



Central Highlands Council

AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 7 DECEMBER 2021

Agenda of an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council scheduled to be held in the Bothwell Council Chamber, Bothwell on Tuesday 7th December 2021, 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

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	Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 16 November 2021	Regulation 15 (2)(g) – information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to Council on the condition it is kept confidential
2	Confidential matter	Regulation 15 (2)(g) – information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to Council on the condition it is kept confidential
3	Purchase of Land Ellendale for ILU	Regulation 15 (2) (f) – proposals for council to acquire land or an interest in land or for the disposal of land
4	Confidential Matter	Regulation 15 (2)(j) – The personal hardship of any person who is a resident in, or is a ratepayer in, the relevant municipal area
5	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

7.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

8.0 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

11 November 2021 to 30 November 2021

12 November 2021	Interview – Tas Country re Bushfest
16 November 2021	Ordinary Meeting of Council – Hamilton
16 November 2021	Australia Day Committee Meeting
17 November 2021	Recreational Ground – Onsite inspection re Bushfest
17 November 2021	Combined Church – morning tea - Bothwell
17 November 2021	Central Highlands Visitor Information Centre - visit

20 November 2021	Bushfest and live radio interviews
21 November 2021	Bushfest
26 November 2021	Ellendale land – onsite meeting

- Business of Council x 8
 - Ratepayer and community members - communications x6
 - Elected Members - communications x 2
 - Central Highlands Council Management - communications x3
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8.1 COUNCILLOR COMMITMENTS

Deputy Mayor J Allwright

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

Clr A Archer

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

Clr A Bailey

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

Clr S Bowden

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

Clr A Campbell

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

16 November 2021 Australia Day meeting- Hamilton

20-21/November 2021 Bushfest- Bothwell

23 November 2021 Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting- Bothwell

29 November 2021 Audit Panel meeting- Hamilton

Clr R Cassidy

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

Clr J Honner

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

23 November 2021 Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting- Bothwell

Clr J Poore

16 November 2021 Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton

STATUS REPORT COUNCILLORS

8.2 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

16 November 2021	Ordinary Meeting of Council - Hamilton
20-21 November 2021	Bushfest
29 November 2021	Audit Panel Meeting
29 November 2021	Aust Cyber Security Centre Webinar
01 December 2021	CBA Cyber Webinar
01 December 2021	LGAT Webinar

8.3 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

16 November 2021	Council Meeting
23 November 2021	Bi-Centennial Workforce Group Meeting
23 November 2021	Data Analyst Meeting Launceston City Council
24 November 2021	Hewlett Packard Enterprise Meeting
25 November 2021	Southern Municipal Coordinators Liaison Group Meeting
29 November 2021	Audit Panel Meeting
29 November 2021	Cyber Threat Awareness Briefing
01 December 2021	State Government Webinar on Opening up COVID

9.0 NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD

9.1 FUTURE WORKSHOPS

10.0 MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

11.0 MINUTES

11.1 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 16th November 2021 be received.

11.2 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Minutes of the Open Council Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 16th November 2021 be confirmed.

11.3 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE AUDIT PANEL MEETING

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Audit Panel on Monday 29th November 2021 be received.

11.4 RECEIVAL DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BICENTENNIAL WORKFORCE GROUP MEETING

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Bicentennial Workforce Group Meeting held on Tuesday 23rd November 2021 be received.

12.0 BUSINESS ARISING:

- 10.2 Mayor to send correspondence
 - 16.2 Mayor to send correspondence
 - 16.3 Works and Service Manager to contact school
 - 16.4 Correspondence sent by Works and Service Manager;
 - 16.5 Deputy General Manager to contact and discuss options;
 - 17.3 Correspondence sent by General Manager;
 - 17.5 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager;
 - 17.6 Policy put on Website
 - 17.7 Policy put on Website
 - 17.8 Policy put on Website
 - 17.10 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager;
 - 17.12 Deputy General Manager preparing an application under the Building of Community Resilience Fund
 - 17.13 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager;
 - 17.16 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager;
 - 17.18 Correspondence sent by Deputy General Manager;
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13.0 DERWENT CATCHMENT PROJECT REPORT

14.0 FINANCE REPORT

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 DRAFT CENTRAL HIGHLANDS LOCAL PROVISIONS SCHEDULE – ASSESSMENT OF REPRESENTATIONS UNDER SECTION 35F OF THE LAND USE PLANNING & APPROVALS ACT 1993 ENDORSEMENT OF THE REPORT TO THE TASMANIAN PLANNING COMMISSION

Report By

Planning Consultant (SMC) Damian Mackey

Attachments 1

Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule - Report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission under Section 35F of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993

Attachment 2

Representations: 45 in total

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to seek final endorsement for the report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission detailing the assessment by Council, acting as the Planning Authority, of the representations received in response to the recent public exhibition of the Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule (LPS). The report also includes the response to the Commission's Outstanding Issues Notice regarding the Lake Meadowbank Specific Area Plan.

The key recommendations contained in the 'Section 35 Report' were work-shopped at the Planning Committee meeting on 9 November and then further considered and refined at the Council meeting on 16 November. They now form the core of the report. Council, as the local Planning Authority, needs to resolve an opinion on each representation, which must specifically include a statement as to whether it considers the Draft LPS should be amended as a result.

Council has a statutory timeframe of 60 days from the close of representations to provide its report to the Commission. This means it needs to be submitted by 22 December.

Background

The Tasmanian Planning Scheme will consist of the State Planning Provisions (SPPs) and the Local Provisions Schedules (LPSs) from each Council.

After several years of work and negotiations with the Tasmanian Planning Commission, Council was directed by the State Government to make certain changes to the Draft LPS and to place it on formal public exhibition for public comment. This was a 60-day period ending on 22 October.

As mentioned above, it is now Council's role to consider the matters raised in the representations received and determine a view on them. The representations and Council's Section 35 Report must then be forwarded to the Commission, which will hold public hearings. All representors will be invited by the Commission to participate in the relevant hearing(s). Ultimately, the Commission will make final determinations and direct Council to make alterations to the LPS accordingly. Once so altered, the Minister will declare the Tasmanian Planning Scheme to be in force in the Central Highlands municipal area.

Where a proposed alteration is considered to be a substantial modification, the Commission may direct that it be omitted from the finalised LPS initially, but that it be subject to a specific planning scheme amendment process immediately following finalisation. Such a direction would be pursuant to Section 35KB of the Act. This has relevance to the mooted Scenic Protection Areas / Scenic Road Corridors proposed by several representors. The rationale behind this mechanism is that substantial amendments rightfully should not be made without a proper process affording natural justice to potentially impacted landowners. This process would also enable Council to more carefully consider the matter and also to include the views of the community and landowners in

weighing up whether to ultimately support such proposals.

It is possible that Council's proposed changes to reduce the area covered by the Agriculture Zone and correspondingly increase the area covered by the Rural Zone might also need to be considered under S.35KB of the Act. However, as these areas are currently Rural Resource Zone and the new Rural Zone is very similar, it can be argued that no significant change would result, and these amendments could simply be allowed by the Commission as part of the current process. This will be determined at the hearings.

In regard to the 'outstanding issues notice' pertaining to the modified Lake Meadowbank Specific Area Plan, Councillors will recall that this component was removed from the Draft LPS by the Commission prior to public exhibition, and that Council was nevertheless directed to publicly exhibit it alongside the Draft LPS. The notice through which this was done set out a number of outstanding issues to which Council now needs to respond.

Assessment of Representations

Refer to the enclosed copies of the representations and the report titled Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule - Report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission under Section 35F of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993.

November Determination

At its November meeting, Council determined to endorse the recommendations in the assessment report dated 9 November. Council also determined the following:

- To accept Submissions No. 41, 42, 43 and 44, despite having received them after the advertised date and time for the close of submissions.
- To explore the establishment, potentially pursuant to Section 35KB of the Act, of the mooted Scenic Road Corridors / Scenic Protection Areas under the Scenic Protection Code along the Lyell Highway, Highland Lakes Road and Waddamana Road, which was the subject of various submissions.
- To develop structure plans for the townships of Ouse and Bothwell, with input from the local communities. This is to follow completion of the Local Provisions Schedule development process and is to set out the preferred future development of the towns and any subsequent zoning changes that ought to be made.
- Regarding the Outstanding Issues Notice pertaining to the modified Lake Meadowbank Specific Area Plan, to maintain its position already articulated to the Tasmanian Planning Commission that the modified Specific Area Plan is necessary and complies with the relevant requirements of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

These positions have been incorporated into the attached S.35 Report.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council endorse the enclosed Central Highlands Draft Local Provisions Schedule - Report to the Tasmanian Planning Commission under Section 35F of the Land Use Planning & Approvals Act 1993

15.2 DA 2021/89 : OUTBUILDING (GARAGE) : 21 WILBURVILLE ROAD, WILBURVILLE

Report by

L Brown (Contract Planner)

Applicant

D Arnot

Owner

JL Arnot

Proposal

The proposal is for use and development of an outbuilding in the form of a garage at 21 Wilburville Road. The garage has already been developed on the property. This application is therefore retrospective and is in response to a planning enforcement matter.

The outbuilding is a garage, which is approximately 48m² (8m x 6m) and 3.5m high. The outbuilding is placed over a shipping container, which was subject to a previous Discretionary Development Application DA2021/08 dated 18th March 2021. The applicant asked if the shipping container could be clad, Council was lead to believe that this would be attached to the shipping container. However, the applicant subsequently developed a further outbuilding (garage) over the existing shipping container. A planning enforcement letter was sent on 7 September 2021, stating that what has been developed on the property is not cladding and is a garage "outbuilding". The applicant was asked to apply for a planning permit for the garage "outbuilding".

This application for the outbuilding is a second outbuilding on the property. DA2014/16 dated 7 May 2014 granted a Discretionary Permit for a Garage setback 8.1m from Wilburville Road and 1.3m from the side boundary. The additional garage has been placed adjacent to the eastern elevation of the existing outbuilding (DA2014/16), parallel to Wilburville Road.

The outbuilding is setback 2.5m from the front boundary adjacent to Wilburville Road and is 1.3m setback from the side boundary. An existing dwelling on the property is setback 20m from the front boundary.

Both outbuildings are constructed from colourbond and have been painted in one uniform colour "cream".

Residential use for a single dwelling has 'No Permit Required' status in the Low Density Residential Zone of the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015. The Development Application is a Discretionary application due to the outbuilding not meeting the Acceptable Solution A2 of section 12.4.2 Setbacks and Building Envelope of the Scheme.

Subject site and Locality.

The subject site is a 163m² property located to the south west of Wilburville Road, south of Arthur's Lake Road and Arthur's Lake. The property is accessed from Wilburville Road cul-de-sac.

The property adjoins other dwellings/shacks on the northern and southern boundaries. The western property boundary is adjacent to a large area of Rural Resource land and the eastern site boundary is defined by Wilburville Road.

The locality is characterised by a mix of small dwelling/shacks/visitor accommodation, larger rural titles, Private Timber Reserves and Arthurs Lake and surrounds.

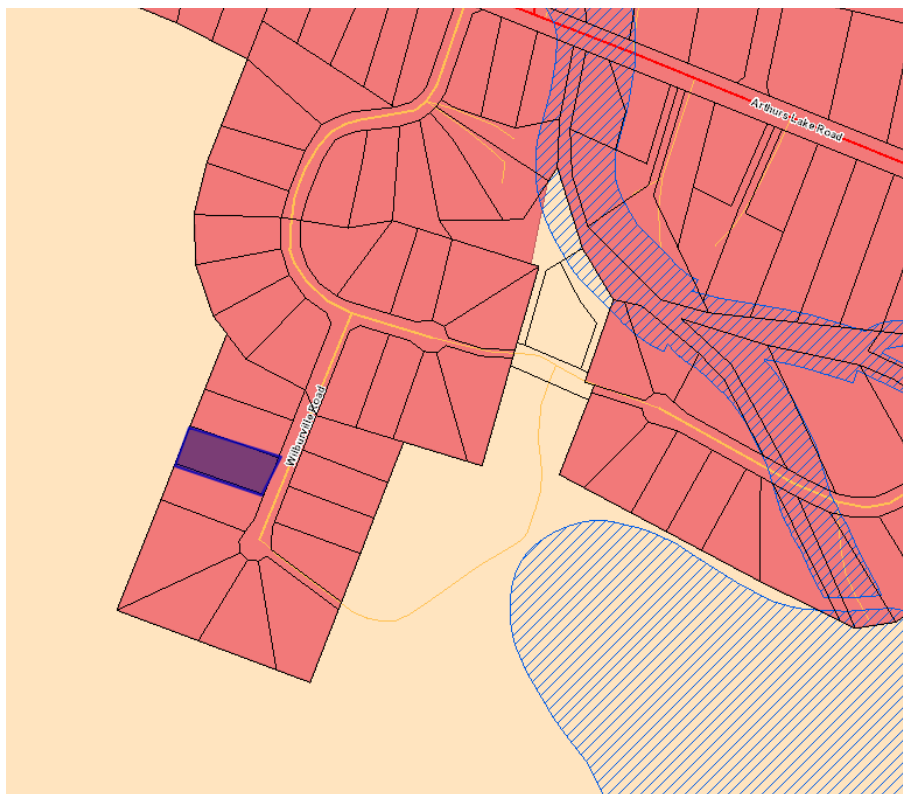


Fig 1. Location and zoning of the property (marked in blue) in the Low Density Residential Zone (pink). Surrounding land is also in the Low Density Residential Zone or the Rural Resource Zone (Cream). (Source: LISTmap).



Fig 2. Aerial photo of the subject land and surrounding area, property in blue (Source: List map).

Exemptions

Nil

Special Provisions

Nil

Low Density Zone – Development standards

The proposal must satisfy the requirements of the relevant development standards of the Low Density Residential Zone as follows:

12.4.2 Setbacks and building envelope		
To control the siting and scale of dwellings to:		
(a) provide reasonably consistent separation between dwellings on adjacent sites and a dwelling and its frontage; and (b) provide consistency in the apparent scale, bulk, massing and proportion of dwellings; and (c) provide separation between dwellings on adjacent sites to provide reasonable opportunity for daylight and sunlight to enter habitable rooms and private open space.		
Acceptable Solutions	Performance Criteria	OFFICER COMMENT
A2 A garage or carport must have a setback from a frontage of at least: (a) 5.5 m, or alternatively 1m behind the façade of the dwelling; or (b) the same as the dwelling façade, if a portion of the dwelling gross floor area is located above the garage or carport; or (c) 1m, if the natural ground level slopes up or down at a gradient steeper than 1 in 5 for a distance of 10 m from the frontage.	P2 The setback of a garage or carport from a frontage must: (a) provide separation from the frontage that complements or enhances the existing streetscape, taking into account the specific constraints and topography of the site; and (b) allow for passive surveillance between the dwelling and the street.	The outbuilding is setback 2.5m from the front boundary to Wilburville Road and therefore must be assessed against the Performance Criteria P2. On this section of Wilburville Road, the setback of outbuildings and dwellings to the street frontage varies between 3m to 30m around the cul-de-sac. Due to the larger setbacks, there is a lack of streetscape and opportunities for passive surveillance of the public realm from dwellings is limited. The outbuilding is a second outbuilding in this location. The outbuilding is considered to be consistent with the nature of the development within the area. Overall, it is considered that the proposal meets the requirements of Performance Criteria P2.
A3 A dwelling, excluding outbuildings with a building height of not more than 2.4m and protrusions (such as eaves, steps, porches, and awnings) that extend not more than 0.6m horizontally beyond the building envelope, must: (a) be contained within a building envelope (refer to diagrams 12.4.2A, 12.4.2B, 12.4.2C and 12.4.2D) determined by: (i) a distance equal to the frontage setback or, for an	P3 The siting and scale of a dwelling must: (a) not cause unreasonable loss of amenity by: (i) reduction in sunlight to a habitable room (other than a bedroom) of a dwelling on an adjoining lot; or (ii) overshadowing the private open space of a dwelling on an adjoining lot; or	The outbuilding is not located within the applicable building envelope A3 (b) (12.4.2A – copied below table) as the front setback is less than 4.5m. Assessment against the Performance Criteria is therefore required. (a) (i) (ii) (iii) The outbuilding is located close to the front boundary of the property. Shadows from the building will fall within the property

<p>internal lot, a distance of 4.5m from the rear boundary of a lot with an adjoining frontage; and</p> <p>(ii) projecting a line at an angle of 45 degrees from the horizontal at a height of 3m above natural ground level at the side boundaries and a distance of 4m from the rear boundary to a building height of not more than 8.5m above natural ground level; and</p> <p>(b) only have a setback within 1.5m of a side boundary if the dwelling:</p> <p>(i) does not extend beyond an existing building built on or within 0.2m of the boundary of the adjoining lot; or</p> <p>(ii) does not exceed a total length of 9m or one-third the length of the side boundary (whichever is the lesser).</p>	<p>(iii) overshadowing of an adjoining vacant lot; or</p> <p>(iv) visual impacts caused by the apparent scale, bulk or proportions of the dwelling when viewed from an adjoining lot; and</p> <p>(b) provide separation between dwellings on adjoining lots that is compatible with that prevailing in the surrounding area.</p>	<p>boundary.</p> <p>Neighbouring properties are located far enough away and are on large plots, so that there will not be a loss of amenity by way of reduction in sunlight.</p> <p>(a) (iv) The outbuilding a second outbuilding to the front boundary, located adjacent to an existing outbuilding of a similar size. It is acknowledged that the outbuilding visually impacts on views from adjoining properties. However, the scale, and bulk of the outbuilding is typical of the characteristics of the shack/dwelling development of the area.</p> <p>(b) As discussed above, the setbacks and separation from frontages and between buildings in this area varies. It is considered that the proposed siting is consistent and compatible with the surrounding area.</p>
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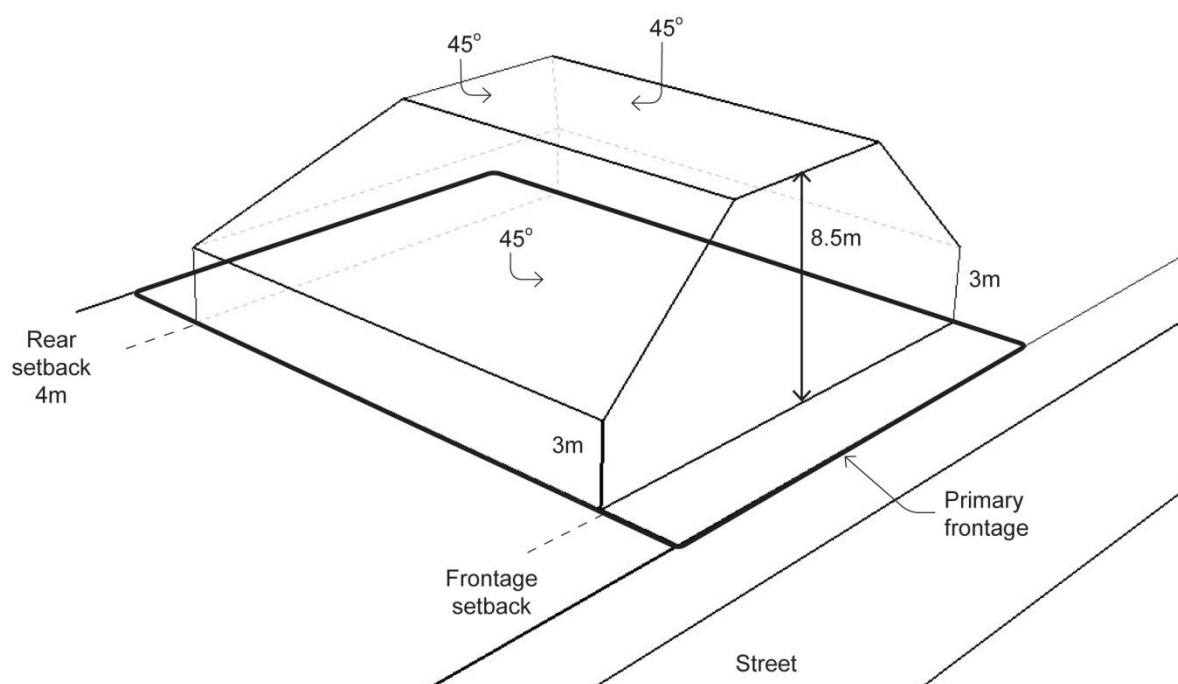


Fig 3. Building envelope 12.4.2 A

12.4.3 Site coverage and private open space		
To provide:		
(a) for outdoor recreation and the operational needs of the residents; and (b) opportunities for the planting of gardens and landscaping; and (c) private open space that is integrated with the living areas of the dwelling; and (d) private open space that has access to sunlight; and (e) for development that is compatible with the existing built and natural environment of the area.		
Acceptable Solutions	Performance Criteria	OFFICER COMMENT
A1 Dwellings must have: (a) a site coverage of not more than 25% (excluding eaves up to 0.6m); and (b) a site area of which at least 25% of the site area is free from impervious surfaces;	P1 Dwellings must have: (a) private open space that is of a size and dimensions that are appropriate for the size of the dwelling and is able to accommodate: (i) outdoor recreational space consistent with the projected requirements of the occupants; and (ii) operational needs, such as clothes drying and storage; and (b) have reasonable space for the planting of gardens and landscaping. (c) not be out of character with the pattern of development in the surrounding area; and (d) not result in an unreasonable loss of natural or landscape values.	The site coverage does not exceed 25%. The proposal complies with the Acceptable Solution A1.
A2 A dwelling must have an area of private open space that: (a) is in one location and is at least: (i) 24 m ² ; or (ii) 12 m ² , if the dwelling has a finished floor level that is entirely more than 1.8 m above the finished ground level (excluding a garage, carport or entry foyer); and (b) has a minimum horizontal dimension of: (i) 4 m; or (ii) 2 m, if the dwelling has a finished floor level that is entirely more than 1.8 m above the finished ground level (excluding	P3 A dwelling must have private open space that: (a) includes an area that is capable of serving as an extension of the dwelling for outdoor relaxation, dining, entertaining and children's play and that is: (i) conveniently located in relation to a living area of the dwelling; and (ii) orientated to take advantage of sunlight.	The outbuilding retains private open space that complies with the requirements of A2.

<p>a garage, carport or entry foyer); and</p> <p>(c) is directly accessible from, and adjacent to, a habitable room (other than a bedroom); and</p> <p>(d) is not located to the south, south-east or south-west of the dwelling, unless the area receives at least 3 hours of sunlight to 50% of the area between 9.00am and 3.00pm on the 21st June; and</p> <p>(e) is located between the dwelling and the frontage only if the frontage is orientated between 30 degrees west of north and 30 degrees east of north, excluding any dwelling located behind another on the same site; and</p> <p>(f) has a gradient not steeper than 1 in 10; and</p> <p>(g) is not used for vehicle access or parking.</p>		
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Codes

Parking and Access Code

This Code applies to all use and development.

In this case the subject property has sufficient existing access and parking suitable for a single dwelling and complies with the relevant standards of the Code.

Stormwater Management Code

Stormwater will be contained and managed on the site in accordance with the requirements of the Code.

Representations

The proposal was advertised for the statutory 14 days period from 1st November 2021. A total of one (1) representation was received. The issues raised in the representation are summarised in the table below, please refer to the attached representation in full.

<i>Representation 1</i>	
Issues	Officer comments
<p>Concerned that the location of the outbuilding interrupts vision of the street from driveways.</p> <p>Concerned regarding the visual aspect on the street, the structure is close to the road and as it is a large block, questions the need to place the building in this location.</p>	<p>The outbuilding is set back 2.5m from the Road frontage, this is adequate space to achieve the required sight distances at driveway access.</p> <p>As discussed, building set backs on Wilburville road vary from 3m-30m, this is characteristic of the shack/dwelling development of the area. It is</p>

Unsuitable footings placed under container, questions regarding if the structure requires a building permit.	considered that the proposed siting is consistent and compatible with the surrounding area. These matters will be addressed by the Building Permit Authority.
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Conclusion

The proposal for a second outbuilding, at 21 Wilburville Road is assessed to comply with the applicable standards of the Low Density Residential Zone and 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 one (1) representation was received. The concerns of the representor have been addressed in the report above.

Overall, it is considered that the proposed structure is acceptable and the proposal is recommended for approval.

Legislative Context

The purpose of the report is to enable the Planning Authority to determine the Development Application DA2021/89 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.

This determination has to be made no later than 10 December 2021, which has been extended beyond the usual 42 day statutory time frame with the consent of the applicant.

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 DA2021/89 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 DA2021/89 - Outbuilding (garage) at 21 Wilburville Road, Wilburville, 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 DA2021/89 - Outbuilding (garage) at 21 Wilburville Road, Wilburville 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 DA2021/89 - Outbuilding (garage) at 21 Wilburville Road, Wilburville 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

The proposal is assessed to substantially comply with the requirements of the Central Highlands Interim Planning Scheme 2015 and so in accordance with section 57 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, the Planning Authority is recommended to approve the application for DA2021/89 - Outbuilding (garage) at 21 Wilburville Road, Wilburville Certificate of Title 32280/89.

Recommended Conditions**General**

- 1) The use 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 letter or the date of the last letter to any representor, which ever is later, in accordance with section 53 of the land Use Planning And Approvals Act 1993.

Approved Use

- 3) The outbuilding is approved as ancillary to the Residential use only and must not be used for any other purpose unless in accordance with a permit issued by Council or as otherwise permitted by Council's planning scheme.

External finishes

- 4) All external metal building surfaces must be clad in non-reflective pre-coated metal sheeting or painted to the satisfaction of the Council's General Manager.

Parking & Access

- 5) At least two (2) parking spaces must be provided on the land at all times for the use of the occupiers in accordance with Standards Australia (2004): Australian Standard AS 2890.1 - 2004 – Parking Facilities Part 1: Off Street Car Parking; Standards Australia, Sydney.

Services

- 6) The developer must pay the cost of any alterations and/or reinstatement to existing services, Council infrastructure or private property incurred as a result of the development. Any work required is to be specified or undertaken by the authority concerned.

Stormwater

- 7) Drainage from the proposed development must be retained on site or drain to a legal discharge point to the satisfaction of Council's General Manager and in accordance with any requirements of the Building Act 2016.

Construction Amenity

- 8) The development must only be carried out between the following hours unless otherwise approved by the Council's Manager of Development and Environmental Services:
Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Sunday and State-wide public holidays 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- 9) All works associated with the development of the land shall be carried out in such a manner so as not to unreasonably cause injury to, or prejudice or affect the amenity, function and safety of any adjoining or adjacent land, and of any person therein or in the vicinity thereof, by reason of:
- 10) Emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, odour, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit or otherwise.
- 11) The transportation of materials, goods and commodities to and from the land.
 - a. Obstruction of any public roadway or highway.
 - b. Appearance of any building, works or materials.
 - c. Any accumulation of vegetation, building debris or other unwanted material must be disposed of by removal from the site in an approved manner. No burning of such materials on site will be permitted unless approved in writing by the Council's Manager of Development and Environmental Services.
- 12) The developer must make good and/or clean any road surface or other element damaged or soiled by the development to the satisfaction of the Council's Manager of Works and Technical Services.

The following advice applies to this permit:

- A. This Planning Permit is in addition to the requirements of the Building Act 2016. Approval in accordance with the Building Act 2016 may be required prior to works commencing. A copy of the Directors Determination – categories of Building Work and Demolition Work is available via the Customer Building and Occupational Services (CBOS) website.
- 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.
- C. This planning approval shall lapse at the expiration of two (2) years from the date of the commencement of planning approval if the development for which the approval was given has not been substantially commenced. Where a planning approval for a development has lapsed, an application for renewal of a planning approval for that development shall be treated as a new application.

15.3 POLICY NO. 2013-08 PUBLIC OPEN SPACE POLICY

Public Open Space Requirements are established via the Local Government (Building and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993. Upon review of the Council's current POS policy, it has been concluded that the Policy does not require updating at this moment in time. However with the adoption of the LPS, the policy will need to be updated in line with the State Planning Scheme so that the Policy reflects the requirements for the relevant Zones.

It is proposed that no changes are made to the current POS Policy and that Council works with Southern Midlands Council, to review the approach taken by other Local Authorities whom are currently working to the new Planning Scheme, to review Council's current POS Conditions.

It is being recommended that Council adopt the Policy with no changes for a further 12 months.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Cllr

Seconded: Cllr

THAT Council adopt Policy No. 2013-08 Public Open Space Policy.

15.4 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
2021 / 00099	F M MacMillan	64 Rainbow Road, Breona	Outbuilding
2021 / 00103	S J Triffett	1 Headlam Road North, Reynolds Neck	Garage
2021 / 00105	Kings Outdoor Living	38 Glenlea Drive, Gretna	Additions (Awnings)

PERMITTED

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2021 / 00098	Lark & Creese Pty Ltd	3430 Lyell Highway, Gretna	Boundary Adjustment

DISCRETIONARY

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2021 / 00088	Design East Pty Ltd - Monty East	"Grantham", 1 Elizabeth Street, Bothwell	Additions & Alterations
2021 / 00096	P D A Surveyors	260 Gully Road, Fentonbury	Ancillary Dwelling

ANIMAL CONTROL

IMPOUNDED DOGS

No dogs have been impounded over the past months.

STATISTICS AS OF 1 DECEMBER 2021

Registrations

Total Number of Dogs Registered in 2020/2021 Financial Year – 978

2021/2022 renewal have been issued.

- Number of Dogs Currently Registered - 905
- Number of Dogs Pending Re-Registration – 32

Kennel Licences

Total Number of Kennel Licences Issued for 2020/2021 Financial Year – 29

2021/2022 Renewal have been Issued.

- Number of Licences Issued –30
- Number of Licences Pending – 0

16.0 WORKS & SERVICES

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT the Works & Services Report be received.

WORKS & SERVICES REPORT

30th November

Grading & Sheeting	Langloh Road, Wetheron Road, Waddamana Road, Mark Tree Road, Strickland Road
Maintenance Grading	
Potholing / shouldering	14 Mile Road, Dennistoun Road, Interlaken Road, Old Mans Head Road, Victoria Valley Road, Bashan Road, Browns Marsh Road
Spraying:	General weed spraying of the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ellendale township • Westerway • Bridge Road • Bothwell township • Gretna township
Culverts / Drainage:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean culverts Bashan Road and Waddamana Road • Replace culvert Victoria Valley Road • Replace culvert Tor Hill Road • Drainage Shaw Street Bothwell
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 • 101hrs Annual Leave taken • 17hrs Sick Leave taken • 76hrs Long Service Leave
Bridges:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs on bridge at Green Valley after flood damage • Remove debris from Andrew bridge
Refuse / recycling sites:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly
Other:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repair flood damage Dennistoun Road • Repair flood damage Wetheron Road • Install signs Mark Tree Road • Unblock stormwater Bothwell • Slash Hamilton Showgrounds • Remove Bushfest signs • 3 x drum muster • Core and scarify Bothwell Recreation Ground • Set up for Bushfest • Top up soft fall Hamilton Park

Slashing:

- Woodsprings Road
- Nant Lane
- HollowTree Road
- Mark Tree Road

Municipal Town Maintenance:

- Collection of town rubbish twice weekly
- Maintenance of parks, cemetery, recreation ground and Caravan Park.
- Cleaning of public toilets, gutters, drains and footpaths.
- Collection of rubbish twice weekly
- Cleaning of toilets and public facilities
- General maintenance
- Mowing of towns and parks
- Town Drainage

Buildings:**Plant:**

- JCB backhoe tyre repair and electrical works
- Komatsu loader automatic greaser repaired
- Komatsu loader Hamilton serviced
- Bomag compactor serviced
- Water cart repairs to pump
- Toro out front mower new gear box
- Cat traxcavator serviced
- New Holland tractor serviced
- Doctors' car serviced and repaired
- Community van new tyres and serviced

Private Works:

- Gravel delivery Rob Payton
- Laurence Jones gravel delivery
- Tony Dare gravel
- Hermitage gravel delivery
- Brian Dearing gravel delivery
- Steven Eyles concrete premix
- Jake Datlen dry hire of mower
- Jason Branch dry hire of mower
- Barry Harback dry hire of truck
- Justin Wickham dry hire of truck
- Lyn Van Amstel gravel
- David Madden gravel delivery
- Micky Bailey mowing and spraying services
- Justin Townsend dry hire of mower

Casuals

- Toilets, rubbish and Hobart
- Hamilton general duties

Program for next 4 weeks

- Croakers Alley Footbridge
- Potholing and grading of Municipal roads
- Repair flood damage of Municipal Roads
- Top up soft fall areas in all parks
- Concrete slabs for park seating
- Slashing of Municipal Roads

16.1 POLICY NO. 2021-60 ROADSIDE MEMORIALS POLICY

This policy has been prepared to provide guidance to Central Highlands Council for managing and, where necessary, removing roadside memorials within the Central Highlands municipality in response to a complaint or issues of safety and nuisance.

The intent of this policy is to ensure that any roadside memorials within the Central Highlands municipality are managed, and any memorials erected are placed in a safe area on a road verge, so that they do not obstruct the use of the road or road verge by pedestrians, cyclists or road users, whilst acknowledging the views of direct property owners, families and neighbours.

The policy provides a clear framework through which decisions regarding memorials can be taken in accordance with:

- a) General community sentiment in relation to memorials in the municipality;
- b) Employ best practice principles of landscape and open space management of memorials;
- c) Exhibit a compassionate and inclusive approach to grief management and population mental health and wellbeing; and
- d) Planning (Heritage Precinct and Heritage Places).

This policy applies directly to all memorials within public spaces under ownership or managed by Central Highlands Council. More broadly, this policy applies indirectly to memorials with the public realm, and should be used by landowners, managers and developers as a guide to understand Council's desired outcomes relating to memorials in the municipality.

This policy will be applied directly to the management of all existing memorials installed within public spaces in the municipality, whether considered 'approved' or 'unapproved'.

This policy does not apply to war service memorials or memorials of recognised (local, regional, state or national) historical significance.

This policy does not apply to roads / land owned by the Department of State Growth.

The draft policy for is included in the attachments for Council's adoption.

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: C/r

Seconded: C/r

That Council approve Policy No. 2020-60 Roadside Memorials Policy.

16.2 PERSONAL MOBILITY DEVICES (PMDs)

Correspondence has been received from Mr Martin Crane the General Manager for Road User Services at the Department of State Growth regarding personal mobility devices (PMDs), such as e-scooters and e-skateboards, on some public infrastructure in Tasmania. Amendments have been made to the Road Rules 2019, the Vehicle and Traffic (Driver Licensing and Vehicle Registration) Regulations 2021 and the Traffic (Compliance and Enforcement) Regulations 2017 to support the use of personal mobility devices. This regulation commenced on 1 December 2021.

Personal mobility devices are small, electrically powered devices designed to transport one person over short to medium distances.

A device is a personal mobility device if it has a wheel(s), is electrically powered and:

- has at least one wheel
- is less than 125cm long, 70cm wide and 135cm high
- is less than 45kg
- is not capable of travelling faster than 25km/h
- is designed for use by one person.

The definition of a personal mobility device aims to include a variety of micro-mobility technologies such as e-scooters, e-skateboards, self-balancing hoverboards and one-wheel devices.

Bicycles, motorised scooters, motorised wheelchairs, and wheeled recreational devices are not a personal mobility device.

Under the regulations personal mobility devices can be used on:

- Footpaths
- Shared paths
- Bicycle paths
- Local roads which have a speed limit of 50km/h or less, no dividing lines or median strip, and no multiple lanes.

The rules for the use of personal mobility devices closely align with the model Australian Road Rules. Importantly, for road managers in Tasmania, the amendments include the ability, under the *Road Rules 2019*, to install new “no PMD” signage to prevent PMDs from accessing footpaths. This is similarly to how wheeled recreational devices, such as scooters and skateboards, are treated. ‘No PMD’ signs can be ordered from sign makers and, in line with the commencement of the regulations, will take effect from 1 December 2021.

In addition to the regulations, the *Traffic Amendment (Personal Mobility Devices) Bill 2021* (Bill) recently passed both houses of Parliament and is currently awaiting Royal Assent. Once commenced the Bill will provide road authorities with the ability to add additional roads to those allowed by the regulations. Road authorities may, in line with the requirements in the Bill, by notice published in the Gazette declare roads for the use of PMDs. This provides road authorities with an option to extend personal mobility device networks.

Please note the Bill is anticipated to commence mid-December 2021 and road managers will be unable to Gazette roads before this December date.

The Transport Tasmania website will include information and frequently asked questions about personal mobility devices, live from 1 December 2021. You can view the webpage at:
[www:transport.tas.gov.au/ridewithrespect](http://www.transport.tas.gov.au/ridewithrespect)

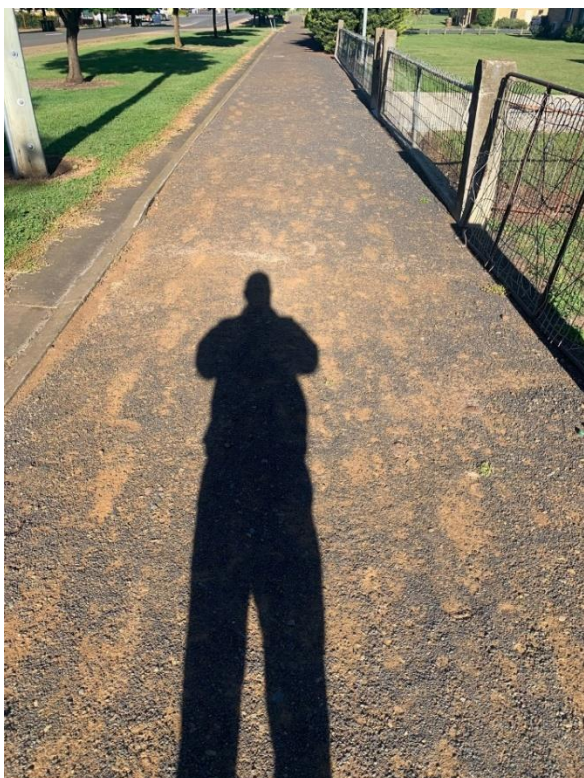
FOR DISCUSSION

16.3 SEWER EXTENSION PATRICK STREET BOTHWELL

It was decided during Councils budget that the sewer main be extended in Patrick Street to Councils vacant land so that all services are directly to the boundary of the land so that if Council decide to develop the land at any stage this will be achievable.

Design for the sewage extension has now been completed by PDA surveyors (see attached) and the Works Manager will now receive quotes and award the works.

The sewer extension will be trenched and installed in the footpath approximately 200m, the current footpath is a mixture of loose gravel, emulsion and 7mm rock (2 coat spray seal). In the design with the extension of the new sewage line the reinstatement of footpath is 30mm thick asphalt.



RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council agree to the reinstatement of the footpath in Patrick Street with a 30mm asphalt.

16.4 CHRISTIAN MARSH ROAD - ACCESS

At the November Council meeting a request was made to Council to access the Shannon River for fishing via Christian Marsh Road from Mr Miller. Council resolved that Mr Miller be advised to contact the landowner directly.

Mr Miller has been contacted and has now responded to Council regarding this, please see email below.

"Hallo Mr. Branch,

Thanks for your reply on behalf of Council.

I am somewhat confused by the contents of your return email.

My understanding is that the road is "owned" (and is still a Council Maintained Road) by Council and it was to that body, "The Road Owners", that I made my formal request.

In order to more fully understand this matter, I ask the following questions:

! Council asks that I contact the "Landowner" for permission to gain access over the Council maintained/owned Christian Road, but is not Council the "Road Owner"!

To whom is Council referring as "The Landowner" of Christian Road ?

I find it confusing, having approached the "Road Owner" (Central Council), that I am being directed by Council, to someone else described by Council as the "Land Owner", who in all probability is not the actual "Road Owner" !

2 Is Christian Rd still a Council Maintained Road? (Gated by agreement under Sect 40 of the 1982 Act?)

3 Who is it that Council describes as "The Owner" of the road, if not Council?

4 Is there any formal record of the submission made by you on my behalf to Council, in Council records, that I may access?

5 Who is the Mayor of Council?

I may appear to be somewhat pedantic but I am very cautious about improperly accessing tracks and byways to local rivers and lakes. I want be absolutely certain of my obligations and access abilities.

Please confirm receipt of this email and I thank you for your help thus far.

*Yours Rod Miller
mail."*

FOR DISCUSSION

16.5 ELECTRONIC SCOREBOARD ELECTION COMMITMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council authorise the General Manger to sign the Election Commitment grant deed for the electronic scoreboard on behalf of Council

16.6 PELHAM ROAD UPDATE –

Refer to attachment by Golder Associates Pty Ltd

1. 17/11/21: Site inspection with Bill Cromer/ Rob May /AWC/Forze to discuss methodology. Retain AWC for earthworks.
2. Week starting 22/11/21: Tom Walter Surveys (PDA) has been to site to obtain a drone 3D level survey of the valley including the slip zone and high cliff-face. This is proposed for delivery of plans and sections on 1 Dec.
3. Week starting 22/11/21: Forze Explosives have undertaken removal of potentially unstable rocks from the uppermost high rock face.
4. 26/11/21: Inspection at Pelham with Rob May and Nick Armstrong (Forze) to review the completed rock removal. Decided to not proceed with water blasting at this time pending trialling AWC with long reach excavator to remove material from lower rock embankments
5. 29/11/21: Offer received from Veris for embankment monitoring. Needs to be in place while earthworks are undertaken on main slip zone or works at Pelham Road until safety fence installed. This is yet to be confirmed by Rob May.
6. Week starting 29/11/21: JB has arranged AWC to be on site on 2/12/21 with Rob May to start earthworks removal/rock breaking at lower embankments.
7. Earthworks start on higher embankments deferred until monitoring system is in place.
8. Other works to be developed from discussions with Rob May
9. JB has arranged access permission with adjacent landowner and also advised road users of the closure.

FOR INFORMATION

17.0 ADMINISTRATION

17.1 PUB WITH NO BEER REST AREA

Council entered into a one year lease agreement commencing 1 July 2021 of the Pub with No Beer Rest Area with the owner, Mr Peter Bignell.

As part of that lease agreement, Council is permitted to install at the site the following:

- (a) Picnic tables and seating
- (b) Memorial bench seating
- (c) An information board
- (d) Rubbish bins; and
- (e) Surveillance cameras

The Mayor has requested that Council commence the installation of these items. No specific budget allocation has been made for an information board or surveillance cameras.

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

- (a) the Works & Services Manager organise for rubbish bins and a picnic table with seating to be placed at the site; and
- (b) The DES Manager provide costings and a design to the January meeting for an information board and provide costings for installation of surveillance cameras

17.2 METAL ARTWORK GRETNA WAR MEMORIAL

At the September Council meeting the following motion was carried:

Moved: Clr A Campbell**Seconded:** Clr J Honner**THAT Council**

- 1. Approve the installation of the artwork at the entrance to the Gretna War Memorial
- 2. Incorporate signage highlighting the site (with input from Mr Colin Cunningham)
- 3. Apply for the required planning permits

The Mayor has asked that this item be placed on the agenda for further discussion re location of artwork.

FOR DISCUSSION**17.3 AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

Nominations were advertised in the Highlands Digest for the following:

Citizen of the Year
 Young Citizen of the Year
 Central Highlands Community Event

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

THAT Australia Day 2021 Citizen of the Year be awarded to..... and the Mayor inviteto Council's Australia Day event to be presented with the Award.

THAT Australia Day 2021 Young Citizen of the Year be awarded to..... and the Mayor inviteto Council's Australia Day event to be presented with the Award.

THAT Australia Day 2021 Central Highlands Community Event be awarded to..... and the Mayor inviteto Council's Australia Day event to be presented with the Award.

17.4 MOTIONS FROM AUDIT PANEL MEETING

The Audit Panel met on Monday 29 November 2021 and discussed Council's financial position with regarding to cash reserves. The Audit Panel agreed on the following:

Moved Deputy Mayor J Allwright **Seconded** Cllr A Campbell

THAT the minimum cash reserve of Council be set at 5% of the replacement value of all assets plus current statutory provisions.

Carried

For the motion: I V McMichael (Chair), Deputy Mayor J Allwright, Cllr A Campbell

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Cllr **Seconded:** Cllr

THAT the minimum cash reserve of Council be set at 5% of the replacement value of all assets plus current statutory provisions.

17.5 TELSTRA TOWER CRAMPS BAY

Telstra Corporation Limited have written to Council regarding the recent announcement of the sale of Telstra Corporation Limited non-controlling stake in its mobile and non-mobile towers business to a high-calibre consortium – comprising the Future Fund, Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation and Sunsuper and managed by HRL Morrison & Co.

Telstra has retained 51 per cent ownership and continues to own the active parts of its network. To facilitate this sale, the assets and operations of the tower business have been transferred into a new Telstra subsidiary called Amplitel Pty Ltd.

Amplitel will continue to operate the towers business in a similar manner to Telstra, including allowing telecommunications carriers and other tower users access to the facilities to operate their mobile telephone and other networks.

The transfer of your lease to Amplitel Pty Ltd took place on the 31 August 2021 and from that date, Amplitel is the tenant under the lease. On 1 September 2021, the Future Fund, Commonwealth Superannuation Corporation and Sunsuper acquired a 49 per cent interest in Amplitel.

The deed poll in Council's favour which has been signed on behalf of Amplitel under which Amplitel, as the new tenant under the lease, agrees to comply with the lease from 31 August 2021.

You do not need to adjust the rent paid under the lease or issue any new tax invoice or adjustment note following the transfer – Telstra and Amplitel will deal with any adjustments under the lease. Any future tax invoices should be issued to Amplitel. Those tax invoices can still be sent to the current property managers, JLL. Where JLL has issued tax invoices for you (as recipient created tax invoices), JLL will continue to issue any future tax invoices to you but show Amplitel as the tenant.

There are no other proposed changes to the terms of your lease and the operations of the tower business will continue as usual.

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

THAT the General Manager be authorised to sign the confirmation of receipt for the restructure of Telstra towers business Deed poll for lease(s).

17.6 HIGHLANDS BUSHFEST 2022

The 2021 Highlands Bushfest was very successful with attendance being up from previous years on both days.

Council staff are seeking confirmation from Council that Highlands Bushfest will be held again in 2022.

Staff need considerable lead time to organise stallholders, sponsors, and attractions.
It is proposed that Bushfest be held on 19 & 20 November 2022.

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

That to enable staff to begin preparations for Highlands Bushfest 2022, Council confirm:

- (a) Highlands Bushfest 2022 will be held on 19 & 20 November 2022; and
- (b) funds will be allocated in the 2022/23 budget for the event

17.7 INFORMATION SUPPLIED TO COUNCILLORS – WEEKLY BULLETIN

Councillor Poore has requested that Council consider developing a Weekly Bulletin to provide Councillors with local government information or updates of what is happening in the Central Highlands.

Councillor Poore states *“that is important that Councillors are informed of items like current projects, so that Councillors are able to relay this information to ratepayers. Would it be possible for a weekly bulletin to be emailed to councillors advising important council information?”*

FOR DISCUSSION**17.8 “WALK AROUND BOTHWELL” BROCHURE**

The Mayor requested at the Bothwell Bi-Centennial Meeting that a copy of the “Walk around Bothwell” brochure be included in the agenda for Councillors to view.

Mr David Dyson developed the “Walk around Bothwell” brochure and a copy is included in the attachments.

Mr Dyson provides the following comments regarding the “Walk around Bothwell” brochure:

TOURIST LEAFLETS

1. Constructive comment always adds to the quality of a document. The first/next prints of the leaflets are planned for very soon, so prompt comment to me, as below, would be much appreciated.
2. The new “**Walk around Bothwell**” leaflet is very close to completion. There are three fingers in this pie: Bothwell Historical Society, Visitors’ Centre, and the Bothwell Bi-Centenary Working Group. Contact people are Keith Allcock and Beth Poore. A single contact point in CHC is desirable (review of leaflet material, print-run ordering and payment).

Inclusion on this leaflet required either historical or architectural significance (not commercial).

It is aimed at the common-garden tourist who visits the Visitor Centre. The vast majority are passing through to overnight accommodation elsewhere. They have a little time to spare, and want a quick look around Bothwell ± a meal/coffee. No more than a half-hour walk seems the best for such visitors. If also superficial, the leaflet is reasonably informative and entertaining. The person wanting detailed historical and architectural information will generally not start at the VC, and will want much more information.

3. The “**Bothwell**” leaflet has been evolving for 10-20 years. It is much more practical and commercial than “Walks” and will now be used mainly by those spending some hours in Bothwell or those staying overnight.
4. **Printing:** in the last year or so, the “Bothwell” leaflet has been produced internally. Other than price quotes (still to be finalised) and any constructive comments, I hope the CHC will sign off on both leaflets for printing and folding by external printers as often as demand requires.

David Dyson - dysond@bigpond.com

RECOMMENDATION:

Moved: Clr

Seconded: Clr

THAT Council agrees to pay for the printing of the “Walk around Bothwell” brochure.

17.9 FEDERAL ELECTION PROJECTS

Councillor Cassidy has requested that Council consider developing a prospective to upgrade the grandstand at the Bothwell Recreation Ground as a project for the Federal Election in 2022.

FOR DISCUSSION

17.8 FLOOD MITIGATION

Councillor Archer has requested that Council consider lodging a grant application for funding to undertake a flood mitigation for the Bothwell Township.



Photo take by Cllr Robert Cassidy during the October 2021 flood event

In the last round of the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program Council made two submissions under the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program, one to undertake a River Clyde flood mapping study, flood hydrology report, cost benefit study into the feasibility of a flood levee. Council was seeking funding of \$300,000 under the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program to employ a Project Manager, Hydrologist and Engineer part-time to undertake the following studies of the River Clyde in the township of Bothwell:

- River Clyde flood mapping study;
- Flood hydrology report;
- Cost benefit study into the feasibility of a flood levee; and
- Study sufficient to allow an application for a dam approval application to progress if flood levee is feasible.

The second submission was seeking funding of \$100,000 under the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program to install flood information warning stations on the Ouse River.

The Liberal and Nationals Government have announced applications have opened for a further \$50 million for priority flood mitigation infrastructure projects across the country.

Minister for Emergency Management and National Recovery and Resilience, Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie said the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program will now deliver \$100 million over two years for projects that will prepare and protect Australian communities from future devastating flood events.

“This funding – which is from the Emergency Response Fund set up in 2019 – is delivering priority disaster mitigation projects for the states and territories,” Minister McKenzie said.

“The Liberal and Nationals Government is committed to investing in mitigating the impacts of major flood events to reduce economic and social harm to Australian communities contributing to our long-term, sustainable flood mitigation efforts.

“The foundations of our commitment to supporting state, territory and local governments to construct or improve essential public infrastructure to prepare for extreme weather events and flooding through the first round of the program remain strong.”

The second round of the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program will build on the success of the program last financial year, with a renewed focus in targeting levees, levee systems, infrastructure to promote flood plain restoration and specific green infrastructure initiatives that mitigate flood risk.

“This round of the program was determined by the National Recovery and Resilience Agency through evidence-based decisions surrounding the types of projects that best support local communities to better withstand severe flood events and align with the objectives of the Emergency Response Fund,” Minister McKenzie said.

“Beyond the Emergency Response Fund, the Government is already investing in complementary disaster resilience programs managed by the National Recovery and Resilience Agency. This includes the Disaster Risk Reduction Package providing \$261 million over five years and the Preparing Australia Program that will provide \$600 million over six years, starting this financial year.

“We will continue to commit to building Australia’s resilience to natural disasters – a long-term strategy to ensure we’re a step ahead when the next disaster hits to reduce the future burden of recovery on communities.”

The Program Guidelines for the National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program 2021-22 are now available and applications for funding are open to states and territories. The Program guidelines and application form are available at www.recovery.gov.au.

Council may want to set a side funding in next years budget 22/23 to undertake this type of project, employee a Project Manager, Hydrologist and Engineer part-time to undertake the following studies of the River Clyde in the township of Bothwell:

- River Clyde flood mapping study;
- Flood hydrology report;
- Cost benefit study into the feasibility of a flood levee; and
- Study sufficient to allow an application for a dam approval application to progress if flood levee is feasible.

It was noted when developing the River Clyde Flood Mapping submission paper last year there is a current lack of sufficient data to determine what optimal solutions to flood plain management the Bothwell area, which includes both structural (e.g. levee construction) and non-structural (e.g. evacuation) action.

FOR DISCUSSION

THAT Council consider the matters on the Supplementary Agenda.

19.0 CLOSURE
