

# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BLIGH STREET, ROSNY PARK, ON MONDAY 4 JULY 2022

**HOURL CALLED:** 7.00pm

**PRESENT:** The meeting commenced at 7.02pm with the Mayor (Ald D C Chipman) in the Chair and with Aldermen:

B A Blomeley  
H Chong  
L Edmunds  
D Ewington  
R H James  
W Kennedy  
T Mulder  
J Peers  
S von Bertouch  
J Walker  
B Warren; present.

**1. APOLOGIES** Nil

**ORDER OF BUSINESS** Items 1 – 11

**IN ATTENDANCE** General Manager  
(Mr I Nelson)  
Group Manager Engineering Services  
(Mr R Graham)  
Manager Health and Community Development  
(Mr J Toohey)  
Manager City Planning  
(Mr R Lovell)  
Manager Communication and Strategic Development  
(Mr C Paske)  
Executive Officer to the General Manager  
(Ms J Ellis)

The Meeting closed at 8.36pm.

**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY 4 JULY 2022**

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**1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

The Mayor:

- made the following statement:

*“I acknowledge the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community as the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today, and pay respect to elders, past and present”.*

- recited the Council prayer; and
- advised the Meeting and members of the public that Council Meetings, not including Closed Meeting, are livestreamed, audio-visually recorded and published to Council’s website. The meeting is not protected by privilege. A link to the Agenda is available via Council’s website.

**2. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

Refer to cover page.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS OF ALDERMAN OR CLOSE ASSOCIATE**

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and Council’s adopted Code of Conduct, the Mayor requests Aldermen to indicate whether they have, or are likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary benefits or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

**INTEREST DECLARED:**            **NIL**

## 4. OMNIBUS ITEMS

### 4.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 June 2022 and the Special Council Meeting held on 27 June 2022, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Peers **SECONDED** Ald Kennedy

“That the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 14 June 2022 and the Special Council Meeting held on 27 June 2022, as circulated, be taken as read and confirmed”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### 4.2 MAYOR'S COMMUNICATION

The Mayor reported on the following meetings and attendances since the last Council Meeting:

#### Mayor

15 June: ABC Radio Interview – Ryk Goddard;  
RDA Strategic Regional Planning Meeting;  
7HO FM News – Rate Rises;  
16 June: Seminar – The Security Challenges of Antarctica;  
19 June: National ALGA Conference (19 – 22 June inclusive);  
27 June: Meeting with General Manager and Chambroad Representatives; and  
30 June: RDATA Governance Committee Meeting.

#### Deputy Mayor Heather Chong

16 June: GLAM'd Generations Linking and Making Difference) Launch.

#### Acting Mayor Heather Chong

30 June: Owners' Representatives Group (ORG) General Meeting;  
1 July: LGAT Annual General Meeting;  
3 July: Clarence Open Art Exhibition – Rosny Barn; and  
4 July: BEST (Business and Employment Southeast Tas) – Official Handover.

#### Alderman John Peers

18 June: First Round Game for Eastern Regional Junior Soccer Association – New Goals.

### 4.3 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

In addition to the Aldermen's Meeting Briefing (workshop) conducted on Friday immediately preceding the Council Meeting the following workshops were conducted by Council since its last ordinary Council Meeting:

PURPOSE	DATE
Victoria Esplanade and Queen Street Master Plan	
Skylands Internal Discussion	
Rates Modelling	20 June
Mornington Park Waste Transfer Station	
Water Quality Howrah/Bellerive Beach Update	
Seven Mile Beach Consultation Update	
Former Bellerive Library	27 June

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the workshops conducted.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Peers **SECONDED** Ald Kennedy

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

### 4.4. TABLING OF PETITIONS

(Note: Petitions received by Aldermen are to be forwarded to the General Manager within seven days after receiving the petition).

Petitions are not to be tabled if they do not comply with Section 57(2) of the Local Government Act, or are defamatory, or the proposed actions are unlawful.

The General Manager tabled the following petition which complies with the Act requirements:

- Received from 91 signatories requesting Council investigate and implement traffic management measures to reduce speed of vehicles travelling on North Terrace, Lauderdale to at least the prescribed limit of 50km/hr, in the interests of public safety.

**4.5 REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE BODIES**

This agenda item is listed to facilitate the receipt of both informal and formal reporting from various outside bodies upon which Council has a representative involvement.

**4.6 REPORTS FROM SINGLE AND JOINT AUTHORITIES**

Provision is made for reports from Single and Joint Authorities if required.

Council is a participant in the following Single and Joint Authorities. These Authorities are required to provide quarterly reports to participating Councils, and these will be listed under this segment as and when received.

- **COPPING REFUSE DISPOSAL SITE JOINT AUTHORITY**

Representatives: Ald James Walker  
(Ald Luke Edmunds, Deputy Representative)

**Quarterly Reports**

June Quarterly Report pending.

**Representative Reporting**

- **TASWATER CORPORATION**

The Deputy Mayor provided an update on an Owners' Representative Meeting she attended on behalf of the Mayor. The meeting was introduced to the new CEO George Theo, and considered the new Corporate Plan 2023-27. Other highlights of the meeting included:

- Capex due to increase from approximately \$250M currently to over \$300M in the next couple of years and the forecast profit is expected to increase to over \$60M.

- **GREATER HOBART COMMITTEE**

**4.7 REPORTS FROM COUNCIL AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND OTHER REPRESENTATIVE BODIES**

**HOWRAH COMMUNITY CENTRE**

- Ald James tabled the minutes of a meeting held on 26 May 2022.

**TRACKS AND TRAILS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

- Ald Ewington tabled the minutes of a meeting held on 16 June 2022.

**4.8 WEEKLY BRIEFING REPORTS**

The Weekly Briefing Reports of 13, 20 and 27 June 2022 have been circulated to Aldermen.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the information contained in the Weekly Briefing Reports of 13, 20 and 27 June 2022 be noted.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Peers **SECONDED** Ald Kennedy

“That the Recommendation be adopted”.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**



**5. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Public question time at ordinary Council meetings will not exceed 15 minutes. An individual may ask questions at the meeting. Questions may be submitted to Council in writing on the Friday 10 days before the meeting or may be raised from the Public Gallery during this segment of the meeting.

The Chairman may request an Alderman or Council officer to answer a question. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers. Questions and answers are to be kept as brief as possible.

**5.1 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, a member of the public may give written notice to the General Manager of a question to be asked at the meeting). A maximum of two questions may be submitted in writing before the meeting.

Nil.

**5.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

The Mayor may address Questions on Notice submitted by members of the public.

Nil.

**5.3 ANSWERS TO PREVIOUS QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

Nil.

**5.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

Mrs Joanne Marsh of Bellerive asked the following question.

**FENCING – VICTORIA ESPLANADE, BELLERIVE**

The tired, unloved safety fencing beside parts of the Victoria Esplanade shared pathway in Bellerive in places where it hasn't disappeared altogether is now reaching the point of exhaustion. Two panels of the fencing have been disconnected from the posts for many months and pose a fall hazard for users of the pathway if leant on. My question is how is community safety being prioritised by the council to ensure that problems are identified, and maintenance is carried out promptly?

**ANSWER**

The Mayor took the question on notice.

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**QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE /contd...**

Mr Victor Marsh of Bellerive asked the following question.

**STORMWATER PROBLEMS BELLERIVE BEACH PARK**

I believe money has been set aside to fix the continuing stormwater problems at Bellerive Beach Park particularly around the frog pond area and behind the dunes at the end of Beach Street. Since the completion of the most recent stormwater works in the park there have been 2 major rainstorm events on Friday and Saturday 7 and 8 January and Friday 6 May.

My main concern is that on both of these occasions' stormwater has gushed out from under the seawall and washed away large sections of the western end of the beach. Substantial sand replacement was needed on the first occasion and heavy machinery on both occasions to repair the damage which included the beach pontoon being removed. My questions is what has been the cost of these repairs and what amount of money has been allocated to fix these specific and new problems?

**ANSWER**

The Mayor took the question on notice.

Mr Russell Hill of Geilston Bay provided the following question which was read out by the General Manager.

**RESIDENTIAL RATES**

In regard to residential rates. How many residential properties are within the boundaries of Clarence City Council. What are the highest & lowest rates notices generated. If all residents paid the same equal amount of rates, what would be the average total?

**ANSWER**

The General Manager provided the following answer.

To answer this question, we have made the following assumptions in regard to residential properties:

- Have ignored all government charges – Fire and Waste Levies.
- Have ignored all waste charges – as these are user pays.
- In determining the lowest and highest rates have only considered single dwellings – ie not a single title with multiple valued properties on the one title or vacant land
- Have only included general and stormwater rates.

<b>Rate</b>	<b>Number of Properties</b>	<b>Lowest Amount Charged</b>	<b>Highest Amount Charged</b>	<b>Average</b>
General	24209	473.45	11,423.40	1,331.39
Stormwater	18834	93.35	1,004.20	106.03
<b>Total</b>		<b>566.80</b>	<b>12,427.60</b>	<b>1,437.42</b>

<b>6. DEPUTATIONS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</b>
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(In accordance with Regulation 38 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 and in accordance with Council Policy, deputation requests are invited to address the Meeting and make statements or deliver reports to Council)

Nil.

<b>7      PLANNING AUTHORITY MATTERS</b>
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In accordance with Regulation 25 (1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, the Mayor advises that the Council intends to act as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, to deal with the following items:

**7.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PDPLANPMTD-2022/027374 – 1  
DOMINIQUE WAY, ROKEBY - 2 MULTIPLE DWELLINGS**

## **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider the application made for 2 Multiple Dwellings at 1 Dominique Way, Rokeby.

### **RELATION TO PLANNING PROVISIONS**

The land is zoned General Residential and subject to the Parking and Sustainable Transport Code, Bushfire Prone Areas Code, Safeguarding of Airport Assets Code and the Paraville Specific Area Plan under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Clarence (the Scheme). In accordance with the Scheme the proposal is a Discretionary development.

### **LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

The report on this item details the basis and reasons for the recommendation. Any alternative decision by Council will require a full statement of reasons in order to maintain the integrity of the Planning approval process and to comply with the requirements of the Judicial Review Act and the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

Council is required to exercise a discretion within the statutory 42-day period which has been extended with the applicant's consent until 6 July 2022.

### **CONSULTATION**

The proposal was advertised in accordance with statutory requirements and no representations were received.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. That the Development Application for 2 Multiple Dwellings at 1 Dominique Way, Rokeby (CI Ref PDPLANPMTD-2022/027374) be refused for the following reason.
  - 1. The proposal does not comply with Clause 8.4.2 P1 as the front setback of Unit 2 is not compatible with the streetscape and there are no topographical constraints to justify the setback.
- B. That the details and conclusions included in the Associated Report be recorded as the reasons for Council's decision in respect of this matter.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Mulder **SECONDED** Ald James

“A. That the Development Application for 2 Multiple Dwellings at 1 Dominique Way, Rokeby (PDPLANPMTD-2022/027374) be approved subject to the following conditions and advice.

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**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PDPLANPMTD-2022/027374 – 1 DOMINIQUE WAY, ROKEBY - 2 MULTIPLE DWELLINGS /Decision contd...**

1. GEN AP1 – ENDORSED PLANS.
2. The front boundary fence must meet the requirements of Clause 4.6.3 of the Scheme, which requires a fence within 4.5m of a frontage to be not more than a height of 1.2m above existing ground level if the fence is solid; or 1.8m above existing ground level, if the fence has openings above the height of 1.2m which provides a uniform transparency of at least 30% (excluding any posts or uprights).
3. ENG A5 – SEALED CAR PARKING.
4. ENG M1 – DESIGNS DA.
5. ENG S1 – INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR.
6. The development must meet all required Conditions of Approval specified by TasWater notice dated 27/04/2022 (TWDA 2022/00567-CCC).

**ADVICE**

- The proposed works are located within a mapped bushfire prone area and as such a bushfire assessment and BAL must be provided by a suitably qualified person and form part of the certified documents for the building approval.

B. That the reasons are as follows:

**Clause 8.4.2**

- 1) The proposal meets the setback requirements of a natural and logical frontage to Dominique Way.
- 2) Dominique Way is the natural and most appropriate frontage because:
  - i) the street address of the site is 1 Dominique Way.
  - ii) once strata titled, Unit 1 will have frontage only to Dominique Way and not to Danes Avenue.
  - iii) once strata titled, the shortest boundary for Unit 2 will be on Dominique Way thereby meeting the scheme's technical definition for frontage.

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**DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PDPLANPMTD-2022/027374 – 1 DOMINIQUE WAY, ROKEBY - 2 MULTIPLE DWELLINGS /Decision contd...**

- iv) The proposed joint access from Dominique Way avoids the topographical constraints of an illogical Danes Avenue access.
- v) Dominique Way terminates as a T- junction at this point. As the minor road it makes for a safer, level and more appropriate street access than the Danes Avenue thoroughfare.

3. Danes Avenue is not the natural nor logical street frontage for the site for the reasons above and because the topographical constraints of a Dane Avenue access. The site has a 16% average slope that is much steeper at Dane Avenue due to an embankment and the need for near level parking that will produce an unnecessarily steep and short driveway”.

**CARRIED****FOR**

Ald Chipman  
Ald Blomeley  
Ald Chong  
Ald Edmunds  
Ald Ewington  
Ald James  
Ald Kennedy  
Ald Mulder  
Ald Peers  
Ald Walker  
Ald Warren

**AGAINST**

Ald von Bertouch

**7.2 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION PDPLANPMTD-2021/021934 - 21 VAUGHAN COURT, TRANMERE - 1 LOT SUBDIVISION****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

The purpose of this report is to consider the application made for a 1 Lot Subdivision at 21 Vaughan Court, Tranmere.

**RELATION TO PLANNING PROVISIONS**

The land is zoned General Residential and subject to the Landslip Hazard Code and Safeguarding of Airports Code under the Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Clarence (the Scheme). In accordance with the Scheme the proposal is a Discretionary development.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

The report on this item details the basis and reasons for the recommendation. Any alternative decision by Council will require a full statement of reasons in order to maintain the integrity of the Planning approval process and to comply with the requirements of the Judicial Review Act and the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

Council is required to exercise a discretion within the statutory 42-day period which expires on 6 July 2022.

**CONSULTATION**

The proposal was advertised in accordance with statutory requirements and two representations were received during the statutory timeframe. One representation was received outside of the statutory timeframe. The representors raised the following issues:

- Increase in traffic;
- Construction impacts;
- Loss of amenity;
- Devaluation of property and
- Flood impacts.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

A. That the Development Application for a 1 Lot Subdivision at 21 Vaughan Court, Tranmere (CI Ref PDPLANPMTD-2021/021934) be approved subject to the following conditions and advice.

1. GEN AP1 – ENDORSED PLANS.
2. GEN POS1 – POS CONTRIBUTION [5% - Lot 2].
3. ENG M1 – DESIGNS DA [access, carpark, services].
4. ENG S1 – INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIR.
5. ENG S4 – STORMWATER CONNECTION.



6. The driveway access to Lot 2 must be sealed with concrete, providing for adequate stormwater drainage, prior to the sealing of the Final Plan of Survey. Details of the construction must be submitted to and approved by Council's Group Manager Engineering Services prior to the commencement of any works.
7. The development must meet all required Conditions of Approval specified by TasWater notice dated 21/09/21 (TWDA 2021/01580-CCC), as amended on 09/05/2022.

**ADVICE:**

- a. Advice from a Building Surveyor will be required to be sought in relation to any building permit requirements that may apply under the Building Act 2016 and the Directors Determinations for excavation works associated with future development. The existing dwelling and surrounding properties may also be affected by a rock breaker where a Form 6 Notice of Protection Work under Section 76 of the Building Act 2016 may be required. <https://www.legislation.tas.gov.au/view/html/inforce/current/act-2016-025#HP6@EN>.
- b. Based on the information provided, the use/development is not likely to adversely affect TasNetworks' operations and the standard arrangements (for developments of this type) will apply for connection to the electricity network. For further information, please refer to more information on the TasNetworks' website: New electricity connections – TasNetworks.
- B. That the details and conclusions included in the Associated Report be recorded as the reasons for Council's decision in respect of this matter.

**Decision:****MOVED** Ald Blomeley **SECONDED** Ald Peers

"That the Recommendation be adopted".

**CARRIED****FOR**

Ald Blomeley  
 Ald Chipman  
 Ald Chong  
 Ald Edmunds  
 Ald Ewington  
 Ald Kennedy  
 Ald Mulder  
 Ald Peers  
 Ald von Bertouch  
 Ald Warren

**AGAINST**

Ald James  
 Ald Walker (abstained)

Council now concludes its deliberations as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act, 1993.

**8. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**8.1 DETERMINATION ON PETITIONS TABLED AT PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Nil.

<b>8.2 ASSET MANAGEMENT</b>
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Nil Items.

<b>8.3 FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT</b>
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Nil Items.

**8.4 GOVERNANCE****8.4.1 DELEGATION UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (TAS.) 1993****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To consider the addition of a Council delegation under the Local Government Act 1993.

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

The addition sought is specifically to deal with daily operational matters and will not impact on any pre-existing policies or strategies of council.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Section 22 of the Local Government Act 1993 provides that a Council, in writing, may delegate with or without conditions to the General Manager, any of its functions or powers under any Act.

**CONSULTATION**

Nil.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Not applicable.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council resolves that the following delegation be approved and added to the Schedule of Delegations in respect to the Local Government Act 1993:

NO.	ACT REF	DETAILS OF DELEGATION	DELEGATION
183	Local Government Act 1993 s.207	To remit all or part of a fee or charge paid or payable in accordance with Council's List of Fees and Charges where indicated that the General Manager may remit, either at his discretion or on application.	General Manager

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**DELEGATION UNDER THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT (TAS.) 1993 /contd...**

<b>Decision:</b> <b>MOVED</b> Ald Mulder <b>SECONDED</b> Ald Kennedy  “That Council resolves that the following delegation be approved and added to the Schedule of Delegations in respect to the Local Government Act 1993:			
<b>NO.</b>	<b>ACT REF</b>	<b>DETAILS OF DELEGATION</b>	<b>DELEGATION</b>
183	Local Government Act 1993 s.207	To remit all or part of a fee or charge paid or payable in accordance with Council’s List of Fees and Charges where indicated that the General Manager may remit, either at their discretion or on application.	General Manager”
<b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>			

**8.4.2 LEASE OF PUBLIC LAND AT 15 ELEANOR COURT, ACTON PARK – TELSTRA CORPORATION – EXISTING TELECOMMUNICATIONS TOWER****EXECUTIVE SUMMARY****PURPOSE**

To consider entering into a lease with Telstra Corporation Limited for the existing telecommunications tower on public land at 15 Eleanor Court, Acton Park (Single Hill).

**RELATION TO EXISTING POLICY/PLANS**

Council's Leased Facilities Pricing and Term of Lease Policy applies.

**LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Section 178 of the Local Government Act, 1993 is applicable.

**CONSULTATION**

Section 178 of the Local Government Act, 1993 provides that Council must advertise its intention to dispose of public land through public advertisement.

**FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

Recommendation has no direct implications on Council's Annual Operating Plan.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- A. That in accordance with section 178 of the Local Government Act 1993, Council gives notice of intention to enter into a lease for part of the public land at 15 Eleanor Court, Acton Park for the existing telecommunications tower to Telstra Corporation Limited.
- B. That provided the notice of intention to lease process is finalised and no objections are received, Council authorises the General Manager to enter into a lease agreement with Telstra Corporation Limited for a term of five years with an option for two further renewal terms of five years each and that the annual rental for the lease is to be in accordance with Council's Leased Facilities Pricing and Term of Lease Policy.
- C. That, in the alternative to Recommendation B above, should objections be received, the matter be referred to a further meeting of council for consideration.

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Ewington **SECONDED** Ald Edmunds

"That the Recommendation be adopted".

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

## 9. MOTIONS ON NOTICE

### 9.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - ALD BLOMELEY MASTER PLANS

In accordance with Notice given, it was:

**Decision:** **MOVED** Ald Blomeley **SECONDED** Ald Peers

- “1. That this Council:
  - a. acknowledges that there are 30 Master Plans, at differing phases, under consideration by this Council, and
  - b. recognises the importance of appropriate resourcing to ensure quality delivery of Master Plans.
2. Calls for a high-level presentation of all 30 Master Plans at a workshop of Aldermen.
3. Following this workshop and advice from Officers, Aldermen to agree:
  - a. the order of priority of Master Plans,
  - b. the timeframes for completion, and
  - c. appropriate resourcing levels.
4. To ensure accountability, the agreed priority list of Master Plans be made publicly available on Council’s website, with regular project status updates.”

The Mayor asked the Deputy Mayor to **assume** the Chair while he entered the debate as an Alderman (8.14pm).

The Mayor **resumed** the Chair at 8.16pm.

The **MOTION** was **put** and **CARRIED**

**FOR**

Ald Chipman  
Ald Blomeley  
Ald Edmunds  
Ald Ewington  
Ald Kennedy  
Ald Peers  
Ald von Bertouch

**AGAINST**

Ald Chong  
Ald James  
Ald Mulder  
Ald Walker  
Ald Warren



**10. ALDERMEN'S QUESTION TIME**

An Alderman may ask a question with or without notice at Council Meetings. No debate is permitted on any questions or answers.

**10.1 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

(Seven days before an ordinary Meeting, an Alderman may give written notice to the General Manager of a question in respect of which the Alderman seeks an answer at the meeting).

Ald Edmunds has given notice of the following question:

**UPGRADING COSTS - BLUNDSTONE ARENA**

Does the Council have a record of how much money has been spent upgrading Blundstone Arena since 1999? Is it possible to have a breakdown of which level of Government spent what?

Ald Warren has given notice of the following questions:

**COUNCIL'S COASTAL HAZARDS STRATEGY**

Can the General Manager please provide information on the attendance at recent forums in Lauderdale and Sandford regarding Clarence City Council's Coastal Hazards Strategy? wWhat communication methods were used to alert local residents to the forum, and will consideration be given to holding another forum given this one was held on a long weekend when some residents may have been away?

**HOMELESSNESS**

Can the General Manager please update us on measures being taken by Clarence City Council to provide support and assistance to people experiencing homelessness in our community?

**10.2 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE****UPGRADING COSTS - BLUNDSTONE ARENA**

The lease between Cricket Tasmania and Council began October 2001. From that date Council was not required to make any contributions to the infrastructure facilities at Blundstone Arena.

However, in 2009 the light poles were erected which Council had on their asset register costing \$5M. Council acted as the intermediary for a grant that Cricket Tasmania received to put towards the cost of these lights, and hence transferred this grant value to Cricket Tasmania.

All other investment since 2001 has been managed by Cricket Tasmania as the lease holder. It is ultimately a question for Cricket Tasmania whether they can provide a breakdown of government investment in the site.

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**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS ON NOTICE /contd...****COUNCIL'S COASTAL HAZARDS STRATEGY**

We had a total of 52 participants attend two Coastal Management Plan information sessions on Sunday, 12 June 2022. It was really timely that we had the sessions on the same day as a very wild weather event, as the community were able to talk exactly to the issues they were experiencing then and there.

Communication on the sessions included a letter to all Cremorne and Lauderdale residents on 15 January 2022 regarding both the information sessions and an online survey. The letter also included an information sheet on Council's Coastal Hazards Policy and Coastal Management Plans. The in person information sessions were subsequently postponed due to COVID-19 but the online survey was completed.

A total of 44 survey responses were received for the Roches Beach online survey and 24 for the Pipe Clay Lagoon survey. Respondents to this survey were emailed directly to update them on the revised date for the information sessions.

Posts also went out on Council's website and social media, which were shared to local community groups, and we also had signage up at key entrances to Roches Beach and Cremorne coastal areas.

The Community were also offered an opportunity to engage directly with our staff if they were unable to attend an information session. That offer still stands.

We are in the process of pulling together an engagement report to inform Aldermen, the community and the consultants working on the CMP's of the key findings from the quantitative survey earlier in the year and the qualitative feedback from the information sessions.

Once the draft coast management plans are finalised later in the year, we will be seeking Council's endorsement to consult with the community further on them.

**HOMELESSNESS**

Answer provided in status report which is attached.

**10.3 ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE – PREVIOUS COUNCIL MEETING**

Ald Blomeley

Question re answer provided to previous question on notice

Regarding the drainage issue in Derwent Avenue, I note from my Aldermen's Request update that a draft response has been with Mr Graham since last Wednesday. Could I urgently be provided with a copy of that response.

Taken on notice

(Further information) This request was finalised on 17 June 2022.

Alderman James

1. I refer to the Minister for Planning's letter regarding the land use strategy urban growth boundary at 52 Richardsons Road. My question is, it appears that "unfortunately Lauderdale and by extension the immediately adjacent portion of Sandford that is subject to the proposed urban growth boundary was not included in the scope of the Greater Hobart Plan for the purpose of data gathering or strategic planning". Is this basically the end of it now for the time being and will it be appropriate for Council to advise the public as to what the Minister has said in this correspondence?

**ANSWER**

The Minister has set the matter aside, it is not a final decision, so it is pending the outcome of certain studies. We have informed the applicant of the Minister's letter and we have posted a copy of the Minister's letter on the website so that other parties are aware of it.

2. In regard to Council's situation in relation to Chambroad and Council's discussion regarding the imminent substantial commencement of the hotel and training centre at Kangaroo Bay what stage are we at and have Chambroad made any approaches to Council as to whether to obviously sell on their share to another party or to basically start substantial commencement by the due date of 17 October 2022?

**ANSWER**

(Mayor) At this stage I do not have any further information from what I provided last time, but I do note that the General Manager and I have one of those quarterly briefings coming up later this month and I would be very happy to keep Council apprised of whatever information I discover.

Ald Edmunds

1. Re the Ferry Parking Report per Alderman James' recent motion, who is responsible for it and when should we expect to see findings? Do we have a status update on where things are at and what's being considered?

**ANSWER**

Over the coming weeks Council officers are finishing compiling the parking survey data from our officers, parking survey data from DSG and ferry service numbers. Officers plan to assess the data in July, to plan for an August workshop with Aldermen to discuss the information and any recommendations.

2. FOGO – where is this at following the Council report/decision of 13 December 2021?

**ANSWER**

Copping was unsuccessful with the State Government FOGO grant earlier this year and we understand are further considering FOGO options.

Council officers have been focusing efforts on:

- Council's kerbside waste collection contract;
- the proposed new regional MRF contract with the 12 southern councils;
- considering scope options for review of Council's waste strategy and the scope on how a FOGO business case may be managed;
- now that the budget has been adopted, recruitment will occur for a 12-month waste position who will help provide some support in moving forward with these items.

Ald von Bertouch

In light of the response to a question I asked at the last Council meeting which is detailed earlier in the agenda, what measures have and/or will be undertaken to immediately remedy the non-compliance of the sole access external stairway to the second floor of Alma's Activities Centre currently tenanted by the Hobart FM 96.1 Radio Station, bearing in mind Council was advised of the non-compliance of access determined by Australian Standards in 2017 and this was reiterated in January 2018 in Preston Lane's Alma's Existing Conditions Report which details recommended intervention and make good costs?

**ANSWER**

We will not be taking any action regarding those stairs. Any action that is required is required when renovations are undertaken to bring up to current standards, but existing standards apply as the date of that original build, so there are no plans.

(Mayor) Given that tonight's budget has now gone through this Council will be helping the radio station move to a safer site as soon as possible.

Ald Blomeley

1. I refer to the Aldermen's Request update received on Friday and note that my request number REQ2022-055805 of 4 April regarding the drainage issues at 35 Honeywood Drive Sandford. I further note that this was assigned to Asset Management "draft response underway" on 3 June nearly two months later. Could you advise Mr Mayor when I am likely to receive a response to this Alderman's Request?

**ANSWER**

We send out Aldermen's Request updates every week for Aldermen to allow you to provide us with any urgency requirements. I am not aware that we have received one in respect to that request. We have been significantly affected by staff shortages because of COVID-19 and other illnesses so we are doing our best to keep up.

2. Last Monday being the 6<sup>th</sup> I sent an email to both the General Manager and the elected members' request email requesting information about Council master plans. This Request does not appear on the Aldermen's Request update list that was sent to me on Friday last week, obviously some 4 or 5 days later. I think it necessary that I place on the record the content of that Request and that is Mr Mayor, and this is to the General Manager, "could you or one of your team please assist in the following question re master plans. Please list all the master plans that Council is dealing with at present including:

- a. when initiated
- b. at what stage they are at and when likely to be completed
- c. requirements for outside consultant assistance
- d. cost involved to formalise plan or plans"

Please also accept this query as notice that I intend to move a motion on notice at the next Council meeting of 4 July. Mr Mayor can this Request please now be taken as another urgent Request and actioned as a matter of urgency?

#### ANSWER

I took that Request from you. I understood that it was an email request to me, I didn't see it as an Alderman's Request, and we undertook to do that work. There is a significant body of work to compile all that information, we will do it as soon as we possibly can.

(Further information) The request was registered as an Alderman Request, contrary to advice above. The Outstanding Request reports are provided to Aldermen weekly (usually on a Friday). These reports include Alderman requests that have not been able to be responded to within 10 working days. The report will be amended to include all incomplete Alderman requests. The advice requested in regard to master plans was received on 6 June and finalised on 17 June 2022.

#### Ald Peers

During discussion on Ald Mulder's motion I raised the point of abstentions when we are forcing people to do compulsory voting. Are abstentions just our Council or is that a statutory regulation?

#### ANSWER

(Mayor) It is now the law and all Councils have compulsory voting.

#### Question contd

No, I mean abstentions when an Alderman abstains and now, I'm saying why should Aldermen abstain now we have compulsory voting. I don't believe we should have abstentions. Would it be appropriate to put a notice of motion to remove abstentions except in certain areas if it's a code of conduct for example?

#### ANSWER

(Mayor) The answer is simple if you want that thought to go forward, we need to lobby LGAT to have a change to the regulations of the Local Government Act.

(Further information) Regulation 28(3) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulation 2015 provides: "*to abstain from voting at a meeting is to vote in the negative*". The Regulations therefore permit abstentions from voting on a particular matter.

Ald Walker

1. My question relates to performance budgeting, a motion that was if not unanimously passed then very close to being unanimously passed last year. I note that we have had a transition in CFO and that may have disrupted the process for the budget that has just been but given that that motion was passed what assurances can you give me that those actual steps that were agreed to that all the work that was done by staff to look at how it could be done that the future Council will see that as part of the 2023-2024 budget?

**ANSWER**

I would need to review the commitment that we made regarding that and see where we are at. I cannot recall how far through we were or whether to take any action at all.

(Further information) In accordance with the motion approved by Council, performance budgeting principles were investigated. This included a workshop in late 2021, a survey of Aldermen and a workshop presentation on 15 February 2022. The workshop identified opportunities for further work in this area that included internal metrics to support budget processes, a community based KPI project and engagement with the Local Government Division and LGAT to progress the CDC Benchmark Project.

2. Just walking past the standard notice of development application that was posted on a property over the weekend I wonder what the capacity would be as well as what the administrative burden would be when Council creates these signs that they could also potentially include a QR code so someone walking by can actually see straight away what is being proposed, as opposed to a nebulous “alterations to dwelling” or whatever? I think that would be a value add for probably not a lot of administrative burden.

**ANSWER**

Taken on notice.

(Further information) A QR code is now included on all planning application notices. The QR code links to Council’s website planning application page.

Ald Ewington

1. I put forward a motion about reviewing the Bellerive Beach master plan looking at the café restaurant, DDA compliant toilets and showers two years ago I would like to know where we are at with that, what works have been done to the master plan or looking at the operations in terms of public/private situation with the pavilion itself?

**ANSWER**

(Mr Graham) Our landscape architect is just completing the tender drawings for the South Arm oval playground so the berm is coming near completion and the next priority is the Bellerive Beach master plan; so first of all, we will pull all the master plans together assess that and then come to an Aldermen’s workshop to discuss.

(General Manager) So the short answer is we have not had resources to do any work on that master plan yet.

(Further information) Master Plan priorities are reviewed as part of the annual budget process. This includes development, detailed design and construction phases. The 2021/2022 budget process identified that the Bellerive Beach Master Plan review would commence in March 2022. This has been delayed due to resourcing impacts and is currently expected to commence in the first quarter of the 2022/23 financial year.

2. Looking at the model of public/private partnership and operations owners and land use of a potentially private operator with the café?

**ANSWER**

(Mayor) We need the master plan first.

(Further information) In respect to the Bellerive Beach Master Plan, it is not feasible to consider whether a public / private partnership or other option is preferred in respect to a pavilion / café or other facility until basic design parameters are determined. There are too many variables. Any consideration should occur as part of a master planning process, which will also enable proper community consultation to occur.

Ald Mulder

1. I asked this question a few meetings ago. In relation to the commitments of both federal parties and now the election is over it relates to the promise of further ferry infrastructure at two additional locations. My question remains does anyone know whether that means just a wharf for a ferry to tie up or does that commitment cover on ground infrastructure like parking which is my concern that that would be foisted upon local government if it's not covered in the commitment

**ANSWER**

We do not know the details of what the extent of those commitments are, yet they will obviously need to be subject to discussion with the Department of State Growth.

(Mayor) It is not possible for us to commit Council without Council making a decision.

2. Apropos our discussions about the 4.8% rate rise could I be provided with the residential rate for a standard say \$400,000 residence in both Kingborough and Glenorchy. I do note I think that one of those Councils uses assessed annual value and some others use capital so there is that little bit of a difficulty but if we went to a \$400,000 house and although it may have been rated on assessed annual value the capital value would still be there so could some enquiries be made of those other Councils as to what the actual rate, how many dollars the owners of those houses are paying in rates for what I would suggest is a reasonably standard house?

**ANSWER**

Taken on notice.

(Further information) Comparable general rate values were provided during the recent "rate modelling" workshop, based on a notional residence valued at \$750,000.

**4 July 2022**

Ald Mulder requested that the “rates modelling” referred to above be recorded in the minutes, see below.

2021/22 Cents in the Dollar used	Unable to compare 22/23 figures as not all Council's set their budget/rates. Also as very different waste only relevant to compare general, fire and stormwater rates
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**HOBART**

Hobart On AAV	General Rate	Stormwater	Total
2022 Revaluation	7.04	0.45	
	<b>\$1,971.20</b>	<b>\$126.00</b>	<b>\$2,097.20</b>

**GLENORCHY**

Glenorchy On AAV	General Rate	Stormwater inc in General	
2022 Adjustment Factors	8.021		
2017 Revaluation	<b>\$2,245.88</b>		<b>\$2,245.88</b>

**KINGBOROUGH**

Kingborough on CV	General Rate	Stormwater	
2022 Revaluation	0.251259	0.008061	
		\$75 minimum	
	<b>\$1,758.81</b>	<b>\$75.00</b>	<b>\$1,833.81</b>

**CLARENCE CITY COUNCIL**

CCC On CV	General Rate	Stormwater	
2022 Adjustment Factors	0.001985	0.0002105	
2019 Revaluation	\$300 Fixed	\$90 minimum	
	1389.5		
	<b>\$1,689.50</b>	<b>\$147.35</b>	<b>\$1,836.85</b>

Would expect the reason for CCC stormwater rates being higher than other council's is that we build into the stormwater rate, depreciation amount for the revaluation reserve

**10.4 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

An Alderman may ask a Question without Notice of the Chairman or another Alderman or the General Manager. Note: the Chairman may refuse to accept a Question without Notice if it does not relate to the activities of the Council. A person who is asked a Question without Notice may decline to answer the question.

Questions without notice and their answers will be recorded in the following Agenda.

The Chairman may refuse to accept a question if it does not relate to Council's activities.

The Chairman may require a question without notice to be put in writing. The Chairman, an Alderman or the General Manager may decline to answer a question without notice.





Clarence... a brighter place

## Homelessness in Clarence Activating the Action Plan

Clarence City Council is moving forward with the endorsed Action Plan to achieve agreed goals and fund practical homelessness initiatives within Clarence.

### PROGRESS IN THE 6 ACTION AREAS IS AS FOLLOWS:



Offering the Salvation Army Homelessness Sensitivity Training to all council staff.

- We conducted training with nearly 100 staff across council to improve staff understanding and confidence in directing support services for people sleeping rough
- We are exploring opportunities to complete this annually, including as part of staff orientation

Statistics were taken from the trainings which indicated improvement across all questions relating to awareness of the four canvassed areas of knowledge.



Working closely and collaboratively with key service providers and stakeholders to ensure effective actions that do not duplicate services.

- We continue to be involved in the Greater Hobart Homelessness Alliance.
- Our ongoing partnerships with southern councils around homelessness are exploring new support activities.
- We have strengthened collaboration with specialised services, such as Salvation Army, St Vincent DePaul and Housing Connect to best respond to people experiencing homelessness.
- We have worked in partnership with Vinnies Lou's Van to provide food assistance and companionship to people experiencing homelessness at Kangaroo Bay.
- We are working with Orange Sky Laundry on the homeless shower project.

- We are exploring opportunities for further support services to people experiencing homelessness in Clarence.

Successful ongoing relationships have been developed with housing/homelessness organisations:

- ShelterTAS (Peak Body for Housing & Homelessness in Tas)
- Salvo's Streets 2 Home
- Salvo's Doorways
- Loui's Van
- Vinnies
- Centacare Evolve Housing
- Colony47
- Housing Connect (C47)
- Anglicare
- Orange Sky Laundry
- Wintringham
- Mission Australia Housing



Progressing the development of inclusive information cards and care packs to be given out to those experiencing homelessness.

- Comprehensive consultation was carried out for the design of council's response, including organisations involved in supporting those experiencing homelessness, housing services, outreach services and Neighbourhood Centres.
- We co-designed the 'Support & Care Cards' and care packs with services to support people experiencing homelessness.
- The care cards were developed in an accessible format, considering possible literacy challenges (large font, icons etc.)
- We distributed resources widely to reach people in most need, including through council staff and external stakeholders.
- 100 Care packs were created and distributed to housing services (in bulk batches), and neighbourhood centres (on request). 33 backpacks remain in store to be distributed on an as-needs basis.



## Establishing cross-council agreed processes and procedures regarding homelessness to ensure safe, consistent and appropriate responses.

- A review of council's public space by-law has been completed to identify gaps for responding to people sleeping rough.
- Processes are being developed with customer contact around how council responds to public enquiries.
- Relevant departments are working together to improve data collection and map council's response using appropriate technology.

We will complete consultations with staff, services, and people with lived experiences to inform the policy and procedures. This process will gather and collate information and knowledge from people with lived experience of sleeping rough, as well as the council officers who are working to support them. The aim of this is to improve collaboration between relevant council sections and ensure a consistent approach to reporting, awareness raising, and acting.

- One on one interviews are expected to begin in July with council Rangers to clarify the how they interact with homelessness, to hear their concerns, and identify where they need more support. Other workgroups will be similarly consulted.
- We will draft policy and procedures based on feedback.
- We will finalise and train staff on policy and procedures.



## Educating the community through messaging campaigns.

- We designed and distributed a 'Homelessness - How Can I Help?' information sheet to the wider community with key messages on how people can help and find support.
- We held a Homelessness Week 2021 community event in collaboration with housing and community organisations.

The CCC 'How Can I Help' resource has been widely distributed through organisations in Clarence and has also been shared with the Southern Housing Services (SHS) group and in Housing meetings organised through ShelterTAS. It has been used as a template for

councils such as Launceston City Council, to create a their own resource listing local organisations, and Centacare Housing Evolve are also using elements of it as a resource for their school education packs.

Awareness-raising in Homelessness Week 2022:

- An event at the Rosny Skate Park, collaborating with Vinnies, Salvos, Centacare Housing Evolve, Youth Services, Mission Australia Housing and various skate organisations.
- Collaboration with CoH, GCC and HVC on the 'I Am Somebody' campaign – this will include a launch at The State Cinema and bus advertising.
- Lighting the Richmond Bridge 'purple' for the week, in line with other councils and housing services across the state.



Identify and authorise new opportunities using existing and future assets and infrastructure to support people experiencing homelessness

- We are developing arrangements for the use of shower facilities at Clarence on the Bay for people sleeping rough in Kangaroo Bay, including collaboration with existing homelessness services.

Ongoing research is being conducted around the rate and demographics of homelessness in Clarence. Data will be supplied by Colony47's Housing Connect program on an ongoing basis with the first meeting to be held 6 July. Census data around homelessness will not be released until early-mid 2023.

Data, internal and external research and consultation will go on to:

- Explore options for supporting increased social housing in the municipality.
- Review planning guidelines around housing, social housing, shelter accommodation.
- Explore possibilities around introducing short-long term shelter accommodation in the municipality.

**11. CLOSED MEETING**

Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meetings Procedures) Regulations 2015 provides that Council may consider certain sensitive matters in Closed Meeting.

The following matter was listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

**11.1 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

In accordance with Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 the reports in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda were dealt with on the grounds that the detail covered in the reports relates to:

- applications by Aldermen for a Leave of Absence.

**The content of reports and details of the Council decisions in respect to items listed in “Closed Meeting” are to be kept “confidential” and are not to be communicated, reproduced or published unless authorised by the Council.**

<b>Decision:</b>	<b>PROCEDURAL MOTION</b> <b>MOVED</b> Ald Peers <b>SECONDED</b> Ald Edmunds  “That the Meeting be closed to the public to consider Regulation 15 matters, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting room”.  <b>CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</b>
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The Meeting closed at 8.36pm.