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Meeting Commenced at 1.00pm

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1. PRESENT

Mayor Bridget Archer, Chairperson
Deputy Mayor, Cr Tim Harris
Cr Justine Brooks
Cr Chris Barraclough
Cr Greg Dawson
Cr Andrew Michieletto
Cr Winston Mason
Cr Greg Kieser
Cr Heather Barwick

1.1 APOLOGIES & LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Nil.

1.2 IN ATTENDANCE

General Manager
Team Leader Corporate & Finance
Team Leader Works & Infrastructure
Team Leader Community & Development Services
Governance Support Officer
Representatives TasFire

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2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

015/19 2.1 ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING HELD 22 JANUARY 2019

DECISION

Moved: Cr Harris
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the Minutes of Council's Ordinary meeting held on the 22 January 2019 numbered 001/19 to 011/19 and 014/19 as circulated to Councillors be received and confirmed as a true record of proceedings.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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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: 1:03pm

Concluded at: 1:41pm

Mr Austin, George Town

Q1. Mr Austin asked if the prohibited overnight parking is policed by Council.

The Chairperson responded that it was reasonable to say yes, however Council does not have any bylaws in relation to this matter which can present a challenge in terms of enforcement. Council's Ranger does take some form of enforcement in terms of moving people on if they have overstayed or are not in the right place.

Mr Austin stated that recently there were three caravans/motor homes parked overnight at Windmill Point.

The Chairperson advised that it helps if Council is informed. If the community does notice that type of activity and it is known that it is not in a place that it is allowed they can report it to Council which will allow Council to take some form of action.

Q2. Mr Austin referred to the fouling of the Track by dogs and recommended that the Ranger patrols the area a bit more strongly.

The Chairperson took Mr Austin's comments on board.

Mrs Webb, George Town

Q1. Mrs Webb asked for an explanation in that if someone leaves their car at Mt George and rides their bike to Dalrymple Road, do they ride back into George Town.

The Chairperson advised that there were a variety of options for people depending on how they choose to ride the trails and it would depend on the final model. If you look at Derby for example, they see the ride down as the reward for the ride up others have a view that they get a shuttle to the top and ride down. Others will ride up and down depending on their preference.

Mr Chillcott, George Town

Q1. Mr Chillcott referred to the mountain bike trail and stated that he has not seen any indication of a toilet block being built at the carpark and asked if there would be one as he did not see any mention of this in the costs.

The Chairperson advised that she imagined that there would be toilet facilities as part of the carpark. The Chairperson further advised that she felt the associated costs would include a toilet.

3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)

Mrs Rainbow, George Town

- Q1. Mrs Rainbow referred to the priority project status report and the Regent Square Master Plan where the report mentions that a copy of the current concept plan was presented to the Department of State Growth, the George Town Safety Committee and the Regent Square Reference Group. Mrs Rainbow stated that during her time on the Reference Group, the Group was not presented with consistent plans and stated that she would like to be included in the decision process relating to the Plan. Mrs Rainbow asked when the Council was going to inform the public of the Plan and seek their views before it is progressed.

The Chairperson referred the question to the General Manager who advised that the Macquarie Street Plan which he felt Mrs Rainbow was referring to has not been out for public consultation. Should Council choose to incorporate that as priority project, the consultation process would occur from there. The original Plan that was developed was a conversation starter and it has not been endorsed by this Council.

Mr O'Doherty, George Town

- Q1. Mr O'Doherty referred to Agenda item 6.1 regarding the Bushfire Prone Areas overlay and asked why Council would not wait until the natural process of the State Planning Scheme review was completed. Mr O'Doherty asked why the sudden rush to do this beforehand. Mr O'Doherty also asked how closely they have been looking at what the ongoing effects are for example, who would pay the costs and would this put a dampener on further development.

The Chairperson advised that the overlays will be a statutory requirement under the State wide scheme. There are some benefits in bringing that forward now and part of that is there is currently less capacity for officers to determine whether a bushfire assessment might be required and this would provide some clarity around the areas that would require a bushfire assessment. The Chairperson further advised that it was her understanding that there is currently a bit of a blanket approach. If you are within a certain distance then you must have an assessment done. This overlay would provide some more robust clarity around when that would be required which has the potential to be beneficial to developers and stop in some cases requiring them to undertake unnecessary bushfire assessments which they may be doing at the moment.

Mr O'Doherty asked what those benefits might be.

The Chairperson advised that this would potentially reduce developers' costs. Currently developers have to do a bushfire assessment. The overlay would provide more clarity around who may have to provide a bushfire assessment and who doesn't. They would only have to do it if they are in the recognised overlay area.

Mr O'Doherty asked if someone was going to build a house on a certain patch of land, would that reduce the cost on their overall project.

Through the Chair Mr O'Connor from TasFire advised that an important point is that the overlay is not introducing any new requirements. Currently there are Planning and Building requirements that are used for development of land in bushfire prone areas. In the absence of the overlay someone needs to make a call as to whether the area is bushfire prone or not. Mr O'Connor advised that it was TasFire's opinion that there were at least 600 lots which will no longer need as assessment.

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3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)

Mr O'Doherty asked for clarification that there would be no extra costs and there would be less costs.

The Chairperson advised that there would be less costs for less people. You would only be required to undertake a bushfire assessment if it was recognised that you are in a bushfire prone area.

Mr O'Doherty asked if once this is put in place under legislation it can be re-entered where areas can be added on or taken off quite easily.

Through the Chair Mr O'Connor from TasFire advised that this was correct as it is a Planning Scheme overlay and it would be treated the same way as other zones or overlays are treated. It may get amended from time to time dependent on what their strategic objectives are or a proposal comes in to redevelop land. It is organic and can be amended. In respect to the Planning Scheme all Councils are required under the Scheme to have a bushfire overlay. Mr O'Connor advised that given the work that has been done, there was no real advantage waiting for that scheme (Statewide) to come in as it may not come into effect in George Town until 2020 or later.

Mr O'Doherty asked why the State did not do it and why the TasFire Service has had to do it and come visit Councils as they have today. Mr O'Doherty asked are there any potential politics involved.

Through the Chair Mr O'Connor advised that in respect to local provisions it is ultimately Council's planning scheme. TasFire is a state agency who has the expertise (in house) on fire related matters and working with councils; it is a collaborative effort with Council and the State.

Mrs Rainbow, George Town

Q2. Mrs Rainbow referred to the George Town Community Safety Group and stated that she was not sure what the Group covered however commented that the amount of crime in this town is not being reported clearly and not being reported back to the community and is not being dealt with.

The Chairperson advised that the Safety Committee draws its membership from the community including Tas Police. Usually one representative of Tas Police sits on the Safety Committee and they communicate their activities that relate directly to George Town to the Committee. There is also a representative from the George Town Neighbourhood Watch who sits on the Safety Committee and their meetings are also attended by Tas Police.

Mr O'Doherty, George Town

Q2. Mr O'Doherty referred to page 31 of the Agenda and the Council's priority advocacy projects and the projects mentioned in the summary. Mr O'Doherty advised that he was concerned and hoped that when councillors are voting today they have a serious look. There may not just be those three choices. Mr O'Doherty referred to the Glen Road and stated that it did not make the list and felt that Council should consider that project. Mr O'Doherty asked would be right with the three projects listed that some of the projects are not shovel ready?

3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)

The Chairperson referred the question to the General Manager who advised that the report points that out that some projects are more advanced than others. Depending on Council's decision today those projects can be shovel ready sooner than later within an acceptable time.

Mr O'Doherty asked if Council was predicting any rate rises if any of these projects went ahead.

The Chairperson responded no and advised that she did not think that there was anticipation that there would be a rate rise directly linked to any project that Council might pursue. Council does have to give consideration to whatever it does and however they are funded and to the ongoing maintenance, upkeep and renewal of assets that it currently has or new assets that it is intending to construct.

The Chairperson advised that with some of those projects it has been identified that there may be other funding streams that could be available to fund their ongoing maintenance. As the General Manager has pointed out that would be considered as part of making those projects shovel ready and how those ongoing maintenance costs would be addressed. You also need to recognise that there are in the mix of priority projects, projects which Council has identified as projects it considers to be of some priority and of some strategic importance but that Council also recognises are probably going to require some external funding to make them a reality.

Naturally a Federal election is one of those opportunities. The Chairperson stated that this is not to say that anyone of those projects is any more or less important than any others. Council will continue to facilitate funding opportunities for all of those projects where appropriate. Council will continue to work through whatever work that may be required in progressing those projects, which will continue at a Council level irrespective of whatever funding streams Council is trying to attract. The Chairperson stated that there is a range of views of around what might or might not be Council or community priorities and that will be a matter for Council to determine and that she could not pre-empt what that debate and discussion might be. It is important to note that all of the projects that are identified are important and Council would welcome funding for any or all of them if it were to become available. This is not an exhaustive list and there are probably other projects or ideas that people might have from time to time, or go out as priorities change.

The Chairperson further advised that in relation to The Glen Road, she acknowledged Mr O'Doherty's point and stated that The Glen Road does remain and Council has reiterated that it remains a priority for Council to achieve funding for that road. Council recognises that it is appropriate that that be looked at in combination with Dalrymple Road as well as it makes more sense to do both of those projects as one. It hasn't been forgotten about and remains very much front of attention for Councillors. The Chairperson advised that Council has also had a discussion earlier around recognising that roads particularly fall into a category of their own in addition to what other projects that Council might identify as important. Roads will always remain a critical infrastructure priority for Council.

Mr O'Doherty asked will Councillors based on the fact, that in the last 18 months there has been a major reshape of this Council with major cutbacks to bring the budget deficit back into the black, when they are voting on the issues take fiscal responsibility into consideration and not vote emotionally.

3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)

The Chairperson advised that in terms of Mr O'Doherty's comments about committing Council to additional funding if there was a partial funding, it is important to note that part of the rationale for Council seeking election commitment funding is that it is an opportunity that rarely exists outside of that to seek untied funding.

With almost all other grant rounds there is a matching commitment required by Council and that is the rationale for seeking election commitment funding. In terms of the fiscal responsibility that Mr O'Doherty had mentioned Council concurs with the assessment and Councillors will give regard to the ongoing cost of maintaining and renewing assets which will always form part of that discussion.

Mrs Rainbow, George Town

Q3. Mrs Rainbow asked what consideration has been given in respect to conversations with bike riders, other than mountain bike riders, who have consistently been coming to the town and who stop to have coffee and/or lunch before they return. Mrs Rainbow stated that she would like to see them included not just mountain bike riders.

The Chairperson thanked Mrs Rainbow for her comments.

Mr Reilly, Low Head

Q1. Mr Reilly stated that he had asked his question 130 times of all levels of government including Councillors. Mr Reilly advised that his enquiries informed him that the Planner at the time informed the DDP and Mayor Archer of the lodging of a false plan at a RMPAT hearing on Regent Square. Mr Reilly advised he represented himself and the ratepayers of the municipality. Mr Reilly asked was a false plan lodged and why has he put 13 questions to the Council which have remained unanswered.

The Chairperson responded advising that she would provide Mr Reilly with the same answer as she has before and knew it was unsatisfactory to Mr Reilly but could not provide him with another answer. That response being that Council has nothing further to comment in relation to this matter. Council considers this matter has been dealt with in its entirety.

Mr Reilly asked if the Chairperson was covering up a criminal process.

The Chairperson stated that she did not believe that that is the case and as previously advised to Mr Reilly she did not believe there has been any criminal activity in relation to this matter.

Mr Austin, George Town

Q2. Mr Austin referred to Mr Reilly's question and stated that the Chairperson had sat in his home and suggested to himself and several other members of this municipality that she would conduct an investigation into the very thing that Mr Reilly had asked and that she had never done so and asked why not.

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3.3 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME (CONT.)

The Chairperson responded advising that as she had advised Mr Reilly and others she had put up a motion in relation to this matter several years ago which was unsuccessful and in effect the decision of the Council was not to proceed at that time. An identical motion was proposed at an AGM which was then considered by the Council which was also not successful at that time. That is the end of the issue as far as the Chairperson was concerned. Council has resolved to take no further action in relation to that matter and considers that all issues related to it have been resolved.

Mr Austin asked then that something the Chairperson knows is drastically wrong, should be swept under the carpet.

The Chairperson stated that that was not what she had said at all.

Mr Austin stated that the Chairperson promised that she would conduct an investigation into matter.

The Chairperson advised that she proposed a motion which is her role as a Councillor and the Council made a decision. On two occasions the Council made a decision; that's the end of the matter. Her role as the Mayor is to reflect the Council's decision.

Mr Austin stated that the Chairperson had promised that if she was elected as Mayor she would conduct an investigation and she had never done so.

The Chairperson responded advising Mr Austin that she did not, she had done exactly what she said she would do.

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3.4 QUESTIONS ON NOTICE FROM COUNCILLORS

Nil.

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.”)

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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.



Shane Power
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.

6. PLANNING AUTHORITY

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015

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 a planning authority are recorded in the minutes of the meeting.*

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016/19 6.1 SECTION 34 AMENDMENT – BUSHFIRE PRONE AREAS OVERLAY

AUTHOR: Statutory Town Planner

FILE NO: GTC – A1/2019

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

- a) That in accordance with Section 34 (1)(b) of the former provisions of the *Land use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the Planning Authority initiates draft amendment A1/2019 to the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 to insert Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay map, made applicable by the Bushfire Prone Areas Code E1.0.
- b) That in accordance with section 35(2) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the Planning Authority certify the draft amendment by instrument in writing affixed with the common seal of the planning authority.
- c) That in accordance with section 38(1) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the planning authority determine to publically exhibit the draft amendment for a period of 28 days.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Harris

Seconded: Cr Kieser

- a) That in accordance with Section 34 (1)(b) of the former provisions of the *Land use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the Planning Authority initiates draft amendment A1/2019 to the George Town Interim Planning Scheme 2013 to insert Bushfire Prone Areas Overlay map, made applicable by the Bushfire Prone Areas Code E1.0.
- b) That in accordance with section 35(2) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the Planning Authority certify the draft amendment by instrument in writing affixed with the common seal of the planning authority.
- c) That in accordance with section 38(1) of the former provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the planning authority determine to publically exhibit the draft amendment for a period of 28 days.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

7. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

Nil.

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8. WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

**017/19 8.1 GEORGE TOWN COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE – COMMUNITY
ROAD SAFETY GRANT**

REPORT AUTHOR: Team Leader – Infrastructure and Works

FILE NO: 22.24

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council authorise officers to submit an application to the Tasmanian Community Road Safety Grants program for funding for a variable message board.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Barwick
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That Council authorise officers to submit an application to the Tasmanian Community Road Safety Grants program for funding for a variable message board.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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9. CORPORATE AND FINANCE

018/19 9.1 COUNCILLORS REIMBURSEMENTS

REPORT AUTHOR: Team Leader – Corporate and Finance

FILE NO: 14.13

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That the Council adopts policy number 5 'Councillor Allowances' as enclosed with the report.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Dawson

Seconded: Cr Harris

That the Council adopts policy number 5 'Councillor Allowances' as enclosed with the report.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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10. COMMUNITY SERVICES

**019/19 10.1 REVIEW OF COUNCIL POLICY NO 10 – COMMUNITY GRANTS
/ASSISTANCE POLICY**

REPORT AUTHOR: Community Development Officer

FILE NO: 23.2

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council adopt the revised Community Grants/Assistance Policy #10 Version 5.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Barwick

Seconded: Cr Dawson

That Council adopt the revised Community Grants/Assistance Policy #10 Version 5 as presented.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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**020/19 10.2 MINOR COMMUNITY EVENTS PROGRAM & PROJECTS
SPONSORSHIP FUND**

REPORT AUTHOR: Community Development Officer

FILE NO: 23.2

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council approves sponsorship of \$1,000 to Northern Joblink to assist with the costs of delivering a PaTH Employment Skills Training program to 20 young people within the George Town community.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Brooks
Seconded: Cr Mason

That Council approves sponsorship of \$1,000 to Northern Joblink to assist with the costs of delivering a PaTH Employment Skills Training program to 20 young people within the George Town community.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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11. MAYOR

021/19 11.1 MATTERS OF INVOLVEMENT – MAYOR

FILE NO.: 14.11

REPORT DATE: 12 February 2019

Mayor Bridget Archer		
January	23	Attended DAP meeting
		Attended Regent Square Reference Group meeting
February	5	Attended George Town Audit Panel meeting
		Attended George Town Safety Group Committee meeting
	6	Attended DAP meeting
	7	Guest speaker – George Town Interagency Group
		Attended public information session – George Town Mountain Bike Trail
	10	Attended DAP launch and official opening of Windmill Point BBQ & Play area
	12	Attended George Town Chamber of Commerce AGM
	13	Attended Regent Square Reference Group meeting
	18	Attended Mountain Bike Reference Group meeting
	19	Attended Council workshop
19	Attended Council meeting	

The Chairperson advised that she did not attend the George Town Chamber of Commerce AGM. The Chairperson congratulated the newly elected executive of the Chamber.

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 Mason

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

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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022/19 PETITION – PRIORITY PETITION STATUS – MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

Moved: Cr Harris
Seconded: Cr Kieser

That item 13.1 be brought forward on the agenda.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
 Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED BY ABOLUTE MAJORITY 9/0

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023/19 13.1 PETITION – PRIORITY PETITION STATUS – MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

FILE NO: 14.5

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

Pursuant to s.58(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, Council receives the petition "Priority Petition Status – Mountain Bike Trail" tabled by the General Manager and submitted by Mr Cameron.

Cr Barraclough left the meeting at 2.25pm and returned at 2.26pm.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Barwick
Seconded: Cr Harris

Pursuant to s.58(2) of the Local Government Act 1993, Council receives the petition "Priority Petition Status – Mountain Bike Trail" tabled by the General Manager and submitted by Mr Cameron and a copy of the signatories of the petition be given to all Councillors confidentially.

The Chairperson called a point of order against Councillors @ 2.27pm in accordance with r.23(1)(b) a Councillor speaking is being interrupted or disrupted.

The Chairperson called a point of order against Cr Kieser @ 2.28pm in accordance with r.23(1)(e) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 being the Councillor is of the opinion that a meeting procedure is contrary to the Act or these regulations.

An **AMENDMENT** was:

Moved: Cr Kieser
Seconded: Cr Michieletto

That Council receives the petition and acknowledge the 351 signatures for the Priority Status for the Mountain Bike Trail.

A **PROCEDURAL MOTION** was:

Moved: Cr Dawson
Seconded: Cr Barraclough

That the amendment be put.

VOTING:

For: Cr Archer, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Michieletto,
Cr Mason, Cr Kieser

Against: Cr Barwick, Cr Harris

CARRIED 7/2

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023/19 13.1 PETITION – PRIORITY PETITION STATUS – MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

Moved: Cr Kieser
Seconded: Cr Michieletto

That Council receives the petition and acknowledge the 351 signatures for the Priority Status for the Mountain Bike Trail.

For: Cr Archer, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Michieletto
 Cr Mason, Cr Kieser

Against: Cr Barwick, Cr Harris

CARRIED 7/2

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

Moved: Cr Kieser
Seconded: Cr Michieletto

That Council receives the petition and acknowledge the 351 signatures for the Priority Status for the Mountain Bike Trail.

For: Cr Archer, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson, Cr Michieletto
 Cr Mason, Cr Kieser

Against: Cr Barwick, Cr Harris

CARRIED 7/2

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12. GENERAL MANAGER

024/19 12.1 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS – JANUARY 2019

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

REPORT DATE: 7 February 2019

FILE NO: 14.10

ATTACHMENT/S: Nil

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the report on the Council Workshops – January 2019 from the General Manager.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Dawson

Seconded: Cr Kieser

That Council receives the report on the Council Workshops – January 2019 from the General Manager.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

Cr Michieletto left the meeting at 2:44pm.

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025/19 12.2 COUNCIL REPRESENTATION AT 8TH ANNUAL AUSTRALIAN ROAD SAFETY AWARDS

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

FILE NO: 22.24, 14.15

OFFICER’S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Note the pending attendance of Cr Barwick at the 8th Annual Australian Road Safety Awards; and
2. Request the General Manager on behalf of Council to write a letter of congratulations and recognition of effort to the George Town Community Safety Group.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Dawson

Seconded: Cr Brooks

That Council:

1. Note the pending attendance of Cr Barwick at the 8th Annual Australian Road Safety Awards; and
2. Request the General Manager on behalf of Council to write a letter of congratulations and recognition of effort to the George Town Community Safety Group.

Cr Michieletto returned to the meeting at 2.46pm.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
 Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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026/19 12.3 GEORGE TOWN COUNCIL – PRIORITY ADVOCACY PROJECTS

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

FILE NO: 13.13, 11.4

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

1. Selects Regent Square Master Plan Implementation and the George Town Mountain Bike Trail, as its priority projects for the purposes of advocating for federal funding from the major parties contesting the pending federal election;
2. Pursues funding for the Dalrymple Road Upgrade by way of federal and state grants; and
3. Continues to source funding by way of grants for the implementation of all of its priority projects.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Brooks
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That Council:

1. Selects Draft Regent Square Master Plan (not inclusive of the Macquarie Street upgrade proposal) and Stage 1 of the George Town Mountain Bike Trail for the purposes of advocating for full federal funding from the major parties contesting the pending federal election;
2. Pursues funding for the Glen Road and Dalrymple Road upgrades as a combined project; and
3. Continues to source funding by way of grants for the implementation of all of its priority projects.

An **FORESHADOWED** motion was:

Moved: Cr Kieser

That the mountain bike project be listed as George Town's priority project for the Federal election.

An **AMENDMENT** was:

Moved: Cr Mason
Seconded: Cr Harris

That Council:

1. Selects the Draft Regent Square Master Plan (not inclusive of the Macquarie Street upgrade proposal) and the George Town Mountain Bike Trail for the purposes of advocating for full federal funding from the major parties contesting the pending federal election;
2. Pursues funding for the Glen Road and Dalrymple Road upgrades as a combined project; and

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3. Continues to source funding by way of grants for the implementation of all of its priority projects.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Dawson, Cr Mason

Against: Cr Michieletto, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick, Cr Barraclough

CARRIED 5/4

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

Moved: Cr Mason

Seconded: Cr Harris

That Council:

1. Selects the Draft Regent Square Master Plan (not inclusive of the Macquarie Street upgrade proposal) and the George Town Mountain Bike Trail for the purposes of advocating for full federal funding from the major parties contesting the pending federal election;
2. Pursues funding for the Glen Road and Dalrymple Road upgrades as a combined project; and
3. Continues to source funding by way of grants for the implementation of all of its priority projects.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Dawson, Cr Mason

Against: Cr Michieletto, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick, Cr Barraclough

CARRIED 5/4

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**027/19 12.4 GEORGE TOWN COUNCIL AUDIT PANEL MEETING HELD 12
SEPTEMBER 2018**

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

FILE NO: 29.11

Moved: Cr Barwick
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That the Confirmed minutes of the George Town Council Audit Panel meeting held 12 September 2018, as attached to this report be received.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

The Chairperson called a point of order against Cr Dawson @ 2.52pm in accordance with r.23(b) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 being a councillor speaking is being interrupted or distracted.

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14. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

028/19 14.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR JUSTINE BROOKS

DECISION

Moved: Cr Brooks
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That Council:

1. Establish a Special Committee under Section 24 of the Local Government Act 1993 to be named the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee for the purposes of enhancing public spaces within the George Town Municipal area, to be achieved through increased stakeholder engagement and collaboration;
2. Invite through a public expression of interest process, submissions from interested members from across the municipality, with an aim to establish a membership for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee comprising passionate individuals with a diverse range of skills, experience and backgrounds who are willing to give of their time and talent for the enhancement of their respective communities but also willing to work collaboratively for the greater good of the whole region.; and
3. Receive a draft Terms of Reference and selection criteria for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee to consider for adoption at its meeting 19 March 2019.

Cr Kieser left the meeting at 3.15pm and returned at 3.16pm.

Cr Barraclough left the meeting at 3:18pm and returned at 3.21pm.

Cr Archer vacated the Chair at 3.26pm and Cr Harris accepted the role of Chairperson at 3.26pm.

An **AMENDMENT** was:

Moved: Cr Archer
Seconded: Cr Barwick

That Council:

1. Receive a draft Terms of Reference and selection criteria for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee to consider for adoption at its meeting 19 March 2019;
2. Invite through a public expression of interest process, submissions from interested members from across the municipality, with an aim to establish a membership for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee comprising passionate individuals with a diverse range of skills, experience and backgrounds who are willing to give of their time and talent for the enhancement of their respective communities but also willing to work collaboratively for the greater good of the whole region.; and
3. Establish a Special Committee under Section 24 of the Local Government Act 1993 to be named the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee for the purposes of enhancing public spaces within the George Town Municipal area, to be achieved through increased stakeholder engagement and collaboration; and

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028/19 14.1 NOTICE OF MOTION - CR JUSTINE BROOKS (CONT.)

4. That the draft terms of reference and selection criteria include Cr Brooks as Chair.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
 Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

SUBSTANTIVE MOTION

Moved: Cr Archer
Seconded: Cr Barwick

That Council:

1. Receive a draft Terms of Reference and selection criteria for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee to consider for adoption at its meeting 19 March 2019;
2. Invite through a public expression of interest process, submissions from interested members from across the municipality, with an aim to establish a membership for the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee comprising passionate individuals with a diverse range of skills, experience and backgrounds who are willing to give of their time and talent for the enhancement of their respective communities but also willing to work collaboratively for the greater good of the whole region; and
3. Establish a Special Committee under Section 24 of the Local Government Act 1993 to be named the George Town Placemaking Advisory Committee for the purposes of enhancing public spaces within the George Town Municipal area, to be achieved through increased stakeholder engagement and collaboration; and
4. That the draft terms of reference and selection criteria include Cr Brooks as Chair.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
 Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

Cr Harris vacated the Chair at 3.33pm and Cr Archer resumed the role of Chairperson at 3.33pm.

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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.']*

Nil.

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16. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

029/19 16.1 GEORGE TOWN COMMUNITY SAFETY GROUP COMMITTEE MEETING

REPORT AUTHOR: General Manager

FILE NO: 22.24

The George Town Community Safety Group Committee met on the 5 February 2019 whereby it resolved the following motions:

1. To accept the minutes of the 4 December 2018 as an accurate record of that meeting (attached);
2. To request Council's support for Cr Heather Barwick to attend the Australian Road Safety Awards on behalf of Council and the Committee; and
3. To request that Council investigate options available into improving the safety of pedestrians attending the Dance Studio on Victoria Street i.e. advisory signs; further lighting, and provide a report back to the Committee.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Barwick

Seconded: Cr Harris

1. That the confirmed minutes of the George town Community Safety Group Committee meeting held on the 4 December 2018 as attached to this report be received and the Committee motions be noted.
2. To request Council's support for Cr Heather Barwick to attend the Australian Road Safety Awards on behalf of Council and the Committee; and
3. To request that Council investigate options available into improving the safety of pedestrians attending the Dance Studio on Victoria Street i.e. advisory signs; further lighting, and provide a report back to the Committee.

Cr Barraclough left the meeting at 3.33pm and returned to the meeting at 3.35pm.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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17. CLOSED MEETING

030/19 17.1 INTO CLOSED MEETING

DECISION

Moved: Cr Harris
Seconded: Cr Dawson

That Council move into closed meeting at 3.44pm to discuss the following items:

Item 1 Closed Meeting Minutes – Ordinary Council Meeting 22 January 2019

As per the provisions of regulation 34(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015.

REQUIRES ABSOLUTE MAJORITY OF COUNCIL

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

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032/19 17.3 OUT OF CLOSED MEETING

In accordance with the requirements of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 regulation 15(8) while in a closed meeting the Council is to consider whether any discussions, decisions, reports or documents relating to that closed meeting are to be kept confidential or released to the public, taking into account privacy and confidentiality issues.

DECISION

Moved: Cr Dawson
Seconded: Cr Mason

That Council moves out of Closed Meeting at 3.53pm and endorse those decisions taken while in Closed Meeting and the information remains Confidential.

VOTING

For: Cr Archer, Cr Harris, Cr Brooks, Cr Barraclough, Cr Dawson
Cr Michieletto, Cr Mason, Cr Kieser, Cr Barwick

Against:

CARRIED 9/0

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 3.53pm.

Cr Bridget Archer
MAYOR