bins, which are collected and they invoice him for these and will continue to do so for the 2018/2019 financial year. The rate payer is in his 80's and is unable to attend the waste transfer stations. Council does not provide a door to door service to this property.

Council has remitted the solid waste garbage fee on this property for the last 2 years..

The niece is asking if Council will remove the waste fee for the 2018/19 financial year once again as her uncle will continue to use the bins supplied by the Derwent Valley Council which are being picked-up.

Recommendation:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council remit the Solid Waste Garbage Fee of \$155.00 on property 01-0838-02982.

16.3 TASWATER REGIONAL BRIEFINGS ON THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

A Special Meeting will be held on 27 September 2018 in Launceston to vote on the implementation of the MOU with the State Government.

TasWater believes that the changes contemplated in the MOU will allow them to keep prices down – in line with customer expectations – and bring forward some projects in their capital expenditure program through the State Government's \$20 million investment every year for the next 10 years. The MOU allows for the State Government to become a 10 per cent shareholder in TasWater. The MOU provides for council dividends at \$20 million per annum to continue through to FY2025/26.

The proposed changes are subject to the approval of Councils and the parliament.

TasWater will be holding regional briefings in August to provide all elected members the opportunity for a comprehensive briefing on the proposed implementation of the principles set out in the MOU.

The Southern regional Briefing will be held on Tuesday, 7 August, 2018 from 6.30-8pm at 169 Main Road Moonah (Derwent Building).

Councillors attending are requested to RSVP at least two days before the scheduled meeting to colleen.davidson@taswater.com.au

For Discussion

16.4 SELECT COMMITTEE ON THE SHORT STAY ACCOMMODATION INDUSTRY IN TASMANIA

On Tuesday 22nd May the Legislative Council resolved that a Select Committee be appointed to inquire into and report upon the short stay accommodation industry in Tasmania, with particular reference to:

1. The growth of short stay accommodation in Tasmania and the changing character of the market including recent trends in online letting of short stay accommodation;
2. The impact of short stay accommodation on the residential housing sector;
3. The impact of short stay accommodation on the tourism sector;
4. Regulatory issues including customer safety, land use planning, neighbourhood amenity and licensing conditions compared to other jurisdictions in Australia and worldwide; and
5. Any other matter incidental thereto.

LGAT will be providing a sectoral submission, and request that any feedback be provided by Friday 3rd August please.

16.5 FEDERAL ELECTION ADVOCACY

The Local Government Association (LGAT) has advised:

While predictions of a Federal Election date vary widely, it could be as early as September. On that basis, LGAT would like to start thinking about our advocacy program sooner rather than later.

ALGA are well progressed in their advocacy preparation and LGAT will seek to mirror some key priorities that have been identified at the national level. These include:

- Seeking to repair funding assistance to LG by restoring the quantum of the Financial Assistance Grants to at least 1 percent of Commonwealth Taxation Revenue with additional funding for priority partners programs (eg Roads to Recovery, Bridges to Renewal).
- \$200M per annum over 5 years for Local Government Higher Productivity Investment Plan to help realise the productive potential of Australia's freight routes.
- Increased funding for R2R and making Bridges to Renewal funding permanent
- \$300 per annum over four years for a Local Government Community Infrastructure Program
- \$200 million per annum over four years for targeted mitigation program and ensuring councils no worse off under reforms of NDRRA
- \$200 million over four years for LG climate change fund (eg to reduce emissions)
- \$100 million over four years in LG place-based preventative health and activity programs.
- \$100 million per annum smart communities program (to build on smart cities)
- \$100 million over four years for Digital Local Government and Rural/Regional Telecommunication program

It is also likely there will be something around waste and possibly housing affordability in the ALGA documents.

Last time around we broke up our requests into National, State and Regional categories and tried to get alignment (the last document is attached) and this seems a sound approach, providing support to the national advocacy while highlighting Tasmanian opportunities.

During the State election advocacy we noted some areas where we were seeking a joint State/Local approach to the Feds. These were:

- Securing support for TasWater Infrastructure Projects which fell outside ten-year plan including Launceston combined system
- Support to understand, model, trial programs related to electric powered autonomous vehicles and user pays systems for road funding; and to build real time transport data.
- Support to build connectivity and digital transformation across Tas and to scale responses for different locations.
- To have additional mitigation funding and more equitable funding models for mitigation projects.

What we need from you:

It would be fantastic if at a regional level you could discuss/identify/agree State and Regional priorities to include in the submission and provide some regional/local examples of benefit. If you could consider in relation to each of the following categories even better:

1. Local Government Funding
2. Transport Infrastructure/Road Safety
3. Community Infrastructure
4. Climate Change/Resilience/Recovery
5. Economic Development/Tourism
6. Preventative Health/Housing
7. Digital Transformation
8. Waste Management

Your initial feedback by **23 July** would be most appreciated.

For Discussion

16.6 CONSERVATION COVENANTS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS MUNICIPALITY

Under the Nature Conservation Act 2002 there are 869 covenants registered on private land in Tasmania covering an area of 109,195 hectares. In the Central Highlands municipality there are 59 covenants covering a total of 29,171.1 hectares. Currently 17 of the 29 councils offer rebates (typically at \$5 per hectare with a minimum rebate of \$50 and a maximum rebate of \$500). These Councils generally review their policy of their rebate scheme on a three year basis.

Council has considered this matter previously and not offered a rebate. If Council were to offer the same rebates, it would amount to \$20,990.00.

For Decision

16.7 RENTAL STEPPES ACCOMMODATION PADDOCK

Council currently rents the old accommodation paddock at the Steppes to Janet and Robert Monks for an annual fee of \$10.00. Part of the arrangement was that Mr and Mrs Monks would have to reapply annually.

Mr and Mrs Monks have reapplied.

Recommendation:

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT Janet & Robert Monks be granted 12 month rental of the Old Steppes Accommodation paddock from 1 July 2018 on the same fencing and grazing conditions as previously for an annual fee of \$10.00, and that they be advised that they will need to reapply each year.

16.8 GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Linda Smith-McKinnell, President, Great Lake Community Centre has provided the attached Report for Council:

"Recently in discussion with Graham Rogers it was suggested that I put in writing my requests for permission and/or input re the Great Lake Community Centre's issues/projects.

Listed below firstly is for your information of what we have achieved or is in progress:

*Purchase a specific climate appropriate Defibrillator for the Community Centre **Done***

*Organize a Defibrillator instruction course and include a First Aid Course with funding from Tracey Turale's department (Sorry not sure of dept name) **In progress***

*Purchase a trolley for the Bain Marie to make it user friendly and more practical. **Done Photo attached***

*Purchase and install shelving for the storeroom **In progress***

*Purchase the replacement of an overhead projector **Done***

*Install a new donated sound system **In progress***

Design and purchase a Soup Kitchen initially for the Liawenee weekend but can be used together with a BBQ for small or large emergency situations and feed

*a multitude or travel to events like Bush Fest as a fundraiser. **Done Photos attached.***

(What a huge success Liawenee was with the highest sales ever by the Community Centre)

*Purchase two additional extra-large food Eskies required for catering to sites for 2019 FIPS Mouche World Fly Fishing Championships **In Progress***

*Have made one additional stage piece **In progress***

Listed for your approval and/or input with our reasoning:

Repair Work

Repair and replace brickwork (approximately six bricks) on the south wall of the Community Centre that had been removed to locate burst plumbing. The current committee have no knowledge of whom or when the unfinished work was carried out. Current committee members are happy to complete this work.

Rekey and Register the Locks

It has been brought to the attention of the Committee that there may be more keys in the Community than can be verified and that a key may have been taken to any Locksmith to have copied.

Over the last 18 months it has become apparent that there are many items valued at hundreds of dollars missing from the Centre that cannot be accounted for and in fact one item just disappeared overnight.

There is also one strange instance of a large very bright green photographic history folder originally produced by Mrs Liz Lang that was known to be missing miraculously appearing in the kitchen.

We propose to have all the locks re keyed to a numbered, registered master key plan held with Jacksons Lock and Brass of Launceston. All future keys will require an authorizing letter co-signed by the President and Vice President of the Association exclusively that can only be copied at Jacksons Lock and Brass. In addition a register will be held at the hall with the signature of all key holders co-signed by either the President or the Vice President.

We have had a quote (which will need to be updated now) from Jacksons Lock and Brass and as soon as/if, we have your approval will set this in immediate motion. We would of course issue a Master Key to the council. We also believe it is in the best interest of the Community Centre for security reasons, and for access to the Defibrillator for our local community, to issue a key to the current Police officer.

We believe there is some urgency to get this matter in hand.

Upgrading Ovens

Now that the current committee are nurturing a revival of activities and events held in the Community Centre such as High Teas, Maker's Markets, Meal and Movie Nights, Meal and Trivia Nights and extensive catering for events and bookings we find we are very limited by inadequate malfunctioning ovens, their inappropriate configuration, size and specifications suitable to our needs. **Catering photos**

The Association will soon be in a financial position to purchase what we believe to be far superior and more suited ovens that are also more economical to run for the Centre and then sell off the existing ovens.

We have been led to believe by Mrs Julie Honner (Committee member) at the last meeting that any inquiry is pointless and futile as the Council were involved in the initial purchase of the current ovens some years ago and that we should persevere with what we have.

As leader of the committee members and volunteers that actually use the kitchen, I find it a constant struggle to cater to the high level which we are now becoming renown for. I am more than happy to have further in depth discussions re this matter with the Council but ask your support for us to investigate closer the costing etc to start this project for which we believe will improve the kitchen and therefore the use of our Centre.

Summary

The enthusiasm and support shown by many encourages me to continue with new ideas and plans that will bring more life and activity to our wonderful Community Centre. It is a pleasure to be involved in what appears to be an improving community spirit that is uniting many in our local area.

Should you require more information to assist you with decisions about any of these matters please do not hesitate in contacting me.

I respectfully ask your earliest attention and reply."

For Discussion

16.9 POLICY 2013-02 USE OF COUNCIL HALLS POLICY

The previous Use of Council Halls Policy was approved by Council on the 16 Jan 2016 and the intent of this revised policy is to include the new Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre facility.

At the July meeting of the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Management Committee, the committee agreed that Council would prepare draft guidelines for the hire and use of the building for consideration at the August meeting.

The Mayor has asked that a draft policy be tabled at the Council meeting.

Attached for Councillors information is a copy of the draft Use of Council Halls Policy that will be tabled at the next Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Management Committee.

For Information

16.10 OLD SCHOOL HOUSE BUILDING HEAT PUMP

At the Central Highlands Visitor Centre Workshop held on the 20 June, Committee members of the Visitor Centre asked if the heating in the Old School House building could be upgraded to include a heat pump so the building could be opened to the public during visitor centre hours. The Australasian Golf Museum members stated that money allocated for the heat pumps for the golf museum building could be relocated to the Old School House building if required.

Recommendation:

That Council relocate \$3850 of the Australasian Golf Museum heat pump allocation in the 18/19 budget to the supply and installation of a heat pump in the Old School House building.

16.11 NATIONAL PEST FISHING COMPETITION (OCTOBER-NOVEMBER 2018)

The Local Government Association of Tasmania has provided Council with information about a National Pest Fishing Competition. CitySmart, a sustainability agency out of Brisbane has developed a new opportunity for Councils to join a national campaign to raise awareness of pest fish species. CitySmart are releasing a call out to all Councils around the country experiencing a pest fish issue to participate in the 2018 National Pest Fishing Competition.

The 2018 Pest Fishing Competition is the first national event of its kind to raise awareness of damage pest fish cause to our natural environment. The event is run by CitySmart on behalf of participating local Councils and community organisations across Australia.

Key Points

- It will be held over a competition window from 20th October to 25th November 2018, allowing you to select the most suitable day and time for your community
- A fun-based activity for residents catching pest fish
- Increasing publicity
- Promote current Council programs
- Friendly competition with other Councils – a leader board will run online and a national winning Council area will be announced after all site totals are posted
- For residents, a free, fun day out with friends and family with prizes to be won.

Key dates

Applications open: June 2018
 Competition period: 20 October – 25 November 2018

Registration Fee for a Council to take part in the event

Registration before the 31 July is \$2,400 or \$3,000 after the 1 August

For Information

16.12 GREтна FIRST WORLD WAR MEMORIAL COMMUNITY COMMEMORATIVE GRANT

A community commemorative grant application was lodged with the Department of Veterans' Affairs in December 2017. The grant application is to undertake restoration works on the Gretna War Memorial as the memorial holds great significance to the descendants of those whom lost their lives, as well as the wider community of the Central Highlands. The restoration will provide an opportunity carefully clean the stonework, chisel out jointing where necessary, repoint with lime mortar and repaint all lettering if required. The lettering does not appear to have been painted previously.

The Minister for Veterans' Affairs, the Hon Darren Chester MP advised Council on the 13 June 2018 that he has approved a \$3,636 grant under the *Saluting Their Service* Commemorations Program (Community Commemorative Grants category) to Central Highlands Council towards restoring the Gretna War Memorial.

For Council to receive the \$3,636 grant under the Saluting Their Service Commemorations Program, Council will need to match the grant money dollar for dollar in the 2018/19 budget.

Recommendation

That Council allocate an additional \$3,636 in the Capital Works budget towards the restoration works on the Gretna War Memorial.

16.13 REGIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS REVIEW

The Federal Member for Lyons the Hon Brian Mitchell MP as provide information about the Regional Telecommunications Independent Review Committee which meets every three years to undertake an independent review of telecommunications services in regional, rural and remote Australia.

The 2018 Regional Telecommunications Review has released an issues paper, which is attached for Councillors information. The Committee are calling for public submissions by using the online form or lodging a formal submission by 5 August 2018 on the Have Your Say page.

The Committee will also be hosting public consultation sessions in several regional areas across the country over an eight week period. The session times will be published online once confirmed on their latest news section - <http://rtirc.gov.au/latest-news.html>

LGAT have also advised Council that they are not proposing to provide a sector submission on this unless there is a majority view otherwise.

Recommendation:

THAT comments be forwarded to the Deputy General Manager, who will coordinate a Council response.

16.14 LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY HEALTH AND WELLBEING PROJECT

Key council officers from Southern Midlands Council, Central Highlands Council and Clarence City Council met for a Community Health and Wellbeing Plan scoping session at New Norfolk on June 26.

The meeting was organised as part of LGAT's Community Health and Wellbeing Project and provided an opportunity to hear from Clarence City Council Planning and Development Officer Suzanne Schulz about the process of developing the Clarence Community Health and Wellbeing Plan.

The session also recapped the work of the Southern Midlands and Central Highlands Better Health Project and discussed the current council and community contexts regarding community health and wellbeing.

The group were keen to move ahead on the development of Community Health and Wellbeing Plans for the two council areas and will be supported by the Tasmanian Health Service's Central Highlands and Southern Midlands Health Promotion Coordinator Tracey Turale take the next steps in the process.

Some of the goals identified for developing a Community Health and Wellbeing Plan included:

- To help the councils provide facilities that are fit-for-purpose for their communities
- To help make the council area a great place to live
- To increase awareness of health and preventative health
- To promote partnerships, involvement and connection
- To help identify and evaluate the work the councils do in this area

Attached for Councillors information is a copy of the notes of the Community Health and Wellbeing Plan scoping session.

For Information

16.15 FUTURE OF AMENITIES AT BRONTE PARK

Dorothy Bruck, secretary of Bronte Park Body Corp, advises the following:

"I am writing as Secretary of the Bronte Park Body Corporate Executive. I have recently been in touch with the Council Mayor, Lou Triffitt, and she advised I write to Council with a view to the topic below being discussed at the next general Council meeting in Hamilton next week.

The Body Corp Executive has decided, reluctantly, to close the toilets in Bronte Park Village because there is no-one here willing to pay for their cleaning. Kristy Hodge, the owner of the local pub, was paying for their cleaning most recently, until the pub burnt down. The toilets, which consist of two stalls for females and one stall and one urinal for males, have been available as a public facility and are currently sometimes used by tradespeople working in the area. It gets more use in the summer with passing traffic (although a prominent road side sign about their existence would help this).

We will be putting a lock on both doors unless we can find a way for the cleaning to be paid for.

We are writing this in the hope that the Council may wish to support continuing to make this amenity available to the public and take over responsibility for the cost of their cleaning. It is possible a local resident here would take this on for the normal hourly pay rate."

For Discussion

17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Moved:

Seconded:

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

18.0 CLOSURE
