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A picturesque view: Historic Richmond Bridge and St John's Church.

## Council delivers 2018-19 budget

The 2018-19 budget provides for an increase in the total rating impost of 2.6 per cent, net of the State Government Fire Levy. In addition to general cost increases, major impacts on Council's budget include a loss of dividends from TasWater in excess of \$1m and a significant rise in the price of processing recyclables.

Along with other Australian Councils, recycling costs have increased due to higher quality control requirements for products exported to China. This, along with high demand for the popular annual hardwaste collection service, has contributed to an additional \$254,000 being required to meet waste collection costs.

"This is a prudent budget that includes a modest rate increase which ensures we continue to improve infrastructure and levels of services in our expanding city," Mayor of Clarence, Alderman Doug Chipman said.

"Last year Clarence had the highest population growth for a local government area in Tasmania. Council is committed to investing in services and programs for all age groups, continuing to improve our community so that all residents get the best from living in our city."

Council will continue to focus on improvements to road infrastructure with \$5m

allocated for road reconstruction and resealing and \$1.28m on the renewal of footpaths, kerb and gutter.

Key budget expenditure items include:

- Upgrade of Derwent Avenue from Sunhaven Avenue to Musgrove Road in Geilston Bay (\$600,000)
- Kangaroo Bay public pier and breakwater (\$590,000)
- Drainage improvements at South Arm (\$420,000)
- A new park at Blossom Court in Cambridge (\$350,000)
- Lighting upgrade and catching nets at Risdon Vale Oval (\$295,000)
- Storm culverts works at Bilney Street in Richmond (\$220,000)
- Disability Discrimination Act compliant public toilets at Calverton Hall (\$200,000)
- Upgrade of visitor change rooms at Lauderdale Oval for the 'levelling playing field' program to boost girl's and women's participation in sport (\$92,000)
- Upgrade of play equipment at the Village Green in Richmond (\$80,000)
- Development of a master plan for Clarence Plains (\$85,000).

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# Call for entries: Clarence Open Art Exhibition



Clarence Open Art Prize recognises the creative talents of residents in the city.

Entries in Clarence's Open Art Exhibition are now open, but you need to get in quick as the closing date is 13 July.

The Clarence Open Art Exhibition is open to residents. It is an opportunity for artists at all levels - from hobbyists to professionals - to submit original works.

Submissions are invited across the mediums of painting, photography/digital media, printmaking and drawing. Along with these categories, there will also be the Mayor's Selection and an overall winner.

Cash prizes are available in each category with a total prize value of \$3,300.

"The Clarence Open Art Exhibition provides an excellent opportunity for budding artists of all skill levels to showcase their creativity," Mayor Chipman said. "Our arts program includes a range of initiatives to support and celebrate the arts in the city and this is a great way to encourage participation in the arts.

"I look forward to seeing the works on display at Rosny Farm and judging the Mayor's Selection from this year's entries."

To enter, simply visit the Clarence Arts and Events website at <a href="https://www.clarenceartsandevents.net">www.clarenceartsandevents.net</a>. A fee of \$10 per entry applies with a maximum of two entries per person, payable on submission.

For all enquiries talk to our Arts and Events team on 03 6217 9607 or email rosnyfarm@ccc.tas.gov.au.

The Clarence Open Art Exhibition will run from 28 July to 26 August 2018 at Rosny Barn and Schoolhouse Gallery.



# Pilot project targets tagging

A pilot program to address illegal tagging and graffiti on reservoirs has seen many of these structures take on a much improved appearance.

The project is being run by TasWater in conjunction with Council's youth services team.

Ten young people in Clarence, under the guidance of commercial artists, have been given the chance to create and spray murals on reservoirs at Mornington, Rokeby and Bellerive.

The project is an opportunity to address illegal tagging and graffiti by engaging with and encouraging young members of the community in a positive way.

The idea for the project was sparked after TasWater received a number of complaints from the community about offensive graffiti and tagging on the structures.

## Construction of Waverley Flora Park Avenue of Honour

To commemorate the contribution of those who fought in World War I, Council is now constructing an Avenue of Honour at the Quarry Road entrance of the Waverley Flora Park.

An original Avenue of Honour was established along Quarry Road beside the old Bellerive Rifle Club Range almost 100 years ago, but it, and the rifle range, have disappeared through development and the ravages of time.

Detailed research has been conducted by historian John Wadsley. Further consultation with the community took place last year.

Of the 23 soldiers who were commemorated in September 1918 in the original Avenue of Honour, Council at this stage has been

able to identify 19 soldiers and research their service history and life after the war.

There are still four unnamed soldiers who were members of the Bellerive Rifle Club. Council would like to identify these soldiers and are asking members of the community to assist with any information. Please call us on 6217 9500 if you can help.

To commemorate the 23 soldiers, a brass plaque attached to a sandstone plinth will be placed along the avenue dedicated to each soldier.

Works to be carried out include landscaping at the Quarry Road entrance, planting of 23 gum trees, a gravel track along the avenue, information signs, a sculpture, and a short extension of the Carawa Street footpath to link



A concept design of the Avenue of Honour.

with the entrance.

The Avenue of Honour will open on 11 November to mark the 100 year anniversary of the original Avenue of Honour and the end of World War I.

# Regional brand encourages visitors Local Government to Coal River Valley

A new brand to promote tourism in the Richmond and Coal River Valley has been launched.

The Coal River Valley brand provides a regional approach to tourism marketing through the art of storytelling.

The brand captures the close proximity to Hobart, its history and the diversity of produce.

Council invested \$15,000 and worked with Destination Southern Tasmania and the local industry to develop an iconic brand for the region.

"This brand has been developed for the industry to promote the region and create a point of difference to market Richmond and the Coal River Valley to the rest of Tasmania, Australia, and the world," Mayor Chipman

The brand provides a consistent and collaborative approach for the industry to best market the region.

The launch of the Coal River Valley brand is timely with several other projects being developed such as the Beacon project (digital interpretation), a tourism infrastructure audit, an economic development plan for the region, and a



A promotional flyer illustrating the Coal River Valley brand.

feasibility study for a Coal River Valley gourmet cycle trail.

The brand was launched by the Mayor and the Chief Executive Officer of Destination Southern Tasmania, Alex Heroys in Richmond.

# **Elections 2018**

Local Government Elections are conducted by full postal ballot every four years. The next Election will occur in October 2018.

Who is eligible to vote?

If you are currently on the state electoral roll you will automatically be on the Local Government roll.

If you are eligible to be on the state roll but are not correctly enrolled at present, you can update your enrolment online at www.aec. gov.au, obtain an enrolment form from any post office or electoral office or have one sent to you by phoning 13 23 26.

What if I have a shack or a shop – or if I'm not an Australian Citizen?

You are also eligible to enrol if:

- you own or occupy land in Clarence but you are not eligible to be on the state roll for Clarence
- you are the nominated representative of a corporate body which owns or occupies land in Clarence.

To be enrolled under these special provisions you will need to complete the appropriate enrolment form and ensure that your completed enrolment form is forwarded to the General Manager before the close of rolls on 13 September 2018.

To obtain an enrolment form or to check your enrolment details if you are already enrolled under these special provisions, contact Council on 6217 9523.

## New public pier and breakwater

A public pier and breakwater at 14A Victoria Esplanade in Bellerive has received planning approval from council.

The \$1.95m public pier and breakwater will be located at the junction of Cambridge Road and Victoria Esplanade near the existing ferry terminal, adjacent to the public car park. It will provide 24 hour access.

The pier will stretch 105m into the mouth of Kangaroo Bay and will include a 2.5m wide walkway with seating, lighting, and a navigation beacon at the end.

"The pier will improve access for the public to the waterfront and also act as a breakwater to reduce and provide protection from waves to Kangaroo Bay," Mayor of Clarence, Alderman Doug Chipman said.

"It will include protection for public moorings, the public boat ramp, the Bellerive Yacht Club marina and the existing boardwalk infrastructure. It is also another step in the

wider enhancement of Kangaroo Bay."

The pier will not include a ferry terminal or boat berthing capability.

"Ferries will still be able to berth at the existing ferry landing near the pier. Council is working with TasPorts and the State Government on the possibility of a new ferry terminal located near the hotel development approved earlier this year," Mayor Chipman said.

"We are committed to achieving the best outcome for Kangaroo Bay, for residents, visitors and commuters."

The decision by Council follows a community information session held last year and a statutory public exhibition period.

It is expected that the construction of the public pier will take six months to complete once all conditions of the development application are met.

## **Australia Day Awards**

Nominations for the 2019 City of Clarence Australia Day Awards are now open.

The awards celebrate the many and varied achievements and contributions made by residents of Clarence.

Nominations can be made in the categories of citizen, young and senior citizen of the year, and community event of the year.

Nomination forms are available at Council Offices or you can complete an online form on our website at www.ccc.tas.gov.au/ australiadayawards.

Nominations close Friday 23 November.



## New toolkit to plan a better event

Council has developed an innovative new resource to make the sometimes daunting task of planning and running an event easier for the community.

Council, in partnership with Healthy Tasmania, identified that a simple toolkit which aims to help organisers 'think outside the box' could create more diverse events which are inclusive to more people.

The 'Planning a better event' toolkit is a guide to help identify, personalise and brainstorm all aspects of planning an event, leading to healthier, more engaging and memorable events in Tasmania. The toolkit is divided into sections that includes food, the physical environment, sustainability, social inclusion and legalities with each listing a number of items to consider.

Alderman Heather Chong, Chairperson of Council's Community Health and Wellbeing Advisory Committee, said that she hoped by using this toolkit people will be able to contribute to the health and wellbeing of the community by taking events to the next level.

"The 'Planning a better event' toolkit is about making events more appealing to wider audiences, easier for people to be part of, and ensuring we do less harm to the environment in the process," she said.

"We want event-goers to have memorable



A new community resource to help event organisers plan an event is now available.

experiences that are fun and safe. The toolkit is designed for people to build on and make their own, with space for notes and to list ideas."

Council has partnered with Healthy Tasmania to provide the toolkit to other organisations around the state. It is also available to download online.

For more information or to download a copy of the 'Planning a better event' toolkit, visit <a href="https://www.ccc.tas.gov.au/events">www.ccc.tas.gov.au/events</a>.

#### **Grants now available**

Council is now calling for applications for community support (September 2018 round) and partnership grants.

Community support grants of up to \$1,500 are available to groups and not-for-profit organisations in Clarence to make a positive impact in the city.

Applications must be received by close of business on 15 September 2018.

Partnership grants are also available to not-for-profit groups or organisations based in Clarence or a group based outside of Clarence with a project, event or activity that brings direct benefits to the Clarence community.

Partnership grants for up to \$15,000 are available annually and close on 1 October 2018. For more information on our grants program, visit <a href="https://www.ccc.tas.gov.au/grants">www.ccc.tas.gov.au/grants</a>.

### **History of Clarence**

Discounted copies of 'The Eastern Shore: A History of Clarence' are available for sale from Council Offices.

Written by leading historian, Dr Alison Alexander, and published by Council in 2003, the book traces the history of Clarence before European settlement to more recent times. The book contains rare photographs, maps and historical documents and gives a unique insight into the lives of the people of Clarence.

The book is for sale at \$20 (was \$29.95). More information on the history of Clarence is available at <a href="https://www.ccc.tas.gov.au/history">www.ccc.tas.gov.au/history</a>.

## Volunteers do a top job in the city

A 'thank you' reception in our city was held in May to honour the many volunteers who make Clarence a better place to live.

More than 80 people from the community attended the evening function with Alison Lai, local resident and CEO of Volunteering Tasmania speaking on the significance of volunteering in the state.

Mayor of Clarence, Alderman Doug Chipman, said the value of volunteers should never be underestimated or taken for granted.

"A profound impact can be made on entire communities like Clarence, through the donation of even a small amount of time," Alderman Doug Chipman said.

"Volunteering plays a key part in developing our community's sense of belonging, worth and resilience and we value the contribution of all our volunteers."

People wanting to volunteer in the community



The Mayor with volunteers Julie Gillie and Leonie Silk from Dragons Abreast Tasmania, and Rosalie Mason from Wellbeing 13 Club Inc.

are encouraged to approach one of the many groups in Clarence

Alternatively, the Clarence Community Volunteer Service, run in partnership with Council, is always on the look-out for volunteers to help with a range of tasks from gardening to grocery shopping. More information on this service can be found at www.ccc.tas.gov.au/volunteers.

#### **Immunisations**

Immunisation is a simple, safe and effective way of protecting people against harmful diseases before they come into contact with them. Immunisation not only protects individuals, but also others in the community, by reducing the spread of preventable diseases.

Council's immunisation clinics are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month from 10am-12noon at the Clarence Integrated Care Centre in Bayfield Street, Rosny Park.

Vaccinations under the NHMRC Australian Standard Vaccination Schedules are free of charge and no appointment is necessary. Please note that travel vaccines are not available at Council's immunisation clinic.

Contact our Environmental Health Services team on 6217 9570 for more information.

## **Profile: Howrah Community Centre**

Walking or driving down Howrah Road, you will notice a granite memorial stone has been set into a sandstone gatepost at the entrance to the Howrah Community Complex at 11 Howrah Road. It reads: "These gates have been presented to the Sunshine Home to the Tasmanian State School Teachers Federation in appreciation of the work carried out by Sister Dorah Baudinet in establishing the home."

Dora Baudinet (1883-1945) was educated at The Friend's School, successfully trained as a nurse at the Hobart General Hospital and served overseas with the Army Nursing Service during World War I. On holiday in New Zealand, she visited and observed a children's holiday camp and on her return to Hobart organised a committee with the aim to build a holiday home by the sea where isolated and underprivileged children might enjoy improved nutrition, medical and dental treatment and healthy fun in homely surroundings. Dora anonymously donated three acres. She passed away in 1945 with the home being opened six years after her death on 11 August 1951.

With the financial assistance of various community groups, the home operated successfully for 30 years and in 1985 Council purchased the centre for community use.

The centre is now run by a Special



Howrah Community Centre is home to a variety of activities and is also available for hire.

Committee of Council and has recently been renamed the Howrah Community Centre. This accurately reflects the activities which operate in the precinct. The centre has a strategic plan that ensures the operation keeps pace with the needs and aspirations of the community. Council has granted the centre \$75,000 to have the centre's design and layout reviewed by outside consultants. This will help make the centre's use reflect the community's expectations in the future.

Activities currently held at the centre include a children's playgroup, tennis, indoor and outdoor bowls, Guides, bridge, bingo, fitness classes and needlework. The centre is also available for hire for functions.

The most recent addition to the precinct is the Howrah Men's Shed which is looking to extend after only two years in operation due to its overwhelming popularity.

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## Upcoming works

#### Roads:

- Works as a result of storm damage
- Pothole repairs in Cambridge, Mornington and Warrane
- Construction of a multi-user footpath under the Tasman Bridge

#### **Drainage:**

 Bastick Street stormwater and carpark upgrade

#### Parks and reserves:

 Sandford Oval irrigation upgrade

#### Fire management

- Maintenance of walking tracks in natural areas and Tangara Trail
- Entrance point signage at Tangara Trail

#### WHAT'S ON IN CLARENCE

Every Saturday, 9am-3pm RICHMOND VILLAGE MARKET Richmond Memorial Hall & surrounds Facebook: / richmondvillagemarkettas

Sunday 29 July
AFL: NORTH MELBOURNE v
WEST COAST, from 1.10pm
Bellerive Oval

Sunday 5 August (1st Sunday of every month), from 9.30am SOUTH ARM COMMUNITY MARKET South Arm Community Centre

Facebook: /SouthArmMarket

28 August - 5 September CITY OF CLARENCE EISTEDDFOD Clarence Uniting Church, Citywide Baptist Church www.clarenceeisteddfod.com.au

### Aldermen's articles

Council policy provides an opportunity for Aldermen, in turn, to place an article in the Council Newsletter.



Deputy Mayor Jock Campbell

With the recent extension of Holyman Drive/Grueber Avenue past Hobart Airport and through to Seven Mile Beach, it is time for Metro and the State Government to consider changes to the Seven Mile Beach bus services.

A re-routing of the City to Seven Mile Beach bus service via Holyman Drive and Hobart Airport would provide a practical and opportune connection for commuters looking to travel to Hobart Airport, while potentially increasing the convenience of additional pick up and drop off points for Seven Mile Beach residents.



Alderman Sharyn von Bertouch

May saw Council hosting a thank you reception for the City's volunteers, during National Volunteers Week - its theme, 'Give a little. Change a lot.'

Alison Lai, Volunteering Tasmania's CEO, explained volunteering's benefits to the community and volunteers; primarily it's about health and wellbeing for all concerned. Volunteering Tasmania's State of Volunteering Report 2014 found 4 in 5 Tasmanians volunteered in the previous year, donating 7.1 million hours.

As an Alderman, I regularly work with volunteers: e.g. positive ageing, bike, community and hall committee members; landcarers; and events helpers. Thank you to our City's volunteers, your involvement does mean a lot!



Alderman
Daniel Hulme

The Australian Government's announcement of a City Deal for Hobart offers a unique opportunity for Greater Hobart's four councils to align their strategic thinking on certain issues.

A City Deal could benefit Clarence residents through initiatives to—for example—tackle housing affordability and promote better transport and land use planning.

For the City Deal to succeed we need a Hobart City Act, funding commitments from state and federal governments, and a willingness by Greater Hobart's four councils to agree and work together in the interests of the entire city.

I'm excited by the potential opportunities a successful City Deal presents.



Alderman Debra Thurley

China's ban on accepting recycling materials of lower-grade waste hit Australia hard.

SKM, Council's recycling contractor has continued to receive and process kerbside recycling, so please keep recycling.

A bipartisan approach to waste management is, however, required and all levels of government should boost the use of recycled materials in their procurement contracts, ranging from office supplies to infrastructure projects. Producers and distributors should be obliged to take back used packaging. It's imperative that states dispose of their own rubbish within their own borders.

Local Governments can't fix this alone, let's see CCC be a leading light in this space!



Alderman Kay McFarlane

Planning Scheme Legislation is one of the most complex areas that Councils' assess.

Changes have increased adverse affects in residential zones and less ability for Councils' to refuse developments or make changes by setting conditions to address privacy, overshadowing and increased heights.

Changes have tipped the balance towards development while costing amenity in residential zones.

If we want increased densities considering different styles of housing helps; incorporating shared private open space areas with backyards never in shade; for quality family living, growing food and accommodating solar needs are reasonable expectations.



Alderman Doug Doust

Council is undertaking a major project to reinstate the Soldiers Memorial Avenue which once ran along Quarry Road in Mornington.

Given developments, the avenue will be re-planted within the Waverley Flora Park and opened in time for two anniversaries. It will be 100 years since the planting of the original avenue and the armistice that ended the fighting in the First World War. The re-planted avenue will include a sculpture commemorating the centenary.

If you have an ancestor who was honoured in the original avenue, please share their story with Council's History Officer Alan Townsend at atownsend@ccc. tas.gov.au or call 6217 9606.

### **Council meetings**

Monday 9 July 2018 Monday 30 July 2018 Monday 20 August 2018 Monday 10 September 2018 Monday 1 October 2018 Monday 22 October 2018 Monday 12 November 2018 Monday 3 December 2018 (including Annual General Meeting at 7.00pm) Stay up to date with what is happening at Council by:

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