



Central Highlands Council

AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 19 JULY 2022

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held in the Hamilton Town Hall, Hamilton on Tuesday 19 July 2022, 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 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

3.0 PRESENT

3.1 IN ATTENDANCE

4.0 APOLOGIES

5.0 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.

6.0 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 sub-regulation (2).

As per *Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, this motion requires an absolute majority

Moved: Clr**Seconded:** Clr

THAT pursuant to *Regulation 15 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council, by absolute majority, close the meeting to the public to consider the following matters in Closed Session

Item Number	Matter	<i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i>
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 June 2022	Regulation 15 (2)(g) – information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to Council on the condition it is kept confidential
2	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

6.1 MOTION OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved: Clr**Seconded:** Clr

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

OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

Due to COVID-19 a limit of 4 members of the public, at any one time will be applied.

7.0 DEPUTATIONS

10.30 Dr Josie Kelman Derwent Catchment Project – update on works & policy

7.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

8.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

June to July 2022

17 June 2022	Recruitment Agency
20 June 2022	Meeting GHD (Flood Mapping) with Clr Archer & J Branch
21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
22 June 2022	Recruitment Agency
23 June 2022	Govt Minister – phone call
27 June 2022	ABC Radio Interview
27 June 2022	Govt Minister – phone call
29 June 2022	Recruitment Agency
01 July 2022	LGAT - Hobart
04 July 2022	Flag Raising Ceremony at Risdon Cove celebrating NAIDOC week, with TAC, Governor Baker, former Governor Warner and Government Ministers
08 July 2022	Ash Cottage -NAIDOC

11 July 2022	Primary Health Tasmania
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting
12 July 2022	Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting, Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bicentennial community information session

- Business of Council x 11
- Ratepayer and community members - communications x 24
- Elected Members - communications x 13
- Central Highlands Council Management - communications x4

8.1 COUNCILLOR COMMITMENTS

Deputy Mayor J Allwright

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting

Clr A Archer

20 June 2022	Meeting GHD (Flood Mapping)
21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting

Clr A Bailey

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting

Clr S Bowden

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
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Clr A Campbell

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
23 June 2022	On-site meeting at Hamilton Showgrounds
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting, Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting, Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bicentennial community information session
18 July 2022	Community Meeting at Ellendale

Clr R Cassidy

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting

Clr J Honner

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting, Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting, Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bicentennial community information session

Clr J Poore

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
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STATUS REPORT COUNCILLORS

8.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

20 June 2022	Meeting GHD with Clr Archer & J Branch
21 June 2022	Council Meeting
06 July 2022	Teams Meeting Irrigation Tas
07 July 2022	Meeting G Rogers & Developer
12 July 2022	Planning Committee Meeting
12 July 2022	Bothwell Bicentennial Workforce Meeting

8.3 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

21 June 2022	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Bothwell
12 July 2022	Bothwell Bicentennial Workforce Meeting

9.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

9.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

1. Wednesday 20 July 2022 Hamilton Hall - 12.30 – 1.00pm - Meeting Nic Street, Minister for Local Government and Councillors
 2. Tuesday 13 September 2022 Bothwell Hall - 11.30 – TasWater Workshop
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10.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 MINUTES

11.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING 21st JUNE 2022

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 21st June 2022 be received.

11.2 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING 21st JUNE 2022

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 21st June 2022 be confirmed.

11.3 RECEIVAL DRAFT PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES 12th JULY 2022

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Planning Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 12th July 2022 be received.

12.0 BUSINESS ARISING:

13.1	DRAFT CENTRAL HIGHLANDS CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTION & MITIGATION POLICY V1	Deferred to July Council Meeting when Dr Josie Kelman can attend.
15.1	DA2022/11: SUBDIVISION 38 LOTS: JOHNSONS ROAD (CT152719/622) AND ROBERTSON ROAD (CT134100/1,CT130056/1) MIENA	Planning Permit issued by Planning Officer
15.2	DA2022/05 : VISITOR ACCOMODATION & OUTBUILDING: LOT 3 & 4 MEADOWBANK ROAD, MEADOWBANK	Planning Permit issued by Planning Officer
15.5	DRAFT CAT MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS 2022 - CONSULTATION	No comments received
15.7	LANDFILL LEVY READINESS GRANT PROGRAM – GRANT DEED	General Manager authorised to sign the Landfill Levy Readiness Grant Program Grant Deed
15.8	SES SHED MIENA	Council deferred the discussion until July
15.9	TIP SHOP PROPOSAL	Council deferred the discussion until July
15.10	FOOTPATH AT BOTHWELL MEDICAL CENTRE	Council to allocate \$7492.50 (excl GST) to replace the footpath outside the Bothwell Medical Centre
15.12	DEFIBRILLATOR INSTALLATION	Lodged with Ambulance Tas and on Council's FB, DES to produce notice for inclusion in HD.
16.1	PREPARING AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT	Council waived the provisions of Policy 2015-06 and Policy 2016-44 in this instance due to the time to complete the project; General Manager to sign the agreement with GHD and requested GHD to provide monthly updates to the General Manager,
17.2	CATERING COUNCIL MEETINGS BOTHWELL	Correspondence sent by DGM advising Bothwell CWA and Bothwell Bunnies confirmation of catering for Bothwell Council meetings and other meetings as required
17.3	AUDIT PANEL CHAIR	Advertisement placed calling for an Independent Chair for the Central Highlands Council Audit Panel
17.4	COMMUNITY DONATION - 'COMMON GROUND' CHARITY FUNDRAISER	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$750)
17.5	ANGLICAN PARISH OF HAMILTON – COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATIONS	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$1500.00)
17.6	NOTICE OF COUNCIL & COMMITTEE MEETINGS JULY 2022– DECEMBER 2022	Advertisement placed - Council & Committee Meeting dates between July 2022 and December 2022
17.7	HATCH COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION – MEAL DELIVERY PROGRAM	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$3000.00)
17.9	ABORIGINAL LANDS ACT - CONSULTATION PAPER	Councillors provide their comments on the consultation paper on the proposed amendments to the Aboriginal Lands Act 1995 to the Deputy General Manager by

		Friday the 15 July 2022 so that Council can provide comments to the Department of Natural Resources and Environment.
17.10	ICON TO REPRESENT BOTHWELL	Manager of Works & Services to look at costs associated with repairing the Black Angus sign
17.11	BRIGHTON FAMILY DAY CARE SERVICE - CENTRAL HIGHLANDS	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$5,000.00)
17.13	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$250)
17.14	COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION – RURAL ALIVE & WELL	Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager (\$2,000.00)

13.0 DERWENT CATCHMENT PROJECT REPORT

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Derwent Catchment Project Monthly Report be received. (See page 37 of Attachments)

13.1 DRAFT CHC CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPATION AND MITIGATION POLICY V1 FOR DISCUSSION

14.0 FINANCE REPORT

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Finance Reports be received.

RATES RECONCILIATION AS AT 30 JUNE 2022				
		2021		2022
Balance 30th June		\$55,732.39		\$83.43
Rates Raised		\$3,783,081.94		\$3,913,873.51
Penalties Raised		\$35,351.20		\$37,619.23
Supplementaries/Debit Adjustments		\$42,253.73		\$35,985.70
Total Raised		\$3,916,419.26		\$3,987,561.87
Less:				
Receipts to Date		\$3,759,283.53		\$3,890,073.33
Pensioner Rate Remissions		\$101,372.96		\$101,093.20
Remissions/Supplementary Credits		\$55,679.34		\$35,486.09
Balance		\$83.43		-\$39,090.75

Bank Reconciliation as at 30 June 2022			
	2021		2022
Balance Brought Forward	\$9,957,621.11		\$10,758,689.32
Receipts for month	\$3,209,559.97		\$1,069,474.26
Expenditure for month	\$2,963,052.68		\$683,268.09
Balance	\$10,204,128.40		\$11,144,895.49
Represented By:			
Balance Commonwealth Bank	\$1,351,083.07		\$2,151,979.31
Balance Westpac Bank	\$125,383.62		\$244,765.41
Investments	\$8,727,029.46		\$8,747,470.77
Petty Cash & Floats	\$550.00		\$550.00
	\$10,204,046.15		\$11,144,765.49
Plus Unbanked Money	\$214.00		\$130.00
	\$10,204,260.15		\$11,144,895.49
Less Unpresented Cheques	\$131.75		\$0.00
Unreceipted amounts on bank statements	\$0.00		\$0.00
	\$10,204,128.40		\$11,144,895.49

	BUDGET 2021/2022	ACTUAL TO 30-Jun-21	ACTUAL TO 30-Jun-22	% OF BUDGET SPENT	BALANCE OF BUDGET
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES					
ADMIN. STAFF COSTS(ASCH)	\$563,015	\$581,704	\$545,372	96.87%	\$17,643
ADMIN BUILDING EXPEND(ABCH)	\$42,865	\$46,824	\$48,995	114.30%	(\$6,130)
OFFICE EXPENSES(AOEH)	\$127,000	\$122,741	\$150,099	118.19%	(\$23,099)
MEMBERS EXPENSES(AMEH)	\$182,481	\$158,205	\$159,650	87.49%	\$22,831
OTHER ADMIN. EXPENDITURE(ASEH + RATES)	\$357,500	\$317,586	\$357,276	99.94%	\$224
MEDICAL CENTRES(MED)	\$143,500	\$123,458	\$129,541	90.27%	\$13,959
STREET LIGHTING(STLIGHT)	\$39,600	\$36,455	\$33,176	83.78%	\$6,424
ONCOSTS (ACTUAL)(ONCOSTS)	\$559,360	\$458,313	\$521,543	93.24%	\$37,817
ONCOSTS RECOVERED	(\$487,500)	(\$417,924)	(\$430,023)	88.21%	(\$57,477)
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEV & RELATIONS(CDR+EDEV)	\$239,850	\$89,005	\$116,270	48.48%	\$123,580
GOVERNMENT LEVIES(GLEVY)	\$256,604	\$246,983	\$249,474	97.22%	\$7,130
COVID-19		\$14,722	\$6,045		
TOTAL CORPORATE & FINANCIAL SERVICES	\$2,024,275	\$1,778,071	\$1,887,418	93.24%	\$142,902
DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES					
ADMIN STAFF COSTS - DES (ASCB)	\$167,465	\$141,307	\$140,989	84.19%	\$26,476
ADMIN BUILDING EXPEND - DES(ABCB)	\$23,060	\$16,823	\$17,074	74.04%	\$5,986
OFFICE EXPENSES - DES (AOEB)	\$46,500	\$46,063	\$50,851	109.36%	(\$4,351)
ENVIRON HEALTH SERVICES (EHS)	\$31,095	\$22,640	\$22,143	71.21%	\$8,952
ANIMAL CONTROL(AC)	\$12,000	\$4,400	\$4,162	34.68%	\$7,838
PLUMBING/BUILDING CONTROL (BPC)	\$130,112	\$98,135	\$102,478	78.76%	\$27,634
SWIMMING POOLS (POOL)	\$39,092	\$38,593	\$44,517	113.88%	(\$5,425)
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (DEV)	\$102,000	\$74,680	\$111,747	109.56%	(\$9,747)
DOOR TO DOOR GARBAGE & RECYCLING (DD)	\$134,544	\$134,559	\$144,098	107.10%	(\$9,554)
ROADSIDE BINS COLLECTION (DRB)	\$114,000	\$120,013	\$108,004	94.74%	\$5,996
WASTE TRANSFER STATIONS (WTS)	\$205,150	\$188,937	\$183,686	89.54%	\$21,464
TIP MAINTENANCE (TIPS)	\$60,481	\$36,491	\$36,543	60.42%	\$23,938
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (EP)	\$4,500	\$2,833	\$595	13.22%	\$3,905
RECYCLING (RECY)	\$35,000	\$52,957	\$73,452	209.86%	(\$38,452)
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$1,104,999	\$978,429	\$1,040,338	94.15%	\$64,661
WORKS AND SERVICES					
PUBLIC CONVENIENCES (PC)	\$153,500	\$154,161	\$144,646	94.23%	\$8,854
CEMETERY (CEM)	\$17,000	\$18,932	\$19,155	112.68%	(\$2,155)
HALLS (HALL)	\$59,512	\$54,321	\$52,584	88.36%	\$6,928
PARKS AND GARDENS(PG)	\$71,000	\$67,680	\$83,164	117.13%	(\$12,164)
REC. & RESERVES(REC+TENNIS)	\$78,316	\$90,860	\$88,600	113.13%	(\$10,284)
TOWN MOWING/TREES/STREETSCAPES(MOW)	\$120,000	\$117,109	\$128,577	107.15%	(\$8,577)
HOUSING (HOU)	\$61,788	\$56,562	\$67,918	109.92%	(\$6,130)
CAMPING GROUNDS (CPARK)	\$13,500	\$15,361	\$17,415	129.00%	(\$3,915)
LIBRARY (LIB)	\$617	\$873	\$943	152.82%	(\$326)
ROAD MAINTENANCE (ROAD)	\$855,911	\$945,460	\$1,061,736	124.05%	(\$205,825)
FOOTPATHS/KERBS/GUTTERS (FKG)	\$5,850	\$7,624	\$2,944	50.33%	\$2,906
BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (BRI)	\$23,153	\$12,933	\$22,586	97.55%	\$567
PRIVATE WORKS (PW)	\$85,000	\$61,129	\$110,125	129.56%	(\$25,125)
SUPER. & I/D OVERHEADS (SUPER)	\$315,800	\$321,370	\$326,452	103.37%	(\$10,652)
QUARRY/GRAVEL (QUARRY)	(\$25,000)	(\$142,105)	(\$97,589)	390.36%	\$72,589
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT(NRM)	\$122,841	\$129,866	\$113,252	92.19%	\$9,589
SES (SES)	\$2,000	\$2,507	\$3,967	198.33%	(\$1,967)
PLANT M'TCE & OPERATING COSTS (PLANT)	\$501,128	\$520,244	\$533,006	106.36%	(\$31,878)
PLANT INCOME	(\$710,000)	(\$746,087)	(\$698,195)	98.34%	(\$11,805)
DRAINAGE (DRAIN)	\$19,000	\$19,871	\$40,533	213.33%	(\$21,533)
OTHER COMMUNITY AMENITIES (OCA)	\$25,116	\$47,282	\$32,411	129.04%	(\$7,295)
WASTE COLLECTION & ASSOC SERVICES (WAS)	\$37,000	\$46,156	\$41,406	111.91%	(\$4,406)
FLOOD REPAIRS			\$467,537		
TOTAL WORKS & SERVICES	\$1,833,032	\$1,802,109	\$2,563,171	139.83%	(\$262,601)

DEPARTMENT TOTALS OPERATING EXPENSES					
Corporate Services	\$2,024,275	\$1,778,071	\$1,887,418	93.24%	\$142,902
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$1,104,999	\$978,429	\$1,040,338	94.15%	\$64,661
Works & Services	\$1,833,032	\$1,802,109	\$2,563,171	139.83%	(\$262,601)
Total All Operating	\$4,962,306	\$4,558,609	\$5,490,926	110.65%	(\$55,038)
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE					
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES					
Computer Purchases	\$32,000	\$2,250	\$4,175	13.05%	\$27,825
Equipment	\$6,000	\$12,000	\$62,224	1037.07%	(\$56,224)
Miscellaneous (Municipal Reval etc)	\$128,500	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$128,500
	\$166,500	\$14,250	\$66,399	39.88%	\$100,101
DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES					
Swimming Pool	\$5,000	\$11,164	\$0	0.00%	\$5,000
Waste Transfer Station	\$12,000	\$0	\$3,755	31.29%	\$8,245
	\$17,000	\$11,164	\$3,755	22.09%	\$5,836
WORKS & SERVICES					
Plant Purchases	\$780,000	\$187,907	\$649,665	83.29%	\$130,335
Camping Grounds	\$0	\$11,772	\$0		\$0
Public Conveniences	\$120,000	\$134,691	\$62,871	52.39%	\$57,129
Bridges	\$0	\$204,537	\$22,642		(\$22,642)
Road Construction & Reseals	\$2,269,000	\$3,837,992	\$1,951,603	86.01%	\$317,397
Drainage	\$50,000	\$768,148	\$38,398	0.00%	\$11,602
Parks & Gardens Capital	\$40,000	\$97,407	\$26,344	65.86%	\$13,656
Infrastructure Capital (Moved to Roads)	\$170,000	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$170,000
Footpaths, Kerbs & Gutters	\$0	\$48,871	\$6,993		(\$6,993)
Rec Grounds	\$20,000	\$12,000	\$47,768	238.84%	(\$27,768)
Halls	\$25,000	\$39,595	\$73,049	292.20%	(\$48,049)
Buildings	\$777,500	\$0	\$202,028	25.98%	\$575,472
	\$4,251,500	\$5,342,919	\$3,081,361	72.48%	\$1,170,139
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS					
Corporate Services	\$166,500	\$14,250	\$66,399	39.88%	\$100,101
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$17,000	\$11,164	\$3,755	22.09%	\$13,245
Works & Services	\$4,251,500	\$5,342,919	\$3,081,361	72.48%	\$1,170,139
	\$4,435,000	\$5,368,333	\$3,151,515	71.06%	\$1,283,485

BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 30 JUNE 2022						
No.	Bank Accounts	Investment Period	Current Interest Rate %	Due Date	BALANCE	
					2021	2022
11100	Cash at Bank and on Hand					
11105	Bank 01 - Commonwealth - General Trading Account				1,351,165.32	2,152,109.31
11106	Bank 02 - Westpac - Direct Deposit Account				125,383.62	244,765.41
11110	Petty Cash				350.00	350.00
11115	Floats				200.00	200.00
11199	TOTAL CASH AT BANK AND ON HAND				1,477,098.94	2,397,424.72
11200	Investments					
11206	Bank 04	30 Days			1,000,000.00	-
11207	Bank 05	90 Days	1.48%	3/08/2022	3,648,993.88	2,658,964.74
11207	Bank 06	30 Days	0.81%	6/07/2022		2,000,824.11
11212	Bank 12	30 Days				
11214	Tascorp	180 Days	0.53%	19/09/2022	78,035.58	78,078.66
11215	Bank 15	90 Days				
11216	Bank 16	90 Days	2.38%	13/09/2022	4,000,000.00	4,009,603.26
11299	TOTAL INVESTMENTS				8,727,029.46	8,747,470.77
	TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS AND CASH ON HAND				10,204,128.40	11,144,895.49

DONATIONS AND GRANTS 2021-2022											
Date	Details	Budget	Australia Day, ANZAC Day, Hamilton Show	Childrens Services	Community Grants \ Donations	Event Development and Sponsorship	Further Education Bursaries and School Support	General Items	Church Grants	Tourism	TOTAL
	Community & Economic Development Support	(\$3,077)									
	Support/Donations	(\$38)									
	Further Education Bursaries	\$1,200									
	Central Highlands School Support	(\$60)									
	Anzac Day	\$2,895									
	Hamilton show	\$5,000									
	Australia Day	\$1,500									
	Church Grants	\$5,000									
	Suicide Prevention Program	\$2,000									
	Anglers Alliance Sponsorship	\$3,000									
	Bothwell Spin-out	\$4,000									
	Royal Flying Doctor Service	\$1,000									
	Shearing Demonstrations	\$2,000									
	Youth Activities	\$5,000									
	Australasian Golf Museum contribution to power	\$5,000									
	South Central Region Projects	\$5,000									
	Local Govt Shared Services Project	\$2,000									
	200 Years of Bothwell Celebration	\$10,000									
	Health & Wellbeing Plan Implementation	\$5,000									
19/07/2021	First aid training donation - HATCH	\$2,500			2,500.00						
19/07/2021	Meal delivery program donation - HATCH	\$2,000			2,000.00						
20/07/2021	Support for Common Ground program	\$750			750.00						
26/08/2021	Bothwell District School	\$1,000					1,000.00				
26/08/2021	Ouse District High School	\$1,000					1,000.00				
26/08/2021	Westerway Primary School	\$1,000					1,000.00				
6/09/2021	Glenora District High School	\$1,000					1,000.00				
29/09/2021	Bothwell CWA	\$250			250.00						
28/10/2021	2021 Festival of Magic	\$240			240.00						
18/11/2021	Reimburse cost re Christmas event Hamilton 4.12.21	\$100						99.80			
18/11/2021	Reimburse cost re Christmas event Hamilton 4.12.21	\$251						250.85			
24/11/2021	Ouse Country Club Kids Christmas Party	\$500			500.00						
25/11/2022	Reimburse cost re Christmas event Hamilton 4.12.21	\$66						66.00			
1/12/2021	Reimburse cost re Christmas event Hamilton 4.12.21	\$1,060						1,060.02			
9/02/2022	Bursary Lucy Triffett	\$300					300.00				
11/03/2022	ANZAC - Bothwell School book donation	\$60					60.00				
4/04/2022	Pollie Pedal challenge 22 - donation	\$250						250.00			
25/04/2022	ANZAC Day catering	\$1,000	1,000.00								
2/05/2022	Catering - ANZAC Service Bothwell 2022	\$455	454.55								
3/05/2022	Campdrafting Event Sponsorship 2022	\$300						300.00			
4/05/2022	Cooper Smythe donation	\$500			500.00						
4/05/2022	Council 2021 Citizenship Award	\$50						50.00			
13/05/2022	Anzac Catering	\$1,650	1,650.00								
26/05/2022	Continuing Education Bursary Kane Lovell 2022	\$300					300.00				
31/05/2022	Legacy Centenary Celebrations	\$1,000						1,000.00			
7/06/2022	CWA Computer & Equipment	\$2,665			2,664.54						
9/06/2022	Brighton & Southern Pony Club	\$150			150.00						
9/06/2022	Morass Bay Shackowners - Defib	\$483			483.45						
30/06/2022	Brighton Family Day Care to support and increase services in CH	\$5,000						5,000.00			
YEAR TO DATE EXPENDITURE			3,104.55	0.00	10,037.99	0.00	4,660.00	8,076.67	0.00	0.00	25,879.21
BUDGET		\$82,300	12,500.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	7,000.00	5,800.00	34,000.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	82,300.00

15.0 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.

15.1 DA2022/32 : SUBDIVISION (3 LOTS) : 1160 ELLENDALE ROAD, ELLENDALE

Report by

Jacqui Tyson (Senior Planning Officer)

Applicant

Michael Walsh (Peter Binny Surveys)

Owner

T & K Rayner

Discretions

Rural Living Zone - 13.5 Subdivision

Proposal

The proposal is for subdivision of an existing title at 1160 Ellendale Road, Ellendale into three (3) lots.

The land is currently undeveloped other than farming improvements as it has been used for grazing and hay production in the past.

The property has frontage to Ellendale Road at the western side and adjoins Jones River at the eastern side.

Under the proposal three lots will be created as follows:

- Lot 1 – 1.368ha with over 50m frontage to Ellendale Road;
- Lot 2 – 1.169ha with 75m frontage to Ellendale Road: and
- Lot 3 – 2.271ha with 20m frontage via an access strip between Lots 1 and 2

Lot 2 will be accessed using an existing crossover at the southern end of the frontage to Ellendale Road. Lots 1 and 3 will be provided with a new access from Ellendale Road, co-located at the shared boundary.

The area is serviced by water infrastructure and all lots will be connected in accordance with Taswater requirements.

Subdivision is a Discretionary use and development in the Rural Living Zone.

Subject site and Locality.

The existing title is an irregularly shaped parcel with a total area of 4.808ha. The land is vacant and undeveloped other than farm fencing and basic infrastructure.

The property is located towards the northern end of the Ellendale settlement. Adjoining land to the north, south and across Ellendale Road to the west is also zoned Rural Living and used for a mix of residential and agricultural purposes. The land adjoins Jones River to the eastern side with farms and forest surrounding the area more broadly.

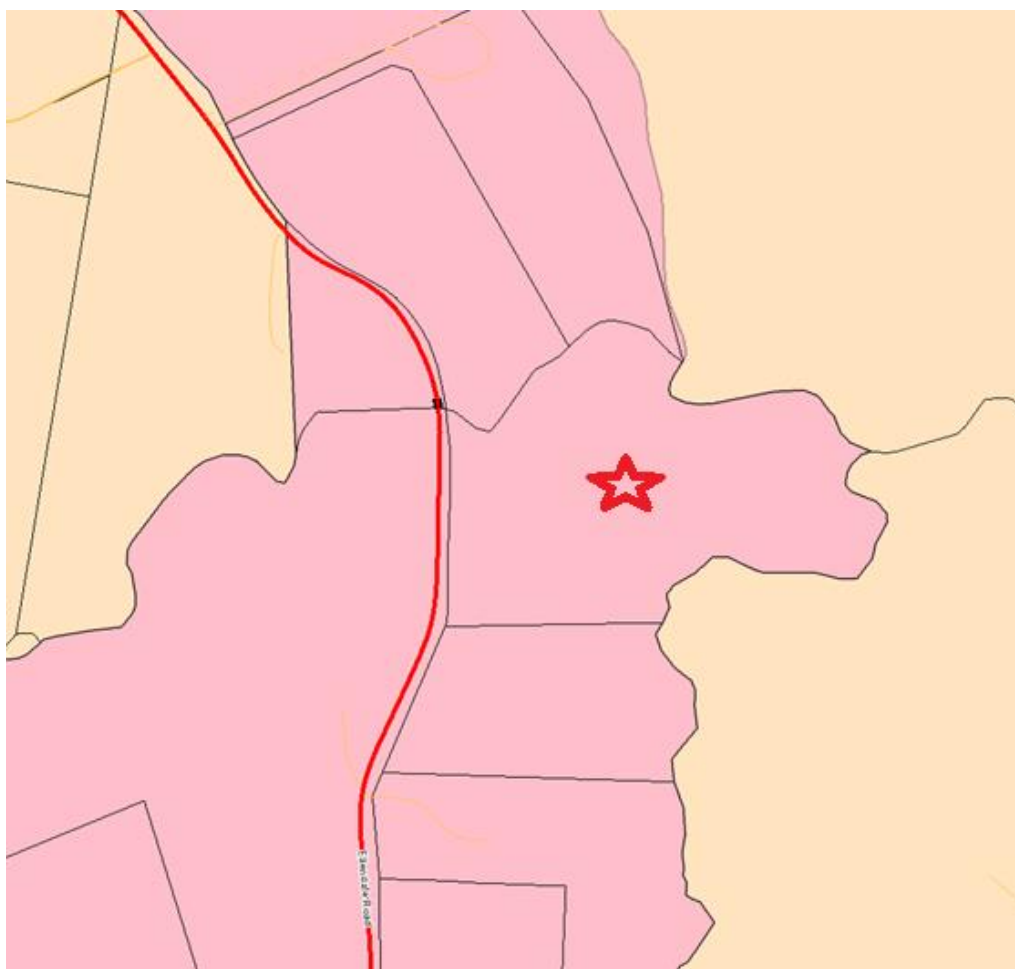


Fig 1. Location and zoning of the subject land (marked with a red star) in the Rural Living zone (pink). Surrounding land includes the Rural Resource Zone (cream). (Source: LISTmap)



Fig 2. Aerial photo of the subject land and surrounding area (Source: LISTmap)

Exemptions

Nil

Special Provisions

Nil

Rural Living Zone - Development standards for subdivision

The subject land is located in the Rural Living Zone. The proposal must satisfy the requirements of the following development standards, relevant to subdivisions:

13.5.1 Lot design To provide for new lots that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) have appropriate area and dimensions to accommodate development consistent with the Zone Purpose and any relevant Local Area Objectives or Desired Future Character Statements; (b) contain building areas which are suitable for residential development, located to avoid hazards and values and will not lead to land use conflict and fettering of resource development use on adjoining rural land; (c) are not internal lots, except if the only reasonable way to provide for infill development in existing subdivided areas. 		
Acceptable Solutions	Performance Criteria	OFFICER COMMENT
A1 The size of each lot must be no less than the following, except if for public open space, a riparian or littoral reserve, or a Utilities, Emergency services, or Community meeting and entertainment use class, by or on behalf of the State Government, a Council, a statutory authority, or a corporation all the shares of which are held by or on behalf of the State or by a statutory authority: 1 ha.	P1 No Performance Criteria.	All of the proposed lots exceed 1ha, complying with the Acceptable Solution.
A2 The design of each lot must provide a minimum building area that is rectangular in shape and complies with all of the following, except if for public open space, a riparian or littoral reserve or utilities; (a) clear of the frontage, side and rear boundary setbacks; (b) not subject to any codes in this planning scheme;	P2 The design of each lot must contain a building area able to satisfy all of the following: (a) is reasonably capable of accommodating residential use and development; (b) meets any applicable standards in codes in this planning scheme; (c) enables future development to achieve reasonable solar	The proposed lots each contain a building area that complies with most of the design requirements of Acceptable Solution A2, however they will be located less than 100m from land in the Rural Resource Zone to the east. Therefore, assessment against the Performance Criteria is necessary. Each lot is shown to contain a 30m x 30m building envelope in an appropriate location and at least 40m from the boundary with the Rural Resource Zone.

<p>(c) clear of title restrictions such as easements and restrictive covenants;</p> <p>(d) has an average slope of no more than 1 in 5;</p> <p>(e) has a separation distance no less than:</p> <p>(i) 100 m from land zoned Rural Resource;</p> <p>(ii) 200 m from land zoned Significant Agriculture;</p> <p>(f) has a setback from land zoned Environmental Management no less than 100 m.</p> <p>(g) is a minimum of 30 m x 30 m in size.</p>	<p>access, given the slope and aspect of the land;</p> <p>(d) minimises the requirement for earth works, retaining walls, and cut & fill associated with future development;</p> <p>(d) is sufficiently separated from the land zoned Rural Resource and Significant Agriculture to prevent potential for land use conflict that would fetter non-sensitive use of that land, and the separation distance is no less than:</p> <p>(i) 40 m from land zoned Rural Resource;</p> <p>(ii) 80 m from land zoned Significant Agriculture;</p> <p>(d) is sufficiently separated from the land zoned Rural Resource and Significant Agriculture to prevent potential for land use conflict that would fetter non-sensitive use of that land, and the separation distance is no less than:</p> <p>(i) 40 m from land zoned Rural Resource;</p> <p>(ii) 80 m from land zoned Significant Agriculture;</p> <p>(e) is sufficiently separated from the land zoned Rural Resource and Significant Agriculture to prevent potential for land use conflict that would fetter non-sensitive use of that land, and the separation distance is no less than:</p> <p>(i) 40 m from land zoned Rural Resource;</p> <p>(ii) 80 m from land zoned Significant Agriculture;</p>	<p>The Performance Criteria are met.</p>
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	<p>(f) is setback from land zoned Environmental Management to satisfy all of the following:</p> <p>(i) there is no significant impact from the development on environmental values;</p> <p>(ii) the potential for the spread of weeds or soil pathogens onto the land zoned Environmental Management is minimised;</p> <p>(iii) there is minimal potential for contaminated or sedimented water runoff impacting the land zoned Environmental Management;</p> <p>(iv) there are no reasonable and practical alternatives to developing close to land zoned Environmental Management.</p>	
<p>A3</p> <p>The frontage for each lot must be no less than the following, except if for public open space, a riparian or littoral reserve or utilities and except if an internal lot:</p> <p>40 m.</p>	<p>P3</p> <p>The frontage of each lot must provide opportunity for reasonable vehicular and pedestrian access and must be no less than:</p> <p>6m.</p>	<p>Lots 1 and 2 have frontage of more than 40m to Ellendale Road, complying with Acceptable Solution A3.</p> <p>Lot 3 however has 20m frontage to Ellendale Road. While this does not comply with the Acceptable Solution A3 it does comply with Performance Criterion P3.</p> <p>The requirements for frontage are therefore satisfied.</p>
<p>A4</p> <p>No lot is an internal lot.</p>	<p>P4</p> <p>An internal lot must satisfy all of the following:</p> <p>(a) access is from a road existing prior to the planning scheme coming into effect, unless site constraints make an internal lot configuration the only reasonable option to efficiently utilise land;</p> <p>(b) it is not reasonably possible to provide a new road to create a standard frontage lot;</p>	<p>Lot 3 is considered to be an internal lot, so assessment against the Performance Criteria is necessary.</p> <p>The proposed lot arrangement is an efficient use of the land and all lots will be provided with suitable access to a road.</p> <p>The proposed access strip is 20m wide and can easily contain a compliant driveway and services.</p> <p>The proposal complies with this standard.</p>

	<p>(c) the lot constitutes the only reasonable way to subdivide the rear of an existing lot;</p> <p>(d) the lot will contribute to the more efficient utilisation of rural living land;</p> <p>(e) the amenity of neighbouring land is unlikely to be unreasonably affected by subsequent development and use;</p> <p>(f) the lot has access to a road via an access strip, which is part of the lot, or a right-of-way, with a width of no less than 3.6m;</p> <p>(g) passing bays are provided at appropriate distances along the access strip to service the likely future use of the lot;</p> <p>(h) the access strip is adjacent to or combined with no more than three other internal lot access strips and it is not appropriate to provide access via a public road;</p> <p>(i) a sealed driveway is provided on the access strip prior to the sealing of the final plan.</p> <p>(j) the lot addresses and provides for passive surveillance of public open space and public rights of way if it fronts such public spaces.</p>	
<p>A5</p> <p>Setback from a new boundary for an existing building must comply with the relevant Acceptable Solution for setback.</p>	<p>P5</p> <p>Setback from a new boundary for an existing building must satisfy the relevant Performance Criteria for setback.</p>	<p>There are no existing buildings on the land so this standard does not apply.</p>

Codes

E1.0 Bushfire Prone Areas Code:

The site is located in a bushfire prone area. A bushfire assessment and bushfire management plan by a suitably qualified person has been provided with the application to demonstrate compliance with the Code requirements. A condition is included in the recommendation requiring the development to comply with the recommendations of this report.

E5.0 Road and Railway Assets Code:

This Code applies to use and development that involves changes to access arrangements.

Lots 1 and 3 will require a new access from Ellendale Road and Lot 2 will require an upgraded access from Ellendale Road. The design of the accesses will need to be in accordance with the standard drawings and conditions are recommended in regard to this.

Representations

The proposal was advertised for the statutory 14 days period.

No representations were received.

Conclusion

The proposal is for subdivision is assessed to comply with the applicable standards of the Rural Living Zone and the relevant codes of the *Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015* as outlined in the body of this report.

The proposal was advertised for public comment and no representations were received.

It is recommended that the application be approved, subject to conditions.

Legislative Context

The purpose of the report is to enable the Planning Authority to determine the Development Application DA2022/32 in accordance with the requirements of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (LUPAA). The provisions of LUPAA require a Planning Authority to take all reasonable steps to ensure compliance with the Planning Scheme.

This report details the reasons for the officers Recommendation. The Planning Authority must consider the report but is not bound to adopt the Recommendation. Broadly, the Planning Authority can either: (1) adopt the Recommendation, (2) vary the Recommendation by adding, modifying or removing recommended conditions or (3) replacing an approval with a refusal.

Any decision that is an alternative to the Recommendation requires a full statement of reasons to ensure compliance with the *Judicial Review Act 2000* and the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*. Section 25 (2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* states:

25 (2): *The general manager is to ensure that the reasons for a decision by a council or council committee acting as a planning authority are recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*

Options

The Planning Authority must determine the Development Application DA2020/13 in accordance with one of the following options:

1. Approve in accordance with the Recommendation:-

In accordance with section 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 the Planning Authority **Approve** the Development Application DA2022/32 for subdivision (3 lots) at 1160 Ellendale Road, Ellendale, subject to conditions in accordance with the Recommendation.

2. Approve with altered conditions:-

In accordance with section 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 the Planning Authority **Approve** the Development Application DA2022/32 for subdivision (3 lots) at 1160 Ellendale Road, Ellendale, subject to conditions as specified below.

Should Council opt to approve the Development Application subject to conditions that are different to the Recommendation the modifications should be recorded below, as required by Section 25(2) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015:

Alteration to Conditions:-

3. Refuse to grant a permit:-

In accordance with section 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 the Planning Authority **Refuse** the Development Application DA2022/32 for subdivision (3 lots) at 1160 Ellendale Road, Ellendale, for the reasons detailed below.

Should the Planning Authority opt to refuse to grant a permit contrary to the officers Recommendation, the reasons for the decision should be recorded below, as required by Section 25(2) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015:

Reasons :-

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT:**1. Approve in accordance with the Recommendation:-**

In accordance with section 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 the Planning Authority **Approve** the Development Application DA2022/32 for subdivision (3 lots) at 1160 Ellendale Road, Ellendale, subject to conditions in accordance with the Recommendation.

Recommended Conditions*General*

- 1) The subdivision layout or development must be carried out substantially in accordance with the application for planning approval, the endorsed drawings and with the conditions of this permit and must not be altered or extended without the further written approval of Council.
- 2) This permit shall not take effect and must not be acted on until 15 days after the date of receipt of this permit unless, as the applicant and the only person with a right of appeal, you notify Council in writing that you propose to commence the use or development before this date, in accordance with Section 53 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.

Public Open Space Contribution

- 3) Council requires that an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the unimproved value of the land be provided as cash-in-lieu of public open space in accordance with the provisions of Section 117 of the Local Government (Building & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993. The subdivider must obtain a valuation for the unimproved value of the subdivision from a registered Valuer.
- 4) The cash-in-lieu of public open space must be in the form of a direct payment made before the sealing of the final plan of survey.

Bushfire Hazard Management

- 5) The development and works must be carried out in accordance with the approved Bushfire Hazard Report (Notre Dame Priory Bushfire Hazard Report. dated 11 May 2022, prepared by ERA Planning & Environment).

Services

- 6) The Subdivider must pay the cost of any alterations and/or reinstatement to existing services, Council infrastructure or private property incurred as a result of the proposed subdivision works. Any work required is to be specified or undertaken by the authority concerned.
- 7) Electrical and telecommunications services must be provided to each lot in accordance with the requirements of the responsible authority and the satisfaction of Council's General Manager.

Access

- 8) A sealed vehicle access must be provided from the road carriageway to each lot. The accesses must be located and constructed in accordance with the standards shown on standard drawings TSD-R09-v2 and the satisfaction of Council's Works Manager.
- 9) The access strips to the internal lot (Lot 3) is to be sealed from Ellendale Road to the lot proper and must incorporate stormwater drainage, to the satisfaction of Council's Manager Infrastructure and Works.
Note: This is required by Clause 13.5.1 P4 (i).

Easements

- 10) Easements must be created over all drains, pipelines, wayleaves and services in accordance with the requirements of the Council's Municipal Engineer. The cost of locating and creating the easements shall be at the subdivider's full cost.

Endorsements

- 11) The final plan of survey must be noted that Council cannot or will not provide a means of drainage to all lots shown on the plan of survey.

TasWater

- 12) Pursuant to the Water and Sewerage Industry Act 2008 (TAS) Section 56P (2) (b) TasWater impose conditions on the permit as per Form PL05P (attached).

Final plan

- 13) A final approved plan of survey and schedule of easements as necessary, together with one copy, must be submitted to Council for sealing. The final approved plan of survey must be substantially the same as the endorsed plan of subdivision and must be prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Recorder of Titles.
- 14) A fee of \$205.00, or as otherwise determined in accordance with Council's adopted fee schedule, must be paid to Council for the sealing of the final approved plan of survey.
- 15) All conditions of this permit, including either the completion of all works and maintenance or payment of security in accordance with this permit, must be satisfied before the Council seals the final plan of survey for each stage.
- 16) It is the subdivider's responsibility to notify Council in writing that the conditions of the permit have been satisfied and to arrange any required inspections.

The following advice applies to this permit:

- a) This permit does not imply that any other approval required under any other legislation has been granted.
- b) If you notify Council that you intend to commence the use or development before the date specified above you forfeit your right of appeal in relation to this permit.

15.2 PROPOSED TOWNSHIP STRUCTURE PLANNING PROJECT**Report By**

Council Planning Consultant (SMC) Damian Mackey

Attachment

Project Brief – Draft 5 - 13 July 2022

Purpose

The primary purpose of this report is to progress the initiative to develop 'structure plans' for the townships of Bothwell, Ouse & Hamilton and possibly Miena, Gretna and Ellendale/Fentonbury.

The secondary purpose of this report is to consider a recent proposal from the State Planning Office that Council undertaking the first stage of the project collectively with other rural councils in Southern Tasmania.

Background

The feedback received during last year's public notification of the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule brought into focus a need to undertake strategic land use planning exercises for the townships of Bothwell and Ouse. Furthermore, it is now standard practice for the Tasmanian Planning Commission to require that proposed planning scheme amendments within towns are supported by wholistic strategic planning. In other words: 'structure plans'. With this in mind, the project scope has been expanded to include other towns in the municipality, with the outcomes of the first phase of the project informing which towns ought to be subject to the comprehensive structure planning process and which may require something less.

The State Planning Office (SPO) within the Department of Premier and Cabinet has advised it has funds available to assist Councils with this kind of work. The Central Highlands project has been costed at 240,000 over two financial years. The SPO has confirmed it will provide up to \$140,000, with the first financial year's allocation of \$70,000 confirmed. Through the recent budgeting workshop process, Council has allocated the necessary funds for the coming financial year. In short, the project is funded and can commence.

The Structure Planning Process

The development of a structure plan is generally undertaken by suitably qualified and experienced independent consultants appointed by Council and working under the direction of a Council-appointed Project Steering Committee.

Prior to seeking proposals from potential consultants, a Project Brief needs to be finalised setting out the key components of the project, such as necessary research, timeframes, community consultation, specific matters that have already been identified, outputs and the project budget.

It is essential to building into the process substantial community involvement. This will ensure the vision developed for a town is the best it can be, and the local community have a level of ownership. There are usually two phases of community involvement. The first phase is a structured process run by the consultants calling for all manner of ideas, issues, problems, risks, opportunities, etc, from the community. This usually involves a community workshop held at a venue in the town, along with a submission process for those unable to attend.

The second phase of community consultation is undertaken after the consultants (with Council) have developed a draft of the structure plan, which is put out to the community for comment.

Other inputs besides that from the community include research on population growth forecasts, residential land demand & supply analysis, demographic trends, gaps in social services, key infrastructure issues and system capacities (water, sewer, roads, etc.), employment trends including existing and future industry sectors and a range of other issues that might be identified at the community workshops. All inputs contribute to a collective 'visioning' phase of the process

Benefits

The final structure plans would set out an agreed vision for each town. Desirable zone changes would be highlighted and the strategic planning rationale explained. Recommendations may also go to community infrastructure and/or facilities that may be missing or inadequate. Where such facilities are within Council's purview, the Structure Plan recommendations can inform Council's future works program and budgeting as well as support grant applications to State or Federal Government. Where such facilities are State-level responsibilities, the Structure Plan can be used to bolster Council's lobbying efforts.

Governance

Full Council would always provide high level governance and make/endorse key decisions. The Steering Committee would provide regular direction and governance, and report back to full Council at key decision points. These would be specified in the Project Brief.

Day-to-day liaison with the project consultants will be through a Project Manager, who will report to the Project Steering Committee.

Next Steps

Now that the funding has been confirmed, the first task is to finalise a Project Brief and the second task is to seek a suitably qualified and experienced consultant to undertake the work. The detailed work for these tasks might normally be undertaken by a Council-appointed Project Steering Committee. It is envisaged this would be made up of Council elected members with Council officers in attendance to provide advice. As mentioned above, the Steering Committee would be subject to overall direction from Council and key decisions would be referred back to full Council.

The process was discussed in detail at the Council Planning Committee on 12 July. It was identified that the looming local government elections in October will occur at a crucial time. The Planning Committee resolved the following:

That it be recommended to Council that:

- A. *The Project Steering Committee be appointed after the October Council elections;*
- B. *Prior to October, full Council develop the Project Brief to a penultimate stage, to be finalised under the new Council after the elections.*

To progress the above, it is proposed that a detailed report be put to the next Planning Committee meeting setting out a Project Brief, followed by endorsement as the 'penultimate draft' at the following Council meeting. Following the October elections, the documents would be finalised, the Steering Committee appointed and a Request for Proposals sent out to potential consultants.

Draft Project Brief

A draft Project Brief is provided in Attachment 1 for information. As indicated above, it is proposed that this be considered in detail at the next Planning Committee meeting. As indicated, it is envisaged that the project be divided into two major parts, with Part 1 being the initial fundamental information gathering and analysis stage and the initial public consultation work, with Part 2 being the development of the structure plans themselves. The recommendations of Part 1 would set out which towns need to be the subject of a comprehensive structure-planning process and which do not.

State Planning Office Proposed Change

The State Planning Office has recently suggested that Council consider undertaking Part 1 collectively with other rural Councils in the Southern Region. This idea has arisen because the SPO has received requests from other rural Councils for funding to assist in their own township structure planning work. The reasoning is provided in the following excerpt from the SPO's recent email:

- *The State Planning Office is currently funding a number of regional and local strategic planning studies to inform the review of the three regional land use strategies in Tasmania.*
- *Last year's State Budget delivered \$3.45 million over 3 years for the regional land use strategy reviews.*
- *A number of projects are currently underway to inform the review of the Southern Tasmania Regional Land Use Strategy (STRLUS).*
- *For the metropolitan area, the Greater Hobart Plan has examined residential demand and supply for the four metropolitan councils in Greater Hobart (Hobart, Clarence, Glenorchy and Kingborough) specifically in relation to the current urban growth boundary. The Greater Hobart Plan has been managed through the Hobart City Deal under the Greater Hobart Act 2018.*
- *Complementary work has also recently commenced for the Outer Hobart Residential Demand and Supply Study to examine the urban areas of Greater Hobart outside the scope Greater Hobart Plan (Brighton and Sorell and the remaining areas Clarence (e.g. Lauderdale) and Margate and Snug in Kingborough) along with the settlements within a 45 minute commute from the Hobart CBD (e.g. Huonville, New Norfolk, Richmond, Bagdad, Campania).*
- *On the back of a number of requests for local strategic planning funding for the rural council areas in the Southern Region, the State Planning Office is currently considering options for funding a further complementary demand and supply study to be managed as sub-regional project for the remaining settlements in the Southern Region – the Outlying Settlements.*
- *Running this as a coordinated project provides value in terms of resourcing, time and cost savings and greater consistency in the collection and analysis of data.*

- *There is the potential to consider demand and supply in the context of the three different sub-regional segments in the Southern Region – for example an East Coast Sub-Region, a Huon Valley/Channel Sub-Region, Midlands/Highlands/Derwent Valley Sub-region.*
- *The completion of the residential demand and supply studies will inform the review of the STRLUS and local strategic planning work (e.g. the preparation of structure plans).*
- *The studies will also complement those underway and proposed in the Northern and Cradle Coast regions and create a full picture of residential demand and supply in the State, providing a baseline for the ongoing monitoring and implementation of the regional land use strategies.*

Combining our proposed Part 1 work with the other rural councils in Southern Tasmania would be a departure from the earlier draft of the Project Brief previously considered by Council and forwarded to the SPO as part of our funding request.

The SPO's suggestion was discussed at the Planning Committee. The following questions were raised:

- Will joining with a combined project delay our project? Central Highlands is close to commencing and reaching agreement with all other rural Councils in the Southern Region to undertake a collective project may take some time.
- Within a combined project, the importance of the Central Highlands' towns and the issues they face may get lost, or diminished in importance. How can we insure against this?
- Our 'Part 1' also includes other components, such as the initial community consultation work. How would this mesh with a combined approach?
- If Council does not participate in the combined approach, would this put the promised funding from the SPO at risk?
- Is the proposed combined project purely a residential supply and demand analysis?
- Would there be opportunity for Council to have input into the project, for example regarding the unique current and envisaged population growth drivers for our area?
- Would there be opportunity for the community to similarly have input?

These questions have been raised with the SPO and it is envisaged that answers will be available in time to be provided to the Council meeting, enabling a recommendation to be formulated.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT:

- A. The Project Steering Committee be appointed after the October Council elections;
- B. Prior to October, full Council develop the Project Brief to a penultimate stage, to be finalised under the new Council after the elections; and
- C. In relation to the proposal from the State Planning Office (SPO) that Part 1 of the project be combined into a broader a project covering all the rural towns in the Southern Region, Council advise the SPO that (recommendation to be provided at the Council meeting)

15.3 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS DRAFT LOCAL PROVISIONS SCHEDULE : RURAL-AGRICULTURE ZONE REVIEW (Supporting Documents included as a Separate Attachment)

Report By

Council Planning Consultant (SMC) Damian Mackey

Attachment

Rural Land Zoning Review Central Highlands Council, July 2022 – by Pinion Advisory

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to consider the report from Pinion Advisory reviewing Council's allocation of the Rural and Agriculture Zones in the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule.

Background

In March the Tasmanian Planning Commission directed Council to engage a suitably qualified independent consultant to review its methodology in allocating the Rural and Agriculture Zones in the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule. The Commission set a deadline of 29 July for Council to provide the report.

Council sought proposals, including timeframes and costs estimates, from two companies considered capable of undertaking this kind of work, and appointed Pinion Advisory in late May.

Jason Lynch from Pinion presented the draft report to the Council Planning Committee on 12 July. A number of minor modifications and additions were identified and agreed. The Planning Committee resolved the following:

THAT it be recommended to Council that it accept the Rural Land Zoning Review from Pinion Advisory, dated July 2022, which reviews Council's allocation of the Rural and Agriculture Zones in the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule, subject to the amendments and additions discussed at the Planning Committee meeting, and forward the report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

Pinion Advisory amended the document accordingly and provided the attached final version.

Discussion

The report agrees with Council's allocation of the Rural and Agriculture Zones, which excludes substantial areas in the municipality that had been ear-marked for the Agricultural Zone in the State's 'Land Potentially Suitable for the Agriculture Zone' map created in 2018.

Councillors will recall that Council's proposed outer extent of the Agriculture Zone has been identified on the maps provided to the Planning Commission by a 'blue line'. The maps in the Pinion report include this line, as drawn by Council.

As set out in detail in the report, the reasons for excluding most of the land arise from high altitude which leads to a very short growing season (less than 600 Growing Day Degrees per year) very high frost risk (greater than 50-100 annual frost events) and generally poor Land Capability classification arising from these and other factors. Much of the land is therefore only used for seasonal grazing during the warmer months and contains many Private Timber Reserves and Nature Conservation Covenants. These limitations are common to eleven of the twelve clusters that Pinion used to divide the area into assessment units, outside Council's 'blue line'.

The twelfth cluster, "Fentonbury/Ellendale" is not as encumbered as the other areas in regard to these fundamental limitations on agriculture. However, it is nevertheless recommended that the Rural Zone apply, primarily due to the fact that it is divided into small titles and is effectively a defacto rural-living area used predominantly for hobby farming purposes. The individual titles are valued for that purpose, not for commercial agriculture, and it is therefore not financially realistic to expect that groups of titles would be purchased and amalgamated into large viable agricultural units in the future. As such, the Rural Zone is more suitable to the reality on the ground than the Agriculture Zone. (As an aside, the most appropriate zoning potentially is the Rural Living Zone, but consideration of such a change is outside the scope of the current process which is designed to just transition the various council Interim Planning Schemes into the new, single, Tasmanian Planning Scheme).

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council accept the Rural Land Zoning Review from Pinion Advisory, dated July 2022, which reviews Council's allocation of the Rural and Agriculture Zones in the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule, and forward the report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

15.4 REQUEST FOR LANDOWNER CONSENT TO LODGE DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION : GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Report by

Graham Rogers (Manager, DES)

Background

At the June Ordinary Meeting the Great Lake Community Centre members provided Council with an update on grants they had received for the centre and discussed their plans.

Council has now received a Planning Application which included a greenhouse, men's shed and alterations at the community centre at 55-57 Cider Gum Road, Miena.

In accordance with Section 52(1B) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, written consent is required from Council, as owner of the land.

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.

Conclusion

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

Providing landowner consent does not indicate Council has made a decision on the application and if Council agrees to provide landowner consent for the Development application it would proceed through the usual planning process.

A copy of the application and proposal plans have been included in the attachments.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

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 a greenhouse, men's shed and alterations at 55-57 Cider Gum Road, Miena; and

THAT the General Manager be authorised to sign the landowner consent.

15.5 REQUEST FOR REMISSION IN FEES

Report by

Graham Rogers (Manager, DES)

Background

The Bothwell Golf Club have received grants to improve its facilities which they hope will benefit the long term use of the club by members and community groups, including students from Bothwell High School. The principal use of the grant is to construct a new storage building and junior training area.

Current situation

Plans have been drawn up and the Golf Club are about to submit a Planning Application to Council for consideration.

A letter has been received from the Bothwell Golf Club requesting Council waive the application fees associated with the application. They have advised that this will be of considerable help as the cost of the application will of course reduce the amount of grant money available for the actual construction of facilities.

A copy of the letter from the Bothwell Golf Club has been included in the attachments for your information.

The Planning Application Fees will be as follows:

- Discretionary Development Application: \$230.20
- Statutory Advertising: \$310.00

FOR DISCUSSION & RECOMMENDATION

15.6 DAGO POINT

This item was discussed at the June Ordinary Meeting of Council with a decision made to defer the item to the September 2022 meeting to allow time for public consultation with regard to the new name.

Further advice has been sought from Place Names Tasmania on the process of changing a name, and Council's involvement to ensure Council are not doubling up on the process.

Place Names Tasmania have clarified that they are the approving authority and they are required to undertake public consultation where the community can provide submissions to the proposal. Once the public consultation period is complete Place Names Advisory Panel makes a recommendation to the Minister who will either approve or reject the recommendation.

Place Names Tasmania have further advised that if Council would like to have the name changed they could make a decision to be the proponent and canvas the views of the community. This would not negate from Place Names Tasmania having to undertake their required public consultation process.

Therefore, there are two options available to Council:

1. Council can respond to the initial decision of the Panel being **"The Panel has undertaken to write to Central Highlands Council to determine Council's opinions on this matter"**; or
2. Council can make a decision to become the proponent to have the name changed and canvas the views of the community.

FOR DISCUSSION & DECISION

15.7 SES SHED MIENA

At the last Budget Workshop Council decided to remove the \$40,000 allocated for the construction of a SES shed at Miena and asked that it be placed on the Agenda for discussion.

FOR DISCUSSION

15.8 TIP SHOP PROPOSAL

Report By:

Beverley Armstrong (Environmental Health Officer)

Information:

A proposal for a Tip Shop to be housed in the home industries building at the Hamilton Showgrounds. A copy of the letter received has been included in the attachments.

Issues to be resolved:

- Does Council cover this in its insurance?
- Does Council want to charge rent.?
- Is the building suitable and safe – Graham to do a building report.
- Issues around use for Hamilton show v stock stored.
- Would security on the building be required?
- Are there any access issues, does Hamilton Showground have a locked gate?

FOR DISCUSSION

15.9 RESIDENTIAL BUILDING (MISCELLANEOUS CONSUMER PROTECTION AMENDMENTS) BILL 2022

The Tasmanian Government is consulting on the proposed *Residential Building (Miscellaneous Consumer Protection Amendments) Bill 2022* and seeking Council's input. The intention of the Bill is to strengthen consumer protections within the existing Building Act framework.

LGAT is seeking comments by **Thursday 28 July 2022** to inform a sector submission. Direct submissions from Councils can also be submitted.

The Bill focuses on three priority areas intended to improve consumer protections, being:

1. Dispute Resolution for Residential Building Work;
2. Addressing Defective Building Work; and
3. Accountability of Statutory Office Holders.

Information sheets on these areas have been included in the attachments.

More information, and the Bill itself, can be found at the Department of Justice Community Consultation website: <https://www.justice.tas.gov.au/community-consultation/consultations/Residential-Building-Miscellaneous-Consumer-Protection-Amendments-Bill-2022>

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT comments on the proposed *Residential Building (Miscellaneous Consumer Protection Amendments) Bill 2022* be forwarded to the Manager Development & Environmental Services by **Tuesday 26 July 2022**.

Conclusion

Once both parties are happy with the proposal plan PDA will submit the Planning Application for assessment and consideration.

RECOMMENDATION:**Moved:** Clr**Seconded:** Clr**THAT:**

1. Council accept proposal plan 49755CT-1;
2. The proposal plan be forwarded to Mr Archer for approval;
3. An agreement for the long-term parking and grazing requirements be prepared by Council's Solicitor.

15.11 TASMANIAN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENTS REVIEW**Report by**

Graham Rogers (Manager, DES)

Information

The State Government has recently commenced a review of the Tasmanian Emergency Management Arrangements (TEMA). A copy of the TEMA Issue 1 has been included in the attachments.

The objectives of the review are to:

- a) review the broad arrangements for emergency management in Tasmania
- b) address any gaps or shortcoming of TEMA Issue 1 that have been identified
- c) review the responsibilities for hazards and co-ordination of emergency management in Tasmania
- d) review the State Special Emergency Plan (SSEMP) template.

The State Government are seeking Councils input into the review. LGAT will be developing a sectoral submission in response to the review.

To further support councils' input into the review the project manager of the review will be running three regional workshops with council officers. The southern forum will take place in the first week of August, and the north and north-west forum will take place in the last week of July. LGAT will have a Policy Officer in attendance at the workshops to capture key input to inform the sectoral response and will provide further details about the workshops in due course.

Key considerations from a local government perspective into the review of the TEMA may include:

- ensuring roles and responsibilities for agencies and support agencies are clearly articulated, especially where more than one agency is named up for the same responsibility. This is the case on a number of occasions where local government is named up as a support agency
- Ensuring clarity around triggers for escalation from municipal to regional level – especially where costs are attributed
- Ensuring the TEMA clarifies roles and responsibilities for river restoration and riparian management in recovery- a recommendation from the Blake review
- Reflection on the recovery arrangements during COVID and the need for clarity around roles and responsibilities for recovery arrangements moving forward.

RECOMMENDATION:**Moved:** Clr**Seconded:** Clr

THAT comments on the Tasmanian Emergency Management Arrangements be forwarded to the Manager Development & Environmental Services by **3 August 2022**.

15.12 COMMUNITY AED – MIENA AMBULANCE STATION

Report by

Graham Rogers (Manager, DES)

Information

There had been some discussion about placing the existing defibrillator at the Great Lake Community Centre outside so that it could be accessed 24/7. I was asked to obtain a quote for a heated AED box.

Since that time it came to Council's attention that the Miena Ambulance Volunteer group were in the process of installing a community defibrillator on the outside of the Miena Ambulance Station.

The Miena Ambulance Volunteer group have advised as follows:

This AED will be encased in a heated cabinet to preserve the gel pads and the lithium battery in the extreme cold environment that we have here in Miena.

I believe the council were looking at doing something similar at the community centre but advice given to me is you are more than happy for us to go ahead with our project.

As this project will be costed at a few thousand dollars and the council looks like they will save that cost, we would be more than happy if the council could give the volunteer group in Miena a donation towards the installation.

Naturally we could give recognition to the council for their efforts.

FOR DISCUSSION

15.13 COVID 19 UPDATE

Report by

Beverley Armstrong (EHO)

Information

The Public Health Emergency Declaration in response to COVID-19 ended in Tasmania from 12.01am Friday 1 July 2022.

Although the Emergency Declaration has ended, it is important to be aware that COVID-19 is still present in the Tasmanian community meaning that COVID-19 safe behaviours from individuals, businesses and workplaces remain just as important.

Everyone should take an active role in assessing their own risk of COVID-19 and what they can do to reduce that risk.

Although many COVID-19 restrictions and requirements have already been lifted, some measures will remain in place through Public Health Orders under the Public Health Act 1997.

Measures that remain in place from 1 July 2022:

- positive cases are still required to isolate for at least 7 days
- close contacts are still required to follow close contact rules, including testing daily if leaving their home and wearing a mask when outside their home

- anyone with symptoms, even mild, should still stay at home, get tested and report a positive RAT. The Department of Health will continue providing testing for COVID-19 including access to PCR testing and RATs.
- workplaces need to continue to include COVID-19 as part of workplace health and safety practices and consider what they can do to reduce risks .
- masks are no longer mandated in most settings but are still recommended.
- COVID-safe behaviours are still recommended, including physical distancing and wearing a mask where it is not possible or where there are individuals who are at risk of severe illness

Measures that are changing from 01 July 2022:

- Public Health no longer require vaccination for certain workers, but individual workplaces may require vaccination as part of their workplace health and safety practices.
- some settings, as part of their workplace health and safety risk assessments may keep requirements for some COVID-19 safety measures to protect those who are at risk from respiratory diseases such as COVID-19 and flu.

Councils Covid 19 Safety Plan is still in effect, I have reviewed and updated any changes that are required.

Please check and advise if anything else needs changing.

Updated Covid 19 Safety Plan is attached. I have recommended that masks been worn at indoor meetings and when attending meetings outside Council indoors.

COVID 19 IS STILL WITH US - IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU LOOK AFTER YOUR OWN SAFETY AS WELL AS THOSE CLOSE TO YOU.

FOR INFORMATION

15.14 HAMILTON REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE: ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW 2022

Report by

Beverley Armstrong (EHO)

Information

A copy of the EMP Permit Review for the Hamilton Landfill, as required by our operating Permit, has been included in the attachments for your information.

A copy of this report has been sent to Shane Hogue of the EPA.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

FOR INFORMATION

15.15 DES BRIEFING REPORT

PLANNING PERMITS ISSUED UNDER DELEGATION

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

NO PERMIT REQUIRED

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2022 / 00058	D Mainwaring	10273 Highland Lakes Road, Brandum	Dwelling Addition (Carport)
2022 / 00059	L Datlen	58 Patrick Street, Bothwell	Shipping Containers x 2
2022 / 00061	M G & T M Baker	1 Little Dog Court, Miena	Shed
2022 / 00062	J D Evans	20 Wilburville Road, Wilburville	Shed
2022 / 00045	Jonathan Smith Lawyers	Dawson Road, Ouse	Petition to Amend Sealed Plan

PERMITTED USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2022 / 00060	A L Ford	29 Bronte Estate Road, Bronte Park	Dwelling
2022 / 00055	P D A Surveyors	(Part Of) Rockmount Road, Ellendale & 475 Rockmount Road, Ellendale	Adjustment of Boundary

DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2022 / 00038	D W & R A Siggins	3552 Lyell Highway, Gretna	Outbuilding
2022 / 00030	D A Klower	753 Arthurs Lake Road, Arthurs Lake	Dwelling
2022 / 00051	Hydro Electric Corporation	Waddamana Road, Waddamana	Vehicle Parking & Signage
2022 / 00044	Pettit Designs	Lot 1 Schaw Street, Bothwell	Dwelling
2022 / 00052	Rainbow Building Solutions	39 Patrick Street, Bothwell	Demolition & New Outbuilding
2022 / 00057	Telstra Corporation	Tarraleah	Telecommunication Facility

ANIMAL CONTROL**IMPOUNDED DOGS**

No dogs have been impounded during the past month.

STATISTICS AS OF 12 JULY 2022**Registrations**

Total Number of Dogs Registered in 2021/2022 Financial Year – 978

2022/2023 renewal have been issued.

- Number of Dogs Currently Registered - 246
- Number of Dogs Pending Re-Registration – 699

Kennel Licences

Total Number of Kennel Licences Issued for 2021/2022 Financial Year – 30

2022/2023 Renewal have been Issued.

- Number of Licences Issued – 10
- Number of Licences Pending – 20

16.0 WORKS & SERVICES

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

WORKS & SERVICES REPORT **12 July 2022**

Grading & Sheeting	Bluff Road, Green Valley Road, Interlaken Road, Strickland Road, Eyles Road, Victoria Valley Road, McGuire's Marsh Road, Meadsfield Road, Bashan Road
Maintenance Grading	Parsons Road
Potholing / shouldering	Bluff Road, Green Valley Road, Interlaken Road, Arthurs Lake Road, Thiessen Crescent, Jones Road, Fourteen Mile Road, Meadsfield Road, Rose Hill Road, Bashan Road
Spraying:	
Culverts / Drainage:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean culverts Dennistoun Road • Clean culverts Interlaken Road • Install culverts on Bluff Road • Clean culverts Langloh Road • Clean culverts Browns Marsh Road • Clean culverts Victoria Valley Road • Install culvert Mark tree Road
Occupational Health and safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monthly Toolbox Meetings • Day to day JSA and daily prestart check lists completed • Monthly workplace inspections completed • Playground inspections • 25.5hrs Annual Leave taken • 42.5hrs Sick Leave taken • 118hrs Long Service Leave • 0 days pandemic leave
Bridges:	Bridge inspection with Pitt and Sherry on Wentworth Bridge 14 Mile
Refuse / recycling sites:	Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly
Other:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair sign crossroads Mark Tree • Replace signs crossroads Waddamana • Replace Bashan Road sign • Repair damaged signs Ellendale Road • Pick up roadside litter Ellendale Road • Pick up roadside litter Victoria Valley • Repair sink hole Victoria Valley Road • Gravel driveways • Repairs to toilets Ouse • Remove debris burnt willows • Cold mix holes Ellendale Road

- Cold mix holes Ouse township
- Remove tree Lower Marshes Road
- Remove tree Interlaken Road
- Remove tree Glovers Road
- Replace sign Dennistoun Road
- Repair gate doctors house and driveway
- Remove limbs Wayatinah
- Completed sewage extension and footpath upgrade Bothwell

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:

Plant:

- PM613 Komatsu loader exhaust repairs
- PM753 Bomag Compactor repair oil leak
- PM741 Mack truck new drive tyres
- PM772 Hino tipper repairs
- PM788 Hilux Ute service
- PM774 Cat Grader new window and service
- PM757 Backhoe (H) new mudguard and mirror

Private Works:

- John Webb gravel
- Barry Harback concrete premix
- Andrew Dalley gravel
- Brett Speed water delivery
- Becketts repair driveway
- Laurance Jones concrete premix
- DKMA gravel
- Nigel Campbell gravel delivery
- Green Valley Pastoral excavator hire

Casuals

- Toilets, rubbish and Hobart
- Hamilton general duties

Program for next 4 weeks

- Install tables Hamilton Park and Platypus walk
- Slashing of Municipal Roads
- Grading and sheeting Municipal Roads

16.1 VIRTUAL FENCE USED BY STATE GROWTH

At the June Council Meeting the matter of animals on the Highlands Lake Road is discussed. The Mayor has requested that Council consider writing to State Growth regarding the installation of a virtual fence in a high risk area of the Central Highlands.

State Growth have been testing the virtual fence for a number of years, which uses the latest non invasive audio and visual systems to alert animals and prevent vehicle contact.

The aim of the virtual fence is to protect the wildlife of Australia and enhance the safety of drivers with the latest road-kill mitigation technology. The latest testing has seen a 50% reduction in wildlife vehicle collisions more information is available at: <https://www.wildlifesafetysolutions.com.au/>

The wildlife safety solutions website states the following:

The Virtual Fencing system offers following benefits:

- Proven reduction of accidents, injuries and fatalities
- Outstanding cost-performance ratio
- Low maintenance costs
- High reliability and ruggedness
- No obstruction of gene pool flow
- No known habituation effect.



Virtual Fencing technology has had proven application in the US and Europe, on wildlife of all species and sizes, since 2003. However, as a new product to Australia, its effectiveness on Australian wildlife and in Australian conditions has only recently been confirmed.

Working in partnership with the Tasmanian Government's Save the Tasmanian Devil Program (STDP), a trial of Virtual Fencing technology in Australia's island state of Tasmania was established in 2014.

The site of the trial was a 13-kilometre stretch of road between Arthur River and Marrawah on the state's remote North-West coast, chosen for its well-documented instances of roadkill, situated within the habitat of the endangered Tasmanian Devil.

The dataset presented in this white paper ended in March 2017, providing three continuous years of data since installation of the fence. The results show although the total wildlife-vehicle collision events varied between species, a significant reduction in the rate of roadkill incidences of Australian native species was recorded.

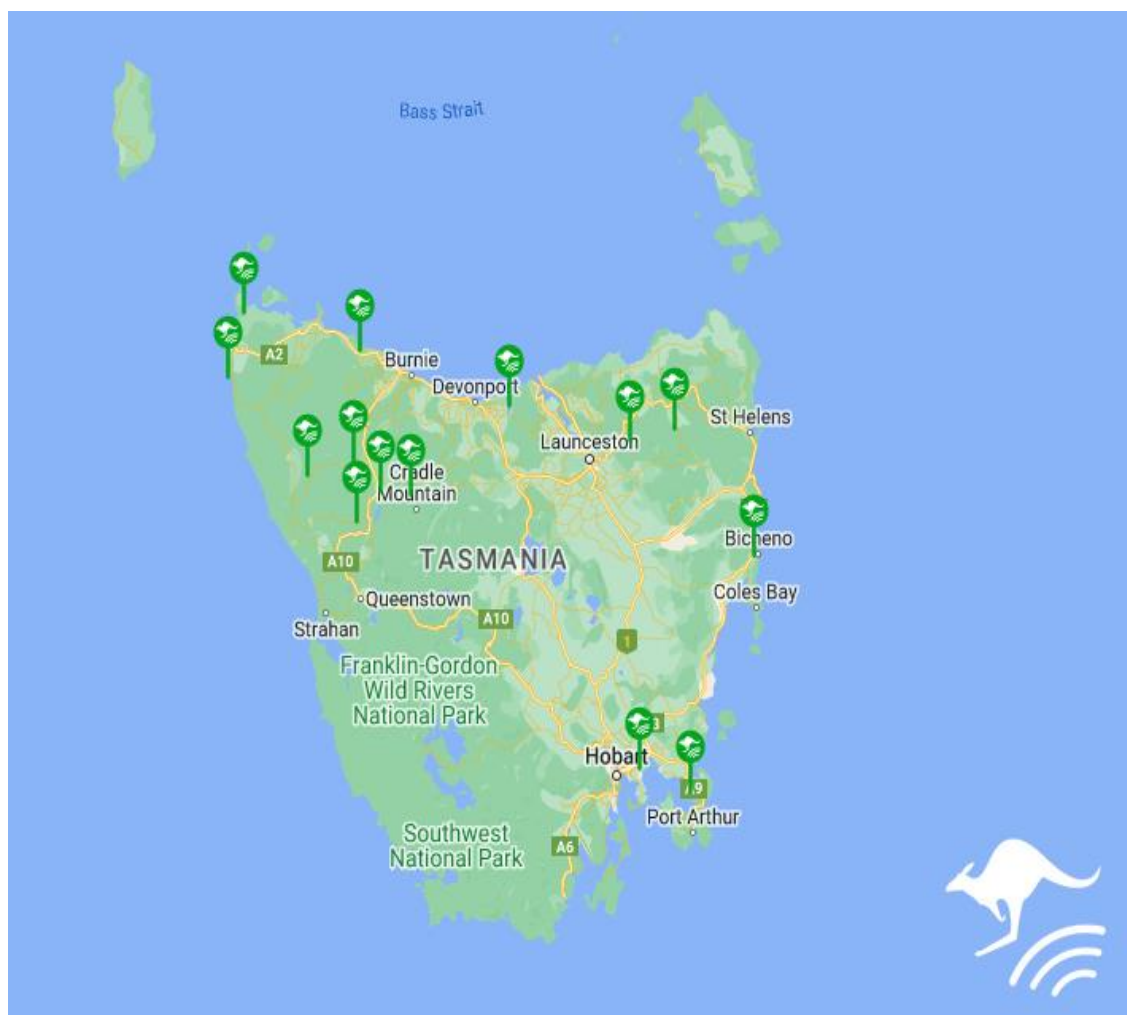
The most commonly affected species identified as the Bennett's wallaby & Tasmanian pademelon, see a reduction of roadkill events by 50% demonstrating a huge potential of this roadkill mitigation technology.

Access full publication at: <https://www.publish.csiro.au/am/AM18012> cost is \$35.00

Another promising outcome of the data indicates a reduction in the number of vulnerable species hit by vehicles, such as the endangered Tasmanian Devil and the spotted-tailed quoll. Suggesting the Virtual Fencing devices may help reduce the impact of roadkill on these vulnerable populations of species that are already challenged by other threats in the environment.

Lead Author Dr Fox stresses the importance of identifying roadkill hotspots in conjunction with the roll out of the technology; concluding “the obvious reduction in roadkill in the trial is encouraging and should support roll out of these devices.” Recommending other states to consider the use of this technology to mitigate wildlife-vehicle collision.

Site locations in Tasmania are: <https://www.wildlifesafetyolutions.com.au/tasmania>



Site Name	Date	Distance	Species	State
Hellyer Gold Mine, TAS	May 2018	3 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Wallabies and all other native fauna	Tasmania
Hobart Airport, TAS	May 2018	1 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Spotted Quolls and Wallabies	Tasmania
Cradle Mountain, TAS	April 2018	4 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Wallabies and all other native fauna	Tasmania
Bicheno, TAS	September 2017	2 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Wallabies and all other native fauna	Tasmania
Arthur River, TAS	December 2014	5 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Spotted Quolls and Wallabies	Tasmania
Woolnorth, TAS	June 2018	Various hotspots along 12 km stretch of road	Tasmanian Devil	Tasmania
Waratah, TAS	March 2016	7 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Wombats, Wallabies, All other native fauna	Tasmania
Murdunna, TAS	March 2016	7 Km	Tasmanian Devil, Wombats, Wallabies, All other native fauna	Tasmania
Savage River Mine, TAS	December 2019	3.5 Km	Tasmanian Devil	Tasmania
Dorset Council, TAS	May 2019	2 Km	Local Fauna	Tasmania
Mathina Plains, TAS	TBC	TBC	Local Fauna	Tasmania
Bakers Beach, TAS	TBC	TBC	Local Fauna	Tasmania
Sisters Beach, TAS	May 2021	3 Km	Local Fauna	Tasmania
Riley Mine, TAS	March 2021	3 Km	Local Fauna	Tasmania

Two products are available: DD420 and DD430

DD420

The DD420 Virtual Fencing device is the basic model on the market.



The DD420 provides:

- On/Off switch
- Acoustic alert
- Bi-colour optical alert
- Vehicle detection range up to 300m
- Daylight Sensor: Deactivates the device during daytime when animal-vehicle collisions are less likely
- Thin-film solar cells optimized for low light conditions, Lithium polymer rechargeable battery.

DD430

The DD430 incorporates the features of the DD420, along with the advantages of the very latest technology.



The DD430 provides:

- Reduced frequency setting for residential areas
- Acoustic alert
- Bi-colour optical alert
- Advanced theft protection
- On-site updates
- Natural sound alerts
- Vehicle detection range up to 300m
- On/Off Switch
- Manual trigger for daytime application
- UPAN chip upgrade option for future DD450 with wireless capabilities

Ms Glenna Joseph the Environmental Officer at Department of State Growth has advised Council of the following regarding installation of a virtual fence in a high risk area of the Central Highlands:

“The Tasmanian Government share the community’s concern about roadkill on Tasmania’s roads and the Department of State Growth has a number of initiatives aimed at reducing the toll on the State road network. These include fencing, animal-friendly road crossings, and static and electronic wildlife warning signage to help raise driver awareness.

Trials of Virtual Fencing, led by the Department of State Growth on the Huon Highway, did not show any significant reduction in roadkill. Virtual fence technology was also trialled between 2014 and 2017 in the north-west at Arthur River – Marrawah Road. These results showed a significant reduction in the number of animals killed after installation in that region.

A number of variables in the two studies may have contributed to the differing results, such as the length of time each trial was conducted, the types of roads targeted – one being a quieter local road, and the other a busy highway, the volume and speed of traffic, and the surrounding environment. These results highlight that more research and analysis is required to better understand whether there are variables that impact on the effectiveness of virtual fencing in reducing roadkill.

Virtual fencing has significant purchase, installation and maintenance costs and the Department of State Growth is not currently investing in virtual wildlife fences until further evidence supports the significant investment that would be required.

The Department is currently in the process of reviewing the State Roads Roadkill Mitigation Strategy, which will help the Department progress measures to reduce wildlife deaths on the State road network in both a strategic and reactive way.”

FOR DISCUSSION

16.2 CAPITAL PLANT REPLACEMENT

Council have budgeted \$95,000 for a trailer mounted vac truck in their capital plant purchase for 2022-23.

This equipment will be used for unblocking culverts on Councils roading network, pot holing for underground services before excavating, cleaning of cattle ramps, and picking up of leaves within all towns in the autumn.

One quote has been received from Vermeer Australia for \$89,971 ex GST, no other quotes were able to be obtained as no other companies could be found that sell vac trailer units in Australia.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council purchase the new 2021 MCLAUGHIN VX 30-250 trailer mounted vac truck for \$89,971 ex GST

16.3 REQUEST FOR PARK SEATING IN QUEENS PARK BOTHWELL

A request has been received by Council from a Jennifer Sloan in Adelaide for the installation of a park bench with a plaque to be installed in Queens Park Bothwell in memory of her grandparents Esther and James Brazendale who farmed at Berridale just outside of Bothwell.

All costs of park bench and plaque will be paid by the family as well as the cost of installation of the park seat by Council.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT

1. Council approve the installation of a seat and plaque for Jennifer Sloan in memory of her grandparents in Queens Park in conjunction with the Works Manager
2. Council provide the installation of the park bench at no cost to the family

16.4 FUEL LEVY NOTICE

Recent unprecedented increase in fuel costs has had significant effect on major civil earthworks and crushing and screening organizations that are introducing fuel levy charges.

This includes aggregates brought from quarries including products such as concrete premix, base A material (FCR), spalls, 7mm and many other products that Council purchase

Road sealing prices will be higher for Council and all general hire rates and civil earthworks

Fieldwicks that provide crushing and screening services to Council will also add an approximate 8% increase per tone.

FOR INFORMATION

16.5 SURPLUS LOADER TYRES HAMILTON DEPOT

There are 3 surplus tyres in the Hamilton Works Depot from Council's old loader the tyres have been there for many years and do not fit any Council equipment, basically the tyres were at some stage going to be disposed of. Hire Quip have offered to purchase the tyres from Council at \$250 per tyre.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council accept the purchase from Hire Quip for the 3 old loader tyres at \$250 each

17.0 ADMINISTRATION

17.1 REMISSIONS UNDER DELEGATION

The following Remissions have been made by the General Manager under delegation:

03-0238-01809	\$14.70	Penalty
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RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Remission granted by the General Manager under delegation be noted.

17.2 LEASE GREAT LAKE COMMUNITY CENTRE

In January 2021, the Great Lake Community Centre Inc. took up the option of a further 5 years of their lease which expired in January 2021.

A Deed confirming Option of Renewal was signed by both Council and the Great Lake Community Centre Inc and expires On 18 January, 2026

Toni Glowacki, Secretary of the Great Lake Community Centre Inc. has provided the following:

Also Tasmanian Community Fund and the Black Summer Bushfire Recovery Grant requires us to sign a new lease which includes the greenhouse and men's shed. They would like the lease to have a 5 year lease with a

5 year option. The TCF will not give us any money until this is done and the Bush Fire Grant states we are not allowed to start building until we have signed it.

Our planning went into the Council for planning approval on the 27th June. We have soil testing, bushfire plan, etc and building surveyors has been initiated.

We are looking at reaching our first milestone by November 2022 which will allow us to commence site preparation.

Lolo Cowle, Senior Executive Officer, Tasmanian Community Fund provided the following to support the above request from the Great Lake Community Centre Inc.

Good morning, Lyn

Thanks for taking my call this morning.

I understand from our conversation that the Great Lake Community Centre has 3 ½ years remaining on their current five year lease. I also understand that the original lease was 5 years plus 5 years and that the 3 ½ years remaining is from the five year option.

From our conversation, it is my understanding that Central Highlands Council, at this stage, have decided not to provide a further option to the Great Lake Community Centre for the site.

It was pleasing to hear that Council, as landowner, have signed off on construction of the greenhouse and community shed at the site.

The Tasmanian Community Fund (TCF) grant deed with the Central Highlands Community Centre has a completion date of 31 December 2024. There is also a clause in the Deed that requires the recipient to repay funds to the Tasmanian Community Fund if the purpose of the infrastructure changes or if ownership/management of the site changes within five years of the completion of the project.

This would mean that if the lease is not extended, up to the period covering 31 December 2029, that the Great Lake Community Centre may need to repay part or all of the grant to the TCF.

To minimise the risk of this happening, it would be appreciated if the Council could consider providing an additional five year option to the Great Lake Community Centre.

The TCF, of course, acknowledges that this is a Council decision. We also acknowledge that having a lease in place does not guarantee that this issues captured by the repayment clause will not arise anyway.

Please let me know if you have any questions or if you would like further information.

FOR DISCUSSION & DECISION

17.3 EMERGENCY SERVICES MEDAL NOMINATIONS 2023

The Director of the State Emergency Service wrote to Council on the 21 May 2021 regarding the 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 Emergency Services Medal, as nominations close on the Friday 29 July 2022.

FOR DISCUSSION

17.4 STEPPES ACCOMMODATION PADDOCK LEASE

Mr and Mrs Monks have written to the General Manager asking to apply to lease the Steppes Accommodation Paddock for two years as per previous agreements and conditions.

Council currently lease the Steppes Accommodation Paddock to Mr and Mrs Monks for an annual fee of \$10.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Mr & Mrs Monks be granted two-year lease agreement of the Steppes Accommodation paddock from 1 July 2022 on the same fencing and grazing conditions as previously at an annual fee of \$10.00 per year, and that they be advised that they will need to reapply at the end of this period.

17.5 TELSTRA PAYPHONE INTERLAKEN TASMANIA

At the May Council Meeting Council agreed to the following regarding the installation of a Telstra payphone in the Interlaken area of the Central Highlands to ensure a standard telephone service (STS) is accessible to all people in the Interlaken area.

Moved: Clr A Archer

Seconded: Clr J Honner

THAT Council request Telstra to install a Telstra payphone in the Interlaken area of the Central Highlands to ensure a standard telephone service (STS) is accessible to all people in the Interlaken area.

CARRIED

FOR the Motion

Mayor L Triffitt, Deputy Mayor J Allwright, Clr A Archer, Clr A W Bailey, Clr S Bowden, Clr A Campbell, Clr R Cassidy, Clr J Honner, Clr J Poore

Ms Caroline Adrian, Payphone Area Manager has written to Council with the following feedback regarding Council's request for installation of payphone corner of Dennistoun Road and Interlaken Road, Interlaken TAS 7030:

Thank you for Council's request for Telstra to install a new payphone near the corner of Dennistoun Road and Interlaken Road, Interlaken TAS 7030.

When considering whether to install a new payphone, Telstra must have regard to the Telecommunications (Payphones) Determination 2022 which details the criteria for decisions. This can be found at: <https://www.legislation.gov.au/Details/F2022L00440>

As part of the assessment for the request for a payphone to be in Interlaken, Telstra visited the site on Wednesday 15th June 2022 which was deemed to be a Category 3 for the payphone locations – eligible places and areas.

The criteria used to assess whether a payphone should be installed:

Small villages and towns (including holiday areas) with a permanent population of 200 or more persons has a specified distance of 40km. It was noted that the permanent population in Interlaken was well lower than 200.

Telstra has identified that there is a payphone located at Bothwell which is 32km away. As such, according to the assessment criteria, Telstra is not required to install a payphone at this site.

Given the assessment above, Telstra advises that we are unable to proceed with your request for the installation of a payphone at Interlaken.

Telstra did operate a payphone at this address, and it was removed in 2009. The reason for removal was very low usage, and it would be expected that even less usage would be made from the site nowadays.

Vandalism was also another supporting factor as the location is very isolated and no houses nearby.

Telstra also notes that we receive many applications for new payphone locations initiated by Mr Lewis Whitehead across the country.

If you disagree with our final decision regarding the non-installation of the payphone, please contact us on 1800 011 433 and select option 2 and lodge your complaint.

You can also send us your complaint by mail to:

*Telstra Payphone Siting Manager
Locked Bag 4850,
Melbourne Vic 3001
or by email to Payphones@team.telstra.com*

FOR DISCUSSION

17.6 CONSERVATION COVENANTS IN THE CENTRAL HIGHLANDS MUNICIPALITY

Mr Anthony Mann the Team Leader for Private Land Conservation Program has written to the General Manager regarding Central Highlands Council offering a rate rebate to landowners of conservation covenants.

As at 30 June 2022, there were 920 conservation covenants registered on private land in Tasmania under the Nature Conservation Act 2002. They cover an area of 110,073 hectares.

Most of these covenants are perpetual in nature and contribute to the National Reserve System of protected areas and protect significant natural values at the local, State and National level.

In the Central Highlands Municipality there are 62 conservation covenants covering a total of 29,359.3 hectares.

Mr Mann states that Councillors may be aware, rate rebates are provided to landowners of conservation covenants in 16 of Tasmania's 28 Local Government Areas (typically at a rate of \$5 per hectare, with a minimum rebate of \$50 and a maximum rebate of \$500). The continued recognition and support of landowners by those Councils via the rate rebate scheme is very important and recognises the significant land management activities undertaken by landowners. The rate rebate scheme also incentivises other landowners to consider a covenant to protect their land. Councils generally review their rate rebate scheme policy 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 around \$28,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council do not offer a rebate.

17.7 CENTRAL HIGHLANDS VISITOR CENTRE VOLUNTEERS

Councillor Poore has requested that Council consider providing reimbursements to Central Highlands Visitor Centre volunteers for their travel costs to operate the centre.

Councillor Poore states *“that the visitor centre currently has three volunteers who travel many kilometres to man the centre. One comes up from Old Beach, one from north of Ouse and one from Tods Corner.*

These people are not in any way reimbursed for their fuel costs to man the centre.

These volunteers save council a huge amount of money and it would be a disaster if the centre were to lose any of these volunteers. One volunteer who is a pensioner has indicated that she is not able to continue due to the current fuel costs, she is eager to continue providing she can be reimbursed for costs to travel to the centre. As we as Councillors are reimbursed for travel costs it only seems fair that these unpaid volunteers are in some way covered financially for their vehicle costs.”

Estimated cost to reimburse mileage to three volunteers per year would around \$9028.80 (10,032km per year @ \$0.90 per km).

FOR DISCUSSION

17.8 ABC RADIO SERVICE ON 89.7FM BELCHERS HILL

Central Highlands Council was granted an Apparatus Licence from the Australian Communications and Media Authority for radio broadcasting for the retransmission of the 7ABC radio program, licence number 1158292 which was effective from the 27 August 2013. Since October 2013 the Central Highlands Council have had a service agreement in place with E-Homes AV Pty Ltd to undertake the annual maintenance in respect of the transmission apparatus at Belchers Hill.

Apparatus Licence

Issued by Delegate of the Australian Communications and Media Authority



Licensee details	
Customer ID	217624
Licensee	CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL
Trading name	CENTRAL HIGHLANDS COUNCIL
Licensee address	PO Box 20, HAMILTON, TAS 7140
Licence details	
Licence service	Broadcasting - Retransmission
Licence number	1158292/1
Callsign	7ABCRR
Date of issue	06/08/2021
Date of effect	06/08/2021
Date of expiry	26/08/2022

Station 1:

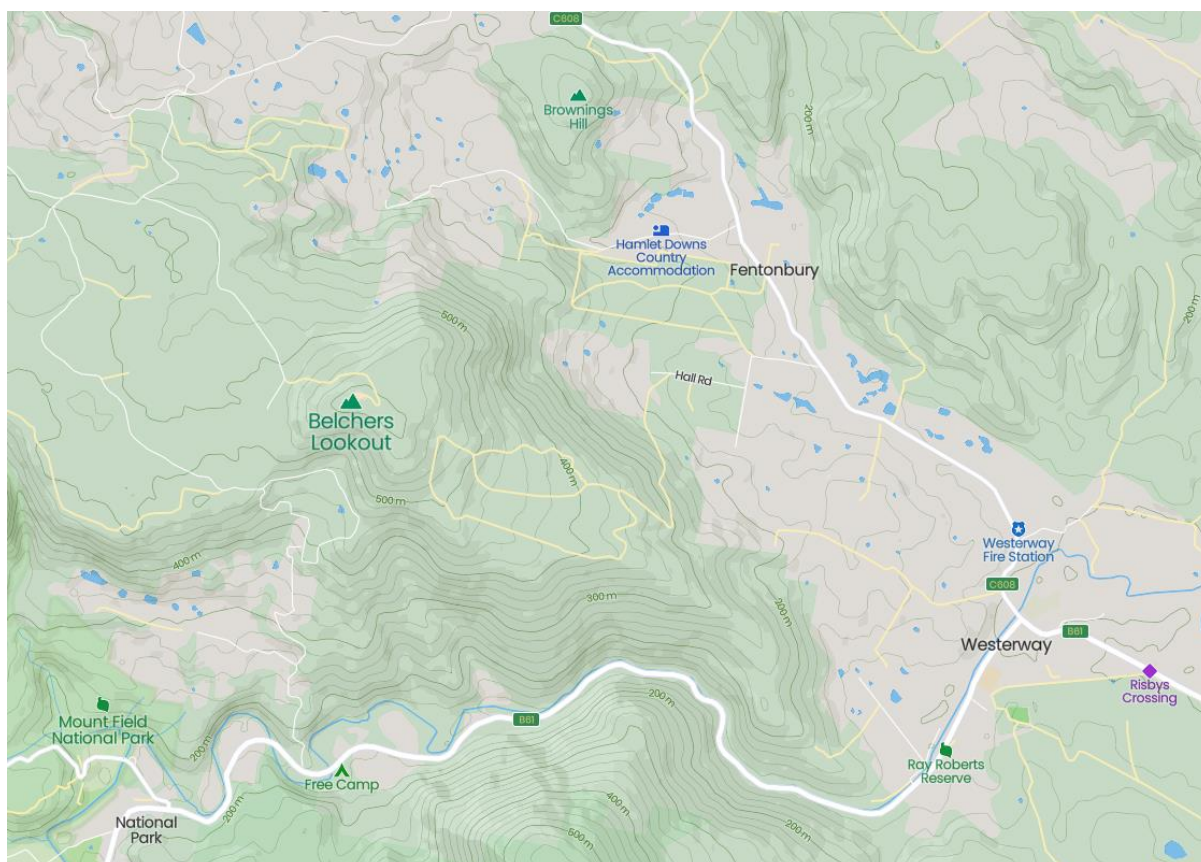
Site details	
Site ID	33169
Site address	Norske Skoge / Telstra Site, BELCHERS LOOKOUT TAS 7140
Co-ordinates (GDA94)	Latitude: -42.661025 Longitude: 146.737502
Transmitter details	
General Area Served	Maydena
Technical specification no.	10013017
Assigned frequency	89.7 MHz
Freq. assign. ID	0001409233
Emission designator	200KF8EHF
Antenna Polarisation	M - Mixed
Antenna height (m)	22

Radiation pattern details	
Bearing or Sector (°T)	Maximum ERP (W)
0 - 20	1 000.0
20 - 60	400.0
60 - 140	1 000.0
140 - 180	400.0
180 - 260	1 000.0
260 - 300	400.0
300 - 360	1 000.0

Special Conditions applying to Station 1

Carrier Frequency : 89.700 MHz

Belchers Hill has an elevation of around 505 metres, and is west of Fentonbury.



E-Homes AV Pty Ltd have undertaken the following annual maintenance at the site since October 2013:

Site visit includes:

- Reset UPS power supply
- Test transmitter forward & reverse reflected power (SWR)
- Performance test of VAST SAT input signal & MER 9reset decoder)
- Inspect & clean / replace unit filters
- Start and test cycle generator
- Fail Aurora supply & inspect auto start procedure
- Top up generator fuel as required
- Visual inspection of antenna array & all hardware
- Visual inspection of satellite hardware
- Prior notification to ABC radio master control (Hobart) of 5 min transmitter outage

Frequency:

- Four quarterly visits (in consultation with TFS)
- Two additional extraordinary visits (unforeseen call-out)

Mr David Waldon the Manager for E-Homes AV Pty Ltd has advised Council of the following:

“The faulty UPS has now been resolved, and the site is again operational. This unit only protects the satellite receiver, which is impacted by power fluctuations causing a shift to the default test channel (as it did recently). We installed this solution two years ago and has since worked very well, but will now schedule a battery swap every eighteen months (2 batteries at approx. \$150) to be diligent.

I have attached a quotation for the replacement battery bank as discussed. After some research on longer-life batteries, we have come to the conclusion that any increased expenditure is not justified.

The existing battery type has proven to be robust and reliable, and new should be good for at least 6-7 years. We have pushed the life expectancy with the initial bank (and got away with it, but now a little urgent), but up-specing would cost at least double this quote, and not present cost-benefit in life-time.

As a side note, last year we altered our maintenance scheduling from quarterly to twice yearly, prior to and directly after the critical summer fire season. The generator mostly remains dormant over winter unless there is a major outage, and therefore doesn't require much re-fuelling. All other regular tests have shown the power cut-over process to be robust, so we have determined that the maintenance frequency can reduce to save some costs for you, and perhaps help to make the battery purchase more palatable.”

A quote from E-Homes AV Pty Ltd is included in the attachments. The existing battery units are now over 8 years old, and displaying signs of decay (bloated weeping cases, hot running, voltage drift) the cost to replace the aged battery bank with new Industrial units is \$7129.96.

Mr Phil Goodwin from the Antenna Technician has emailed the General Manager with the following request:

“I would like to offer my services (for Free) on a Voluntary basis for “callouts” (in the case of ABC Radio outages at this site).

My services would entail ALL maintenance at this site. Also on a volunteer basis.

Central Highlands Council would be responsible for any costs involved for any Hardware that requires replacement.

No equipment would be replaced without council approval.

As I live at Karanja, it would be prudent for me to have possession of the Key to the Gate (dry poles road) and transmitter site 24/7 365 Days per year.

This would ensure a timely response, in the case of Transmission Outages.

The key would be safe in hands as I am a Sole Trader and absolutely no-one else would have access to it."

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council included \$7129.96 in the 22/23 budget for E-Homes AV Pty Ltd to replace aged battery bank with new industrial units.

17.9 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION – HAMILTON STREET LIBRARY COMMUNITY BBQ

Mrs E Herlihy the Co-ordinator for the Hamilton Street Library has requested that Council consider funding a community BBQ to promote health and wellbeing in our community.

The aim of the Hamilton Street Library is to provide a repository of books easily and conveniently available to residents (and visitors) of the Hamilton region at no personal monetary cost i.e. leave a book take a book.

A copy of their application is included in the attachments.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council donate \$200 towards a community BBQ to promote health and wellbeing in our community and the Hamilton Street Library.

17.10 TRAVELWAYS SPRING EDITION

Council has received an email from Ms Linde Louw, Feature & Special Publications Representative for Australian Community Media stating the following:

"We have our Spring edition of our Travelways being published on August 1st and there are over 22000 distributed and they are free to the public. Last year you ran your advert through Travelways Spring Edition and I have included a copy of the advert we ran. This is a great way to showcase your business now that people are getting out and about and getting more tourists and locals into your Central Highlands Region and the upcoming Bothwell Bi-Centenary Festival.

We have some fabulous written content in the August/September edition of 24 pages ranging from a piece about Evandale, information about Agfest, Junction Arts Festival, Tasmanian pub meals, The Australia Antarctic Festival + more. We also have a variety of businesses including retail, activity-based businesses, produce, Councils, hospitality, accommodation and more advertising in this edition.

Our Travelways are distributed in over 280 distribution points across Tasmania and this is in:

TRAVELWAYS: DISTRIBUTED:

- *In Visitors information centres*
- *Spirit of Tas*
- *Hospitality and Tourism*
- *Airports / Accommodation places in Tas*
- *Examiner & Advocate offices*
- *Cafes/coffee lounges*
- *Business that advertise*

I have available at present these spaces,

- T24 92 mm deep x 260 mm wide page 22, 8 \$395
- T22 92 mm deep x 129 mm wide page 22 \$200
- T44 186mm deep x 260mm wide page 18,21 \$495
- T84 374mm deep x 260mm wide page 10 17 24 \$770

Would you be happy to advertise in this edition?

Thanks, I have attached a copy of the advert you did in a past edition for you to approve and a document to sign to confirm you are happy. We can redo the artwork if needed for your approval.

T84 374mm deep x 260mm wide page 10 17 24 \$770 was what you chose last time and was very effective.

Would Council consider advertising the Bothwell Bi-Centenary Festival in the Spring Edition of Travelways.

FOR DISCUSSION

18.0 SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda

19.0 CLOSURE
