

*A Committee Meeting held at the Avoca Museum
On 4pm Tuesday 8th March 2016.*

MINUTES

1. Present
Sue Charlton, Steve Taylor, Mary Knowles, Helen Reynolds, Justin Fahey, Jac Allen, Dalija Wells Prue O'Connor.
2. Apologies
Dianne Smith (Swansea), Alf Hicks, Shirley Squires.
3. Approval of the Minutes of the Committee Meeting
Carried
4. Finance
As per Financial Report Balance as of 29th February 2016 \$5413.61
Carried
5. Correspondence
 - a) Letter for the plaques re; acquittal of grants, letter sent back
 - b) Letter from Department of Justice – Annual return of Association
 - c) Invitation for the 4th Annual “Wrapped in St Marys 12th June 2016” with compliments from Bagdad Quilting Supplies
 - d) Letter and photograph received from Rhonda Lynch of Mr Percy Edward Scott, King Island. Rhonda left photos and note because she noticed a plaque of Percy in Avoca WWI tree garden.
6. Business Arising – See items under action list
 - a) Sales Form – arrived - completed. Letter to be sent Dalija to provide address
 - b) Preservation & Conservation Workshop – Completed
 - c) Map in BBQ shelter – Person at Council has left NMC not yet replaced
 - d) Festival – Flowers, Aprons and Antiques – Meeting at Spring Festival and AGM 26th April 4pm. Address for Annabel Crab to be located.
 - e) Internet Connection – Telstra to install a cable. Nearly completed
 - f) Steve’s survey – about 10 people don’t have it – resolved.
 - g) Poor internet at Avoca – ongoing
 - h) Museum Pest Control – borax/surface spray
 - i) Paid museum worker – 2 volunteers – Donald Evans and Justin Fahey 25 hours a week - Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri 10 am – 4pm. Justin Fahey contract to 29/07/16. Forms to be sent to Jarred
 - j) Key Register – Mary has extra keys – completed. Prue 2, Dalija, Mary 3, Shop, Angie 7, Justin 4. Spare 6, Jac 8. Mary to send list to NMC. Notice in noticeboard to be open by appointment. Enquire at the shop. Justin to put his hours into notice board every week. Spare key in blue box.

- k) Plaque replacement –replacements should be done by Anzac Day. Steve to take old ones off.
- l) Defibrillator – Money received. Training on the 21st March. Installed by Alf. Notice in notice board, there is a defibrillator in the shop. \$200.000 left over for ongoing costs. Noticeboard keys – Dalija and Prue
- m) Letterhead – sent
- n) Insurance – ongoing relating to Apron Competition.
- o) Tyre Factory – completed
- p) AMIC name change – completed. Copy to Mary. done
- q) Volunteer registration forms some still to be completed. NMC Supervisor Amanda Mason 01/07/15-30/06/18
- r) Santa Mailbox – ongoing

7. Exhibition Report

- a) Glass case in museum room. Needs lock. Steve to investigate lock for cabinet. Sue suggested we had another display cabinet.
- b) Sport workshops 4th April and 2nd May 10am – 2pm.
- c) Ronald been working in garden. Rob Granger bringing a trailer. Mary to talk to council re garden shed
- d) Frank to get quote to frame Ian's photo
- e) Need more printer cartridges – sign, yellow and magenta
- f) Angie gave a Anzac Medal
- g) Mary brought common seal, stamp pad, acid free paper and pool noodle. Mary needs to be reimbursed.
- h) Tas Country stopped advertising market.
- i) Rural Alive & Well requesting Avoca's involvement. Talking to communities. Mary to let us know of the dates.
- j) Dalija to represent AMIC at Evandale meeting March 9th 11.00am
- k) Tiger Tours – will be updating their information
- l) Webers – Anzac Day –Mary Deer 11.00am. Sue donating sausages. Sue to talk to RSL Launceston – piper, drummer. Photo of map of soldiers. School – PA. Wreath from AMIC. Programs. Sue suggested we approach a current VC winner as a special guest for next year.
- m) Sue to order some acid free archive folders for veterans information

8. Next Meeting 19th July 2016.

Financial Report 1st Jan 2016 to 29th February 2016Balance in bank at 1st Jan 2016**\$3700.57****Income**

Northern Midlands Council 1300.00

Sesquicentennial Donation for defibrillator 670.00

Tas Com Fund for defibrillator 2200.00

Donations, sales 80.00

Total **\$4250.00**

Chq 97 St John's Ambulance (defib) 2382.45

Chq 94 NMC Hydro 153.31

Bank Fees 1.20

Total **\$2536.96**Balance in bank as at ~~31st Dec 2014~~29th Feb 2016**\$5413.61**

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 7 JUNE 2016 COMMENCING AT 9:30AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke (Chairperson), Mr Bevis Perkins, Mr John Ashman, Ms Sally Hills, Mrs Jill Davis, Mrs Judith Lyne, Mr Owen Diefenbach

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Kerin Smith-Harvey

3 APOLOGIES

Mr Michael Roach, Cr Leisa Gordon, Miss Amanda Mason

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL.

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Nil declared.

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Campbell Town War Memorial Oval

Update to be provided on progress of project as available. Council awaiting outcome of funding application.

The Forum indicated their view that more transparent consultation is required. Enquiry made as to whether or not Ms Lorraine Green could attend a meeting of the Forum to discuss funding.

5.2 Campbell Town Traffic Management Strategy and Entrance Statements

JMG engaged and have requested meeting with the Campbell Town District Forum on 21 June 2016 at 9:30am. Forum to confirm available on that date and at that time.

5.3 Motions to Council

<p>Meeting of Northern Midlands 19 October Council note and 2015: investigate the Min Ref following 287/15 recommendations of the Campbell Town District Forum</p>		<p>That the signs for the museum are re-hung so they are more visible for passing cars. <i>Request submitted to Works Department. Planning approval required.</i></p> <hr/> <p>That council investigates Blackburn Park's suitability for free overnight camping for self contained vehicles and opportunities for relocation. <i>Planning & Development Manager to attend Forum meeting to discuss.</i></p>
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6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Riparian Management

Forum to note discussion at the informal meeting held in May regarding Mr Bill Chugg's concern regarding riparian management in Campbell Town. Miss Mason has actioned the requests of the Committee and notified the Works Department of Mr Chugg's concerns.

6.2 Nominations – Campbell Town District Forum

Forum to note that the term of the committee expires in June 2016. Nominations close on 8 June 2016 and will be considered by Council at its 27 June 2016 meeting.

6.3 Off-leash area

Council's Dog Control Officer has requested suggestions from the Forum on an appropriate off-leash dog area in Campbell Town.

Forum to consider further.

6.4 Apologies next meeting

Miss Mason and Mrs Judith Lyne are apologies for the July meeting.

6.5 Police notification of incidents

It was noted that after the advice from Inspector Flude (Tasmania Police) reports have been given to the police. It was noted the Forum hopes these have been acted upon.

6.6 Flooding

It was noted some areas in Campbell Town are prone to heavy flooding.

6.7 Local business group

Mrs Lyne enquired as to whether any local businesses would be interested in forming a local business group. To be discussed further at a future meeting.

6.8 Guest speaker

It was suggested by Mrs Lyne that a representative from Elizabeth Macquarie Homes be invited to speak to the Forum.

6.9 Service clubs

Discussion was held regarding encouraging service clubs such as Lions and Rotary to have a branch in Campbell Town.

6.10 Lake Leake

Mr Ashman reported Lake Leake is rising.

6.11 Trees

Mr Perkins raised concern regarding a tree opposing the supermarket in Queen Street.

6.12 Road safety

Mrs Clarke enquired as to whether or not, Chair of the Road Safety Council, Mr Jim Cox could be invited to provide comment on use of vehicle headlights on the Midland Highway.

6.13 Planning

The Forum noted Planning Application P16-133.

7 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at 10:35 am.

Next meeting to be held on **5 July 2016** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.

EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

GOV 4(2)(iii)

Minutes of General Meeting Thursday 9th June 2016

Chairperson: John Lewis

Meeting opened: 10.30am

1. Present: Jennie Staal, Adrian Jobson, Bronwyn Rigby, Jenny Carter, Frank Halliwell, Ruth Tilsley, Trevor Thomas, Peter Riley, Gillian Atherton (Minutes).

2. Apologies: Chris Hurford, Ian Goninon.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: read and confirmed: Adrian Jobson/Frank Halliwell. Carried.

3.1 Business Arising:

- Two issues re cleaning.
 - A contract cleaner is required.
 - Purchase of a new vacuum cleaner. After discussion a motion was proposed, 'that a contract cleaner be engaged weekly, for one hour, for a three months' trial. Proposed Adrian Jobson, seconded Ruth Tilsley, carried.
 - A vacuum cleaner will be purchased for \$350, after discussions with the cleaner. Jennie Stall and Ruth Tilsley to finalise.
- Insurance form: an indemnity form drawn up by the NMC has been finalised.
- Bank West Business Account: to be dealt with the Treasurer's Report.

4. Correspondence:

4.1 Inwards:

- Amanda Mason NMC: follow up re timer and safety strip at hall.
- Rotary Club: financial assistance for Blessing of the Bonnets.
- B. Brebner: re book sponsorship.
- Tasmanian Short Breaks: advertising.
- Anne Engdahl: photographic exhibition.
- F. Dewar: TVIN representation
- Day-to-day queries/information etc.

4:2 Outwards:

- A. Mason re hall
- T. Rattray: parliamentary questions.
- M. Smithies NT: future involvement.
- Business Tasmanian Government: training seminar.

It was moved that the correspondence be accepted: Jenny Carter/Peter Riley. Carried.

5. Financial report:

Reports for both April and May were presented as last month an interim report only was available.

April 2016 ¹⁻⁸

Income	April 2016	% Change	April 2015
General	\$2296.50	+66%	\$1380.00
Memorial Hall	\$225		\$198

Bank Balance	Apr 2016	Last Month
Commonwealth Bank-Cheque Account	\$3802.53	\$2754.14
Bankwest- Business Telenet Saver	\$4071.43	\$4060.31

General Income for April was \$2296.50

which is 66% up on April 2015.

Art Exhibition was very successful. We made a commission of \$388.50

- Memorial Hall \$27.00 up on last year's usage.

May 2016

Income	May 2016	% Change	May 2015
General	\$1264.55	+21%	\$1045.15
Memorial Hall	\$430		\$126

Bank Balance	May 2016	Last Month
Commonwealth Bank-Cheque Account	\$1011.13	\$3802.53
Bankwest- Business Telenet Saver	\$6000.43	\$4071.43

General Income for ^{May} ~~April~~ was \$1264.55

which is 21% up on April 2015.

- Memorial Hall \$304.00 up on last year's usage.

The signatures for the Commonwealth Bank cheque account have not changed. The Bank West Savings account can only be used for transfers – signatories are Trevor Thomas and Jennie Staal.

It was moved that the financial statement, with amended date, be accepted: Jenny Carter/ Bronwyn Rigby
Accepted.

6. History report: Jenny Carter

- Heritage Week was held in May, there were no community enquiries.
- Several family researches undertaken.
- Information handouts are now available regarding membership and resources etc.
- Visit to old Cambock Site with John Cheek was successful.
- Received a collection of photographs taken at the ANZAC Day ceremony this year.
- A donation received from Neil MacKinnon of Evandale Land Tax Records 1889.
- The charges for research enquiries are being reviewed.
- A visit to Oatlands together with Volunteers is being planned for July.

7. Gift Shop/Library Report

- The library continues to be very well used, secondhand books selling well.
- The gift shop has received some new Evandale mugs, different size for ladies and gents.
- The pure, goat's milk soaps are proving popular.
- A reminder to volunteers that the glass shelves are very much 'on show' and need to be kept clean.

8. Centre Management: Jennie Staal

- There has been a marked increase in visitor numbers both for May and the year to date.
- New volunteers welcomed, Mary Binks, Annie Stringer and Kathryn Heathcote.
- Work continues on a self-managing web site for the Centre.
- Carol Merriman is arranging a gardening related bus tour, with lunch at Evandale, in September.
- To meet with Eric Hutchinson MP re Volunteer Grants.
- Fiona Dewar NMC, will represent Visitor Centres in the region: she has also sent a contact for digital training courses that are available, free of charge, and arranged the printing of 'Bonnet' brochures.
- Evandale Local Community Contacts booklet has been updated.
- Evandale Community and Tourist Information Centre Strategic Plan 2016-2020 has been developed with the help of Barry Lawson.
- Evandale Community Heritage Hub Development Programme was circulated. The rationale behind this document was discussed at length, also the use of the terminology "hub" and "centre". Although planning is on-going for 2017 it was emphasized that all efforts need to be focused on the immediate program. For further discussion.
- Evandale Community Centre 'Wish List' was circulated for comment. If the Centre intends to hold a major fund raising event each year it would be helpful to have a list of priority needs. An additional item is the painting of the toilets. The cleaning and the vacuum cleaner have already been dealt with; the next priority is a storage area for the Gift Shop. It was decided to explore the possibility of using the small office and equipping it with storage spaces etc. For further discussion.
- Upcoming Events: Sunday 18th September - 'Blessing of the Bonnets'.
23rd September – 7th October Photographic Exhibition
24th September - 'Gardening Bus Tour' – lunch Memorial Hall

9. Community Hall report: Bronwyn Rigby

- The ABN day was most successful.
 - Bookings for June are good – several birthdays, a wedding and a cat show.
 - A yellow safety strip has been placed on steps.
 - Oven isolator has been installed.
 - Playgroup will hold a community meeting in July to decide future.
- Bronwyn was thanked for transporting crockery etc. to the Centre recently for a dinner. May need to share some crockery in the future?

It was moved that all the reports be accepted: Peter Riley/ Ruth Tilsley. Carried.

10. Any Other Business:Blessing of the Bonnets:

- I. Ruth Tilsley gave an update on community and schools (Riverside & Evandale Primary) involvement.
- II. Regal Press has done free lunch invitations, and later flyers will be distributed throughout the North.
- III. Old photographs of Evandale and surrounding districts are welcome for display.
- IV. More than 50 replies for lunch already without advertising.
- V. Rotary donation \$1000.00 mainly for catering.
- VI. To decide re DOC road signs?
- VII. Any sponsorship, however small, would be welcome, especially items for a raffle.

Bronwyn Rigby – as there are two of this name in Evandale could Bronwyn please be listed as MRS Bronwyn Rigby, to save confusion.

Evandale Primary School having a 'Slice Drive'. Order form in the office.

Adrian Jobson – re position of donated standard rose – this was clarified.

Would like to see Eskleigh House at Perth included in visitor maps as it is an historic house that is open every day to visitors and is the home of the Launceston Art Society.

Devon Hills Residents Group

Meeting

14 June 2016

Attendees:

Jamie Buckby, Lisa Lucas, Margaret Webster, Cheryl & Phil Canning, Lance Turner, Ty Turner, Sheena Harris, Graeme Gliddon, m Jim Webster

Special Attendee:- Senior Constable Leigh

Apologies- Christine White

Meeting opened 8.00pm

Confirmation of Previous minutes- Moved as correct – Sheena Harris, Seconded – Phil Canning

Declaration of any Pecuniary Interest by a member of a special committee of Council.

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It should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the General Manager, in writing, of the details of any interest declared within 7 days of the declaration.

NIL declared

Business Arising-

1- Security Cameras – Awaiting Grant application outcome from NMC

2- Risk assessment-

- Fire Extinguishers still not verified by TFS or Perth Fire Brigade – Phil Canning has followed this up with Council and as the Devon Hills Fire Shed is not on the Tas Fire Service Register (therefore not serviced by them) the Shed will become the Devon Hills Community Shed with monitoring of Fire Equipment then coming under the NMC. This will enable 6 monthly checks of the Fire safety equipment to be conducted (March and September). NMC will also take up the Public Liability aspects of the Shed.

Action:- Phil Canning to get an additional shed key cut for the NMC.

3 - Tas Water and Telstra issues- these have been ongoing for a number of years with both the Devon Hills Committee and the Northern Midlands Council. Both parties have been trying to get these organisations to review Protruding Pits and inaccessible Water pits. The protruding Pits are a Health and Safety issue for the public and the Water issues may create poor access in the event of a Fire.

Action:- Northern Midlands Council will continue to request works be done in the Devon Hills Community due to Health and Safety issues here.

4. Garage Sale Charity presentation:- Founder of Just Cats was unable to attend the meeting so Cheque for \$150 provided to Sheena Harris to present to Rachel Beech.

5. Perth Structural Plan:- Nothing further advised

Treasurers report

Current Balance - \$ 1500.06. Outgoings for the month are Donation to Just Cats Tasmania (\$150)

Moved to accept – Lisa Lucas, Seconded – Phil Canning

General Business –

- Facebook Page:- discussion and update on success of this page.

Action:- Sheena agreed we need to build awareness of the page in the local Community by taking a screenshot of the Home page and including the pic in the paper Newsletter next to be circulated.

Meeting Closed 9.00pm

MINUTES

BI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 5 JULY 2016, COMMENCING AT 9.30AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke, Mrs Jill Davis, Mr John Ashman, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr Rob Rakich

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Laura Double

3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Amanda Bond, Mr Bevis Perkins, Mr Michael Roach, Mrs Judith Lyne, Cr Leisa Gordon, Ms Sally Hills

4 ANNUAL REPORT BY CHAIRPERSON OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM

The former Chairperson of the Campbell Town District Forum to provide a report on the activities of the Committee.

Mr John Ashman / Mr Owen Diefenbach

That the report be received.

Carried unanimously

5 MEMBERSHIP OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM

At the Council meeting of 27 June 2016 the below members were endorsed for a term of 2 years to June 2018:

- John Ashman
- Jill Clarke
- Jill Davis
- Owen Diefenbach
- Sally Hills
- Judith Lyne
- Bevis Perkins ESM
- Rob Rakich
- Michael Roach

6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr John Ashman/Mrs Jill Davis

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 10 March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

7 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

7.1 *Appointment of Acting Chairperson*

Mr John Ashman took the Chair.

7.2 *Appointment of Chairperson*

Mrs Jill Davis/Mr Owen Diefenbach

That Mrs Jill Clarke be appointed Chairperson for the term of two years.

Carried unanimously

Mrs Jill Clarke accepted the nomination and returned to the Chair.

7.3 *Appointment of Deputy Chairperson*

Mr John Ashman/Mrs Laura Double

That Mrs Jill Davis be appointed Deputy Chairperson for the term of two years.

Carried unanimously

Mrs Jill Davis accepted the nomination.

8 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Forum to review the Memorandum of Understanding.

9 CLOSURE

The Chairperson closed the Annual General Meeting at 9:40am.

IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I
 WRITE AN ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CAMPBELL
 DOWN DISTRICT FORUM FOR 2015/2016
 A VERY STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMITTEE
 WITH POSITIVE SUGGESTIONS FORWARDED TO
 NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL.

THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE LAST FINANCIAL
 YEAR SORE THE COMPLETION OF ROAD WORKS
 IN GLENWELG STREET WHICH HAS ENHANCED THE
 STREET.

AFTER MUCH THOUGHT AND HARD WORK DONE
 TO THE COMPLETION OF VALENTINE PARK SIGN
 FURTHER DISCUSSIONS AND PLANNING FOR
 THE UPGRADING OF WAR MEMORIAL OVAL.
 TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND STREET
 SCAPE DISPLAYS BY J.M.G. WERE
 EXPLAINED TO LOCAL MEMBERS - RESIDENTS.

LINC TAMMARA UPGRADING OF LIBRARY.
 NEW BUSINESSES HAVE BEEN OPENED OR
 NEW OWNERS TO SHOPS IN HIGH STREET.

UNFORTUNATELY THE RESTORATION OF PUMPS
 HOUSE WAS NOT CONSIDERED BY N.M.C.
 BUT WITH A NEW WORKS OVERSEER
 TERRY M.A. / CHIEF LIAISON.

CAMPBELL TOWN IS PROVING TO BE A CENTRAL CAMPING AREA FOR MOTOR HOMES - CARAVANS. AN EXTRA SITE ALONG THE RIVER BANK WOULD BE AN ADVANTAGE AS WE ARE A CONVENIENT SERVICE TOWN.

THANK YOU TO ALL MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT GIVEN TO ME DURING MY TIME AS CHAIRPERSON.

ALSO FOR THE GUIDANCE AND INVALUABLE COMMUNICATION FROM AMANDA MASON.

TO THE NEW CHAIRPERSON - VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS A SUCCESSFUL AND POSITIVE OUT COME FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS

MOVING ON

Kindest Regards

JULIAN CLARKE

5/7/16

J Clarke

AKK = Amanda Bond

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5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mrs Jill Davis/Mr Owen Diefenbach

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 7 June 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**6.1 Campbell Town War Memorial Oval**

Update requested from Council officers.

6.2 Campbell Town Traffic Management Strategy and Entrance Statements

Forum members have attended community consultation and await outcome.

6.3 Motions to Council

Meeting of 19 October 2015: Min Ref 287/15	Northern Midlands Council note and investigate the following recommendations of the Campbell Town District Forum	That the signs for the museum are re-hung so they are more visible for passing cars. <i>Request submitted to Works Department. Planning approval required.</i> That council investigates Blackburn Park's suitability for free overnight camping for self contained vehicles and opportunities for relocation. <i>Planning & Development Manager to attend July Forum meeting to discuss.</i>
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7 GENERAL BUSINESS**7.1 Roads and Flooding**

The Forum noted concern regarding the state of Macquarie Road between the Morningside Bridge and Ashby Road where the road is impacted by the macrocarpa trees. Enquiry was made as to why Council had not fixed the area of road.

Concern was also raised regarding flooding on Macquarie Road near the entrance to the Bald Hill Mine.

7.2 Public toilets

It was reported that a report had been heard on the radio that the Campbell Town public toilets at Valentine Park were not cleaned and in a bad state. A request was also made that Council investigate the installation of a public toilet at Conara.

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at 10:40 am.

Next meeting to be held on **2 August 2016** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.

Minutes of Cressy Hall Committee General Meeting Monday 11th July 2016

Present: H. Williams R. Goss, L. Robson, M+F Seaden P+D. Button

Apologies: Nil

Correspondence: Nil

Business Arising: Nil

NORTH BERKSHIRE COUNCIL		
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Financial Statement: As per attached Moved H. Williams Sec. P Button Carried.

General Business:

Notify council about side door of hall. Check hall for Maurice Seaden - contact electrician.

Moved D. Button sec. H Williams.

Next meeting 11th Oct 2016.

Meeting closed 7pm.

Cressy Hall Committee

March 2016 – June 2016

Brought Forward \$11,704.33

Income

Interest (Feb)	4.54
Interest (March)	4.25
Interest (April)	4.55
Hall Hire (Health Revival)	82.50

Total Income \$95.84

Expenses

Mobile Blinds	2,895.00
Fleurs (Anzac Day)	48.00
Petty Cash	100.00
Mat's Cleaning	550.00
Aurora	270.32

Total Expenses \$3,863.32

Closing Balance \$7,936.85

EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

GOV 4(2)(ix)

Minutes of General Meeting Tuesday 12th July 2016

Chairperson: John Lewis

Meeting opened: 10.30am

1. Present: Jennie Staal, Bronwyn Rigby, Frank Halliwell, Ruth Tilsley, Trevor Thomas, Peter Riley, Ian Goninon, Gillian Atherton (Minutes).

2. Apologies: Jenny Carter

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: read and confirmed: Peter Riley, Frank Halliwell. Carried.

3.1 Business Arising:

- A new vacuum cleaner has been purchased at a cost \$197.00
- Finding it difficult to get contract cleaning for less than two hours weekly.
- Storage & shelving for shop items: quotes have been obtained, and Laurie Wotherspoon has offered support. It was decided that up to \$180 be spent and Jennie Staal, Laurie Wotherspoon and Ruth Tilsley to decide on layout etc.
- Road signage for 'Blessing of the Bonnets': decided on one only, which will be erected on NMC property.
- Sponsorship/Donations for Blessing of the Bonnets: the local businesses will be asked for a small donation for a raffle hamper. Bunnings have donated gardening items.
- Solar Panels: Ian Goninon reported that a grant has been given by the NMC of \$5000.00 towards solar panels. This would not cover the hall and Centre so it was decided to get a quote for the Centre only, and follow up the difference with the Council. Ian Goninon was also able to advise that grants from the budget of \$2500 for a concertina door at Gift Shop area and \$27500 for the hall, (flagpole, painting and electricity), would be available this year.
- Strategic Plan: it was decided a sub-committee of Ruth Tilsley, Jennie Staal, John Lewis and Frank Halliwell would look through this and report back to the meeting.

4. Correspondence:

4.1 Inwards:

- Fiona Dewar: online digital training.
- Red Chair Movies: information on local film club.
- Kathy Heathcote: cost of web-site \$24. Letter to be sent thanking her for her involvement.
- F.Dewar: Evandale listed on N Tas Accredited Centres.
- Various day-to-day queries/information etc.

4.2 Outwards:

- M.Frankcombe: cleaner's key for return.
- F.Dewar: re Tasmanian Information Centre Network's next meeting.
- T.Rattray: re visit and Centre funding.

It was moved that the correspondence be accepted: Chris Hurford/Frank Halliwell. Carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

June 2016

Income	June 2016	% Change	June 2015
General	\$788.40	+35%	\$585.85
Memorial Hall	\$144.00		\$126.00

Bank Balance	June 2016	Last Month
Commonwealth Bank-Cheque Account	\$1576.34	\$1011.13
Bankwest- Business Telenet Saver	\$3008.26	\$6000.43

General Income for June was \$788.40 which is 35% up on June 2015.

- Memorial Hall \$18 up on last year's usage.
- Memorial Hall electricity meters: Supper Room\$58 Main Hall\$86
- Electrical Accounts for the quarter: Community Centre (\$788.10)
Memorial Hall (\$599.82)

It was moved that the financial report be accepted: Trevor Thomas/ Peter Riley. Carried.

6. History report:

No report this month.

7. Gift Shop/Library Report

- Library use continues to grow, secondhand books selling well. Would volunteers please check return box for shelving.
- The gift shop has several new books about the women convicts.
- Sylvia Winton is making clutch and I-Pad bags.

8. Centre Management: Jenny Staal

- Visitor numbers remain stable for this time of the year, while yearly figures show an increase.
- New volunteers welcomed, Lynette Weeding, Alan and Barbara Milson.
- Work continues on a self-managing web site for the Centre. Businesses and accommodation will be canvassed to see if they would pay a nominal fee to be linked.
- An 'App' - MOTO from the Commonwealth Bank can be linked to our credit card facility to enable bookings/purchases to be paid for over the phone. A trial run with three operators using the system will be made.
- Evandale Local Community Contacts booklet has been updated.
- Cost of large meeting room reviewed: day hire for local groups \$50, outside businesses \$70.
- The possibility of a local 'Craft Group' will be explored.
- Teecie Cruse and Marie Small to return as volunteers.
- Upcoming Events: Sunday 18th September - 'Blessing of the Bonnets'.
23rd September – 7th October Photographic Exhibition
24th September - 'Gardening Bus Tour' – lunch Memorial Hall

9. Community Hall report: Bronwyn Rigby

- Oven isolator had to be adjusted, now on for a four-hour period.
- Bronwyn was asked to confirm there will be sufficient crockery for the Bonnet luncheon.
- Overloading the circuits to be discouraged!

It was moved that all the reports be accepted: Frank Halliwell/Peter Riley. Carried.

10. Any Other Business:

- The Chairman reminded the committee that all purchases made for the Centre must go through the committee first. It was moved that for items over \$100 a purchase order, signed by the Treasurer, must be presented. Moved Frank Halliwell, seconded Ruth Tilsley. Carried.
Petty Cash is available for small purchases.
- Updating of the brochure list was clarified.
- All advertising for the 'Bonnets' must acknowledge Christina Henri's intellectual property - eg. 'Dr. Christina Henri, Roses from the Heart Memorial'.
- Bowls Club would be meeting soon to decide their future. It was sad to note the passing of the President, Mrs Jill McKinnell.
- I.Goninon reminded everyone of the Festival of Roses at Woolmers, 11th- 13th November. Expecting 10.000 people, with more attractions, especially a new "Men's 5pot" !!
- Anne Engdahl has started organizing the photographic exhibition.
- Ruth Tilsley 'feels that this committee has ceased to discuss matters of concern, to help us move forward'.

The meeting closed at 11.45pm

Next meeting Tuesday 2nd August at 10.30am

MORVEN PARK MANAGEMENT & DEVELOPMENT ASSOC. INC

MINUTES OF MEETING 13TH JULY 2016

Meeting Opened: 7.45pm

Present: Brendon Crosswell (Chair), Carmel Oates (Secretary), Deputy Mayor Richard Goss (NMC), Jeremy Cunningham (Football Club), David Houghton (Rotary), Brendan Chapman (Skate Park), Ian Pease

APOLOGIES: Stephen Baldock (Penny Farthing), Di Guilbert (Primary School)

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 8 JUNE 2016

The meeting 8 June 2016 wasn't held due to insufficient numbers at meeting therefore Minutes previous meeting 11 May 2016 were read and confirmed. Moved Carmel Oates seconded Deputy Mayor Richard Goss that minutes circulated is accepted as true and correct. CARRIED.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES.

- Floor resurfacing-Still pending. NMC have been in contact with Football Club President Pat Davey. Work to be completed at the end of football season.
- Dog Control – NMC dog patrol officer has completed several patrols in area. Letters regarding dog control to be included in upcoming rates mail out.
- Grandstand/Ground Lighting – NMC have interim costing and plans. Once finalised will attend monthly meeting to present and discuss.
- Weed control/spraying – Paspalum spraying completed. Would appreciate if Council can advise this committee when future spraying is scheduled for. Respraying of playing field to be discussed at next meeting in August 2016.
- Aurora account payment – Review costs of electricity payments for Light Rail and Cricket Club.
 1. Currently Light rail pay \$100 pa, and Football and Cricket Club pay a one third share along with Morven Park Committee during cricket clubs tenancy, Football Club pay full account during their tenancy.
 2. Look at Cricket Club paying two thirds of account and Football club one-third during cricket's tenancy. Discuss further next meeting when we have Cricket and Light Rail representatives at meeting.
 3. Secretary to send letter asking Light Rail for a representative to committee and for someone to attend next months meeting 10 August 2016.

- Rotary building burglary- large marquee, old cash box, electrical cords stolen and building damage.

CORRESPONDENCE

IN: NMCx2. Bi-monthly check reminder. Leave notice.

OUT: NMC – Bi-monthly check

Moved David Houghton seconded Ian Pease that all correspondence IN/OUT is accepted. CARRIED

TREASURERS REPORT.

Nil report due to non-attendance of treasurer.

REPORTS.

Football Club: Two home games remaining for season. Jeremy Cunningham has been completing maintenance re ground, ie: water on ground. Ground in quite good conditions despite all the rain.

Tennis Club: No report.

Penny Farthing: No report.

Light Rail: No report.

School: No report.

Cricket Club: No report.

Rotary:

- New office bearers elected.
- President: Jeff Gibbins
- Secretary: Steve Plowright
- Treasurer: Arthur Talbot.
- Concerns over parking by school parents in turning circle/drop off area in northeast corner of Morven Park.
 1. Uneven surface, loose stones, parking on grass areas.
 2. Do we look at sealing surface, placing barriers in this area?
 3. Chairman to approach school to discuss possibility in having gravel swept away.
 4. Can NMC liase with school with the possibility of sealing this area.

5. Can NMC send a person to view area between 2.45-3pm school day?

- Require another permanent rubbish bin to be placed near cricket's nets. (Attention NMC)

Skate Park – Shift work preventing representative attending all committee meetings, he has liased with Ian Pease to work in partnership and as another representative for Skate Park.

NMC: Works Manager Wayne Chellis has retired. The new works manager has started.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Nil.

Next meeting 10 August, 2016

Meeting closed 8.35pm.

Brendon Crosswell
CHAIRMAN

Carmel Oates
SECRETARY

NORTHERN MIDLANDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD MONDAY JULY 18TH 2016 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS
LONGFORD STARTING AT 2.30PM

MINUTES

PRESENT: Kevin Turner (Chair), Russell Fyfe, Cllr Mary Knowles, Des Jennings, Duncan Payton
APOLOGIES: Cllr Ian Goninon, Robert Keam
PRESENT: Lorraine Green

1. Priority initiatives for the 2016-2017 committee (listed below for review and progression)

PRIORITY INITIATIVES	STATUS	THE WAY FORWARD
1.1. Translink Precinct 1.1.1. Launceston Gateway Master Plan	Freight Demand Study: The Launceston Gateway working group commissioned SGS Economics and Planning to complete a Freight Demand Study. To fully unlock the potential of the Precinct there is a need to understand the current and future freight task to identify the need of further infrastructure and servicing of the precinct. The \$48,000 study will primarily establish an evidence base to support development of a master plan for the precinct. And secondary – to inform decision-making by public or private entities about whether to proceed to full business case development for potential infrastructure, enterprise or other investments either at the precinct or at locations that might feed freight into or receive freight from it. Release date for study to be confirmed Tas Rail Spur Tas Gas – a business case for bringing gas to Translink will be presented to Council. City of Launceston’s preferred options for releasing commercial land for residential development. Des Jennings to liaise with Robert Dobrzynski	K Turner reported the project steering committee is currently reviewing the draft plan and will meet 1 September to discuss the plan. D Jennings advised that once the plan has been formally received by Council, our committee members will receive a copy.
1.2. Promotion	Co-ordinator General’s prospectus Due late April 2016 Developer’s technical guide See attachment and for interactive map visit http://www.sgsesp.com.au/maps/NDTIndustrialLand/translink.html Roadside signage Location for signs to be confirmed	K Turner reported the prospectus has yet to receive Ministerial sign-off. Move to completed projects. Action: R Fyfe to follow up with Hogarths D Payton to follow up with Hardmans

<p>1.2. Development pipeline</p>	<p>Committed: Tyremax. 360 space car park. Potential: NMBA database of city-based businesses with the potential to relocate. Stormwater project – result of National Stronger Regions Fund application will be known in July 2016.</p>	<p>Noted Tyremax is being constructed Report back awaited from NMBA reps Outcome of funding application awaited D Payton reported another carpark proposal is in the pipeline</p>
<p>2. Agriculture and agri-business</p>		
<p>2.1. Burlington Road and Powanna</p>	<p>It was agreed to hold a workshop for the businesses in the precinct (as per the recommendations of the SGS report) that will raise/discuss issues. These include energy reliability and itinerant workers' accommodation (the issue of demountable units was noted). Preparation of a draft amendment to the planning scheme to place a specific plan over the two precincts</p>	<p>Noted D Payton is arranging workshops for developers and builders to explain/clarify Council planning and development processes: likely timeframe September 2016</p>
<p>2.2. Itinerant workers' accommodation</p>	<p>Recommendations made to Council at the October 2015 meeting has been noted and will be investigated: <i>1) That Council undertake an assessment of itinerant workers' accommodation in the Northern Midlands</i></p>	<p>Noted as an issue to be addressed during the development of the economic development strategy: noted preliminary discussions have been held with Burlington Berries and the owner of the Ringwood Hotel</p>
<p>2.3. Industry engagement</p>	<p>It was agreed to engage the broader industry as part of the development of a Northern Midlands Council Economic Development Strategy</p>	
<p>3. Tourism</p>		
<p>3.1. Proposed Open Door program for privately owned heritage properties.</p>	<p>STATUS Floated that Council collaborate with Tourism Northern Tasmania to develop a business case to identify the best way to deliver an Open Doors Program. The Legislative Inquiry into Built Heritage Tourism</p>	<p>THE WAY FORWARD Noted this venture requires a champion to drive it forward. Noted the report has been released</p>
<p>3.2. Events</p>	<p>Symmons Plain: Long standing intention to engage with Tas Motor Sports to discuss future plans / vision for Symmons Plains Raceway.</p>	<p>Recommendation to Council: That a Tas Motor Sports representative be invited to present at a forthcoming committee meeting on future plans/vision for Symmons Plains Raceway</p>
<p>4. Strategic Plans</p>		
<p>4.1. Economic Development Strategy</p>	<p>STATUS Noted that at the February 16th 2015 Council Meeting, Council passed motion: "That Council obtain costings to conduct an Economic Development and Tourism Strategy in 2015/16 budget deliberations" D Jennings advised preference is to develop the strategy internally. Process and resource issues need to be addressed. Kevin Turner to meet with Des Jennings and Lorraine Green to discuss the approach to creating the strategy. Agreed that the Economic Development Committee would lead engagement with local businesses and industry groups.</p>	<p>THE WAY FORWARD Maree Tetlow, Executive Officer, Northern Tasmania Development, joined the meeting at 2.45pm to discuss the <i>Northern Regional Futures Framework</i>. The committee members present were supportive of aligning the NM economic development strategy with the Regional Futures Framework. This will be further considered at the next committee meeting with a quorum present.</p>

4.2. Land Use and Development Opportunities Strategy	Noted that the first draft of a brief for the Council's Land Use and Development Strategy will go to Council within the next two months.	D Payton reported the call for tenders will be advertised August 30 2016
STATUS		
THE WAY FORWARD		
D Jennings reported the consultants presented the draft plan options at the recent Council workshop and further work is now being undertaken on the structure plan.		

2. Review of Pending and Completed Projects

Pending projects

Translink:	Agriculture:	Tourism:	Other:
Translink stormwater infrastructure upgrade – July 2016 funding announcement Translink boundary signage. Co-ordinator General's Prospectus. Translink technical guide and interactive mapping (an NTD project). Launceston Gateway Freight Demand Analysis. Translink gas infrastructure – business case to go to Council	Panshanger Road/ Woolmers Lane precinct. Truck Wash Powrana.	Briefing from Tas Motor Sports regarding Symmons Plain, V8 Major Event and ongoing contribution to economy. Longford Motor Racing museum – Council to liaise with John Talbot	Business Database – Translink and Perth completed. MBN Rollout. Development Officer (akin to Meander Valley Council). Beacon Foundation Northern Midlands Business Partnership Group. Consultation with NM businesses. Perth Bypass. Equestrian opportunities.

Completed Projects:

Translink:	Agriculture:	Tourism:	Other:
Translink Prospectus. Translink YouTube Video (Neville Hayes).	Northern Midlands Rural Processing Centre report and recommendations. Burlington Rd landowners contacted regarding commercial development sub-division.	Ben Lomond Feasibility Study. Longford Visitor Appeal Study. Longford Place Activation Report and appointment of Project Champion. Submission to Legislative Council Inquiry into Built Heritage Tourism regarding 'Open Doors', National Trust contacted regarding support for 'Open Doors'.	Business health checks. Campbell Town War Memorial Oval Precinct Development Plan. Perth Recreation Ground Masterplan. Tyre stockpiling.

Governance items:

Council's allocation in 2016/17 budget for the committee: L Green to follow up

Committee membership: Recruitment of Tourism Representative: K Turner asked all to give consideration to potential candidates for this position

Other Business:

General discussion as to the crisis currently facing the dairy industry in the state – with reduction in milk prices and flooding. Suggestion that Simon Burgess, 'Vaclause' be invited to present to the committee

Dates for future meetings:

Monday September 5th 2016 3pm in Council Chambers

Monday October 3rd 2016 ... 3pm in Council Chambers

Minutes of the meeting of the Ross Community Sports Club Inc.

held on Tuesday ~~April 18th~~ 2016 Clubrooms 7.30 p.m.

26 July

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Chairman thanked everyone for making the effort to come as weather, illness and holidays have made it hard to get a quorum to hold a meeting.

PRESENT-: Karen Donlon, Owen & Sue Kay, Dennis Rule, Pete & Pat Kirk, Rose Goss, Molly Jones, and Ricky Hebbard.

APOLOGIES-: Eddie Goss and Sally Langridge.

MINUTES -: 'Moved by Pat Kirk and seconded by Dennis Rule that the minutes be accepted.' CARRIED

FINANCIAL REPORTS -: 'Moved by Pete Kirk and seconded by Rose Goss that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment.' CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE -:

- IN-: 1. Thank you letters from the seven children who received vouchers
2. Pulford Family – Thankyou re wake.

'Moved by Karen Donlon and seconded by Pete Kirk that the correspondence be accepted.' CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS -:

Pat Kirk suggested we get frames for toilets, Pat was asked to get prices for next meeting.

Owen informed Committee that Council wish to remove two old sheds from recreation grounds, as these need to be cleaned out a working bee to be held next Tuesday.

'Committee resolved that we continue to purchase vouchers for the Ross children when representing their school for sport and three more to be purchased for cross country representation.'

Candy and Brian Hurren donated wood for the Clubrooms, Sue to get a thank you card and send.

Executive Committee made the decision to donate \$200 to the Campbell Town Hospital Auxiliary at their soup, sandwich and slice Luncheon they held at the Clubrooms earlier this month.

Meeting closed at 7.45p.m.

Next meeting will be at 7.00 p.m. at Clubrooms Tuesday 13th September 2016.

MINUTES

BI-ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE MEMORIAL HALL, CRESSY ON WEDNESDAY, 27 JULY 2016, COMMENCING AT 7:02PM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Fae Cox, Mrs Helen Williams, Mrs Helen Howard, Mrs Angela Jenkins (7:04pm)

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Maurita Taylor, Mr Daniel Rowbottom, Mr Peter Goss, Cr Richard Goss, Mr Des Jennings (General Manager), Mrs Amanda Bond (Governance & Community Development Officer)

3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Ann Green

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Helen Williams

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Cressy Local District Committee held on Wednesday, 25 March 2015 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

5 MEMBERSHIP OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

The following nominations have been received for membership of the Committee and endorsed by Council at its meeting of 27 June 2016:

- Mrs Fae Cox
- Mrs Ann Green
- Mrs Helen Howard
- Mrs Angela Jenkins
- Mrs Helen Williams

The above nominees have been appointed to the Committee for a term of 2 years to June 2018.

6 ANNUAL REPORT BY 2015/2016 CHAIRPERSON OF THE CRESSY LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

2015/2016 Chairperson of the Cressy Local District Committee to provide a report on the activities of the Committee.

Fae provided.

Mrs Angela Jenkins/Mrs Helen Howard

That the report be received.

Carried unanimously

7 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

7.1 Appointment of Acting Chairperson

It was resolved Cr Goss would be appointed as Acting Chairperson.

7.2 Appointment of Chairperson

Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Helen Williams

That Mrs Fae Cox be appointed Chairperson for the term of 2016-2018.

Carried unanimously

7.3 Appointment of Deputy Chairperson

Mrs Fae Cox/Helen Williams

That Mr Daniel Rowbottom be appointed Chairperson for the term of 2016-2018, subject to his acceptance onto the committee.

Carried unanimously

8 REVIEW OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Document circulated as an attachment and contents listed for discussion.

Mrs Angela Jenkins/Mrs Helen Howard

That the Memorandum of Understanding by signed by the Chairperson.

Carried unanimously

9 CLOSURE

A there was no other business the Chairperson closed the Annual General Meeting at 7:15pm.

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2 IN ATTENDANCE

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3 APOLOGIES

Mrs Ann Green

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

In accordance with the provisions of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Part 5, S48A – S56, a member of a Special Committee must not participate in any discussion or vote on any matter in respect to which the member:

- a) has an interest; or
- b) is aware or ought to be aware that a close associate has an interest.

A member has an interest in a matter if the matter was decided in a particular manner, receive or have an expectation of receiving or likely to receive a pecuniary benefit or pecuniary detriment.

**It should be noted that any person declaring an interest is required to notify the general manager, in writing, of the details of any interest declared within 7 days of the declaration.*

Nil declared.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Deferred until next meeting

That the minutes of the Cressy Local District Committee meeting held on Wednesday, 25 May 2016 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Entrance statements

Council officers are still awaiting quote for construction and are progressing the planning application for the statements.

6.2 Dump Point

Funding was allocated for improvements to the Cressy Recreation Ground buildings this financial year. This does not include a new sewerage system and dump point.

Mr Goss reported he has had several conversations with the former Works & Infrastructure Manager and it is proposed to remove the Rural Youth Building and conduct other building works at the Cressy Recreation Ground. Once that work has been completed there may be more room for the installation of a dump point where there are existing pipes and it is not going to effect adjoining landowners.

Mr Jennings suggested the investigation of a Master Plan for the Cressy Recreation Ground.

Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Helen Williams

That Council further investigate the installation of a dump point in Cressy.

Carried unanimously

6.3 AED Units

Request for AED unit to be placed publicly in Cressy has been discussed with Council's Work Health & Safety Officer. Given there is already one Council owned AED Unit in the town and one at the Bowls Club, and due to vandalism risk, it is not considered a priority to place a public unit in Cressy. However, it has been suggested to advertise around the town that there are AED units in Cressy and who to contact.

It was discussed that phoning 000 in the first instance is likely to be more beneficial than phoning someone to unlock the pool and get the AED Unit.

It was resolved to request a sign to be placed outside the pool advising there is an AED Unit there.

Action

Mrs Bond to progress request for sign outside pool.

6.4 Sign in hotel grounds

Request has been submitted to remove the sign in the hotel grounds. Investigation of installation of notice board on BBQ shelter under way. The Committee confirmed support for the notice board to be erected on the Main Street side of the BBQ shelter.

6.5 Traffic movements in Cressy

Request has been submitted to Department of State Growth for traffic movement data as per motion of meeting of 25 May 2016.

6.6 Calicivirus

Enquiry with the Department of Primary Industries Water & Environment confirmed the calicivirus was released at the Cressy Recreation Ground in April 2016

6.7 Kerb & gutter

Enquiry was made at last meeting for kerb & gutter to be installed at Spencers Lane. This is not on the works program for completion.

6.8 Dogs

Concern was raised at the last meeting regarding the mess left by dogs, particularly on Saundridge Road, Church Street and Murfett Street. Concerns have been raised with Council's Animal Control Officer who has advised regular patrols of Cressy are conducted, however, little action can be taken unless offending is witnessed. Animal Control Officer has requested that offending be reported so that action can be taken.

7 MATTERS IN PROGRESS**7.1 Telstra Pits**

Remaining pits for repair by Telstra are:

- Opposite the park in Church Street.

7.2 Cressy History Project**7.2.1 Information Brochure**

Funding carried forward from history project allocated for brochure production. Information and photos must now be collated and reviewed and provided to designer.

Action

Mrs Cox and Mrs Bond to meet and progress.

8 NEW BUSINESS

8.1 2016/17 Budget

Council confirmed its 2016/17 budget at its meeting of 27 June 2016. Correspondence to be tabled as to the allocations for Cressy during this financial year.

The Committee expressed appreciation to Council for the budget allocations in 2016/17 financial year.

Cr Goss requested that enquiries be made as to the exact funding allocation to Cressy for the installation of trees.

Action

Mrs Bond to progress.

8.2 Northern Midlands Further Education Bursary Program

Council at its meeting of 18 July 2016 agreed to extend its Further Education Bursary Program which offers 10 bursaries per year to students within the municipality who are going on to higher education above Year 10.

8.3 Northern Midlands Trails & Bikeways Strategy

Council at its meeting of 18 July 2016 requesting a costing be conducted for the construction of a cycleway between Cressy & Longford. Further information to be provided as available.

8.4 Cressy Road

Mrs Helen Howard/Mrs Angela Jenkins

That Council request the Department of State Growth inspect and conduct reconstruction work to Cressy Main Road, between Cressy and Longford where the road is deteriorating.

Carried unanimously

8.5 Works & Infrastructure

It was requested that Council's Works & Infrastructure Department inspect the drainage on Macquarie Street as there is consistently water over the road and it is believed it is causing the road to fail. It was noted that Council has budgeted to conduct a stormwater study for Cressy which will incorporate this.

It was requested again that Council sow grass on Macquarie Street. It was confirmed this request has been relayed to the Works Department to be progressed when the weather is appropriate.

Action

Mrs Bond to advise Works & Infrastructure Department of concern re draining on Macquarie Street.

8.6 Council support for Local District Committees

Mr Jennings advised that Council resolved at a meeting late last year to offer an allocation of up to \$2,500 toward its local district committees to provide their own secretarial support. Alternatively, committees can volunteer to provide the secretarial services and allocate the funding toward projects within the town.

Committee to consider and discuss further at next meeting.

8.7 Other business

Cr Goss thanked the committee for their ongoing contribution to Cressy and the district.

Cr Goss reported he attended the Local Government Association of Tasmania conference in Hobart last week and was pleased that Cressy got several mentions in one presentation.

Cr Goss further mentioned the issue with the Launceston Airport not paying its ex-gratia rate equivalent payments remains unresolved, and encouraged the committee to discuss the issue within the community. Council continues to attempt to reach a resolution of the dispute.

Cr Goss concluded by reminding members the Trout Expo is on 17-19 September 2016 and encouraged volunteers to assist with the event.

8.8 Flood Recovery information

Information is available at the Council regarding Flood Recovery services and funding opportunities, should individuals affected by the recent flooding in June wish to enquire.

9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 8:06 pm.

The next meeting to be held on 28 September 2016 at 7:00pm.

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE CAMPBELL TOWN DISTRICT FORUM HELD IN THE UPSTAIRS MEETING ROOM AT THE TOWN HALL, CAMPBELL TOWN ON TUESDAY, 2 AUGUST 2016 COMMENCING AT 9:30AM

1 PRESENT

Mrs Jill Clarke (Chairperson), Mr Bevis Perkins, Mr John Ashman, Mr Michael Roach, Mr Owen Diefenbach, Mr Rob Rakich, Mrs Jill Davis

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Keryn Smith-Harvey, Cr Leisa Gordon, Mrs Amanda Bond (Governance & Community Development Officer), Mrs Debbie Thomas

3 APOLOGIES

Ms Sally Hills

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL.

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Nil declared

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mrs Jill Clarke/Mr John Ashman

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 5 April 2016** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

Mrs Jill Clarke/Mr John Ashman

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 5 July 2016** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**6.1 Campbell Town War Memorial Oval**

Council awaiting the outcome of its application to the National Stronger Regions Fund grants program. It is further noted that Council received a commitment from the Liberal party during the election campaign to commit 50% of the cost of the development. Further, Council is exploring Sport and Recreation Grant funding also presently available.

Enquiry was made as to whether or not Council would be conducting a temporary upgrade to the public toilets at the Campbell Town War Memorial Oval in the interim.

Action

Mrs Amanda Bond to follow up with the Works Department.

6.2 Campbell Town Traffic Management Strategy and Entrance Statements

Business and community consultation has commenced. Preliminary concepts were presented to Council at its workshop of 1 August 2016. It is hoped the concepts for public comment will be finalised by mid-August. Updates to be provided as available.

6.3 Trees

It is noted that concern was raised regarding a tree on Queen Street requiring arborist attention. Council has recently had all trees in the municipality inspected and will progressively be implementing the recommendations from the inspection.

Action

Mr John Ashman to forward Mrs Amanda Bond photo of tree in question.

6.4 Dog off-leash area

Forum to suggest location for a dog off-leash area in Campbell Town.

Mrs Jill Davis/Mr Owen Diefenbach

That Council consider the King Street Oval, northern end of Foster Street (away from camping area), East Street (behind the Grange) for an off leash area, and that signage be placed at Valentine and Blackburn Parks advising "no off leash" area.

Carried unanimously

6.5 Motions to Council

Meeting of 19 October	Northern Midlands Council note and	That the signs for the museum are re-hung so they are more visible for passing cars.
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2015: Min Ref 287/15	investigate the following recommendations of the Campbell Town District Forum	That council investigates Blackburn Park's suitability for free overnight camping for self contained vehicles and opportunities for relocation.
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7 GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Further Education Bursaries

Forum to note Council at its meeting of 18 July 2016 agreed to extend its Further Education Bursary Program which offers 10 bursaries per year to students within the municipality who are going on to higher education above Year 10.

7.2 2016/17 Budget

Council confirmed its 2016/17 budget at its meeting of 27 June 2016. Correspondence to be tabled as to the allocations for Campbell Town during this financial year.

Action

Mrs Bond to progress request for signage in Chinese to be installed in the public toilets.

7.3 Memorandum of Understanding

The Committee resolved that the Chairperson sign the Memorandum of Understanding with Council for the period 1 July 2016 to 30 June 2018.

7.4 Planning Applications

The Committee noted and discussed the planning application P16-129. Discussion was had in respect to the zoning of the land, the size of the illuminated sign and the location.

The Committee noted their general support for development and the positive effect it has on Campbell Town.

7.5 Other business

7.5.1 Trees

Mrs Judith Lyne/John Ashman

That Council note the Campbell Town District Forum would like to be prioritised within the municipality for tree planting in 2016/17.

Carried unanimously

7.5.2 Customer requests

- stormwater drains on High Street, please inspect
- Bridge Street sign on the corner of Bridge & Montague Streets has been removed
- Trucks pulling onto verge north of Roberts causing potholes, is this Council responsibility to repair
- Bins outside Zeps leaking and causing smell
- Gorse at Blackburn park

Action

Customer requests will be issued, no further action required.

7.5.3 Employee recognition

The Forum noted the resignation of Julie Marks who has been contract cleaning at the Town Hall for 38 years.

7.5.4 Conara

Enquiry was made regarding the installation of a public toilet at Conara. Comments were received that the general feeling in Conara is that a public toilet should not be re-erected as it encourages overnight camping by facilities which aren't self contained. This has caused a lot of disruption and mess at the back of the Conara park with the lighting of fires etc. A fence has been requested to prevent caravans from moving to the end of the park.

It was further noted the recent truck movements in and out of Conara due to the disruption to the railway ran very smoothly. Bauxite due to recommence production next week.

7.5.5 Gallery 81

The Forum congratulated Mrs Smith-Harvey on the opening of her gallery last week. Mrs Smith-Harvey reported she was very pleased with the opening and support from the local community.

7.5.6 RVs

It was noted that Campbell Town is an RV friendly town, however, due to the recent weather events, parking in the designated free parking area is difficult.

Action

Mrs Bond to advise Works Department to investigate installation of signage.

It was also noted there are several upcoming RV events to be held at the Campbell Town showgrounds.

7.5.7 Appointment of Deputy Chairperson

Mr John Ashman/Mr Michael Roach

That Mrs Jill Davis be appointed the Deputy Chairperson for the 2016-2018 term.

Carried unanimously

8 CLOSURE

Chairperson closed meeting at 10:38 am.

Next meeting to be held on **6 September 2016** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.

EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MEMORIAL HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of General Meeting Tuesday 2nd August 2016

Chairperson: John Lewis

Meeting opened: 10.30am

1. Present: Bronwyn Rigby, Frank Halliwell, Ruth Tilsley, Peter Riley, Adrian Jobson, Chris Hurford, Jenny Carter, Jean Riley, Sue Bedford, Christine Hurford, Gillian Atherton (Minutes).
2. Apologies: Jennie Staal, Ian Goninon.
3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: read, amended to read that Chris Hurford was present, and confirmed: Peter Riley/Adrian Jobson. Carried.

3.1 Business Arising:

- 'Wish List' – Shelving /Storage has been completed.
- Road Sign – Blessing of the Bonnets- in hand. Received \$30 sponsorship for this.
- Sponsorship/Donations for 'Bonnets'. Each committee member of the 'Bonnets' is visiting one business.
- Solar Panels: Ian Goninon was to investigate, meanwhile Chris Hurford has obtained the following quotes:

Beacon Solar:

6.93 kW Solar Panel PV System.

- Est Daily Production 24.85kWh
- Est Annual Output 9070kWh
- Est Annual Savings \$2630/year
- Installation & supply costs \$12490.00

5.72kW Solar Panel PV System:

- Est Daily Production 20.5kWh
- Est Annual Output 7470 kWh
- Est Annual Savings \$2166/year
- Installation & supply costs \$9250.00

A grant of \$5000 is available with the Centre needing to find \$4000. It was decided to table this information at the Evandale Advisory Committee meeting, who would forward it to the NMC.

- Website Training: see Centre Management Report.
- MOTO App (Credit Card payment by telephone), Trevor is dealing with this.

Correspondence:

4.1 Inwards:

- N.M.C. re grant concertina doors and solar panels.
- T. Goss Edmunds re volunteer visit.
- N.M.C offering assistance Blessing of the Bonnets.
- Anne Engdahl re photographic exhibition.
- Various day-to-day queries/information etc.

4:2 Outwards:

- K.Heathcote – thanking her for work on the web site.
It was moved that the correspondence be accepted: Peter Riley/ Adrian Jobson. Carried.

5. Financial report:

TREASURER'S REPORT

July 2016

Income	July 2016	% Change	July 2015
General	\$623.15	-8%	\$679.35
Memorial Hall	\$288.00	-14%	\$336.00

Bank Balance	July 2016	Last Month
Commonwealth Bank-Cheque Account	\$3715.72	\$1576.34
Bankwest- Business Telenet Saver	\$3008.26	\$3008.26

General Income for July was \$623.15 which is 8% down on July 2015.

Memorial Hall for July was down 14% down on July 2015.

The Treasurers report was presented by Chris Hurford who moved that it be accepted, seconded Peter Riley: Carried

6. History report: Jenny Carter

The service to commemorate the No: 7 Elementary Flying Training School based at Western Junction has been cancelled. Instead the History Society invites all volunteers to join them in a soup and sandwich luncheon on Saturday, 20th August, 11.30 for 12.00pm. Numbers please by 13th August.

Jenny Carter reluctantly resigned from this committee due to personal commitments.

7. Gift Shop/Library Report

- Quiet at present, no new stock required except items for the 'Bonnet' day.

8. Centre Management: Jennie Staal

- Visitor numbers have increased since last year both for tourists and visitors.
- Strategic Plan: meeting held on 29th July to explore draft copy. A further meeting will now be held on 17th August to further discuss the plan and the future of the Centre.
- Anne Engdahl concerned about the upcoming Photographic Exhibition. Needs assistance to hang photos.
- Sunday 18th September - 'Blessing of the Bonnets'
- 23rd September – 7th October Photographic Exhibition
- 24th September - 'Gardening Bus Tour' – lunch Memorial Hall for 37 people.

9. Community Hall report: Bronwyn Rigby

- Bookings quiet at the moment accept for a Cat Show in August, then the Blessing of the Bonnets, and a garden tour luncheon in September.
- The Playgroup has decided to disband and will clear their equipment over the next month. May leave a few basics for birthday parties etc.
- Evandale Bowls Club in recess.
- Evandale Badminton Club in recess.
- Only regular user is Evandale Lodge.
- Some water damage after last rains, fixed by NMC.
- Sorting of crockery as required under way.

As bookings are scarce at present advertising was suggested in Northern Midlands' paper, and Bronwyn suggested she make a Facebook page.

It was moved that the reports be accepted: Adrian Jobson/Ruth Tilsley. Carried

10. Any Other Business:

Strategic Plan

Regarding the next meeting to vote on the future of the Centre and the direction we want to take as we move forward, Ruth Tilsley brought forward points for discussion before any vote is taken:

1. Everyone should have the framework and facts if we are going to expand and modernise and vote in an informed way:

- As a sub committee of the Council how does this affect any business model we choose to adopt given our management agreement with the NM Council?
- Projected income and expenditure for the next year and beyond.
- Current situation with volunteer numbers.

2. What are we voting on?

- Status quo – gently expanding within our framework of being a sub committee of the Council. Over the last twelve months we have been expanding and branching into other forms of communication e.g. With other Information Centres.
- Business base vs community centre focus. The Centre is focused mainly to help tourists explore Evandale and surrounding districts, to help with general enquiries, not to act as an agency for bookings and receiving commissions.
- This Centre runs solely because of the Volunteer base, the Volunteers' goodwill and experience and a supportive environment. The earlier meeting undermined this.

Further discussion looked at the -

1. Roster for August – figures and structures. New volunteers not placed together with more experienced people.
2. Involvement in 'Blessing of the Bonnets' and general staffing. For this function and the Photographic Exhibition barely enough helpers are involved, despite attempts to gain more interest. Suggestion perhaps air cadets could be approached to help on the 'Bonnet' day?
3. Financial clarification – A motion was put that:
"It will be raised with the Evandale Advisory Committee that we need clarification on the financial arrangement between the Centre management and the Council, by 7th August".
Moved Ruth Tilsley: seconded Frank Halliwell: carried.
4. Management Style: lacking a team effort approach. The Centre is important to the experienced volunteers, who have generously given their time and talents over the years to make this a successful Centre for both community and tourists. ***The committee, elected by the volunteers, is the decision making body of the ECC.*** While most appreciative of the Co-ordinator's secretarial skills etc. perhaps some sharing of roles would be appropriate. A motion was moved that:
"Where appropriate some duties of the Centre Co-ordinator be reallocated to other volunteers".
Moved Adrian Jobson, seconded Peter Riley: Carried.
5. Training of volunteers – the old way. To restore group cohesion and the chance to meet, work and learn from each other, a motion was put
"That the Centre Co-ordinator shall carry out the initial induction of volunteers and that current volunteers shall assist with the ongoing training of new volunteers. The roster is to be used as a framework for this to happen".
Moved Ruth Tilsley, seconded Adrian Jobson: Carried.
6. Further decisions – as the AGM of the Centre will be held 6th September, further decisions regarding the way forward for the Centre should be left to the in-coming committee who will have up to date information regarding financial position and duties of the Co-ordinator.

Extra-ordinary Committee Meeting - is called to request that the Centre Co-ordinator meet with the committee to discuss management style on Monday 8th August at 2.00pm. All volunteers will then be given information on the framework that runs the Centre, and can attend the AGM to express their views. The 2nd Strategic Plan meeting on 17th August has been cancelled.

The meeting closed at 12.50pm. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6th September following the Annual General Meeting.

**PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING
HELD AT THE PERTH COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON 2 AUGUST 2016 AT 5.30PM**

GOV 4(2)(xvii)

1 ATTENDANCE

Ms Jan Davis, Mr Tony Purse, Mr Graeme Eberhardt, Mr Phillip Dell, Mr John Stagg,

In Attendance:

Cr Mary Knowles, Cr Leisa Gordon, Mrs Gail Eacher (Secretary)

2 APOLOGIES

Mr Des Jennings (General Manager)

3 APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CHAIRPERSON

Cr Knowles appointed Acting Chair for the Biennial General Meeting.

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G Eberhardt/J Stagg

That the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday, 4 November 2014, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

5 REPORT BY CHAIRPERSON

No report has been provided by the Chair.

6 MEMBERSHIP

At the Council meeting of 27 June 2016 the below members were endorsed for a term of 2 years to June 2018:

- John Stagg
- Philip Dell
- Graeme Eberhardt
- Tony Purse
- Jan Davis

P Dell/J Stagg

That the information be received.

Carried

7 ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

i) Appointment of Chairperson

J Stagg/G Eberhardt

That Ms Jan Davis be appointed as Chairperson of the Perth Local District Committee.

Carried

There being no further nominations, Ms Davis was appointed as the Chairperson of the Perth Local District Committee.

ii) Appointment of Vice-Chairperson

G Eberhardt/J Stagg

That Mr Phillip Dell be appointed as Vice-Chairperson of the Perth Local District Committee.

Carried

There being no further nominations, Mr Dell was appointed as the Vice-Chairperson of the Perth Local District Committee.

8 REVIEW OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

The membership noted that the Memorandum of Understanding was reviewed by Council on 18 May 2015 (min. ref. 124/15) and that the MOU's for all local district committees were now standardised.

The Committee RESOLVED to endorse the Memorandum of Understanding and requested that the Chair sign the MOU on behalf of the Committee.

9 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Stagg raised concerns relating to:

- The lack of progress and achievements of the Committee during the period; and
- The holding of meetings on a bi-monthly basis, and requested that consideration be given to holding meetings on a monthly basis.

10 CLOSURE

The Chair closed the Bi-Annual General Meeting at 5.45pm.

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PERTH LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE

ORDINARY MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, 2 AUGUST 2016 AT 5.45PM

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1 ATTENDANCE

Ms Jan Davis, Mr Tony Purse, Mr Graeme Eberhardt, Mr Phillip Dell, Mr John Stagg

In Attendance:

Cr Mary Knowles, Cr Leisa Gordon, Mrs Gail Eacher (Secretary)

2 APOLOGIES

Mr Des Jennings (General Manager)

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

G Eberhardt/P Dell

That the minutes of the meeting of the Perth Local District Committee held on Tuesday, 1 March 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

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Noted that Mr Tony Purse is consulting and/or has an involvement in the following projects currently being undertaken by Council:

- *Perth Community Centre Master Plan*
- *Perth Recreation Ground Master Plan.*

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Website

Noted that in the interim, the website address reflects that the site is under construction.

Status of work already undertaken to be determined. Update to be provided to the next meeting.

The committee discussed the future direction of the website project and RESOLVED to progress with a web page linked to Council's website.

Website notes circulated.

Action

Town website links to be provided to committee members for discussion at next meeting.

ii) Perth-Breadalbane Dual Carriageway and Link Roads

Noted that

Perth-Breadalbane Dual Carriageway - works are well underway.

Western and Southern Link Roads - no further information has been received in relation to the link roads projects.

Perth Roads Reference Group - met in August 2015, no further meetings are currently scheduled.

Action

Perth Roads Reference Group - Local District Committee representation to the Group to be amended and further information to be sought.

iii) Perth Structure Plan and 10 Year PlanPerth Structure Plan

Noted that Council is awaiting report from GHD, public consultation period closed on 1 June 2016.

10 Year Plan

The Committee has raised concerns previously relating to the difficulty of preparing a 10 year plan as future land use would be impacted by the location of the Perth Bypass. Matter to be discussed further once additional information is made available.

Committee discussed the 10 year plan concept and agreed that future planning should include provision for cycleways/ bikeways, footpaths and the creation of corridors and linkages to the various areas of the town.

Action

Perth Structure Plan – require timeline for delivery of the Perth Structure Plan

iv) Perth Community Centre

Consultants presented to Council Workshop on 1 August. Council to consider further before being made available to the public.

Perth Recreation Ground and Perth Community Centre projects, as well as the Perth Primary School project, are separate, however, projects are being coordinated/integrated.

v) Perth Recreation Ground Master Plan

Consultants presented to Council Workshop on 1 August. Council to consider further before being made available to the public.

Perth Recreation Ground and Perth Community Centre projects, as well as the Perth Primary School project, are separate, however, projects are being coordinated/integrated.

Committee member strong advocate for retention of the skate park or provision of alternate recreation facility.

vi) Footbridge at William Street Reserve

Councillors visited the site of the footbridge on their annual bus tour and were supportive of the proposed bridge.

Alternate solutions discussed, matter to be considered further. Information circulated.

To be considered in conjunction with and forming part of the Perth Structure Plan – further information to be provided in due course.

Action

Further information to be provided.

vii) Cat Control

Committee received the information relating to the release of the State Government's Draft Cat Management Plan and the attached decision of Council from its meeting of 16 May 2016.

No further action required.

viii) Australia Day 2017

Agreed that the community need to commence planning for Australia Day 2017, noted that Perth Cricket Club had previously expressed interest in being involved.

Suggested locations:

- Eskleigh – Eskleigh could be approached in relation to the possible holding of the event in their grounds;
- Perth Recreation Ground.

Correspondence tabled seeking a meeting with interested groups to commence discussions.

Action

Chair to be invited to attend meeting.

ix) Customer Requests

Customer requests to be submitted directly to Council.

x) Newspaper Article

The Committee noted that news items can be included in the Examiner in the Council section of Northern Midlands community news page in the Tuesday newspaper.

6 MATTERS PENDING**i) Roadworks, Intersection Upgrades and associated projects**

The Committee agreed to list the following items as pending, to be considered in conjunction with information in relation to the Midland Highway Safety Upgrades for Perth:

- Connectivity of Streets – North Perth/Devon Hills
- Significance of Gibbet Hill and John McKay whom (in 1837) is believed to be the last person in the British Empire to be gibbeted after being hanged in Hobart.
- Midland Highway/Drummond Street Intersection – part of Midland Highway upgrade.

ii) Beautification of Perth / Town Entrance Statements

The Committee agreed to list the following item as pending, to be considered in conjunction with information in relation to the Midland Highway Safety Upgrades for Perth:

Entrances to Perth require upgrading, in particular, the improvement of the northern entrance to Perth (any improvements may be limited by land ownership, however, may be possible to plant low lying shrubs and gardens at the entrance to Youl Main Road)

Programmed to plant more trees in the main street, with plans to continue tree plantings to the north of the Honey Company. Noted that, as required, additional trees would be planted in the Main Street in June/July 2015.

The Committee noted that planning had commenced for Town Entrance Statements for Ross and Cressy, with installation to be undertaken in 2016/17. The planning stage for Avoca would commence in late 2016/17, with installation to follow in 2017/18.

8 NEW BUSINESS**i) Development Applications**

The committee noted that Council is inconsistent in dealing with recent planning applications in relation to cul-de-sacs and the application of Council's requirement for connectivity to allow ease of movement. It was noted that the Seacombe Street Perth subdivision had been refused despite Council officers recommendation to the contrary, Edward Street Perth subdivision had also been refused due to lack of connectivity; however, the Paton Street Longford subdivision had been approved.

ii) Budget 2016/17

Correspondence from Council's Corporate Services Manager was tabled, information provided as follows:

I refer to your list of priorities for the 2016/17 Municipal Budget and advise of allocations as follows:

- *Construct kerb and channel and reshape verge in Cromwell Street between Phillip and Nelson Street – allocation \$40,000.*
- *Construct kerb and channel and reshape verge in Seacombe Street West between Mulgrave and Minerva – allocation \$80,000.*
- *Reconstruct and seal Seacombe Street East from existing seal to No. 8 – allocation \$70,000.*
- *Construct concrete footpath in George Street between Fairtlough and end of kerb - \$24,000.*
- *Paint Perth Train and Memorial Gun restoration \$15,000.*
- *Provide contribution towards air-conditioning at Perth Community Centre function room - \$6,000.*
- *Street Tree allocation \$80,000 provided for across municipal area depending on current audit and priorities identified, and includes elm tree treatment. Planting of flowers by Council in Main Street low priority at this stage.*

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- *Street Furniture and Playground allocations provided for across municipal area depending on current audit and priorities identified, including \$15,000 for a shelter at the Seccombe Street playground.*
- *Application for matching funding for the construction of William Reserve footbridge to be progressed as opportunities arise.*

Council officers will liaise with the Local District Committee further as works are programmed, and should you have any questions regarding the allocations listed above please do not hesitate to contact me.

iii) Our Watch

Cr Knowles advised that she had been appointed the Tasmanian Council representative to the Family Violence Consultative Group and that the purpose of the group was to raise community awareness of the issue. The next meeting of the group to be held on 9 August. The powerpoint presentation titled "Change the Story" was circulated with the meeting papers.

iv) Flood Damage

The committee queried the progress on the clean-up following the recent floods, especially with regard to

- the debris which collected on the infrastructure at the William Street Reserve;
- the need for the swimming hole to be dredged as debris lodged therein may be a danger to users; and
- removal of willow debris.

Pointing out that the above matters required urgent attention.

v) Extraordinary Meeting

The committee agreed to hold a meeting on 6 September, prior to the next scheduled meeting.

9 CLOSURE

The meeting closed at 6.47pm.

Extraordinary meeting to be held on Tuesday, 6 September 2016 at the Community Centre Perth.

Next schedule meeting to be held on Tuesday, 4 October 2016 at the Community Centre Perth.

**EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING
HELD AT THE EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE
ON 2 AUGUST 2016 AT 7.02PM**

GOV 4(2)(xix)

1 ATTENDANCE

Mr J Lewis, Mr A Jobson, Mr C Plaisted, Mr R von Bibra, Mrs H Houghton, Mr S Baldock, Mrs C Brown

In Attendance:

Cr M Knowles, Mr A Boog (Works & Infrastructure Manager), Mrs G Eacher (Secretary)

2 APOLOGIES

Mrs K Heathcote, Mr D Jennings (General Manager)

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

R von Bibra/C Plaisted

That the minutes of the meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 5 July 2016, be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Carried

4 DECLARATION OF ANY PECUNIARY INTEREST BY A MEMBER OF A SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF COUNCIL

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5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Concerns with Hawthorn Hedge & Infrastructure – Falls Park, Evandale

The following motion of the Committee was considered by Councillors at the 18 July council meeting at which time it was agreed to note and investigate the recommendation:

That

1. *the Committee support the Council decision of 16 May 2016, minute reference 130/16; and*
2. *in addition, the hawthorn hedge be reinstated where it had previously been removed to facilitate pedestrian movements and accommodate the hydro poles.*

The committee requested an update in relation to the traffic management arrangements at the frontage of Falls Park, information to be provided.

ii) Customer Requests/Action Items

The Committee noted that

- customer requests were to be submitted direct to Council either via web or customer request form and not through the committee.
- works had been undertaken on the footpath at the frontage of the Clarendon Hotel on Russel Street.

6 PENDING ITEMS

i) Honeysuckle Banks

The Committee noted that the community consultation information had been collated; discussed at a recent Council workshop for discussion and that a report would be prepared for Council's decision to be tabled at a future meeting of Council.

The Committee made comment that in view of the area being flood prone it should be easy to maintain with appropriate furniture installed.

Suggested that Council may wish to consider furniture that is able to be removed when the area is likely to flood.

7 COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

i) Rotary Club

- Attended property and clearing sales.

ii) Community Centre/ Memorial Hall

- Noted that visitor and tourist numbers were up on last year.
- Management meeting held and the roster had been finalised. Special Strategic Planning meeting to be held.
- New website up and running – thanks to Kathryn Heathcote.
- 6/9 AGM
- 18/9 Blessing of the bonnets
 - Governor to attend
 - Luncheon with 60 guests
- 23/9 – 7/10 Photography exhibition.
- 24/9 visiting Garden Club bus tour.

iii) Neighbourhood Watch

- No report provided.

R von Bibra/H Houghton

That the reports from community group representatives be received.

Carried

8 NEW BUSINESS

i) Our Watch

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ii) Planning Applications

The following Planning Applications were considered:

- P16-139 – Falls Park – Committee members were pleased that the hedge would be retained; and
- P16-061 – White Hills Road – no comment was made.

ii) General Matters

The following general matters were raised:

- Committee members requested to complete Volunteer Registration forms for the ensuing 2 year period.
- the Macrocarpa pine tree (with plaque) at ANZAC Park was scheduled to be assessed by the Arborist.

9 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

The Chairperson closed the meeting at 7.49pm.

The next meeting to be held Tuesday, **6 September 2016**, commencing at **7.00pm**.

MINUTES

BIENNIAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD IN THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON WEDNESDAY 3 AUGUST 2016, COMMENCING AT 3.00 PM

1. PRESENT

Mrs Christine Robinson, Mr Allan Cameron, Mrs Debra Cadogan-Cowper, Mrs Helen Davies, Mr Anthony Thorogood, Mr Tim Johnson, Mrs Margaret Langridge, Mr Keith Draper

2. IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Mary Knowles (Acting Chairperson), Mr Steve Robinson, Mrs Candyce Hurren, Mr Herbert Johnson

3. APOLOGIES

Mr Arthur Thorpe, Cr Andrew Calvert, Mrs Amanda Bond, Mrs Jill Bennett

3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mr Allan Cameron/Mr Keith Draper

That the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Ross Local District Committee held at the Reading Room Ross on Tuesday 18 November 2014 be confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

Carried unanimously

4. CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT

Deferred to the ordinary meeting, as a copy was not available to hand.

5. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS**5.1 Appointment of Chairperson**

Mrs Debra Cadogan-Cowper/Mr Keith Draper

That Mrs Christine Robinson be appointed as Chairperson for the 2016-2018 term.

Carried unanimously

5.2 Appointment of Deputy Chairperson

Mrs Christine Robinson/Mrs Margaret Langridge

That Mrs Debra Cadogan-Cowper be appointed as Deputy Chairperson for the 2016-2018 term.

Carried unanimously

6. REVIEW OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Clarification was sought from the Committee in respect to roles & responsibilities of the committee, particularly in respect to planning items.

It was noted membership is published on Council's website.

7. CLOSURE

The Chairman closed the Annual General Meeting at 3:07 pm

MINUTES**MEETING OF THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE READING ROOM, ROSS ON WEDNESDAY, 3 AUGUST 2016 COMMENCING AT 3:10PM****1 PRESENT**

Mrs Christine Robinson, Mr Allan Cameron, Mrs Debra Cadogan-Cowper, Mrs Helen Davies, Mr Anthony Thorogood, Mr Tim Johnson, Mrs Margaret Langridge, Mr Keith Draper

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Cr Mary Knowles, Mr Arend Boog (Works & Infrastructure Manager)(3:15pm), Mrs Amanda Bond (Governance & Community Development Officer)(3:15pm), Mr Matthew Clark (JMG)(3:15pm), Mr Steve Robinson (Guest), Mrs Candyce Hurren (Guest), Mr Herbert Johnson (Guest)

3 APOLOGIES

Mr Arthur Thorpe, Mrs Jill Bennett, Cr Andrew Calvert, Mr Des Jennings

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Nil declared.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Mrs Debra Cadogan-Cowper/Mr Allan Cameron

*That the minutes of the meeting of the Ross Local District Committee held on **Wednesday, 1 June 2016** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.*

Carried unanimously

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Ross Town Square Master Plan

Committee to discuss with the JMG concepts for the Ross Town Square Master Plan.

Mr Clark provided a background to the committee of the purpose of his meeting with them today. JMG have been consulted to prepare a brief for the development of the Ross Town Square. The purpose of today's discussion was to seek input from the committee on features for the park area, as well as connectivity to the old Ross School oval. A long list of ideas were raised and recorded by Mr Clarke. Some issues identified included:

- Must be simple and in keeping with the heritage feel of Ross;
- Consideration to be given to the availability of off street parking in Ross;
- Relocation of the cannon to the park not supported.

JMG are meeting with businesses and the community in Ross and will then prepare a concept plan for Council review and public comment.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 2016/17 Budget

Letter tabled regarding the Northern Midlands Council 2016/17 budget allocations for Ross.

7.2 Volunteer Registration

Volunteer registration forms were circulated to committee members for completion and return.

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

Next meeting to be held **7 September 2016 at 3:00pm.**

The Chair closed the meeting at 4:31pm.

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WORKS PROGRESS REPORT
CAPITAL

05-Aug-16

MAINTENANCE FUNCTION	LOCATION	COST	PROGRESS COST	POSITION																
				JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN					
SEALED ROADS SOUTH	Southern Region	Total Expenditure July 1																		
Digging out failed sections		\$0	\$142	IP																
Edging and potoling		\$0	\$1,071	IP																
Shoulder (Maint tractor & blade)		\$0	\$4,922	IP																
Emergency maintenance		\$0	\$781	IP																
Footpaths		\$0	\$308	IP																
Kerbs driveways & crossovers		\$0	\$0	IP																
Guideposts & safety railing		\$0	\$400	IP																
Roadside drainage		\$0	\$13,091	IP																
Cleaning culverts		\$0	\$1,693	IP																
Slashing roadsides		\$0	\$0	IP																
Spraying roadsides & Streets		\$0	\$0	IP																
Tree Trimming		\$0	\$24	IP																
Signs / Mobile and fixed		\$0	\$3,954	IP																
GRAVEL ROADS SOUTH																				
Total Expenditure July 1																				
Grading		\$0	\$8,399	IP																
Guide posts		\$0	\$469	IP																
Potholing		\$0	\$331	IP																
Roadside drainage		\$0	\$501	IP																
Cleaning culverts		\$0	\$0	IP																
Emergency maintenance		\$0	\$3,013	IP																
Slashing roadsides		\$0	\$0	IP																
Spraying roadsides		\$0	\$0	IP																
Tree Trimming		\$0	\$0	IP																
Signs / Mobile and fixed		\$0	\$1,934	IP																
Total Expenditure Until 5 August																				
All Sealed Road Maintenance		\$57,881	\$1,548,249																	
All Gravel Road Maintenance		\$31,655	\$57,822																	
Emergency Maintenance, all roads		\$14,870	\$100,000																	

POSITION / = FIRST WEEK
 POSITION / = THIRD WEEK
 POSITION / = SECOND WEEK
 POSITION / = FOURTH WEEK

EACH / = ONE WEEK

INDICATES WEEK & MONTH CAPITAL WORKS TO BE CARRIED OUT

Resource Sharing Summary 1/7/16 to 30/6/17 As at 31/7/16	Units Billed	Amount Billed GST Exclusive \$	Rate inclusive of Oncosts and Admin \$
Launceston City Council			
Service Provided by NMC to LCC	-	-	
Total Services Provided by NMC to Launceston City Council	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Service Provided by Launceston City Council to NMC Wages and Oncosts	-	-	
Total Service Provided by MVC to NMC	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Net Income Flow		<u>-</u>	
Meander Valley Council			
Service Provided by NMC to MVC Wages and Oncosts	-	-	
Total Services Provided by NMC to Meander Valley Council	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Service Provided by Meander Valley Council to NMC Wages and Oncosts			
Plumbing Inspector	112.00	4,518.80	40.35
Total Service Provided by MVC to NMC		<u>4,518.80</u>	
Net Income Flow		<u>- 4,518.80</u>	
Total Net		<u>- 4,518.80</u>	
Private Works and Council Funded Works for External Organisations			
	Hours		
Economic & Community Development Department Northern Midlands Business Association Promotion Centre Expenditure - Tourism Officer		Not Charged to Association Funded 8.00 from Council Budget A/c 519035	
Works Department Private Works Carried Out	0.00		
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Mayor David Downie
Northern Midlands Council
13 Smith St
Longford Tas 7301

31st May 2016

Dear Mayor Downie,

In addition to promoting and fostering Australian citizenship, the objectives of the Order of Australia Association are to increase awareness of our national awards system and encourage people to put forward names of those who have made a major contribution to our society and are worthy of recognition in this way.

At the Australia Day Citizenship Awards in January this year, the city council in addition to conferring citizenship also announced the Launceston City Council Australia Day Awards in a range of areas. The Order of Australia Association was concerned that these local council awards could be confused with our National Order of Australia Awards. The Mayor of Launceston Alderman Albert van Zetten was approached and he graciously agreed to include in his Australia Day address specific reference to the Order of Australia and its significance. I've taken the liberty of including the quote from that speech.

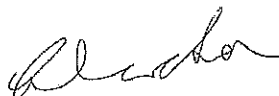
After announcing the Launceston City Council Australia Day Award recipients and thanking those people in nominating and working on the committee, he went on to say the following;

"I'd also just like to mention the Australian Honours program and we have the framed medals on display here today. Australian Honours are awarded on Australia Day and Queen's birthday. Our Australian honours system is internationally renowned and respected and unique in that they were designed for the community to make nominations. The Australian honours system is free of patronage or political influence. Anyone can nominate an Australian citizen for an honour. We have a number of guests in the audience today who are recipients of Australian Honours and we thank them for their work in our community".

The Order of Australia Association is very grateful to Mayor van Zetten and gratified that he explained the significance of our national award at that ceremony. We are now writing to all of the councils in our area to ask if you would consider including mention of the Order of Australia Awards and the process for its nomination to be included in all of your citizenship ceremonies.

We believe that it is important that all Australian citizens have a greater awareness of the Order of Australia Awards and this particularly the case for our newest citizens. It is one of the most egalitarian honours in the world, available to any citizen that has made an exceptional or outstanding contribution to our Australian community. Our association would be extremely grateful if you would put this matter before your council and if the council agrees, we would like to hold further discussions with you as to the appropriate form of words and provision of some form of printed material for the new Australian citizens.

Yours sincerely Clive D. Lee





2016/17 Tasmanian Skate Park League
(TAS-SPL) and Community Development Program

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SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES 

YMCA Action Sports (YAS) invites Tasmanian Councils to become a Partner of the 2016/17 Tasmanian Skate Park League (TAS-SPL) and community development program.

As a local government with quality skate facilities, the YMCA seeks your support to help engage and empower young people with a passion for action sports (Skateboarding, BMX).

The TAS-SPL is a series of interconnected skate park activations that:

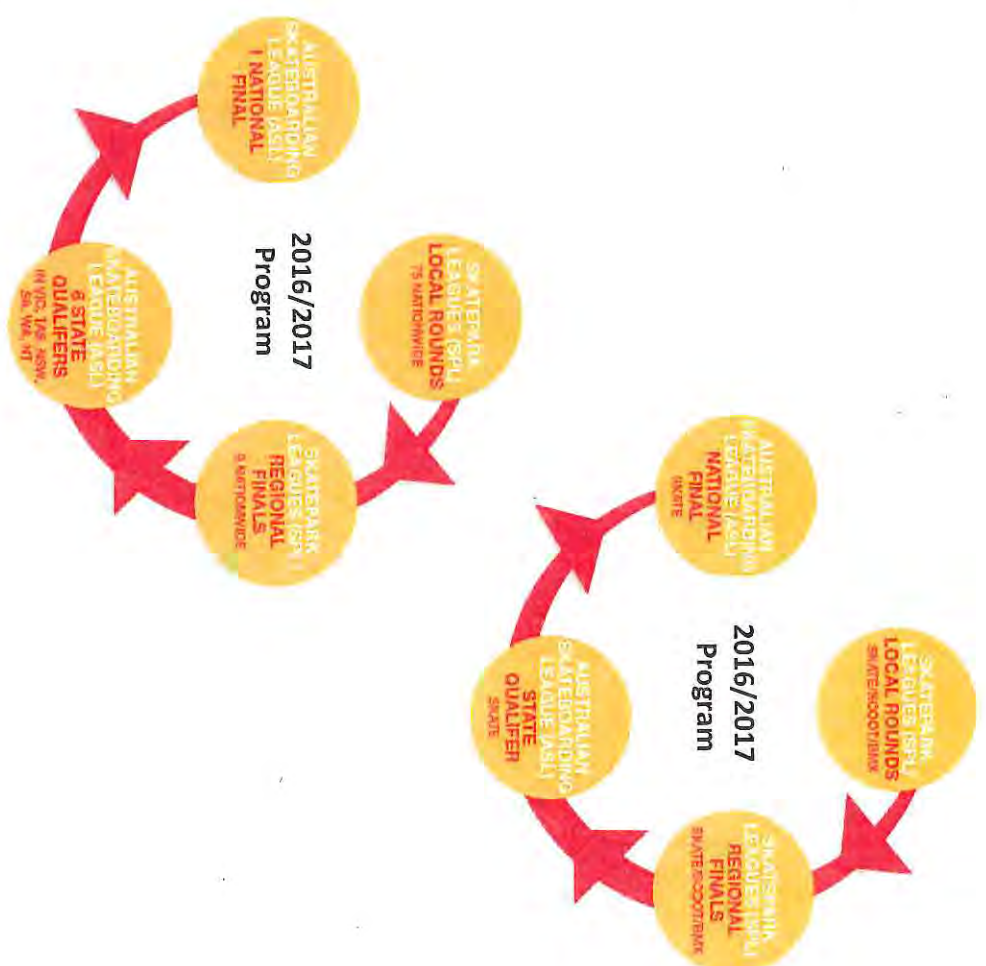
- Celebrates and recognises skills of action sports enthusiasts
- Creates a national development pathway for action sports
- Trains and empowers local communities to manage events
- Connects young people (SPL Members) Australia wide

Background:

The SPL was established 2007 as an action sport focused community development program. It consisted of seven connected skate events across six local government areas.

Over the past 8 years the SPL series has grown to annually consist of 70 grass roots events over four states (Victoria, Tasmania, NSW and South Australia).

As an outcome of this growth, the YMCA was able to support a youth lead social enterprise called YMCA Action Sports (YAS). YAS trains and employs young leaders throughout our local communities to help provide opportunities for over 2000 registered SPL members (competitors). YAS currently has over 25 casual employees and 32 registered volunteers contributing to the development of the SPL series and young people throughout Australia.



2016/2017 SPL National Development Pathway
 Victoria, Tasmania, South Australia, New South Wales, Western Australia and Northern Territory



Local context:
 Tasmania has over 56 council owned skate facilities. In comparison to other recreational/sporting and community based assets (such as pools and ovals), there is no or little ongoing engagement of the patrons and or people that affiliate with these communities and or sports.

YMCA research indicates that young people who participate in action sports are not connecting with the broader community nor do they have the networks to do so. By getting involved in the TAS-SPL you will help to provide that formal connection and ensure these young people and facilities are a part of mainstream culture and community life.

TAS-SPL Aim:

This program aims to build the capacity of young people in your community; we achieve this through working together to provide regular and consistent opportunities for youth participation and development.

These opportunities happen through a series of interconnected events and training sessions (before during and after the events). We work with the young people so they gain practical experience in event management and delivery or competitor participation.

The series its self, connects people from various local areas into a state wide competition (TAS-SPL). This competition works as a networking opportunity and creates the links between young people local governments and the broader community.



TAS-SPL objectives are to:

- Provide a structured pathway for progression
- Provide a safe and welcoming environment for all
- Showcase local skate parks and celebrate young people's talents
- Provide training and personal development opportunities
- Develop a solid following including parents and spectators
- Get more people active and using public skate parks

YMCA coordinates the series management including:

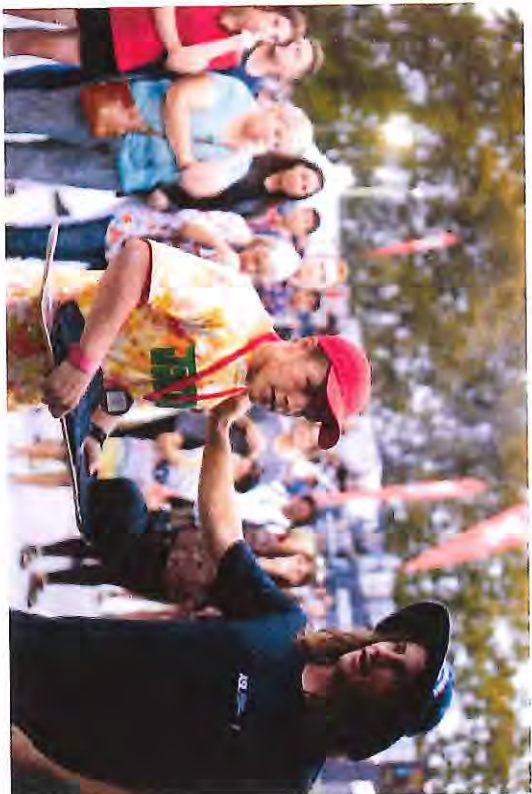
- Event sponsorship and prizes
- Event insurance
- Health and safety (risk management and OH&S reports)
- Development of marketing collateral and promotions plan
- Administration forms and event procedures and guidelines
- SPL Series social media and updates
- Pre and post engagement of local trainees

YMCA will coordinate the event day and provide:

- Event day equipment and consumables
- Power access, PA and music, marquees etc
- Administration forms
- Health and safety checks
- 2 staff (emcee and head judge)

Local Government must supply:

- Local events promotion support (via networks)
- Access and use of local skate facility
- Support in engaging young people for training
- Value add activities such as local BBQ or stalls
- Support to cover selected programs costs (detailed in MoU)



More than just a once off event: With intent, anyone enrolled in an SPL program becomes a member. Through our membership system and networks we continue to provide opportunities for engagement. On average 35% of our SPL members returned to participate in another YMCA managed program outside of their local area.

Beau Kelley pictured above is a demonstration of the continued engagement and pathway by design. Beau entered his local event then went on to participate in four 16 & under events before deciding to challenge himself against the Opens at the TAS-SPL State Final. He then continued on to take 2nd place in the National Final in Melbourne against Australia's best.

How to get involved:
 Local governments with skate parks can opt in by nominating a park and weekend date between Nov 2016 and Apr 2017.

Contact: Chris Hallam YMCA Australia
Email: chris.hallam@ymca.org.au
Phone: 0401 674 903

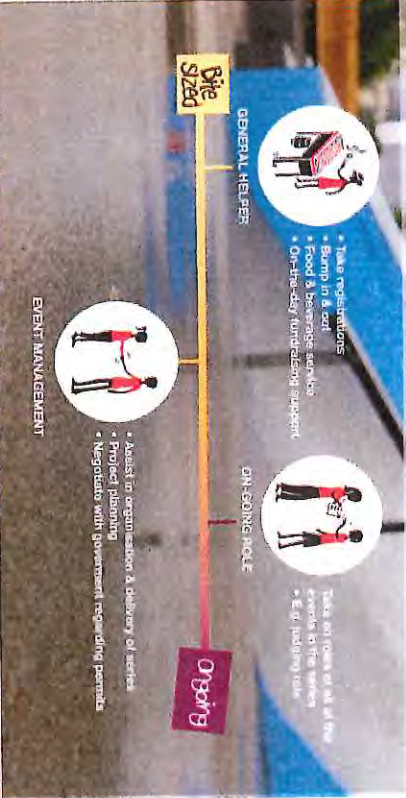


The Big Picture:
 We are aiming for 10 events across the metropolitan and regional areas of Tasmania. Together they will form the state amateur leagues series and become the grass roots development pathway for amateur Skate and BMX riders throughout the Tasmania.

Through practical experiences and training, the young people (SPL-Volunteers) helping to run the events (year 1), will become local change agents and play a key role organising and managing the series from a local perspective (year 2). The TAS-SPL series will be held between Nov - Feb 2016/2017 (location TBC) and link in with other league series held across Australia



SKATE VOLUNTEERING



2015/16 SPL – ASL Program Pathway

ASL-NATIONAL FINAL



ASL-NATIONAL QUALIFIERS



SPL-LOCAL ROUNDS & REGIONAL FINALS

SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES

2015/16 NEW SOUTH WALES SERIES

ROUND 1 SAT NOV 21 ULLINDRA SKATE PARK

ROUND 2 SAT NOV 28 KURRI KURRI SKATE PARK

ROUND 3 SAT DEC 5 LAKE WARRAH SKATE PARK

NATIONAL QUALIFIER SAT JAN 23
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2015 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN SERIES

ROUND 1 SAT NOV 21 ULLINDRA SKATE PARK

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REGIONAL FINAL SAT JAN 21
OAKLANDS RECREATION PLAZA

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2015/16 TASMANIAN SERIES

ROUND 1 SAT NOV 21 ULLINDRA SKATE PARK

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2015 LONDON HALLS HIDE SERIES

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ROUND 2 SAT NOV 28 KURRI KURRI SKATE PARK

ROUND 3 SAT DEC 5 LAKE WARRAH SKATE PARK

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SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES
2016/17 NEW SOUTH WALES SERIES
 Round 1 Sat 12/11/16, Ulladulla Skate Park
 Round 2 Sat 19/11/16, Wingham Skate Park
 Round 3 Sat 26/11/16, Lake Innes Skate Park
NATIONAL QUALIFIER SAT JAN 23
 SWANSEA SKATEPARK / SKATE ONLY

SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES
2016/17 QUEENSLAND SERIES
 Round 1 Sat 12/11/16, Mackay Skate Park
 Round 2 Sat 19/11/16, Mackay Skate Park
 Round 3 Sat 26/11/16, Mackay Skate Park
NATIONAL QUALIFIER SAT NOV 21
 OAKLANDS RECREATION PLAZA

SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES
2016/17 TASMANIAN SERIES
 Round 1 Sat 12/11/16, Hobart Skate Park
 Round 2 Sat 19/11/16, Hobart Skate Park
 Round 3 Sat 26/11/16, Hobart Skate Park
NATIONAL QUALIFIER SUN FEB 7
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SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES
2016/17 SOUTH WESTERN SERIES
 Round 1 Sat 12/11/16, Perth Skate Park
 Round 2 Sat 19/11/16, Perth Skate Park
 Round 3 Sat 26/11/16, Perth Skate Park
NATIONAL QUALIFIER SAT NOV 20
 HONOLULE SKATE PARK

SPL SKATE PARK LEAGUES
2016/17 SOUTH EASTERN SERIES
 Round 1 Sat 12/11/16, Melbourne Skate Park
 Round 2 Sat 19/11/16, Melbourne Skate Park
 Round 3 Sat 26/11/16, Melbourne Skate Park
NATIONAL QUALIFIER SUN NOV 21
 HONOLULE SKATE PARK

WESTERN AUSTRALIA SPL



MOTIONS ON NOTICE**AO178-16 MOTION ON NOTICE - STARTING AGE OF TASMANIAN SCHOOL CHILDREN**

FILE NO: 15/5/2
PREVIOUS MIN:

Alderman Teeny Brumby has given notice that she would move the following motion at this meeting:-

"THAT Council write to the Education Minister to register our deep concern of reducing the starting age of Tasmanian school children to 3 years and 6 months."

ALDERMAN'S COMMENTS

Whilst I understand that our role in local government does not have jurisdiction over educational matters which is the province of state government, it is however our responsibility as aldermen to advocate on behalf of our community.

The Proposed Changes

Whilst it would not be compulsory to attend kinder at 3 years 6 months, prep however is compulsory in Tasmania. This change in legislation would mean 4 year olds in prep when currently they have to be 5 years of age!

This particular suggested amendment to legislation is tragic and has the potential of enormous negative impact on such young lives. This view is shared by many within the teaching profession and widely amongst our young families of whom it's our responsibility I believe, to represent.

I cannot help but despair to think of little people at 3 years and 6 months being accepted into a kindergarten environment and then, consequently having to move onto prep (full time education) when not even 5 years of age! I commend this motion for your consideration.

GENERAL MANAGER'S COMMENTS

The State Government has proposed to lower the compulsory school starting age by six months, from 5 to 4 years and six months. Information on the proposed changes is **attached**.

If passed, the non-compulsory starting age for Kindergarten will be lowered to 3 years and six months.

This means that families will have the opportunity, if they wish, to enrol their children in a free early child care service at a school rather than through existing child care providers.

The Reform is proposed to provide equity for those families who are unable to access current services due to cost or remoteness. However it is acknowledged that these changes will have a significant impact on child care centres.

In essence, the proposed changes are based on valuing early childhood education, and in a Tasmanian context this is particularly highlighted from the results of Launching into Learning. The recent release of the AECDI results for Burnie also underlines the importance of early childhood programs.

Given the concerns raised by community members, it is recommended that Council host a public forum on the proposed changes with representatives from the Department of Education, a child care provider and a representative from the Underwood Centre or UTAS Faculty of Education. This will allow the State Government to provide further details on the proposed changes, and address questions and concerns the community may have.

Recommendation

"That Council host a public forum on the lowering of the school starting age."

ATTACHMENTS

1. Starting Age Fact Sheet
2. Starting and Leaving Ages Fact Sheet
3. Education Act Review - Frequently Asked Questions

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Resolution number: MO235-16

MOVED: Ald T Brumby

SECONDED: Ald S French AM

"THAT Council host a public forum on the lowering of the school starting age."

For: Ald R Blake OAM, Ald S French AM, Ald S Kons, Ald A Boyd, Ald A Dow, Ald R Bentley, Ald T Brumby, Ald K Dorsey, Ald C Lynch.

Against:

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



FACT SHEET: LOWERING THE PREP STARTING AGE BY SIX MONTHS

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

As part of the review of the Education Act, the Government is proposing to lower the compulsory school starting age (for Prep) by six months, from 5 years to 4 years and 6 months.

The proposed change to the school starting age will apply to children born in 2016 and means that beginning in 2021, a child who is 4 years and 6 months by the start of the year must be enrolled in Prep or be provided with registered home education.

Children will have access to Kindergarten up to six months earlier. Kindergarten in Tasmania is preschool and is not compulsory.

WHY IS THIS CHANGE IMPORTANT?

Evidence shows that quality early learning has significant benefits for our children that flow throughout their schooling years and later life.

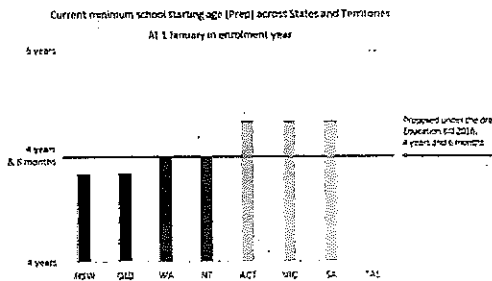
While the research is clear that all children benefit from quality early learning experiences, this is especially so for those from a low socio-economic background. Providing more options for families in rural and remote areas who currently may have limited or no access to early learning education is also important.

Simply – this proposal is about equity in education and creating more options for families by offering every Tasmanian child access to quality early learning sooner.

WHAT DO OTHER STATES AND TERRITORIES DO?

We know that the minimum age in which a child can be enrolled in Prep across Australia ranges from 4 years and 5 months to 5 years.

Tasmanian children should have the same opportunities to participate as children in other States and Territories. Lowering the minimum school starting age will bring Tasmania closer to the average of other States and Territories. This means Tasmanian children will be about the same age in the same grade as children in other States and Territories.



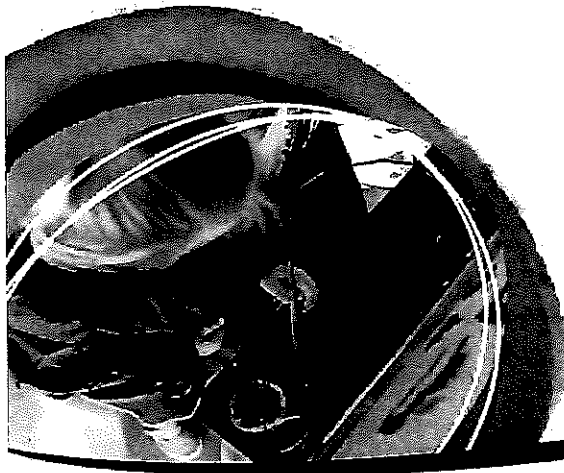
WHAT CHOICES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR MY CHILD IN THE YEAR BEFORE PREP?

Changes to the school starting age will provide you with greater choice for early learning options for your children. You may choose for your child to be enrolled in Kindergarten or remain in an education and care setting/service or remain at home until your child reaches compulsory age or a mixture of all these options based on what suits you and your child best. Many families find that participating in Kindergarten helps their child with the transition to school.

The Early Years Learning Framework is the main approved framework used across the nation in both education and care (child care) and early learning settings in Kindergarten for this age group.

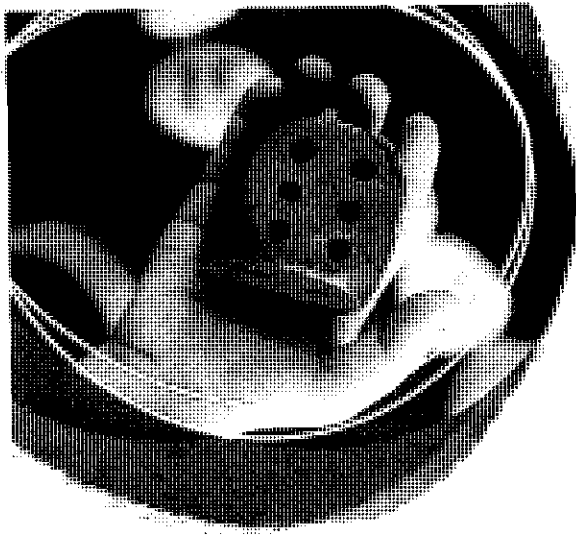
"Inequality in early childhood experiences and learning produces inequality in ability, achievement, health, and adult success."

Hedgeman, Spring 2011, *American Educator: The Economics of Inequality: The Value of Early Childhood Education*



Department of Education





WHAT IS KINDERGARTEN?

Pre-school arrangements are different across Australia. In 1968, a decision was made to attach pre-schools to schools in Tasmania and these were called Kindergartens.

Kindergartens today use play-based learning. They are dynamic, interesting and fun places for children to discover the world around them. We know that it's really important for very young minds to learn through play and play-based experiences, not through formal instruction.

Children are born ready to learn. In the first 5 years of life the brain develops more and faster than at any other time.

ARE SCHOOLS ABLE TO PROVIDE FOR CHILDREN UP TO 3 MONTHS YOUNGER?

Schools already have a range of early learning experiences for children from birth to four years with teachers supporting children at different points in their learning and development. Launching into Learning (LiL) provides an opportunity for children and families to begin interacting with school from birth and facilitates a positive transition into Kindergarten.

The Department will continue working with schools to ensure they are able to support all children in Kindergarten and Prep. For example, continuing working with schools to assist any teachers who may need to upgrade their early childhood qualifications, or to allow for any facility modifications. If Tasmania lowers the prep starting age, we have until 2020, when the first group of children will be eligible for Kindergarten, to make sure schools and families are ready for the change.

WILL TEACHERS BE ABLE TO SUPPORT MY CHILD AND THEIR SPECIFIC NEEDS?

Teachers are highly qualified and are equipped to support and nurture children throughout their many, and varied, levels of development. They will continue to be well supported with teacher assistant/s in Kindergarten. Children learn and develop at different rates and teachers and other staff will continue working with families to make sure all children are cared for and supported. This includes providing assistance with going to the toilet, comforting a child who is sick or upset and ensuring children get a rest should they need it.

"High quality pre-schooling is related to better intellectual and social/behavioural development for children."

The Effective Provision of Pre-School Education (EPPE) Project, 2003

WHY AREN'T WE DOING WHAT FINLAND DOES AND STARTING SCHOOL LATER?

Most Finnish children attend early learning programs between the ages of 1-5 prior to starting formal schooling.

While some countries with a later starting age do better than Australia in high stakes testing, such as Finland and Estonia, other countries with a later starting age do less well than Australia, such as Sweden, Hungary and Bulgaria.

There are many things to learn from other places in the world, including Finland. However it is not always beneficial to look at communities which do not have the same base community make-up and assume what works there will work here. For instance, the Finnish education system, and Finnish society more broadly, is very different to Tasmania. We need to promote ideas which will work best for children growing up in Tasmania.

HOW ARE WE WORKING WITH THE CHILD CARE SECTOR ON THESE CHANGES?

It is acknowledged that lowering the Prep starting age will have an impact on the child care sector in Tasmania. We are working with the sector to firstly understand the impact, then to ensure the impact is minimised in this important change for families.

CAN A CHILD CARE BUSINESS PROVIDE KINDERGARTEN?

Yes. Long day care centres can seek registration as a non-government school (through the Schools Registration Board, which registers non-government schools) in order to deliver Kindergarten.

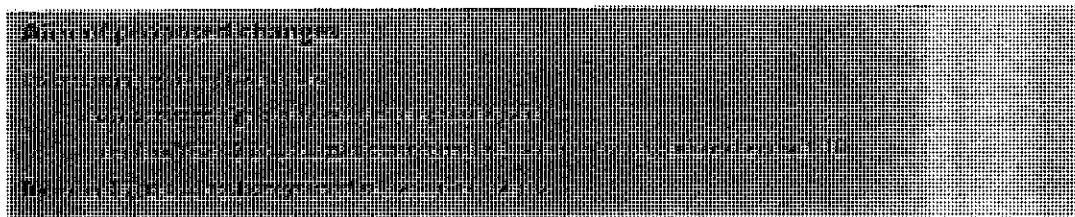
A for-profit Long Day Care (LDC) that is approved to deliver Kindergarten as a non-government school would be eligible for funding under the National Partnership Agreement on Universal Access to Early Childhood Education (NP UAECE). It would not be eligible for State Government funding as funding is provided to not-for-profit schools only (as per the Education Act).

A non-for-profit LDC that is approved to deliver Kindergarten as a non-government school would be eligible for State Government funding and for funding under the NP UAECE.



Fact Sheet – Starting and Leaving Ages

(applies to all children)

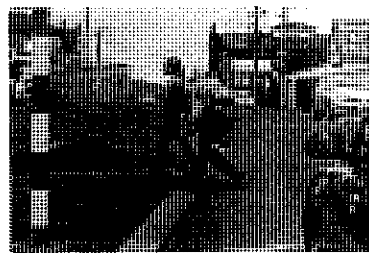


What happens now?

- Children in Tasmania who are five years of age as at 1 January in any year must be enrolled in a school (government or non-government) or be provided with registered home education until the end of the year in which they turn 16 (usually Year 10).
- All Tasmanian children are legally entitled to a year of pre-compulsory part-time education in a government school in the year before Prep, known as Kindergarten. A child must be 4 years as at 1 January to be able to commence Kindergarten.
- Kindergarten is provided by government and non-government schools.
- From the age of 16, all young people are required to participate in full-time education or training for at least one year in accordance with the *Youth Participation in Education and Training (Guaranteeing Futures) Act 2005*. Options include senior secondary courses, an apprenticeship or other vocational education and training, higher education courses, or registered as currently described in the Act.
- Being able to leave at 17 means that many young people can choose to leave education in Year 11.
- A young person is exempt from the *Guaranteeing Futures* education or training requirement if he or she is in employment for 25 hours or more a week.

What is proposed in the Bill?

- The compulsory school starting age will be lowered. This will apply to children born in 2016. This means that beginning in 2021 a child who is 4 years and 6 months by the start of the year (ie they turn 5 by 30 June) must be enrolled in Prep or be provided with registered home education.
- Beginning in 2020, a child who is 3 years and 6 months by the start of the year (ie they turn 4 by 30 June), may be enrolled in Kindergarten.



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- In the meantime, the current arrangements continue to apply as outlined in the 'What happens now' section.
- From 2020 the minimum education or training leaving requirement will also be raised so that a young person must participate full-time in formal education or training through an approved learning program until they complete Year 12, gain a certificate III, complete an apprenticeship or turn 18 years of age, whichever occurs first.
- This change will apply to young people who are in Year 7 in 2016, which means they will be in Year 11 in 2020.
- An exemption from education or training will remain for employment, but the minimum requirement will increase from 25 hours a week to 35 hours a week, consistent with the Australian Bureau of Statistics' definition of full-time work.
- Moving to such a provision would not prevent part-time work where it does not interfere with participation in the relevant education or training.
- The 35 hour requirement does not apply to work that involves formal training such as an apprenticeship or traineeship.
- If a young person is enrolled in Years 8, 9, 10, 11 or 12 in 2016, the increase in the minimum leaving requirement will not affect them. They must still continue their education or training as required now and are encouraged to continue to the end of Year 12, regardless of the legal obligation.

Reasons for change

- The current legislative framework is a barrier to improving Tasmania's retention and completion rates because the majority of young people are legally able to drop out of education or training before completing Year 12, and many are able to and do leave in Year 11.
- The draft Bill creates a legal framework that underpins the expectation that young Tasmanians will complete Year 12 or undertake equivalent training, in line with community expectations.
- In regard to the starting age change, evidence shows that investment in high quality early learning improves educational outcomes in later life. Investing in early childhood development and early learning, particularly for disadvantaged children, has a high rate of return, for individuals, society and the economy more broadly.
- Lowering the school starting age will ensure all Tasmanian children will have access to high quality early learning sooner. This is particularly beneficial for children from disadvantaged backgrounds because they will have earlier access to Kindergarten programs for 15 hours per week.
- Completing Year 12 improves the life chances and choices available to each person and has flow-on benefits to the community. Individuals generally have better health, greater community involvement, are more likely to be employed, and they earn more than those who do not complete Year 12.
- Conversely, evidence shows that people who do not complete Year 12 or equivalent are negatively affected in terms of earnings, job satisfaction and future employment opportunities. As unskilled adults, they are also more likely to experience unemployment during their working lives and may well be unemployed for longer periods of time, compared to people who have completed Year 12 or an equivalent level qualification.
- The employment requirements have been changed so that a young person may only be exempted from the education and training requirement if he or she is going to a full-time job. The current requirement of 25 hours means a young person is essentially a Year 10 leaver without qualifications going to a part-time job.

- Retaining an employment option maintains a degree of choice. Increasing the requirement to full-time work means that employment is more likely to be meaningful and provide the young person with the best chance of earning a living wage.
- Lowering the school starting age and raising the minimum education and training leaving requirement provides the most benefit as more young people will complete Year 12 before turning 18.
- There is a long lead in time available for parents, schools, teachers, students and education and care providers to work together to plan for and adjust to the proposed changes.
- Information in relation to approved learning programs is outlined in a separate fact sheet entitled *Fact Sheet – Approved Learning Programs*.
- The compulsory years of education and training are included in Part 3 of the draft Bill.

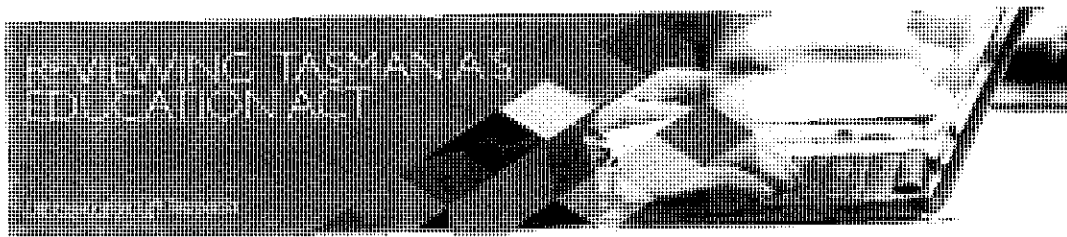
Previous consultation feedback

- There were a range of views expressed about lowering the starting age and a general recognition of the importance of investing in early learning.
- There was general support for raising the minimum education and training leaving requirement as long as young people had access to a range of options for participating in education or training.

Have your say

Complete a web form
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Frequently Asked Questions: Early Learning

What is the benefit of early learning for young children?

Evidence shows that investment in high quality early learning improves educational outcomes in later life, particularly for children from disadvantaged backgrounds.

Positive experiences in the first years of a child's life sets the trajectory for wellbeing and success in learning and in life and negative experiences can have lasting detrimental effects throughout an individual's life.

A considerable body of evidence supports the importance of early childhood education and how it can set children up for a bright future.

The *Launching into Learning Longitudinal Study, Progress Report 2013* (Tasmanian Department of Education, 2014) found that children from all socioeconomic backgrounds made significant gains in educational performance from regular participation in Launching into Learning, with children from disadvantaged backgrounds making the greatest gains.

Economist and Nobel laureate James Heckman found that investing in early childhood development and early learning, particularly for disadvantaged children, has a high rate of return not only for those children, but for society and the economy more broadly (*Invest in early childhood development: Reduce deficits, strengthen the economy*, 2012).

The Deloitte Access Economics review of the National Partnership Agreement on Universal Access to Early Childhood Education (Australian Government Department of Education, 2014) summarised the findings of James Heckman on the benefits of participating in quality early learning from birth to school, including that "adverse genetic, parental and environmental impacts can be addressed through investments in quality early childhood education that equips children and their families with the resources to properly develop cognitive, social and emotional skills".

The Effective Provision of Pre-School Education (EPPE) Project from the United Kingdom (1997 – 2004) found that "pre-school can play an important part in combatting social exclusion and promotion inclusion by offering disadvantaged children, in particular, a better start to primary school" and that "pre-school has a positive impact on children's progress over and above important family influences".

The Early Years Study by Margaret McCain and Fraser Mustard (1999) had an enormous impact on our understanding of early childhood development. The subsequent *Early Years Study 2, Putting Science into Action* (Hon. Margaret McCain, J. Fraser Mustard, Dr Stuart Shanker, 2007) found that:

Early experiences establish the architecture of the brain and the developmental trajectories for the learning, behaviour, and health of individuals and populations. Coping abilities, competencies, health, and well-being are strongly influenced by the neural circuitry that develops as a result of the intricate interaction of genes and early environments and experiences.

There has been considerable debate over the years about what is the educationally appropriate age for formal school commencement. A research paper prepared for the Australian Government found that there was no compelling evidence for a particular school starting age. What was found to be critical was the appropriateness of

the school curriculum and the pedagogy that supports a range of learning for children who come to school with a variety of backgrounds, experiences and knowledge about how to learn (Erebus International, 2004 in Atelier Learning Solutions and Access Economics, 2006).

How will increased access to early learning benefit Tasmanian children?

The benefits of early learning are well supported by evidence, as outlined above. Early learning enhances the all-round development of children from all backgrounds and has particular benefit for children who are from disadvantaged backgrounds. Moreover, the Effective Provision of Pre-School Education (EPPE) Project from the United Kingdom (1997-2004) found that disadvantaged children benefit significantly from good quality pre-school experiences, especially where they are with a mixture of children from different social backgrounds.

Tasmania has the highest levels of disadvantage in Australia (ABS, 2015). Tasmania also has the highest minimum school starting age of all states and territories.

Many children are not currently accessing quality early learning in a child care setting prior to kindergarten. For example, in 2014 only 58 per cent of 3 year olds participated in a child care benefit approved education and care program. Further, the ability to participate in quality early learning through an education and care setting is linked to capacity to pay: of the children aged 2-5 attending formal child care in 2014, 92 per cent of fathers and 69 per cent of mothers were in employment.

This is an issue of equity - lowering the school starting age will ensure all Tasmanian children have access to early learning sooner. If the proposed change to the school starting age were implemented, it is estimated that the proportion of 3 year olds accessing quality early learning to 77 per cent, an improvement of 33 per cent on the current participation rate of 58 per cent.

More recently, the Mitchell Institute (Victoria University) released a report that reaffirms the inequity of access to early learning across Australia (*Quality Early Education for All: Fostering creative, entrepreneurial, resilient and capable learners*, April 2016). The report recognises that early childhood education plays an important role in reducing the future disparity in education outcomes for developmentally vulnerable and disadvantaged children, however, these children are currently under-represented in early childhood education.

Are kindergartens in Tasmania able provide quality early learning?

Kindergartens have been part of the school structure in Tasmania for over 40 and are aligned to the early years. It is recognised that participation in kindergarten for all students provides an important foundation year for learning and the enrolment rate is at 100% (ABS, 2015).

In December 2009, all Australian governments, through the Council of Australian Governments, agreed to a partnership to establish a National Quality Framework for Early Childhood Education and Care (NQF). In 2012, long day care, family day care and outside school hours care services in Tasmania transitioned to come under the NQF.

Kindergartens in Tasmania are part of the government school system, or are in non-government schools that are registered by the Schools Registration Board. This means that all kindergartens are regulated under the *Education Act 1994*. However, it is important to ensure that kindergartens deliver quality early childhood programs aligned to those in the wider education and care sector locally and nationally.

DoE is currently implementing its plan to support the Tasmanian Government's National Partnership commitment to mirror where practicable the requirements for the Education and Care Services National Law Act 2010 (the NP) in kindergartens, including application of the National Quality Standards (NQS) and implementation of the Early Years Learning Framework for Australia (EYLF). The National Partnership recognises that kindergartens are already quality assured as part of the school system.

The outcomes of this work will be to ensure that kindergartens in Tasmania continue to provide high quality outcomes for children while recognising that implementation of the National Law in its entirety across kindergartens would give rise to duplication of regulatory burden.

In terms of quality elements currently present in Tasmanian kindergartens:

Workforce

- All kindergarten programs are led by degree qualified teachers who are registered by the Teachers' Registration Board.
- DoE recognises the importance of ensuring teachers in kindergartens are early childhood specialised and has implemented measures to increase teachers' skills in this area. For example, DoE has worked with UTAS in developing the Graduate Certificate in Education (Early Childhood). Teacher Assistants working in kindergartens are encouraged and supported to undertake the Certificate 3 in Education Support.
- Kindergarten students are also supported through the Department of Education's Fairer Funding Model – School Resource Package component, where kindergarten enrolments are funded at a higher per capita rate (3.15 x the standard core per capita rate). In 2015, all government schools reported that kindergarten classes had at least one teacher aide per kindergarten class.

Curriculum and pedagogy

- DoE is committed to the ongoing implementation of the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) which is supported through evidence based early years specific professional learning and coaching. This is the same curriculum as in child care settings.

Learning environments

- DoE provides dedicated learning environments for children in kindergarten that take into account the educational, health and wellbeing needs of each child, to support programs and practices that are developmentally appropriate. In most schools kindergartens have designated outdoor play areas, toilet facilities and appropriately equipped classrooms to ensure play based learning.

Specialist support

- DoE kindergartens, as part of schools, are able to provide specialist support delivered by speech and language pathologists, social workers, psychologists and teaching assistants to support children with additional needs.

Why are we lowering the school starting age when other high performing jurisdictions have children start school later?

There is not necessarily a 'cause and effect' relationship between school starting age and the educational performance of different jurisdictions. While some countries with a later starting age do better than Australia in high stakes testing, such as Finland and Estonia, other countries with a later starting age do less well than Australia, such as Sweden and Hungary.

The success of a particular jurisdiction or school system cannot be attributed to a single element. The rationale for a particular school starting age must be based on strong evidence as well as other attributes of the education system and its societal context.

Finland

Finland is a high performing education system with an often cited 'late' school starting age. The Finnish education system, and Finnish society more broadly, is very different to Tasmania. The school starting age should be considered in this context.

The compulsory school starting age in Finland was age 7 up until August 2015 when it was lowered to 6 years under reforms to extend the compulsory years of schooling.

Prior to starting school, most Finnish children attend high quality early childhood and care (ECEC) programs that are available free, or at a low cost via means-testing, to all young children aged 1 to 5 years.

Other elements of the Finnish education system may help to explain why it performs so well:

- The Finnish community deeply values learning and education and almost all schools in Finland are publicly funded and operated by local government authorities.
- Education is free at all levels from pre-primary to higher education, which includes a daily meal and transportation for all school students.
- Teaching is highly regarded as a profession and all teachers must have a masters degree at a minimum. Entry to teacher education programs is highly competitive.
- ECEC teachers in Finland are also very well educated and ECEC services have low staff to student ratios. ECEC teachers work within a universal set of education and care guidelines that is strongly aligned with what students are going to learn at pre-school and at school.
- The Finnish education system is also highly equitable. Nearly 30 per cent of all students receive some kind of 'special needs' education support to ensure they don't fall behind.

While there are many lessons that may be learnt from Finland's education system, Finnish society is also quite different to Tasmania. There is very low child poverty and disadvantage in Finland, and the community in Finland is less diverse than in Tasmania.

How will children experiencing learning or developmental difficulties be supported in kindergartens?

DoE kindergartens, as part of schools, are able to provide specialist support delivered by speech and language pathologists, social workers, psychologists and teaching assistants to support children with additional needs.

Presently there is high demand for support services in the early years for children experiencing learning or developmental difficulties across all sectors.

However the number of providers available to provide support to children and their families recently increased and will continue to increase as the National Disability Insurance Scheme Early Childhood Intervention Approach is implemented over the coming years.

Once full implementation has been achieved, access to these supports will be available to families regardless of the early childhood education and care setting their children participate in.

How does DoE support parent engagement with learning?

Tasmanian Government initiatives such as Child and Family Centres (CFC), Launching into Learning (LIL) and Learning in Families Together (LIFT) provide supported learning environments for children and families to ensure that parents and carers are key partners in their children's learning.

This aligns with international research that identifies parental involvement in their children's learning is integral to optimal outcomes for children's learning and development. Families and children who have participated in CFCs and LIL continue their engagement at kindergarten and through the LIFT initiative.

Kindergartens provide many opportunities for parents, carers and families to be engaged in their children's learning and in the school community more broadly.

Gail Eacher

Subject: FW: My media statement**From:** Teeny Brumby <tbrumby@burnie.net>**Date:** 1 August 2016 10:55:05 am AEST**To:** Janet Lambert <jtlambert@bigpond.com>**Subject:** My media statement

MEDIA STATEMENT

For immediate release 29/07/16

"Lowering the school starting age in Tasmania"

Response to the Minister's statements in the Advocate 27 July and on ABC Radio 28/07/16; Teeny Brumby Alderman Local Government (Having moved a motion in local government earlier this week highlighting the preposterous notion of lowering the school age to 4.5 years!)

Social justice and equity concerns mean that special efforts should be made to reach out to vulnerable children and families.

The Minister states that 'global research indicates that engaging children in quality early learning experiences is beneficial'. This is absolutely true. However, there is nothing in the research that suggests that this means children should enter the institution of the school at an earlier age.

Indeed, as Associate Professor Kay Margetts, from the University of Melbourne has pointed out many times, there are risks to young children's social adjustment and long term mental health by being required to operate above their developmental level, and no proven lasting learning benefits. It is a pity that the Minister appears not to have heard of Professor Margetts, as she is an acknowledged expert in early childhood education and care and transition to school.

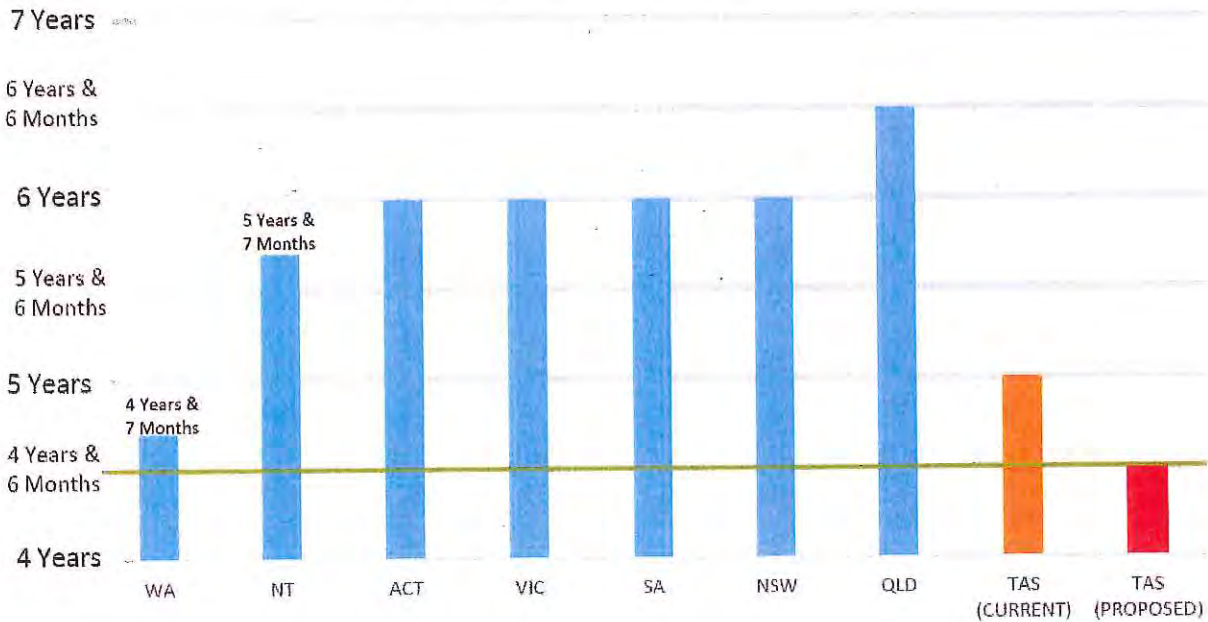
The Minister states that 'Tasmanian children are missing out on more school than their interstate counterparts'. The problem for comparing between states and territories is that the terms they use for what we call 'kindergarten' and 'prep' vary and that, in many cases, before the age of six, children are really in a preschool or child care environment, not in the school system. As I understand it, full time, compulsory schooling only operates at 'Prep' level from age five in Tasmania and WA.

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Subject:

State / Territory	Relevant State / Territory Education Act Definition of Compulsory School Age
WA	"From the beginning of the year in which the child reaches the age of 5 years and 6 months"
NT	If "on 1 January of the year in which, as at 30 June, the child is 6 years of age"
ACT	Child "is at least 6 years old"
VIC	If a child is "of not less than 6 years of age"
SA	Child is "of or above the age of 6 years"
NSW	Child "is of or above the age of 6 years"
QLD	Child "is at least 6 years and 6 months"
TAS (CURRENT)	A "child who is at least 5 years of age as at 1 January"
TAS (PROPOSED)	A "child who is 5 years old on 30 June in enrolment year"

Current and Proposed Compulsory School Starting Ages as defined by each State / Territory Education Act





DERWENT VALLEY COUNCIL

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File: 451

15 July 2016

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Dear Mayor Downie

TASWATER – DISPOSAL OF SHAREHOLDING.

The Derwent Valley Council last year raised the prospect of selling it's shareholding in the TasWater Corporation. In May 2015 the Council considered legal advice, noting that provisions within the Water and Sewerage Corporation Act 2012 presently restrict the manner of disposal.

Section 10 for example provides that only Tasmanian Councils may hold shares or securities in the corporation. The purpose of my letter is to canvas whether you consider there may be an appetite by your Council to consider purchasing the Derwent Valley shareholding (or a portion thereof). Should you consider this to be the case, I would welcome an opportunity to discuss this further.

Yours Sincerely

Martyn Evans
MAYOR



LONGFORD

TASMANIA

Policy Name:	Use of Longford Logo
Originated Date:	Adopted 15 August 2016 – Min. No.
Amended Date/s:	
Applicable Legislation:	
Dataworks Reference:	44/001/001
Objective	To ensure the logo is clearly recognised in the community, and its image, reputation and brand are protected and enhanced through accurate, consistent and high quality reproduction of its logo.

1. POLICY

Council recognises that it is important to establish a framework for the use of the Longford logo to ensure that Longford, and its brand are promoted publicly in a consistent and professional manner, minimising exposure to poor publicity through inappropriate use of the logo.

Any approved use of the logo will be in accordance with Council's *"Application / Guidelines for the Use of the Longford Logo"*.

Use by external parties

Authorisation for the use of the logo by external parties may be given where a sponsorship, partnership, joint venture or other similar relationship exists. Such authorisation is to be discussed with the General Manager (or his delegate). In such cases, the logo may only be used for the express purpose for which approval was granted and its reproduction must be in accordance with the *"Application / Guidelines for the Use of the Longford Logo"*.

Approval to use the logo in a particular circumstance does not constitute an ongoing right to use.

A copy of the proposed use/layout showing the positioning and relativity of the logo must be forwarded to the General Manager (or his delegate) for approval and any deficiencies remedied prior to publication.

The General Manager (or his delegate) should coordinate distribution of the logo to external organisations. This ensures consistency in reproduction and assists in monitoring external use of the logo.

The logo may not be used in any manner by any person or organisation for electoral or other political purposes.

Northern Midlands Council reserves the right to take legal action to prevent or curtail the unauthorised use of its logo.

2. WHO CAN REQUEST TO USE THE LOGO?

Any individual, group, business, community organisation or school may request to use the logo by submitting the *"Application / Guidelines for the Use of the Longford Logo"*.

Permission to use the logo does not include any guarantee of sponsorship or support.

3. WHERE CAN THE LOGO BE DISPLAYED?

The Northern Midlands Council logo may be displayed on written correspondence, documents, media publications including television, website and social media advertising, stationery, posters, buildings, billboards and vehicles upon receipt of written approval by the Northern Midlands Council. Displaying of the logo must be in accordance with the *"Guidelines for the Use of the Longford Logo"* and only for the specified period.

4. HOW CAN I REQUEST THE LOGO?

Applications should be made at least four weeks in advance of any specific date for which the use of the logo is requested.

Applicants are required to read the *"Guidelines for the Use of the Longford Logo"* and complete the *"Application for the Use of the Longford Logo"*.

Completed application forms are to be faxed or emailed as per the directions included in the document. A proof of the intended artwork including placement of the logo must be provided for approval by Northern Midlands Council prior to publication or display.

Northern Midlands Council will confirm the terms and conditions of use of the logo in writing.

APPLICATION/GUIDELINES FOR USE OF THE LONGFORD LOGO

APPLICATION FOR USE OF LOGO

Please complete this application form and email or post, along with a draft of your promotional material/documentation to:

POST: Northern Midlands Council
PO Box 156
Longford TAS 7301

Email: council@nmc.tas.gov.au

Organisation**Postal Address****Contact Person****Phone number(s)****Email****Event****Date of Event**

Describe briefly the intended use of the logo;

APPLICATION/GUIDELINES FOR USE OF THE LONGFORD LOGO

To help us supply you with the correct version of the logo and graphic for use. Please select from the options below. The logo will only be supplied in an electronic format via email.

Logo /Format

- JPEG – Monochrome
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- PNG – Colour

1. I have read, understood and agree to comply with the Terms and Conditions.
2. The Longford logo is only to be used in promotional material for the intended purpose listed above.
3. I understand that I must provide a draft copy of any material incorporating the Longford logo to the General Manager (or his delegate) to obtain approval of the design before publication.
4. I understand that the Longford logo can only be used in relation to the promotion of the above mentioned purpose.
5. I understand that the Longford logo must not be edited or distorted in any way.
6. I understand that the General Manager or his delegate has the right to refuse the production and distribution of a design should it be deemed inappropriate or non-compliant with these Terms or Conditions.
7. I understand that deviations from these terms and conditions are not acceptable unless agreed to in writing by the General Manager.

I agree to the above terms and conditions

Signature

Name

Date

Office Use Only

Logo Request approved by;

Signature

Date

**Northern Midlands Council Account Management Report
Income & Expenditure Summary for the Period Ended 30 July 2016 (8% of Year Completed)**

Line Item Summary Totals	Operating Statement												% of Budget
	Governance		Corporate Services		Economic & Community Dev		Planning & Development		Works		Total Operating Statement		
	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	2016/17 Budget	2016/17 Actual	
Wages	302,906	15,134	565,986	29,727	436,558	19,590	565,946	24,887	1,575,312	91,299	3,446,708.00	180,637.00	5.24%
Material & Services Expenditure	407,180	41,175	375,289	69,683	176,831	1,959	542,590	6,272	3,052,779	51,582	4,554,659.00	170,671.00	3.75%
Depreciation Expenditure	44,940	3,690	31,600	2,560	60,622	4,962	13,770	1,120	5,176,302	431,232	5,327,234.00	443,564.00	8.33%
Government Levies & Charges	7,500	0	612,093	0	5,570	0	0	0	60,256	0	685,419.00	0.00	0.00%
Councillors Expenditure	190,097	7,928	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190,097.00	0.00	4.17%
Other Expenditure	481,879	1,620	414,949	401,233	190,975	29	23,500	0	112,036	13,469	1,223,039.00	416,351.00	34.04%
Oncost	133,278	6,642	248,004	13,058	59,874	2,410	233,345	10,102	591,921	36,603	1,266,422.00	68,815.00	5.43%
Internal Plant Hire/Rental	19,650	540	20,150	425	6,230	268	72,920	1,820	843,008	61,948	961,958.00	65,001.00	6.75%
Other Internal Transfers Expenditure	310	0	600	0	18,000	400	0	0	6,290	2,782	7,200.00	0.00	0.00%
Internal Rental/Rates	0	0	6,273,163	523,463	85,978	51,709	119,571	8,574	27,050	2,782	6,318,213.00	526,645.00	8.34%
Other Internal Transfers Expenditure	67,980	1,364	121,845	4,459	85,978	10,363	164,292	6,500	315,885	137,728	711,239.00	203,834.00	28.66%
Oncost Paid - Payroll	96,398	3,453	159,109	5,652	119,797	10,363	164,292	6,500	468,295	20,203	1,007,891.00	46,171.00	4.58%
Oncost Paid - Non Payroll	11,360	2,051	5,010	1,882	15,510	2,944	21,100	2,534	444,515	34,622	497,495.00	44,013.00	8.85%
Plant Expenditure Paid	1,763,478	83,597	8,827,498	1,052,122	1,175,945	94,634	1,757,034	61,809	12,673,629	881,468	26,197,584	2,173,630	8.30%
Rate Revenue	0	0	(9,072,348)	(9,123,286)	0	0	(23,256)	(23,256)	(702,941)	(718,927)	(9,798,545.00)	(9,865,469.00)	100.68%
Recruitment Grant Revenue	(1,600)	0	(1,686,418)	0	(255,220)	0	0	0	(2,240,512)	(2,240,512)	(4,183,750.00)	3,664.00	-0.09%
Fees and Charges Revenue	0	(76)	(205,736)	(11,669)	(355,536)	(24,172)	(797,717)	0	(428,862)	(59,212)	(1,787,851.00)	(138,008.00)	7.72%
Interest Revenue	(330,000)	56,254	(105,842)	(5,536)	(8,019)	0	0	0	0	0	(435,842.00)	50,718.00	-11.64%
Reimbursements Revenue	(2,600)	(59)	(39,748)	0	(8,019)	0	(34,400)	(25)	(12,100)	(209)	(96,867.00)	(293.00)	0.30%
Oncost Recoveries - Internal Tier	(133,278)	(6,642)	(247,062)	(13,115)	(57,410)	(1,903)	(232,476)	(10,029)	(807,198)	(38,066)	(1,477,424.00)	(69,755.00)	4.72%
Plant Hire Income - Internal Tier	(17,830)	(540)	(15,310)	(420)	(9,000)	(210)	(61,940)	(1,240)	(1,138,889)	(63,039)	(1,242,969.00)	(65,446.00)	5.27%
Other Internal Transfers Income	(50,770)	(4,570)	(463,351)	(5,051)	(493,794)	(42,794)	(638,174)	(51,752)	(5,072,124)	(423,524)	(6,718,213.00)	(527,691.00)	7.85%
Other Revenue	(708,034)	(12,323)	(44,761)	(382)	0	0	(2,100)	(64)	(48,426)	0	(763,321.00)	(12,769.00)	1.67%
	(1,244,112)	32,044	(11,840,576)	(9,159,459)	(1,178,979)	(59,079)	(1,790,063)	(129,245)	(10,451,052)	(1,299,310)	(26,504,782)	(10,628,049)	40.09%
Underlying (Surplus) / Deficit Before	519,366	115,641	(3,013,078)	(8,107,337)	(3,034)	25,555	(33,029)	(67,436)	2,222,577	(417,842)	(307,198)	(8,451,419)	
Gain on sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Loss on Sale of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	300,000	0	300,000	0	
Net Loss On Disposal of Fixed Assets	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Underlying (Surplus) / Deficit	519,366	115,641	(3,013,078)	(8,107,337)	(3,034)	25,555	(33,029)	(67,436)	2,522,577	(417,842)	(7,198)	(8,451,419)	
Capital Grant Revenue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(2,267,676)	0	(2,267,676)	0	
Subdivider Contributions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(430,000)	0	(430,000)	0	
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(2,697,676)	0	(2,697,676)	0	
Operating (Surplus) / Deficit	519,366	115,641	(3,013,078)	(8,107,337)	(3,034)	25,555	(33,029)	(67,436)	(175,099)	(417,842)	(2,704,874)	(8,451,419)	



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	Annual Budget	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	Budget Variance	% Annual Budget
Capital Expenditure - Governance					
Fleet, Plant & Equipment					
704420 S.E.S. Equipment Purchase	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
780004 Gov - Council Chambers Table and Chairs	\$25,000	\$2,120	\$0	\$25,000	0%
780006 Gov - Office Equipment Purchases	\$2,000	\$130	\$0	\$2,000	0%
Total Fleet, Plant & Equipment	\$27,000	\$2,250	\$0	\$27,000	0%
Land & Buildings					
707987 Lfd - CBD Strategy Parklets	\$102,000	\$8,500	\$0	\$102,000	0%
Total Land & Buildings	\$102,000	\$8,500	\$0	\$102,000	0%
Total Capital Expenditure - Governance	\$129,000	\$10,750	\$0	\$129,000	0%
Grand Total	\$129,000	\$10,750	\$0	\$129,000	0%

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Capital Expenditure - Corporate Services					
Equipment & Buildings - Corporate Services					
700034 Fleet - F34 Corporate Services Manager	\$18,000	\$1,500	\$0	\$18,000	0%
707964 Lfd - Council Chambers Roof Replacement	\$80,000	\$6,630	\$0	\$80,000	0%
715300 Corp - Computer System Upgrade	\$143,750	\$11,970	\$0	\$143,750	0%
715310 Corp - Purchase Office Equipment	\$2,000	\$130	\$0	\$2,000	0%
720113 Corp - Office / Council Chambers Improvements	\$75,000	\$6,250	\$866	\$74,134	1%
Total Equipment & Buildings - Corporate Services	\$318,750	\$26,480	\$866	\$317,884	0%
Total Capital Expenditure - Corporate Services	\$318,750	\$26,480	\$866	\$317,884	0%
Grand Total	\$318,750	\$26,480	\$866	\$317,884	0%

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Capital Expenditure - Economic & Community Develop					
Equipment & Buildings					
750202 Ec & Comm Dev - Sports Centre Equipment Purchases / Improvements	\$20,000	\$1,630	\$0	\$20,000	0%
780025 Ec & Comm Dev - Purchase of Office Equipment	\$2,000	\$130	\$0	\$2,000	0%
Total Equipment & Buildings	\$22,000	\$1,760	\$0	\$22,000	0%
Fleet					
700002 Fleet - F2 Pool Vehicle	\$15,000	\$1,250	\$0	\$15,000	0%
700010 Fleet - F10 Economic & Community Development Manager	\$0	\$0	-\$12,500	\$12,500	0%
Total Fleet	\$15,000	\$1,250	-\$12,500	\$27,500	-83%
Child Care					
707968 Pth - Community Centre/Child Care Air Conditioning	\$6,000	\$500	\$0	\$6,000	0%
Total Child Care	\$6,000	\$500	\$0	\$6,000	0%
Total Capital Expenditure - Economic & Communit	\$43,000	\$3,510	-\$12,500	\$55,500	-29%
Grand Total	\$43,000	\$3,510	-\$12,500	\$55,500	-29%



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Capital Expenditure - Planning & Development					
Fleet, Plant & Equipment					
700003 Fleet - F3 Planning Manager	\$15,000	\$1,250	\$0	\$15,000	0%
700004 Fleet - F4 Health/Planning Inspector	\$15,000	\$1,250	\$0	\$15,000	0%
715330 Plan & Dev - Purchase of Office Equipment	\$44,000	\$3,630	\$0	\$44,000	0%
Total Fleet, Plant & Equipment	\$74,000	\$6,130	\$0	\$74,000	0%
Total Capital Expenditure - Planning & Development	\$74,000	\$6,130	\$0	\$74,000	0%
Grand Total	\$74,000	\$6,130	\$0	\$74,000	0%