

# Central Highlands Council

## Agenda – ORDINARY MEETING – 19<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held at Bothwell Council Chambers, on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 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 17 April, 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 Accident at Ellendale – Regulation 15 (2)(g) - information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential
- Proposal for Council to Purchase land – Regulation 15(2)(f) – proposal for the council to acquire land or an interest in land or for the disposal of land
- 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

10.00am	Mr Ian McMichael, Independent Chair of the Central Highlands Audit Panel Presentation of Annual Report of the Audit Panel
10.30am	Goldwind – update on Cattle Hill Wind Farm Project

## 6.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

## 7.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

11 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Business of Council
14 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Mayors Round Table Meeting- Hobart STCA Meeting- Hobart
15 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Ordinary Council Meeting – Hamilton
19 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Liaweenee Trout Weekend - Opening
21 <sup>st</sup> May 2018	Tele hook up with the Deputy General Manager
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018	Budget Workshop Meeting with the Deputy General Manager & Clr Poore
24 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Business of Council
26 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Bothwell Cricket Club Trophy Night
28 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Meeting with General Manager and Rate Payers - Bothwell
29 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Public Meeting Kempton
30 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Cuppa for Cancer- Bothwell On Site Meeting at Queens Park with Clr Poore & Clr Honner Parish and Community Meeting Hamilton
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Sub-Regional Meeting - Brighton
5 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Independent Living Unit Inspections- Ouse
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Independent Living Unit Inspections- Bothwell Huon Regional Care Meeting - Bothwell Meeting with Deputy Mayor and General Manager - Bothwell
9 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Fundraiser event- Ouse
13 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Business of Council Meeting with Deputy General Manager

## 7.1 COUNCILLORS COMMITMENTS

**Clr R L Cassidy**

10 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Budget Workshop – Hamilton
15 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Council Meeting - Hamilton
28 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Visitor Centre - Bothwell to investigate appropriate location of Grote Reber items
12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Recreation & Football Club Meeting, serving as Proxy -Bothwell

## 7.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

15 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Council Meeting
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018	Council Budget Workshop
22 <sup>nd</sup> -23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2018	Interim Audit
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2018	Meeting Insurance Broker
28 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Meeting Ratepayer
30 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Meeting Ratepayer
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	South Central Sub-region Meeting
5 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Central Highlands Visitor Centre Management Committee Meeting
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Meeting Huon Regional Care

## 7.3 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

21 <sup>st</sup> May 2018	Meeting regarding mobile phone coverage Lake Crescent with Mayor Triffitt and Mr Patterson, Area General Manager, Telstra Tasmania
22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2018	Budget meetings with Council
23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2018	Site visit Penstock Lagoon
24 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Meeting with Clr Poore and Manager Development & Environmental Services about proposed kitchen in the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre
29 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Meeting
30 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Sub-Committee Meeting to review Policy 2017-49 Public Comment on Planning Agenda Items at Council Meetings and Planning Committee Meetings
30 <sup>th</sup> May 2018	Meeting with Mr P Filia Re Vision Super and Senior Admin Officer regarding default Super fund in the EA
4 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Meeting at Bronte Park - Sandstone for Anzac Memorial
5 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Central Highlands Visitor Centre Management Committee Meeting
6 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Works Managers Meeting
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Phone meeting with Mr Filia, Director, Open Systems Technology Pty Ltd regarding CouncilFirst/OST software
12 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Meeting
14 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	RDA Tasmania workshop
15 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	LG Shared Services Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> June 2018	Ordinary Council Meeting

## 8.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

Budget Workshop 10.00am at Hamilton, 22 May 2018

## 8.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

NIL

## 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 15<sup>th</sup> May 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 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 be confirmed.

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

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018 be received.

## 10.4 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES CENTRAL HIGHLANDS VISITOR CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the Central Highlands Visitor Centre Management Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2018 be received.

## 10.5 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES BOTHWELL FOOTBALL CLUB AND COMMUNITY CENTRE COMMITTEE MEETING

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

**THAT** the Draft Minutes of the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 be received.

## 11.0 BUSINESS ARISING

- 14.1 Sub-committee meeting on Policy held
- 14.2 Agreement signed
- 15.1 Letter sent
- 16.1 Policies on website
- 16.2 Independent Chair advised of appointment
- 16.3 Reimbursement processed
- 16.7 DES Manager to undertake meeting
- 16.8 Letter forwarded to Minister
- 16.9 Memorials being organised & roses ordered
- 16.10 Letter sent advising Council's decision
- 16.11 Meeting Dates advertised
- 16.13 Applicant advised
- 16.14 Ratepayer advised of Council's decision
- 16.15 Invitation AHC to attend July meeting issued

## 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

8<sup>th</sup> May – 14<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### General business

It has been revealed that NRM South and Cradle Coast NRM have both been unsuccessful in their bids to the Australian Government for funding under the Regional Land Partnerships. At this stage we are unsure of what will happen as the State Government are in negotiations to determine how things go forward with funding for NRM in these regions. We understand there has been an amendment to the *Natural Resource Management Act 2002* that has just gone through Parliament. We are hopeful that this Bill will pave the way for a positive outcome with regard to the funding that is available through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program.

### Agricultural best practice program

#### *BBQ Series – water quality in the Derwent Catchment*

We have been busy preparing for our BBQ Series Discussion which is happening tonight, Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May focusing on catchment river health and farming. We have a panel of 10 experts to discuss water quality more broadly and to present the recent results of the Derwent Catchment water quality study. We hope to stimulate local community discussion about the importance of water quality in the catchment. The focus will be on practical solutions to support river health. It would be great to have members of the Council come and join us. This will be a good opportunity for the community to get together and catch up over a BBQ and we have had 45 RSVP's, so it should be a lively evening!

### *Forage shrub trial*



We have recently planting out our forage shrub trial. This project will provide much needed information on the capacity for establishment and persistence of native forage shrubs that are suitable for our climate. It is not a simple matter of transferring species used elsewhere in mainland trials because of the very cold and frosty winters of the region. This project will trial 7 native species to determine establishment and vigor at a site that is representative of existing degraded areas in the catchment. The outcome of this project will provide a critical initial step towards a larger vision that aims to introduce forage shrub species into commercial grazing systems in semi-arid regions of Tasmania.



## Conservation and Restoration

### Ouse River Recovery Project

The Ouse River Project is continuing its progress down the river with works just finishing up at Grace Nichols Park. Extensive revegetation and seed sowing continues to be undertaken at the sites that have had willow control. We are still waiting for confirmation about the extra funding from State Government.



### Platypus Walk

Further weed control and native plantings have occurred at Platypus Walk. Thank you to Council for continuing to support the work at this site.

### Tyenna River – volunteer planting day

As part of the Tyenna River Recovery Plan with Inland Fisheries we organised a volunteer planting day at Lanoma Estate. One hundred trees and shrubs were planted along the Tyenna River supporting works slated for the first year of the plan.



### Grants roundup

- 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
- Stockwise Tasmania – Smart Farming Partnerships – Statewide bid for \$3.8 million with a focus on action in the Derwent - 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.

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### 13.1 ADOPTION OF 2018/2019 ANNUAL BUDGET

Section 82 of the Local Government Act requires the General Manager to prepare estimates of the Council's revenue and expenditure for each financial year. Following on from Council's budget workshops held on 10 May 2018 and 22 May 2018 the budget estimates for 2018/2019 have been prepared and are submitted to Council for adoption. The estimates include a 5% rate increase as per Council's Long Term Financial Plan which was reviewed and adopted at Council's meeting in March, 2018. The estimates are required to be adopted by Council by absolute majority.

#### Recommendation:

**Moved:** Clr

**Seconded:** Clr

**THAT** Council by absolute majority, adopt the 2018/2019 Annual Budget as presented.

### 13.2 COUNCIL RATES RESOLUTION 2018/2019

The following rates resolution has been prepared for adoption by Council.

#### Recommendation:

**Moved:** Clr

**Seconded:** Clr

**THAT** Council by absolute majority, adopt the following Rates Resolution 2018/2019

#### CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL NOTICE OF 2018/2019 RATES & CHARGES

Under the Local Government Act 1993 and the Fire Service Act 1979, the Central Highlands Council has made the following rates and charges upon rateable land within the municipal area of Central Highlands ("the municipal area"):-

#### General Rate

1. A General Rate pursuant to Section 90 and Section 91 of the Local Government Act 1993 consisting of:
  - (a) **3.494** cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value for all separately valued parcels of rateable land within the Central Highlands Council area; and
  - (b) a fixed charge of **\$376.00** which applies to all rateable land.

#### Waste Management Charge

- 2 A Service Charge pursuant to Section 94 of the Local Government Act 1993 consisting of:
  - (a) for the municipal area, a Waste Management Charge of **\$255.00** for all rateable land; and
  - (b) for the different parts of the municipal area specified, by declaration of an absolute majority of Council pursuant to sections 94(3) and 107 of the Local Government Act 1993, the Waste Management Charge is varied as follows:
    - i. land to which Council provides a garbage and recycling collection service and which is used for commercial purposes is charged **\$481.00** per tenement; and
    - ii. all land outside the Council's garbage and recycling collection service area which comprises a separately valued parcel of rateable land within the municipal area is charged the amount specified under the heading "Charge" according to the use or non-use of the land specified under the heading "Type":

Type	Charge	Factor
	\$	
a. Commercial purposes	<b>458.00</b>	Use of land
b. Land used for residential purposes, industrial purposes, public purposes, primary production, sporting or recreational facilities, or quarrying or mining.	<b>155.00</b>	Use of land
c. Non-use of land	<b>81.00</b>	Non-Use of land

#### Fire Service Contribution:-

- 3 For the Council's contribution to the State Fire Commission pursuant to section 93A of the Local Government Act 1993:
- (a) for land within the Bothwell Volunteer Brigade Rating District an amount of **0.47973** cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value of all separately valued parcels of rateable land subject to a minimum **\$40.00**; and
- (b) for all other land in the municipal area an amount of **0.3999** cents in the dollar on the assessed annual value of all separately valued parcels of the land subject to a minimum **\$40.00**.

#### Instalments

- 4 Rates are payable by four instalments due on the following dates:

Instalment No. 1	<b>31 August 2018</b>
Instalment No. 2	<b>30 November 2018</b>
Instalment No 3	<b>28 February 2019</b>
Instalment No 4	<b>30 April 2019</b>

#### Penalty

- 5 A penalty of 10% applies to each instalment not paid by the due instalment date.

#### Adjusted Values

- 6 For the purposes of this resolution, any reference to the assessed annual value includes a reference to that value as adjusted pursuant to Section 89 and Section 89A of the Local Government Act 1993 as amended.

These rates are for the year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 and ending 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and are payable to the Council at its offices at Alexander Street, Bothwell or Tarleton Street, Hamilton.

### 13.3 ANNUAL PLAN 2018 / 2019 (SEPARATE ATTACHMENT)

Under Section 71 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council is required to have an Annual Plan. The 2018/2019 Annual Plan is submitted for Council's adoption.

#### Recommendation:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

**THAT** Council adopt the 2018 / 2019 Annual Plan

## 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 REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ON PLANNING AGENDA ITEMS AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### **Background**

Policy No. 2017-49, Public Comment on Planning Agenda Items at Committee Meetings was adopted by Council on 21 November 2017.

### **Current Situation**

The policy has recently been reviewed to clarify further who is entitled to speak at a Planning Committee Meeting and to amend some typographical errors.

At the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018 Council decided to defer the item for further discussion with a sub-committee made up of Council's Planner, the Deputy General Manager, Deputy Mayor L Benson and Clr J R Allwright.

On Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2018 the sub-committee met and agreed on some changes to the Policy to further clarify who is entitled to speak at a Planning Committee Meeting.

### **Conclusion**

Following a review of Policy No. 2017-49 and a meeting of the sub-committee amendments are being proposed to items 4.1, 4.2, 4.5 and 4.10. It is also being proposed to change the "Note" at the end of the Policy to address Planning Applications that are being considered by the Planning Authority at an Ordinary Meeting of Council, without firstly being considered by the Planning Committee.

### **Recommendation**

**Moved:** Clr

**Seconded:** Clr

**THAT** Policy No. 2017-49 Public Comment on Planning Agenda Items at Council Meetings amended June 2018 be adopted.

**Carried**

## 14.2 URGENT AMENDMENTS: CENTRAL HIGHLANDS INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2015

### **Report by**

Jacqui Tyson (Contract Planner)

### **Background**

Urgent amendments may be made to interim planning schemes at any time under section 30IA of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

Urgent amendments are usually made in response to a request from a Council. Typically urgent amendments are used to correct errors or make changes where the drafting is having unintended consequences preventing the operation of the scheme.

Urgent amendments are assessed by the Tasmanian Planning Commission and can only be authorised by the Minister for Planning and Local Government where the public interest will not be prejudiced. Urgent amendments are not subject to a public representation period.



If the urgent amendment is for a change to the regional provisions contained in the interim planning scheme, the Commission will explore whether other councils in the region should also amend their interim planning schemes.

When accepted by the Minister, the amendment to the interim planning scheme is made by the Executive Commissioner signing the amendment document. The amendment takes effect on the date specified in the amendment or seven days later, if no date is specified.

The amended version of the interim planning scheme is then taken to be the declared interim planning scheme. The Commission will update the interim planning scheme published on [www.iplan.tas.gov.au](http://www.iplan.tas.gov.au) and provide council a copy of the instrument of amendment for its records.

The majority of urgent amendments to the *Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015* have been those made to all or a group of the southern region planning schemes to correct issues identified through the Technical Reference Group. A batch of CHC specific urgent amendments was made in early 2017 to correct local zoning issues.

#### **Urgent Amendments to Date**

The table below shows all Urgent Amendments to the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015 to date:

<b>Amended Section/reference</b>	<b>Summary</b>	<b>Schemes affected</b>	<b>Date</b>
Electricity Transmission Infrastructure Protection Code	Replacement of Code with new version.	All Southern schemes.	26/11/2015
Rural Living Zone	Subdivision standards - Reduction of frontage requirements	CHC and DVC	9/2/2016
Electricity Transmission Infrastructure Protection Code	Correction of a definition	All Southern schemes.	17/3/2016
Rural Living Zone Rural Resource Zone	Amendment to performance criteria for setbacks	All Southern schemes.	1/6/2016
Significant Agriculture Zone	Include Extractive industry as a discretionary use class	CHC, BC, DVC, GSBC, HV, SC	23/2/2017
CHI UA3-2016	Rezone Bothwell Recreation Ground from Significant Agriculture to Recreation	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA4-2016	Rezone land at Liawenee Canal from Environmental Management to Rural Resource	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA5-2016	Rezone land at Tungatinah Dam from Rural Resource to Utilities	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA6-2016	Rezone land at Binney Dam from Rural Resource to Utilities	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA7-2016	Rezone land at Bradys Dam from Rural Resource to Utilities	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA8-2016	Rezone land at Bronte Lagoon Dam from Rural Resource to Utilities	CHC	31/1/2017
CHI UA9-2016	Rezone land at Lake Augusta Dam, Lake Augusta Levee, Carter Levee and Lake Augusta Spillway from Environmental	CHC	31/1/2017

	Management to Utilities		
Open Space Zone	Amend performance criteria specifying maximum height	All Southern schemes.	16/8/2017
Inundation Prone Areas Code	Insert subdivision standards for riverine inundation areas	All Southern schemes.	22/9/2017
Landslide Code	Amend definitions for 'hazardous chemical of manifest quantity' and 'hazardous use'	All Southern schemes.	15/5/2018

### **Recommendation**

**Moved:** Clr

**Seconded:** Clr

**THAT:**

- a) The information be received.

**Carried**

## **14.3 PROPOSED KITCHEN : BOTHWELL FOOTBALL CLUB & COMMUNITY CENTRE**

The proposed kitchen was discussed at a meeting of the Bothwell Football Club and Community Centre held on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018 with two possible locations being put forward by the Committee.

Manager Development & Environmental Services to provide a verbal report.

## **14.4 WASTE REPORT**

### **Report By**

Environmental Health Officer (Beverley Armstrong)

### **Solid Waste Update**

Both contracts, JJ Richards and Thorpe Waste are working well, there have been no issues to date. Costs are within budget estimates. Thorpe recycling is also working well.

Domestic Kerbside Waste collected up until 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	340 tonnes
Recycling Collected up until 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	32 tonne
Steel Recycled up until 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2018	69 tonne

This does not include waste collected by JJ Richards as they will send us a yearly report as at the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### **Hamilton Landfill**

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

Previous survey 1992 – 2013 calculated a fill rate of 3080 cubic metres per annum.

The new survey 2013 – 2018 calculated a fill rate of 2767 cubic metres per annum including fill material.

This shows that the compactor purchased in 2015 has saved on average 313 cubic metres of space per year, this should give Council a longer life for the landfill. Complete report due 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### **Recycling update**

This is the last correspondence from LGAT in relation to the SKM recycling contract on the 15<sup>th</sup> May 2018. No further correspondence has been received as yet.

Conditions for contract:

- The new agreed price (of \$100) is exclusive of GST.
- The execution clause for SKM has been amended to refer to s127(1) of the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth).
- That the agreement was for an increase to \$100 per tonne from 1 July 2018 for the financial year and that further negotiation would occur within the financial year. The in-principle agreement was not for an ongoing increase to \$100 per tonne. Such an increase is inconsistent with our discussion about different terms (which we have sought to capture within the amended deed to give SKM some comfort as to the nature of the proposed further discussion and agreement).

Council have no issues with these we are just awaiting confirmation from LGAT.

The Deed is to be received in the new future for Council approval.

### 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

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## 14.5 PENSTOCK LAGOON TOILETS AND AAT

### Report By

Environmental Health Officer (Beverley Armstrong)

### UPDATE 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018

*AAT have received Grant funding for the Public Toilets as discussed previously, this funding should come through July 2018. AAT are in the process of speaking to the Minister for Tourism in relation to help with maintenance costs once the toilets have been installed. If this doesn't pan out then AAT are going to approach Council with a proposition that Council service the toilets but AAT pay a service fee for this funded out of the grant money. More information will be forthcoming once AAT have the Grant money due in July.*

### Background

Anglers Alliance have requested from Hydro Tasmania to lease the ground for the installation of a toilet block at Penstock lagoon. Hydro Tasmania has considered the tenure management of the site and has proposed that the site be leased to Central Highlands Council who can then sub lease /service agreement to Anglers Alliance Tasmania for management of the site.

Possible Issue – Council would be responsible for maintaining and managing the site should there be issues with Anglers Alliance Tasmania or the group should fold.

Hydro may not lease the land to AAT if Council refuse to take it on.

The plus side;

Would mean facilities at Penstock Lagoon for the 2019 World Fly fishing Championships to be held in Tasmania.

This would also fit in with Councils Strategic Plan in these areas;

1.5 Provide support to community organisations and groups

5.5 Promote our area's tourism opportunities, destinations and events

5.8 Work with the community to further develop tourism in the area

### For Information

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## 14.6 DES BRIEFING REPORT

### ANIMAL CONTROL

Two dogs were impounded over the past month as follows:

BREED	REASON FOR IMPOUNDMENT	OUTCOME
Pomeranian Faux Terrier	Dog found wondering on property at 379 Ellendale Road, Fentonbury, neighbouring properties and the road	Owner located from microchip number
Hound Cross	Dog found at the property "The Quoin" Dennistoun Rd, Bothwell. Wearing Collar, no tag & not microchipped	Owner came forward after seeing a photo and details which were posted on Council's facebook page

### ARTHURS LAKE PUBLIC TOILETS & BBQ

Below are some photographs of the recently completed public conveniences, BBQ and covered seating at Arthurs Lake.







## 15.0 WORKS & SERVICES

### Moved:

### Seconded:

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

## **WORKS & SERVICES REPORT**

### **10<sup>th</sup> May 2018 – 13<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

#### **Grading & Sheeting**

Old Mans Head Road  
Victoria Valley Road  
Strickland Road

Dennistoun Road  
Thousand Acre Lane  
Bashan Road

#### **Maintenance Grading**

McGuire's Marsh Road

Lake Crescent Road

#### **Potholing / shouldering**

Interlaken Road  
Waddamana Road  
Woodsprings Road  
Hunterson Road  
Todds Corner  
Fourteen Mile Road

Meadsfield Road  
Old Mans Head  
Rotherwood Road  
Dillions Road  
Nant Lane  
Tunbridge Tier

#### **Spraying**

#### **Culverts / Drainage:**

Drainage Waddamana Road  
Rock pitch drain the Avenue Ellendale

#### **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
- 11 hrs Annual Leave taken
- 72 hrs Sick Leave taken
- 0hrs Long Service Leave
- Backhoe training for 5 employees
- Councils Traffic Management Plans training with staff

#### **Bridges:**

NIL

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

Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly

#### **Other:**

1 X drum muster  
Finish guide posting Lower Marshes Road  
Metal and emulsion Hollow Tree Road  
Cold Mix Holes Ellendale Road  
Clean stormwater pits Bothwell  
Remove rubbish from Ash Cottage  
Clean drains Wayatinah  
Gravel Miena waste Transfer Station

Remove tree of Black snake road  
 Pick up rubbish Hollow Tree Road  
 Remove falling tree Rose Hill  
 Remove falling tree Meadsfield  
 Remove falling tree Ellendale Road  
 Stabilization works completed on Ellendale Road

#### **Slashing:**

Ellendale Road  
 Dawson Road  
 Thousand Acre Lane  
 Pelham Road  
 Marked Tree Road  
 Sonners Road

#### **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:**

PM676 Kobelco excavator new cutting edge for bucket and hitch repairs  
 PM703 Ford mower (B) new spindle  
 PM693 John Deer Mower (H) new spindle  
 PM687 Wester Star Truck (B) new drive tyres  
 PM705 Mack Truck (H) new batteries  
 PM756 Komatsu Truck (B) service  
 PM788 Toyota ute serviced  
 PM636 Brakes on small trailers  
 PM731 Pig trailer (B) new tyres  
 PM665 Welding to doglock  
 PM744 New tyre

#### **Private Works:**

Cliff Hall grader hire  
 Duncan Cambell grader hire  
 Cygnet Shooters gravel supply  
 Christine Turner concrete premix  
 Dave Drysdale truck hire and gravel delivery  
 Pitts truck hire and gravel delivery  
 Andrew Jones truck hire  
 Will Chapman gravel delivery  
 Hazzel Bros water delivery  
 Justin Townsend small truck hire  
 Kathy Van Dullmen concrete pre mix delivery  
 Bothwell District High School gravel delivery  
 Bettina Kelly gravel delivery  
 Vec Civil waste fees  
 Elvin Gleeson concrete premix

#### **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  
 New entrance to Bethune Park  
 Drainage Strickland Road  
 Dig out Mark Tree Road

**15.1 PUBLIC TOILETS AT BOTHWELL**

Clr Poore has requested that this be listed on the agenda and has provided the following information:

*I have had several comments made to me by mainly locals, about the mud stained and supposedly unhygienic floor tiles in the toilet block. I have personally inspected them and have spoken to Jason about the problem. It appears that they cannot be cleaned properly without the use of a high pressure water blaster which is also time consuming. I understand that they are non-slip however they need to be easy to clean to prevent further complaints. Should we look at applying a protective coating to the tiles or installing a alternative floor covering?*

The Public toilets at Bothwell are cleaned daily including weekends. The cleaners have complained that the tiles stay stained and dirty; the tiles are a non-slip tile with a rough surface which the mop doesn't appear to remove all stains. The cleaners requested if there was a possibility of using a high pressure washer to help remove the dirt from the tiles. After an inspection I agreed that we use a high pressure washer on the floor would be needed this takes approximately 2.5 -3 hours and was washed six weeks after the last time maybe. Maybe it won't take as long next time if we use a rotating brush on the high pressure washer. The tiles are a light tile and I don't believe that you can put paint over them.

**For Discussion****16.0 ADMINISTRATION****16.1 REMISSIONS UNDER DELEGATION**

The following remissions have been granted by the General Manager under delegation:

01-0221-01035	\$20.50	Penalty – did not receive rate notice by email
03-0232-04039	\$13.60	Penalty – Bpay to incorrect property
03-0246-00391	\$18.30	Penalty – address not changed

**For Noting****16.2 2018 LGAT ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

The LGAT Annual Conference will be held at Wrest Point from 25-27 July, 2018. Conference Registrations are required by 2 July 2018.

**Recommendation:**

**THAT** the Conference Registration, meals and accommodation be paid for the following:

Mayor Loueen Triffitt  
 General Manager Lyn Eyles

Clrs.....



### 16.3 PROPOSED SALE OF ANGLICAN CHURCH PROPERTIES IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

The Mayor has advised that she has received requests from community members for Council to hold a public meeting on the proposed sale of Anglican Church properties in the Central Highlands.

The following properties in the Central Highlands are on the Proposed List for sale:

St James the Less Church, Osterley  
 St John the Baptist Church, Ouse  
 St Mary's Church, Gretna  
 St Marys Hall, Gretna  
 St Michael & All Angels Church, Parish Room, Craft Room and Vestry, Bothwell  
 St Peters Church, Hall and Cemetery, Hamilton

*Section 60F of the Local Government Act 1993 states that:*

"A Council, on its own motion, may hold a public meeting to discuss any issue the council determines."

#### For Discussion

### 16.4 APPLICATION FOR COMMUNITY GRANT

An application for a community grant has been received from the Central Hawks Junior Football Club to purchase new playing tops to replace the current tops which are 7 years old.

Total replacement cost is \$6,375.00 with the applicant seeking a Council community grant of \$1,000.00.

Council's guidelines provide the following:

The Community Grants Program provides financial and in-kind assistance to support community facilities, projects, events and programs that have a clear community benefit or need.

#### Eligibility

- All community groups (both incorporated and non-incorporated) of the Central Highlands are eligible to apply for funding.
- Only local not-for-profit community groups will be given consideration for funding assistance.
- Preference will be given to incorporated organisations with proven capacity to administer grant funds (a bank account is required).
- Groups are only eligible to apply for one grant per project, per financial year.\*
- Individual community members may apply.
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All groups that operate from a community hall or building must apply through the Committee managing that facility.

**Note: All groups are required to submit a current financial statement with their application.**

#### Projects must

- Demonstrate a direct benefit to the Central Highlands community;
- Be supported by members of the organisation;
- Have defined achievable outcomes and financial feasibility;
- Respond to a clearly demonstrated need and be appropriate to that need;
- Not duplicate other locally available services; and
- Applicants must prove the capacity and expertise to conduct the project

The maximum grant available is up to \$1,000 with Council retaining discretion to approve a higher allocation for an exceptional project.

Funds will be provided to a maximum of half of the project costs but will not exceed \$1,000.

**\*The maximum funds that any one community group can receive is \$1,000.00 per financial year.**

#### For Discussion



**Central Hawks Junior Football Club**  
Katrina Brazendale & Kristy Mayne  
PO Box 66, Bothwell 7030  
**Treasurer Tammy Miller, Po Box 8 Brighton 7030**

31<sup>st</sup> May 2018

Central Highlands Council  
General Manager  
6 Tarleton Street  
Hamilton Tas 7140

Dear Lyn Eyles,

**Re: Purchase of new playing tops for the Juniors**

The Central Hawks Junior Football Club is seeking Council's support with the purchase of new playing tops, the current tops that the players are wearing were new when the club commenced back in 2011. These tops were purchased by the generous donations of various community members.

We are hoping that we can purchase these through fundraising and donations throughout this season and have them in readiness for the season ahead.

Any donation would be appreciated, it could be a financial donation or something that the club could raffle as a prize. An estimate for the purchase would be around the \$6,375.00.

Kind Regards

Katrina Brazendale & Kristy Mayne



## CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM APPLICATION FORM

Please ensure you have read and understand the Program Guidelines prior to completing this form. Please enclose your group/club's current financial statement.

### 1. APPLICATION & ORGANISATION DETAILS

**Name of Project:** New Playing Tops - CHJFC

**Amount of Grant Requested:** \$1,000

**Estimated Total Project Cost:** \$6,375

**Applicant Organisation:** Central Hawks Junior Football Club

**Contact Person's Name:** Katrina Brazendale or Kristy Mayne

**Contact Details**

**Address:** Po Box 66, Bothwell

**Phone: (Business hours)** (03) 62863202

**Mobile:**

**Fax:**

**Email:**

**Signature**

**Name** Katrina Brazendale & Kristy Mayne

**Position in Organisation** Fundraising Committee Members

**Date** 31/5/2018

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

To Purchase new playing tops

**What is the membership of the organisation?**

President Colin Thomas

Secretary Renee Percy

Treasurer Tammy Miller

Public Officer/s

Kellie Scott, Gabrielle Watkins, Natalie Barnes

**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)***NO****If yes;****Name of Project:****Date Grant received:****Amount of Grant:****3. PROJECT DETAILS****Project Start Date:****Project Completion Date:****Project Objectives:**

**The project will be a single purchase of the new clothing, we are currently fundraising to enable the clothing to be ready for next season.**

**4. COMMUNITY SUPPORT****What level of community support is there for this project?**

**The Community has been very generous in also making donation and supporting raffles to the club.**

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

**No**

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

**The new clothing are replacing those that are 7 years old. In fundraising and donations it keeps costs at a minimum for parents.**

#### **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.**

**The Mayor/Councillors are welcome to attend our end of year function, this is when we hope to display the new clothing (new design as well).**

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

**Through publications**

#### **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?

## 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	\$1,500
Vehicles		Special Funding	
Other: <b>New Clothing</b>	6,375.00	Gifts in Kind	
Other:		Other: (Fundraising)	\$3,875
<b>Subtotal</b>		Other	
		<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>		<b>Anticipated</b>	
Salaries (including super)		Government Grants	
Short-term contract fees		Central Highlands Grant	\$1,000
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>	6,375.00	<b>TOTAL</b>	6,375.00



## 16.5 TASMANIAN INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION – REPORT INTO COUNCILLORS ALLOWANCES

In June 2017, the Minister for Local Government, appointed members of the Tasmanian Industrial Commission (TIC) as a Board of Inquiry under section 215 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (the Act) to review the annual allowances paid to councillors in Tasmania.

The Board of Inquiry was asked to provide recommendations, and the reasons for the recommendations, on the appropriate amount to be payable as an annual allowance for the offices of mayor, deputy mayor, and councillor of each council, or group of councils in Tasmania.

The TIC has now completed its review and provided Minister Gutwein with the attached report. The TIC has concluded that the current level of councillor allowances is financially sustainable and acceptable, and is recommending only minor changes to the existing allowances regime.

In summary, the TIC recommends that:

- the wage price index continues to be applied to base allowances, adjusted annually;
- no additional individual allowances be provided in recognition of individual councillors' experience, skills or training, with a suggestion that councils to make available an annual budget allocation to undertake identified training;
- a 'higher duties allowance' be paid to the Deputy Mayor where the Deputy Mayor is required to act in the role of mayor for more than four consecutive weeks;
- no special 'capital city loading' be applied to the Hobart City Council;
- an independent review be conducted into the methodology for calculating base councillor allowances, including the categorisation of councils (eg on the basis of geographic size, population, councillor numbers); and
- consideration be given to undertaking social research to identify effective ways of attracting councillors from more diverse backgrounds – including younger people and women - that better represent their constituencies.

The Minister, In accordance with section 225(1)(b) of the Act, has invited written submissions from both councils and individual councillors on the TIC's findings and recommendations.

Any changes to councillor allowances emanating from the review will need to be implemented by regulation and is intended to commence from 1 November 2018, following the October 2018 local government elections.

Submissions should be forwarded by email to [lgd@dpac.tas.gov.au](mailto:lgd@dpac.tas.gov.au) by no later than Friday 6 July 2018.

LGAT is happy to coordinate any feedback from Councils and would need comments (council or individual) by 1 July 2018.

### For Discussion

## 16.6 REVIEW OF FIRE SERVICES ACT 1979

**LGAT has provided the following information with regards to the Issues Paper Fire Service Act Review June 2018:**

The Tasmanian government is currently reviewing the *Fire Services Act 1979*. The Act has never been comprehensively reviewed, and hence the legislation has become fragmented, overly complex and process driven. The aim of the review is to simplify and modernise the legislation to be more reflective of how the Tasmanian Fire Service and State Fire Commission serve the community today.

The first stage of the review is to garner input from stakeholders through an issues paper. The issues paper is attached and poses a number of questions to stakeholder. As a key stakeholder in relation to the Act it is important that Local Government provides a submission.

Differing components of the review touch on issues which are likely to impact on various parts of your council including planners (hazard reduction burns and LUPAA), municipal emergency management coordinators and bushfire officers (governance, sustainable funding model) and EHOs (fire permit system). LGAT will provide a sectoral response to the issues paper. If you could provide **feedback** on the issues paper to me at [georgia.palmer@lgat.tas.gov.au](mailto:georgia.palmer@lgat.tas.gov.au) by **COB 29 August 2018**, LGAT will develop a sectoral response.

The key areas relating to Local Government in the issues paper are outlined below:

## Governance Arrangements

1. Membership of the State Fire Commission (page 18-20).  
Under the current Act the State Fire Commission must include 2 persons nominated by the Local Government Association of Tasmania. Local Government plays a significant role in collecting the majority of funds for the Commission through the fire service contribution. The issues paper poses the question “should members of the commission be appointed as representative of their organisation or on the basis of skills/knowledge that they possess?”
2. Role of the State Fire Management Council (pages 22-24)  
Under the current Act membership of the council includes representation from the Local Government Association of Tasmania. The issues paper poses the question “what is the appropriate membership of the SFMC and what is the appropriate role and function of the council.”
3. Fire Management Area Committees (FMACs) (pages 24-26)  
Under the Act, FMACs are responsible for preparing fire protection plans for the fire management area identifying priority bushfire risks and mitigation work. There are 10 FMACs in Tasmania. The paper raises the issue of membership of committees and the current separation of FMACs from the structures established under the Emergency Management Act. In particular the need for Emergency Management plans at the regional and municipal level. The current structure has some level of duplication, especially in relation to risk assessment. FMAC membership includes a representative from each local council.

## Sustainable funding model

4. Provisions for the finances of the State Fire Commission are contained in Part VI of the *Fire Services Act 1979*. In particular the Act specifies that the operating costs of all brigades shall be defrayed out of contributions from:
  - An insurance Fire levy charged on commercial insurance premiums
  - The Motor Vehicle Fire Levy payable on vehicle registration each year
  - The **Fire Service Contribution** collected by local councils from ratepayers, weighted according to the assessed annual value of properties and the fire services available.

The fire services contribution provides 45.7% of the State Fire Commission budget and is used as a balancing item that enables the commission to recover its brigade operating costs, once all other funding has been taken into account. Increases in the fire services levy is approved by the Minister annually. This has been an issue for Local Government in the past and it should be noted that there is a motion about this issue in the upcoming LGAT AGM.

The issues paper raises a number of issues in relation to the model including the movement away from insurance based levies nationally, that the current motor vehicle levy does not apply to all vehicles, the Fire Service Contribution (FSC) does not include funding for the increased proportion of activities undertaken by TFS on non-fire emergencies. The FSC is based on the model of paying more for an improved quality and timeliness of service. Rate payers with the more expensive houses pay more, yet get the same service and the cost is not based on level of risk. Furthermore the levy does not apply to a broad range of land including land owned by councils, the crown, GBEs and Commonwealth land.

5. Funding of SES  
Prior to becoming the funding responsibility of the commission the majority of resourcing for SES was provided by the State Government. SES now operates with a State Fire Commission allocation. Local Councils are responsible for the establishment and maintenance of municipal SES volunteer units. SES also receives an annual allocation of 300k from the MAIB to support road crash rescue capacity. A review of the SES was undertaken by Wise Lord and Ferguson in 2016 and a number of issues and risks to SES funding were identified. These included:
  - currently governance and financial arrangements with Local Government limit the ability of SES to strategically manage their financial assets,
  - SES is unable to budget effectively as it can't forecast revenue contributions from Local Government,
  - there are risks with WH&S, SES is not funded for major incident response,
  - under current resourcing SES may not be able to provide adequate support in relation to risk assessment, community resilience and disaster planning
  - financial and resourcing level required to meet training and support obligations of volunteers may be insufficient and there is a discrepancy in how SES, TFS and Ambulance volunteers are treated.

As a result of these recommendations the issues paper poses the questions “should fire and emergency service be funded through a single mechanism? If so what is the appropriate model?”. “Should SES centrally manage and fund its volunteer unit facilities, its fleet and its operational expenses?”

The issue of SES funding, in particular the funding of SES volunteer has been an issue which has been explored with the sector through a number of past reviews. I have attached for your background a submission made by LGAT into the a review of the Emergency Management Act in 2016.

## Operational Considerations

### 6. Fire Hazards (page 40)

The current Act includes provision for the commission to undertake all necessary acts to remove fire danger. In addition, there are powers for the commission and **councils** to create fire breaks. However it is not particularly clear in what circumstances the TFS has the authority to undertake hazard mitigation activities in non-emergency situations under the Act without needing additional approvals from either the Forest Practices Authority or Local Government. The issues seem to apply when TFS is burning on private land with the permission of the landowner. There is a school of thought that a Development Application would be required for every burn which would be a significant impediment to some of TFS' mitigation activities. This stems from the potential application of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 (LUPAA) which provides for the general control and management of land use and development in Tasmania, especially through the agency of local government and planning schemes. Consideration of the interaction of fuel reduction burning, any legitimate fuel management works and LUPAA is dependent on the way activities are defined and regulated in LUPAA. Some people think that fuel reduction burning could be considered as works as defined in LUPAA36. Within LUPAA, works are described as development and the control of development is a proper function of a planning scheme. The issues paper poses the question "should the Act be amended to specify these activities are exempt from the provisions of LUPAA?"

### 7. Fire Permit System (page 41)

A review of the Fire Permit System was undertaken by Wise, Lord and Ferguson in 2016. The review made a number of recommendations some of which have an impact on the legislation. One of the recommendations relates to the system needing to embrace technology and create an online system for burn registration, applying for, granting and recording permits and burn plans and for sharing data between fire agencies and other stakeholders.

Access to permit data has been an issue for Local Government, in particular where members of the community make complaints to council in relation to smoke pollution under the *Environmental and Pollution Control (Distributed Atmospheric Emissions) Regulations* and Council By-laws. A sharing of this data would be very useful.

If you have any questions do not hesitate to call. I look forward to receiving your councils input by 29 August 2018.

## Recommendation:

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

## 16.7 BATTERY OF THE NATION PUMPED HYDRO OPPORTUNITY

The outcomes of studies into Tasmania's potential to become the *Battery of the Nation* have now been announced. This announcement covered Tasmania's significant potential for pumped hydro development and confirming the state's competitive advantage in offering one of the most achievable and competitive solutions to Australia's looming energy challenge.

Hydro has provided the following attached information which is also available on their website -

<https://www.hydro.com.au/clean-energy/battery-of-the-nation>

- Pumped Hydro Opportunity overview
- Pumped hydro maps (state-wide and regional to your council area)
- How pumped hydro works.

Hydro would welcome the opportunity to share further information about *Battery of the Nation* with council and has invited Council to contact them to set up a mutually convenient time.

## Recommendation:

**THAT** Council invite the Hydro to the August Council Meeting to give a presentation on the Battery of the nation.

## 16.8 BOTHWELL RECREATION GROUND LITTER ISSUE

Clr Cassidy has requested that this item be placed on the agenda for discussion and has provided the following information:

*Every time there is a football game or cricket match, folks attending throw soda cans, beer bottles, food wrappings, pizza and chicken boxes onto the verges along William Street and Hollow Tree Road.*

*As Central Highlands Council has placed bins around the oval and Council employees spend their time collecting and emptying them, attendees continue to litter. Thus, I propose that Central Highlands Council impose a Litter Pickup and Collection Fee upon all organisations, clubs, and users of the Recreation Grounds and Community Centre. I would like a motion placed on the Council Agenda to effectively address this matter.*

*Further, I recommend CHC install a sign by the exit regarding Littering.*

*I feel CHC should encourage all Club and organisation presidents, managers and players to spread the word about littering. The fee should be removed when the littering stops.*

*I collected a huge amount of litter along William Street and Hollow Tree Road into a large yellow plastic bag and disposed of it into the bin with the red lid next to the oval.*

Clr Cassidy will address Council on this issue.

### For Discussion

## 16.9 ELECTORAL ACT REVIEW

On 3 May 2018, the Premier, Will Hodgman announced that the Government would conduct a review into Tasmania's Electoral Act and associated election laws.

The Terms of Reference for the Review are:

1. Modernising the current Tasmanian *Electoral Act* with specific examination of sections including 191(1)(b); 196(1) and 198(1)(b);
2. Whether state-based disclosure rules should be introduced, and, if so, what they should include; and
3. The level of regulation of third parties, including unions, during Election campaigns

The review will be guided by two governing principles; protecting freedom of speech, with note to Constitutional implications, and minimal cost to the taxpayer.

The recent State Election highlighted that some provisions in the Tasmanian *Electoral Act 2004* and associated election laws have failed to keep pace with rapid changes in technology, social media and community expectations.

The Government recognises the importance of taking this opportunity to listen to all Tasmanians and ensure that we have a robust, democratic and fair electoral system that reflects Tasmania today.

The process will give every Tasmanian – political parties, organisations and the broader community – a chance to have their say. The review will receive written submissions from any person or group that wishes to have a say.

Written submissions on the Terms of Reference for the Electoral Act Review should be submitted by **5 pm on Friday 20 July 2018**.

**LGAT will be putting together a submission on behalf of local government and request comments by COB 17 July 2018.**

The submissions received on the Terms of Reference will inform preparation of the Interim Report which will be provided to the Government by the end of 2018. Following further targeted and public consultation on the Interim report, a Final Report is expected to be provided in mid 2019.

## 16.10 DEPARTMENT OF PRIMARY INDUSTRIES, PARK, WATER & ENVIRONMENT – DRAFT STATUTORY WEED MANAGEMENT PLANS

The Tasmanian Government is committed to providing opportunities for community involvement in the development of Government policy and we are seeking Council's input on the draft Statutory Weed Management Plans. Copy of letter from Department of Primary Industries, Park, Water & Environment is attached.

As part of the declaration processes under the Weed Management Act 1999, the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment has developed draft statutory weed management plans for 32 new weeds declared under the Act. Section 15(1) of the Act requires that statutory weed management plans be prepared for declared weed species. Eleven draft plans are available for comment, species name(s) are list below:

### Draft Statutory Weed Management Plans

Species name(s)
<i>Andropogon gayanus</i>
<i>Anredera cordifolia</i>
Draft Plan includes both newly declared and previously declared species <i>Asparagus species</i> - <i>Asparagus aethiopicus</i> , <i>A. africanus</i> , <i>A. asparagoides</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>A. asparagoides Western Cape form</i> , <i>A. declinatus</i> , <i>A. plumosus</i> , and <i>A. scandens</i> <sup>1</sup>
<i>Austrocyindropuntia</i> spp., <i>Cylindropuntia</i> spp., and <i>Opuntia</i> spp. (excluding <i>Opuntia ficus-indica</i> )
<i>Dolichandra unguis-cati</i>
Draft Plan includes both newly declared and previously declared species <i>Erica species</i> – <i>Erica arborea</i> , <i>E. baccans</i> , <i>E. caffra</i> , <i>E. carnea</i> , <i>E. ciliaris</i> , <i>E. cinerea</i> , <i>E. discolour</i> , <i>E. erigena</i> , <i>E. glandulosa</i> , <i>E. holosericea</i> , <i>E. lusitanica</i> <sup>1</sup> , <i>E. melanthera</i> , <i>E. quadrangularis</i> , <i>E. scoparia</i> , <i>E. terminalis</i> , <i>E. tetralix</i> , and <i>E. vagans</i>
Draft Plan includes both newly declared and previously declared species <i>Genista linifolia</i> and <i>G. monspessulana</i> <sup>1</sup>
Draft Plan includes both newly declared and previously declared species <i>Hymenachne amplexicaulis</i> <sup>1</sup> and <i>Hymenachne calamitosa</i>
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>
<i>Jatropha gossypifolia</i>
<i>Senecio madagascariensis</i>

Species of the same genera have been grouped together in the one plan and weeds of the same genera already declared, have been amalgamated into the new draft plans.

These plans contain measures designed to reduce the impact of weeds on Tasmania's environmental, economic and social values. These measures include: information on the distribution and extent of the declared weed; actions to prevent weed introduction and spread; and statutory management obligations for land owners.

All written submissions on the draft Statutory Weed Management Plans must be received by 5 pm on 29 June 2018.

#### **Recommendation:**

**THAT** Council's Facilitator, The Derwent Catchment Project, Josie Kelman peruse the draft Statutory Weed Management Plans to determine if a written submission is required from Council.

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### **16.11 EMERGENCY SERVICES MEDAL NOMINATIONS - 2019**

The Director of the State Emergency Service wrote to Council on the 4 June 2018 regarding the 2019 Emergency Services Medal nominations.

The State Emergency Services recognises the contribution of SES staff and volunteers by the provision of honours and awards. These honours and awards are an important means of recognition that not only show the value placed on contribution to the SES but also provide an inspiration to others to perform to the same standards.

Council may wish to consider the nomination of an eligible person for the 2019 Emergency Services Medal, nominations close on the 27 July 2018.

#### **For Discussion**

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### **16.12 HIRE OF ELLENDALE RECREATION GROUND, ELLENDALE**

The Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia - Tassie Shearwaters Branch would like to hire the Ellendale Recreation Ground at Ellendale from Friday the 19 October to Sunday 21 October 2018 to hold a members weekend.

Mrs Baker's email to Council states the Tassie Shearwaters Branch gather in different locations around Tasmania and would like to spend a weekend at Ellendale, especially to support the Ellendale hall and the community.

Mrs Baker's states that she has spoken to Shannon Ransley from the Ellendale Hall Committee and she would be happen to supply a Saturday night dinner for the group, at a cost, and the use of the Hall.

Tassie Shearwaters Branch would like to obtain Council's approval to park on the cricket ground, as there will be approximately 20 motorhomes.

Mrs Baker's states that the group we pay \$5.00 per night and that 75% would go to the community, e.g the Ellendale Hall.

The Tassie Shearwaters Branch of the Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia agree to leave the area clean and tidy.

Council's Works and Services Managers believes that it should be fine to park the 20 motorhomes on the Ellendale Recreation Ground provide the ground is not to wet between the 19 October and 21 October 2018.

#### **Recommendation**

**THAT** Council approve the hire of the Ellendale Recreation Ground from Friday the 19 October to Sunday 21 October 2018 to the Tassie Shearwaters Branch of the Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia weather permitting. Final approved must be obtained from Council's Works and Services Managers on Thursday the 18 October 2018. The Tassie Shearwaters Branch of the Campervan & Motorhome Club of Australia agrees to pay \$5.00 per night per person and that 75% of this hire fee must be donated to the Ellendale Hall Committee.

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### 16.13 PROPOSED INLAND FISHERIES SERVICE (IFS) TOILETS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

Mr Chris Wisniewski Inland Fisheries Service Officer had a meeting with Councillor Poore, the Deputy General Manager and the Manager of Development & Environmental Services to discuss future Inland Fisheries Service toilets in the Central Highlands.

Inland Fisheries Service was pleased to hear that Council have nearly completed the toilets at Arthur's Lake and are considering similar at Great Lake. Mr Wisniewski stated that Inland Fisheries Service was aware that Council have had discussions with Anglers Alliance Tasmania for the sites proposed at Bronte Lagoon and Penstock Lagoon. Mr Wisniewski also stated that he was aware of Hydro Tasmania's requirement for a suitable owner of the infrastructure. Mr Wisniewski suggested that Inland Fisheries Service may consider the Bronte Lagoon and Penstock Lagoon toilets in any agreed servicing schedule.

Inland Fisheries Service is looking at building toilets and supporting infrastructure at a number of locations within the Central Highlands, however are battled with how to maintain this infrastructure in an acceptable manner.

Inland Fisheries Service would like to see toilet facilities in the following locations:

- Bronte Lagoon
- Penstock Lagoon
- Woods Lake
- Little Pine Lagoon
- Lake Augusta
- Lake Crescent
- Brady's Lake
- Lake Binney
- Tungatinah Lagoon

Mr Wisniewski states that Inland Fisheries Service is open to Council's thoughts given the council knowledge in the region. The sites listed above are not necessarily in order of priority but some will support the upcoming World Fly Fishing Championships in December 2019.

Inland Fisheries Service also like our Manager of Development & Environmental Services thoughts on combining some of the toilets with dump sites for those travelling with vans. Some thought also needs to be put in to Lake Sorell with an imminent reopening of the lake to the public.

Mr Wisniewski stated that it was good to hear how Council had built and maintain its infrastructure.

#### Recommendation

**THAT** Council support the concept that Inland Fisheries Service own, build and maintain toilet facilities in the following locations:

- Bronte Lagoon
- Penstock Lagoon
- Woods Lake
- Little Pine Lagoon
- Lake Augusta
- Lake Crescent
- Brady's Lake
- Lake Binney
- Tungatinah Lagoon

Council suggest that all new toilets should include dump sites for those travelling with vans.

Council agrees to work with Inland Fisheries Service to develop a service agreement to maintain the proposed new infrastructure.

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#### 16.14 BOTHWELL RECREATION GROUND - ENTRANCE ROAD

At the Bothwell Football Club & Community Centre Management Committee Meetings of Council held on Tuesday the 12 June committee member Mr L Costello asked if the entrance road to the Bothwell Recreation Ground could be diverted around behind the playground as he had witnessed a near miss and has major concerns for the safety of the children using the playground.

It was suggest at the meeting that the use of transportable speed humps could be used to slow vehicle movement down in this area, council's Works and Service Manager is investigating alternatives.

Clr Poore will speak to the item.

##### **Recommendation:**

**THAT** Council's Works and Service Manager investigate the cost to install speed humps on the Bothwell Recreation Ground entrance road.

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#### 17.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

**Moved:**

**Seconded:**

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

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#### 18.0 CLOSURE

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