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EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE AND MEMORIAL HALL
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Minutes of General Meeting Tuesday 14th June 2022

Chairperson John Lewis

Meeting opened: 1.00pm

1. Present: Peter Riley, Frank Halliwell, Arthur Walter, Kath & Barry Wenn, Barry & Maria Lawson, Geoff & Jackie Divall, Ian Goninon, Gillian Atherton.

2. Apologies: Judy Heazlewood.
It was noted that Chris and Heather Leggett have resigned from the committee due to health reasons.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting: were taken as read and confirmed. Arthur Walter/Peter Riley.
Carried.

4. Centre Report/Correspondence: Geoff Divall
 - Very quiet, noticeable lack of visiting caravans.
 - Advisory Committee has not yet received minutes of the the Morven Park Committee. May need to access them from the Council.

5. Community Hall Report: Bret Goldsworthy
 - No report re Hall.

6. Financial Report: Arthur Walter

EVANDALE COMMUNITY CENTRE Financial statement as at 31 May 2022			
BANK BALANCE			\$15,891.09
Add interest		Interest	5.8
Add deposits		Cash Deposits	300
		Zeller	647.4
		Direct Deposits	840
			17684.29
Less cheques			
	11.05.22	Direct payment	\$36.30
	11.05.22	Direct payment	\$53.06
	11.05.22	Direct payment	\$125.89
	11.05.22	Direct payment	\$77.25
	11.05.22	Direct payment	\$252.50
	12.05.22	Transfer to debit caard	\$500.00
	15.05.22	B Goldsworthy (Carpet)	\$61.95
	15.05.22	Direct payment	\$858.00
	18.05.22	Direct payment	\$264.80
	18.05.22	Direct payment	\$52.50
	18.05.22	Direct pyment	\$334.90
	25.05.22	Direct payment	\$59.88
			\$2,676.99
BANK BALANCE			\$15,017.30
Unpresented cheques			
Available Balance			
Debil Card Account	31.03.22	342/42	

- Electricity account may not have taken solar panels into account, to be investigated.

7. Gift Shop: Jackie Divall

- Knitted beanies selling well.
- Supplier of new post cards would like to display examples of photos and paintings at the Centre.

It was moved and seconded that the reports be accepted. Arthur Walter/Frank Halliwell. Carried.

8. General Business:

- Dump Point update: Ian Goninon confirmed that Council has allowed for toilet facilities/dump site at Honeysuckle Banks in the budget, which as yet, has to be passed.
- Heritage Walk booklet has been updated, with additions and corrections completed by Barry Lawson. New large coloured maps are ready for display, waiting for fitting.
- Men's toilet has been replaced but still leaking, waiting for plumber.
- Window cleaning: Ian Goninon confirmed that the outside is the Council responsibility. Still exploring new quote.
- Calendar for coming year: Maria Lawson circulated a 'Birthday Calendar' that could be considered as an alternative for next year.
- Caravans in Pioneer Park for Penny Farthing weekend: no reply to this request as yet from NMC.
- A reminder of a Garage Sale early in the new year, and also the possibility of a Book Sale.

- Mrs. Goninon is involved with an art group who, at present, have an exhibition at Woolmers. Discussed the possibility of this being shown at the Information Centre during July and August.
- Barry Lawson said that the Horticultural Society is planning shows during February and March which will need to be co-ordinated with the NMC and the new roofing at the hall.
- The Yoga classes are struggling at present, as is the Craft Group. Both need more promotion.

Meeting closed at 2.00 pm and was followed by afternoon tea.

Next meeting Tuesday 12th July at 1.00pm.`

Minutes of the Northern Midlands Recycling Committee meeting held Tuesday 21 June 2022 commencing at 4.00pm

MINUTES

1 PRESENT

Cr. Ian Goninon (IG) - Chairperson	Council Representative
Owen Diefenbach (OD)	Community Representative
Roderick Cuthbert (RC)	Community Representative
Jonathan Galbraith (JG)	Engineering Officer

2 IN ATTENDANCE

Daniel Stearnes (DS)	Trainee Engineering Officer
Lorraine Wyatt (LW)	Executive & Communications Officer

3 APOLOGIES

Leanne Sherriff (LS)	Community Representative
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4 ABSENT

Cr. Matthew Brooks (MB)	Council Representative
Maria Lawson (ML)	Community Representative
Sarah Benson (SB)	Community Representative

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6 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

The minutes of the meeting of the Local Recycling Committee held on **Tuesday 20 June 2022** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings. Proposed RH seconded RC that the minutes be accepted

The meeting was not able to achieve a quorum to confirm the minutes.

7 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7.1 Develop program for use of recycling trailer

Has there been any progress in developing a program for the trailer?

Suggested locations:

- Longford, Perth, Evandale schools
- Is Owen able to organise a schedule for Campbell Town, Ross and possibly Avoca?
- Functions where the trailer can be supervised or locked away.
- IGA, Nutrien, Southern Farming systems (Longford)

It was agreed that an education campaign was required to communicate the existence of the trailer and increase usage.

Action(s):

- 1 Liaise with Tourism an Events Officer about usage at events and shows
- 2 Committee members to send suggestions for possible locations to JG / DS.
- 3 A list of contacts / locations to be included with future agendas
- 4 JG to follow-up on whether trailer can be put out the front of the Council Chambers
- 5 IG organise use at Evandale Market

7.2 Single use plastics policy

Policy to be considered by Council. To be taken to a future workshop.

7.3 Volunteer induction – LS has not done an induction.

Leanne Sheriff needs to complete her induction before participation at the next meeting.

7.4 Recycling Committee Addition to Budget

A budget request of \$15000 was made for the recycling committee. The 2022/2023 budget will be presented to council on Monday 27 July for adoption.

7.5 Drinking Fountains

Discuss with TAS Water as to what they can do in supplying water drinking fountains to refill water containers thus eliminating throw away plastic water bottles

LW advised that council was approached by TasWater in the past month as they had small grants of \$10k to be spent on water drinking fountain. Council accepted the offer and will be in stalling a cobranded fountain at the front of Valentine's Park in Campbell Town where it can be used by locals and visitors alike.

The unit being installed is manufactured by MeetPAT (brochures attached) and will include the drinking arm and carbon filters.

Plumbing quotes are currently being sought for installation.

7.6 Doggie Bags

Recyclable bags for dog owners to collect their droppings as Hobart Council has implemented

Current doggie bags biodegradable so will breakdown in landfill.
Some Councils are using compostable bags but these need to go in FOGO and NMC do not currently have a FOGO collection.
No further action at this time

6 **AGENDA**

8.2 Gift voucher for recycling trailer

We received a \$250 Australia Post gift voucher for the award we won for the recycling trailer. Does the group have any suggestions for how this can be spent?

Members discussed a number of Ongoing discussion on use of voucher

Action:

Engineering Officer to check expiry date on the gift voucher

7 **NEW ITEMS**

9.1 Lorraine Wyatt to attend meeting

Executive and Communications Officer, Lorraine Wyatt was in attendance and continued to record the meeting minutes after Johnathon and Daniel left the meeting at 1.25pm.

9.2 New Committee Member/s

Rex has resigned from the committee, an add requesting applications for new members has been prepared for the Facebook page and the country courier.

Advertisements have been placed in the northern Midlands Courier and on Facebook for new members of the Recycling Committee

Action:

Engineering Officer to clarify all memberships and advise accordingly.

9.3 Plasrock advancements in Queensland

No further action

9.4 Recycling Shed Finance

Members enquired about the effectiveness the new Longford recycling shed and if it has resulted in less recyclable material going to landfill?

Action:

Engineering Officer to follow up and report to the next committee meeting.

8 **PRIORITY IDEAS LIST**

10.1 FOGO collection for businesses

Tenders are being presented the 27 June 2022 council meeting for consideration. The direction of this item is dependent on the outcome of the council decision.

If the tender is awarded, an education campaign has already been discussed with the Executive & Communications who is researching available resources for future discussions.

10.2 Recycling Fridge Magnet

Launceston Council have a good fridge magnet which shows how products can be recycled. Possible outlook of incorporating our magnets into the same stock as Launceston Council for a possible cheaper option. Look into whether this can be sent out with the next rates notices. – committee noted information, perhaps to be considered with next year's rates mail out.

The committee was advised there are several resources available and that it is just a matter of deciding what is required and what the budget allocation is for promotional materials.

9 **FUTURE IDEAS LIST**

- 9.1 Updates to recycling information sent out with rates (see 9.2)
- 9.2 Recycling at sports clubs
- 9.3 Recycling bins at Council Park & Reserves
- 9.4 Labelling of clothing for businesses
- 9.5 Using tyres in asphalt

Committee members held general discussions about the above items.

10 **CLOSURE**

The Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and input and closed the meeting at 4.45pm.

Minutes for the Campbell Town District Forum Meeting held 5 July 2022

Minutes

1 OPENING

The Chairperson welcomed everyone and declared the meeting open at 9.37am

2 ATTENDANCE

Jillian Clarke	Chairperson
Jill Davis	Member
Sally Hills	Member
Owen Diefenbach	Member (at 9.45am)
Tracy Spencer-Lloyd	Member
Jo Taylor	Member

IN ATTENDANCE

Lorraine Wyatt	Minutes
Mayor Mary Knowles	Mayor

APOLOGIES

Cr Andrew Calvert	Council Representative
Danny Saunders	Member

ABSENT

Michaela Wright	Member
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4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Recommendation

The minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on **Tuesday, 7 June 2022** be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Committee Recommendation

Moved Tracey Spencer-Lloyd, seconded Sally Hills

That the minutes of the meeting of the Campbell Town District Forum held on Tuesday, 7 June 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

CARRIED

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5.1 Outcomes of recommendations made to Council discussed at the Council meeting held 27 June 2022.

Reduced Speed Limit on High Street: *That the Council lobby State Growth to reduce the speed limit through the centre of Campbell Town from 20 metres south of the Red Bridge to the entrance of the Recreation Ground, during busy periods such a long weekend/public holidays, and during the middle of the day (11.00am to 4.00pm).*

Officer Comment:

Campbell Town District Forum (CTDF) members advised of safety concerns when crossing High Street, particularly for the elderly, are twofold.

1. When pedestrians are navigating across High Street, the passage through the traffic island does not line up, requiring pedestrians to amble sideways, increasing the time it takes to cross the road.
2. Given the expanse of the road, during busy periods, crossing the road can be precarious particularly with heavy haulage having less time to slow or stop for pedestrians if required particularly during busy pedestrian usage, such as the end of the school day.

CTDF members advised that during public holidays incorporating a long weekend, pedestrian traffic increases, and it was felt that decreasing the speed limit would go some way to decreasing the risk for pedestrians.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council investigate options to determine what benefits can be achieved by reducing the speed limit in conjunction with the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy.

MINUTE NO. 22/179

DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Polley

That Council investigate options to determine what benefits can be achieved by reducing the speed limit in conjunction with the Campbell Town Urban Design and Traffic Management Strategy.

Carried

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks and Cr Lambert

Voting Against the Motion:

Cr Davis, Cr Goninon and Cr Polley

Congestion on High Street: *That Council provides an updated traffic management plan spanning from the recreation ground to south of the red bridge with particular attention to the recreation ground entrance and the service station.*

Officer Comment:

Members reported congestion issues on High Street at the entrance to the Recreation Ground and at the service station. Turning right out of the service station is difficult or sometimes impossible, particularly during busy periods with drivers required to turn left, proceed down the road, and turn right either into a side street or complete a U-turn to progress north.

Members discussed the possibility of relocation of the recreation ground entrance to a side street; however, were of the opinion this will simply move the issue to another location and not address it.

Discussion with the Works Manager revealed that this is a "known" issue, and that discussions are ongoing to install turning lanes at these locations.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council note the request and communicate updates to the Campbell Town District Forum.

MINUTE NO. 22/180

DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Lambert

That Council note the request and communicate updates to the Campbell Town District Forum.

Carried Unanimously

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks, Cr Davis, Cr Gonion, Cr Lambert and Cr Palley

Voting Against the Motion:

Nil

Stormwater Management - Centrecare Housing Development: *That Council provides an update to the committee about stormwater management along East Street.*

Officer Comment:

The Committee was advised that development approval had been issued for this project and was progressing to the next stage however, that stormwater from Council land, being water from the recreation ground draining onto Church land, was an ongoing matter. Further, the Committee was informed that this could be resolved by the installation of a culvert under the railway line and a swale drain installed to divert the water.

District Committees and Forums are advised when developments applications are advertised for information purposes only and are advised that, "Any comments regarding this matter should be made direct to the Planning Department in your *individual* capacity".

It was noted that this is a private development that will bring much needed accommodation to the community and is progressing through the relevant approval processes as required that considers stormwater management.

Council has a comprehensive Urban Stormwater Management Strategy which is available on the Council website however, the committee's enquiry was quite specific.

Council could provide an overview to the Committee about stormwater management in Campbell Town which may provide a better understanding within the context of the overall Urban Stormwater Management Strategy, rather than comment on individual projects.

Officer Recommendation:

That Council provide an overview of Stormwater Management to the Campbell Town District Forum.

MINUTE NO. 22/181

DECISION

Deputy Mayor Goss/Cr Adams

That Council provide an overview of Stormwater Management to the Campbell Town District Forum.

Carried Unanimously

Voting for the Motion:

Mayor Knowles, Deputy Mayor Goss, Cr Adams, Cr Brooks, Cr Davis, Cr Goninon, Cr Lambert and Cr Polley

Voting Against the Motion:

Nil

5.2 – Actions from the Previous Meeting

Item 6.1 - Tourism Plaques - Quality

The Committee enquired about the quality of the plaques and if they were coated with anything to protect from fading/vandalism etc.

Response: the plaques are not coated with an anti-vandalism coating.

This action item is completed and can be removed from future Agendas.

Item 6.2 – Bins

With reference to item 5.1.3 – Town Appearance, members noted that recycling bins should be included in this item. They also enquired about the “health and hygiene” of bins located on the sidewalk, particularly those located outside eateries such as Banjos. It was reported that the area under the bins is often grubby and smells terrible as food scraps and drinks fall through the bottom of the bin onto the pavement.

Members enquired as to who’s responsibility it is to keep this area clean? Council or, the business owner?

Response: Some business owners will keep the area clean themselves, but otherwise it is Council’s responsibility to ensure the area is clean.

This action item is completed and can be removed from future Agendas.

Item 6.3 – Alfresco Seating (On the Sidewalk) – Footpath Trading

Members enquired if permission is required for businesses to trade on the sidewalk as pedestrians had reported access issues.

Response: A licence is required from council under the Footpath Trading Policy. A copy of the policy can be found Attachment 1

The committee was provided with a copy of Council’s “Footpath Trading” policy and subsequent discussion identified locations which could be in breach of the policy being:

AMENITY

The licence holder must:

- *maintain the area for on street dining in a clean and sanitary manner including, but not limited to, emptying waste bins and washing pavements, promptly cleaning and washing away any liquid, food, debris, broken glass, or waste from the area;*
- *not use the existing street rubbish bins for disposal of table waste.*

Action: Lorraine to address the matter at Council.

Item 6.9 - Swimming Pool

The committee requested information about the operating revenue and expenses for Campbell Town pool including usage numbers from last season to allow for discussion with interested community members prior to determining if the formation of a pool committee is a viable option.

Response: A report is currently being prepared for Council.

This item to remain on the agenda.

6 NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Volunteer Inductions

Members were advised that Council now has a new online induction process in place and that they are required to undertake this process again. The induction needs to be completed before the August meeting.

Action: Lorraine to provide appropriate links and login details to members via email and/or mail.

6.2 State Growth and Road Safety Concerns

Members advised that they are concerned that the issues they have raised previously regarding crossing the main street are not being addressed.

Of concern is:

- a) The traffic islands not lining up on the main street.
- b) Congestion at the service station and entrance to the recreation ground. There were 300 vehicles at the football game on 2 July 2022 and the numbers are growing for each game. Other events have also reported issues with congestion entering and exiting the ground.
- c) Concerns were raised regarding safe and appropriate access from the underpass, particularly at the recreation ground in particular, the proximity of the underpass to the road and the lack of a barrier to protect pedestrians.

The Forum has again requested an invitation be extended to Denise McIntyre of State Growth to attend the next meeting of the Forum to address the issues raised.

Committee Recommendation:

Moved Jo Taylor, seconded Tracey Spencer-Lloyd

That Council writes to State Growth addressing the following traffic congestion and safety issues:

- a) Pedestrian crossings and traffic islands that do not line up.
- b) Slip lanes at the entrance to the Recreation Ground and the Caltex Service Station/Subway.
- c) Safe and appropriate access from the underpass to the recreation ground.

CARRIED

6.3 – Stormwater and the Centre Care Housing Development

Building works for the Centre Care Housing project is due to commence in October. It was reported the project was delayed for several months while the Developer addressed stormwater issues with the resolution being to install tanks address the issue.

The Forum was advised that the Church is concerned that stage two of the project will experience the same delays if stormwater management is not addressed by Council as the Church is of the understanding that the stormwater comes from the back of the recreation ground which is Council land.

The Forum urges Council to address this issue to ensure that this and other development is not delayed unnecessarily.

6.4 – Health and Fitness in Campbell Town

Members discussed the lack of appropriate indoor sporting facilities, in particular a gym which the forum believed was meant to be in (what is now) the second meeting room at the recreation grounds multipurpose facility.

Mayor Knowles advised the forum that Council did call for expressions of interest however, there was interest received.

Members expressed concern for the physical and mental health of the community and enquired what could be done to address this in both the short and long term? It was recognised that this a multifaceted approach would be required however requested, can Council proactively encourage health and fitness related business to Campbell town and potentially provide assistance by way of reduced lease fees should businesses be interested in relocating to Campbell Town and occupying vacant facilities/buildings?

7 CLOSURE

The Chairperson closed meeting at 11.00am.

Next meeting to be held on **2 August 2022 commencing at 9.30am** at the Town Hall, upstairs meeting room.

MINUTES

THE ROSS LOCAL DISTRICT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT THE READING ROOM, ROSS, ON TUESDAY
5th JULY 2022, COMMENCING AT 11.15AM.

1 **PRESENT**

Christine Robinson, Jill Bennett, Candy Hurren, Helen Davies, Sally Langridge, Marcus Rodrigues, Michael Smith, Herbert Johnson (from 11.50), Arthur Thorpe (Chairperson), Ann Thorpe (Hon Secretary).

2 **IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Mary Knowles OAM, Julie Smith, Mr Phil Brown.

3 **APOLOGIES**

Nil

4 **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

5 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Ross Local District Committee held on Tuesday 3rd May, 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings.

Michael Smith / Jill Bennett

6 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Clearing The Macquarie River

The issues of concern are infestations of Cumbungi weeds and debris from previous floods needing removal.

Correspondence with various Government Departments regarding weed management and debris removal have been forwarded to Council, who advise that they are in discussions with NRET (previously DPIPWE) and will advise when spraying is scheduled. A low river level is necessary for debris clearance.

Matter ongoing.

6.2 Condition Of Trees in Ross

Council's Works Manager, Mr Leigh McCullagh, has advised that the Victorian tree inspection company ENSPEC have inspected the Elms in Church Street, and will be returning to Ross in April to inspect the trees in other streets.

The April inspection did not occur, now scheduled to be conducted in August. If ENSPEC are again unavailable, then a local contractor may be engaged to conduct the inspection.

Matter ongoing.

6.3 Removal Of Demountable In Ross Caravan Park

This issue was first raised in June 2021, Chair contacted Council's Planning Department again in March 2022, requesting that the demountable be removed.

Demountable has now been removed and a large caravan is being used as an office.

No further action required.

6.4 Weather Damage to Ross Reading Room

The cornerstones and the bottom course of sandstone bricks at the entrance of the reading room are weathering away and in need of attention.

NMC has carried out cleaning and rectification of the southern gutters of the building, which should now route rainwater directly to the stormwater drains. It is still to be determined if a drain does in fact run along the eastern base of the building.

Mr McCullagh has asked street cleaning staff to remove the loose material on the footpath in front of the reading room to enable a closer look at the problem.

Inspection revealed no drain has been found. The fine fill currently in the trench will be removed and coarser aggregate will be inserted to aid drainage. The sandstone is actually in quite good condition and remediation work to the damaged sandstone will be carried out by a stonemason once the weather warms up.

Matter ongoing.

6.5 Water Leak Outside Ross Hotel

The leak at this location has now been repaired.

No further action required.

6.6 Ownership of Original Ross Burial Ground and Public Notice Board

Council has confirmed that it does own the Original Ross Burial Ground, but that the Public Notice Board behind the red telephone boxes does not appear on its asset register.

Despite numerous enquiries, the ownership of this notice board has been unable to be determined. Best guess is that it was erected in the old Ross Council days. It should probably now come under NMC's wing, as it is standing on Council's nature strip. The RLDC is prepared to provide the labour to refurbish the notice board, Council's Works Manager has confirmed that Council will supply the paint subject to the colour being approved by Council's Heritage Consultant.

Chair has been in contact with Paul Godier who is endeavouring to obtain a colour chart of the approved colours, so that the RLDC can make a selection and have the colour approved by Council.

Matter ongoing.

6.7 Councils Capital Budget Request List For Financial Year 2022/2023

The RLDC's prioritised budget request list was presented to Councils May meeting and the RLDC is awaiting advice from Council as to which requests will be funded.

Mayor Knowles advised that at the June 2022 council meeting, councillors voted to increase rates by 3.75%, not 4.5% as recommended, therefore some items on wish lists may not be able to be fulfilled, as the available dollars will be impacted by this lower increase.

Matter ongoing.

6.8 Missing (Stolen) Street Sign Nivelles Street

Customer request 61740 has been lodged with Council requesting the missing (stolen) sign be reinstalled.

Not yet replaced as at 5th July 2022.

Matter ongoing.

6.9 Excavation Outside 7 Church Street

Issue raised with Council who are looking into the matter. Part of NMC drainage system and Mr McCullagh will follow up with staff.

The excavation has now been filled.

No further action.

6.10 Regrading Of Road Edges

Customer Request 61742 has been lodged, Council's Works Manager advises that; "the grading program will start shortly and we can start around Ross, the shoulder grading is about to kick off as well, we would like to see a bit more rain so the roads and shoulders settle back down straight away." In hand, so hopefully to happen soon.

Grading commenced on 4th July.

Matter ongoing.

6.11 Damaged Wall Ross Bridge South East Steps

The sandstone block retaining wall at this location is damaged and backfill is washing out onto the steps and down into the river. Customer request 61696 has been raised requesting rectification. NMC to remediate by repairing wall and tidy up.

The wall has been remediated by NMC, and soil remediation and seeding to be conducted when weather warms up.

6.12 Damaged Wall South End Of Church Street

Wall at the top (south end) of Church Street has top stones missing and looks very disordered. Customer request 61699 has been raised requesting rectification. Council's Works Manager has advised that repairs to this wall will be a major undertaking; it almost needs rebuilding.

Part of the issue is sourcing the appropriate sandstone as a large amount required. Perhaps a member of the committee may be able to assist with the provision of the stone as has been donated in the past.

Matter ongoing.

6.13 Not For Profit Organisations In Ross.

At the May RLDC meeting, Mr Brown from the Ross Newsagency and Takeaway, asked if the Ross Community Sports Club and the RLDC are permitted by Council to trade in opposition to the local business community. Chair undertook to raise with, and seek clarification from Council.

Council has now written directly to Mr Brown in relation to this matter, however Mr Brown at the July RLDC meeting again sought clarification regarding the "ring fencing" of volunteer food

stalls, in order to prevent them from competing for business in close proximity to the existing commercial food premises.

Chair advised Mr Brown to contact Council directly if further clarification is required in relation to the contents of the letter received from Council.

Mr Brown also sought clarification in relation to overnight parking of recreational vehicles being permitted at the Ross Recreation Ground. Mr Brown pointed out that when Council gave approval at its June 2022 meeting for overnight parking (Minute No.22/195) at the Ross Recreation Ground, one of the conditions was that:-

“The recreational vehicles must be of a size that cannot be accommodated by the Ross Caravan Park”

Mr Brown asked if the condition meant that only large caravans would be allowed to park overnight?

Chair referred to paragraph 2 second sentence which stated:-

“The purpose of this report is to seek Council approval for the Ross Recreation Ground to be used as a venue for recreational vehicles that are part of a large club or group to stay overnight”

Chair stated that in his opinion, only allowing large vehicles to stay overnight and requiring smaller vehicles of a large club or group to park at the Ross Caravan Park would not be acceptable to a large club or group, and would result in such organisations taking their business elsewhere. Another member of the RLDC also commented that the Caravans Group have stated that if that particular condition was imposed, then they would no longer stay at Ross. If such a decision was reached, this would result in a loss of income to the Sports Club who disseminate their income to the community, and would also result in a loss of revenue to the various businesses in Ross that club members patronise.

A member of the Ross Community Sports Club present at the meeting, also pointed out that the two night maximum stay is unrealistic, given that most of the groups arrive on a Friday afternoon, stay Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights, and depart on the Monday. A three night maximum stay would be more appropriate.

Mayor Knowles undertook to take the matters back to Council for clarification. Chair undertook to also raise the matter with Council.

7 NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Ross Community Sports Ground Master Plan

Council voted at its May meeting:-

“That Council in-principle adopt the Ross Community Sports Ground and Clubrooms Draft Master Plans, release the plans for stakeholder and public comment, and receive the finalised master plans with costings at a future Council meeting.”

The cost of upgrading the clubrooms toilets and change facilities (players, umpires and public) has been estimated at \$940,030 – the remainder of the recommended upgrade has not been costed.

It is noted that the draft plans include a fenced, off lead, dog exercise area (uncosted).

General discussion regarding the Master Plan ensued, and it was noted that the plans will be released for stakeholder and public comment,

It was also noted that Cattleman's Association came last weekend and used the rodeo area, and want to come again on a number of occasions.

It was suggested that Council could liaise with Rodeo and Sports Committee as to current use and further use of the rodeo area, particularly if it is envisaged that the rodeo area could also be used as a fenced, off lead, dog exercise area.

Chair expressed concern at the safety of the small grandstand adjacent to the rodeo area and in very close proximity to the children's playground. There are missing floor planks and exposed nails in the grandstand, and its structural integrity is also unknown. Chair will take photographs and raise the matter with Council, and also ask Council to determine ownership of the grandstand.

It was stated that Cricket matches at the Ross Recreation Ground are expected to increase in the future as Covid decreases (hopefully). It was requested by Mayor Knowles that the Ross Community Sports Club forward information on the cricket to Lorraine Wyatt for dissemination.

7.2 Round Table Discussion

Herbert Johnson - Beaufront Road (C305) road speed signage confusing. 100km sign and another sign says 35km. Signage should be positioned past the town boundary. Chair to check and follow up.

Corner of Portugal and Waterloo Streets. Pond of water, can something be done? Not owned by Council, this is Crown Land. Chair mentioned that the NMC Municipality Stormwater Drainage Report had been completed and hoped that it would be released to the public shortly.

Raised the subject of a walking path along the entirety of the eastern bank of the Macquarie River. Chair reminded committee members that the matter of a walking path has been raised a number of times but is not possible to complete, because several properties sited along the eastern bank of the river have land titles that extend to the edge of the river itself, and consequently the land is private land which is not in Council ownership.

Some street lights appear to be faulty in Church Street. Chair undertook to investigate and lodge an online repair request where applicable.

Mayor Mary Knowles – asked that members of the Ross Community consider standing as candidates for the upcoming October Council elections. There is a need for local

representation and it would be great for the southern community. Compulsory voting will be in place for the October election.

Waste management recycling, (FOGO) will commence in the new year. Mayor raised and discussed the issue of educating the community in the correct use of recycling and other bins, as any contaminated bins are not sorted, but are dumped straight into general waste. This dumping adds to the waste charges incurred by NMC, and correct community use would keep charges down for both council and residents. There is a need to educate the community in the correct use. Council looking at ways of delivering this information.

Marcus Rodrigues – spoke about putting the wrong thing in the wrong bin, and as a consequence of a rubbish audit had his bin taped up!!!

Raised the subject of community garden beds in the eastern corners of the village green to be established and tended by local residents. Chair asked that information regarding the proposal be sent to him and he would raise the matter with the NMC. It was pointed out that Public Liability Insurance would probably be required.

Michael Smith – Requested an update on the “official opening” of the Village Green. Mayor advised that the change of government had delayed this, however local area MPs had been contacted regarding this, and it hopefully will be held in the warmer weather. Discussed also, the prominent sign in the garden near the Ross Hotel. This sign has to stay for some time as a condition of the grants received.

Key to the Community Library – can the Ross Community Sports Club have their own key to the Library Room as they apparently lease the room? The Club also requested a key for the public notice board, as they place information about events on the board and the key at the Post Office is only available during office hours Monday to Friday. Chair to follow up for Sports Club.

Candy Hurren – kerbing in the centre car parking area opposite the Town Hall has been damaged by a truck, needs to be repaired. Chair to action.

Jill Bennett – Recently a council contractor sprayed edges of country roads. Just a couple of weeks later NMC have dropped gravel and graded edges of road. The gravel is certain to contain weeds and the previous spraying will be a waste of time and money. Unfortunately it would appear to be a matter of ill-timing.

Discussion held as to the possibility of a garbage collection on country roads, as a new law has come into effect that it is now illegal for rural properties to have their own tips. Mayor advised contacting NMC to request this be considered.

8 NEXT MEETING/CLOSURE

The Chair closed the meeting at 12.30 pm.

Next meeting – Tuesday 2nd August 2022 commencing 11.15am in the Ross Reading Room.

MINUTES

OF THE MEETING OF THE LLDC HELD AT THE CATHOLIC PARISH HOUSE ON WEDNESDAY 6 JULY 2022, COMMENCING AT 5.30PM

1 **PRESENT** – Neil Tubb (chair), Doug Bester, Simon Bower, Jo Clarke, Tim Flanagan & Bronwyn Baker.

2 **APOLOGIES**- Dick Adams, Mathew Brooks, Megan Mackinnon & Dennis Pettyfor.

3 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*, 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.

5 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Longford Local District Committee held on **June 08, 2022**, were confirmed as a true and correct record of proceedings. Moved Tim Flanagan, seconded Jo Clarke and was carried

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

6.1 Election of Office Bearer due to the resignation of the LLDC Chair – postponed as the NMC employee was not present and needs to be to conduct any election that may be required.

6.2 Illawarra Road Response from State Growth – no new information.

6.3 Parking in Wellington Street – The blue VW has finally moved on! The NMC has painted one parking spot there which hopefully prevent this abuse of public parking occurring again.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Meeting Venue – As from August we move to the Vern Archer room at the Longford RSL, moved Jo Clarke, seconded by Simon Bower

8. REPORTS FROM SUB COMMITTEES

8.1 Railway Committee – nil new.

8.2 Longford Legends – plan to meet soon to discuss more information re inducted legends available.

8.3 Town Hall Lease for Longford Town Hall Arts Committee.

9. PENDING BUSINESS ITEMS

- Streetscape/crossings Signage at United Pie & Petroleum.

- Back Creek Clean Up – delete from agenda
- Wellington Street Crossing (Traffic Refuges) – nothing there yet
- Memorial Hall – Village Green Development.
- Wellington & Marlborough Streets Intersection (Sticky Beaks) – waiting on Council.

- Vulnerable people register - NMC have put wheels in motion to deal with the State government re this issue.

- Lange Designs – Signage for Longford Roundabout. ‘The LLDC recommend to the NMC, that a sign in the Longford roundabout be installed, like the sign that has been put in the center of the roundabouts at Perth’ Moved Jo Clarke, 2nd Simon Bower.

- ‘The LLDC recommend The NMC investigate the possibility of a sign on the north side of the levee, advertising Longford’s historical past.’ This motion was noted voted on, committee members were asked to view the current signage before our next meeting.

- Danger to cyclists & pedestrians on South Esk River vehicular bridges – see letter from Mr. M. Ferguson, the deputy premier to Ms. Bronwyn Robert.

10. OTHER BUSINESS – Doug Bester says he is disappointed that our new members need to be inducted before they are allowed to attend a meeting of the LLDC.

All members currently on the LLDC had an induction process. It was conducted by Ms Lucie Copas-Fowler, at the first meeting attended by new members Simon Bower, Megan Mackinnon & Bruce Jackson.

11. NEXT MEETING - At the Longford RSL Club, at 5.30 pm on Thursday August 03, 2022.

12. CLOSURE – 6.17 pm

Minutes EVANDALE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held at the Evandale Community Centre on Tuesday, 5 July 2022, 4.00pm

1 PRESENT

John Lewis, Barry Lawson, Annie Harvey, Stephanie Kensitt, Henrietta Houghton

In Attendance:

Lorraine Wyatt (Minutes) and Mayor Mary Knowles

2 APOLOGIES

Cr Jan Davis and Cr Janet Lambert

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

RECOMMENDATION

Moved Barry Lawson, seconded Stephanie Kensitt

That the minutes of the ordinary meeting of the Evandale Advisory Committee held on Tuesday, 3 May 2022 be confirmed as 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:

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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.*

No declarations were made.

5 BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Budget Presentation

The Chair thanked everyone for their input into the Budget presentation and Mayor Knowles also thanked the Advisory Group. The mayor continued and advised that all presentations were well received and informative.

Murray Street Parking

6 MATTERS FOR NOTING

6.1 Meeting dates 2022

In accordance with the MOU meetings of the Committee will be held at 4pm on the first Tuesday of the month, schedule of dates follows:

- 6 September
- 4 October
- 1 November
- 6 December

7 MATTERS PENDING

7.1 - Murray Street Parking

Still being discussed at Council.

Members expressed concerns that drivers are parking wherever they want, and the area is very wet.

Concern that vehicles are also parking on unmarked graves.

Can a chain barrier be installed to stop people parking there or over the kerb?

The committee heard there was a number of objections with reports that acknowledgement was provided but no follow up.

7.2 RV Parking

Will wait to see what happens with this item.

8 COMMUNITY GROUP / SUB COMMITTEE REPORTS

8.1 Community Centre

- Art displays are fantastic. Links to a Facebook page.
- Numbers are down but this is seasonal.

8.2 Memorial Hall

- Pretty slow.
- Bonsai group on Saturday
- Concerns regarding the reroofing and the impact on events held in February. Committee advised that Council has taken account of planned events in February however, contractor availability and weather conditions are also a consideration. Works are planned to occur during March and April at this time.

8.3 Evandale Garden Group

- Nil report

8.4 JAG

- Another Wheelathon planned for October.
- Still waiting on donations from the last one – not concerned.

8.5 Neighbourhood Watch

- Newsletter circulated.
- Coordinator position still vacant.

8.6 History Society

- Donation from the state to digitise records. New hardware not yet installed.
- Murray Family Reunion:
 - Has written to the History Society, Council, church saying the Evandale Council bulldozed the tombstones and she would like it to be resurrected.
 - Advised Council approval is required.
- Time Traveller Park
 - Bench/chairs/table – to supply and install is around \$3,500.
 - Harry Murray concrete seats to be relocated. This is not a preferred option.
 - Plan "B" put a plaque on the existing seats.

9 NEW BUSINESS

- FOGO
 - Committee members were pleased about the introduction of the FOGO system and asked about how Council intended to communicate with the community, suggesting flyers (letterbox drop) may be the best method.
 - NMC will also write an article to go in the Neighbourhood Watch newsletter either the October edition or the next.

- **Traders in Purple**
Is Council the applicant to amend the planning scheme to accommodate the development? The Minister says that they are.
Traffic counters have been seen in various locations and it was queried if these were installed by Traders in Purple?
- **Inductions**
Members were advised of the requirement to be re-inducted and advised that information would be provided by the end of the week. The inductions need to be completed before the next committee meeting.
- **Leaves on the Footpath**
Members identified there is a considerable amount of leaf matter on the footpath in the vicinity of number 22 High Street that are wet and slippery.
- **Ivy on the Information Centre Building**
This has been reported previously however, no response has been received.
- **Pedestrian Crossing on Russell Street**
Members expressed concern for the elderly when crossing Russel Street and enquired if a pedestrian crossing can be installed to assist with the safety issues.

10 CLOSURE & NEXT MEETING

Chairperson closed meeting at 4.55 pm.

The next meeting to be held at the Evandale Community Centre on Tuesday, 2 August 2022 at 4pm.

Deputy Premier
Treasurer
Minister for Infrastructure and Transport
Minister for Planning

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Dear Mayor

Draft Amendment 01/2022 of the State Planning Provisions – Container Refund Scheme

I recognise the importance of keeping the State Planning Provisions (SPPs) under regular review to ensure the intended planning outcomes are delivered.

The rollout of the Container Refund Scheme (CRS scheme) is planned to occur during 2023. Various components of the CRS will require planning approvals to enable their implementation. The current SPPs do not clearly or easily recognise the various components of the CRS, which has potential to complicate the implementation of the CRS. Draft amendment 01/2022 of the SPPs is intended to clarify the planning requirements for the CRS implementation.

In accordance with section 30C of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (the Act), I have prepared Terms of Reference in relation to the preparation of draft amendment 01/2022 of the SPPs which are available for viewing on the Tasmanian Planning Reform website, www.planningreform.tas.gov.au.

I have also prepared and attached draft amendment 01/2022 of the SPPs that is in accordance with the Terms of Reference, and an accompanying explanatory document. I intend for the draft SPP amendment to undergo full public exhibition once the formal assessment process begins.

To assist with understanding of the intent of the CRS project for Tasmania the CRS project team have prepared a background document that provides a description of what is happening in other jurisdictions across Australia for their CRS projects, which gives an indication of what might happen in Tasmania.

I have also requested the State Planning Office to explore the options for rolling out equivalent draft SPP provisions into any existing interim planning schemes through the planning directive process later in the year.

In accordance with section 30D of the Act, I seek your comment in relation to draft amendment 1/2022 of the SPPs.

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Any comments should be sent to the State Planning Office at StatePlanning@dpac.tas.gov.au by close of business on 25 July 2022.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael Ferguson".

Michael Ferguson MP
Deputy Premier
Minister for Planning

Attachments:

1. Draft Amendment 1/2022 of the SPPs
2. Draft Amendment 1/2022 of the SPPs – Explanatory Document
3. Container Refund Scheme Background document

Possible SPP amendment

Definitions

Notes for reference - under the *Container Refund Scheme Act 2022* (soon to come into effect, details can be found at https://www.parliament.tas.gov.au/Bills/Bills2021/54_of_2021.html or <https://www.legislation.tas.gov.au/view/html/asmade/act-2022-005>) the following definitions are included –

Approved container - means a container approved in accordance with section 12 of the *Container Refund Scheme Act 2022*

Container Refund Machine - Means a machine, or other device, that is –

- a) Designed or manufactured to pay the refund amount when an approved container is inserted in, or otherwise deposited at, the machine or device; or
- b) Is prescribed as a container refund machine for the purposes of the *Container Refund Scheme Act 2022*

Container Refund Point - The following are container refund points:

- a) A facility, or premises, where an empty approved container may be deposited in exchange for the payment of the refund amount;
- b) A container refund machine;
- c) A facility, premises or machine, or a class of facilities, premises or machines, that is or are prescribed as a container refund point.

Pay – in relation to a refund amount, includes payments of the refund amount by way of –

- a) Money; and
- b) Vouchers that are redeemable at a later point in time; and
- c) Donations to another person, or organisation, for charitable purposes; and
- d) Other prescribed means of payment;

Approved Container	Means as defined in the <i>Container Refund Scheme Act 2022</i>
Container Refund Machine	Means as defined in the <i>Container Refund Scheme Act 2022</i> .
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Bag Drop refund point	Means the use of land for a container refund point to receive and internally store bags of approved containers for later collection. The refund point pays the refund at a later date.
Over the counter refund point	Means the use of part of an existing business premises for the container refund point scheme to receive approved containers over the counter and store on-site for later collection. The refund point pays the refund at the time of return.
Pop-up refund point	Means the temporary use of land for a staffed mobile facility, such as a vehicular trailer or tent, as a container refund point to receive and temporarily store approved containers. The refund point pays the refund at the time of return.
Pay	Means as defined in the <i>Container Refund Scheme Act 2022</i> .
Reverse vending machine	Means the use of land for an automated container refund machine that receives and internally stores approved containers and pays a refund at the time of return.

Exemption

4.1.7	Container refund point	<p>If for –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) an over-the-counter refund point with external storage located in the rear or side of the premise if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. it operates within the normal hours of operation of that business; and ii. external storage of the returned containers is not more than 9m² in area and 2.4m in height or is provided in a shipping container; or b) a reverse vending machine if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the machine structure is not more than 4m² in area and the machine height is not more than 2.2m, or ii. the reverse vending machine is provided on a mobile trailer and co-located with an existing business, or c) a pop-up refund point if <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. on public land and only used for a period not longer than 2 days, ii. associated with a market on public land, or iii. associated with a sporting, social or cultural event, or d) a bag drop refund point where the bag drop storage structure is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. not greater than 4m² and the height is not greater than 2.2m, or ii. the bag drop secure storage area is co-located with an existing business and is provided in either a relocatable bin or a mobile trailer. <p>Unless the local historic heritage code applies and requires a permit for the use or development</p>
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7.13 Container Refund Points

7.13.1 An application for an over the counter refund point, pop-up refund point, bag drop refund point or a reverse vending machine may be approved at the discretion of the planning authority having regard to:

- a) the purpose and provisions of the zone;
- b) the purpose of any applicable code, except the C2.0 Parking and Sustainable Transport Code;
- c) any relevant local area objectives;
- d) the purpose of any applicable specific area plan; and
- e) the potential for land use conflict with the use or development permissible under the planning scheme for any adjoining properties,

7.13.2 Notwithstanding subclause 7.13.1, an application for a bag drop refund point or a reverse vending machine on a site in the Local Business Zone, General Business Zone, Central Business Zone, Urban Mixed-Use Zone, Village Zone, Commercial Zone Community Purpose Zone or Recreation Zone, is Permitted and a permit must be granted if:

- a) the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine is co-located on the site with an existing place of business;
- b) there are only 2 signs for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine and they are not illuminated and have a total area of not more than 4m²;
- c) the structure for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine has a frontage, side and rear setback not less than that specified in the relevant Acceptable Solution for the relevant zone;
- d) the structure for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine is not greater than 5m in height;
- e) the area of the structure is not more than
 - i. 20m² for the bag drop refund point; or
 - ii. 60m² for the reverse vending machine
- f) the reverse vending machine operates within the same hours of operation as the existing business on the site; and
- g) the Local Historic Heritage Code does not require a permit for use or development.

7.13.3 There is no requirement for providing car parking spaces for container refund points approved under subclauses 7.13.1 or 7.13.2.

C2.0 Parking and Sustainable Transport Code amendment

Add a new term to C2.3.1 which is – **Container Refund Scheme space** – means the area of land required to provide for a container refund machine on a site plus space for pedestrians to queue at the container refund machine

Revise C2.5.1 A1 to include additional text as follows – “The number of on-site car parking spaces must be no less than the number specified in Table 2.1 minus the number of car parking spaces that cannot be provided due to the site including container refund scheme space, excluding if:”

SPP Draft Amendment 01/2022 – explanatory notes

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The document called “Refund Point Infrastructure” prepared by the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania is referred to below as the ‘background document’ and it provides a description of what is happening in other jurisdictions in Australia and can be taken as an indication of what might happen in Tasmania with the roll-out of the container refund scheme.

The background document also refers to ‘depots’ and ‘processing facilities’. These 2 features are not provided for in this draft SPP amendment because the existing SPPs are considered suitable enough to allow these features to occur in the zones where the ‘use’ is allowable.

The SPP Amendment in detail

The SPP amendment contains a new exemption and a general provision with three (3) sub clauses. New definitions are also provided to give clarity to the meaning of parts of the provisions, or to enable the simplification of the drafting of those provisions. Where possible the proposed definitions are aligned with those in the *Container Refund Scheme Act 2022*.

Definitions		Clause notes/advice/intended meaning
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Bag Drop refund point	Means the use of land for a container refund point to receive and internally store bags of approved containers for later collection. The refund point pays the refund at a later date.	To define the 'bag drop feature' described in the background document on page 18, noting that matters such as location, scale or hours of operation are intended to be covered in the proposed standard or exemption
Over the counter refund point	Means the use of part of an existing business premises for the container refund point scheme to receive approved containers over the counter and store on-site for later collection. The refund point pays the refund at the time of return.	To define the 'over the counter feature' described in the background document on page 8, noting that matters such as location, scale or hours of operation are intended to be covered in the proposed exemption
Pop-up refund point	Means the temporary use of land for a staffed mobile facility, such as a vehicular trailer or tent, as a container refund point to receive and temporarily store approved containers. The refund point pays the refund at the time of return.	To define the 'mobile and pop-up feature' described in the background document on page 20, noting that matters such as location, scale or hours of operation are intended to be covered in the proposed exemption
Pay	Means as defined in the <i>Container Refund Scheme Act 2022</i> .	To make use of an existing definition in legislation and enable the SPPs to easily stay up to date with the <i>Container Refund Scheme Act 2022</i>
Reverse vending machine	Means the use of land for an automated container refund machine that receives and	To define the 'reverse vending machine feature' described in the background document on page 9, noting that matters such as location,

	internally stores approved containers and pays a refund at the time of return.	scale or hours of operation are intended to be covered in the proposed standard or exemption
<p>Exemption</p> <p>Container refund point</p> <p>If for –</p> <p>a) an over the counter refund point with external storage located in the rear or side of the premise if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. it operates within the normal hours of operation of that business; and ii. external storage of the returned containers is not more than 9m² in area and 2.4m in height or is provided in a shipping container; or <p>b) a reverse vending machine if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the machine structure is not more than 4m² in area and the machine height is not more than 2.2m, or ii. the reverse vending machine is provided on a mobile trailer, or <p>c) a pop-up refund point if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. on public land and only used for a period not longer than 2 days, ii. associated with a market on public land, or iii. associated with a sporting, social or cultural event, or <p>d) a bag drop refund point where the bag drop storage structure is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. not greater than 4m² and the height is not greater than 2.2m, or ii. the bag drop secure storage area is provided in a relocatable or mobile bin. 	<p>Clause notes/advice/intended meaning</p> <p>For the over the counter refund point - the intent is for the service to only be available when the 'hosting' business is open to the public. The size of the storage area is set to be relatively small, as the site will be serviced regularly by the CRS network provider and the size of an exempt storage area should be limited in size to minimise any potential impacts on the surrounding area.</p> <p>For the reverse vending machine – the intent is for the exemption to only provide for the smaller machines that are expected to be placed inside shopping centres or those that are provided on a trailer, as shown on pages 12, 13 & 21 of the background document, the set dimensions are intended to align with those specified in the background document but are a little bigger to allow for some wriggle room.</p> <p>For the pop-up refund point – the intent is that they are only temporary activities. That is why there is a 2-day limit for when they operate independently of other activities. The 2 days also aligns with a weekend. They can also occur as part of other activities that are exempt under the SPPs, noting these are also temporary events.</p> <p>For the bag drop refund point – the intent is similar to that for the small reverse vending machine, in that the exemption is only intended to cover the smaller bag drop refund points or relocatable storage devices such as those shown in figure 17&19 on pages 19&20 of the background document.</p> <p><i>Other notes</i></p>	<p>Clause notes/advice/intended meaning</p> <p>For the over the counter refund point - the intent is for the service to only be available when the 'hosting' business is open to the public. The size of the storage area is set to be relatively small, as the site will be serviced regularly by the CRS network provider and the size of an exempt storage area should be limited in size to minimise any potential impacts on the surrounding area.</p> <p>For the reverse vending machine – the intent is for the exemption to only provide for the smaller machines that are expected to be placed inside shopping centres or those that are provided on a trailer, as shown on pages 12, 13 & 21 of the background document, the set dimensions are intended to align with those specified in the background document but are a little bigger to allow for some wriggle room.</p> <p>For the pop-up refund point – the intent is that they are only temporary activities. That is why there is a 2-day limit for when they operate independently of other activities. The 2 days also aligns with a weekend. They can also occur as part of other activities that are exempt under the SPPs, noting these are also temporary events.</p> <p>For the bag drop refund point – the intent is similar to that for the small reverse vending machine, in that the exemption is only intended to cover the smaller bag drop refund points or relocatable storage devices such as those shown in figure 17&19 on pages 19&20 of the background document.</p> <p><i>Other notes</i></p>

<p>Unless the local historic heritage code applies and requires a permit for the use or development.</p>	<p>It is acknowledged that some of these features may undermine the intent of the Local Historic Heritage Code for places of local heritage significance. For this reason, the exemption has the exception if the code applies to enable further consideration of heritage matters through the proposed general provision at 7.13.1.</p> <p>If any of the exemptions cannot be met for a proposed container refund point, then it is intended that the general provisions will be able to consider the alternative through 7.13.1.</p>
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<p>General Provisions</p>	<p>Clause notes/advice/intended meaning</p>
<p>7.13 Container Refund Points</p> <p>7.13.1 An application for an over the counter refund point, pop-up refund point, bag drop refund point or a reverse vending machine may be approved at the discretion of the planning authority having regard to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the purpose and provisions of the zone; b) the purpose of any applicable code, except the C2.0 Parking and Sustainable Transport Code; c) any relevant local area objectives; d) the purpose of any applicable specific area plan; and e) the potential for land use conflict with the use or development permissible under the planning scheme for any adjoining properties, 	<p>Provision heading</p> <p>The intent of this provision is to enable consideration of these features, when they cannot meet the exemption, or the specific requirements set out in the general provision 7.13.2. This provision is intended to operate as a ‘catch-all’ for the unusual or unexpected scenarios that may occur with the roll out of the container refund scheme. It is anticipated that the majority of refund points will be able to meet the exemption or the general provision 7.13.2.</p> <p>It is considered that the purpose and provisions of the local historic heritage code can be relied upon to effectively manage the overall size and appearance of these features if they are located on sites listed as a local heritage place or precinct.</p> <p>Because car parking is set by the general provision at 7.13.3, there is no need to consider the purpose or provisions of those codes. That is why that code is excluded from the considerations.</p> <p>The consideration of land use conflict is there just in case these sites are located close to residential areas, as the late night drop off and clinking of containers may be an issue in some locations.</p>

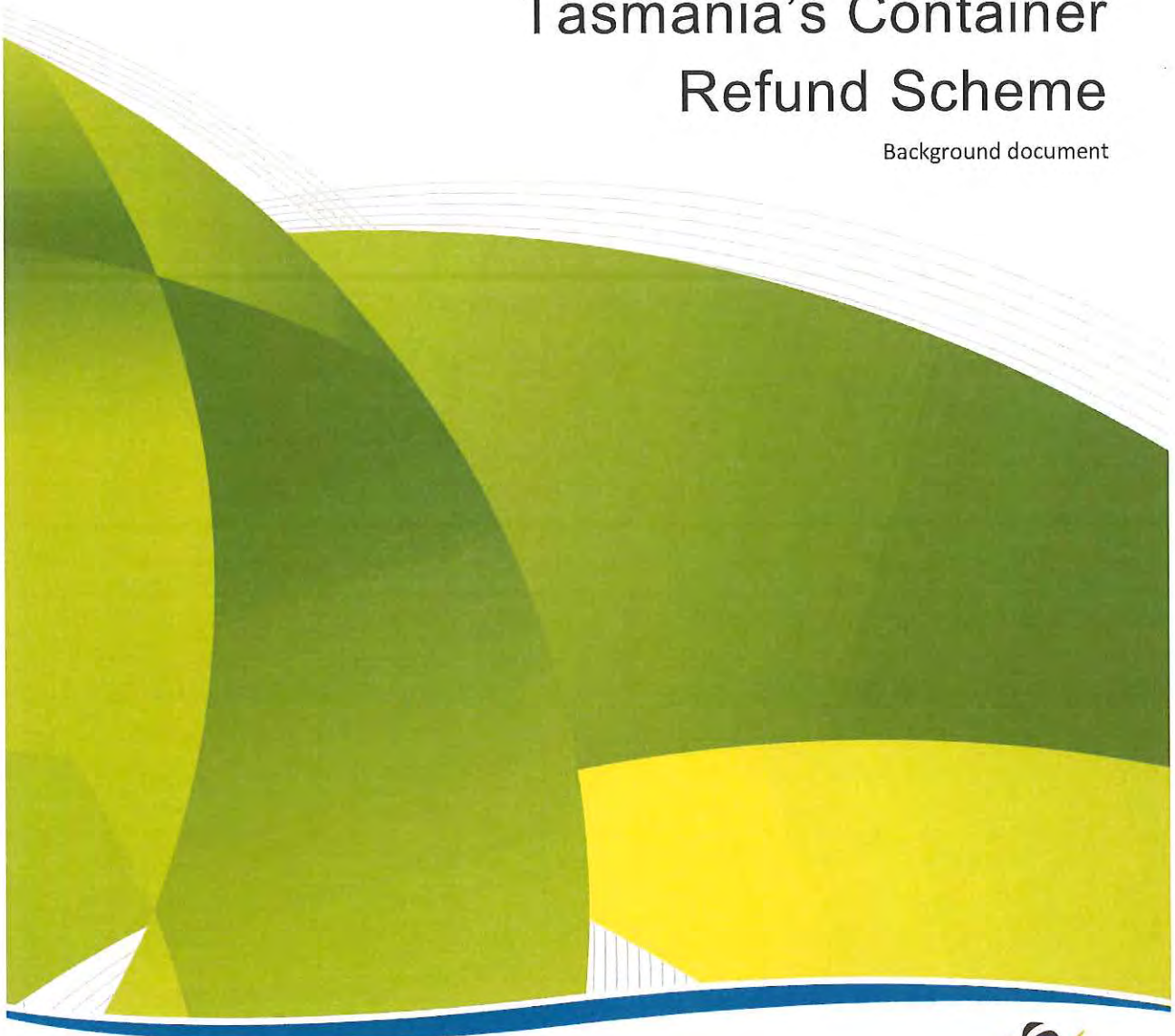
General Provisions	Clause notes/advice/intended meaning
<p>7.13.2 Notwithstanding subclause 7.13.1, an application for a bag drop refund point or a reverse vending machine on a site in the Local Business Zone, General Business Zone, Central Business Zone, Urban Mixed-Use Zone, Village Zone, Commercial Zone Community Purpose Zone or Recreation Zone, is Permitted and a permit must be granted if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine is co-located on the site with an existing place of business; b) there are only 2 signs for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine and they are not illuminated and have a total area of not more than 4m²; c) the structure for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine has a frontage, side and rear setback not less than that specified in the relevant Acceptable Solution for the relevant zone; d) the structure for the bag drop refund point or reverse vending machine is not greater than 5m in height; e) the area of the structure is not more than <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. 20m² for the bag drop refund point; or ii. 60m² for the reverse vending machine f) the reverse vending machine operates within the same hours of operation as the existing business on the site; and g) the Local Historic Heritage Code does not require a permit for use or development. 	<p>Based on the information from other jurisdictions as covered in the background document it is anticipated that these refund points will be located in business areas, which is why the clause refers to specific zones.</p> <p>It is intended that the refund points will be located on sites with existing business operations where customers of the business will be able to drop off their recycling at the same time. That is why the standard requires co-location and the same hours of operation.</p> <p>The siting, size and signage requirement is limited to just what is needed, to minimise any visual impacts that may occur.</p> <p>Bag drop refund points are intended to operate 24/7, so that is why it is not listed in point (f).</p> <p>It is acknowledged that some of the bag drop refund points or reverse vending machine features may undermine the intent of the Local Historic Heritage Code for places of local heritage significance. For this reason, the 'Permitted' status of the provision will only work if the Local Historic Heritage Code does not require a permit for use or development. Where the code does require a permit for use or development, further consideration of heritage matters is enabled through the proposed general provision at 7.13.1.</p>
<p>7.13.3 There is no requirement for providing car parking spaces for container refund points approved under subclauses 7.13.1 or 7.13.2.</p>	<p>The assumption here is that the sites where the container refund points will be located will already contain existing car spaces and that users of the container refund point will most likely be visiting the business operating on the site as their main purpose for the visit.</p>

General Provisions	Clause notes/advice/intended meaning
<p>C2.0 Parking and Sustainable Transport Code Add a new term to C2.3.1 which is –</p> <p>Container Refund Scheme Space – means the area of land required to provide for a container refund machine on a site plus space for pedestrians to que at the container refund machine</p> <p>Revise C2.5.1 A1 by adding additional words as follows – “The number of on-site car parking spaces must be no less than the number specified in Table 2.1 minus the number of car parking spaces that cannot be provided due to the site including container refund scheme space, excluding if:.....”</p>	<p>Clause notes/advice/intended meaning</p> <p>The intent of this aspect of the draft SPP amendment is to acknowledge that some existing planning permits for the businesses may need to be modified to allow the container refund points on the site.</p> <p>The provision intends to establish the basis on which a reduced number of car parks on a site can be considered acceptable by acknowledging that there is less space available for car parking due to the presence of the container refund machine. This is through the proposed definition of ‘Container Refund Scheme Space’ and given effect through clause C2.5.1A1.</p> <p>The provision is not intended to apply to a development application for a container refund point, it is intended to be available for existing businesses to reassess their car parking requirements when they accommodate a container refund point.</p>

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Tasmania's Container Refund Scheme

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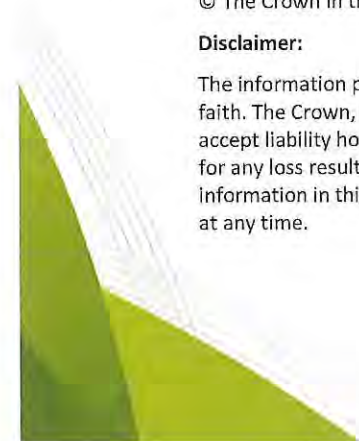


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Acronyms

CRS	Container Refund Scheme
MRF	Material Recovery Facility
NRE Tas	Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania
OTC	Over the Counter
RVM	Reverse Vending Machine

Introduction

The Tasmanian Government has committed to introduce a Container Refund Scheme (CRS), where approved beverage containers can be exchanged for a 10-cent refund at various Refund Points throughout the state. This is to align with similar programs in other jurisdictions and aims to reduce littering and increase rates of recycling of beverage containers. The Scheme is due to start in 2023. The *Container Refund Scheme Act 2022*, which is the legislation to enable the CRS, was passed by Tasmania's Parliament in March 2022.

The CRS is a split-responsibility governance model with a Scheme Coordinator, responsible for the administration and financial management of the Scheme, and a Network Operator, responsible for managing the network of Refund Points to collect the eligible containers and provide the 10-cent refund, and for recycling of the collected containers from the network.

The government will run a competitive procurement process to procure the organisations for the roles of Scheme Coordinator and Network Operator. Once the Network Operator is appointed, they will begin to establish Refund Points throughout Tasmania and will be required to adhere to the requirements for land use and development in accordance with the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and associated local government planning schemes administered by local councils.

Purpose

This background document describes the Refund Point infrastructure that could potentially be used in the network of Refund Points for the Tasmanian CRS and useful context for the current consultation for the proposed state planning provision amendment relating to the rollout of the CRS.

Disclaimer:

The information contained herein is provided to Tasmanian local councils to enable them to provide information pertaining to planning systems for the implementation of the Container Refund Scheme.

The provided information:

- *is not intended to be the final position of the Department in relation to any matter, and*
- *should not be interpreted to predict the outcomes of any decisions of the Tasmanian Parliament or the Tasmanian Government in relation to the proposed Container Refund Scheme.*

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- *is subject to the requirements set out in the issued tender documentation for the proposed procurement.*

Tasmania's Refund Point Network Design

A successful CRS is one that is convenient and accessible to all Tasmanians. The CRS project team at the Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania (NRE Tas) has developed a Community Access Standard (currently draft) that sets out the minimum standards in relation to the number and location of Refund Points, and opening hours. This is based on distances between Refund Points and population sizes. Under the draft Community Access Standard, there will be about 50 Refund Points in Tasmania. The Community Access Standard does not generally stipulate which type of Refund Points are required. It has not been made public, as at 6 April 2022.

These standards were partially informed by a public survey conducted in 2021 that found supermarket and shopping centre carparks are the most popular location for Refund Points, that Reverse Vending Machines (RVMs) are popular, and that most urban residents do not want to travel more than 10 minutes to a Refund Point.

The CRS will consist of a network of Refund Points. There are a variety of Refund Point types used in mainland schemes. The most frequently used types are Over the Counter (OTC) Refund Points at local businesses, automated Reverse Vending Machines (RVM), depots and bag drops. Mobile and pop-up Refund Points are also used for fundraising events, short term events (i.e. markets and festivals) and regular scheduled servicing in some areas. Processing facilities are also used in mainland schemes for collection and processing of the containers prior to delivery to the recyclers.

It will be a requirement for the Network Operator to develop the final network design for Tasmania, including the type and specific location of Refund Points guided by the information provided in the Community Access Standards. The details contained in this document are based on publicly available information about interstate networks and Refund Point infrastructure and provided as information only.

Charities and other community organisations may wish to run Donation Points (which accepts containers for fundraising purposes and does not give refunds to donors), but these will not be considered formal Refund Points because a 10-cent refund will not be given. Organisations can work with councils, as required, for planning approvals separate to the implementation of the CRS.

Snapshot of Interstate Refund Point Networks

The final network design will be the responsibility of the successful Network Operator. Schemes currently operate in every state and territory of Australia, with the exception of Victoria and Tasmania. Both Victoria and Tasmania are set to commence a scheme in 2023. This snapshot of the mainland Refund Point networks is provided for context as to how the schemes operate and the Refund Points they use. Any or all of the Refund Point infrastructure in this document could be used for the Tasmanian scheme, depending on decisions made by the successful Network Operator.

Interstate schemes use a combination of OTCs, RVMs, depots, bag drops, mobile and pop-up Refund Points to provide a convenient and accessible network for container returns and refunds. The NSW [Return and Earn Annual Report 2019-2020](#) lists Return Points indicating that RVMs, OTCs, and automated depots may be located at the following business types:

- Supermarket
- Bakery
- Convenience store
- Newsagent
- Cafe
- Takeaway
- Carwash
- Petrol station
- Rural and country supply stores
- Backpackers' accommodation
- Pubs and bottle shops
- Post office
- Hardware store
- General store
- Sports club
- Shopping centre
- Community group or charity
- Furniture store
- Gym
- Florist
- School
- Chemist
- Nutrition shop

The redemption rate for the first year in interstate schemes was generally 50-60%. The number of eligible containers in Tasmania is estimated to be 240 million so across the statewide Refund Point network one can anticipate approximately 120 to 144 million containers would be redeemed in the first year.

Operating Hours and Locations Interstate

The following information has been collated through the use of the [Refund Point locator](#) app on the NSW Return and Earn website. The network mainly consists of RVMs, OTCs and depots. RVMs are generally open until 10pm, and open as early as 7am, 7 days per week. OTCs generally follow the operating hours of the business and can start at 6am and be open as late as 10pm, both week and

weekend days, depending on the business. Some RVMs are 24 hours. One carwash OTC is 24 hours. Depots generally follow normal business hours, opening around 7am and closing by 4pm, with 5:30pm at latest, during the week and on weekends. Most Refund Points are open during the week and on Saturdays, many are open for shortened hours on Sunday as well.

The following information has been collated through the use of the Refund Point locator app on the Containers for Change websites for [QLD](#) and [WA](#). The networks rely on bag drops and depots and there are no OTCs. Many of the bag drops are 24 hours or operate in line with general business hours (i.e. 7am to 5pm, 7am to 7pm), including on weekends. Depots operate mainly during business hours, i.e., 7am to 4:30pm, including weekend days. Pop-ups are used for scheduled servicing of remote towns – i.e. every 2nd Tuesday between 10am and 12pm. RVMs are within general business hours and tend to close around 7pm.

Based on this publicly available information it appears that RVMs, OTCs and bag drops are generally located in areas where people live and shop, so they are convenient and easy to access, for example residential areas, business areas, shopping centres, and town centres. Depots are generally located in an area suitable for collection of high volumes of containers that is a convenient driving distance (i.e. within in 10 minutes) from population areas, for example in light industrial zones, mixed zones, and commercial areas.

Refund Point Types for Tasmania

*This document has been created to provide **general information** about the potential refund point types that might be part of the Tasmanian CRS network and useful context for the current state planning consultation. This information is based on interstate schemes.*

Once appointed, the Network Operator will determine the exact location, number and type of refund points that will be used in Tasmania and will be responsible for obtaining any required planning approvals.

General

The Refund Point network in Tasmania could include Over the Counter Refund Points (OTCs), Reverse Vending Machines (RVMs), depots, bag drops and possibly other types (pop-ups or mobile) depending on how the network is designed to best meet the Community Access Standard by the successful Network Operator.

Refunds Points will accept approved containers. In mainland schemes, Refund Points accept containers that are typically between 150ml and three litres, and are cans (e.g. soft drink and beer), bottles (both glass and PET), cartons (e.g. flavoured milk), juice boxes or poppers. Refund Points will have verification systems in place (either manual or automatic) to ensure all containers returned are compliant containers under the Scheme prior to being counted, sorted, and stored.

Refund Points may provide the refund as cash and/or a voucher redeemable for cash, Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), and/or a donation straight to charity. Other payment types may also be available.

Refund Points are likely to be operational during the week and for some time on weekends, to ensure accessibility, with opening hours likely to be similar to other local businesses. It is possible that some

RVM sites (e.g. in shopping centre car parks) and depots (e.g. in semi-industrial areas) may operate longer hours.

The Network Operator will be required to ensure access to Refund Points by all members of the community, including persons with disabilities. Limited exceptions to this standard may be allowed in certain circumstances.

Over the Counter – details and features

Over the Counter are Refund Points where an existing local business enters into an agreement with a Network Operator for collection of containers and issuing of the refund. They receive a handling fee for this service. Patrons return empty containers at the local business and get their refund.

Size: within the existing business footprint, no additional space required

Use: It is intended that OTCs will operate as part of an existing business and infrastructure, where the business provides an additional business service for returning containers for a refund. These Refund Points are staffed.

Scale: Small, within existing business footprint, ideally for returning up to 100 containers per customer, but not limited.

Infrastructure can be wheelie bins, cages, or small skip bins within a storeroom or at rear of business for storing collected containers, or a shipping container within the premises of the business. All returned containers will need to be stored securely as part of fraud control measures.

Proposed locations: population centres, in local businesses/shops- e.g. newsagent, post office, café, pubs

Opening hours: Usually as part of normal business opening hours, although some businesses may limit container return hours to hours outside of busy times. In certain areas, they may only operate certain months of year to accommodate busy tourism/summer seasons.

General expectations of how they will operate:

Customer brings used approved containers to the business to exchange for the refund.

The business visually inspects for the approved container marks, accepts the approved containers, and pays the refund. The containers are then stored within the business footprint until collected by the Network Operator (or their contractor). There may be some sorting at premises.

Once storage is full, they will be emptied by waste disposal-type truck operated/contracted to Network Operator for transportation to sorting facility prior to sending for recycling.

Factors that may require consideration when establishing OTCs: public health/food permits, noise, lighting, power.

OTC container refunds are not expected to significantly increase visitation to business and therefore existing parking, and pedestrian and vehicle access/movements should be sufficient.

Interstate experiences have highlighted some issues with OTCs and food permit and public health conditions (storing dirty, used containers at certain businesses or in certain locations within the business was perceived as a public health/food safety issue).

Stories on the web that describe some OTCs:

<https://www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/small-businesses-bracing-for-return-and-earn-container-deposit-scheme-20171130-gzvq0a.html>

<https://www.oberonreview.com.au/story/5181747/no-reverse-vending-machine-but-return-and-earn-is-here/>

Photo examples:



Figure 1: Storage of returned containers at rear of rural supply shop. Credit: <https://www.oberonreview.com.au/story/5181747/no-reverse-vending-machine-but-return-and-earn-is-here/>



Figure 2: Café that operates an OTC return point. Credit: <https://www.smh.com.au/national/nsw/small-businesses-bracing-for-return-and-earn-container-deposit-scheme-20171130-gzvq0a.html>

Reverse Vending Machines - details and features

RVMs are automated machines where consumers individually insert approved containers, and receive their collated refund, generally a voucher that can be exchanged for cash or an EFT or charity donation. They can be large RVMs located in car parks, or smaller RVMs located within shopping centres.

Size: The large RVMS consist of 2 x 20-foot shipping containers with additional space at the front for the customer interface ('the vending machine'). These are outside RVMS, generally in car parks. Used for returning up to 500 containers per person.

Smaller RVM that are currently being used hold 900 or 1100 containers or modular units that hold up to 36,360 containers. They range in size from 84.8 cm (L) x 60 cm (W) x 183.6 cm (H) to 137 cm (L) x 254 cm (W) x 209.5 cm (H). These RVMS are likely to be inside a building (i.e. shopping centre) as a standalone small RVM or set up as a recycling centre with numerous RVMS installed along a wall. They are for single or smaller container returns, up to 100 containers.

Use: It is intended that the RVMS will appear and operate as a normal component of a shopping centre, that provides an additional service for customers to return containers for a cash or electronic refund. They are self-service Refund Points that are not staffed.

Scale: The large RVMS generally have 2 customer interfaces at the front of 2 x 20-foot containers and occupy 3-5 car parking spaces or a minimum of 42 square metres.

The smaller RVMS occupy from 0.5 up to 3.5 square metres of floor space. The smallest RVMS appear to be suited to returning a single container for a single refund. For example, a customer has just finished a drink that was bought in a shopping centre and wishes to return it for refund.

Proposed locations: high population density areas, in shopping centre car parks or other high visitation, easy access sites. Smaller RVMS may be located inside shopping centres.

Opening hours: generally align with shopping centre opening hours and are not 24-hour operations. Interstate some RVMS operate within the hours of 7am to 10pm.

General expectations of how they will operate:

For the large RVMS, customers park nearby, retrieve bags/boxes of containers to return for the refund amount, line up to use the machine and individually deposit containers to receive the total refund once all containers are deposited. The machine approves or rejects the container based on scanning of approved markings, counts, sorts, and stores approved containers within the RVM infrastructure. Glass is separated from other containers. Once full they will be emptied by waste disposal-type truck operated by or contracted to the Network Operator for transportation to sorting facility prior to sending for recycling. The infrastructure requires space for parking, may increase vehicle and pedestrian traffic, and requires access for trucks to rear of RVM for removal of collected and stored containers.

The smaller RVMS require space for customers to line up and deposit individual containers. Glass is separated from other containers. Stored containers are emptied as required.

For the large and small RVMS, containers that scan as not approved, are rejected by the machine, and returned to the customer for alternate means of disposal. Refund Points will accept container lids, so it is hoped lids will not be littered at the site.

Factors that may require consideration when establishing RVMS: litter, noise, vandalism, lighting, power

RVM locations require lighting, power and most likely internet for processing EFT and data collection/reporting back to Network Operator.

Experience interstate indicates that alternate means of disposal (general recycling bins and rubbish bins) need to be provided, at least initially, for disposal of rejected containers and to prevent littering.

Larger RVMs occupy approximately 42 square metres of space in existing car parks which may reduce the number of existing car parking spaces available to customers of the shopping centre.

Photo examples:



Figure 3: Large RVM (front user interface with 2 x 20-foot shipping containers behind). Credit: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2019-08-07/victorians-recycling-in-nsw-to-return-scheme-breaking-the-law/11384050>



Figure 4: Large RVM in carpark Credit: https://australia247.info/explore/queensland/city_of_gold_coast/burleigh_heads/tomra-reverse-vending-machine-burleigh-1300-118-888.html

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Figure 5: Small RVMs installed along wall, forming a mini recycling centre Credit: <https://www.perthnow.com.au/community-news/stirling-times/was-containers-for-change-deposit-scheme-officially-up-and-running-c-1351180>



Figure 6: Small RVM Credit: <https://www.smh.com.au/business/small-business/narelle-was-paid-6-a-week-to-go-to-school-now-she-owns-a-20-million-business-20190725-p52at1.html>



Figure 7: Small RVM Credit: <https://www.cdu.edu.au/enews/versions/050911/Stories/cdurewardsrecycling.html>



Figure 8: Example of rear of RVM and truck collecting returned containers. (Credit- YouTube, tsc RECYCLE e-scapper, 'inside a Reverse Vending machine- Tomra return and earn')

Depots – details and features

Depots are buildings with either a drive-thru or walk-in setup, with automatic or manual container sorting facilities. Refunds can be provided as cash, electronic transfer, or donation.

These are important Refund Points for the network that provide opportunities for bulk returns of over 500 containers.

Size: small to large shed.

Use: The depot sites will be separate 'stand alone' sites set up to manage bulk container returns, sorting and storage and may include 'drive-through' capacity for customers returning containers. These Refund Points are staffed.

Scale: large, bulk container returns (i.e. ute or trailer load), generally over 500 containers

Proposed locations: higher density areas, could be associated with existing waste management sites or industrial areas, but must be in accessible locations for the public

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Opening hours: standard business weekday and weekend hours to suit demand

General expectations of how they will operate:

A large industrial shed, either approachable by vehicles with parking provided for a walk-in service, or the shed provides a drive-through service, for customers to unload their bulk container returns and receive their refund. The containers are then either automatically sorted by machinery or hand sorted and stored for collection. Trucks would visit frequently to transport the sorted materials to the next processing stage.

Photo examples:



Figure 9: Credit: https://www.reddit.com/r/brisbane/comments/9tqkss/my_540_container_for_change_haul/



Figure 10: Credit: <https://content.api.news/v3/images/bin/d1d3800ffbb0834a2a14b7f2145391f1> from Courier Mail



Figure 11: Credit: <https://communityrecyclingwa.org.au/>



Figure 12: Credit: <https://communityrecyclingwa.org.au/>



Figure 13: Sorting machinery inside depot. Credit: <https://www.macarthuradvertiser.com.au/story/5244949/dont-wait-in-line-to-return-and-earn/>



Figure 14: Example of a drive through depot in Queensland (credit- <https://www.returnit.com.au/wa/news/return-it-qld-burleigh-depot-adds-a-drive-thru-facility/>)



Figure 15: Example of hand sorting in a drive through depot in Queensland (credit: 7 news video on <https://www.returnit.com.au/wa/news/return-it-qld-burleigh-depot-adds-a-drive-thru-facility/>)



Figure 16: Example automated depot. (Credit- <https://envirobank.com.au/who-we-are/what-we-do/>)

Bag Drops – details and features

Bag drops are self-service Refund Points, where basic infrastructure is provided to allow customers to drop off a bag of containers, with appropriate personal identification, to allow for processing of their refund at a later date.

Size: skip bins, cages, or shipping container size. They can be indoor or outdoor. Some may have kiosks associated with them for EFTPOS and barcode printing services for labelling of bags for container returns.

Use: It is intended that they will appear and operate as a normal part of the existing business where they are located, or they will be provided on a mobile trailer, and they are not staffed.

Scale: generally for a small number of bags of containers

Proposed locations: easily accessible outdoor or indoor settings, where vehicle and pedestrian access is available to access infrastructure and truck access is available for collection of returned containers by the Network Operator. This can be car parks, council open space, parks and reserves, near town centres, community centres, car parks – anywhere a skip bin (or similar) can be safely and securely situated and that can provide safe parking and access. All returned containers will need to be stored securely as part of fraud control measures.

In QLD and WA, some bag drops are located at depots.

Opening hours: can be 24 hours, though they generally align with standard business hours or slightly extended hours, similar to RVMs.

General expectations of how they will operate: Self-service, quick drop option.

Bag, tag, drop and go. Customers put approved containers in a bag, they tag bag with name and payment details (generally customers need to have an account with Network Operator, i.e. Scheme ID or similar, to receive refund payment) and they are deposited in the provided infrastructure. Some indoor setups provide a kiosk for entering customer details and printing of a barcode to attach to bag of containers prior to placing it in the collection bin.

The Network Operator collects on a set schedule, processes the containers, and provides electronic payments according to details on the bag tag.

The Network Operator may be responsible for monitoring the cleanliness of the site and container storage levels.

Factors that may require consideration when establishing bag drops: litter, noise, vandalism, secure storage, customer safety.

Lighting may be required depending on location and operating hours. Power is only required for indoor set ups with kiosks.

Photo examples:



Figure 17: Outdoor collection bin. Credit: <https://envirobank.com.au/bottle-and-can-recycling-queensland/>



Figure 18: Shipping container for outdoor bag drop. Credit: <https://www.facebook.com/cashforcontainers/posts/all-ready-to-go-to-its-new-home-cash-for-containers-rockingham-will-also-be-offe/177887753946865/>



Figure 19: Indoor bag drop with electronic kiosk and barcode printer, and cage for collection of bags of containers. Credit: <https://warrri.com.au/refund-points/>

Mobiles and Pop-ups – details and features

Mobile and pop-up Refund Points are temporary Refund Points, generally designed to suit short term demand, for example at a festival or outdoor concert, for fundraising purposes, or to accommodate busy tourist seasons. Interstate, pop-ups are also used on a set schedule (e.g. weekly, monthly, fortnightly) to service areas where permanent Refund Point infrastructure may not be available. It is assumed they would be mobile (e.g. a vehicle trailer) or temporary infrastructure to suit the site and demand.

Size: Various- from a small set up similar to an OTC, to a large towed trailer with a setup similar to an RVM.

Use: It is intended these will be temporary set ups for containers to be returned for a cash or electronic refund. They can be self-service or staffed.

Scale: For a small number of containers, typically less than 100 per person but not limited. Containers are assessed for eligibility, sorted, and stored onsite until collected by the Network Operator or their contractor.

Potential locations: events, markets, parks, public areas, remote areas, busy tourism/summer locations

Opening hours: similar to local businesses, in line with event/market hours, or as per scheduled hours for servicing of remote sites (which would be within standard business hours and may include weekends).

How they operate in other jurisdictions: temporary infrastructure from one day events, markets, fundraising campaigns, to longer term temporary set ups for high visitation tourist sites

Factors that may require consideration when establishing mobiles or pop-ups: litter, noise, vandalism, lighting, power

The infrastructure may require power/internet/lighting if it is an RVM setup or at a long day/night event.

Photo examples:



Figure 20: Pop-up small RVM. Credit: <https://southwestvoice.com.au/9523-2/>



Figure 21: Mobile trailer Refund Point setup. Credit: https://australia247.info/explore/queensland/cassowary_coast_regional/tully/containers-for-change-tully-13-42-42.html



Figure 22: Pop-up staffed, hand sorted Refund Point. Credit: <https://www.redlandcitybulletin.com.au/story/5836156/pop-ups-collect-drinks-bottles-for-container-refund-scheme/>



Figure 23: Example of pop-up Refund Point that may be used for remote servicing. (credit: <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/where-to-return>)



Figure 24: A pop-up Refund Point, most likely at an event. (Credit: <https://envirobank.com.au/where-to-recycle/pop-up-collections-nsw/>)

Processing Facility – details and features

Processing facilities are large, waste management and recycling infrastructure with no public interaction. They are used as an aggregation point and main processing base for the Network Operator. They are generally large sheds where trucks deliver collected container materials for further sorting, processing, and storage prior to selling the material for recycling either within Australia or overseas.

Refund Point Infrastructure: Container Refund Scheme
Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania

Automated sorting machinery is used for processing and packaging the material into large bales (or similar) for delivery to the next processor or recycler.

Photo examples:

Note: the below photos are from QLD and NSW processing facilities. The Tasmanian CRS is likely to be significantly smaller.



Figure 25: Example of processing facility – in QLD. (Credit- <https://containerexchange.com.au/>)



Cleanaway's Container Sorting Facility

Figure 26: Example of sorting and storing at a processing facility in NSW (credit- YouTube, Cleanaway, 'Cleanaway's Container Sorting Facility')



Cleanaway's Container Sorting Facility

Figure 27: Eastern Creek processing facility infrastructure in NSW (credit- YouTube, Cleanaway, 'Cleanaway's Container Sorting Facility')

Conclusion

The Tasmanian CRS is expected to commence in the first half of 2023, with installation of the required Refund Point infrastructure likely to commence late 2022. Installation of Refund Point infrastructure will require consultation with local councils for the relevant approvals for land use and development under the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and associated local government planning schemes administered by the local councils.

The overall goal of the network of Refund Points is to be convenient and easily accessible to all Tasmanians. The final design of the network and Refund Point types will be determined by the successful Network Operator at the conclusion of a competitive procurement process. The Refund Point types and details contained in this document are based on Refund Points used in mainland schemes and provided as information only, to assist in the consultation on relevant planning provisions, and do not make any guarantees as to the final network of Refund Points for Tasmania.

Additional Information

Additional information on the CRS and the potential infrastructure can be found:

Tasmanian CRS:

Container Refund Scheme | Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania
(nre.tas.gov.au)

Interstate schemes:

NSW Container Refund Scheme website- Return and Earn: <https://returnandearn.org.au/>

ACT Container Refund Scheme website: <https://actcds.com.au/>

NSW and ACT annual reports and other reports: <https://www.exchangeforchange.com.au/who-we-are/publications-and-reports.html>

WA Scheme reports including report on Refund Points and Opening Hours for Oct 2020: <https://warrri.com.au/reporting-agreements/>

WA Refund points site plans and design best practice <https://warrri.com.au/refund-points/>

WA Container Refund Scheme website: <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/>

QLD Container Refund Scheme website: <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/qld/>

QLD Scheme information and reports: <https://containerexchange.com.au/>

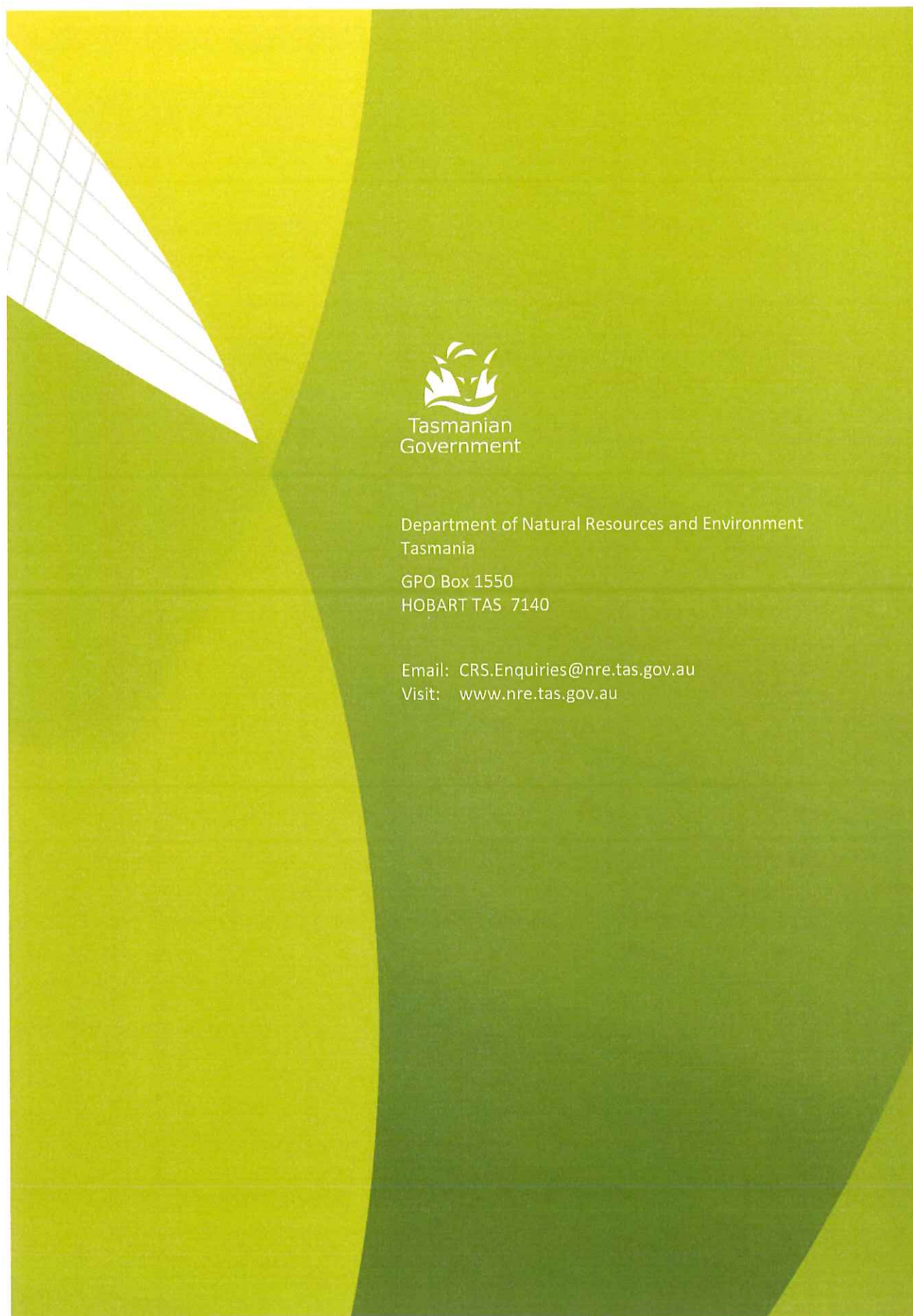
Refund Point Infrastructure:

<https://www.mytomra.com.au/reverse-vending-machines-rvms/>

<https://envirobank.com.au/who-we-are/what-we-do/rvms/>

<https://envirobank.com.au/>

<https://www.returnit.com.au/>



LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION CARETAKER PERIOD

Originated Date: 18 July 2022

Amended Date/s:

Applicable Legislation: *Local Government Act 1993*
Tasmanian Electoral Act 2004

Objective The purpose of this policy is to ensure that:

- 1) Major policy decisions are not made by Council in the leadup to an election that would prove binding for an incoming Council.
- 2) Council resources are not used for the advantage of a candidate in a local government general election.
- 3) The requirement to act impartially in relation to all candidates standing for election is clearly understood.

Administration: Governance

Review Cycle/Date: Next review 2026

1 POLICY STATEMENTS

- 1.1 Council is committed to the application of good governance principles and high standards of integrity.
- 1.2 It is an established democratic principle that elected bodies should not unnecessarily bind an incoming government during an election period. Council commits to the principle that it will make every endeavour to avoid making major policy decisions that bind an incoming Council.
- 1.3 This policy establishes clear guidelines for the conduct of Councillors and staff in the lead up to a local government general election involving the Northern Midlands Council and ensures that the ordinary business of Council continues in a responsible, transparent and legally compliant manner in the period leading up to an election.

2. DEFINITIONS

In this policy:

“By-Election” is an election to replace a councillor after the councillor’s office becomes vacant.

“Candidate” is a person standing for election.

“Council” means the Northern Midlands Council.

“Caretaker Period” is the period from the writ of election through until the close of the polls of the relevant local government general election.

“Electoral Material” means any advertisement, handbill, pamphlet, notice, flyer, letter or article that is intended or calculated to affect the result of an election.

“Election Campaign” refers to the activities of candidates to win voter support in the period preceding an election and includes activities such as door knocking, bulk emails, production of signs and flyers, telephone canvassing, social media campaigns and advertising.

“Local Government Act” means the Tasmanian *Local Government Act 1993*.

“Major Policy Decision” refers to the appointment, remuneration or termination of the General Manager, approval of contracts greater than 2% of Council’s operating revenue outside approved budget items, and initiation of By-Laws.

3. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that:

- 3.1 Major policy decisions are not made by Council in the leadup to an election that would prove binding for an incoming Council.
- 3.2 Council resources are not used for the advantage of a candidate in a local government general election.
- 3.3 The requirement to act impartially in relation to all candidates standing for election is clearly understood.

4. SCOPE

- 4.1 This policy applies to elected members and employees of the Northern Midlands Council for duration of the caretaker period for a local government general election.
- 4.2 This policy does not apply to local government by-elections.

5. PROCEDURE (POLICY DETAIL)

During the Caretaker Period the following provisions shall apply:

- 5.1 **Tenure of General Manager:** Council shall not appoint, dismiss or renew the contract of a General Manager during the Caretaker Period. An Acting General Manager may be appointed in accordance with Section 61B of the Local Government Act, if required.
- 5.2 **Tenders and Contracts:** no tender or contract shall be approved outside approved budget items by Council for which the total sum exceeds 2% of the Council's operating revenue as proposed in the forward estimates for the financial year in which the election is to be held.
- 5.3 **By-Laws:** Council will not initiate a new By-Law during the Caretaker Period.
- 5.4 **Distribution of Electoral Material:** no electoral material shall be permitted to be displayed or distributed on any Council owned or managed property.
- 5.5 **Use of Council Equipment and Stationery:** Council supplied equipment and Council branded material shall not be used by Councillors or staff in any manner that supports a candidate’s election campaign. Councillors may continue to use Council equipment and branded material throughout the course of the Caretaker Period to carry out their regular functions as described in Section 28 of the Local Government Act.
- 5.6 **Media:** Councillors will not use their position as an elected representative, or their access to employees or resources, to gain media attention in support of their, or any other candidate's election campaign.
- 5.7 **Council Committees and Groups:** a Councillor shall not use their membership of a Council Advisory Committee or appointment as a member of an external group to disseminate information or promote their, or any other candidate's election campaign.

6. GUIDELINES

- 6.1 Nothing in this policy prevents the Mayor, Councillors and staff from carrying on the business of the Council during the caretaker period.

- 6.2 Council meetings shall continue to be held during the Caretaker Period and will consider Agenda items that relate to the ordinary business of Council other than those matters identified in *Section 5: Procedure (Policy Detail)* of this policy.
- 6.3 The General Manager may still exercise all delegations provided by Council during the Caretaker Period, including the appointment of staff.
- 6.4 Capital works as approved by Council as part of the annual budget process and subsequently approved by the awarding of a tender, can proceed during the Caretaker Period, regardless of their scale.
- 6.5 The Mayor and Councillors will continue to accept invitations to attend community functions and may continue to correspond with constituents on matters related to Council business during the Caretaker Period.
- 6.6 The Mayor shall be the spokesperson for Council in accordance with Section 27 of the *Local Government Act* and shall carry out the civic and ceremonial functions of the mayoral office during the Caretaker Period.
- 6.7 Individual Councillors may continue to represent the community and facilitate communication between Council and the community for the duration of the Caretaker Period. In fulfilling these duties during this period, Councillors may claim allowances and expenses as provided under Council Policy 2.1 Payment of Councillors' Expenses and Provision of Facilities Policy.
- 6.8 Council employees shall maintain the normal business activities of Council during the Caretaker Period. Employees shall undertake their duties in an appropriate way and take all steps to avoid any real or perceived support for a candidate in order to protect the organisation's ability to impartially serve any incoming Council following an election.

7. COMMUNICATION

- 7.1 This policy will be made available to all staff, Councillors, customers, members of the public and shall be provided free of charge at Council's offices and on Council's website www.northernmidlands.tas.gov.au

8. LEGISLATION

The following legislation is relevant to this policy:

- *Local Government Act 1993*
- *Tasmanian Electoral Act 2004*

9. RELATED DOCUMENTS

Council Policies

- *Code of Conduct for Elected Members*

Human Resources Policies

- *Employee Code of Conduct*

Brett Gray
296 Perth Mill Road
PERTH TAS 7300

14 June 2022

The General Manager
Northern Midlands Council
PO Box 156
LONGFORD TAS 7301

Dear Sir/Madam

Your Ref: TA, 05/005

I am writing to you in relation to the devastating news that came to my attention today.

I've been approached by a total stranger informing they are planning to breed labradoodles, also they have applied for Kennel Licence at 310 Perth Mill Road, here, just next door from ours.

It is very disappointing that I haven't been informed by the Council about this deal, which would have a huge negative impact on our lives if it is approved. Instead I had to ring Council and inquiry about this to get a copy of the letter (via email).

I worked very hard the whole my life. Developed few health issues and that was the main reason why I decided to move here, somewhere peaceful, far from traffic, people, dogs, noise and any other unnecessary issues.

The current owner of the property at 310 Perth Mill Rd has two dogs and we already had some issues which were raised with the Council few months ago. The property is for sale and dogs are not here very often, which is a big relief. The dogs were kept in the kennel outside, next to the property and they would constantly squealing and barking making unbearable noise. Because of the bush and rural feel, this area is attracted to many native animals (wallabies, birds, possums, bettong, bandicoot, etc.). What about the environmental protection! Dogs chase and bark at anything that moves.

Therefore, we already know what issues you will bring to us by approving this and I'm **strongly objecting** the approval for the Kennel Licence. You can not guarantee to us that this licence will not cause us any issues, and that the nuisance is unlikely to occur. I definitely do not want to battle everyday living a nightmare.



After a hard day at work, my partner and I want to come home and enjoy rest of the day peacefully and have a decent sleep to be able to function the next day, not listening squealing and barking 24/7. You have no idea what impact this has on human wellbeing.

I am 58 years old and my health is already ruined to the high degree. I moved here for better life to improve my health.

Please consider this, would you approve Kennel Licence (12 labradoodles) next to your door if you already know what negative impact it would have on your life.

By approving this licence you would ruin the lives of people living in this residential area, also you will change the environment in order to suit the needs of the potential buyer of property at 310 Perth Mill Road.

This area is in town boundaries. Elizabeth Anne Bartlett is operating a business, breeding and selling labradoodles (T/A Tasmanian Labradoodles, ABN: 93 588 105 916). Please check her website: www.labradoodle.com.au

Before you make any decision, I truly hope you will consider the facts, people who live in this residential area, also consider the environment and what affect this would make on our wellbeing if you approve this licence.

Yours Faithfully



Brett Gray

Maria Ortiz Rodriguez

From: B Gray <mowing100@outlook.com>
Sent: Monday, 20 June 2022 4:35 PM
To: Maria Ortiz Rodriguez
Subject: RE: Re:

Hi Maria

As I mentioned in my previous email, my health is not very good and please do not waste my time with any unnecessary explanation/excuses.

The reasons are obvious and all facts are there. I am only interested in your final decision and I will act upon that

Regards
Brett

From: Maria Ortiz Rodriguez [mailto:maria.ortiz@nmc.tas.gov.au]
Sent: Monday, 20 June 2022 11:10 AM
To: B Gray
Subject: RE: Re:

Hi Brett,

Thank you for your email.

I am sorry to hear that not everyone got their letters, we send the letters to all the properties at 200 meters following our procedures and the *Dog Control Act 2000*. I would like to reassure you that those letters have been sent on the 8th of June 2022. As it so happens Brett this morning we have received the letter back from the post office, which means there was an issue in the delivery of this.

In regards to the application process and approval of this current application, The Northern Midlands Council considers environmental, social, and legal components related to this matter to reach a decision. In addition, to the impact on the community or surrounding assets. Having said that, the council does not conduct environmental studies directed to particular animals or plants present in this area, we are aware of the natural components of the surrounding area and correct disposal of feces and waste is considered and evaluated during the assessment of the application.

In response to your letter, even though the council can not guarantee that the keeping of dogs will not cause any issues; we work closely with the community and the license holder to monitor the property and its actions to ensure they are complying with the relevant legislation, policies, and guidelines that The Northern Midlands Council follows.

Kind regards,

Maria Ortiz Rodriguez



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From: B Gray <mowing100@outlook.com>
Sent: Sunday, 19 June 2022 4:51 PM
To: Maria Ortiz Rodriguez <maria.ortiz@nmc.tas.gov.au>
Subject: RE: Re:

Hi Maria

Something is definitely not right here. None of the people who live within 200m of the property, including myself haven't received any notification/letter. This has been kept very quiet for unknown reason.

People who purchased block at 310A Perth Mill Rd and 320 Perth Mill Road, have you give them a chance for the objection! They are building their dream home in next few months just few meters where the kennel is proposed to be positioned.

Also, my letter was addressed to you to assess the issues, not to the Applicant. If you read the letter carefully you will realise that barking is not the only issue. There are many other issues which you should be well aware and it is absurd that I have to explain myself.

What about the Waterway protection area (check the area and position of the natural assets and local historic heritage the bridge). The "kennel" would be positioned on the hill. When it is raining where do you think the water goes from the hill, washing all dogs' faeces and urine (from 12 dogs). The Flinty Creek is just few meters away, down the hill. Has there been any environmental impact study in reference to the frogs in Flinty Creek??

The Applicant is not keeping dogs as pets, working or hunting dogs or show purpose. This is a residential area and the Applicant is definitely running her business as a sole trader.

The list would be very long if I have to detail everything, however each of the following sections is protected/regulated by the Law and I assume you are familiar with each of them.

- Environment
- Health
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- Residential area
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The Council's duty is to prevent the risks and the risks are very clear here.

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All I need to know is the Council's final decision.

If you go in favour of the Applicant, I need to know the grounds this application was approved. In that case I definitely will take this matter further and seek the legal advice

Regards

Brett

From: Maria Ortiz Rodriguez [<mailto:maria.ortiz@nmc.tas.gov.au>]
Sent: Friday, 17 June 2022 12:32 PM
To: mowing100@outlook.com
Subject: Re:

Hi Brett,

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Kind regards,

From: Maria Ortiz Rodriguez
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 3:47 PM
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Subject:

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Animal Control Officer response to Objection lodged: (email conversation)

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Brett

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To The General manager

I am writing in relation to a proposed kennel licence application for 12 dogs to be housed at 310 Perth Mill Road Perth.

I am objecting to council granting this licence due to reasons listed below

1. Noise that would come with housing 12 dogs in a confined area, (we live in close proximity)
2. As I own horses, geats I am concerned if one of the dogs escapes and therefore putting my stock at risk of attack
3. How the dogs would be housed e.g. kennel runs or kept in crates? e.g. clean healthy conditions
4. The high chance of the premises becoming a "puppy farm"

As a dog lover and owner of our own dogs, I feel that a 12 dog licence to be an excessive amount to house, especially being a semi rural area with a lot of livestock housed within the vicinity, that coupled with the excess noise that would undoubtedly occur should be reason not to grant said licence

Yours sincerely

Julie Maple *Julie Maple*
90 Devon hills Rd Devon hills

0417554534

21/06/2022

Your ref: TA 05/005

The General Manager
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I strongly object to the application for a kennel licence at 310 Mill Road Perth.

The reasons are listed below

- We moved to Devon hills in 2012 for the peace and serenity of the area. The noise level from the neighboring dogs is already at extreme levels with 7 dogs one side and 2 the other and the constantly barking dogs below. The local dogs are already a nuisance.
- We have on a number of occasions had stray dogs on our property from adjoining properties. These dogs have attacked our animals, caused damage to our property and caused a great deal of stress for us.
- We have contacted animal control officer several times over the years to complain about, and for the collection of stray dogs, as have our neighbors.
- As you are well aware, in 2016 two neighboring dogs attacked and mauled our pet sheep and our pets had to be put down. The animal control officer and your council office were reluctant to pursue the owner on the matter. Only after taking the matter into our own hands and seeking legal advice did the council finally take action.
- We should not be afraid to free range our chickens or constantly be worried that another one of our pets will be killed by stray dogs.
- There is a dog that constantly yaps/squeals/barks repeatedly during the day and evening in the vicinity of 310 or 320 mill rd. The owners allow this to continue often ignoring it while they are home. We cannot have our meals in our kitchen without listening to this dog barking and we can still hear this dog over our TV in the lounge room.
- Having 12 dogs on this same property will just increase the nuisance from barking.
- There are enough unwanted dogs and irresponsible owners already.
- The sound of another 12 dogs barking and whining will be amplified as the noise carries through the gully.
- We all have livestock, sheep, goats, chickens that we need to watch out for.
- Council has neglected to do its job in the past and recently with regards to neighboring dogs leaving us to take matters into our own hands.
- My wife is unwell. I am her carer. She does not need the stress.

Yours sincerely
R L Pratt

Rob & Jen Pratt

19 August, 2021

Northern Midlands Council

Maria Ortiz Rodriguez
Animal Control & Compliance Officer
PO Box 156
LONGFORD TAS 7301

via email to planning@nmc.tas.gov.au

Dear Maria,

RE: 310 Perth Mill Road, Perth – Licence to Keep Several Dogs

Thank you for communicating to me regarding the queries contained within the representations relating to my application for a Licence to Keep Several Dogs at the property known formally as 310 Perth Mill Road, Perth.

In regards to the concerns below please see the specific responses to each of the points raised:

1. Noise pollution

As an experienced dog owner and a person who currently possesses a licence to keep several dogs in a densely populated 'General Residential' area of the Perth community, I currently have 8 dogs permitted to reside with me and I have a positive relationship with my neighbours and have never had a formal complaint made against me for noise emitted by my dogs from the property.

My property is an internal lot and my neighbours surround me on all sides. My closest neighbour's residence is less than 5m from my dogs' enclosure and other neighbours are within a 20m radius of the spaces my dogs occupy. I pride myself on having trained responsibly and courteously my animals so that they are a pleasure to be around and do not negatively impact residents or their guests.

I did choose the property with consideration of the environmental noises so that residents of the area are already accustomed to background sounds such as the routine passing of trains. Nevertheless, my dogs have not in the past create any noise pollution and I will endeavour to see that this continues through their rigorous training and through collaboration with the council and my neighbours.

2. Animal Safety

I keep Labradoodle dogs who are renowned for their placid temperament and as outlined above, all undergo intensive training to ensure that not only are the pleasant neighbourhood pets, but also that they are conditioned to be close to and around other animals. My dogs are non-aggressive companion dogs, bred for their domestic qualities such as the lack of shedding and placid nature.

The Labrador temperament is well-known for its submissive and easily directed behaviour, thus their use as guide dogs. My pets are similarly gentle having been bred from this breed of dog originally and do not and have not ever shown any signs of aggression or suggestions to violence.

Further, I am having constructed prior to relocating to the property a dog enclosure by licence and registered tradespeople for the purpose of protecting and containing my dogs on the property. These enclosures will hold and protect my dogs in equal measure to protecting any other animals who reside in the vicinity of the property.

3. Enclosures

My dogs will be housed in a fully fenced and enclosed open-air yard during the day that provides them access to a contained external part of the property that is far removed from the boundaries of the property. This will place greater distance between my dogs and any neighbours. This yard will allow have direct access to an internal space which will provide shade and shelter for the animals on hot or wet weather days.

Of an evening all of my dogs are housed inside the property within their own crate. There is no possibility of any animal exiting either the crate or the interior of the property and they are trained to spend the night-times at rest and do not create any disturbances. These enclosures are specifically sized for the animal and are maintained to a high standard to ensure their comfort and health.

The condition of the dog specific spaces are similar to those occupied by my family and I. I am fastidious about cleanliness and I ensure that all of my property is kept to the utmost highest standard. The Northern Midlands Council has routinely inspected my property to ensure that these standards are upheld and can attest to the fact that I maintain these conditions at all times.

4. Puppy Farming

Whilst in the past I have occasionally had single litters of puppies, I have no intention nor do I support the farming of puppies for broadscale commercial purposes. I have selected to relocate my animals and home to Perth Mill Road because it provides my family, my pets and I with more space and freedom to enjoy the beautiful environment, to give consideration to my neighbours and from a desire to add a few additional dogs to my family.

I am hopeful that in the future I will be able to share the experience of owning a Labradoodle with the community, if my dogs were to breed, however this would be directly dependent upon further permission from the council which under the current zoning of the property and the Northern Midlands Planning Scheme, this is prohibited from being conducted.

Therefore on the basis of its prohibition but also on the basis that it conflicts ethically with my ethos on animal health and dog breeding, I can attest that there is no concern regarding the potentiality of the property becoming a puppy farm.

I intend to be a great and positive contributor to the Perth Mill Road community, as I have been to my other neighbours in the past and welcome discussion regarding any queries or concerns of those who live close by.

If you have any further concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Kind regards,

Lisa Bartlett

49 Phillip Street
Perth **TAS 7300**

Objection responses



Objection lodged by Julie Maple – 90 Devon Hills Road

Animal Officer has contacted Julie Maple on the 22/06/2022 to discuss the measures that the applicant Lisa Bartlett will put in place according to her response. Julie Maple does not object to this license any longer and is satisfied with the response from the applicant.

Objection lodged by Rob & Jen Pratt – 88 Devon Hills Road

Animal Officer has contacted Robert on the 22/06/2022 to discuss the measures that the applicant Lisa Bartlett will put in place according to her response. Robert is not satisfied with the response from the applicant and still has concerns with the approval of this application

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maria Ortiz'.

Maria Ortiz
22/06/2022

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Date: 22nd June,2022

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To: The General Manager Northern Midlands Council

From: Andrew and Patricia Golle

Ref: **Objection to Kennel License at 310 Perth Mill Road, Perth. TA, 05/005.**

The General Manager,

In response to your advisory letter dated 20th June 2022 regarding the application for a kennel license at the above address. We register our objection to the granting of the kennel licence for 12 dogs.

Our objection is based on the following grounds.

1. Tasmanian Labradoodles operates as a breeding business and plans to conduct commercial activities as a business in a low-density residential area. We do not agree that this operation is appropriate for this zoning. The dogs are currently on a 90-acre property in a rural area. This is a more appropriate venue where nuisance to neighbors is reduced.
 - a. The operation of a business in proximity to our property will devalue our property.
 - b. The impact on the environment in proximity to a water course is a high risk with intensive kenneling of 12 dogs.
 - c. The operation of a commercial enterprise should be in a suitably zoned area.
 - d. Has application been made to council to conduct commercial activities on this property?
 - e. Is council addressing the reclassification of the residential buildings to commercial use?

2. The application is for 12 dogs. Is this for adult dogs or does it account for litters of puppies at regular occurrences.
 - a. 12 adult dogs alone will have an intensive impact on the area.
 - b. 12 dogs including puppies is not a realistic quantity represented by the applicant. A litter may be in the range of 8,9,10 puppies.
 - i. How many adult dogs will be permanent residents on the property?

- ii. How many litters are planned over a 12-month period?
- iii. Will multiple litters be kenneled at any one time?
- iv. How many breeding bitches are planned to be kenneled and litters produced at any one time?
- v. Will the applicant be building fit for purpose kenneling for the dogs?
- vi. Will this be subject to planning approval by council and fall under Building Codes requirements?

3. The impact on the environment will be intensive where the property is uphill and near Flinty Creek, which flows into the South Esk River.
- a. A storm water event of 1% occurrence is not to result in effluent runoff into a water course. Localized containment of resultant commercial waste and excrement is at risk of contaminating the water courses in a rain event.
 - b. This needs to be assessed under the Northern Midlands Policy Manual for Stormwater Runoff Management.

Australian Rainfall and Runoff 2016 and Australian Standard AS3500.3:2003 Plumbing and Drainage establish that stormwater runoff in all storm events up to and including the 1% AEP storm event must be conveyed safely and not present a hazard to people, vehicles, or cause significant damage to property. Council has a responsibility under the Urban Drainage Act 2013 to ensure that new developments within the municipal district do not adversely impact on the performance of the local stormwater drainage system or cause an unreasonable flow of water on to downstream or surrounding properties

- c. AS 3500.3 – 2018 Plumbing and Drainage Part 3: Stormwater drainage requires:
 - i. ***5.3.1.5 Containment of harmful substances Separate surface water drainage systems or special arresters (see Clause 7.5) shall be provided for any parts of the property where materials that could pollute or block such drainage systems are stored or used.***

Wastewater management and discharge are covered under in National Construction Code NCC Volume 3 Performance Requirements:

Performance Requirements

Tas HP1.1 Health, environment and amenity

- (1) ***An on-site wastewater management system*** must ensure the following:
 - (a) Risks associated with the discharge of treated wastewater to the environment are minimised.
 - (b) Risks associated with the discharge of the end *product* of a composting toilet to the environment are minimised.
 - (c) Surface and ground water are not polluted.
 - (d) Soil productivity is maintained or enhanced.

- d. How will the disposal of waste and excrement from 12 dogs be managed?
 - e. Will dog waste be disposed of in the current septic system?
 - f. Does the current septic system and transpiration trenches have the capacity for commercial animal waste?
 - g. Will resultant waste and excrement be disposed of off-site? If so, waste will need to be intermittently stored on the property. How will this be contained?
 - h. What is the risk of effluent overflow entering the watercourse?
4. We are concerned about the impact on our amenity where 12 dogs provide a high probability of nuisance through noise pollution.
 - a. The owner of the business currently resides in a Perth residentially zoned area. The dogs are kenneled in a rural area.
 - b. How does the applicant propose to minimize / control noise nuisance in our low-density residential area where it obviously can't be done at her current residence?
 5. We have invested greatly in our new home and property for the purpose of enjoying a quiet lifestyle on small acreage, not to have a commercial breeding operation thrust upon us.
 - a. How can council assure us that we will not be adversely affected should they grant the application?
 - b. Can council provide assurance that our property will not devalue by the approval and establishment of this commercial operation in our area?
 - c. Will council guarantee to compensate us in the event that our property value is negatively impacted by the operation of this business? We will be seeking compensation in such an event.

I understand that the applicant will respond to the points we have made, however some of these issues are the responsibility of council.

We require council to address the above points and provide us with a written response on each point.

Yours Sincerely,



Andrew and Patricia Golle'

282 Perth Mill Rd. Perth. Tas. 7300.



Photo1: Proposed fencing surrounding the house.



Photo3: Backyard where the proposed outside kennels would be built.



Photo 4 and 5: Proposed whelping area

Proposed whelping area inside with heater.

ACCESS TO UNITS POLICY

Originated Date: Adopted 13 June 2000 – Min No. 264/00 (as Policy 25)

Amended Date/s: Reviewed 21 September 2009 – Min No. 255/09
Reviewed 21 September 2015 – Min No. 270/15
Amended 20 August 2018 – Min. No 230/18
Reviewed – Mi. No. 22/.....

Applicable Legislation:

Objective

To ensure that the:

- i) Consumer's access to a unit is determined according to his/her level of assessed need
- ii) Consumer's access to a unit is decided on a non-discriminatory basis
- iii) Consumer's refusal of a unit is respected and does not prejudice any future attempt in access
- iv) Consumers are made aware of and obtain private insurance, a requirement to cover contents/possession.

Administration: Corporate Services

Review Cycle/Date: Next review ~~2026.~~ ~~2022.~~

1. UNITS: WILLIAMS STREET, CAMPBELL TOWN & 2-4 MURRAY STREET, EVANDALE

Units located at Campbell Town and Evandale are owned by Northern Midlands Council (NMC).

Campbell Town Health Centre assists ~~advises~~ the NMC on management of the Campbell Town units.

Campbell Town Health Centre will recommend to the NMC in relation to ~~Older~~ Persons in the community who wish to rent/reside in Council units – William Street, Campbell Town.

~~Should there be no recommendations from the Campbell Town Health Centre council may seek assistance from a local real estate agent to occupy / manage the unit/s.~~

2. NON-DISCRIMINATION

Services are available to all people within the target population without discrimination. People cannot be excluded from access on the grounds of their gender, marital status, religious or cultural beliefs, political affiliation, particular disability, ethnic background, sexual preference, or geographical location.

No consumer will be judged, denied or given preferential access to services based on any of the above.

If Council seeks assistance from the Campbell Town Health Centre or a Real estate Agent they will conduct the initial interview/assessment and make recommendations in writing, to Council which will be the final arbiters.

3. CONSUMERS HAVE A RIGHT TO

- a) Dispute the outcome, they have a right to challenge or complain to the Council
- b) Consumers will be assisted to seek and access an advocate of their choice without fear of retribution through Campbell Town Health Centre ~~or a Real estate Agent~~
- c) Consumers have a right to expect privacy as well as respect for their individual human worth and dignity.

4. CONSUMERS HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY

- a) Consumers are to abide by Council's lease agreement.
- b) Consumers are to have their own personal contents insurance.

5. ACCESS TO UNITS

- a) Consumers to be notified of the date when Council's decision will be determined.
- b) Consumers to be notified in writing, within two weeks of decision being made by Council of their application's success or failure.
- c) If unsuccessful a reason in writing should be provided by Council or its agent.
- d) The person should be made aware of the complaints policy and procedure.

6. ASSESSED NEEDS/PRIORITY OF ACCESS

- a) Common indicators of higher level needs for frail elderly people residing within the Northern Midlands
 - Lives alone or with a carer who is frail, ill, stressed or has a disability
 - Social contacts are limited or non-existent
 - Home environment is physically unsafe
 - Socially or geographically isolated
 - Financially disadvantaged/pensioner
 - Family support structure is at risk of breaking down
- b) Priority will be given to persons whose circumstances meet one or more of the above factors.

RURAL REFUSE COLLECTION SERVICE

Originated Date: Adopted 6 May 2002 – Min. No. 175/02 (as Policy 48)
Amended Date/s: Amended 21 September 2015 – Min. No. 270/15
 Amended 20 August 2018 – Min. No. 230/18
 Reviewed – Min. No. 22/.....

Applicable Legislation:

Objective Extend the current refuse collection and recyclable service to the proposed routes shown on the Rural Waste Collection area map with all property owners (316 in total) on the route charged for the new service and the costs spread evenly over all properties serviced within the scheme (rural & residential)

Administration: Works

Review Cycle/Date: Every 4 years. Next Review ~~2026. August 2022.~~

1 PURPOSE

To extend the current refuse collection and recyclable service in the rural area with all property owners on the route charged for the new service and the costs spread evenly over all properties serviced within the scheme (rural & residential).

2 WASTE MANAGEMENT CHARGES

The waste management charges are reviewed each year under the annual Budget and Rating process.

3 EXEMPTIONS

No exemptions apply for rural users on the designated collection route, except as follows: -

- (i) Exempt the charge in rural areas when a doctor has provided evidence that none of the property owner/tenants are capable of wheeling the mobile garbage bin from the property boundary (2 metres inside the entrance) to the roadside for collection.
- (ii) Exempt the waste collection service charge where houses are vacant and the service is not used, and an annual application has been provided.

4 EXTENSIONS

Any extensions to the service must consider the magnitude of any subsidy to collect a particular property. The Council stated that the waste management service becomes compulsory if a property containing a house is located on the extended designated route.

As a result any extension to the designated route must satisfy two essential criteria - these being:

- (i) that any Council subsidy is limited to 50% of the additional collection cost, and;
- (ii) that every property (with a dwelling) located on the proposed extended route agree to the waste management service.

4.1 PROCEDURE

4.1.1 The Kerbside Collection Administration Officer assesses the degree of subsidy for a request to include a new route. The calculation is as follows:

Please note that amended Travel and Pickup rates to be sought and provided by Contractor at time of each calculation.

<i>Garbage</i>		
Length of road to gate & back again	=km ('L')
Number of occupied properties along proposed route	= ('No')
Formula 1	=	L x \$1.50 + No x \$1.53

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Formula 2} &= \text{No} \times \$1.53 \\
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Subsidy Ratio} &= \frac{\text{Formula 1}}{\text{Formula 2}} \\
 &= \dots\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

If Subsidy Ratio > 2, then subsidy too great to provide service.

Recycling

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Length of road to gate \& back again} &= \dots\text{km ('L')} \\
 \text{Number of occupied properties along proposed route} &= \dots\text{ ('No')} \\
 \text{Formula 1} &= L \times \$1.50 + \text{No} \times \$1.71 \\
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Formula 2} &= \text{No} \times \$1.71 \\
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Subsidy Ratio} &= \frac{\text{Formula 1}}{\text{Formula 2}} \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

If Subsidy Ratio > 2, then subsidy too great to provide service.

4.1.2. If both subsidy ratio less than or equal to 2, then seek an accurate cost to collect services along proposed route from Waste Management Contractor and Recycling Contractor then recalculate subsidy ratio as shown below:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Formula 1} &= \text{Collection cost provided by contractor} + \text{No} \times \$1.50 \\
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Formula 2} &= \text{No} \times \$1.50 \\
 &= \$\dots \\
 \text{Subsidy Ratio} &= \frac{\text{Formula 1}}{\text{Formula 2}} \\
 &= \dots\dots
 \end{aligned}$$

4.1.3 If Subsidy Ratio confirms to be less than or equal to 2, then write to every property (containing a dwelling) along the proposed new route seeking their comments on being included within the waste management area.

4.1.4 Upon the return of all questionnaires, then extend waste management service to new area only if 100% support.

4.1.5 Advise rate collector of extended area to amend rate records and prepare invoices for part year services.

4.1.6 Send invoices and information brochures to properties.

4.1.7 Arrange for waste and recycling contractor to deliver wheelie bins and begin service.

5 REVIEW

The Council will review this policy at least every four years.

PLANNING APPLICATION Proposal

Description of proposal: Applying for food permit for location, onsite Van and change
to existing Sign using heritage colors.

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(attach additional sheets if necessary)

If applying for a subdivision which creates a new road, please supply three proposed names for the road, in order of preference:

1..... 2..... 3.....

Site address: 121 Highstreet Campbelltown

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CT no:

Estimated cost of project \$..... (include cost of landscaping,
car parks etc for commercial/industrial uses)

Are there any existing buildings on this property? Yes / No
If yes – main building is used as Staff Toilets and Storage

If variation to Planning Scheme provisions requested, justification to be provided:

Future Plans to develop location into a coffee shop and seating in current building. Full plans will be provided
for this once future development is underway. Currently just applying for a change into a food premises so
so we can operate a food van on Location.

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(attach additional sheets if necessary)

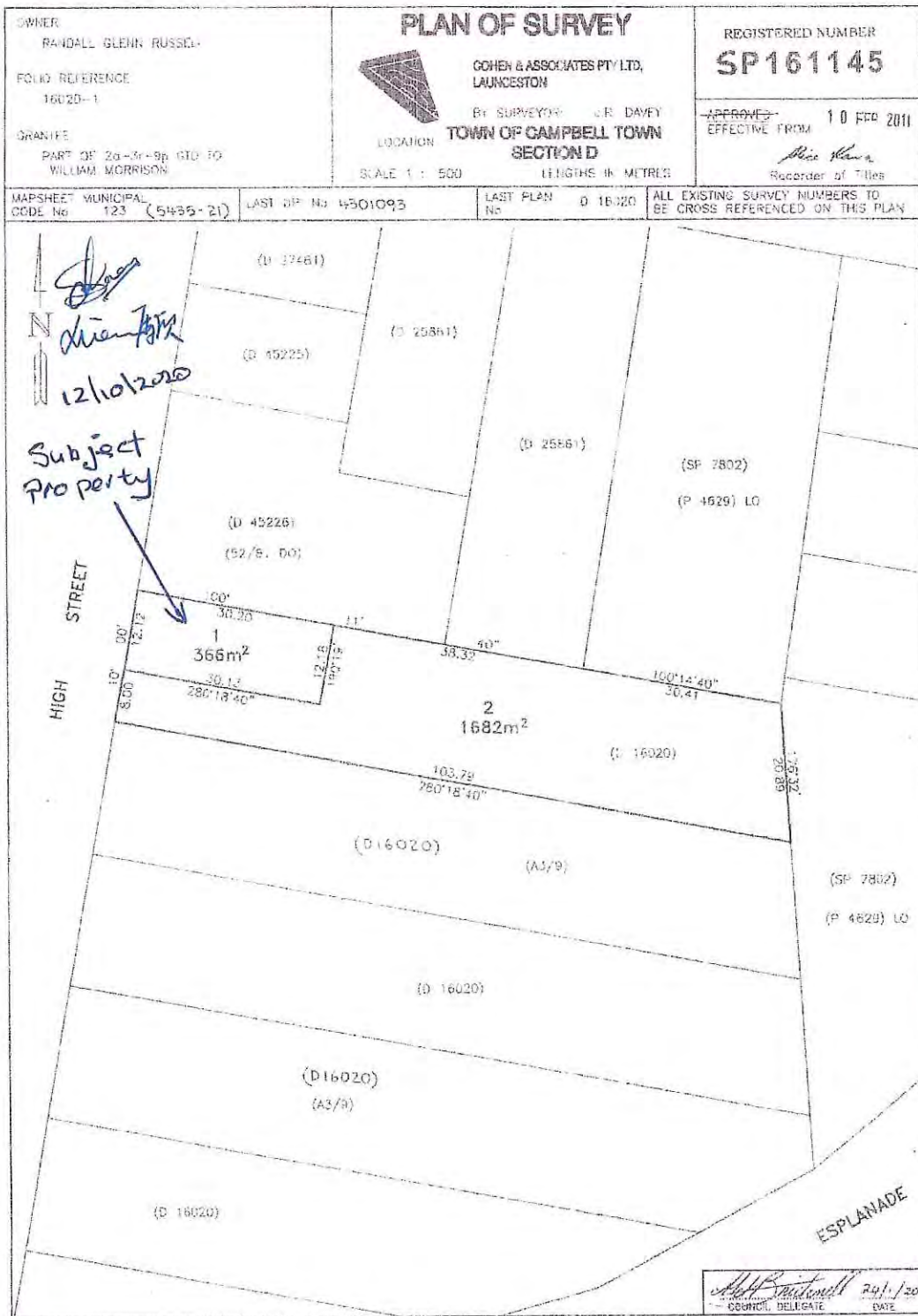
Is any signage required? Change in Signage is required Attached is Drawings of proposed change
(if yes, provide details)

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RECORDER OF TITLES

Issued Pursuant to the Land Titles Act 1980



Alan Russo 24/1/2011
- CONTROL, DELIVERED DATE

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Sent: Tuesday, 24 May 2022 1:58 PM
To: NMC Planning
Subject: FW: FW: PLN-21-0315 Documentation
Attachments: image001.jpg; A2216461T Food Truck 121 High Street, Campbell Town - Car Parking and Traffic Impact Assessment 1.1.pdf

Candy Van Operations ;

Business hours:
Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday
Between 12pm - 6pm
3 casual staff

Power:

Van will be connected to on-site mains power with no external generator.

Lighting:

Recessed Fluorescent lights are mounted inside the truck no external lighting.

Request of work:

No work proposed on physically changing signage or otherwise modifying the existing property.

The van will be permanently onsite.

Attached is the TIA this has been approved by state growth in an email forwarded to nmc

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A2216461T Food Truck 121 High Street, Campbell Town - Car Parking and Traffic Impact Assessment 1.1

24th March 2022

Northern Midlands Council
13 Smith Street
Longford TAS 7301

Dear Sir/Madam,

**Car Parking and Traffic Impact Assessment – Proposed Food Truck
121 High Street, Campbell Town**

1. Overview

We have been commissioned by Mr Benjamin Miller to undertake a car parking and traffic impact assessment for a proposed food truck, selling doughnuts, that will operate from the yard of 121 High Street, Campbell Town. The proposal involves adding an additional use, specifically food services, on a site that currently contains a shop. Table 8.2 Use Classes of the Northern Midland Planning Scheme 2013 defined food services use as use of land for preparing or selling food or drink for consumption on or off the premises. Examples include a cafe, restaurant and take-away food premises.

Proposed trading hours are 12pm to 6pm Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday. There will be no seats, i.e. the business is not a café. All sales will be conducted with customers standing outside the truck and up to 3 staff working inside the truck. Customers typically complete their purchases within 2 minutes of turning up at the counter. The footprint of the truck is 14.7m², based on dimensions of a small rigid vehicle (SRV) truck – 6.4m long and 2.3m wide.

Leasable area of the shop (that is separate to the proposed food truck) is 54.2m². On-line information from <https://www.realestateview.com.au/real-estate/121-high-street-campbell-town-tas/property-details-sold-residential-11079994/> states a site area 366m² and on-site parking for 3 cars. The premises formerly operated as a hair dressing salon.

The driveway to the rear yard is 4.0m wide. A 1.4m grassed strip lies between the driveway and the southern boundary. There is 5.4m's of lateral width between the wall of the building and the southern boundary. The southern abuts the carriageway reserve for the battle-axed lot with a street address of 121A High Street and contains a 3-bedroom dwelling and on-site car parking.

Level 3, 85 Macquarie Street, Hobart TAS 7000

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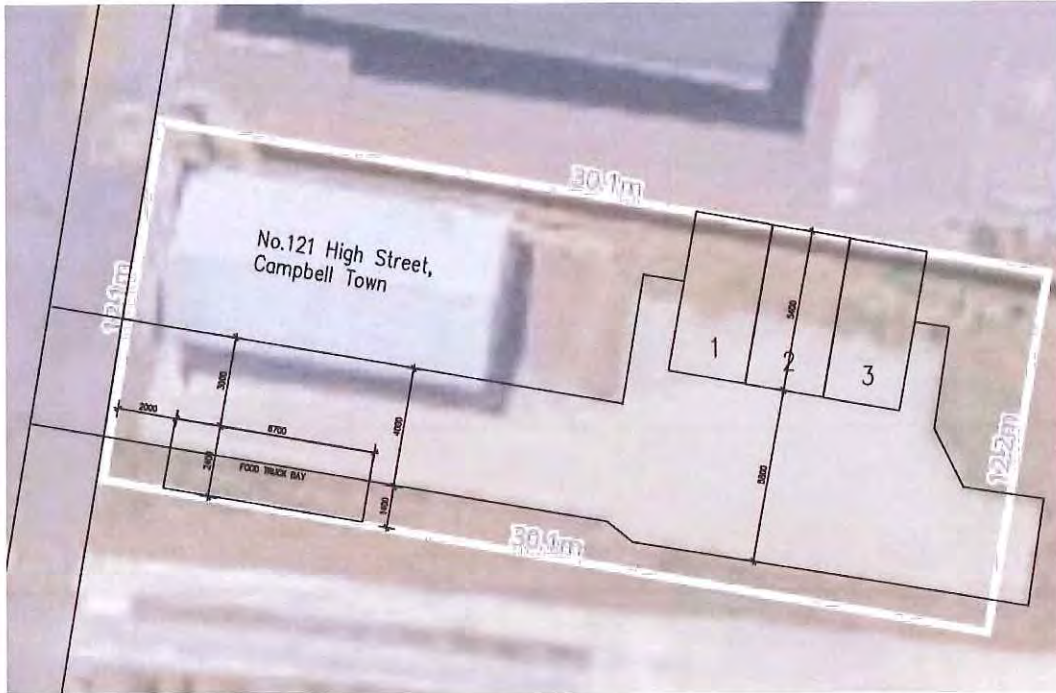


Figure 1: Site Plan showing Proposed Food Truck Bay and Formalised 3-Space Parking Area

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Figure 2: View of the Driveway and Hard Stand – from the East (Rear)

2. Car Parking Requirements

Northern Midlands Council has not adopted the latest planning scheme car parking rates. Instead, it continues to use the Interim Planning Scheme Table E6.1's car parking rates:

- Food services (restaurant, café, take-away): 1 space for each 15m² net floor area + 6 queuing spaces for drive-through.
- Retail and hire (amusement centre, betting agency, department store, market, supermarket, video shop): 1 space for each 30m² net floor area.

The proposal does NOT involve a drive-through. As such, the 6-queuing space requirement does not apply. A customer would park (on-site or on the frontage road), and walk to the counter located on the side window of the food truck. Order is processed there and then, with food handed to the customer within 2 minutes. The customer then walks to his/her car and drive off. Based on the client's operations at other locations, there is typically one group of customers (individual, couple, family) at any one time.

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Parking requirement for the proposed food van, which occupies 15m² of leasable space, is 1 space. The existing and retained 54m² shop requires 2 spaces. Total parking requirement for both land uses is 3 spaces. See Table 2. 3 spaces are provided on-site.

Table 1 presents the car parking requirements of the existing use of the land.

Proposed Land Use	Characteristics	Parking Rate as per Table E6.1	Parking Requirement
Retail and hire	54m ²	1 space per 30m ²	1.8 spaces
Parking Requirement			2 spaces
On-site Car Parking Provision			3 spaces
<i>Existing Extent of Off-Site (On-Street) Parking Required given the 3-space On-Site car parking provision</i>			0 space

Table 1: Car Parking Requirements and Off-Site Parking Impacts – Existing Use

Table 2 presents the car parking requirements of the proposed uses of the land.

Existing Land Use	Characteristics	Parking Rate as per Table E6.1	Parking Requirement
Retail and hire	54m ²	1 space per 30m ²	1.8 spaces
Food services	15m ²	1 space per 15m ²	1 space
Parking Requirement			3 spaces
On-site Car Parking Provision			3 spaces
<i>Proposed Extent of Off-Site (On-Street) Parking Required given the 3-space On-Site car parking provision</i>			0 space

Table 2: Car Parking Requirements and Off-Site Parking Impacts – Proposed Uses

Sales data from the applicant's existing food truck business in Kingston are presented in Table 3.

Period	Peak Hour	Day	Date	Number of Transactions
3pm to 6pm	5pm to 6pm	Friday	29-Oct-21	40
2pm to 6pm	5pm to 6pm	Friday	12-Nov-21	44
2pm to 6pm	2pm to 3pm	Friday	10-Dec-21	33
2pm to 6pm	4pm to 5pm	Friday	14-Jan-22	32
3pm to 6pm	5pm to 6pm	Friday	18-Feb-22	46

Table 3: Historical Sales Data of the Applicant's Existing Food Truck Business (selling donuts) in Kingston