



Avoca Museum and Information Centre

Old School Building, AVOCA, TASMANIA, 7213

Minutes for the AMIC Committee Meeting held at the Avoca Museum On 4pm Tuesday 8th August 2017.

1. Present

Dalija Wells, Mary Knowles, Helen Richardson, Shirley Squires, Jayne Pike (Guest), Jane Mitchell, Frank O'Connor, (Chair) Prue O'Connor, Shirley Freeman, Justin Fahey, Angie Gee

2. Apologies

Steve Taylor Helen Reynolds;

3. Approval of the Minutes of the Committee Meeting held 2 May 2017 (Circulated) #

Correction to incoming correspondence- Add an email from Susan Charlton advising she would be reducing her hours as a volunteer.

Motion accepting the minutes of the above meetings

Moved Dalija Wells Seconded Helen Richardson Carried

Business Arising – See items under action list to be dealt with later in the Agenda

Jayne Pike from Rural Alive and Well (RAW) was incited to address the meeting on Suicide Prevention

4. Finance ##

a. Treasurers Report

b. Mary Knowles presented an account for CD's

Motion accepting the Treasurers Report

Moved Helen Richardson, Seconded Dalija Wells Carried

5. Correspondence ##

a. Inward

b. Outward correspondence tabled

c. A letter to be sent to Patricia Goss – Storeys Creek Painting

d. Letter of thanks to be sent to Brian Davies – Football donation

Motion approving the correspondence

Moved Dalija Wells Seconded Shirley Squires Carried

6. Action List – (Attached)

a. Volunteer registration form - Completed

b. Playground equipment Ongoing

c. Stitching and Beyond Traveling Exhibition Ongoing

d. Finish Sports Exhibition - Ongoing

e. Family history display - Ongoing

f. Anzac photos - Mary has them on face Book. On going

- g. Books to be scanned - Completed
 - h. Memories of Avoca by Ernest GH Foster
7. Festivals - The 2017 Spring festival will be postponed until 2018. Council has allocated \$500 in kind to help. In lieu of this council will provide the school children with Christmas shapes to be painted by the school children and displayed on the back fence
8. Workshops – *Nothing to Report*
9. Exhibitions – Mary, Prue and Frank reported that *the 10 Exhibitions Exhibition at the Queen Victoria Museum went well*. The correct weigh sirens were exhibited by AMIC
10. Garden – *Nothing to Report*
11. General Business
- a. Key Register?- Shop, 2 Prue, 3 Mary, 4 Justin, 5 Dalija, 6 Spare, 7 Angia 8 Jack returned Prue to check that the Shop still has a key
 - b. We have received two books from Louise Hayes of the book A Bit of Heritage by Jim Haas. Mary will contact them re further copies of the Convict book
 - c. Katrina Munda to be invited to the next meeting
 - d. It was reported that Marilyn was organising a tour to Egypt
 - e. Shirley Freeman suggested a Harvest Festival Shirley Squires moved that we try a Pumpkin festival. The suggestion received some support, but no motion was put.
 - i. Pumpkin Festival 24th March
 - ii. Shirley Freeman said she would purchase some seed
12. Next Meeting-November 7th (Melbourne Cup Day – Meeting to have a Melbourne Cup theme))

Close

Motion required

ACTION LIST from the Committee Meeting held 2/5/2017			
	Action / Date entered	Description	Recent Action
a	Volunteer registration form	Volunteer registration forms.	Completed
b	Playground equipment	The equipment from Longford will not be available. Mary is seeking Council support for new equipment with an agricultural theme. A suitable frame is being investigated by John Deere and Council	Ongoing
c	Stitching and beyond Traveling Exhibition	Stitching and Beyond Traveling Exhibition – to be supplied in August and September at no cost	Ongoing
d	Finish Sports Exhibition	Helen to help Justin sort out sports exhibition to be returned	Ongoing
e	Family history display	To be investigated after sports exhibition is removed	Ongoing
f	Anzac photos	Anzac photos of Jessie McKay and Joanne Barnes to be displayed in the Museum	Mary has them on face Book Ongoing
g	Books to be scanned	Ruth Miller has loaned us two books to scan for our records	Completed
h	Memories of Avoca by Ernest GH Foster	Prue speak to Pat Rubenach to get her approval before displaying or reproducing this	Ongoing
	Harvest Festival	Shirley Freeman suggested a Harvest Festival Shirley Squires moved that we try a Pumpkin festival. The suggestion received some support, but no motion was put. Pumpkin Festival 24th March Shirley Freeman said she would purchase some seed	
		Maintenance List	
	BBQ Map		Ongoing
	Roof		Ongoing
	Shelter Shed Light	Council to be asked to repair the light	Ongoing

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NORTHERN MIDLANDS COUNCIL			
Location			
File No.			
Property			
Attachments			
REC'D 13 OCT 7/17			
GM	L	A	MYR
PADM			CRS
PSM			PLAN
PADM			BLD
V/M			SLT
HR			ALS

Minutes of the Devon Hills Neighbour Hood Watch and Residents Committee

1st October 2017

Present: Phill & Cheryl Canning, Margaret Webster, Alira Davis, Janet Lambert

Apologies: Lisa Lucas, Jamie Buckby, Virginia Tempest, Ted Davis, Ian Goninon, Graeme Gliddon

Meeting Opened: 1.30pm

Previous Minutes: Moved as correct Margaret Webster. Seconded Cheryl Canning

Business arising from previous meeting:

Fire Safety Evening organised and being held 3/10/2017. Margaret Webster to supply Tea & Coffee. Apologies from Janet Lambert as she cannot attend.

Tyre Marks on Turning Circle Grass: Police have taken action in this matter. They have/will also be having a greater presence in the Devon Hills Area. Following on from this work will be undertaken with lights at DH Shed to ensure that grass area can now be lit up of a night.

CBA: Margaret Webster has begun process to change signature names on cheque books for Devon Hills Neighbour Hood Watch and the Devon Hills Residents Committee. The Four Signatures will now be Margaret Webster, Phillip Canning, Ian Goninon, Alira Davis.

Phill Canning emailed Neighbour Hood Watch and informed them of decision to amalgamate with Residents Committee. They responded with "Congratulations" and have updated details where necessary.

Council have been updated of amalgamation and also updated details where necessary.

Janet Lambert is going to follow-up with Council regarding Master Key system for DH Shed and funds sought to replace notice board.

Treasurers Report: Tabled by Margaret Webster with current balance of \$1,560.75

General Business:

NBN Service- DH Facebook Page received message regarding quality of NBN Service. Discussed at meeting with outcome being Residents to contact their service provider with complaint, the more complaints in the area the better chance of action. Once all avenues take with service provider contact Brian Mitchell [63 98 11 15](tel:63981115) (NBN Commissioner). Alira to respond to FB message.

Garage Sale: Date set Saturday 28th October 2017, 8am-1pm with setup from 7am. \$10 per table. Phill Canning to contact Ian Goninon to organise Flyers and Examiner Ad. Janet Lambert given committee permission to place signs along her fence. Margaret Webster to contact Ian Goninon to follow-up on use of Coffee Cart.

Halloween- Have decided to give this a miss this year. With idea to focus on Christmas and possible Christmas Party.

Phill Canning to discuss with Perth Fire Brigade date of Lolly Run. All people present at meeting agree to donate \$60 to cover cost of lollies.

Crime Report: 29th July – 29th September 2017 only one action being the turning circle.

Pigeon Club: Still not provided insurance cover. Alira Davis to contact and arrange meeting to discuss insurance, meeting times and any other ongoing issues.

Next Meeting: Sunday 3rd December 2017 1.30pm

Devon Hills Residents Community

Treasurers Report

October 2017

Opening Balance \$1585.75

Accounts for payment:

Neighbourhood Watch Tasmania Inc. Annual Fee \$25

Approved by Executive Committee and paid

Cheque No 32 13.8.17

Income: nil

Closing Balance \$1560.75

MINUTES

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LONGFORD LOCAL
DISTRICT COMMITTEE HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,
SMITH STREET, LONGFORD ON TUESDAY , 17 OCTOBER, 2017
COMMENCING AT 5.00 PM**

1. PRESENT

Linus Grant (Chair), John Cauchi, Dee Alty, Neil Tubb,
Terry Goldsworthy

2. IN ATTENDANCE ☐ Cr Dick Adams

3. APOLOGIES ☐ Amy Reiner, Lesley McKensie (currently
two vacancies)

4. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

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Nil declared.

5. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

“That the minutes of 19 August 2017 be endorsed as a
true and correct record and the notes of the special
meeting on 28 August and feedback meeting with
architect Leon Lange at the Council Chambers on 6
September be forwarded to Council”

Dee Alty/John Cauci **CARRIED**

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

6.1.1 The Chair reported that Council had considered the
strategy at its monthly meeting the previous evening and
it was understood the overall strategy and supporting
guidelines were accepted.

The General Manager had also being authorised to
contact State Growth regarding the Illawarra Rd
roundabout.

ACTION: The committee asked if there could be a report

back from Council to the Committee on the priority listing of action on the strategy.

6.1.2 The Chair said that Philp Lighton Architects have been appointed to survey existing Council buildings that could be adapted for community purposes.

ACTION

- a) "That the LLDC asks whether it can have input into their survey, given that this has been covered in the LLDC/LBTA Longford Strategy Plan.
- b) "That this Committee recommends that the Longford Strategic Plan be given to Philp Lighten Architects as part of their brief." Neil Tubb/Dee Alty **CARRIED**

It was pointed out that Committee members had already suggested that the existing buildings were not fit for purpose and that this should be communicated during any further discussions.

6.3 IGA Traffic problems: the Chair reported that the Council considers the matter closed. After discussion, the Committee agreed that it should not give up on this issue on the basis of expressed community safety concerns.

ACTION: Resolved that the Chair and Deputy Chair John Cauci seek a meeting with the General Manager as soon as possible.

6.4 Advised by Council that the committee's request that the stone Longford entry be preserved had been included in the Urban Design Strategy for consideration.

6.5 Advised that internal stripping of the former police house next to Council was underway prior to demolition or

removal.

7.00 GENERAL BUSINESS

- 7.1 There was discussion about the placement of the State Government's "Don't Be A Goose" road safety signs on council signposts intended to advertise local events. This indicated an inconsistency of purpose.

Neil Tubb reported that he had established specifications of the signs to promote local events. These would be supplied to the committee with likely costs.

It was suggested that Council put this information into a format and circulate to all community groups, and that it be included on the Council website and Facebook page.

The committee was uncertain as to who was the correct person to advise of local events for inclusion in Council media advertising and in local tourism material. It was resolved that the Chair find out.

- 7.2.1 Neil Tubb also reported on the CommuniTree Project outlined to a recent Longford Rotary Club meeting.

ACTION: "That the Committee supports the concept of the CommuniTree Project and that Ms Megan Denne be asked to attend the next committee to advise us further."

Neil Tubb/Terry Goldsworthy

CARRIED

- 7.3 Neil Tubb reported on the desktop Emergency exercise held in Longford (details are attached).
Information within might be useful for progressing the Rotary flood sign suggestion.

ACTION: Matter to be included in next month's agenda

- 7.4 Tasmanian Chamber Music festival will be in Longford

next year if suitable premises could be made available. John Cauci raised this because planning was already underway. Alana Dobson is the contact. She may need help with venues.

7.5.1 Lack of accommodation in Longford was brought up as an issue, both for workers and tourists. This was raised at the Northern Midlands Business Association and the towns with most need were Longford and Cressy.

ACTION: Put on next agenda for further discussion.

7.5.2 Also raised was the question of technological assistance and training for contractors and local small business.

ACTION: include on next month's agenda.

7.6 Councillor Adams reported on the green waste question. Council knocked it back because of the additional cost to ratepayers of \$114 per pickup. However Launceston is doing it cheaper and there may be an opportunity to share resources. To be explored further.

7.7 Councillor Adams also raised the question of block sizes in Longford. He has been getting representations that these are too small and could produce social problems. Also to be explored further. Book by Eric Radcliffe might be useful.

8.0 MEETING CLOSURE AND NEXT MEETING

8.1 The meeting closed at 6.35 pm and the next meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Smith Street on Tuesday, 21 November, 2017 at 5.00 pm

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RECORD OF THE MEETING OF THE NORTHERN MIDLANDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE HELD MONDAY 30 OCTOBER 2017 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SMITH STREET LONGFORD STARTING AT 2PM

PRESENT: Kevin Turner (Chair), Clr Ian Goninon, Clr Mary Knowles, Russell Fyfe
APOLOGIES: Kate Sutherland, Des Jennings, Paul Godier
IN ATTENDANCE: Lorraine Green
BUSINESS:

The meeting focussed on two key agenda items: the Translink Product Profile and Economic Development Strategy: the way forward

PRIORITY INITIATIVES	STATUS AS OF 30 OCTOBER 2017	THE WAY FORWARD
<p>Translink Product Profile</p>	<p>The recommendation made to Council at the March 2017 meeting was endorsed by Council: That the Economic Development Committee be endorsed to manage the development of a <i>Translink Product Profile</i> that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • articulates landowners/developers plans for their land/buildings; • captures the real estate agents perspectives on why property is/isn't selling/being develop; • identifies economic development activities for Council to undertake (eg: increasing staff's knowledge of TRANSlink, planning infrastructure), and; • identifies opportunities for collaborative promotion of the precinct's development opportunities.. <p>Draft questionnaires for use when interviewing TRANSlink business owners/operators, real estate agents and owners of vacant blocks were developed and agreed by the committee.</p> <p>K Turner, R Fyfe and L Green met with TRANSlink business owners/operators/real estate agents 14 August 2017 to discuss the economic development strategy and to gain input to the TRANSlink product profile surveys. Post the meeting, the survey forms were emailed to TRANSlink owners/operators - seeking completion and return.</p> <p>The survey data received was compiled and discussed at the meeting.</p>	<p>The discussion of the TRANSlink survey data resulted in the following actions being agreed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. R Fyfe to seek a quote for the cost of installing numberplate recording cameras on Ewandale Main Road, either end of the TRANSlink precinct. 2. K Turner to prepare a summary report on the TRANSlink survey data for communication to TRANSlink operators to highlight the outcome of the profile study to date, seek further input to the profile and report actions undertaken to date in response to the profile data. 3. K Turner and L Green to prepare a report to Council on options to effectively market the precinct to potential investors/businesses, and to support them to move from interest to actual relocation/business development in the precinct. This is to include the option of a part-time Liaison Officer as flagged in the survey data. 4. L Green to find out the current balance of the committee's budget.

		<p>5. Recommendation to Council: That a NBN representative be invited to a Council workshop to provide an update report on the rollout of the NBN across the Northern Midlands.</p> <p>6. Recommendation to Council: That Council undertake another traffic count on Evandale Main Road.</p>
<p>Economic Development Strategy</p>	<p>D Jennings advised previously that preference is to develop the strategy internally and for the Economic Development Committee to lead engagement with local businesses and industry groups. Proposed that the second stage of community consultation will involve an independent facilitator.</p> <p>Maree Tettlow, Executive Officer, Northern Tasmania Development, joined the July 18th 2016 meeting 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</p> <p>Discussion 6/2/17 of the materials to underpin community/business consultation towards the development of the strategy – specific discussion papers, online surveys that bring forth opportunities for promoting economic development in the Northern Midlands, and how Council at all levels can proactively promote economic development.</p> <p>The draft template for the strategy, modelled on the Huon Valley Council Strategic Plan 2015-2025, populated with current relevant Council projects, was discussed at the meeting and supported by the members present..</p>	<p>L Green to prepare council agenda item for the 20 November 2017 Meeting, presenting the draft economic development strategy to council and seek acceptance in principle and use of draft strategy within the consultations to be held February 2018 towards the development of the Regional Economic Development Plan, led by Northern Tasmania Development Corporation. Post the consultations, the committee proposes the draft strategy will be reviewed to ensure alignment with the regional plan, and then go out for NM business and community consultation.</p>

Meeting closed: 3.30pm

Date for the next meeting: Monday 27 November 2017: 2pm start in the Glass Room, Council Offices

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MINUTES

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MEETING OF THE EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD AT THE EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE, EVANDALE ON TUESDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 2017 COMMENCING AT 7:00PM.

1 PRESENT

Mr John Lewis (Chairperson), Mr Barry Lawson, Mrs Henrietta Houghton, Mrs Carol Brown, Mr Adrian Jobson, Mr Stephen Baldock, Mr Craig Plaisted (from 7.55pm)

In attendance:

Mrs Gail Eacher (Secretary)

The Committee noted that a letter thanking Mr von Bibra for his service had been sent following his resignation from the Committee.

2 APOLOGIES

Mrs Annie Harvey, Mrs Kathryn Heathcote

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

A Jobson/C Brown

That the minutes of the meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 3 October 2017, 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

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.*

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

i) Overnight Camping – Falls Park / Honeysuckle Banks

Committee noted that matters related to free overnight camping are being progressed by Council Officers. No further action required.

ii) Entrance Statement

In relation to the signage, the Committee has requested that:

- the correct date be researched in relation to the date of settlement
- should the alternate sign be progressed, that an additional penny farthing panel be installed in the walkway barrier at the corner of Leighlands Road. (not to in-fill a gap, but as an addition to the number already included).

Noted that signage will be subject to the development application process.

Matter discussed by Councillors at 30 October Council Workshop, community survey not supported. Matter to be considered by the Committee and recommendation to Council on the preferred option to be made at the 6 February 2018 meeting.

iii) Morven Park

At the 3 October meeting, the Committee requested that the Morven Park representative to the Evandale Advisory Committee seek comment from the Morven Park Committee re the future of the old grandstand.

Matter raised at recent Morven Park meeting – no comment forthcoming.

iv) FOGO's - Food Organics Garden Organics collection service

Committee members noted the Minute/Report tabled at 16 October Council meeting which had been circulated.

v) Christmas Dinner

2017 Northern Local District Committees Christmas function venue - Perth's Queens Head Inn on 5 December for 6.30pm.

Noted that Mrs Heathcote had offered lifts to members on a first in basis.

Resolved not to hold a meeting in December, with the next meeting of the Committee to be held on 6 February 2018.

vi) General Matters

New footpath on High Street (Telstra have been advised to repair pits) – matter complete.

6 COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

i) Rotary Club

- 28/10 Rotary Club and Primary School trivia night, approx. \$2,800 funds raised.
- 7/11 Cup Day lunch held.

ii) Community Centre/ Memorial Hall

- Monthly meeting held.
- Open gardens day held Sunday 5 November 9am -2.30pm. \$3,700 in ticket sales, with approx. 265 visitors to the Information Centre.
- 23/11 BBQ to be held with History Society.
- 23/11 unveiling of tree plaque at 2pm.
- Art Show successful – 13 paintings sold (commission of 15% on sales taken)
- Tas Symphony Orchestra – 2017 tickets sold out, bookings for 2018 performances now open.

A Jobson/B Lawson

That the reports from community group representatives be received.

Carried

7 NEW BUSINESS

i) Council Report/Minute re Animal Management By-Law

Minute/Report tabled at 16 October Council meeting (circulated), noted.

ii) Development Applications

P17-221 and P17-239 noted.

iii) General Matters

- Honeysuckle Banks – establish status of history information plaque.
- Electric Car Charging stations – Committee requested Council consider establishing an electric car charging station at Evandale.
- Entrance plantings – requested that the Leucadendron plants which were removed from the garden at the entrance to Evandale be replaced.
- NBN – members noted that optic fibre was being layed utilising a borer at the entrance to Evandale.

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- Time Traveller statue and surrounds – members requested that the statue be cleaned and maintained (missing ear replaced), and the brick paving be repaired.
- Flower planters (purchased by Handmark proprietor) – requested that Council consider retaining the planters and planting them with annuals and installing a dripper watering system, subject to any safety issues being addressed. Noted that there are a group who are prepared to maintain.
- Russell Street – road condition poor (towards Murray Street and Post Office), needs repair – consideration needs to be given to timing, i.e. not when the Evandale Village Fair and Penny Farthing Championships are being held.
- Heritage trees – advice received that a tree was planted in Falls Park (for Queen Victoria) in approx 1897 – if correct needs to be listed. Queried whether Council has data on its tree assets in Evandale (specifically spatial data) and, if so, whether the Committee could be given access to the data.
- Overgrown hedge (cnr Macquarie & Arthur Streets) – matter again raised regarding safety, to be investigated.

8 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

Chairperson closed meeting at 8.10pm.

The next meeting to be held Tuesday, **6 February 2018**, commencing at **7.00pm**.

1-16
Minutes of the meeting of the Ross Community Sports Club Inc.
held on Tuesday October 11th 2017 Clubrooms 7.00 p.m.

PRESENT-: Owen & Sue Kay, Molly Jones, Candyce Hurren, Chris Robinson, Karen Donlon, Sally Langridge, Ricky Hebbard and Dennis Rule.

APOLOGIES-: Rose & Eddie Goss.

MINUTES -: 'Moved by Candy Hurren and seconded by Denise Rule that the minutes be accepted.' CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING -: Karen Donlon reported that payment from the AWC had been received. Chris and Candy have both done their RSA and will now be able to help out in the bar. Candy reported she has not had time to go to Launceston so has not got a new dart board yet.

FINANCIAL REPORTS -: 'Moved by Chris Robinson and seconded by Sue Kay that the Treasurer's Report be accepted and that accounts be passed for payment.' CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE -:

IN-: 1. Licence Renewal

OUT-: 1. Licence Payment

'Moved by Molly Jones and seconded by Ricky Hebbard that the correspondence be accepted.' CARRIED

GENERAL BUSINESS -: Candy Hurren mentioned that Simone Mansfield is available to help out at the Motorcycle day and to just ask if we need her help anytime

Sally Langridge has spoken with Thomas Langridge re pool life guard and he said he was waiting on course availability and he also mentioned that the first aid course needed to be paid beforehand, which she told him to find out how much and Club would give him a cheque.

Sue Kay reported that the hirer of the ground and facilities for the 12th November said it would be the first and last time they would hire it due to the 29 pages of Council paperwork they had to fill.

Sally asked if Karen could look into our mobile phone contract to see what can be done to get a new phone as the charger is broken on the phone we have and we will need it for the pool.

Owen Kay reported he had arranged to meet with Mr Wilson from council but he failed to show, so rang and has verbally organised for work at Clubrooms to be after November as it is a busy month for the Club.

Meeting closed at 7.40p.m.

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

Resource Sharing Summary 1/7/17 to 30/6/18 As at 31/10/17	Units Billed	Amount Billed GST Exclusive \$	Rate inclusive of Oncostrs and Admin \$
Meander Valley Council			
Service Provided by NMC to MVC			
Street Sweeping Plant Operator Wages and Oncostrs	-	-	
Street Sweeper - Plant Hire Hours	-	-	
Total Services Provided by NMC to Meander Valley Council	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	
Service Provided by Meander Valley Council to NMC			
Wages and Oncostrs			
Plumbing Inspector Services	244.90	14,988.39	61.20
Building Permit Authority Services	50.00	3,447.11	68.94
Total Service Provided by MVC to NMC		<u>14,988.39</u>	
Net Income Flow		<u>- 14,988.39</u>	
Total Net		<u>- 14,988.39</u>	
Private Works and Council Funded Works for External Organisations			
	Hours		
Economic & Community Development Department			
Northern Midlands Business Association			
Promotion Centre Expenditure		Not Charged to Association Funded	
- Tourism Officer	32.50	from Council Budget A/c 519035	
Works Department Private Works Carried Out	16.50		
	<u>49.00</u>		

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FRAMEWORK

STRATEGIES

CHARACTERISTICS		A) Land Use Management	B) Council's <i>can do</i> Attitude, Building Networks & Relationships	C) Encourage, Facilitate & Directly Invest	D) Marketing & Advocacy	Specific Projects	Characteristics & Trend Measures
1) Population	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing zones and places for people to work, live and invest • Identify networks people can connect to • Ensure effective communication during and after emergency events 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensuring investment maintains value • Advocate and encourage options to facilitate education and learning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster a volunteering culture • Promote the Northern Midlands as a place to work, live and invest 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perth Structure Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rate of increase of population • Demographic profile diversity • Effective recovery after emergencies 		
2) Infrastructure & Built Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All land use planning must include considerations of infrastructure e.g. risks, limitations and opportunities • Land use planning that incorporates a diversity of offer • Optimise infrastructure utilisation • Protection of iconic Northern Midlands attributes • Advocate for and utilise regulatory and process efficiencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage assets in accordance with accepted standards • Actively maintain relationships with key stakeholders • Develop opportunities for joint planning and whole of area plans • Actively support development • Ensure all plans incorporate consideration of a diversity of users • Encourage places and processes to support creativity • Evolve pathways to consider new ideas and developments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain assets • Identify strategic growth, reuse and rationalisation projects • Lobby for maintenance and growth of non-Council owned public infrastructure • Consideration waste as a resource • Structured continuous improvement • Actively work with developers for inception to delivery • Encourage a range of public and private investment • Optimise the community infrastructure contributions • Enhance distinctive towns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Active promotion of Council's infrastructure e.g. halls, parks, playgrounds, velodrome • Actively encourage conversion of visitors to investors • Promote the unique Northern Midlands offer • Enable multiple use of spaces 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TRANSLINK Stormwater Upgrade Project • Ross Village Green Project • Northern Midlands Sports Centre Upgrade • Campbell Town War Memorial Oval Redevelopment • Longford Recreation Ground Upgrade • Morven Park Upgrade • Grassy Recreation Ground Upgrade • Perth Recreation Ground Upgrade • Longford Urban Design Strategy • Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy • Longford Facilities Assessment Study • Airport Roundabout Landscaping Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure serviceability reflects community need • Compliance with contemporary standards • Meet or exceed contemporary accepted asset management measures • Number of innovation projects • Digital coverage • Recognition of social infrastructure • The number and value of externally funded projects – full, part, public and private • Planning and building approvals • Utilisation of zoned land by classification • Awareness of diverse characteristics of the Northern Midlands • Brand recognition 	

CHARACTERISTICS		A) Land Use Management	B) Council's 'can do' Attitude, Building Networks & Relationships	C) Encourage, Facilitate & Directly Invest	D) Marketing & Advocacy	Specific Projects	Characteristics & Trend Measures
3) Agriculture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage production through the creation of special zoning and incubation clusters Advocate for and utilise regulatory and process efficiencies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streamline Council regulation and processes Actively support economic development Actively maintain relationships with key stakeholders Advocate for research, support and development into new and existing industries 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Actively work with developers from inception to delivery Advocate for appropriate incentives and frameworks to encourage production Advocate for local skill development Decrease barriers to innovative production development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create awareness of new development and opportunities Maintain formal relationship between Council and industry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rural Processing Centre Launceston Gateway Project Powranna Truck Wash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Northern Midlands value of production New or expanded production and value adding Direct employment 	
4) Business & Entrepreneurs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure zones and space are available Ensure accessible services with supporting infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streamline Council regulation and process Actively support economic development Encourage relationships between business and service sector Promote and encourage value added processing and other employment opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage increase in private investment Advocate for local skills development Decrease barriers to innovation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote the unique Northern Midlands offer and the benefit of buy local Create awareness of new development and opportunities Maintain formal relationship between Council and industry Support Northern Midlands Business Association 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Business profile – current and trend Employment profile – current and trend 		
5) Natural Resource Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consideration of ecology and natural resource management in using land e.g. risks, limitations and opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage and promote the value proposition of natural resource management Actively maintain relationships with key stakeholders Develop opportunities for joint planning and whole of area plans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitate landholder education Encourage innovative methods of natural resource management and primary production Encourage resilience and adaptability Encourage development opportunities enabled by the natural environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote sustainable access to, and beneficial use of, the natural environment Promote the natural environment as a key attractor to the Northern Midlands 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sheep Wash Creek, Perth 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Natural diversity Water quality Productive land capability Direct and indirect business activity and employment 	

	A) Land Use Management	B) Council's <i>'can do'</i> Attitude, Building Networks & Relationships	C) Encourage, Facilitate & Directly Invest	D) Marketing & Advocacy	Specific Projects	Characteristics & Trend Measures
6) Tourism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure zones and spaces are available Ensure accessible services with supporting infrastructure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Streamline Council regulation and processes Actively support economic and social development Actively maintain relationships with key stakeholders Facilitate the building of networks and collaboration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote existing spaces to enable activities Encourage community and private investment in new products and experiences Actively support a diversity of community events Advocate for local skill development and sustainability 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Promote cultural characteristics of each town Support the Heritage Highway Tourism Region Association Foster a volunteering culture Promote lifelong participation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ben Lomond Tourism Masterplan Heritage Highway Destination Action Plan Northern Heritage Precinct Destination Action Plan Longford Village Green Destination Play Space Longford Destination Dog Exercise and Playground Northern Midlands Artists Trail Tom Roberts Interpretation Voices from the Heritage Highway Region 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arts, cultural and recreational activity profile Participation levels, including organisational Profile of accommodation and attractions Visitor numbers Length of stay and yield
SUCCESS MEASURES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development trends Ensure land is used for its best use Level of rezoning of land Number of DAs over time / zones Number of BAs over time / zones Development type Processing times Number of applications converted to development Assets generated from developments Increase in property value generated from new development 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Compliance with statutory and internal policy requirements Successful stewardship of community assets Decisions and actions are supported by best available information Source of best available, integrated information Strong capacity to cope with "shocks" and to generate / accommodate ideas Number of engagement activities we undertake – structured meetings / committees Networks are in place and achievement of the networks' goals Contribution to strategic objectives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council's recurrent and discretionary investment Quality and scope of assets and services Level and continuity of investment by government and community Private investment by community profile sector Benefit / cost relationship of investment Economic flow-on value from Council investment Recognition and development of potential value Achievement and application of learning and qualifications Number and benefit of innovation projects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Utilisation rates of Council infrastructure and facilities Formal engagement activities undertaken 		

(It is acknowledged this table format has been adapted from that utilised in the presentation of the Huon Valley Council 2015-2025 Strategic Plan).

Pet Friendly Parks Grants

Applications close 16 October 2017

Describe the area you'd like to upgrade and how its currently used by the community: max 100 words

Coronation Park, at the southern entrance to Longford, is a spacious treed, securely fenced dog park. It has the basic requirements of a tap and drinking bucket, poo bag dispenser and bin, table and benches. The park is easily accessible from the town and has ample, free off-street parking.

Longford has a population of 3,000 and given its rural nature, a high level of dog ownership – in excess of 1,000 dogs. The park has low-moderate use across the day by locals and visitors for the exercising and socialising of dogs and owners alike.

Describe the proposed upgrades that would be built if the Council wins : max 500 words

The documented rising prevalence of lifestyle related health issues in rural Tasmanian communities is one of the key drivers behind Council's commitment to provide easily accessible facilities where residents can undertake enjoyable exercise to improve their health and well-being. And what better motivator to exercise is the pleasure received when playing with your canine companion in a dog park with a diverse array of agility equipment?

Thus this project aims to transform a basic fenced dog exercise park into a resplendent dog playground that will become a destination play space for canines and their owners from the greater Longford district, and also visitors travelling through our district looking for a stop-off point when travelling with their canine companions.

The first item for upgrade is the entrance to the park. At present this is a basic gate with a hook and chain latch that when opened can let fast moving canines slip out of the park, and can inadvertently be left insecurely latched. The solution is the installation of a double-gates exit/entry system.

The remaining upgrade funds will be expended on the purchase and installation of heavy duty, rust resistant, slip resistant coated, dog exercise and agility equipment.

Council officers have researched the types of dog exercise and agility equipment available and discussed the identified options with dog trainers and community members. The consensus is that with the funding available for this stage one development of the dog playground (\$8,000 comprising \$3,000 Pet Friendly Parks Grant and \$5,000 Council) the priority equipment items will be an A-frame ramp, fixed position jump through hoops, weaving poles, a run/crawl-through barrel, variable height hurdles and a seesaw. These play/exercise items will be well spaced out in one section of the dog park to encourage play and exercising by owners and dogs.

This will be stage one of the dog playground development. Evidence of the success of the playground will be used to underpin submissions for funding in forthcoming Council budget cycles to further develop the playground.

Tell us why your pet friendly park should be chosen to be developed and how the community (including pets) would benefit from and use the park: max 300 words

As stated earlier, Longford has a high level of dog ownership and a steady number of dog owners are already accessing the Coronation Park dog exercise area. This project will develop the dog park into a dog playground that will entice/motivate more dog owners to exercise their dogs in a fun, socially interactive environment. Its not only the dogs that will be physically active: at dog parks, the owners usually join in – running alongside, encouraging the dog to play and in the process, exercising themselves – often vigorously. Thus the dog playground has the potential to significantly enhance the physical and mental health of canine and owner alike.

This dog playground will evolve to become a destination dog play space – given Longford’s central location in the state and that it is readily accessible from the highways North, South and Northwest. Our rural township is rich in heritage and has other firmly established destination drawcards including the very popular electronic playground on the Village Green and the competition standard velodrome.

The dog playground will become a ‘must visit’ stop-off location for travelling dog owners, who will access the town’s businesses, generating economic returns for our rural community.

What are the milestones for the completion of the upgrade: 300 words

Milestone one: the signing of the funding agreement with Keep Australia Pet Friendly: Anticipated November 2017

Milestone Two: Awarding the contract for the production/purchase of the exercise and agility equipment (one canine-owning local metalwork business owner has indicated interest in contributing to the development of the playground by potential submission of an at-cost production quote. The local Mens Shed may also be able to offer inkind support and thus enable the available cash funds to achieve greater value for money). Anticipated January 2018

Milestone Three: Installation of the double-gate entry/exit system and the exercise and agility equipment . Anticipated March 2018

Milestone Four: Playground launch. Anticipated late March/early April 2018

A summary of other pet friendly outdoor spaces in the Council area, if applicable: max 100 words

There is a large, unshaded, uneven surfaced, fenced paddock for off leash dog exercising, adjacent to the river, at the northern end of Longford. The area is prone to flooding and is not suitable for development as a dog playground.

Council has declared off-leash dog exercise areas in three other towns: the majority of these exercise areas are unfenced and none have been developed as dog playgrounds.

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121/17 REVIEW OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT

Responsible Officer: Des Jennings, General Manager
Report prepared by: Amanda Bond, Regulatory & Community Services Manager

1 PURPOSE OF REPORT

The purpose of this report is to seek Council's position regarding proposed amendments to the *Local Government Act 1993*.

2 INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND

LGAT are seeking feedback from Councils by 1 May 2017 regarding amendments to the *Local Government Act 1993*. Attached to this report is the report presented at the General Meeting of the Local Government Association of Tasmania on 7 April 2017 which gives a more comprehensive background to the proposed amendments.

3 STRATEGIC PLAN 2017-2027

The Strategic Plan 2017-2027 provides the guidelines within which Council operates.

- Lead –
 - Best Business Practice & ComplianceCore Strategies:
 - ♦ Council complies with all Government legislation

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The *Local Government Act 1993* is the core legislation binding Councils. It is important for Council to have input to proposed amendments.

5 STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

Local Government Act 1993

6 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable at this stage.

7 RISK ISSUES

If Council does not provide its input changes may be made to the legislation which are contrary to the interests of Council.

8 CONSULTATION WITH STATE GOVERNMENT

The State Government are seeking Council's position on the proposed changes to the Act.

9 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Not applicable.

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10 OPTIONS FOR COUNCIL TO CONSIDER

Council is to discuss the proposed changes to the *Local Government Act 1993* and consider its position with regard to the same.

11 OFFICER'S COMMENTS/CONCLUSION

The key issues as identified in the report in the Local Government Association of Tasmania General Meeting Agenda are:

- 1 The introduction of powers to make Ministerial Orders to expand and clarify matters in relation to the function of the Mayor, functions of councillors, appointment and performance monitoring of the General Managers, functions of the General Manager, and liaison between Mayors and General Managers. There are no draft orders at this stage and it should be noted that they must be developed in consultation with the sector.
- 2 The role of the Mayor has been expanded.
- 3 There are detailed provisions in relation to gifts and benefits. These were not part of the original consultation or the Steering Committee report but appear to align with the requirements of State Government.
- 4 There is clarification that qualified advice must be provided in writing.
- 5 Model Financial Statements are introduced with a transitional period.
- 6 The scope of the Local Government Board review has been broadened to include matters such as governance and performance.
- 7 The Director would be provided the power to issue Performance Improvement Directions following an investigation possibly preventing the need for a Board of Inquiry or LG Board Review.
- 8 The Minister would have the power to suspend individual councillors prior to or during a Board of Inquiry Process. Individual councillors (as opposed to the whole council only) may be dismissed following a Board of Inquiry process.
- 9 Election timeframes have been increased to allow for longer postal delivery times.
- 10 Electoral advertising is to include internet based advertising.
- 11 Minor boundary adjustments can be made without a LG review process.

12 ATTACHMENTS

- 12.1 LGAT report including table of amendments, correspondence from Department of Premier and Cabinet, and Draft Amendment.

RECOMMENDATION 1

Council discuss this matter.

RECOMMENDATION 2

Council give consideration to the proposed changes and give the following direction:...

DECISION

Cr Polley/Cr Goninon

That the matter be discussed.

Carried unanimously

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Cr Polley/Cr Adams

That Council

A) seek further clarification on the following proposals:

- 1 The introduction of powers to make Ministerial Orders to expand and clarify matters in relation to the function of the Mayor, functions of councillors, appointment and performance monitoring of the General Managers, functions of the General Manager, and liaison between Mayors and General Managers. There are no draft orders at this stage and it should be noted that they must be developed in consultation with the sector.
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- 11 Minor boundary adjustments can be made without a LG review process.

B) seek an expansion of timeframes in relation to the consideration of and submission of comment on such matters.

Carried unanimously

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Sent: 6 Nov 2017 16:18:04 +1100
To: Break O'Day; Brighton Council; Burnie City Council; Central Coast Council; Central Highlands Council; Circular Head Council; Clarence City Council; Derwent Valley Council; Devonport City Council; Dorset Council; Flinders Council; George Town Council; Glamorgan/Spring Bay Council; Glenorchy City Council; Hobart City Council; Huon Valley Council; Kentish Council; King Island Council; Kingborough Council; Latrobe Council; Launceston City Council; Meander Valley Council; Northern Midlands Council; Sorell Council; Southern Midlands Council; Tasman Council; Waratah-Wynyard Council; West Coast Council; West Tamar Council
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Subject: Attn Elected Representatives - Changes to the Local Government Act
Attachments: Stakeholder Consultation Paper - LG (General) Regulations 2015.pdf

Dear All,

On the 19th of October the Legislative Council approved the third reading of the *Local Government Amendment (Targeted Review) Bill 2017* and it is expected to receive Royal Assent shortly. This Bill amends the *Local Government Act* across a range of areas as highlighted in the targeted review.

The changes include the introduction of a gifts and donations register, an increase to the electoral advertising limit and amending the Declaration of Office. The Local Government Division are seeking comment from the sector on each of these three areas.

I have attached a stakeholder consultation paper, prepared by the Local Government Division, which summarises the key issues and possible changes to the Regulations. The key changes are as follows:

1. Gifts and benefits – please refer directly to the table in the attachment.
2. Electoral advertising limit – an increase from \$5,000 to \$6,500 for a councillor candidate and \$8,000 to \$10,500 for councillor and mayor or deputy mayor candidate. Future increases would be at CPI.
3. Amendment of the Declaration of Office to include the following after (b):
 - (c) *engage in ongoing professional development,; and*
 - (d) *abide by the principles of good governance.*

In order for LGAT to prepare a sectoral response within the consultation timeframe, can you provide your comments back to me at dion.lester@lgat.tas.gov.au by COB on **Monday 11th December**.

Regards

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Amendments to the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015* – Stakeholder Consultation

Consultation

The Local Government Division is seeking comment on the following three amendments to the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015* (General Regulations):

1. The introduction of a gifts and donations register as per the new Part 5A of the *Local Government Act 1993*. Consultation is focused largely on the gifts and donations register and comment is sought on the **attached** table which summarises the key issues and possible changes to the General Regulations.

2. Amending regulation 22 to increase the current electoral advertising expenditure limit by a monetary amount as per Recommendation 28 of the Targeted Review Steering Committee. The Local Government Division recommends commencing the new expenditure limits at an agreed amount indexed by CPI each year.
 - Currently, regulation 22 of the General Regulations states that the advertising expenditure limit for a candidate in a single election is \$5,000, while the expenditure limit for a candidate standing for councillor and a mayor or deputy mayor is \$8,000.
 - It is proposed that the advertising expenditure for a candidate in a single election be raised to \$6,500, and the expenditure for a candidate standing for councillor and a mayor or deputy mayor be raised to \$10,500, indexed by CPI each subsequent year. These figures reflect the CPI increase on the current amount since they were last set in 2005 (rounded to the nearest \$500).
 - The intent is to ensure that the levels set out in the General Regulations in 2005 are adjusted for inflation and then automatically indexed each subsequent year, ensuring real values are maintained. The General Regulations will be amended according to the latest CPI calculations at the time of drafting.
 - In addition, the amount indexed each subsequent year could be rounded to the nearest \$500 for ease of administering the limits.

3. Amending the Declaration of Office such that elected members are required to engage in ongoing professional development and abide by the principles of good governance, as per Recommendation 5 of the Steering Committee.
 - It is suggested that the Declaration could be amended by including the following provisions immediately after (b):
 - (c) *engage in ongoing professional development; and*
 - (d) *abide by the principles of good governance.*
 - In addition to the amendment to the Declaration of Office in the General Regulations, the Local Government Division will be considering how such a Declaration would be practically complied with. We welcome feedback from the

sector as to how this may occur. A preferred option would be for councils to self-report. In addition, the Local Government Division could undertake auditing and/or public reporting.

The General Regulations will be supported by detailed Guidelines and there may be consequential amendments to the *Local Government (Model Code of Conduct) Order 2016* as required, to ensure consistency across both instruments, particularly in relation to compliance matters. The sector will be consulted on any proposed amendment to the Model Code of Conduct.

Submissions

Submissions are to be made in writing and are to be provided either by email to lgd@dpac.tas.gov.au or by post to:

Local Government Division
Department of Premier and Cabinet
GPO Box 123
HOBART TAS 7001

All submissions must be received by close of business on **Monday 18 December 2017**.

Important information to note

All submissions will be treated as public information and will be published on DPAC's website once consideration of the submissions has concluded. However, if you wish your submission to be treated as confidential, whether in whole or in part, please note this in writing at the time of making your submission, and clearly indicate which parts of your submission are confidential, and advise the reasons as to why.

Please note that your name, or the name of your organisation making a submission, will be disclosed unless you request otherwise. In the absence of a clear indication that a submission is intended to be treated as confidential (or parts of the submission), DPAC will treat the submission as public.

The Right to Information Act 2009 and confidentiality

By law, information provided to the Government may be provided to an applicant under the provisions of the *Right to Information Act 2009* (RTI). If you have indicated that you wish all or part of your submission to be treated as confidential, your statement detailing the reasons will be taken into account in determining whether or not to release the information in the event of an RTI application for assessed disclosure.

Should you have any questions regarding the consultation on the amendments to the General Regulations, please contact DPAC's Local Government Division by email at lgd@dpac.tas.gov.au or by telephone on (03) 6232 7022.

Gifts and Donations - Amendments to the Local Government (General) Regulations 2015

Issue	Summary/Intent	Possible changes to the Regulations
1 What is in scope?	The Act prescribes compulsory disclosure of gifts and donations received by a councillor. The policy will apply to all gifts and donations made to elected members during a financial year.	The Regulations could stipulate that disclosure relates to a councillor's public duties as distinct from their private capacity.
2 What is exempt?	Personal gifts (received not in connection with an election of a candidate) are exempted in the majority of other jurisdictions.	It is suggested that private gifts (i.e.: gifts made to an individual that are not substantially related to their role as an elected member) or a disposition of property under a will are exempted from disclosure.
3 Definitions	The majority of jurisdictions that have legislated for this matter all have similar definitions of "gift", therefore it is suggested that a similar definition be adopted from these jurisdictions. An example is the definition in the City of Brisbane Regulation 2012: A gift is the transfer of money, other property or other benefit— (i) without consideration; or (ii) for a consideration substantially less than full consideration	The definition of "gift" may include a transfer or loan of money, other property or other benefit that is without consideration or for a consideration substantially less than full consideration. It is suggested that the definition of "donation" include a "political donation".
4 Minimum threshold amount (\$) for disclosure	Only gifts or donations over a certain value need to be declared. Currently across jurisdictions this ranges from \$200 (Qld, WA), \$500 (SA, Vic) and \$1,000 (NSW).	The two options proposed for a minimum threshold are: Option 1 - \$50 Option 2 - \$200

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Issue	Summary/intent	Possible changes to the Regulations
5 Notification requirements – reporting period – councillor requirements – ALL gifts and donations	<p>Considering the size of local governments across Tasmania, and the thresholds and sizes of the other jurisdictions, it is suggested that any gift or donation exceeding \$50 should be declared.</p> <p>(New) section 56A(2)(c) – <i>be provided to the general manager within the period prescribed by the regulations.</i></p> <p>For electoral (campaign) donations, local government jurisdictions have varying reporting periods within which a disclosure return needs to be lodged - from 3 days up to 10 weeks.</p> <p>In its 2014 report <i>Election Funding, Expenditure and Disclosure in NSW: Strengthening Accountability and Transparency</i>, ICAC reviewed best practice examples of disclosure data systems (in the context of election donations). Of particular note, timely reporting was ideally in real-time or continuous.</p> <p>Recently, the Queensland Government introduced real-time donation disclosure for local government elections, requiring disclosure within 7 days of receipt of donations above the disclosure threshold (\$500).</p>	<p>Currently, the majority of councils have policies in place with a minimum threshold of \$50 and \$150, with some thresholds for disclosure ranging between \$200 and \$500.</p> <p>The Local Government Division would be interested in stakeholders' views on the best practice for the timing of disclosure of gifts and donations in Tasmania.</p>
6 Notification requirements – successful candidates – electoral/campaign gifts and donations	<p>It is expected that amendments to the regulations will not be made and in force until approximately July 2018. With local government elections to be held in October 2018, it is suggested that a transitional arrangement could be put in place to account for the compressed timeframe and the</p>	<p>2018 election – it is suggested that any successful candidate will be required to disclose any electoral gift or donation received during the 90 day period prior to closing day of the polling period.</p> <p>Subsequent elections – it is suggested that any successful candidate will be required to disclose</p>

Gifts and Donations - Amendments to the Local Government (General) Regulations 2015

Issue	Summary/intent	Possible changes to the Regulations
	<p>need for candidates to be aware of their disclosure obligations.</p>	<p>any electoral gift or donation received during the 180 day period prior to closing day of the polling period.</p> <p>Disclosure to the general manager of these electoral gifts and donations could be done within 45 days of a candidate receiving a certificate of election.</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Register - details</p>	<p>The new section 56B(2) requires the register to include the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the name of the councillor; (b) a description of the gift or donation; (c) any other information required by the regulations to be included. <p>Some councils are currently maintaining gift registers - an example of what Hobart City Council is reporting is available on their website: https://www.hobartcity.com.au/Council/Aldermen</p> <p>In addition, LGAT circulated a draft template register (and policy) to councils in March 2014, which the sector could adopt.</p>	<p>In addition to that required under section 56B(2) of the Act, the register could also contain the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Donor name; - Donor's suburb/locality; - Date received; and - Estimated value of the gift/donation.
<p>8</p> <p>Register – availability</p>	<p>It is standard practice in other jurisdictions that registers are available publically.</p>	<p>It is suggested that councils are to ensure that a copy of the register may be viewed by the public – at the council's public office and on its website.</p>

Gifts and Donations - Amendments to the Local Government (General) Regulations 2015

Issue	Summary/intent	Possible changes to the Regulations
		The Local Government Division is interested in stakeholder views on the timing of when registers should be made available to the public.
9 Register – updates	Regular updating of registers is consistent with standard practice throughout other jurisdictions.	It is suggested that registers are updated monthly, to ensure the register remains current.
10 Compliance and monitoring	<p>General managers are responsible for keeping the register up to date with any disclosed gift or donation.</p> <p>The new section 56A contains a penalty provision for non-disclosure which would be investigated by the Director of Local Government.</p> <p>Currently, the Model Code of Conduct contains provisions relating to "Gifts and Benefits". These will be amended in conjunction with amendments to the Regulations to ensure that there is consistency and clarity as to the appropriate investigative body for any alleged breach.</p> <p>The sector will be consulted on any amendments to the Model Code of Conduct.</p>	<p>There are no proposed amendments to the Regulations in relation to compliance.</p> <p>A detailed Guideline will be issued following the amendments to the Regulations.</p> <p>Amendments to the Model Code of Conduct will be done in conjunction with the amendments to the Regulations.</p>

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Policy Name:	Gifts & Benefits Policy
Originated Date:	Adopted on 22 June 2015 – Min. No: 155/15
Amended Date/s:	
Applicable Legislation:	Local Government Act 1993
Dataworks Reference:	44/001/001
Objective	To provide a guideline for Council officials when dealing with offers of gifts or benefits in the course of their role at the Northern Midlands Council.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to:

- Outline the obligations and responsibilities of Council's officials when dealing with offers of gifts or benefits; and
- Assist Council officials make appropriate judgements in relation to gifts and benefits and therefore avoid being placed in a situation where they may become vulnerable to undue influence or threaten community confidence in the fairness, impartiality and integrity of the Council.

Council officials are defined as Mayors, Councillors, Council staff (including staff engaged through an employment agency), Council committee members, volunteers and contractors.

SCOPE

The policy applies to all gifts and benefits offered to or received by all Council officials in their role as officers of the Council.

LEGISLATION

The particular legislation relevant to this policy is the Tasmanian *Local Government Act 1993*. Section 339A specifies penalties in relation to the misuse of office by councillors and employees; section 28E deals with the Code of Conduct for councillors and section 62 identifies the functions and powers of the general manager.

This policy should be read in conjunction with any other relevant State and Federal legislation.

APPLICATION

In a private context gifts and benefits are usually unsolicited and meant to convey a feeling on behalf of the giver such as gratitude. There is ordinarily no expectation of repayment. Gifts given in a private context are not the focus of this policy.

Gifts and benefits may also be offered to individuals in the course of business relationships. Such gifts and benefits are often given for commercial purposes and serve to create a feeling of obligation in the receiver. Gifts and benefits given in the course of business relationships is the

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focus of this policy.

The policy is to be applied in conjunction with provisions in the Councils Codes of Conduct and other relevant Council policies and procedures.

POLICY STATEMENT

1. General

Council officials at all times and in all circumstances must be seen to be fair, impartial and unbiased.

Council officials should actively discourage offers of gifts and benefits and must not solicit gifts or benefits.

Council officials must not take advantage of their official position to secure an unreasonable personal profit or advantage.

People doing business with the Council should be encouraged to understand that they do not need to give gifts or benefits to Council officials to get high quality service.

From time to time Council officials may be offered gifts or benefits. In some limited circumstances gifts and benefits may be accepted. Token gifts of nominal value may generally be received. Non – token gifts of significant value should not generally be accepted.

Council officials should at all times be aware of the wider situation in which an offer of a gift or benefit is being made. For example, Council officials should consider whether the donor is in or may be seeking to enter into a business relationship with Council or may be applying to Council in relation to the exercise of Councils functions.

Council officials must avoid situations that suggest that a person or body, through the provision of gifts or benefits is attempting to secure favourable treatment from Council.

When deciding whether to accept or decline a gift or benefit, consideration should be given to both the value of the gift or benefit and also the intent of the gift or benefit being offered.

2. Acceptable gifts and benefits

Gifts or benefits of a token nature at or below nominal value may generally be accepted by Council officials without disclosing details to a supervisor, General Manager or Mayor and without recording the details of the gift or benefit on the Gifts and Benefits Declaration Form or Register (attachments 1 and 2).

That said, Council officials who receive more than the specified number of token gifts of a nominal value from the same person or organisation, in a specified period must disclose that fact in the gifts and benefits register.

If a Council official has any doubt if a gift or benefit is token or of nominal value they should discuss it with a supervisor General Manager or Mayor.

2.1.1 Token gifts and benefits

Gifts or benefits of a token nature do not create the appearance of a conflict or interest

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and include:

- Items with a company logo on them, ties, scarves, coasters, diaries, chocolates, flowers
- Books given to individuals at functions, public occasions or in recognition of exceptional work done
- Gifts of single bottles of reasonably priced alcohol given to individuals at functions, public occasions or in recognition of exceptional work done
- Free or subsidised meals of a modest nature and/or beverages provided infrequently (and or reciprocally) that have been arranged for or in connection with the discussion of official business
- Free meals of a modest nature and or beverages provided to Council officials who formally represent Council at work related events such as training, education sessions and workshops
- Invitations to approved social functions organised by groups such as Council Committees and community organisations

2.1.2 Nominal value

For the purpose of this policy the current nominal value limit is identified in section 11.

3. Non acceptable gifts and benefits

Accepting gifts of money is prohibited.

Council officials should generally not accept gifts or benefits that appear to be non-token in nature or more than of a nominal value.

If a gift or benefit of a non token nature or above nominal value is offered and cannot reasonably be refused (as this action may cause embarrassment), the offer and receipt of the gift or benefit must be declared via completion of A Gifts and Benefits Declaration Form (at attachment 1) and the details must be recorded on the Council Gift Register (at attachment 2).

If a Council official refuses a gift or benefit because they believe that the gift was a deliberate attempt to receive "special treatment", then such instances are to be reported to a supervisor, the General Manager or Mayor.

3.1.1 Non token gifts and benefits

Gifts or benefits of a non token nature include:

- Free or discounted travel
- Use of holiday homes
- Tickets to major sporting events
- Corporate hospitality at a corporate facility or sporting venue
- Free training excursions
- Access to confidential information
- Discounted products for personal use
- Goods and services provided via a determination in a Will

At times a gift of a non token nature may be given from one authority to another. Such

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gifts are often provided to a host authority. These gifts may be given as an expression of gratitude without obligation on the receiver to respond. The gratitude usually extends to the work of several people in the authority and therefore the gift is considered to be for the authority, not a particular individual.

3.1.2 Significant value

For the purpose of this policy a gift or benefit with significant value has a value above the specified nominal value limit.

4. Actual or perceived effect of the gift or benefit

Accepting gifts where a reasonable person could consider that there may be influence applied as a result of accepting the gift or benefit is prohibited (gift of influence).

Where it is suspected that a gift or benefit has been offered for the purpose of influencing the behaviour of someone acting in their official capacity, the gift or benefit must be declined and the matter should be reported immediately to the relevant supervisor, General Manager or Mayor.

5. Bribes

Council officials must not offer or seek a bribe. A person offered a bribe should refuse it and report the incident as soon as possible to their supervisor, General Manager or the Mayor (in the case of Councillors). Council will take steps to report the matter to Police immediately.

Receiving a bribe is an offence under both the common law and Tasmanian Legislation.

6. Family members

Council officials must take all reasonable steps to ensure that immediate family members do not receive gifts or benefits of a non-token nature or gifts or benefits above the nominal value. Immediate family members include parents, spouses, children and siblings.

7. Records – Gifts and Benefits Registers

Council officials, who receive more than the specified number of token gifts or benefits near the nominal value limit from the same person or organisation, (cumulative gift) must disclose that fact on the Gifts and Benefits Declaration Form and Register (attachment 1 and 2). The specified number is included in section 11.

If an official of the Council receives a non token gift or benefit in circumstances where it cannot reasonably be refused or returned, the receipt of the gift or benefit should be disclosed and the details recorded on a Gifts and Benefits Declaration Form (at attachment 1) and in the Gifts and Benefits Register (at attachment 2).

The Register will be available for public inspection.

The content of the Registers will be monitored by the General Manager on tri monthly basis.

8. Disposal of gifts

A supervisor, General Manager or Mayor will determine whether a gift or benefit of a non

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token nature should be disposed.

There are options for the disposal of gifts that have been accepted because they could not reasonably be refused, but should not be retained by an individual. Examples of such circumstances where gifts or benefits may be received include:

- Gifts accepted for protocol or other reasons, where returning it would be inappropriate;
- Anonymous gifts (received through the mail or left without a return address);
- A gift received in a public forum where attempts to refuse or return it would cause significant embarrassment;
- A gift or benefit of significant value provided to a Council official through a Will, where the relationship between the giver and recipient was essentially a council related business relationship.

Options for disposal include:

- Surrendering the gift to Council for retention;
- Distributing the gift or benefit amongst a selection of Council's officials - where a reasonable person would agree that the allocation was appropriate, (public perception);
- Donating the gift to an appropriate charity.

9. Breaches of Policy

All Council officials are obliged to comply with this policy and sanctions may be applied if the policy is breached.

Any person may report an alleged breach of this policy by an official of the Council to the General Manager or Mayor as appropriate who shall investigate any report received and take such action as is considered necessary.

If this policy has been breached, such action may include counselling, censure motions, disciplinary action (including termination of employment), the laying of charges and the taking of civil action.

10. Review process and endorsement

This policy, including the amounts and frequencies specified, may be varied by resolution of the Council. When varied, the amounts and frequencies that apply to the policy must be updated and included in section 11.

This policy should be reviewed as required, but at least every four years following the conduct of Local Government elections.

11. Detail of amounts and frequencies specified in the policy

For the purpose of this policy the current nominal value limit is \$50.00.

Council officials who receive more than three nominal gifts of a token nature from the same person or organisation, in a six-month period must disclose that fact in the gifts and benefits register.

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12. Definitions

Council official – Mayors, Councillors, Council staff (including staff engaged through an employment agency), Council Committee members, volunteers and contractors

Gift – is usually a tangible item provided at no charge. Gifts may include, but are not limited to items such as cash, property (real or otherwise), goods and services made available at heavily discounted prices, alcohol, clothes, products, invitations to social functions and tickets to sporting, theatrical or music events.

Cumulative gift – a series of gifts of nominal value from the same person or organisation over a specified period which may have an aggregate value that is significant.

Gift of influence – a gift that is intended to generally ingratiate the giver with the recipient for favourable treatment in the future

Gift of gratitude – a gift offered to an individual or department in appreciation of performing specific tasks or for exemplary performance of duties. Gifts to staff who speak at official functions may be considered an example of gifts of gratitude.

Benefit – a non-tangible item which is believed to be of value to the receiver (i.e. preferential treatment such as queue jumping, access to confidential information and hospitality)

Hospitality – the provision of accommodation, meals, refreshments or other forms of entertainment.

Bribe – a gift or benefit given specifically for the purpose of winning favours or to influence the decision or behaviour of a Council official to benefit someone or something.

Cash – money or vouchers which are readily convertible

Nominal value – is the monetary limit of the value of gifts or benefits that may be accepted (i.e. total value of gift or benefit received). A gift or benefit is of nominal value when it has no significant or lasting value

Significant value – a gift or benefit that has a value above the nominal value limit.

Token - often mass produced (i.e. pens, calendars, ties or items with a company logo on them), offered in business situations to individuals. Usually have a value under the nominal value limit.

Non token – items that are of a more individual nature, with a value above the nominal value limit. Items may include, free or discounted travel; use of holiday homes; corporate hospitality at major sporting events; free training excursions; tickets to major events and access to confidential information.

Conflict of interest – any situation in which an individual or corporation (either private or government) is in a position to exploit a professional or official capacity in some way for their personal or corporate benefit.

Public perception – the perception of a fair-minded person in possession of the facts

Gifts and Benefits Declaration Form – a form to be completed, when an individual receives a

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gift or benefit of a non token nature above the nominal limit or receives a series of token gifts or benefits in a specified time that may have significant aggregate value (Cumulative Gift).

Gifts and Benefits Register – a register maintained by Council of all declared gifts and benefits.

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GIFTS AND BENEFITS DECLARATION FORM

Name	
Department	
Date gift offered	
What is the gift?	
What is the dollar value (approximate) of the gift?	
Who is the gift from?	
Individual (provide name)	
Organisation (provide name)	
Where was the gift offered? (i.e. at a function, over the counter, through the mail, at a meeting....)?	
Recipients relationship to the donor	
Should the gift or benefit accepted or declined	
If the gift was accepted, should it be retained by the employee or organisation?	
If the gift was retained by the organisation should it be disposed of?	
Council Official's signature	
Date	
Responsible Officer (Supervisor, General Manager, Mayor) comments	
Responsible Officer's name and signature	
Office Use	
Date details recorded on Gifts and Benefits Register	
Department EA's signature	

Public Holidays 2018

Holiday	Date	Location	Notes
New Year's day	1 January	Statewide	Monday Wednesday not earlier than fifth and not later than eleventh of January Municipal area of Devonport (part day)
Devonport Cup	10 January	Devonport	
Australia Day	26 January	Statewide	Friday Second Monday in February Note: South - all parts of Tasmania south of and including Oatlands and Swansea excluding Bronte Park, Catagunya, Strathgordon, Tarraleah, Wayatinah and the West Coast
Royal Hobart Regatta	12 February	Hobart	
Launceston Cup	28 February	Launceston	Last Wednesday in February - Municipal areas of Break O'Day, Dorset, George Town, Glamorgan-Spring Bay (north of and including Cranbrook), Launceston excluding Launceston City centre and suburbs specified in Item 2 of Part 2, Meander Valley excluding suburbs and townships specified in Item 2 of Part 2, Northern Midlands, Southern Midlands north of but not including Oatlands, West Tamar excluding townships specified in Item 2 of Part 2. Item 2 of Part 2: Launceston City centre and the following suburbs and townships: Alanvale, Blackstone Heights, East Launceston, Elphin, Franklin Village, Glen Dhu, Inveresk, Invermay, Killafaddy, Kings Meadows, Mayfield, Mowbray, Mowbray Heights, Newnham, Newstead, North Riverside, Norwood, Prospect, Prospect Vale, Punchbowl, Ravenswood, Riverside, Rocherlea, St Leonards, Sandhill, South Launceston, Summerhill, Trevallyn, Vermont, Waverley, West Launceston, West Riverside, Youngtown
King Island Show	6 March	King Island	First Tuesday in March
Eight Hours Day	12 March	Statewide	Second Monday in March
Good Friday	30 March	Statewide	Friday
Easter Monday	2 April	Statewide	Monday
Easter Tuesday	3 April	Statewide	Note: Restricted public holiday currently observed by certain awards/agreements and the State Public Service
ANZAC Day	25 April	Statewide	Wednesday

Holiday	Date	Location	Notes
AGFEST	4 May	Circular head	Friday following the first Thursday in May. Municipal area of Circular Head only.
Queen's Birthday	11 June	Statewide	Second Monday in June
Burnie Show	5 October	Burnie	Friday before the first Saturday in October. Municipal areas of Burnie, Waratah-Wynyard and West Coast.
Royal Launceston Show	11 October	Launceston	Thursday before the second Saturday in October. Municipal areas of Break O'Day, Dorset, George Town, Launceston, Meander Valley, Northern Midlands, West Tamar.
Flinders Island Show	19 October	Flinders Island	Friday before the third Saturday in October - Municipal area of Flinders
Royal Hobart Show	25 October	Hobart	Thursday before the fourth Saturday in October. All of Tasmania south of and including Oatlands and Swansea also Bronte Park, Strathgordon, Tarreleah and Wayatinah - excludes West Coast.
Recreation Day	5 November	All parts of the State which do not observe Royal Hobart Regatta	First Monday in November
Devonport Show	30 November	Devonport	Friday nearest the last day in November but not later than 1 December. Municipal areas of Devonport, Kentish and Latrobe.
Christmas Day	25 December	Statewide	Tuesday
Boxing Day	26 December	Statewide	Wednesday



Term Dates

A list of Tasmanian public holidays and Easter dates is available from Worksafe Tasmania (http://www.worksafe.tas.gov.au/laws/public_holidays).

An infosheet is available for School Terms and Professional Learning Days (https://www.education.tas.gov.au/documentcentre/_layouts/DocIdRedir.aspx?ID=TASED-4-4320).

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2017 – Schools

Term 1 Start: Monday 6 February (teachers commence); Wednesday 8 February (students commence). **Term 1 Finish:** Thursday 13 April (Moderation day).

Easter break: Friday 14 April – 18 April.

Term 2 Start: Monday 1 May. **Term 2 Finish:** Friday 7 July

Term 3 Start: Monday 24 July (teachers commence); Tuesday 25 July (students commence).
Term 3 Finish: Friday 29 September

Term 4 Start: Monday 16 October. **Term 4 Finish:** Thursday 21 December (students finish); Friday 22 December (teachers finish)

2017 – Colleges

Term 1 Start: Monday 30 January (teachers commence); Wednesday 8 February (students commence). **Term 1 Finish:** Thursday 13 April.

Easter break: Friday 14 April – 18 April.

Term 2 Start: Monday 1 May. **Term 2 Finish:** Friday 7 July

Term 3 Start: Monday 24 July. Friday 1 September (Moderation Day). **Term 3 Finish:** Friday 29 September

Term 4 Start: Monday 16 October. **Term 4 Finish:** Refer to individual college for student finish date. Friday 15 December (teachers finish)



Term 1 Start: Monday 5 February (teachers commence); Wednesday 7 February (students commence). **Term 1 Finish:** Thursday 12 April (students finish). Friday 13 April (teachers finish).

Easter break: Friday 30 March – 3 April.

Term 2 Start: Monday 30 April. **Term 2 Finish:** Friday 6 July

Term 3 Start: Monday 23 July. **Term 3 Finish:** Friday 28 September

Term 4 Start: Monday 15 October. **Term 4 Finish:** Thursday 20 December (students finish); Friday 21 December (teachers finish)

2018 – Colleges

Term 1 Start: Monday 29 January (teachers commence); Wednesday 7 February (students commence). **Term 1 Finish:** Friday 13 April.

Easter break: Friday 30 March – 3 April.

Term 2 Start: Monday 30 April. **Term 2 Finish:** Friday 6 July

Term 3 Start: Monday 23 July. **Term 3 Finish:** Friday 28 September

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Date	Event	Location
February		
1	LGAT Stakeholder & Sponsor Event	LGAT
15 & 16	ALGA Board & Strategic Meeting	TBC
24-25	Elected Members' Professional Development Weekend	Hobart
March		
2	LGAT Regional Breakfast Forum	North West
2	General Meeting	North West
7	LGAT Regional Breakfast Forum	North
7	GMC Meeting	North
8	LGAT Regional Breakfast Forum	South
21 & 22	General Managers' Workshop	TBC
May		
17	Mayors Professional Development	Launceston
18	General Meeting	Launceston
23	2IC Workshop	TBC
30	GMC Meeting	TBC
June		
5	Pre Election Training	North West, Evening Session
6	Pre Election Training	North, Evening Session
13	Pre Election Training	South, Evening Session
July		
25	AGM/General Meeting	Wrest Point
26-27	LGAT Conference	Wrest Point
September		
5	GMC	TBC
5	PLGC	Date TBC
12-13	General Managers' Workshop	TBC
October		
31	LGAT Regional Breakfast Series	North West
November		
1	Mayors Profession D/Ment	Launceston
2	LGAT Breakfast Series	Launceston
2	General Meeting	Launceston
13	LGAT Breakfast Series	South
17	Post Election Workshop - Saturday	Launceston
December		
5	GMC/PLGC	TBC