

**George Town Council**  
**COUNCIL MEETING – 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2018**  
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**Meeting Commencing at 5.03pm**

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**1. PRESENT**

Mayor Bridget Archer, Chairperson  
Deputy Mayor, Cr Tim Harris  
Cr Chris Ashley  
Cr Heather Barwick  
Cr Doug Burt  
Cr Greg Dawson  
Cr John Glisson  
Cr Tim Parish  
Cr Peter Parkes

**1.1 APOLOGIES**

Nil.

**1.2 IN ATTENDANCE**

General Manager  
Team Leader Corporate & Finance  
Governance Support Officer

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**2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**076/18      2.1      ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2018**

**DECISION**

Moved:     Cr Parish  
Seconded: Cr Harris

That the Minutes of Council's Ordinary meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 numbered 063/18 to 072/18 and 075/18 as previously circulated to Elected Members be received and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

*Cr Barwick referred to her comments made at the May meeting in respect to the budget adoption process of some Council's and requested that her the comments that their budgets were approved in principal also be inserted into the minutes.*

*Cr Burt and Cr Ashley advised that as they were not present at the May 2018 meeting they would abstain from voting.*

**VOTING**

For:        Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish, Cr Barwick  
Against:   Cr Ashley, Cr Burt

**CARRIED 7/2**

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**3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

**3.1 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME PROCEDURE**

*[Refer to Minute No. 243/16. The period set aside for public question time will be at least 15 minutes. Questions given on notice will be addressed first. Once questions on notice have been addressed, persons who have registered their interest to ask a question will be called to do so in the order in which they have registered. Persons attending Council meetings will have the opportunity to register their interest to ask a question without notice prior to the commencement of the meeting. Council staff will be on hand to assist with this process.*

*Participants cannot ask more than 2 questions in a row with a maximum of 2 minutes per question. If a person has more than (2) questions, they will be placed at the 'end of the queue' and may, if time permits, ask their further questions once all other persons have had an opportunity to ask questions. Persons who have not registered their interest to ask a question will be given an opportunity to do so following all those who have registered. All questions must be directed to the Chairperson.*

*For further information on Council's Public Question Time Rules and Procedure, please refer to George Town Council Public Question Time Policy No. 18.]*

*Questions asked and answers provided may be summarised in the minutes of the meeting.*

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**3.2 PUBLIC QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Nil.

**3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Commenced at: 5:06pm

Concluded at: 5:22pm

**Mr Neilsen, George Town**

Q1. Mr Neilsen referred to the interim responses provided in the February 2018 agenda to his previous questions asked in December 2017 and October 2015 and stated that all his questions related to matters of high expenditure by Council and asked that these matters receive attention and that he be advised as to the advancement of the further responses.

*The Chairperson requested Mr Neilsen to refresh Council's memory in regard to the questions to determine if the General Manager could provide some update.*

Mr Neilsen advised that the question of December 2017 asked why Council took over the road in Dune Place and Sandy Court. The questions from October 2015 related to the joint usage and right of way to the entry to Gray's Hotel and the exit from BWS bottle shop and the third question related to the former sewerage plant.

*Through the Chair, the General Manager advised that as the officers involved in these matters were no longer with Council it was taking some time to find out some of the details associated with these historical type questions.*

Q2. Mr Neilsen asked if Council has discussed in recent time or does it have a position to work with the community to address what some perceive to be a deteriorating image and functionality of the Main Street and business precinct. Mr Neilsen also referred to a recent meeting between himself and the General Manager in respect to this matter.

*Through the Chair, the General Manager stated that as she had only met with Mr Neilsen last week she had not had an opportunity to meet with the whole Council to pass on his ideas. The General Manager relayed her comments made to Mr Neilsen at the meeting being that Council had not budgeted to buy additional buildings at this time but were looking at a revitalisation of the main street which will require quite a bit of work. The General Manager advised that she would put forward Mr Neilsen's ideas with the other discussions to do with a Main Street master plan.*

**Mrs Webb, George Town**

Q1. Mrs Webb referred to Agenda Item 12.2 and asked why the country people and George Town rates are being increased and Low Head's rates are being decreased.

*The Chairperson advised that the intention is to bring the residential properties across the municipality to a single average area rate in accordance with Council's long term financial plan over 5 years; this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of that process.*

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**3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)**

*The Chairperson referred the question to the Team Leader Corporate & Finance who provided some further comments in respect to the process.*

**Mr O'Doherty, George Town**

Q1. Mr O'Doherty referred to the Mayor's Matters of Involvement and asked if the visit by the Member for Bass to do with the next election.

*The Chairperson advised that the Member for Bass is proactive in contacting Council and meeting with herself and the General Manager and these meetings generally occur every 2 months with the catch up covering local issues and issues we may want advocated federally.*

*At that meeting the Mayor and General Manager also reiterated the Strategic Priority Projects document, a copy of which was provided to Mr Hart and reaffirmed those projects, specifically raising the issue of The Glen Road. The Glen Road was also raised recently with Senator Bushby as being high on the list of priorities with the Chairperson adding that Council was continuing to seek funding for The Glen Road.*

Mr O'Doherty referred to Mr Neilsen's previous question and offered suggestions in regard to the area where the existing Chicken Feed building, the second hand shop and the old butcher shop are and asked with an election coming on would Council look at the area and come up with some ideas and look at it as a project to enhance the CBD and perhaps put it to the Government to get some grant money.

*The Chairperson stated that as the General Manager had previously advised Mr Neilsen, as the discussion with Mr Neilsen was only late last week it has not progressed however she was sure Councillors would take the commentary on board and when it has an opportunity it will relay the ideas. This will however be a decision for Council to make in regard to what it thinks appropriate in terms of the Main Street. The Chairperson advised that Council also needs to look at the way the retail space is being used now compared to how it used to be used. The Chairperson also advised that there is a small project underway as a result of an approach by the Chamber of Commerce who were concerned about the boards over the shop windows. The Chairperson provided an overview of the project.*

**3.4 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS**

Nil.

**4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**5. 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.



**Justine Brooks-Bedelph**  
**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 –
  - (a) the general manager certifies, in writing –
    - (i) that such advice was obtained; and
    - (ii) that the general manager took the advice into account in providing general advice to the council or council committee; and
  - (b) a copy of that advice or, if the advice was given orally, a written transcript or summary of that advice is provided to the council or council committee with the general manager's certificate.

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**6. PLANNING AUTHORITY**

Nil.

**7. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT**

Nil.

**8. WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE**

Nil.

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**9. CORPORATE AND FINANCE**

**077/18 9.1 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AUDIT PANEL FOR 2017-2018**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager

**FILE NO:** 29.11

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives and notes the Annual Report of the Audit Panel for 2017-2018 and the Audit Panel Annual Work Plan for 2018/2019.

*Cr Parkes referred to the two resignations of elected members from the Audit Panel and asked if Council would be electing two new representatives to the Audit Panel at this point.*

*Through the Chair, the General Manager advised that the regulations reflect that a quorum is required and as there are three members on the Panel with two remaining there will still be a quorum with two out of the three members.*

*The Chairperson also advised that as it must be revisited after the election it was determined that it was adequate to hold the last meeting with the remaining quorum.*

*Cr Glisson stated that he disagreed with the comments made and stated that whilst there were still members on the Audit Panel, one was an independent person not associated with the Council, one was a Councillor being himself and if he disagreed with the Chairman there is no third party, one of our Councillors, to make the determining vote. Cr Glisson further stated that the idea of having a three man panel is to ensure that it isn't a stalemate on these sorts of issues and he thought we should appoint a third councillor even though there is only one more meeting. There will be decisions that will need to be made. Cr Glisson stated that the chart says there are two Councillors and an independent Chair and to not fulfil that is failing in our role.*

*Through the Chair, the General Manager advised that that was actually the Chair's advice being that we did not need to replace that person. The General Manager stated however if Council feels different she would be guided by Council.*

*Cr Glisson stated that he would be moving a motion to nominate a Councillor as member to the Audit Panel immediately after this motion has gone through.*

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parkes

Seconded: Cr Harris

That Council receives and notes the Annual Report of the Audit Panel for 2017-2018 and the Audit Panel Annual Work Plan for 2018/2019.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against: Cr Parkes, Cr Parish

**CARRIED 7/2**

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**078/18 ELECTION OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE AS MEMBER TO THE AUDIT PANEL**

Moved: Cr Glisson  
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the vacant positions on the Audit Panel being one Panel member and one Proxy be filled at this meeting with Cr Barwick being nominated to the Audit Panel position and that the proxy be left vacant at this stage for someone else to nominate.

Cr Barwick accepted the nomination.

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick  
Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

Moved: Cr Dawson  
Seconded:

That Cr Burt be nominated as Proxy to the Audit Panel.

Cr Burt declined the nomination.

Cr Dawson withdrew the motion.

**10. COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Nil.

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**11. MAYOR**

**079/18 11.1 MATTERS OF INVOLVEMENT – MAYOR**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager

**FILE NO.:** 14.11

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*The Chairperson advised that she did not attend:*

- *the meeting on the 23<sup>d</sup> May with representatives from the Bass & Flinders Bowls & Community Club; and*
- *she was an apology for the Launceston College function held on the 15<sup>th</sup> June.*

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the information report from the Mayor on Matters of Involvement be received and the information noted.

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Barwick

Seconded: Cr Burt

That the information report from the Mayor on Matters of Involvement be received and the information noted.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

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**12. GENERAL MANAGER**

**080/18 12.1 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS – JUNE 2018**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager

**FILE NO:** 14.10

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the report from the General Manager and notes the information.

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parkes

Seconded: Cr Ashley

That Council receives the report from the General Manager and notes the information.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

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**081/18 12.2 SETTING OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**REPORT AUTHOR/S:** General Manager  
Team Leaders

**FILE NO:** 32.4

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council, pursuant to Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 receive and adopt the schedules of fees and charges attached to this report for the 2018/2019 financial year.

*Cr Harris congratulated the Team Leader Corporate & Finance for the work done on what he considered to be well balanced fees and charges.*

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Harris  
Seconded: Cr Burt

That Council, pursuant to Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 receive and adopt the schedules of fees and charges attached to this report for the 2018/2019 financial year.

An **AMENDMENT** was:

Moved: Cr Barwick  
Seconded: Cr Parkes

That Council, pursuant to Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 receive and adopt the schedules of fees and charges attached to this report for the 2018/2019 financial year subject to the bond fee event with alcohol for Weymouth and Bellingham Halls being consistent with the bond fee event with alcohol at Hillwood Hall.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish, Cr Burt,  
Cr Barwick  
Against: Cr Dawson

**CARRIED 8/1**

**SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

Moved: Cr Barwick  
Seconded: Cr Parkes

That Council, pursuant to Section 205 of the Local Government Act 1993 receive and adopt the schedules of fees and charges attached to this report for the 2018/2019 financial year subject to the bond fee event with alcohol for Weymouth and Bellingham Halls being consistent with the bond fee event with alcohol at Hillwood Hall.

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**081/18 12.2 SETTING OF FEES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

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**082/18 12.3 MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 YEAR**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager  
Team Leader – Corporate & Finance

**FILE NO:** 32.1

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council by absolute majority, make rates and charges for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 in accordance with the resolutions which follow:

**DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

- (a) **'Planning Scheme'** means the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 as amended or replaced pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (Tas).
- (b) Where the context permits, terms used in this resolution have the meaning given to those terms in the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas) or the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas) (as applicable).

**1. GENERAL RATE & MINIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE**

Pursuant to Section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (**'Act'**), Council makes the following General Rate on all rateable land excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 87 of the Act within the municipal area of George Town for the period commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 and ending on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019:

- (a) pursuant to Sections 90(1) and 90(3)(b) of the Act, Council hereby makes a General Rate of **0.364410** cents in the dollar on the **capital value** of the land; and
- (b) pursuant to Section 90(4) of the Act, Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of the General Rate of **\$702.00**.

**2. VARIATIONS TO THE GENERAL RATE**

Pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, Council hereby varies the General Rate of **0.364410** cents in the dollar (as previously made) as follows:

- (a) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned 'General Industrial' as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481581** cents to **1.845991** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (b) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned 'Utilities' as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481581** cents to **1.845991** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (c) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned 'Port And Marine' as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481582** cents to **1.845993** cents in the dollar on capital value;

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- (d) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is not zoned 'General Industrial', 'Utilities' or 'Port And Marine' as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.397075** cents to **0.761486** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (e) For land used or predominantly used for commercial purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.396869** cents to **0.761279** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (f) In the locality of Beechford, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.247275** cents to **0.611685** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (g) In the locality of Bellingham, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.244886** cents to **0.609296** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (h) In the locality of George Town, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.305672** cents to **0.670083** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (i) In the locality of Hillwood, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.053746** cents to **0.310664** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (j) In the locality of Lefroy, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.405756** cents to **0.770166** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (k) In the locality of Low Head, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.033260** cents to **0.331150** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (l) In the locality of Lulworth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.122779** cents to **0.487189** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (m) In the locality of Mount Direction, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.068828** cents to **0.433238** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (n) In the locality of Pipers Brook, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.006601** cents to **0.357809** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (o) In the locality of Pipers River, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.018042** cents to **0.382452** cents in the dollar on capital value; and
- (p) In the locality of Weymouth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.155452** cents to **0.519862** cents in the dollar on capital value.

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**082/18 12.3 MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 YEAR (CONT.)**

**3. AVERAGED AREA RATES**

Pursuant to Section 109A of the Act and Certificates issued to Council in accordance with Section 109H of the Act, Council hereby make the following Averaged Area Rates ('AAR') for all rateable land within the municipal area for the following categories and localities for the financial year commencing 1 July 2016 and ending 30 June 2017:

- (a) In the locality of Beechford, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (f) of this resolution;
- (b) In the locality of Bellingham, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (g) of this resolution;
- (c) In the locality of George Town, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1,088.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (h) of this resolution;
- (d) In the locality of Hillwood, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (i) of this resolution;
- (e) In the locality of Lefroy, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (j) of this resolution;
- (f) In the locality of Low Head, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1,088.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (k) of this resolution;
- (g) In the locality of Lulworth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (l) of this resolution;
- (h) In the locality of Mount Direction, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (m) of this resolution;
- (i) In the locality of Pipers Brook, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (n) of this resolution;
- (j) In the locality of Pipers River, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (o) of this resolution; and
- (k) In the locality of Weymouth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (p) of this resolution.

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**082/18 12.3 MAKING OF RATES AND CHARGES FOR THE 2018/2019 YEAR (CONT.)**

**4. WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGES**

Pursuant to Section 94 of the Act, Council by absolute majority hereby makes the following service charges on all rateable land within the municipal area of George Town (including land which is otherwise exempt from general and separate rates pursuant to Section 87 of the Act but excluding Crown land to which Council does not supply waste management services) for the period commencing 1 July 2018 and ending on 30 June 2019, namely:

- (a) A service charge of **\$38.00** for waste management on all rateable land for the establishment, management, provision and rehabilitation by Council of waste management facilities, and
- (b) A service charge for waste management in respect of all land to which Council provides or makes available waste management services, including garbage and recycling removal and disposal using mobile garbage and recycling bins, pursuant to Section 94(3A) of the Act varied according to the level of service provided or made available, of:
  - (i) **\$178.00** for land serviced by one 85 litre mobile garbage bin and one 140 litre mobile recycling bin;
  - (ii) **\$215.00** for land serviced by one 140 litre mobile garbage bin and one 140 litre mobile recycling bin; and
  - (iii) **\$311.00** for land serviced by one 240 litre mobile garbage bin and one 240 litre mobile recycling bin.

**5. SERVICE RATE FOR FIRE PROTECTION**

- (a) Pursuant to Section 93A of the Act, Council makes the following fire protection service rates for the purpose of collecting a fire service contribution from all rateable land in the municipal area sufficient to pay the contribution that Council is required to make pursuant to the notice received by Council from the State Fire Commission given accordance with Section 81B of the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas) for the 2018-2019 financial year as follows:

<b><u>District</u></b>	<b>Rate Cents in the dollar of Capital Value</b>
George Town Volunteer Brigade Rating District	\$0.0246143
General Land	\$0.0231599

- (b) Pursuant to Section 93(3) of the Act and Section 81C(6) and Section 79B(2) of the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas), the minimum fire service contribution payable in respect of the fire service contribution is the amount of **\$40.00**.

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**6. PAYMENT OF RATES**

Pursuant to Section 124 of the Act, Council determines that:

all rates may be paid by rate payers by way of four (4) approximately equal instalments in accordance with the following schedule:

- (a) First instalment due on or before 31 August 2018;
- (b) Second instalment due on or before 31 October 2018;
- (c) Third instalment due on or before 31 January 2019; and
- (d) Fourth and final instalment due on or before 31 March 2019.

**7. PENALTY AND INTEREST**

Pursuant to Section 128(1)(c) of the Act, if any rate, instalment or charge is not paid on or before the date that it falls due for payment then:

- (a) there is payable a penalty of five percent (**5%**) of the unpaid amounts of the rate, instalment or charge; and
- (b) there is payable a daily interest charge of **0.0241369% (8.81% per annum)** in respect of the unpaid amount of the rate, instalment or charge for the period during which it remains unpaid.

**8. SEPARATE LAND**

For the purposes of these resolutions the rates and charges (including the minimum amounts) shall apply to each parcel of land which is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001* (Tas).

**9. ADJUSTED VALUES**

For the purposes of these resolutions any reference to capital value includes a reference to that value as may be adjusted from time to time pursuant to Section 89 of the Act.

**REQUIRES ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL**

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Burt  
Seconded: Cr Parish

That Council by absolute majority, make rates and charges for the period 1 July 2018 to 30 June 2019 in accordance with the resolutions which follow:

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**DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION**

- (a) ‘**Planning Scheme**’ means the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 as amended or replaced pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (Tas).
- (b) Where the context permits, terms used in this resolution have the meaning given to those terms in the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas) or the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas) (as applicable).

**1. GENERAL RATE & MINIMUM AMOUNT PAYABLE**

Pursuant to Section 90 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (**‘Act’**), Council makes the following General Rate on all rateable land excluding land which is exempt pursuant to the provisions of Section 87 of the Act within the municipal area of George Town for the period commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2018 and ending on 30<sup>th</sup> June 2019:

- (a) pursuant to Sections 90(1) and 90(3)(b) of the Act, Council hereby makes a General Rate of **0.364410** cents in the dollar on the **capital value** of the land; and
- (b) pursuant to Section 90(4) of the Act, Council sets a minimum amount payable in respect of the General Rate of **\$702.00**.

**2. VARIATIONS TO THE GENERAL RATE**

Pursuant to Section 107 of the Act, Council hereby varies the General Rate of **0.364410** cents in the dollar (as previously made) as follows:

- (a) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned ‘General Industrial’ as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481581** cents to **1.845991** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (b) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned ‘Utilities’ as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481581** cents to **1.845991** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (c) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is zoned ‘Port And Marine’ as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **1.481582** cents to **1.845993** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (d) For land used or predominantly used for industrial purposes, and which is not zoned ‘General Industrial’, ‘Utilities’ or ‘Port And Marine’ as defined in the Planning Scheme, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.397075** cents to **0.761486** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (e) For land used or predominantly used for commercial purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.396869** cents to **0.761279** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (f) In the locality of Beechford, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.247275** cents to **0.611685** cents in the dollar on capital value;

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- (g) In the locality of Bellingham, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.244886** cents to **0.609296** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (h) In the locality of George Town, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.305672** cents to **0.670083** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (i) In the locality of Hillwood, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.053746** cents to **0.310664** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (j) In the locality of Lefroy, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.405756** cents to **0.770166** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (k) In the locality of Low Head, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.033260** cents to **0.331150** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (l) In the locality of Lulworth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.122779** cents to **0.487189** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (m) In the locality of Mount Direction, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.068828** cents to **0.433238** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (n) In the locality of Pipers Brook, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by decreasing it by **0.006601** cents to **0.357809** cents in the dollar on capital value;
- (o) In the locality of Pipers River, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.018042** cents to **0.382452** cents in the dollar on capital value; and
- (p) In the locality of Weymouth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, the General Rate is varied by increasing it by **0.155452** cents to **0.519862** cents in the dollar on capital value.

**3. AVERAGED AREA RATES**

Pursuant to Section 109A of the Act and Certificates issued to Council in accordance with Section 109H of the Act, Council hereby make the following Averaged Area Rates ('AAR') for all rateable land within the municipal area for the following categories and localities for the financial year commencing 1 July 2016 and ending 30 June 2017:

- (a) In the locality of Beechford, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (f) of this resolution;
- (b) In the locality of Bellingham, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (g) of this resolution;
- (c) In the locality of George Town, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1,088.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (h) of this resolution;

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- (d) In the locality of Hillwood, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (i) of this resolution;
- (e) In the locality of Lefroy, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (j) of this resolution;
- (f) In the locality of Low Head, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1,088.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (k) of this resolution;
- (g) In the locality of Lulworth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (l) of this resolution;
- (h) In the locality of Mount Direction, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (m) of this resolution;
- (i) In the locality of Pipers Brook, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (n) of this resolution;
- (j) In the locality of Pipers River, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1030.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (o) of this resolution; and
- (k) In the locality of Weymouth, for rateable land that is used, or predominantly used, for residential purposes, an AAR is made in the amount of **\$1000.00** using the General Rate as varied pursuant to paragraph 2 (p) of this resolution.

**4. WASTE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CHARGES**

Pursuant to Section 94 of the Act, Council by absolute majority hereby makes the following service charges on all rateable land within the municipal area of George Town (including land which is otherwise exempt from general and separate rates pursuant to Section 87 of the Act but excluding Crown land to which Council does not supply waste management services) for the period commencing 1 July 2018 and ending on 30 June 2019, namely:

- (a) A service charge of **\$38.00** for waste management on all rateable land for the establishment, management, provision and rehabilitation by Council of waste management facilities, and
- (b) A service charge for waste management in respect of all land to which Council provides or makes available waste management services, including garbage and recycling removal and disposal using mobile garbage and recycling bins, pursuant to Section 94(3A) of the Act varied according to the level of service provided or made available, of:
  - (i) **\$178.00** for land serviced by one 85 litre mobile garbage bin and one 140 litre mobile recycling bin;
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- (iii) **\$311.00** for land serviced by one 240 litre mobile garbage bin and one 240 litre mobile recycling bin.

**5. SERVICE RATE FOR FIRE PROTECTION**

- (c) Pursuant to Section 93A of the Act, Council makes the following fire protection service rates for the purpose of collecting a fire service contribution from all rateable land in the municipal area sufficient to pay the contribution that Council is required to make pursuant to the notice received by Council from the State Fire Commission given accordance with Section 81B of the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas) for the 2018-2019 financial year as follows:

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- (d) Pursuant to Section 93(3) of the Act and Section 81C(6) and Section 79B(2) of the *Fire Service Act 1979* (Tas), the minimum fire service contribution payable in respect of the fire service contribution is the amount of **\$40.00**.

**6. PAYMENT OF RATES**

Pursuant to Section 124 of the Act, Council determines that:

all rates may be paid by rate payers by way of four (4) approximately equal instalments in accordance with the following schedule:

- (a) First instalment due on or before 31 August 2018;
- (b) Second instalment due on or before 31 October 2018;
- (c) Third instalment due on or before 31 January 2019; and
- (d) Fourth and final instalment due on or before 31 March 2019.

**7. PENALTY AND INTEREST**

Pursuant to Section 128(1)(c) of the Act, if any rate, instalment or charge is not paid on or before the date that it falls due for payment then:

- (a) there is payable a penalty of five percent (**5%**) of the unpaid amounts of the rate, instalment or charge; and
- (b) there is payable a daily interest charge of **0.0241369% (8.81% per annum)** in respect of the unpaid amount of the rate, instalment or charge for the period during which it remains unpaid.

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**8. SEPARATE LAND**

For the purposes of these resolutions the rates and charges (including the minimum amounts) shall apply to each parcel of land which is shown as being separately valued in the valuation list prepared under the *Valuation of Land Act 2001* (Tas).

**9. ADJUSTED VALUES**

For the purposes of these resolutions any reference to capital value includes a reference to that value as may be adjusted from time to time pursuant to Section 89 of the Act.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Parish, Cr Burt  
Against: Cr Glisson, Cr Barwick

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 7/2**

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**083/18 12.4 BUDGET ESTIMATES FOR THE 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager  
Team Leader – Corporate & Finance

**FILE NO:** 29.11

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the budget estimates prepared by the General Manager pursuant to Section 82 of the Local Government Act as summarised in the preceding be approved and adopted.

*Cr Ashley thanked the General Manager and staff involved in the preparation of the budget.*

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parish  
Seconded: Cr Ashley

That the budget estimates prepared by the General Manager pursuant to Section 82 of the Local Government Act as summarised in the preceding be approved and adopted.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt  
Against: Cr Barwick

**CARRIED 8/1**

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**084/18 12.5 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM FOR THE 2018/2019 FINANCIAL YEAR**

**REPORT AUTHOR/S:** General Manager  
Team Leader – Corporate and Finance

**FILE NO:** 32.4

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**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That the Capital Works expenditure for the 2018/2019 financial year and the carry forward capital works as reported be approved and adopted, subject to plant review where indicated.

*Cr Burt thanked the team involved in the preparation of the report.*

*Cr Harris left the meeting at 6:08pm returning at 6:09pm.*

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Burt  
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the Capital Works expenditure for the 2018/2019 financial year and the carry forward capital works as reported be approved and adopted, subject to plant review where indicated.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick  
Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

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**085/18 12.6 WASTE VOUCHERS**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager  
Team Leader – Corporate and Finance

**FILE NO:** 73.2

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**SUMMARY**

**OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION**

That Council continue with the trial of suitable collection options for hard waste, by replacing the voucher option with two free open days at Pipers River and George Town Waste Transfer stations during the 2018/2019 financial year.

**DECISION**

Moved: Cr Parkes  
Seconded: Cr Ashley

That Council continue with the trial of suitable collection options for hard waste, by replacing the voucher option with two free open days at Pipers River and George Town Waste Transfer stations during the 2018/2019 financial year.

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish,  
Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

**13. PETITIONS**

Nil.

**14. NOTICES OF MOTIONS**

**14.1 NOTICE OF MOTION – CR GLISSON**

A notice of motion has been received from Cr Glisson. Refer Item 17.3 Closed Meeting.

*Cr Glisson referred to his motion and commenced reading his motion to the meeting.*

*The Chairperson interrupted Cr Glisson and advised Cr Glisson that the motion has been placed into closed session and Council will need to make a determination at that time.*

*Cr Glisson stated that the motion was withdrawn.*

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**15. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE TAKEN ON NOTICE FROM PREVIOUS ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

*[Refer to Minute No. 362/15 which states "At any Ordinary Meeting of Council when a 'without notice' question from a councillor is accepted, and when this question is taken on notice',*

- a) The General Manager is to record in the minutes of that meeting the 'question', and that the question was 'taken on notice'.*
- b) Provide the answer to the question 'taken on notice, at the next Ordinary Meeting of Council, in writing.']*

***Cr Glisson (16<sup>th</sup> May 2018)***

- Q1. Cr Glisson requested an update on where Council is at with Regent Square be provided at the next available Council workshop.

**Response:**

*This matter was discussed at the Council Workshop held on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018. The updated Master Plan has been distributed to the Reference Group and a report will be submitted to the July 2018 Council meeting for endorsement.*

- Q2. Cr Glisson requested an update on what Council hopes to achieve in relation to the issue of homelessness within the municipality at the next Council meeting.

**Response:**

*The General Manager has made contact with the Minister for Housing and The Treasurer and is awaiting a response. Upon receipt of a response, further information will be presented to a Council workshop.*

- Q3. Cr Glisson requested an update on the Mount George Mountain Bike Trail and the roles of the Reference Group with a view to establishing a Section 24 Committee at the next available Council workshop.

**Response:**

*This matter was discussed at the Council Workshop held on the 6<sup>th</sup> June 2018.*

***Cr Glisson (20<sup>th</sup> June 2018)***

*Cr Glisson referred to his question with regard to the update on the homelessness and the General Manager's response provided and asked when the correspondence was sent to the Minister and Treasurer and how long will we wait before a response is received.*

*The Chairperson advised that there had been a number of correspondences sent by the General Manager and by herself and there has been a response received yesterday with some proposed dates and times. We will liaise with Minister's office to coordinate.*

**15. COUNCILLORS QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE TAKEN ON NOTICE FROM PREVIOUS ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING (CONT.)**

*Cr Glisson referred to the update on Regent Square and asked if there is a further meeting being scheduled or planned with the Reference Group.*

*The Chairperson advised that it was not intended that another meeting be held. The last meeting of the Reference Group was an additional meeting which the consultant had agreed to.*

*There is now the draft Plan prepared from those meetings which has been circulated to the Group. A revised version of the Plan was then also circulated after receiving feedback from staff around the emergency access, etc.*

*Feedback has been invited from the Group and some feedback has since been received with some comments that the Plan had not been updated to reflect the changes that came out of the last Group meeting. The Plan has now been updated to reflect the changes.*

*The Chairperson advised that it was the General Manager's intention that the Plan would come to the July Council meeting.*

*Through the Chair, the General Manager thanked Cr Parkes for his technical assistance with the Plan.*

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**16. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**086/18 16.1 GEORGE TOWN COMMUNITY SAFETY GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING**

**REPORT AUTHOR:** General Manager

**REPORT DATE:** 12<sup>th</sup> June, 2018

**FILE NO:** 22.24

**ATTACHMENT/S:** George Town Community Safety Group Committee Confirmed Minutes –1<sup>st</sup> May, 2018

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Moved: Cr Barwick

Seconded: Cr Glisson

That the confirmed minutes of the George Town Community Safety Committee meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2018 as attached to this report be received.

**DECISION**

**VOTING**

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Ashley, Cr Parkes, Cr Dawson, Cr Glisson, Cr Parish, Cr Burt, Cr Barwick

Against:

**CARRIED 9/0**

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**17. CLOSED MEETING**

*The Chairperson confirmed with Cr Glisson that he had withdrawn his motion.*

*The Chairperson advised that as Cr Glisson had withdrawn his motion and as there was no requirement to confirm the minutes of the closed meeting held on the 16<sup>th</sup> May 2018 the meeting would not go into closed meeting.*

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6:33pm.

**Cr Bridget Archer  
MAYOR**