



Central Highlands Council

AGENDA – ORDINARY MEETING – 21 MARCH 2023

Dear Councillors,

Notice is hereby given, that an Ordinary Meeting of Central Highlands Council is scheduled to be held in the **Hamilton Council Chambers, Hamilton** on **Tuesday 21 March 2023**, commencing at **9.00am**.

I certify under Section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, that the matters to be discussed under this Agenda have been, where necessary, subject of advice from a suitably qualified person and that such advice has been taken into account in providing advice to the Council.

Dated at Hamilton this **16th** day of **March 2023**.

Kim Hossack
General Manager

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1. OPENING

2. AUDIO RECORDING DISCLAIMER

As per Regulation 33 (2) (a) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, audio recordings of meetings will be made available to Councillors, staff and members of the wider community including Government Agencies at no charge and will be made available on Council's website as soon as practicable after each Council Meeting. Unlike Parliament, Council meetings are not subject to parliamentary privilege, and both Council and the individual may be liable for comments that may be regarded as offensive, derogatory and/or defamatory.

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 in accordance with Council's Policy 2017-50.

The Mayor also advises, that members of the public are not permitted to make audio recordings of Council Meetings.

3. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

4. PRESENT

5. IN ATTENDANCE

6. APOLOGIES

7. LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil

8. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATIONS

In accordance with Regulation 8 (7) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Chairperson 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.

9. PERCEIVED INTEREST DECLARATIONS

Under the **Model Code of Conduct** made by Order of the Minister responsible for Local Government the following will apply to a Councillor –

PART 2 – Conflict of Interest that are not Pecuniary

(6) A Councillor who has an actual, potential or perceived conflict of interest in a matter before the Council must –

- (a) Declare the conflict of interest and the nature of the interest before discussion on the matter begins; and
 (b) Act in good faith and exercise reasonable judgement to determine whether a reasonable person would consider that the conflict of interest requires the Councillor to remove himself or herself physically from any Council discussion and remain out of the room until the matter is decided by the Council.

10. 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.

RECOMMENDATION 01/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

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	Outcome
1	Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Session of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on 21 February 2023.	Regulation 15 (2)(g) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> – information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to Council on the condition it is kept confidential.
2	Deputations	Regulation 15 (2)(C) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> – Commercial information of a confidential nature.
3	Supplementary Agenda Items	Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> .
4	Wayatinah Sports & Social Club Lease Agreement	Regulation 15 (2)(D) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> – Commercial information of a confidential nature.
5	Black Spot Programme Funding Grant Deed	Regulation 15 (2)(D) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> – Commercial information of a confidential nature.
6	Staff Enterprise Agreement 2022	Regulation 15 (2)(a) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> - personnel matters, including complaints against an employee of the council and industrial relations matters.
7	Consideration of Matters for Disclosure to the Public.	Regulation 15 (8) of the <i>Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015</i> - 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.

11. RE-OPEN MEETING TO PUBLIC

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

Members of the public are not permitted to make audio recordings of Council Meetings.

12. DEPUTATIONS

10.15am Josie Kelman from the Derwent Catchment Project

13. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Council conducts a Public Question Time Forum to enable members of the public to ask question on Council related matters.

A period of 15 minutes, if required, will be set aside at the beginning of each Ordinary Council Meeting to conduct Public Question Time. If a response to a question cannot be provided at the meeting a written response will be provided as soon as practicable.

A member of the public may give written notice to the General Manager, 7 days before a meeting of a question to be put to the Meeting.

The Chairman may invite any member of the public present at a meeting to ask questions, without notice, relating to activities of the Council, subject to the provisions of Clause 2 below.

1. Once Question Time commences the Chairman will determine the order in which questions are heard.
2. Questions may relate to any business of the Council capable of being discussed in the open portion of the meeting, and which is not listed as an item for consideration on the Agenda for the Council Meeting.
3. Members of the public proposing a question are required to be present at the Council Meeting at which their question is to be read. Where a person submits a question for Public Question Time but fails to attend the meeting, the question will be treated as general correspondence and a written response will be provided at the earliest opportunity.
4. A person asking a question, when called upon by the Chairman is requested to:
 - Stand,
 - State their name and address,
 - Read out their question.
5. The Chairman retains the right to accept or decline questions and to determine if the question is to be answered at the meeting by the appropriate Councillor or employee or written down and taken on notice. The decision to take the question on notice may also be taken by the Councillor or employee to whom the question is directed. Questions taken on notice will be answered at a later meeting.
6. The Chairman may rule a question inappropriate, and thus inadmissible if in his or her opinion it has already been asked, is unclear, irrelevant, insulting, improper or relates to any matter which would normally be discussed in the closed portion of the meeting as defined in the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.
7. Public Question Time forum will be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes in duration and will be declared closed following the expiration of the allocated time period, or where all valid questions have been dealt with, whichever is the sooner.

8. Each question is to be asked by the proponent who will be allowed a maximum of three minutes in which to put the question.
9. The Chairman will **not allow** any discussion or debate on either the question or the response.
10. Where a person proposes more than one question at any one forum, and there are a number of persons wishing to lodge questions, the Chairman may take the questions in such order so as to hear as many members of the public as practical during the time allocated.
11. The minutes of the Council Meeting will contain a summary of each question asked by members of the public and the response given.
12. Public Statements (as opposed to questions) **will not** be accepted for the reason that statements could be considered a form of participation.

Pertaining to any Planning Authority agenda item within this agenda, Council will do so in accordance with Council's Policy 2017-49.

Both the Public Question Time Procedure above and Council's Policy 2017-49 'Public Comment on Planning Agenda Items' will be available for the public to view at the meeting.

14. COMMITMENTS

14.1 MAYORAL COMMITMENTS

16 February to 15 March 2023

20 February 2023	Telephone Meeting with Local Government Officer Tas Police Telephone Meeting STCA Chairperson Telephone Meeting
21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell Bec White Leader of Opposition Telephone Meeting
24 February 2023	Telephone Meeting Director of Local Government Telephone Meeting with Tas Fire Service
26 February 2023	Great Lake Community Centre Committee AGM
28 February 2023	Clyde River Flood Study by GHD, Bothwell
5 March 2023	Hamilton Show & Meeting with Governor
7 March 2023	International Women's Day speaker at New Norfolk
12 March 2023	Shack Owners Meeting at Great Lake
14 March 2023	Workshop

- Business of Council x 9
- Ratepayer and community members - communications x 33
- Elected Members - communications x 12
- Central Highlands Council Management - communications x 1

14.2 COUNCILLOR COMMITMENTS

Deputy Mayor J Allwright

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting - Bothwell
02 March 2023	Osterley Church and Cemetery inspection
06 March 2023	Audit Panel Meeting, Hamilton
14 March 2023	Workshop

Cr A Bailey

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell
26 February 2023	AGM, Great Lake Community Centre, Miena
02 March 2023	Osterley Church and Cemetery inspection
06 March 2023	Audit Panel Meeting, Hamilton

Cr S Bowden

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting - Bothwell
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Cr R Cassidy

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell
28 February 2023	Clyde River Flood Stud GHD, Bothwell
14 March 2023	Workshop

Cr J Hall

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell
14 March 2023	Workshop

Cr J Honner

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell
14 March 2023	Workshop

Cr D Meacheam

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting - Bothwell
26 February 2023	AGM, Great Lake Community Centre, Miena
28 February 2023	Clyde River Flood Stud GHD, Bothwell
02 March 2023	Osterley Church and Cemetery inspection
14 March 2023	Workshop

Cr Y Miller

21 February 2023	Ordinary Council Meeting – Bothwell
14 March 2023	Workshop

14.3 GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS

Date	With Whom	Subject / Comment
16 to 20/2/2023	N/A	Annual Leave
21/2/2023	Dr Mary Lumsden	Lease agreements with Council
22/2/2023	Councillor Miller	Great Lake Community Centre Lease
26/2/2023	Great Lake Community Centre Inc	Attendance at their Annual General Meeting
27/2/2023	South-Central Sub Regional Group Meeting	Meeting & Workshop with 3 other member Councils
28/2/2023	Staff Enterprise Agreement Meeting	Negotiation meeting with Staff Representatives & the Australian Services Union (ASU)
28/2/2023	Councillors and GHD Representatives	Draft River Clyde Flood Mapping Study Report
6/3/2023	Audit Panel Committee	Quarterly Audit Panel Meeting
6/3/2023	Deputy Mayor	Great Lake Community Centre Lease
7/3/2023	Councillor Miller	Various items
7/3/2023	Councillor Hall	Great Lake Community Centre Lease
7/3/2023	Staff Enterprise Agreement Meeting	Negotiation meeting with Staff Representatives & the Australian Services Union (ASU)
9/3/2023	Tasmanian Audit Officer Representatives	2022/23 Audit Entry Meeting
9/3/2023	Staff Enterprise Agreement Meeting	Negotiation meeting with Staff Representatives & the Australian Services Union (ASU)
14/3/2023	Tasmanian Community Fund (TCF)	Great Lake Community Centre grant funding
14/3/2023	Councillors & Community Representatives	Council Workshop

15/3/2023	Local Developer, Mayor & Acting Development & Environmental Services Manager	General discussions on options within Hamilton
17/3/2023	Local Government Association of Tasmania	General Meeting held in Launceston with the Mayor

For Information Only**14.4 DEPUTY GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMITMENTS**

Date	With Whom	Subject / Comment
28/2/2023	General Manager and EB Reps	EB Meeting
28/2/2023	Council and GHD Reps	Draft River Clyde Flood Mapping Report Meeting
2/3/2023	Councillors and Ron Sonner's	Site inspection of the Osterley Church
6/3/2023	Audit Panel Committee and General Manager	Audit Panel Meeting
7/3/2023	General Manager and EB Reps	EB Meeting
8/3/2023	MAV and Other Council Reps	Best Practice Forums South Tasmania and Contractor Management Regional Workshops
9/3/23	Audit Office and General Manager	Entry meeting for the 22/23 audit
9/3/23	General Manager and EB Reps	EB Meeting
14/3/2023	Council and other reps	Council Workshop
21/03/2023	Council	Council Meeting

For Information Only**15. NOTIFICATION OF COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD**

Workshops were held on the below dates and the following items were discussed:

28 February 2023	Presentation by GHD on the River Clyde Flood Mapping Study
14 March 2023	Great Lake Community Centre lease Miena Water Tanks Osterley Church & Cemetery Proposal Local Government Aboriginal Audit Report 2022 Heartlands Get Together Event Hamilton Campground Site

16. FUTURE WORKSHOPS

The next Council Workshop or presentation will be held on the following date –

- 3 April 2023

17. MAYORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

18. MINUTES

18.1 CONFIRMATION OF DRAFT MINUTES ORDINARY MEETING – 21 FEBRUARY 2023

RECOMMENDATION 02/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Council held on Tuesday 21 February 2023 be confirmed.

18.2 RECEIVAL OF DRAFT AUDIT PANEL MEETING – 6 MARCH 2023

RECOMMENDATION 03/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Draft Minutes of the Audit Panel Meeting on Monday 6 March 2023 be received.

19. BUSINESS ARISING – March 2023

Business Arising

22.1	DA2022/92: REORGANISATION OF BOUNDARIES: LOT 1 MAYFIELD ROAD, PELHAM	Correspondence provided & actioned.
24.2	SUBMISSIONS TO THE STATE PLANNING OFFICE ON THE REGIONAL PLANNING FRAMEWORK DISCUSSION PAPER & THE DRAFT STRUCTURE PLAN GUIDELINES	Council submitted the submissions to the Department of Premier & Cabinet, State Planning Office.
26.1	FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT REVIEW – STAGE 2 OPTIONS PAPER	Council submitted the submission to the Local Government Board
26.2	POLICY NO. 2017- 50 AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS	Policy Register updated
26.3	POLICY NO. 2013-16 DRUG AND ALCOHOL	Policy Register updated
26.4	POLICY NO. 2013-17 USE OF COUNCIL SPORTING FACILITIES	Policy Register updated

26.5	POLICY NO. 2014-30 PRIVACY (PERSONAL INFORMATION)	Policy Register updated
26.6	POLICY NO. 2017-45 DISABILITY ACCESS AND INCLUSION	Policy Register updated
26.7	POLICY NO. 2016-44 PURCHASING AND PAYMENT CONTROL	Policy Register updated
26.8	POLICY NO. 2015-06 TENDERING AND PROCUREMENT	Policy Register updated
26.9	WORKING SHEEP DOG TRIALS - BOTHWELL	Correspondence provided & actioned.
26.12	TASMANIAN LOCAL GOVERNMENT – ABORIGINAL AUDIT REPORT 2022	Council Workshop (14th March 2023), with representatives from the Department of Premier and Cabinet
26.13	DIRECTIVE LETTER FROM DIRECTOR OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT	Directive letter from the Director of Local Government dated 19 January 2023 was received and noted by all Councillors.

FOR NOTING**20. DERWENT CATCHMENT PROJECT – MONTHLY REPORT****RECOMMENDATION 04/03.2023/C****Moved:** Cr**Seconded:** Cr**THAT** the Derwent Catchment Project Monthly Report be received.

Derwent Catchment Project Monthly Report for Central Highlands Council



Derwent Catchment Project Monthly Report for Central Highlands Council

14 February - 8th March 2023

General

Eve and I will be attending the next Council meeting to discuss the NRM program and activities. The following is our usual monthly report on activities. But I wanted to highlight the progress we have been able to make due to Council support and contribution. Thanks to the Council's on-going support of the Derwent Catchment Project we have been able to control weeds on 260 km of road and co-ordinate weed management across tenure to reduce the weed burden in the Highlands. Continue to improve water quality and riparian condition on 45 km of rivers and streams. Produce ~20,000 native plants annually at the Hamilton Nursery which are sourced from locally collected seed and mostly planted in the catchment, improving land condition, and adding to biodiversity outcomes. Engage with 80% of primary producers and hundreds of community members and visitors. Continue to leverage funding for programs which run across the catchment in biosecurity and weed management, river recovery, conservation and agri-best practice (pasture management, soil and nutrient management, carbon and biodiversity).



Hamilton and Bushy Park Shows

We held stalls at the Bushy Park and Hamilton shows. Thanks to the Show Committee's and Council for putting on great events. We had a good level of engagement with the local community and the best plant sales to date at the Hamilton show. We spoke to many people about the agricultural and environmental programs we are running in the catchment. The weed booklets and growing local plant booklets disappeared very quickly! We also had new follow up customers visiting the nursery on Tuesday. The Hamilton Show provides with an important opportunity to have one-on-one conversations about NRM concerns and meet new community members.



Central Highlands weeds program

Strategic Actions 4.4 Continue the program of weed reduction in the Central Highlands, and 4.7 Support and assist practical programs that address existing environmental problems and improve the environment.

The weed management program focuses on implementing the Central Highlands Weed Management Plan and addressing weed control priorities.

Californian thistle remains a focus, and Justin has almost finished treating it in all eradication zones, including Dee Lagoon. The Victoria Valley eradication zone has been treated with a targeted approach to some weeds, including Californian thistle.

The ground crew also went out to help community members with Ragwort control around the Shannon/Penstock Lagoon area. The amount of Ragwort growing along the roads has drastically reduced thanks to our work with volunteers; however, the infestation along the private and government land is growing. We are in conversation with Sustainable Timbers Tasmania and Hydro about a management approach.



Californian thistle in the Highlands

The next month of weed control for the ground crew will involve managing Californian thistle and Ragwort around Great Lake for Hydro.

Orange Hawkweed – Weed Action Fund

This project supports the control and implementation of biosecurity measures for the priority species Orange-hawkweed. The final day of survey work was completed, and the ground crew began treating known plants. The survey work has identified a range of densities and distributions of Orange hawkweed at different sites, and discussions are being held with land managers to discuss alternative management techniques to increase effectiveness.

Community Working Bees

Adopt a shore – Elizabeth Bay:

The Adopt-a-Shore working bees started in late February with support from Hydro and Inland Fisheries Service. The ground crew and volunteers travelled via an Inland Fisheries boat to Elizabeth Bay to do ragwort control. This is the fifth-year volunteers have gone to Elizabeth Bay (we could not go last year due to COVID-19).

Whilst we did not have as many volunteers this year, we could cover the same amount of ground in less time with only a small percentage of plants needing to be treated. This is an indicator of success, as the work has reduced the density of infestation. Two more working bees were scheduled in early March, but unfortunately, they have had to be postponed due to lack of interest. We have reached more people with our invitations than ever before but it seems getting people out on the ground to pull ragwort is challenging.



Ragwort control at Elizabeth Bay

Agri-best practice programs

Strategic Actions 4.7 Support and assist practical programs that address existing environmental problems and improve the environment.

Derwent Pasture Network – funded by NRM South through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program

This program is about improving dryland grazing management productivity and sustainability in the Derwent. Monitoring of the test sites has included processing data from our legume and fertiliser test strip plots. Recent activity has included a grazing course session at Green Valley addressing the integration of livestock and pasture objectives at the break of season, one-to-one interactions reporting fertiliser test strip results, and assessments of ground cover species/cultivar composition and plant density at our pasture species trial sites. The pasture network has also hosted two decision-making workshops at Hamilton and Bothwell as part of a containment feeding project.

Each activity area focuses on optimising system value from the available feed-base resources and developing plans and priorities to achieve this. Communications articles continue to be published, and an infographic is being developed to highlight the calculation of return on investment from fertiliser responses. Monitoring data will continue to be collected across the break period and be presented on field days in the next quarter.

Natural capital & On-farm opportunities in the Derwent - funded by the TasAg Innovation Hub (Drought Hub)

This project is about exploring opportunities and market options for carbon and biodiversity on farms in the Derwent Catchment. The team have been busy undertaking baseline condition assessments on priority remnant vegetation on Llanberris and Compass Agri farms. Laurie is working on develop carbon footprint assessments for these farm enterprises which will form part of the carbon component of the plans.

Cross-hub containment feeding/drought lotting project - funded by the Future Drought Fund (National Drought Hub)

This project is working to support farmers with drought resilience.

On the 22nd and 23rd of February we ran workshops at Hamilton and Bothwell focused on trigger points and understanding when livestock should go into a containment facility and when they should be let out. The workshops were facilitated by Cam Nicholson, an advisor and farmer from Geelong who regularly consults with Southern Farming Systems. Cam presented a decision-making framework that can be applied to all complex decision-making activities on farm. The workshops were well attended and received, we had excellent feedback post events.

We continue to undertake surveys with farmers across the State to understand design and management strategies that farmers are employing around containment feeding. We have a draft copy of our video on the multiple uses of containment other than just drought lotting, and we are currently working on another video on managing acidosis. These videos are being developed with advice from Bruce Jackson.

Drought risk assessment project with Rural Business Tasmania

We facilitated a session with our partners at RBT and Lucy Anderton an ag-economist and developer of the My Farm Smart app which assists farmers around the economic projections for different enterprise scenarios on farm. The session looked at the Australian Government's DR SAT tool which is a multi-million dollar platform that has been designed as a self-assessment tool to support drought resilience. The conclusion after the session was that DR SAT lacks rigour and does not in fact holistically address the critical factors that affect drought resilience. As part of the development of our drought risk assessment tool we will provide feedback to DR SAT on how it could be improved.

Restoration and Conservation

Strategic Actions: 4.1 Continue to fund and support the Derwent Catchment Project and 4.7 Support and assist practical programs that address existing environmental problems and improve the environment.

Tyenna River Recovery – willow warriors – supported by IFS, SFM, DV council and Tassal

This project is a long-running project which aims to remove the willows and restore the Tyenna River. The program is strongly supported by volunteer activities with monthly working bees on the river. The program works to implement a 10-year plan for river recovery.

The volunteers met at the end of February and continued to manage the large infestation above Mt Field National Park. The Paddling Willow Warriors (PWW) also held another working bee the following week to tackle the large willows on the inaccessible side of the river. The PWW had a great day and camped overnight before they went downstream for a social paddle.

Ouse River Recovery

This program builds on works conducted under the Agricultural Landscape (flood) Rehabilitation Scheme to improve the health and condition of the Ouse River. The ground crew revisited the site to replace guards and stakes after finding more living plants while they were brush cutting the site. As the team drives past the site for most of our Highland projects, we can do opportunistic maintenance at the start or end of the day, resulting in a better outcome for the river.



Platypus Walk

This project works to maintain the restoration works undertaken as part of a Tasmanian Community Fund project with support from Council to improve the Platypus Walk in Hamilton. The ground crew has managed thistles and brush-cut tall grass along the track around the revegetation sites. They have also been working on ensuring the willow regrowth is under control and weeds are managed along the river's edge.



Before and after works at Platypus Walk

Hamilton Native Plant Nursery update

Karen is consolidating orders for autumn/ winter plantings, with more orders coming in. Preparation for the final plantings of a contracted project to NRM South and Enviro Dynamics of endangered Morrisby Gumtrees is underway. These final plants will add to the 3,000 plants already on planted along the east coast. Karen has also helped with a study into the possibility of expanding the nursery to keep up with demand.

Grant applications

Weed Action Fund – Final Round

We have submitted applications to the final round of the Weed Action Fund. The three applications are as follows:

1. The control of Bridal Creeper in combination with six different councils around the state \$50,000
2. Implementing the weed control plan for Broom in the Highlands in conjunction with Parks, Hydro, and TasNetworks \$50,000
3. An education Program aimed at Council planning departments to help support pre-emptive strategies for development that can prevent the spread of weeds \$50,000.

Building drought resilience for small producers in the Derwent Catchment – FRR are reconsidering their approach to devolving the funding in Tasmania and we will be notified shortly on their decision.

Funding request \$450, 000

Please don't hesitate to call us if you have any queries about our programs.

Yours Sincerely,
The Derwent Catchment Team

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Morgan McPherson (Works Manager) 0418 667 426

Karen Phillips (Nursery Manager) 0400 039 303

21. COUNCIL ACTING AS A PLANNING AUTHORITY

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 is to be noted.

In accordance with Regulation 25, the Council will act as a Planning Authority in respect to those matters appearing under Item 22 in this Agenda, inclusive of any supplementary items.

Nil Planning Reports

22.1 DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES REPORT – FEBRUARY 2023

Report By

Kathy Bradburn, Acting Development & Environmental Services Manager

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
2023 / 00005	G I Laskey	3 Chert Place, Flintstone	Change of Use Garage to Dwelling
2023 / 00010	K J Knowles	7633 Highland Lakes Road, Miena	Dwelling Addition

DISCRETIONARY USE

DA NO.	APPLICANT	LOCATION	PROPOSAL
2022 / 00065	D A Green	1340 Meadowbank Road, Meadowbank	Dwelling & Outbuilding
2023 / 00004	GHD	70 Southernfield Road, Hermitage	Utilities (Solar Arrays)

ANIMAL CONTROL

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

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

2022/2023 Statistics as of 9 March 2023.

Number of Dogs Impounded during last month	0
Number of Dogs Currently Registered	953
Number of Dogs Pending Re-Registration	25
Number of Kennel Licences Issued	29
Number of Kennel Licences Pending	1

RECOMMENDATION 05/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Development & Environmental Services Report for February 2023 be received.

22.2 FLOOD-PRONE AREAS HAZARD OVERLAY: SES

Council is in receipt of a letter from the Department of Police, Fire & Emergency Management, State Emergency Service, congratulating Council on its progress to implement the Tasmanian Planning Scheme within the municipality and confirming their commitment to work with Council on a future amendment to include a Flood-prone Areas Hazard Overlay.

A copy of the letter received has been included in the attachments for your information.

For information

23. WORKS & SERVICES

23.1 WORKS & SERVICES REPORT – FEBRUARY 2023

Report By

Jason Branch, Works & Services Manager

The following activities were performed during February 2023 by Works & Services –

Grading & Sheeting	Selma Road
Maintenance Grading	Mark Tree Road, Section on Victoria Valley Road, Woodspring Road
Potholing / Shouldering	Arthurs Lake Road, Nant Lane, Jones Road, Cider Gum Drive
Spraying:	Nil
Culverts / Drainage:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean culverts 14 Mile Road • Repair culvert Bothwell town streets • Replace 4 culverts Mark Tree Road • Replace 3 culverts Tor Hill Road • Replace culvert Langlosh Road

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean culverts Woodspring • Install culverts McGuires Marsh 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 • Approximately 51 hours Annual Leave taken. • 42.5 hours Sick Leave taken. • 0 hours Long Service Leave • 0 hours Workers Compensation
Bridges:	Bridge maintenance Dennistoun Road
Refuse / recycling sites:	Cover Hamilton Tip twice weekly
Other:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carting gravel to Thousand Acre Lane • Pruning of trees Queens Park • Pruning of trees Bothwell cemetery • Cold mix holes Arthurs Lake Road • Level dirt Bothwell waste transfer station • Repair ramp Green Valley Road • Install signs Pelham Road • 1 x burial • Repair fence at cemetery • Maintenance Croakers Alley • Remove falling tree Dennistoun Road • Remove falling tree Victoria Valley Road • Guidepost maintenance Hollow Tree Road • Hotmix works Ellendale Road • 3 x drum musters • Removal of drums from drum muster shed Bothwell. • Set up and maintenance for Hamilton Show • Install flagpole Hamilton Showgrounds • Clean up Wayatinah. • Pruning trees Ouse township • Repairs Gretna toilets • Repair Ellendale toilets • Replace ramp Tor Hill Road • Repair sign Hollow Tree Road • Offal Pitt Bothwell WTS • Repairs to irrigation system Bothwell Recreation ground • Clean drains Ellendale Road • Remove tree Bridge Road and Pelham Road • Repair washout Woodspring Road
Slashing:	Dry Poles Road, Rockmount Road, Halls Road
Municipal Town Maintenance:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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:

Built veranda over judge's box Hamilton Show Grounds

Plant:

- PM741 Mack truck repairs to turbo and oil sensor switch
- PM757 JCB Backhoe new tyres.
- PM817 Toyota Hilux service
- PM665 Dog trailer new tyres
- PM709 Cat loader repair fuel problem
- PM786 Triton Serviced
- PM748 Hino truck serviced.

Private Works:

eight private works were undertaken.

Casuals

- Toilets, rubbish and Hobart
- Hamilton general duties

Program for next 4 weeks

- Continue Thousand Acre Lane construction.
- Hamilton footpath upgrade.
- Bothwell footpath upgrade.
- Repair scouring of bridge spur off the Avenue.
- Vegetation clearing various roads.
- Design for Black Spot funding.

RECOMMENDATION 06/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Works & Services Report for February 2023 be received.

23.2 PREPARING AUSTRALIAN COMMUNITIES PROGRAM GRANT

The Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources have advised Council that our application for the Preparing Australian Communities - Local Stream - River Clyde Flood Mapping and Study was successful.

The monthly project report for February has been provided by Mr Cameron Ormes the Project Manager for the River Clyde Flood Mapping / Study and is included in the attachments for Councillors information.

RECOMMENDATION 07/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT Council receive the monthly project report for February 2023 from GHD for the River Clyde Flood Mapping / Study.

23.3 LOCAL ROADS COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE PROGRAM

Report by

Jason Branch, Manager Works & Services

The Local Roads Community Infrastructure Program Phase 4 has now been allocated and Council has been allocated \$589,128 which must be spent from July 2023 to June 2025.

This would be a great opportunity for Council to add to another section of road construction and widening on Thousand Acre Lane.



Australian Government

Department of Infrastructure, Transport,
Regional Development, Communications and the Arts

Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 4

The Australian Government is continuing to support local councils to deliver services and build infrastructure that provides benefits and supports jobs in local communities across the nation through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure (LRCI) Program.

The Government has committed \$750 million to Phase 4 of the LRCI Program, including \$250 million which will focus on road projects in rural, regional and outer urban areas. This brings the total Australian Government commitment to the LRCI Program to \$3.25 billion.

The Albanese Government is allocating \$500 million in accordance with advice to councils prior to the election in May 2022. Councils across Australia will be able to spend this funding on priority local road and community infrastructure projects.

The Albanese Government is committed to a robust methodology underpinning the determination of eligible councils for the additional \$250 million. Detail about these allocations will be announced shortly.

Councils will be able to access their Phase 4 funding allocations from July, with projects to be delivered by June 2025. This longer delivery window will allow councils more time to plan larger or more complex projects that may be a higher priority and have a bigger impact in your community.

The LRCI program supports all Australian councils to deliver priority local road and community infrastructure projects in their region, creating jobs and long-lasting benefits for communities.

Guidelines and grant agreements will be finalised by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts over the coming months.

Individual council allocations of the \$500 million are attached and also available on the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program [website](#).

We look forward to continuing to work with you to deliver priority local road and community infrastructure projects.

Yours sincerely

THE HON CATHERINE KING MP

Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government

THE HON KRISTY MCBAIN MP

Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories

RECOMMENDATION 08/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT Council allocate the \$589,128 from the Local Roads Community Infrastructure Grant Phase 4 to another section of Thousand Acre Lane during Council's 2023/24 budget deliberations.

23.4 A SUMMARY OF THE THOUSAND ACRE LANE CONTRACT WITH VARIATIONS

Report by

Jason Branch, Manager Works & Services

The variations are substantial:

In respect to the guard rail, I advise as follows - COSTS ON THE "LONG HILL":

The design intent was to match the existing road levels as much as possible. This resulted in a cost-effective design intended to minimise land acquisition. Unfortunately, extensive new fencing was required on the long hill at Sonners property as the existing fence encroached into the Road Reserve and had to be relocated (VO#4). This section (long hill) has a large surface runoff catchment and poor foundation material, and it was considered necessary to install rock spall protection to the table drain. (VO#7). For the same reason rock spall protection to the downside embankment was considered necessary to prevent washout (VO#15).

The foundation of the road up the long hill was found to be poor quality (soft) for a distance of 400m on the top side of the road. This was evidently due to high surface runoff from the Sonner property (large hillside catchment) and the absence of adequate drainage that allowed the water to permanently saturate the sandy/clayey road subbase. (VO#5)

Guard rail was initially considered unnecessary on the lower side of the long hill as the drop-off height does not exceed the DSG warrants. But due to the driving environment the visual impression approaching this hill with the long sweeping curve to the left clearly appears unsafe and a guard rail is recommended. (VO#16 ESTIMATE ONLY)

Variation costs on the long hill (VO #4,5,7,15) amount to \$117,970.60

For Information and noting

23.5 LIONS CLUB PROPOSAL FOR TABLE AND BENCHES AT CROAKER ALLEY

Report by

Jason Branch, Manager Works & Services

A letter has been received from Mr Malcolm Scott the Treasurer of the Lions Club of Bothwell and Districts, requesting support for their Lions Club proposal for table and benches at Croaker Alley, Bothwell.

The Lions Club of Bothwell and Districts are asking Council approval and support in erecting a shelter with an aluminium table and benches in Croaker Alley and riverside reserve in remembrance of Peter Birchall who served our community as both a local Policeman and Founder / Member of the Bothwell Lions Club.

Lions Club Members have spoken and met with Council's Works & Services Manager at Croaker Alley and riverside reserve with a suitable site being identified. Necessary "DA" Design Approval maybe required.

This Shelter and Table/Benches will be similar to those previously installed at the Bothwell Queen's Park which will benefit both locals and visitors alike.

They are seeking Council to support this project by levelling the site and laying the concrete in preparation of the erection of the shelter, table and benches.

The estimated total costs are:

Shelter	\$10,000
Table and Benches	\$15,000
Concrete Slab 5 Metres square	(Council to provide if approved)
Brass Plaque	\$500

The Lions Club would like to start on this project if approved as soon as possible as there could be long lead times on the shelter, table and benches.

FOR DECISION

24. ADMINISTRATION SERVICES REPORT

24.1 REMISSIONS UNDER DELEGATION

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

The following ground hire remission has been granted by the General Manager under Delegation:

Psychs on Bikes	\$200.00	Hire of the Bothwell Football Club & Community Centre
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RECOMMENDATION 09/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the remission under delegation be noted.

24.2 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE AUDIT PANEL

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

At the Audit Panel Meeting held on Monday 6 March 2023 the committee reviewed the Pandemic Leave Policy and recommended that Council revoke the Pandemic Leave Policy.

A copy of the policy is included in the attachments and the agreed motion is below -

Moved Deputy Mayor J Allwright

Seconded Cr A Bailey

THAT Audit Panel recommend that Council revoke the Pandemic Leave Policy.

Carried

For the Motion: I V McMichael (Chair), Deputy Mayor J Allwright, Cr A Bailey

RECOMMENDATION 10/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT Council revoke the Pandemic Leave Policy.

24.3 GREтна CRICKET CLUB FUNDING SUPPORT

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

The Gretna Cricket Club has written to Council requesting support for their upcoming Junior and Senior Trophy Presentations.

Mr Shaw the Gretna Cricket Club Secretary states that the Gretna Cricket Club are thrilled to let Council know that the under 15 Junior team have made it through to the grand final and will play Sorell on the 5th March, which is a great achievement for the club with the commencement of the junior competition this year. The club have also had a fantastic season with both seniors' teams making the finals.

The Gretna Cricket Club are currently seeking support for their upcoming Junior and Senior Trophy Presentations. They hope Council would kindly consider making a donation towards their end of season presentations by sponsoring trophies for each team being 2 Juniors and 2 Senior teams or a donation towards the purchase of the trophies. Mr Shaw states that any assistance would be appreciated.

RECOMMENDATION 11/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT Council donate \$200 to the Gretna Cricket Club to support for their upcoming Junior and Senior Trophy Presentations.

24.4 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION OUSE COMMUNITY COUNTRY CLUB

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

The Ouse Community Country Club has applied for a community grant to cover their rates for 2022/2023.

Property Number 01-0810-03938 (Bowls Green & Club House)

General Rate: \$913.41

Garbage Rate: \$544.00

Fire Levy Rate: \$56.69

Total Rates: \$1514.10

Property Number 01-0805-03937 (Golf Course & Sheds)

General Rate: \$813.42

Garbage Rate: \$176.00

Fire Levy Rate: \$45.46

Total Rates: \$1034.88

RECOMMENDATION 12/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

1. That Council grants a remission of \$408.29 being 50% of the general rate on Property No 01-0810-03938 and
2. That Council grants a remission of \$582.71 being 50% general rate and total garbage charge on Property No 01-0805-03937.

24.5 IMMUNE DEFICIENCIES FOUNDATION AUSTRALIA FUNDING SUPPORT 2023 ANNUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT "RAZZAMATAZZ"

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

Mr Zac Veart has written to the General Manager seeking support for the annual fundraising event "Razzamatazz".

'Razzamatazz provides special needs and disadvantaged children from Hobart and the surrounds, along with their carers and families, a unique opportunity to experience a show to remember! This year's show will be held at the Federation Concert Hall – Hobart Grand Chancellor.

Featuring Australia's top performers, we have juggling, magic and good old-fashioned humour designed to entertain and inspire, with funds raised from this year's show going towards the provision of critical support and equipment for the IDFA, to help those families with children that have an immune deficiency.

If you have supported the Razzamatazz Show in the past, we thank you. This year, with your help, we are aiming to get as many disabled and disadvantaged young and adult Tasmanians, their carers and families involved as possible – but for this to happen, we need your support.

Sponsorship this year is \$120.00 (including GST) for a 'show pass', which entitles a child and their carer access to the event. A single ticket can be sponsored at \$60 (including GST). We have a lot of children who are hoping to see the Razzamatazz Show and have some groups for you to consider:

5 Tickets = \$300

4 Tickets = \$240

3 Tickets = \$180

The Immune Deficiencies Foundation Australia would like Council to consider donating \$180, \$240 or \$360 towards the event.

For Discussion

24.6 COMMUNITY GRANT APPLICATION – CAMPDRAFTING TASMANIA INC

Report by

Adam Wilson, Deputy General Manager

Campdraft Tasmania Inc. has submitted a community grant application for \$300 to hold an event at the Hamilton Showgrounds in April 2023.

Naming rights for each event are given to sponsors who donate towards the prize pool. Embroidered trophy rugs are purchased from this donation, with the surplus going towards prizes or the prize pool as required.

Campdraft Tasmania would be extremely grateful if Council could assist with providing a prize or a donation (whether large or small) to help encourage our competitors along the way.

Campdrafting Tasmanian hold championships at the Hamilton Show Grounds every season.

A copy of their application is included in the attachments.

RECOMMENDATION 13/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT Council donates \$300 to Campdraft Tasmania Inc to support for their upcoming event at the Hamilton Showgrounds in April.

24.7 HEALTH AND WELLBEING PLAN 2020-2025 – MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

Report by

Katrina Brazendale, Senior Administration/Community Relations Officer

Bothwell Playgroup - Families Tasmania are currently running weekly sessions of Rhyme and Storytime on a Tuesday at the Bothwell Recreation Ground, this will continue until 4th March 2023. It's great to see families attend and continue to support these sessions.

Communities for Children are holding a Family Fun Day at Ouse on 18th April 2023.

Council was successful with three grants from the Cattle Hill Wind Farm

- Supporting School with Breakfast Club \$6,000
- Youth and Adults Mental Health Community Sports \$7,000
- Training and Skills Development \$17,965

The first one will see the continued support for the breakfast club to also include the possibility of being able to provide the breakfast club for more days.

The Youth and Adults Mental Health Community Sports will support the sporting activities for the school students as well as contributing to adult activities.

Training and Skills Development will see the commencement of bringing training courses to the local area to support those with transport issues. Training will include: -

- RSA
- Whitecard
- Chainsaw
- Driver Training
- First Aid

Food packages are also being made up on a weekly basis dependant on food availability from suppliers and delivered to various families throughout the Central Highlands Municipal area. Supplies for the breakfast programs are also collected during this time, so therefore the food packages are only available during school terms.

RECOMMENDATION 14/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Health & Wellbeing Plan 2020-2025 monthly progress report be received.

24.8 POLICY 2014-22 - CUSTOMER SERVICE CHARTER

The previous Costumer Service Charter Policy was approved by Council on the 16 November 2021 and the intent of this revised policy is to review any required changes as per Section 339F(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* which requires a Council to review its Customer Service Charter within 12 months after a Council election.

This policy is in compliance with the requirements of the *Local Government Act 1993* and outlines Central Highlands Council's commitment to customers in accordance with our vision and mission statement articulated in the Strategic Plan. It outlines customers' rights; the standards customers can expect when dealing with Council and what a customer can do if dissatisfied with Council decisions or actions including providing a formalised process for making complaints.

Council is committed to the provision of timely, efficient, consistent and quality services provided by polite and helpful Officers that meet our customers' expectations.

Council places great emphasis on the efficient handling of complaints. Our aim at all times is to provide a quality service. We may not be able to provide complete satisfaction, but we will be trying for the best possible solution. To achieve this, customers are encouraged to voice their complaints and for Council to work toward increasing customer satisfaction and continuously improve our services by responding to customer complaints as efficiently and effectively as possible.

Attached is the policy for Council's adoption.

RECOMMENDATION 15/03.2023/C

THAT Council approve the revised Policy No. 2014-22 Costumer Service Charter.

24.9 MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT TO 28 FEBRUARY 2023

Report by

David Doyle, Contract Accountant

RECOMMENDATION 16/03.2023/C

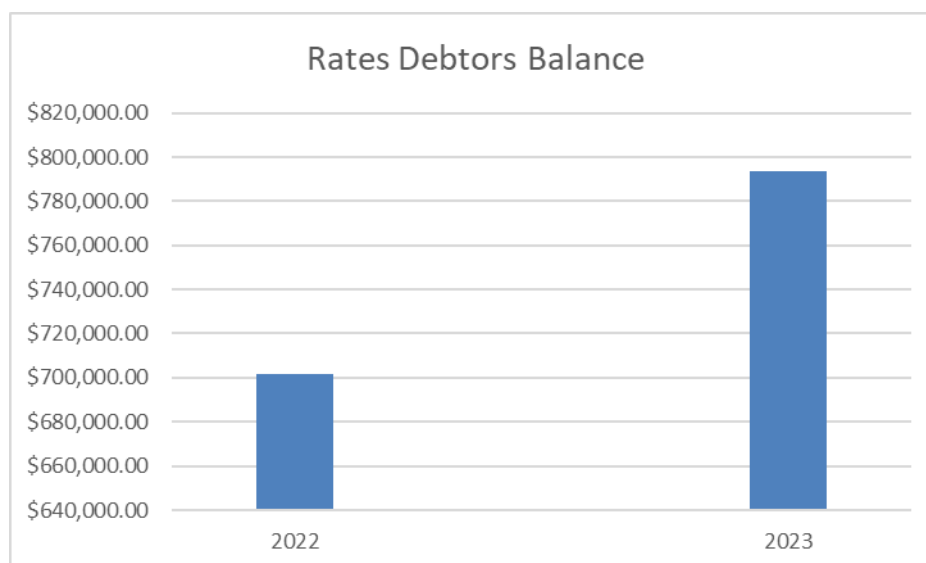
Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Monthly Finance Report to 28 February 2023 be received.

RATES RECONCILIATION AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2023

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>
Rates in Debit 30th June	\$132,481.89	\$100,036.35
Rates in Credit 30th June	-\$132,398.46	-\$139,127.10
Balance 30th June	\$83.43	-\$39,090.75
Rates Raised	\$3,912,121.67	\$4,110,809.76
Penalties Raised	\$21,955.81	\$25,164.48
Supplementaries/Debit Adjustments	\$27,405.49	\$32,291.19
Total Raised	\$3,961,566.40	\$4,129,174.68
Less:		
Receipts to Date	\$3,130,012.78	\$3,182,818.68
Pensioner Rate Remissions	\$101,093.20	\$110,356.31
Remissions/Supplementary Credits	\$29,040.91	\$42,514.53
Balance	\$701,419.51	\$793,485.16

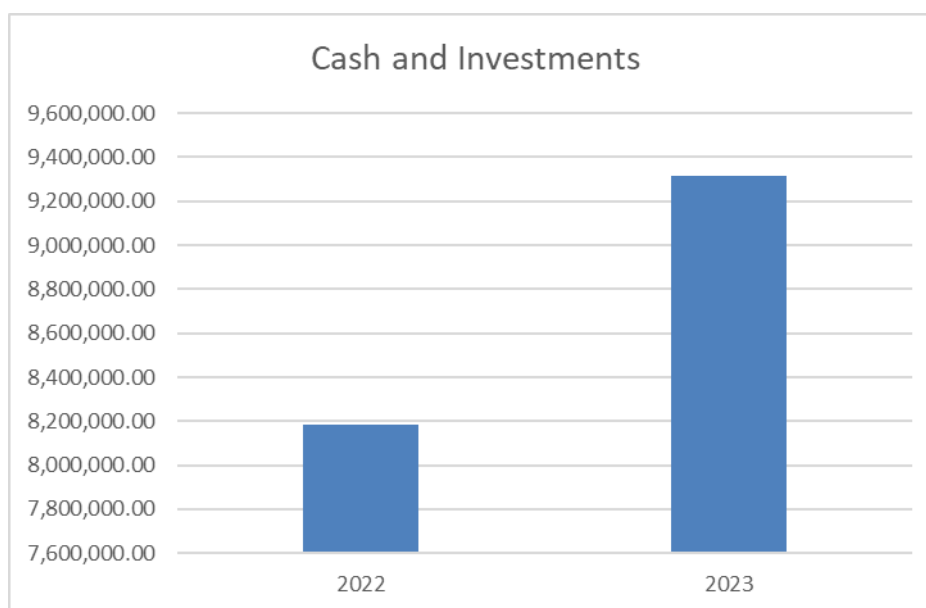


Bank Reconciliation as at 28 February 2023

	2022	2023
Balance Brought Forward	\$8,546,670.92	\$9,071,093.43
Receipts for month	\$806,982.81	\$731,898.64
Expenditure for month	\$1,169,010.42	\$486,310.64
Balance	\$8,184,643.31	\$9,316,681.43
Represented By:		
Balance Commonwealth Bank	\$1,506,653.21	\$1,882,667.30
Balance Westpac Bank	\$105,585.11	\$226,282.65
Investments	\$6,740,819.05	\$7,207,181.48
Petty Cash & Floats	\$550.00	\$550.00
	\$8,353,607.37	\$9,316,681.43
Plus Unbanked Money	\$2,191.35	\$0.00
	\$8,355,798.72	\$9,316,681.43
Less Unpresented Cheques	\$129.85	\$0.00
Unreceipted amounts on bank statements	\$171,025.56	\$0.00
	\$8,184,643.31	\$9,316,681.43

	BUDGET 2022/2023	ACTUAL TO 28-Feb-22	ACTUAL TO 28-Feb-23	% OF BUDGET SPENT	BALANCE OF BUDGET
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES					
ADMIN HAMILTON	\$1,421,591	\$840,234	\$1,104,360	77.68%	\$317,231
ELECTED MEMBERS EXPENDITURE(A/MEH)	\$203,648	\$96,846	\$140,459	68.97%	\$63,189
MEDICAL CENTRES(MED)	\$147,200	\$84,000	\$58,169	39.52%	\$89,031
STREET LIGHTING(STLIGHT)	\$39,600	\$21,937	\$20,752	52.40%	\$18,848
ONCOSTS	\$168,149	\$134,588	\$94,913	56.45%	\$73,236
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & RELATIONS(CDR+EDEV)	\$340,850	\$65,892	\$119,931	35.19%	\$220,919
COVID-19		\$5,058	\$835		
TOTAL CORPORATE & FINANCIAL SERVICES	\$2,321,038	\$1,248,554	\$1,539,418	66.32%	\$782,455
DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES					
ADMIN BOTHWELL	\$240,804	\$143,265	\$161,786	67.19%	\$79,018
ENVIRON HEALTH SERVICES (EHS)	\$31,250	\$13,565	\$13,656	43.70%	\$17,593
ANIMAL CONTROL(AC)	\$10,500	\$2,900	\$6,225	59.28%	\$4,275
PLUMBING/BUILDING CONTROL (BPC)	\$141,119	\$64,232	\$82,321	58.33%	\$58,798
SWIMMING POOLS (POOL)	\$39,475	\$32,368	\$22,148	56.11%	\$17,327
DEVELOPMENT CONTROL (DEV)	\$191,000	\$66,154	\$84,936	44.47%	\$106,064
WASTE SERVICES	\$713,294	\$320,980	\$477,735	66.98%	\$235,559
ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION (EP)	\$4,500	\$546	\$168,788	3750.83%	(\$164,288)
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES	\$1,371,942	\$644,010	\$1,017,595	74.17%	\$354,347
WORKS AND SERVICES					
PUBLIC CONVENIENCES (PC)	\$136,000	\$83,256	\$109,355	80.41%	\$26,645
CEMETERY (CEM)	\$18,200	\$15,709	\$14,214	78.10%	\$3,986
HALLS (HALL)	\$60,000	\$37,708	\$33,147	55.25%	\$26,853
PARKS AND GARDENS(PG)	\$64,000	\$47,820	\$47,955	74.93%	\$16,045
REC. & RESERVES(Rec+tennis)	\$84,316	\$56,597	\$60,516	71.77%	\$23,800
TOWN MOWING/TREES/STREETSCAPES(MOW)	\$120,000	\$110,901	\$124,649	103.87%	(\$4,649)
HOUSING (HOU)	\$71,458	\$53,243	\$68,879	96.39%	\$2,579
CAMPING GROUNDS (CPARK)	\$13,500	\$7,769	\$9,840	72.89%	\$3,660
LIBRARY (LIB)	\$1,400	\$893	\$1,279	91.37%	\$121
ROAD MAINTENANCE (ROAD)	\$885,000	\$662,318	\$881,704	99.63%	\$3,296
FOOTPATHS/KERBS/GUTTERS (FKG)	\$5,000	\$1,136	\$6,304	126.09%	(\$1,304)
BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (BRI)	\$23,289	\$12,613	\$6,153	26.42%	\$17,136
PRIVATE WORKS (PW)	\$85,000	\$51,893	\$58,925	69.32%	\$26,075
SUPER. & I/D OVERHEADS (SUPER)	\$316,800	\$217,616	\$308,518	97.39%	\$8,282
QUARRY/GRAVEL (QUARRY)	(\$25,000)	(\$43,685)	(\$66,991)	267.96%	\$41,991
NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT(NRM)	\$121,000	\$67,680	\$73,199	60.50%	\$47,801
SES (SES)	\$2,000	\$871	\$13,450	672.51%	(\$11,450)
PLANT MTCE & OPERATING COSTS (PLANT)	\$500,000	\$290,191	\$398,547	79.71%	\$101,453
PLANT INCOME	(\$710,000)	(\$445,561)	(\$474,728)	66.86%	(\$235,272)
DRAINAGE (DRAIN)	\$264,360	\$19,972	\$19,997	7.56%	\$244,363
OTHER COMMUNITY AMENITIES (OCA)	\$27,731	\$22,367	\$26,707	96.31%	\$1,025
WASTE COLLECTION & ASSOC SERVICES (WAS)	\$37,000	\$26,244	\$29,216	78.96%	\$7,784
FLOOD REPAIRS			\$51,617		
TOTAL WORKS & SERVICES	\$2,101,054	\$1,297,551	\$1,802,453	85.79%	\$350,218
DEPARTMENT TOTALS OPERATING EXPENSES					
Corporate Services	\$2,321,038	\$1,248,554	\$1,539,418	66.32%	\$782,455
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$1,371,942	\$644,010	\$1,017,595	74.17%	\$354,347
Works & Services	\$2,101,054	\$1,297,551	\$1,802,453	85.79%	\$350,218
Total All Operating	\$5,794,033	\$3,190,115	\$4,359,466	75.24%	\$1,487,019

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE						
CORPORATE AND FINANCIAL SERVICES						
Computer Purchases	\$64,500	\$0	\$23,718	32.69%	\$43,416	
Equipment	\$131,000	\$40,929	\$6,610	5.05%	\$124,390	
Miscellaneous (Municipal Reval etc)	\$120,000	\$0	\$0	0.00%	\$120,000	
	\$315,500	\$40,929	\$30,328	9.61%	\$287,806	
DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES						
Swimming Pool	\$25,000	\$1,815	\$3,627	14.51%	\$21,373	
	\$25,000	\$1,815	\$3,627	14.51%	\$23,185	
WORKS & SERVICES						
Plant Purchases	\$547,266	\$623,081	\$343,232	62.72%	\$204,034	
Camping Grounds	\$0	\$0	\$0		\$0	
Public Conveniences	\$210,000	\$26,272	\$99,252	47.26%	\$110,748	
Bridges	\$120,000	\$404	\$17,175	14.31%	\$102,825	
Road Construction & Reseals	\$1,972,256	\$1,788,839	\$1,370,165	69.47%	\$602,091	
Drainage	\$737,160	\$5,153	\$25,209	0.00%	\$711,951	
Parks & Gardens Capital	\$261,000	\$11,722	\$123,134	47.18%	\$137,866	
Infrastructure Capital (Moved to Roads)	\$55,000	\$0	\$292	0.53%	\$54,708	
Footpaths, Kerbs & Gutters	\$510,000	\$0	\$47,251	9.26%	\$462,749	
Rec Grounds	\$0	\$22,784	\$0		\$0	
Halls	\$284,000	\$22,031	\$103,577	36.47%	\$180,423	
Buildings	\$961,500	\$86,165	\$223,139	23.21%	\$738,361	
	\$5,658,182	\$2,586,450	\$2,352,426	41.58%	\$3,305,756	
TOTAL CAPITAL WORKS						
Corporate Services	\$315,500	\$40,929	\$30,328	9.61%	\$285,172	
Dev. & Environmental Services	\$25,000	\$1,815	\$3,627	14.51%	\$21,373	
Works & Services	\$5,658,182	\$2,586,450	\$2,352,426	41.58%	\$3,305,756	
	\$5,998,682	\$2,629,194	\$2,386,382	39.78%	\$3,612,300	
BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES AS AT 28 FEBRUARY 2023						
					BALANCE	
No.	Bank Accounts	Investment Period	Current Interest Rate %	Due Date	2022	2023
11100	Cash at Bank and on Hand					
11105	Bank 01 - Commonwealth - General Trading Account				1,357,765.62	1,882,667.30
11106	Bank 02 - Westpac - Direct Deposit Account				85,508.64	226,282.65
11110	Petty Cash				350.00	350.00
11115	Floats				200.00	200.00
11199	TOTAL CASH AT BANK AND ON HAND				1,443,824.26	2,109,499.95
11200	Investments					
11206	Bank 04	30 Days			0.00	-
11207	Bank 05	90 Days	3.50%	6/03/2023	2,657,521.67	1,035,589.77
11207	Bank 06	30 Days	3.67%	6/03/2023		2,029,235.48
11212	Bank 12	30 Days				
11214	Tascorp	180 Days	3.36%	20/03/2023	78,067.05	78,294.58
11215	Bank 15	90 Days				
11216	Bank 16	90 Days	3.87%	13/03/2023	4,005,230.33	4,064,061.65
11299	TOTAL INVESTMENTS				6,740,819.05	7,207,181.48
	TOTAL BANK ACCOUNTS AND CASH ON HAND				8,184,643.31	9,316,681.43



DONATIONS AND GRANTS 2022-23											
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	\$5,000									
	Support/Donations	\$5,391									
	Further Education Bursaries	\$1,300									
	Central Highlands School Support	\$3,414									
	Anzac Day	\$6,000									
	Hamilton show	\$5,000									
	Australia Day	\$1,500									
	Church Grants	\$5,000									
	Suicide Prevention Program	\$2,000									
	Anglers Alliance Sponsorship	\$3,000									
	Bothwell Spin-in	\$0									
	Royal Flying Doctor Service	\$1,000									
	Shearing Display Bushfest	\$0									
	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	\$80,000									
	Health & Wellbeing Plan Implementation	\$5,000									
	Visitors Centre	\$5,000									
	Grant assistance	\$15,000									
	Design/concept contractors - Grants	\$25,000									
	Healthy Connect Project	\$10,000									
26/07/2022	Community BBQ - Hamilton	\$200			200.00						200.00
18/08/2022	Donation to 'Safe Beds' Program	\$250			250.00						250.00
26/08/2022	Donation to celebrate 75yrs of the Lions	\$300			300.00						300.00
6/09/2022	Mena Volunteer Ambulance	\$1,500			1,500.00						1,500.00
18/11/2022	All Schools Championships 2022	\$500					500.00				500.00
23/11/2022	Christmas Lolly run 2022 - Gretna Volunteer Fire Brigade	\$150			150.00						150.00
7/12/2022	Grade 6 Leavers 2022	\$136					136.36				136.36
13/12/2022	School Awards -Gift Cards -1	\$200					200.00				200.00
13/12/2022	School Awards -Gift Cards -5	\$250					250.00				250.00
20/12/2022	Bushfest community sites 2022	\$2,010			2,010.00						2,010.00
2/02/2023	Bothwell Historical Society	\$199			199.00						
YEAR TO DATE EXPENDITURE			0.00	0.00	4,609.00	0.00	1,086.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,695.36
BUDGET			\$201,300	12,500.00	5,000.00	10,000.00	7,000.00	5,800.00	34,000.00	5,000.00	82,300.00

24.10 OSTERLY CHURCH AND CEMETERY PROPOSAL – RESCINDING OF MOTION

Report by

Kim Hossack, General Manager

Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 6th December 2022, resolved to pass the following motion -

RESOLUTION – 03/12.2022/C

Moved: Cr S Bowden

Seconded: Cr R Cassidy

THAT if the Committee purchased the Osterley Church and Cemetery, Council would then maintain the Church and Cemetery, with Council becoming the Cemetery Manager.

CARRIED 7/2

FOR the Motion

Mayor L Triffitt, Cr A Bailey, Cr S Bowden, Cr R Cassidy, Cr J Hall, Cr J Honner, Cr Y Miller

AGAINST the Motion

Deputy Mayor J Allwright, Cr D Meacheam

At this meeting, the descendants of the founders and the community (The Group) of St James the Lesser Church at Osterley (Church) including the cemetery, had proposed that the Council purchase Church from the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania. The Group also proposed that with Council owning and managing the Church, cemetery and its curtilage (the whole property) for the benefit of the local and broader community in perpetuity.

The Group has committed to attempt to raise the funds required for the purchase of the Church. The Group will gift the relevant funds to the Council for this purchase. If the Group was unsuccessful in raising the agreed purchase amount, then Council is no longer required to take ownership of the property.

It has come to light that the motion above, at the time, does not reflect the true intent of The Group's proposal and hence The Group meet with Council at their 14 March Workshop to further discuss the matter. Council now has a clearer understanding of what is formally required and is therefore, in the position to rectify this intent if they so wish too.

Therefore, Council will need to rescind their previous motion and then adopt a new appropriate motion. I now provide the following recommendation for Council's consideration.

RECOMMENDATION 17/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Council resolve by absolute majority to rescind **Resolution – 03/12.2022/C**.

And,

THAT Council subject to the agreed funds being forthcoming from the Group, will purchase the Property from the Anglican Diocese of Tasmania for the purposes of owning, maintaining and administering the Church, its cemetery and curtilage in perpetuity, for the benefit of the local and broader community. As a result, the Council will become the legal owner and the Cemetery Manager of the Property.

25. SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA ITEMS

In accordance with the requirements of Part 2 Regulation 8 (6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, the Council by absolute majority may decide to deal with a matter that is not on the agenda if, where the General Manager has reported either:

- a) The reason it was not possible to include the matter on the agenda;
- b) That the matter is urgent; or
- c) That advice of a qualified person has been obtained and taken into account in providing advice to Council under Section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

RECOMMENDATION 18/03.2023/C

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

THAT the Council resolve by absolute majority to deal with any supplementary items not appearing on the agenda, as reported by the General Manager in accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*.

26. CLOSURE