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Meeting Commencing at 6.00 pm

AUDIO RECORDING OF COUNCIL MEETINGS

The public is advised that it is **Council Policy** to record the proceedings of meetings of Council on digital media to assist in the preparation of minutes, and to clarify a dispute or query relating to the Minutes that is raised during a subsequent meeting under the section “Confirmation of Minutes”.

The recording does not replace the written minutes and a transcript of the recording will not be prepared.

All meetings of the Council shall be digitally recorded as provided for by Regulation 33 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 except for the proceedings of meetings or parts of meetings closed to the public in accordance with Regulation 15(2).

1. PRESENT

1.1 APOLOGIES

1.2 IN ATTENDANCE

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

2.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 15TH OCTOBER 2014

Moved: Cr
Cr

That the Minutes be accepted as a record of the 15th October, 2014 Ordinary Council meeting numbered 305/14 to 345/14, and 352/14.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME PROCEDURE

(Refer to Minute No. 349/13 which states “At least 30 minutes of each ordinary meeting of Council is made available for questions by members of the public. The Chairperson shall provide equal opportunity for all members of the public to ask questions by limiting the number of questions to 3 per person and time to 2 minutes per question. Questions asked and answers provided may be summarised in the minutes of the meeting. The provisions of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 shall apply.”)

3.2 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

Nil.

3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

3.4 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

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3.5 RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS FROM PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

(Refer to Minute No. 425/00, which states in part, “that a copy of all written replies to questions from the Public Gallery be included in the following Council Agenda.”)

Nil.

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4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

5. ACTING GENERAL MANAGER'S DECLARATION

I certify that with respect to all advice, information or recommendations provided to Council with this Agenda.

- the advice, information or recommendation is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation; and
- where any advice is given directly to Council by a person who does not have the required qualifications of experience, that person has obtained and taken into account in that person's general advice, the advice from an appropriately qualified or experienced person.



**Kim Barker
ACTING GENERAL MANAGER**

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1993 – SECTION 65

65. Qualified persons

- (1) A general manager must ensure that any advice, information or recommendation given to the council or a council committee is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation.
- (2) A council or council committee is not to decide on any matter which requires the advice of a qualified person without considering such advice unless the general manager certifies in writing that such advice was obtained and taken into account in providing general advice to the council or council committee.
- (3) The Minister by order may determine the qualifications and experience required by a person to be a qualified person.
- (4) If the Minister does not make an order under subsection (3), the general manager may determine the qualifications and experience required by a person to be a qualified person.

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6. GOVERNANCE AND CORPORATE SERVICES

6.1 TABLING OF CERTIFICATE OF ELECTIONS

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 31st October, 2014

FILE NO: 14.15, 14.12

ATTACHMENT: Certificate of Election

In accordance with the provisions of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 8(2), Council's Acting General Manager is to "*ensure that the result of the ballot for each office is recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*" The Certificate of Election was provided by Mr Damian Read, Returning Officer for the Tasmanian Electoral Commission dated the 31st October, 2014 showing the following candidates elected to the below positions.

Nine (9) Councillors

Elected for a period of 4 years

Bridget Archer
Heather Barwick
Richard Nicholls
Doug Burt
Greg Dawson
Tim Harris
John Glisson
Tim Parish
Peter Parkes

Mayor

Elected for a period of 4 years

Bridget Archer

Deputy Mayor

Elected for a period of 4 years

Tim Harris

OFFICER'S COMMENT

The Certificate of Election was received from the Tasmanian Electoral Commission on the 31st October, 2014. The Certificate of Election is to be tabled by the Acting General Manager.

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6.1 TABLING OF CERTIFICATE OF ELECTIONS (CONT.)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Certificate of Election as provided by the Tasmanian Electoral Commission be received and recorded in the minutes of the meeting.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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6.2 DECLARATION OF OFFICE

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 4th November, 2014

FILE NO: 14.15, 14.12

ATTACHMENT/S: Declarations of Office

DECISION STATEMENT

To acknowledge and record the making of the declaration of office by the newly elected Councillors.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Declarations of Office made under Section 321 of the Local Government Act 1993 and in accordance with Schedule 2 of the Local Government (General Regulations) 2005 by the newly elected Councillors and as witnessed by the Acting General Manager, be noted and form part of these minutes.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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6.3 RECEIPT OF OFFICE – MAYOR AND DEPUTY MAYOR

DECISION STATEMENT

To allow the Mayor and Deputy Mayor the opportunity to address Council and to thank the public and supporters.

6.4 RECEIPT OF OFFICE – NEW/RE-ELECTED MEMBERS ADDRESS

DECISION STATEMENT

To allow the new/re-elected members the opportunity to address Council and to thank the public and supporters.

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6.5 REVISED COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2014 AND 2015

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 29th October 2014

FILE NO: 14.21

ATTACHMENT: Nil.

SUMMARY

To provide Council with a schedule of suggested Council meeting dates for consideration and request Council determine a meeting schedule that takes into account Council wishes, relevant legislation and operational requirements.

BACKGROUND

Regulation 6 (Times of Meetings) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 requires that:

- (1) A meeting is not to start before 5.00pm unless otherwise determined by the Council by absolute majority or by the Council Committee by simple majority.
- (2) After each ordinary election, a Council and a Council Committee are to review the times of commencement of meetings.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1 – Organisational Accountability

Aim: To be a responsible, accountable local government.

Objective: Develop and implement a statutory compliance calendar detailing reporting requirements, key dates and actions required.

OFFICER'S COMMENT

In accordance with the requirements of the Regulations, the following dates are suggested for Council's consideration.

The following dates are based on existing ordinary Council meeting arrangements which have taken into consideration the timeline and close off period associated with the reporting of the previous month's financial statements to Council and other month end close off processes.

Council will also need to determine the commencement time of the meetings.

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6.5 REVISED COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2014 AND 2015 (CONT.)

Meeting	Date	Time
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 19 th November 2014	TBC
**Annual General Meeting	Thursday 11th December 2014	6.00pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 17 th December 2014	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 21 st January 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th February 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th March 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 15 th April 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 20 th May 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 17 th June 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 15 th July 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 19 th August 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 16 th September 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 21 st October 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th November 2015	TBC
**Annual General Meeting	Thursday 10th December 2015	6.00pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 16 th December 2015	TBC

*****In accordance with the requirements of Section 72B(1) of the Local Government Act a Council must hold an Annual General Meeting on a date that is not later than 15 December in each year.***

It is suggested that the Annual General Meeting continue to be held at 6.00pm as this time enables those members of the public to attend that may not normally be able to attend a day time meeting.

Council has previously resolved to hold a meeting at 10.00am on the 19th November, 2014 subject to confirmation post election. Should Council decide not to hold another Ordinary Council meeting in November a number of items not yet prepared will not be considered until the December Ordinary Council meeting. These include finance reports, some community reports and a number of information reports.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the following meeting schedule dates and determines at what time meetings are to start.

Meeting	Date	Time
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 19 th November 2014	TBC
Annual General Meeting	Thursday 11 th December 2014	6.00pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 17 th December 2014	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 21 st January 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th February 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th March 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 15 th April 2015	TBC

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6.5 REVISED COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2014 AND 2015 (CONT.)

Meeting	Date	Time
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 20 th May 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 17 th June 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 15 th July 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 19 th August 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 16 th September 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 21 st October 2015	TBC
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 18 th November 2015	TBC
Annual General Meeting	Thursday 10 th December 2015	6.00pm
Ordinary Council Meeting	Wednesday 16 th December 2015	TBC

OR

That Council determines an alternative meeting schedule taking into account that, approximately 8 to 10 working days are required for completion of month end processes and collation of data.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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6.6 CODE OF CONDUCT PANEL MEMBERSHIP

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 15th October 2014

FILE NO: 14.25

ATTACHMENT/S: Nil

SUMMARY

To provide information to Council on the appointment of the Code of Conduct Panel.

BACKGROUND

At the first ordinary meeting after an ordinary election, a Council is to nominate three (3) Councillors, other than the Mayor to the Code of Conduct Panel.

STATUTORY REQUIREMENTS

28G. Establishment of Code of Conduct Panel

- (1) A council must establish a Code of Conduct Panel to hear and determine a complaint in respect of the alleged failure of a councillor to comply with a provision of this code of conduct.
- (2) A Code of Conduct Panel is to consist of 2 members appointed by the council of whom one is a person of good standing in the community and is not or has not been a councillor or employee of that council within the previous 5 years.
- (3) The person of good standing appointed under subsection (2) is the chairperson of a Code of Conduct Panel.
- (4) At the first ordinary meeting after an ordinary election, a council is to nominate 3 councillors, other than the mayor.
- (5) The chairperson of a Code of Conduct Panel is to select one of the councillors nominated under subsection (4) to be the second member of the Code of Conduct Panel in respect of a complaint.
- (6) Both members of a Code of Conduct Panel must be present to hear and determine a complaint.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 1 – Organisational Accountability

Aim: To be a responsible, accountable local government.

Objective: Develop and implement a statutory compliance calendar detailing reporting requirements, key dates and actions required.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

No financial implications are recognised.

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6.6 CODE OF CONDUCT PANEL MEMBERSHIP (CONT.)

RISK CONSIDERATIONS

The risks associated with the review of the Code of Conduct Panel are considered low as the process aligns itself to the requirements of the Local Government Act Section 28G and the Council's Risk Management Policy No. 33 in that it promotes the maintenance of overall set performance standards and the regular review and improvement of Council practices and procedures.

OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Council is required to nominate three Councillors other than the Mayor to form a selection pool for the local Code of Conduct Panel.

In accordance with the requirements of the Act, the Chairperson of the Code of Conduct Panel will then select one of those councillors nominated to be the second member of the Code of Conduct Panel in respect of a complaint.

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Council nominates three (3) councillors to the Code of Conduct Panel.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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6.7 STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 22nd October 2014

FILE NO: 14.12

ATTACHMENT/S: Nil

SUMMARY

To review Councillors representation on internal and external committees and regional bodies and organisations.

BACKGROUND

With the recent election it is necessary to review Councillors representation on internal and external committees and regional bodies and associations.

OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The following table indicates the current Council Committee structure and membership:

Committee	Membership
<p>George Town Sports Complex Advisory Committee (formed December 2002) – <i>Note: Meetings are normally held on the first Monday of the month commencing at 5.00pm held at the Council Office.</i></p> <p>Role: Provide direction and advice on opportunities for the George Town community to progress ideas for the management, future development and activity at the George Town Sports Complex.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairperson • Deputy Chairperson • Council Officers (usually Works Supervisor and administrative support) • Community Members
<p>George Town Municipal Emergency Management Committee</p> <p>Role: The functions and role of this Committee are set out in the Emergency Management Act 2006 as are some of its appointments.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Municipal Chairperson (usually Mayor) • Councillor Representative • General Manager

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6.7 STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES (CONT.)

Liaison/Representatives for Bodies & Associations

Council has representation on a number of organisations generally at the request of that organisation. Other than the Local Government Association, where there are statutory provisions, this representation is optional.

In the past the Mayor and Councillors have represented Council on a number of these committees/bodies or associations as indicated in the following table:

Committee	Regional	Other	Present Representation
George Town Young Leaders Group		✓	Mentoring Councillor Mentoring Councillor Community Development Officer
TasWater Board (Owners Representatives)	✓		Mayor – Owners representative General Manager – Proxy owners representative
Northern Tasmania Development Local Government Committee	✓		Usually Mayor General Manager
Local Government Association of Tasmania		✓	Mayor – voting delegate General Manager – proxy
George Town Community Safety Group		✓	Councillor Proxy
Tamar NRM Reference Group		✓	Councillor Proxy

Again, Council will need to determine the appointment of representatives to these outside committees/bodies or associations as appropriate.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Appoint a Councillor as Chairperson of the George Town Sports Complex Advisory Committee and appoints another Councillor as Deputy Chairperson and appoints persons nominated by sporting organisations as members of the Committee in accordance with Section 24 of the Local Government Act 1993;

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6.7 STRUCTURE AND MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES (CONT.)

2. Nominate the Mayor to be the Municipal Chairperson on the George Town Municipal Emergency Management Committee and that a Councillor as determined and the General Manager be members of that Committee;
3. Appoint two mentoring Councillors to the George Town Young Leaders Group;
4. That the Mayor be the voting delegate and the General Manager remain as Proxy in Council's representation of the TasWater Board, Owners Representatives;
5. That the Mayor and General Manager represent Council on the Northern Tasmania Development Local Government Committee;
6. That the Mayor be the voting delegate and the General Manager remain as Proxy in Council's representation of the Local Government Association of Tasmania;
7. Appoint a Councillor and Proxy to the George Town Community Safety Group; and
8. Appoint a Councillor and Proxy as members of the Tamar NRM Reference Group.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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6.8 DRAFT COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES POLICY NO. 5

REPORT AUTHOR: Acting General Manager – Mr Kim Barker

REPORT DATE: 27th October 2014

FILE NO: 14.13

ATTACHMENT/S: Draft Councillors Allowances Policy No. 5 – Version 12

SUMMARY

To present the Draft Councillor Allowances Policy No. 5 (the Policy) – Version 12 for review and consideration.

BACKGROUND

Councillor allowances are paid in accordance with section 340A of the Local Government Act 1993 and Regulation 42 of the Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 and set by legislation with the prescribed allowance being payable each year from the 1 November.

At its ordinary meeting held on the 18th December 2013, Council resolved:

- (a) That the Councillor expense reimbursement for telephone costs be increased to \$100 per month;
- (b) That Council continue payment of the legislated allowances on a monthly basis;
- (c) That any changes made in (a) and (b) are to be effective from January 2014 with payments to be processed monthly in arrears on the 28th of each month as per Section 340A (2A) of the Local Government Act; and
- (d) That the Councillor allowances policy be subject to CPI increase yearly and amended to reflect the decision made.

Accordingly, the Councillor Allowances Policy was amended to reflect that *“Telephone and internet access is to be adjusted annually by the Hobart CPI factor, with the increment to be calculated as applicable from the 1 November each year at the same time as the statutory Councillor allowance is adjusted.”*

LEGISLATION

Local Government Act 1993, Section 43 “Expenses for councillors”.

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6.8 DRAFT COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES POLICY NO. 5 (CONT.)

STRATEGIC PLAN

Key Area 1 – Organisational Accountability

Aim: To be a responsible, accountable local government

Objective: Providing and maintaining a high standard of governance, performance and accountability

Developing and implementing policies to achieve the overall objectives of the Council

RISK CONSIDERATIONS

The risks associated with the review of the Councillor Allowances Policy No. 21 are considered low as the Policy aligns itself to the requirements of the Local Government Act and in addition to the Council's Risk Management Policy No. 33 in that it promotes the maintenance of overall set performance standards and the regular review and improvement of Council practices and procedures.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

The financial implications of the application of the CPI adjustment to the Councillor telephone and internet allowance are expected to be minimal based on past CPI increments.

OFFICER'S COMMENTS

In reviewing the Policy the following changes are recommended. The policy changes are only to reflect the decision of Council on the 18th December 2013.

Application of Policy – Communications Allowance

Removal of dot point: *“Telephone and internet access allowance - \$100.00 per month effective January 2014”.*

This reference is suggested for removal as it is amount and date specific and the following is suggested to reflect more accurately Council's decision on the 18th December 2013.

“Telephone and internet access allowance is to be adjusted annually by the Hobart CPI factor, with the increment to be calculated as applicable from the 1 November each year at the same time as the statutory Councillor allowance is adjusted”.

Provided that Council determines that no other changes are required to the Policy, it is recommended that the Policy be adopted as suggested above and be reviewed annually in November each year.

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6.8 DRAFT COUNCILLOR ALLOWANCES POLICY NO. 5 (CONT.)

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopts the revised Councillor Allowances Policy No. 5 – Version 12 effective 12 November 2014.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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7. PLANNING AUTHORITY

The Council will act as a planning authority under the provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* in respect of any items included in this section of the agenda.

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

25. Acting as a planning authority

- (1) If a council or council committee intends to act at a meeting as a planning authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, the chairperson is to advise the meeting accordingly.*
- (2) The general manager is to ensure that the reasons for a decision by a council or council committee acting as planning authority are recorded in the minutes.*

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7.1 APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION FROM A LOCAL PROVISION OF THE GEORGE TOWN INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2013 – LOT 1 EAST TAMAR HIGHWAY, MOUNT DIRECTION

REPORT AUTHOR: Municipal Planner – Mrs Justine Brooks-Bedelph

REPORT DATE: 30th October 2014

FILE NO: D2/2014

ATTACHMENT: Title

DECISION STATEMENT

To provide a statement to the Tasmanian Planning Commission subsequent to the public exhibition period for an application for dispensation from a local provision of the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 under Section 30 Q (1) of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 to:

1. Set aside the whole provisions of the Rural Resource Zone as they relate to CT 149336/1
2. Apply the provisions of the Rural Living Zone as contained within the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 to CT 149336/1

PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION

Applicant: GHD Pty Ltd
Property: PID: 2781701
Title Reference: 149336/1
Address: Lot 1 East Tamar Highway, Mount Direction
Zone: Rural Resource
Received: 20/08/2014

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

A Planning report prepared in accordance with Section 30 V (3) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* was presented to the Planning Authority on the 17th September 2014 at the Council meeting to consider the application for dispensation on the subject land located at Lot 1 East Tamar Highway, Mount Direction.

The application sought to set aside the provisions of the Rural Resource Zone which applied to the subject site and instead apply the provisions of the Rural Living Zone. The dispensation also sought to set aside the 2ha minimum lot size provisions of the Rural Living Zone in Clause 13.4.2 '*Subdivision*' – *Acceptable Solution A1.1* and instead apply a minimum lot size requirement of 8000m² to the subject land.

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7.1 APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION FROM A LOCAL PROVISION OF THE GEORGE TOWN INTERIM PLANNING SCHEME 2013 – LOT 1 EAST TAMAR HIGHWAY, MOUNT DIRECTION (CONT.)

At the conclusion of that report, the following recommendation was made for the consideration of the Planning Authority:

That the Planning Authority consider the merits of this report and resolve to support the dispensation, thereby progressing the application through to exhibition with the knowledge that any representations received will be presented to the Planning Authority for further consideration at the November Council meeting.

The Planning Authority determined to support the dispensation application and the application was subsequently exhibited for a three week period from the 20th of September 2014, concluding on the 13th of October 2014. No representations were received.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Council notify the Tasmanian Planning Commission that no representations were received during the public exhibition period and that no modification is required to the application for dispensation for Lot 1, East Tamar Highway, Mount Direction.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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8. COMMUNITY SERVICES

8.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS / ASSISTANCE

REPORT AUTHOR: Manager Community Services – Anne Cameron

REPORT DATE: 30th October, 2014

FILE NO: 23.2

ATTACHMENT: (A) Community Grant Application – Port Dalrymple School
(B) Community Grant Application – Phoebe Barnett

SUMMARY

This report provides a summary and recommendations related to requests for community grants or assistance.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Key Item 3 – Community and Wellbeing

Goal: *To foster wellbeing and a sense of belonging for our community by:*

- Providing and promoting a range of social, cultural and community events
- Supporting youth initiatives
- Actively engaging with our community

Strategy 3.4: Support Community Groups

Provide a grants program for community groups and individuals.

FINANCES

The 2014 / 2015 budget allocation for Community Grants is \$13,000.

The following allocations for the financial year 2014 / 2015 have been made to date.

Organisation	Grant Category	Amount \$
Getasew Ferguson	Young Achiever	\$200
Will Spicer	Young Achiever	\$200
Gordon Square Childhood Services	Community Grant	\$600
Ella Jones	Young Achiever	\$200
George Town Community Bowls	Community Grant	\$640
George Town Volunteer Ambulance Group	Community Grant	\$950
Lions Club of George Town	Community Grant	\$135
Doing Life Together Community Event	Community Grant	\$950
TOTAL		\$ 3,875

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8.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS / ASSISTANCE (CONT.)

1. Port Dalrymple School

George Town Council has received a Grant Application from Port Dalrymple School for Council services to assist with their annual Dancing in the Street community event.

OFFICER'S COMMENT

The completed Grant Application and Event Application form attachments to this report. The request conforms to Council's Community Grants / Assistance Policy in the Council Service Fees and Charges Assistance.

Dancing in the Street has been an annual event in George Town for the past eight years. The event will be held in Regent Square on Thursday 20th November. Students in years Prep to 10 from Star of Sea School, South George Town Primary School and Port Dalrymple School will participate and dance to a variety of songs. With approximately 300 students participating, and 700 spectators, this is one of the largest dance events in the Northern Region.

The dance event is led by student leaders from Port Dalrymple, who perform their dance routine on a stage provided by the school, and set up in Regent Square.

A council grant of \$750 is sought to cover the cost of Depot Staff collecting the stage from Port Dalrymple School, setting it up in Regent Square, and returning it to the school at the conclusion of the event.

This event has previously been held in conjunction with George Town on Show, and Council services for the delivery and return of the stage has formed part of the George Town on Show budget.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk in relation to this item is considered minimal.

2. Phoebe Barnett

Council has received an Achievement Grant Application from Phoebe Barnett. Phoebe has been selected to represent Tasmania in the Girls Under 15 National Cricket Championships which are being held in Sydney between the 26 November and the 2nd December 2014.

OFFICER'S COMMENT

The completed grant application, along with letter of confirmation from Cricket Tasmania, form attachments to this report.

The request conforms to Council's Community Grants / Assistance Policy in the Young Achievers Category.

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8.1 COMMUNITY GRANTS / ASSISTANCE (CONT.)

Phoebe is a young up and coming junior cricket player who excels in her chosen sport. As a member of the Riverside Cricket Club, Phoebe has been recognised for her talent and dedication by being named as a member of the Cricket Tasmania team to participate in the Under 15 National Cricket Championships. Tasmania will play matches against Queensland, ACT, NSW, Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia, with the finals being played on the 2nd December.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk in relation to this item is considered minimal.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Community Events officer be received and that Council:

1. provides a Community Grant of \$750 to Port Dalrymple School to cover the cost of Council Services in delivery and return of the school's stage required for their Dancing in the Street community event.
2. provides an Achievement Grant of \$200 to Phoebe Barnett to assist her with costs associated with her selection in the Cricket Tasmania Under 15 State Team.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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8.2 MINOR COMMUNITY EVENTS PROGRAM & PROJECTS SPONSORSHIP FUND

REPORT AUTHOR: Community Services Events Officer – Mrs Rhonda O'Sign

REPORT DATE: 30th October, 2014

FILE NO: 23.2

ATTACHMENT: Sponsorship Request – George Town Rotary Club

SUMMARY

This report provides a summary and recommendations related to requests for sponsorship under Council's Minor Community Events Program & Projects Sponsorship Fund.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Key Item 3 – Community and Wellbeing

Goal: *To foster wellbeing and a sense of belonging for our community by:*

- Providing and promoting a range of social, cultural and community events
- Supporting youth initiatives
- Actively engaging with our community

Strategy 3.4: Support Community Groups

Provide a grants program for community groups and individuals.

FINANCES

The 2014/2015 budget allocation for Sponsorship is \$8,000.

The following allocations for the financial year 2014/2015 have been made to date.

Organisation	Amount \$
George Town Lions Club	1,100
TOTAL	1,100

1. George Town Rotary Club

Council has received a community sponsorship application from the George Town Rotary Club. The sponsorship request is for support for the annual Wings and Things Event.

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**8.2 MINOR COMMUNITY EVENTS PROGRAM & PROJECTS SPONSORSHIP FUND
(CONT.)**

OFFICER’S COMMENT

The completed Minor Community Events Programs and Projects Sponsorship Fund Application Form is an attachment to this report.

The Rotary Club of George Town is a community organisation which aims to raise funds that are re-invested in Rotary Youth, school programs and sports programs which meet Rotary’s ideals.

Rotary held the inaugural Wings and Things event in 2014. The objective is to grow the event over time to provide greater support to the community.

The 2015 event will be held on the 22nd February at the George Town Aerodrome.

This event provides the opportunity for both local residents and visitors to our municipality to view a large collection of vintage and veteran vehicles, aircraft and historic machinery, in a safe and friendly family environment. In addition to the various displays, the event will offer live music and food & refreshment stalls.

Council sponsorship will offset a portion of the expenditure required for the Rotary Club to hold this event.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Risk in relation to this item is considered minimal

RECOMMENDATION

That the report of the Community Services Events officer be received and that Council:

1. Provides sponsorship of \$1000.00 to the George Town Rotary Club to assist with the costs associated with their annual Wings & Things Event.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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9. PETITIONS

Nil.

10. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

11. CLOSED SESSION

11.1 INTO CLOSED SESSION

Moved: Cr
Seconded: Cr

That Council move into closed session at to discuss the following items:

- Item No. 1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes of Council’s Ordinary meeting held on the 15th October 2014 LG(MP)R 15(2)(f)
- Item No. 2 General Manager Recruitment LG(MP)R 15(2)(j)
- Item No. 3 Code of Conduct Chairperson LG(MP)R 15(2)(j)
- Item No. 4 Resealing of Roads 2014/15 – Tender No. 10/14 LG(MP)R 15(2)(c)
- Item No. 5 Back Creek Road (GTC 011/14) and Industry Road (GTC 12/14) Bridge Reconstruction Projects – Tender Evaluation and Recommendation
- Item No. 6 Audit Panel Creation LG(MP)R 15(2)(j)

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

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11.8 OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

Moved:
Seconded:

That Council moves out of Closed Session and endorse those decisions taken while in Closed Session and the information remains Confidential.

DECISION

VOTING

	For	Against		For	Against
Cr Archer			Cr Glisson		
Cr Harris			Cr Nicholls		
Cr Barwick			Cr Parish		
Cr Burt			Cr Parkes		
Cr Dawson					

There being no further business, the meeting closed at

**Cr Bridget Archer
MAYOR**