

GEORGE TOWN COUNCIL QUARTERLY PERFORMANCE REPORT 1st April 2023 – 30th June 2023

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MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

This report represents the final quarterly performance report for the 2022/2023 financial year. Readers will note the absence of end of year financial data which is subject to external audit prior to publishing. Detailed financial statements, organisational performance and highlights will be presented in the 2022/2023 Annual Report which is currently being prepared.

It has been a busy close out to the year with many highlights of interest.

The Artisan's Guild has launched including a retail space on Macquarie Street which has resulted in high numbers of visitation and many crafts and works of art having been sold. Funded by the State Government with support from Council, the Artisan's Guild aims to become a self-sustaining incorporated collective of Artists and Artisans sharing physical spaces and human capital to create, showcase and retail their crafts.

Council's partnership with the Future Impact Group continues with the launch of the Our Futures Youth Program, *Chips to Seagulls*. The youth leadership program has been co-designed with a handful of young people over an eight week Ideas Lab. The Youth Leaders Program has been created to be an effective avenue of capacity building for 20 young leaders each year in the George Town area. In partnership with schools and local service providers, the Youth Leaders Program will host an array of high-end facilitators that will deliver relevant training to selected young people.

Perhaps one of the more exciting announcements was the approval of a development application for Line Hydrogen. This development will see the production of hydrogen using electricity produced from an onsite solar farm. The hydrogen will be used to fuel hydrogen powered heavy vehicles across the state in what we believe is an Australian first in the green hydrogen space. ABEL Energy also announced that they have secured their site for the Bell Bay Powerfuels development which will produce 300,000 tonnes of green methanol annually to supply the global shipping alternate fuel market. These projects combined equate to almost \$2B in local investment and will create many jobs for our community.

Operationally our staff continue to be challenged with high workloads. Our compliance staff continue to respond to high numbers of dog complaints, including dogs being at large, dog attacks and unregistered dogs. Officers will continue to prosecute where offences are proven in order to keep our community safe. Our outdoor team are equally busy responding to 93% of the almost 500 works requests received for the year. Building and planning permits also continue to be issued in great numbers. Interestingly, the value of building permits issued represent an increase of approximately \$4.9M in investment across the municipality in comparison to 2021/2022. All this occurring while Council implements a new corporate wide system. While disruptive to our processes, Council is confident that the new system will provide residents with an improved customer experience.

Shane Power GENERAL MANAGER

GOVERNANCE REPORT

1. General Managers Matters of Involvement 4th Quarter (1st April 2023 – 30th June 2023)

Excludes internal operational meetings.

		- MATTERS OF INVOLVEMENT - SHANE POWER
April	4-13	Annual Leave (includes Easter)
	14	Met with Parks and Wildlife
	15	Attended Lulworth AGM and General Meeting
	15	Presented the Council Roadshow to Lulworth
	17	Met with local business owner
	17	Attended Select Committee on Workforce Australia Employment Service Site visit
	18	Attached Council Workshop – Budget
	19	Attended LGPro Board Meeting
	19	Attended Tamar Valley Leaders Lunch: The Three Mayors
	20	Attended Business Breakfast with Tasmanian Labor
	25	Attended ANZAC Day ceremony
	26	Attended Council Workshop
	26	Attended Ordinary Council meeting
	26	Tamar FM Interview
	20	Met with Councillor
	27	Attended GLP Review
	27	Attended TAO Client Information Session
	28	Met with City of Launceston CEO
	28	Attended George Town Neighbourhood House Trivia Night
101		Met with local business owner
May 5	5	
	5	Attended NTWMP Steering Committee Workshop
	0	Attended General Managers' Regional Meeting
	9	Attended Council Workshop
	10	Attended LG Pro Board Meeting
	11	Attended launch of Biochar & Bio-Energy Forum
	11	Met with developer
	12	Attended Celebration Event with Minister Ellis (NEBHUB)
	15	Met with representatives from Bell Bay prospective business
	16	Attended Council Workshop
	17	Met with General Managers re Future of Local Government Review
	17	Attended GFG Foundation Student Programme
	18	Attended BBAMZ Breakfast Meeting
	18	Attended 2023 Volunteer Awards
	18	Met with local resident
	19	Met with Department of State Growth representatives
	23	Attended Council Workshop
	23	Attended Ordinary Council Meeting
	23	Attended George Town Chamber of Commerce meeting
	24	Met with local event provider
	24	Met with Progress Associations' Presidents with Mayor
	24	Tamar FM Interview
	25	Attended RDA Tasmania, Economic Development Forum and presented
	26	Attended NTDC Strategy Workshop

1	26	Attended 2023 State Budget Lunch
	28	Attended Bass and Flinders Bowls & Community Club Inc. – Annual Lunch
		and Presentation Day
	29	Noongar Radio Interview
	30	Met with Councillor
June	1	Met with representatives from the Office of the Coordinator-General
	2	Met with General Manager and Mayor, West Tamar Council
	6	Attended Budget Workshop
	7	Attended NTDC Members Representative meeting
	7	Participated in Local Government Reform Review survey
	9	Attended TEER Strategy and Partnerships Committee meeting
	11-16	Attended ALGA Conference – Canberra
	19	Met with PHD Student re Future Fuels CRC
	20	Met with Nick Duigan MLC
	22	Attended Audit Panel Meeting
	22	Met with North East Wind Transmission representatives
	23	Attended NTWMG Steering Committee meeting
	23	Met with Northern General Managers
	27	Attended Council Workshop
	27	Attended Ordinary Meeting of Council
	28	Met with event organisers of Dragon Trail
	28	Attended Local Government Reform Discussions
	30	Attended LGAT General Meeting

2. Council Resolutions Monitor

The Council Resolutions Monitor is located in Annex A.

3. Use of the Council Seal

Date	Document Details
18.03.2023	George Town Council – Healthy Tasmania Fund Lift Local Grant – George Town Health
	& Wellbeing Strategy
12.05.2023	Final Plan and Schedule of Easements for Bellbuoy Beach Road, 22 Lot Subdivision – DA
	2021-24 Lot 11 only
12.05.2023	Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Limited Members Agreement 2023-
	2026
17.05.2023	Release of Bank Guarantee and Final Practical Completion of Contract 04/21 Dalrymple
	Road Bridges replacement Fourteen Mile Creek
20.06.2023	Final Plan and Schedule of Easements for 292 Low Head Road, How Head – 11 Lot
	Subdivision – DA 2021-97
20.06.2023	Final Plan and Schedule of Easements for Anne Street, George Town – 7 Lot Subdivision
	– DA2021-118
29.06.2023	Grant Deed – Network Change Bus Stop Relocation and Upgrades – Elizabeth and
	Goulburn Streets

The Seal of the George Town Council was used on the following occasions during the reporting period.

4. Audit Panel Actions

Outstanding Audit Panel actions are listed in Annex B.

5. Annual Plan Progress Report

The Annual Plan Progress report is a snapshot of progress against the tasks of the 2022-2023 Annual Plan. It follows a traffic light system. Green indicates the task has commenced and is on schedule. Yellow light indicates the task has commenced but is slightly behind schedule. Red light indicates the task has commenced and is substantially behind schedule, or the task has not yet commenced. Clarifying remarks are located in the comments section of each task. The report is located in Annex C.

6. Capital Works 2022/2023

The report is located in Annex D.

SERVICE DELIVERY

7. Works and Infrastructure

The following is a summary of a tasks received and actioned by the works and infrastructure department during the reporting period.

Category	Apr-June Received Total	Apr-June Actioned Total	Apr-June Percentage Actioned	Financial YTD Received Total	Financial YTD Actioned Total
Roads	25	19	76%	154	144
Public Buildings	3	1	33%	7	5
Miscellaneous	8	6	75%	55	52
Vegetation/Reserves	24	18	75%	99	94
Waste Collection	3	3	100%	22	22
Drainage	11	6	55%	34	29
Nature Strips	3	2	67%	20	19
Trees	7	7	100%	66	65
Footpaths	3	0	0%	28	23
Total Received	87			485	
Total Actioned		62			453
Percentage Actioned			71%		93%

8. Development and Environment

Below is a summary of activities undertaken in this reporting period in the Development and Environmental areas of Council.

9. Building Permits Issued – Category 4

Building Permits – Month	April - June 2022	April - June 2023
Number of Permits Issued	1	4
Estimated value of Permits Issued	\$250,000.00	\$884,000.00

Building Permits – Financial Year	2021/2022	2022/2023
Financial Year to date – approvals	7	16
Financial Year to date - Estimated value	\$960,986.00	\$5,885,055.00

Building Permits – Calendar Year	2022	2023
Calendar Year to date – approvals	1	8
Calendar Year to date – Estimated value	\$250,000.00	\$3,649,000.00

Summary	Building Permits Issued (Internal Use)
Summary	Issued Occupancy Permits & Completion Certificates (Internal Use)

10. Notifiable Works Issued – Category 3

Notifiable Building Works – Month	April – June 2022	April – June 2023
Number of CLC's Issued	40	24
Estimated value of CLC's Issued	\$5,462,573.00	\$6,034,350.00

The total number of approvals for this reporting period is determined by adding the cat 4 permits and cat 3 CLC's together:

Therefore, total number for this period is: 28

These consist of:

Deck/veranda/pergola and the like	0
Dwelling additions/alterations	2
New dwellings/units including any outbuildings	9
Shop alterations/Commercial	5
Shed, Carport, Garage (new and additions/alts)	9
Visitor Accommodation	0
Solar Panels	3

11. Planning – NPR's and Planning Permits

NPR's	April – June 2023
Outbuilding	5
Deck New/Add	0
Dwelling Add	0
Dwelling	1
Awning	0
Total	6

Planning Permits Issued	April – June 2023	
Dwelling	4	_
Dwelling Addition	2	_
Change of Use	3	_
Multiple Dwellings (15 units in total)	5	_
Outbuildings (inc. fence)	6	_
Commercial	7	-
Subdivision (138 lots in total)	5	-
Boundary Adjustment	3	_
Demolition	0	_
Visitor Accommodation	3	—
		Estimated Value
Total	38	\$10,422,988

Note: it should be noted that the total value listed above will include value of works that is also included in the building approvals values.

12. Immunisations

Immunisations took place in April and May at Star of the Sea and Port Dalrymple schools.

13. Compliance Spreadsheet

Building/Planning Customer Requests/Compliance: April-June 2023	
Planning, illegal works or Building use	2
Other – maintenance issues, building enquiries, plan requests	2
TOTAL	4

- 4 tasks completed
- 0 tasks incomplete

14. Fire Abatements

Nil occurred in quarter four.

15. Animal Control Activity

	ANIMAL CONTROL ACTIVITY (UPDATED VERSION)					
Number of:	Q4 (Apr, May, Jun) 2023	Q3 (Jan, Feb, Mar) 2023	Q2 (Oct, Nov, Dec) 2022	Q1 (July, Aug, Sept) 2022		
Complaints received	59	35	39	33		
Dogs impounded	4	7	3	8		
Dogs rehomed	1	2	1	0		
Dogs euthanized	0	0	2	3		
Dog attack reported	6	4	3	6		
Dangerous Dogs Declared	2	1	3	7		
Written Warnings issued	7	9	5	14		
Infringements issued	2	4	0	5		
Dogs registered/ re- registered following a warning	6	5	4	11		
Total dogs currently registered on our system	1229	1223	1201	1190		
Dogs removed from system - deceased	23	1	6	26		
Dogs removed from system - departed	17	4	2	18		
Cat enquiries/complaints	4	1	3	3		
Multiple Cat Permits	0	0	1			
Other animal enquiries/complaints	8	9	17	9		
Dogs at Large	22	8	8	15		
Doggie bags replaced	32	37	38	41		
Kennel licences issued new	2	0	0	4		
Kennel licences issued total	27	28	27	27		
Fire Hazard enquiries/complaints	0	8				

Our Community Compliance Officers continue to engage with the Community to promote responsible pet Ownership.

A Community Compliance Charter was drafted and endorsed by Council in the fourth quarter enabling the Community to what to expect when interacting with Community Compliance and the Environmental Health Officer.

16. Environmental Health

April-June 2023

Activity	Number carried out – April-June	Number carried out – Jan-Mar	Number carried out – Oct-Dec	Number carried out – July-Sept
Food Premises Inspections	21	3	1	10
Regulated Public Health Inspections	0	0	0	0
Onsite waste-water applications approved	3	4	4	6
PHU (Public Health Unit of State Government) Gastro outbreak	0	0	0	0
Recreational water sampling (including pools)**	3	41	20	2

** Recreational water sampling is carried out in December, January, February, and March each summer

17. Community

We welcomed two new volunteers to our tourism facilities and two new part-time officers to the community department team.

Visitor Information Centre

The Visitor Information Centre recorded the following visitation numbers:

Quarter	Q	4 Apr-Ju	ne	Q	3 Jan-Ma	r	Q	2 Oct-D	ec
Month	June	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct
Number	168	256	412	859	727	485	404	422	455
TOTAL		836			2071			1281	

18. Bass and Flinders Maritime Museum

The following work was completed during the fourth quarter.

- Existing doorways at the side entrance were repaired and covered in Colourbond sheeting to stop all moisture penetration.
- The old acoustic tiles under the walkway were removed from the site.

The Bass and Flinders Museum recorded the following visitation numbers:

Quarter	Q4 Apr-June		Q	3 Jan-Ma	r	Q	2 Oct-D	ec	
Month	June	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct
Number	190	231	529	896	807	528	298	395	60
TOTAL		950			2231			750	

19. Watch House

The Watch House now accepts card payments, with an upgrade to a new EFTPOS machine.

The Watch house recorded the following visitation numbers:

Quarter	Q4 Apr-June		Q3 Jan-Mar			Q2 Oct-Dec			
Month	June	May	Apr	Mar	Feb	Jan	Dec	Nov	Oct
Number	108	89	125	254	130	140	126	102	91
TOTAL		322			524			319	

20. Healthy George Town

Healthy George Town delivered its Autumn Program for 2023 from the start of April to the end of June with various activities such as Healthy Armchairs, Cross Fitness, Aqua Fitness, Yoga, Jazzercize, Pilates, Learn to Surf, Kids Boxing, and Seniors Aqua Therapy.

Number of sessions in total – 122

Number of facilities in total – 7

Memorial Hall – Macquarie Street George Town Memorial Hall – Hillwood Graham Fairless Centre – Macquarie Street George Town Bee Bop Dance Studio – Victoria Street George Town East Beach – Low Head Port Dalrymple School Pool – Agnes Street George Town George Town Community Centre – Friend Street

All activities were free of cost to the community.





21. Arts, Culture and Experiences

On the 29th and 30th of June, ten local Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander students welcomed the opportunity to participate in a two-day workshop hosted by Djuke Hart, Wakka-Wakka, Kuku-yanaji, and Butchula Man who provide education packages, workshops, and performances around Australia. The students were able to develop their cultural awareness, learn some contemporary Aboriginal dance skills, and made their own clapping sticks.

Traditional and ceremonial Aboriginal Dance has been a part of the Aboriginal culture for thousands of years as dance plays an important role in storytelling and spirituality.



22. Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund (ACIF)

During the month of April, Council applied for a \$18,000 grant opportunity through Cricket Australia and Cricket Tasmania's Australian Cricket Infrastructure Fund program. Council was successful in its grant application. Council staff visited the George Town Cricket Oval and assessed the requirements for the compliant usage for the community and developed a plan for the upgrades in line with the needs of its municipality.

A further \$18,000 in funding will be provided for by the George Town Council. This project will help provide the community in George Town with compliant and quality synthetic cricket pitches that will facilitate training, and conduct tournaments.

The infrastructure will help the local cricket club deliver kids' programs and provide a space for the junior teams to practice and play its matches. It will benefit the municipalities-only cricket club to operate its Senior Male, Senior Female, Junior Male, and Junior Female teams, providing an opportunity for the community to participate in cricket.

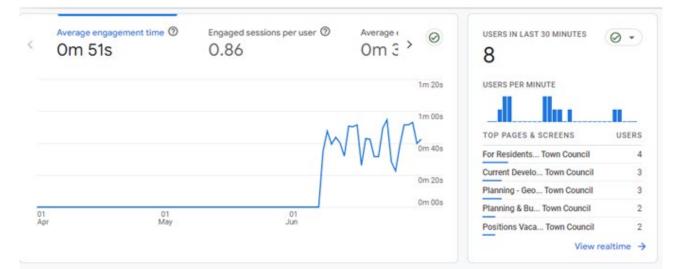
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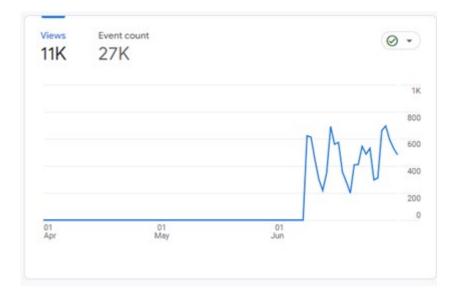
George Town Council has received a \$5000 grant from Relationships Australia Tasmania after having outlined an action plan for the municipality. The funding will be utilized to deliver mental health first aid training to the community.

24. Digital Activity

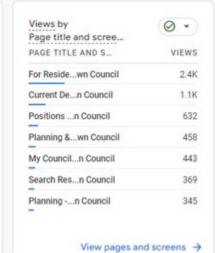
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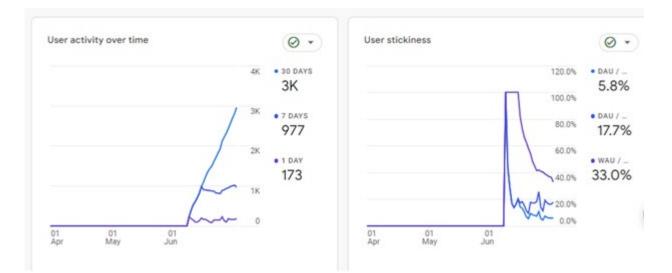




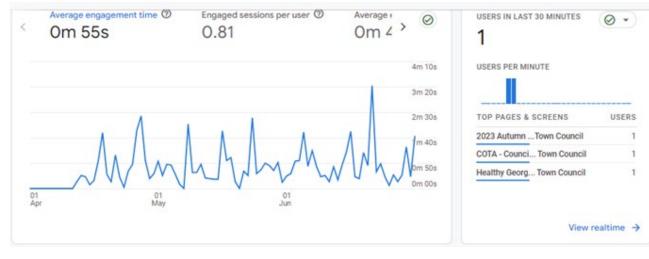
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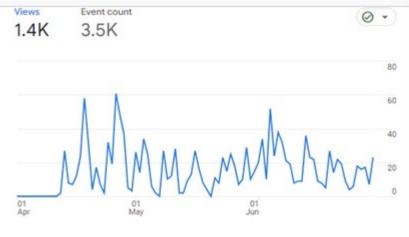






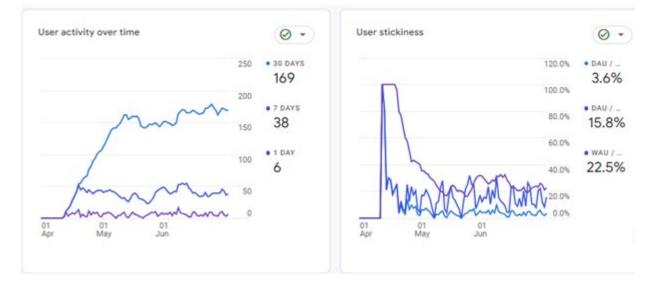
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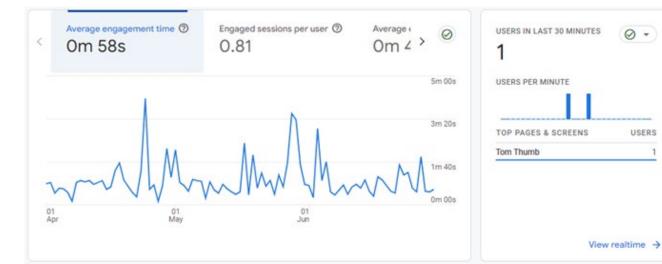


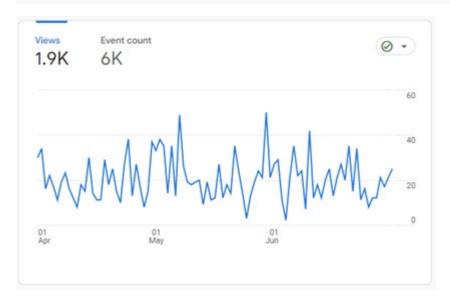
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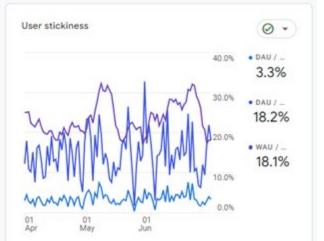
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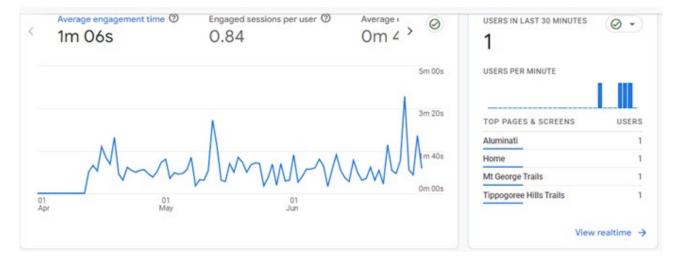
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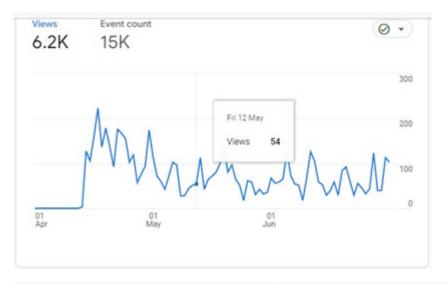






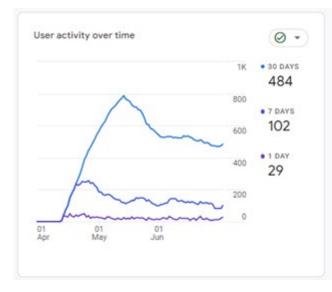
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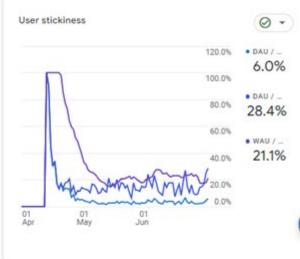




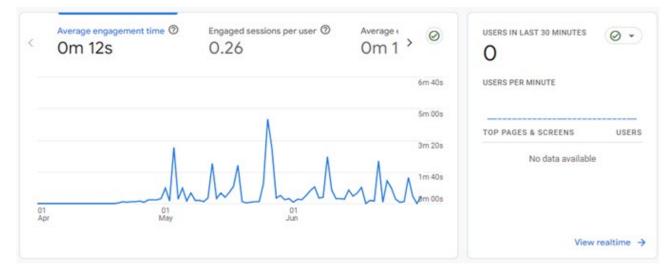
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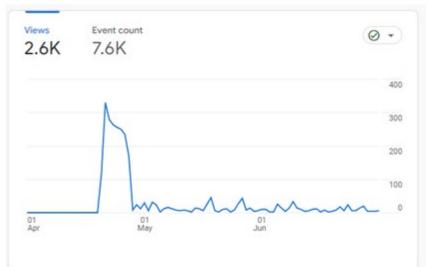
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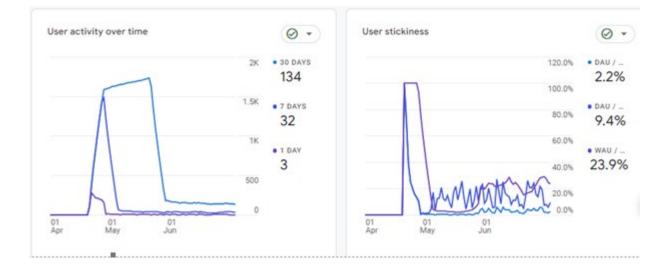


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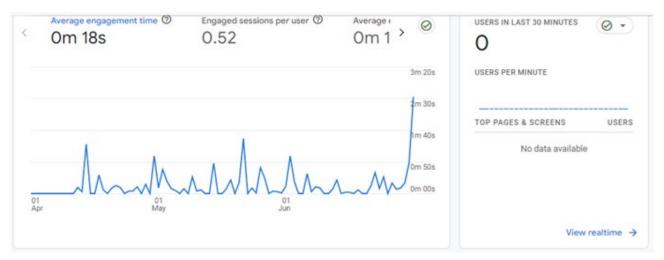
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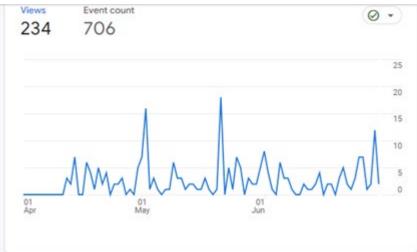
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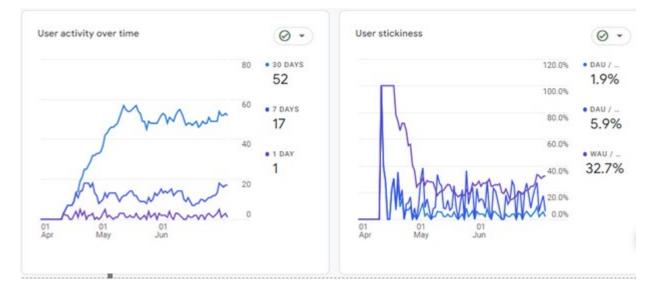


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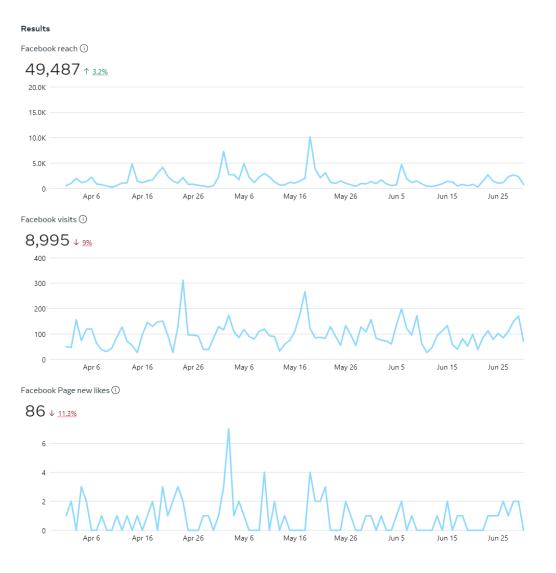


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Facebook

George Town Council



George Town Council Facebook Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	49,487
Engagement	3,635
Total Comments	440
Total Shares	522
Followers	2,807
No of posts for the quarter	161

Healthy George Town

Results

Facebook reach 🛈

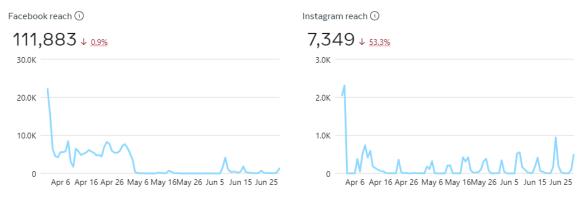




Healthy George Town Facebook Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	4,267
Engagement	616
Total Comments	66
Total Shares	153
Followers	1,082
No of posts for the quarter	172

George Town Mountain Bike Trail

Reach



Page and profile visits





Instagram profile visits 🛈



Page and profile visits

Facebook visits 🛈



432 + 42.4% 30



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GT MTB Facebook Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	FB 111,883 &
	Instagram 7,349
Engagement	694
Total Comments	80
Total Shares	41
Followers	FB 3,040 & Instagram
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No of posts for the quarter	10

Visitor Information Centre

Results

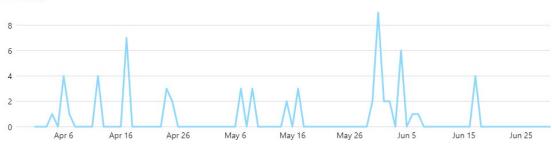
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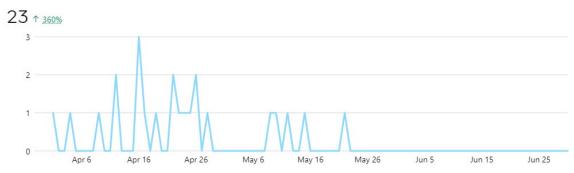


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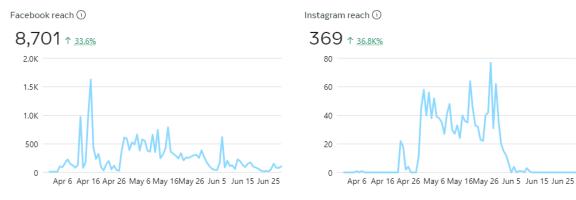
Facebook Page new likes 🛈



VIC Facebook Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	49
Total Reaction to Posts (includes LIKES)	0
Total Comments	0
Total Shares	0
Followers	148
No of posts for the quarter	0

Bass and Flinders Maritime Museum

Reach



Page and profile visits



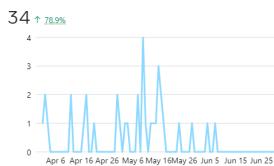


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Bass and Flinders Facebook Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	8,401 FB & 369
	Instagram
Engagement	1,043
Total Comments	110
Total Shares	90
Followers	FB 909 & Instagram
	169
No of posts for the quarter	91

Wild Tamar

Reach

Facebook reach 🛈



Instagram reach 🛈

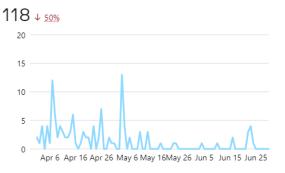


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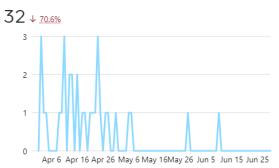


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Wild Tamar Facebook& Instagram Page Results for the Quarter	
Total Post Reach	FB 375,070 &
	Instagram 15,942
Engagement	239
Total Comments	15
Total Shares	25
Followers	FB 1,633 & Instagram
	249
No of posts for the quarter	17

25. Community Consultation

Nil

26. Sponsorship

Neighbourhood House – New Years Eve Extravaganza - \$15,000.00

WORKFORCE

The following is a summary of reportable workforce data including Workplace Health and Safety, Employment Status/Distribution and Performance Reporting for the third quarter.

27. Workplace Health and Safety

The following is a summary of Workplace Health and Safety Incidents during the reporting period.

Workplace Health and Safety Summary	
Incidents reported	8
No Investigations required	0
Investigation required	0
Investigations completed	0
Corrective Action Plans Completed	8
Corrective Actions completed within 30 days	8

Number of Statutory reportable	1
Incidents	1

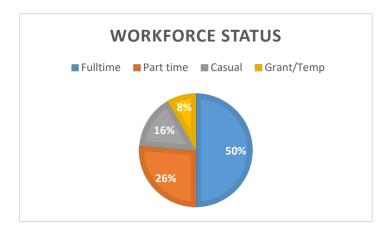
28. Establishment and Turnover

There were 66 employees at the close of the fourth quarter including full-time, part-time, grant funded and casuals. The workforce establishment of George Town Council at the end of the reporting period was approximately 46 Full-time Equivalent (FTE) positions (including current vacancies).

There were seven (7) new staff and one (1) casual employee who commenced in a permanent part time role engaged by Council during the fourth quarter of the 2022/2023 financial year. There were three (3) voluntary resignations of full-time staff during the fourth quarter.

Council currently has 7 vacant positions.

The Distribution of the workforce is as follows:



29. Performance Review Compliance

All required Performance Reviews have been completed in quarter four.

30. Future Impact Group

Launchpad:

Launchpad have hit some exciting milestones over the last quarter, including the development of the "Launch into Employment" program, offering a Certificate III in Individual Support, and welcoming Carmen Gumley the new Launchpad Executive Officer to the project team. Carmen will also be overseeing the Make George Town Yours and Digital Warriors projects.

The Launch into Employment program is set to begin in the first quarter of the 2023/2024 and will be delivered by the Launchpads Community Engagement Officer. The program will run over three weeks and is designed to help people learn more about themselves, their qualities, attributes and design a career pathway plan to set themselves up for success.

The Certificate III in Individual Support is currently open to expressions of interest and due to commence in September.

The Launchpad Communal Space has remained open five days a week and has seen an increase in visitors. A snapshot of what the Launchpad Communal Space has hosted over the fourth quarter include a Chronic Pain Morning Tea, the Our Futures Youth Advisory Council, the Digital Warriors "Digital Shots" Program, Drumbeat, Aboriginal Youth Workshops and visiting services including Futures Isle and Nebhub.

Make George Town Yours:

The Make George Town Yours Project (previously Renew George Town) has been working toward key infrastructure deliverables including the Parklet Pilot Project and the Macquarie Street Entry Statement. The Make George Town Yours Project Team and Working Group have also identified additional upgrades to the Macquarie Street Precinct to enhance the look and feel of the streetscape.

The parklets have been manufactured and we are awaiting delivery. Sites have been selected based on the expression of interest process and we are anticipating that the parklets will be available for public use in September.

Digital Warriors:

The Digital Warriors Project has been very popular, with our Digital Tutor providing drop-in digital support from the Launchpad Communal Space two days per week and from the George Town Community Hub one day per week.

The Digital Tutor has been developing more extensive group workshops that can be provided as an outreach service, visiting other community organisations or businesses that may require some specialised digital support on topics of interest.

Our Futures:

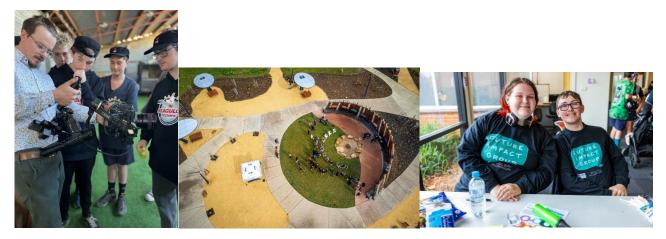
From the successful Youth Week event held in May with over 250 attendees, the Our Futures Youth Project in George Town has recently launched two capacity building opportunities for local young people to engage in. The **George Town Youth Advisory Group** provides a platform for young people to have a voice to shape decision makers in George Town, and the **Seagulls to Chips Youth Leadership Program** provides training and opportunities for young people to develop their skills and insights into building social impact.

The Seagulls to Chips Youth Leadership Program, which has been co-designed with local youth has recently commenced with 17 participants registering. Held on Tuesday afternoons, the program entails 12 leadership sessions delivered by experts in the field, mentoring the young people to create their own opportunities and events to be leaders in George Town. The first day of training was held in Launceston at Futures Isle and featured team building workshops, video and creative content training, and an esports event workshop.

During the month of June, the first formal meeting was held of the George Town Youth Advisory Group (official name coming soon!). Nine (9) local young people have been providing insight and advice to Mayor Greg Kieser, Councillor Heather Ashley and Councillor Winston Mason. Loads of topics have been discussed as they begin the conversation of supporting our future. Some of the discussions included street lighting, vandalism, safety, creating youth drop in spaces, and issues around smoking and vaping.

The Our Futures Project Officer continues to be active in the community supporting youth programs at the George Town Neighbourhood House, Library and local schools programs. The Project Officer has also been connecting with youth in public spaces to help curb ongoing issues of vandalism and to promote community pride in and around George Town.

Future projects include a 10 week drumbeat program with Mission Australia, conducting the Youth Voice Collection, travelling to Clarence City Council for the annual Youth Advisory Council Summit, and creating youth opportunities with the Seagulls to Chips participants.



Note: Council motions that are completed will be removed from this list for the next Quarterly reporting period.

Min No.	Date	Motion	Action	
PLANNING				
ORGANISATIONAL PERFORMANCE, STRATEGY & ENGAGEMENT				
052/21	27/04/21	Notice of Motions – Dog Management Policy Review That this motion be put to the next workshop for discussion.	Dog Management Policy will be reviewed 2021/2022.	
24/23	28/02/23	S24 Special Committee Review – George Town Safety Group Committee That Council: 1. Disestablish the existing Committee; 2. Consider what a "Health and Wellbeing Committee" may look like, including: a. whether this would be: i. a Section 23 Council Committee (comprised of Councillors appointed by the Council): or ii. a Section 24 Special Committee (comprised of such persons appointed by the Council as the Council thinks appropriate), and b. giving consideration to draft Terms of Reference to be brought before Council at the next Workshop for discussion; and	In progress	
25/23	28/02/23	 Include such a Committee in the 2023/24 Annual Plan. S24 Special Committee Review – Placemaking Committee That Council: Disestablish the Committee and consider a specific Placemaking Grant Round and, of which, submissions would be submitted to the Ordinary Council Meeting for decision; and The terms of any Placemaking Grant Round would be discussed at a future Council Workshop and included in the 2023/24 budget. 	In progress	
042/23	28/03/23	Merit-Based Recruitment in Councils That the letter from the Minister for Local Government to the Mayor Greg Kieser dated 17 March 2023 be distributed to all Council staff. That this motion be deferred.	The General Manager distributed the letter to staff.	
INFRASTRU	CTURE AND DEVI	ELOPMENT	l 	
084/17	19/04/17	 Dalrymple Road Speed Limit 1. That council reconstructs Dalrymple Road from East Arm Road to Industry Road to a rural collector standard desirable 	In progress.	

Min No.	Date	Motion	Action
		 design speed 100km/h by continuing the recent upgrade works by stages. 2. That Council again contacts the Department of State Growth to request an 80 km/h speed limit be introduced for the road length north of East Arm Road with commencement of the 80 km/h limit relocated to the north 	Completed.
		 as upgrade works are progressed. 3. Consider redesigning the Dalrymple Road/Industry Road junction to provide continuity to Industry Road post the Industry Road upgrade. 4. Install the curve warning signage as listed. Advance the bridge upgrade works to facilitate upgrading the 15 	Project is currently out for tender Completed. Completed.
136/17	17/05/17	 tonne load limit to 25 tonnes. Accessible Car Parking That Council: a) Receives the report from the Manager of Infrastructure and Engineering and notes the report information; and b) Undertakes an audit of Council's existing accessible car parking infrastructure within the George Town boundary to determine compliance with regulations; and c) Develops a priority list with a view to progressively upgrading these assets, according to available funding, resources and needs. 	To be considered in potential Macquarie Street Upgrade.
003/21	27/01/21	 Bellbuoy Beach Road Speed Review, Bellbuoy Beach That Council: 1. Recommend the Transport Commission to approve: A 50km per hour Area Speed Zone on Bellbuoy Beach Road including the Tekaro Place junction, and An 80km per hour speed zone in Bellbuoy Beach Road from Old Aerodrome Road to the start of the proposed 50km per hour zone. 	Approval received from Transport Commissioner. Completed.
047/22	26/04/22	 Proposed Speed Limit Changes – Hillwood That Council: 1. Proceed with a formal application to the Commissioner of Transport seeking approval to consolidate speed zones as presented in Attachment (5), with amendment reflecting advice from the Department of State Growth for a shorter 40 km/h zone. 	In progress.
067/22	24/05/22	 Proposed Acquisition of Crown Land for Public Open Space and Light Industrial Buffer That Council: 1. commence a process with the State Government through Parks Wildlife Services, Crown Land Services, or their delegated agents, to transfer a portion of land (consisting of approximately 3.5 hectares and forming part of PID:7852601) to George Town Council under a Section 12 transfer (Crown Land Act 1976), for the purposes of public open space. 	Process underway

	o. Date Motion		Action	
073/22	24/05/22	George Town Community Safety Group Committee Meeting Minutes – 5 th April 2022 – Notice of Motion Speed Counters on Low Head Road That the Committee recommend to Council that traffic and speed counters to be placed approximately 444-488 Low Head Road before the boat ramp and caravan park.	Discussed at 14 th June 2022 Council Workshop.	
		That the motion be deferred.		
22/23	28/02/23	Crown Land adjoining 280 Hillwood Jetty Road, Hillwood That Council starts the process to acquire the Crown Land adjoining 280 Hillwood Jetty Road, Hillwood.	In progress	
23/23	28/02/23	Consideration of Entering into a Lease with Crown Land Re: Land Between Elizabeth Street and Bathurst Street, George Town That Council:		
		 In respect of the land between Elizabeth Street & Bathurst Street, George Town: a. Confirms its intention to enter into a ten (10) year lease; and b. Authorises the Mayor and General Manager to execute the lease agreement on behalf of Council. 	In progress	
038/23	28/03/23	Appointment of Committee for Hearing: Application to Amend Sealed Plan No. 154317 – Removal of Covenant – 6 Leads Avenue, Low Head That the matter be deferred to the next Ordinary Council meeting.	In progress	
CORPORATE	AND COMMUN	ΙТΥ		
134/17	17/05/17	 Northern Economic Stimulus Package Proposed Borrowing (b) That once design work and community consultation are completed in 2017/2018 Council consider funding the following recreation projects as part of its 2018/2019 budget or via grant funding opportunities as they become available; Windmill Point upgrade and associated works. Hillwood walking track and recreation area upgrade (Recreation/park area to Hillwood Recreation Ground; Stage one. 	Windmill Point completed. Hillwood Shared Path not commenced.	
195/20	24/11/20	Confidential Item - Rates Recovery for Rate Debts More than 3 Years in Arrears <i>As per resolution.</i>	In progress.	
126/21	24/08/21	Confidential Rates Recovery for Rate Debts More than 3 Years in Arrears <i>As per resolution.</i>	In progress.	
100/22	26/07/22	Event Sponsorship George Town Council resolves to re-allocate \$2,000 from the Sponsorship budget to scope upgrades to the Max Leslie velodrome fence in George Town.	Quotes to be obtained – in progress	

Min No.	Date	Motion	Action
040/23	28/03/23	 George Town Colonial Heritage Storytelling Trail That Council: 1. Lay the item on the table and return to the Ordinary Council meeting in April with amendments if required. 2. Invite the people that made submissions to meet with staff to correct inaccuracies in the draft Colonial Storytelling Trail. 	In progress
OFFICE OF TH	HE GENERAL MA	NAGER	
025/18	21/02/18	 Potential Council Land Sales That the following items be deferred to a workshop: (a) Sell Gerzalia Drive (PID 1737346) with proceeds from the sale to be invested into public open space within the community; (b) Sell 15 Riverleads Drive (PID 1723024) with proceeds from the sale to be invested into public open space within the community; (c) Offer for sale 30 Davies Street (PID 6450301) to adjoining land owners only due to the existing access issues and limited use as standalone parcel of land; (d) Sell 241 Agnes Street (PID 1931747) with proceeds from the sale to be invested into public open space within the community; (e) Offer for sale Gerzalia Drive (PID 2048374) to adjoining land owner due to limited development opportunity; (f) Offer for sale Gerzalia Drive (PID 1737346) with proceeds from the sale to be invested into public open space within the community. 	In progress.
100/20	23/06/20	Notice of Motion – Domestic/Family and Sexual Violence Strategy – Cr Brooks That Council develops a Domestic /Family and Sexual Violence Strategy in order to demonstrate our commitment to making our community safer for everyone impacted by the trauma of violence and that Council formally commits to working with Police, Community Service organisations and housing providers on not only addressing but stamping out this insidious societal problem.	In progress.
014/21	23/02/21	 Priority Projects for Advocacy and Grant Funding That Council: 2i. design of the Aboriginal Cultural Interpretation and Experience Trail (\$10,000 ex GST). 	In progress.
019/22	22/02/22	Proposed Making of a By-Law – Reserves, Parks and Gardens By-Law 1/2022 That Council: Endorse the introduction of Reserves, Parks and Gardens By-law 1/2022 in accordance with the specific requirements as determined in Division 2 of Part 11 of the Local Government Act 1993.	Commenced
046/22	26/04/22	George Town Safety Group Committee – CCTV Motion That Council:	In progress.
		1 In partnership with George Town Police and the George	

Min No.	Date	Motion	Action
		 Town Community Safety Committee consider the development of a register of privately owned CCTV systems that police can access in the instance of a reported crime; and Continue to support George Town Police and the George Town Community Safety Committee crime prevention education and awareness programs. 	
063/22	24/05/22	George Town Airport Sky Diving That Council:1.Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association for landing fees to be acknowledged and form part of a new process; and2.Authorise the General Manager to negotiate an agreement between Council and the George Town Airport Association (and skydiving operator/s) that sets out landing fees, expectations of compliance and operations in accordance with guidelines of the Australian Parachute Federation, CASA and fly neighbourly policies; and3.introduce a new fee 'landing fee' of \$100 be introduced as part of the 2022/2023 budget process.	In progress.
084/22	28/06/22	 Reallocation of Capital Funds from Biomass Process to Wild Tamar Initiative That Council: 1. Approve to reallocate funds from the 2021/2022 approved capital works program and budget of \$100,000 originally approved for co-funding of a biomass burner for the purposes of providing capital to assist new tourism related business ventures as part of the Wild Tamar initiative; and 2. Continue to seek funding opportunities for a biomass burner. 	Completed Ongoing
122/22	23/08/22	Notice of Motion – Flying of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags – Cr Parkes That Council display the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Flags along with the current flag's following flag protocols in the Council Chamber in perpetuity.	In progress
127/22	23/08/22	Strategic Land Acquisition – Closed Council As per resolution.	In progress
166/22	22/11/22	 George Town Airport Sky Diving That Council: 1. Authorise the General Manager to execute the draft agreement (as attached) with Sydney Skydivers; 2. Authorise the General Manager to execute the draft agreement (as attached) with alternate sky diving operators if applicable. 	In progress.
184/22	20/12/22	Request to Commemorate the Late Mr Peter Cox That Council:	In progress.

Min No.	Date	Motion	Action
		 In principle, confirms support for the naming of land bound by 50 Tamar Avenue and 76 Tamar Avenue to commemorate the late Mr Peter Cox; noting that the following actions need to occur: Ascertains if the land in question is able to be utilised as a park or reserve; Contacts the residents of Tamar Avenue who have supported the proposal, the private owner of number 62 Tamar Avenue and the Crown in relation to the proposal; Contacts the family of the late Mr. Peter Cox to obtain written consent to commemorate the deceased and obtain the required biography; Undertakes investigations in relation to any Aboriginal name for the area which may need to be taken into consideration when naming; Proceeds to a Community Consultation in line with the consultation framework set out by Placenames Tasmania and George Town Council's policies and procedures. 	
06/23	24/01/23	 Notice of Motion – New and Renewed Lease Arrangements That Council: 1. That any new or renewed lease arrangements being considered by Council Management, under section 175 of the <i>Local Government Act 1993</i>, be brought to Council Workshop for discussion and then be scheduled for the next available Council meeting for a decision by Council. 2. Notes, the General Manager (or their delegate) are authorised to execute leases of an operational nature. 	Ongoing
19/23	28/02/23	 kanamaluka Trail Upgrade That Council: Proceed with the concreting of approximately 240 meters of the gravel section of the kanamaluka Trail as highlighted in Image One in the body of the report; and Authorise the General Manager to provide for George Town Park Run approval to use the kanamaluka Trail. Subject to future budget processes and funding opportunities, concrete a shared path with an alternative alignment (as illustrated in inset within the body of the report) connecting to future and existing concrete paths at Anne Street and North Street. The future works will complete a fully accessible path existing from George Town to Low Head while leaving a gravel path section for Park Run users. 	Process underway

Title	Description	Action Taken:
WP 34 - Review information and communications technology governance, including processes and controls for management and use of data, information and knowledge	Action point - Director to commit to having an action plan on controls for Records Management position for next meeting Action point – Draft addition to policy/procedure to report to Council regarding waivers in process – register and review every 6 months.	In progress
WP 41 Oversee the investigation or any instances of suspected cases of fraud or other illegal and unethical behaviour		In progress

ANNUAL PLAN 2022/2023

	Desired Outcome	Strategic Priorities	Actions	Progress %	4th Quarter (June)
	Desired Outcome	Community Pride		/0	(June)
1	All are valued and included	Moving towards genuine reconciliation	Implementation of Reconciliation Action Plan Reflect	100%	Actions outlined in plan continue to be on track for completion.
2		Communicating so everyone knows what each groups is doing	Production of a regular Community Newsletter.	100%	Actioned
3		Working towards removing all barriers to participation in community life	Conduct Local Government aspiring Candidate workshops	100%	Completed
4	All communities take pride in place	Maintaining public spaces so they are clean, tidy and appealing	Continue progression of the drafting of Council Bylaws in relation to control of Council land for Council consideration and endorsement.	100%	Council has received a workshop briefing and next steps are to email Councillors for issues that they believe bylaws should be enacted to resolve.
5	prace	Developing well-designed public spaces which are attractive, safe and support the area's identity and reputation	Continue to support and participate in George Town Council's Placemaking Committee in the implementation of place-based projects to enhance public spaces.	100%	Following Section 24 Committee Review for Placemaking, Council resolved to disestablish the Placemaking Committee in February 2023.
6	A strong, recognisable, positive reputation	Promoting the area as the place to live, work, play and invest	Continued Advocacy to deliver Council's Advocacy Plan	100%	Advocacy Plan endorsed by council and presented to all levels of government, incumbent, shadow and members elect. Potential partner for kanamaluka story telling experience has been identified.

7	Community groups work together on common goals	Working together on common goals	Conduct Section 24 Committee review for Placemaking and Safety Committee	100%	Completed
		Prosperity	ſ		
2	Employment prospects for all ages	Continuing to transition the local economy from heavy industries to advanced manufacturing, renewable energies, area branded produce and niche products	Continue to develop the 'second economy' through increased tourism offerings and brand awareness.	100%	Continued collaboration with City of Launceston and West Tamar Councils for visitors experience map. Wild Tamar launched and continued to promote the visitor experience in the Tamar region. Participation in Destination Action Plan group to continue tourism partnerships.
Ζ		Providing meaningful jobs for all ages	Review current recruitment opportunities in conjunction with Council's Reconciliation Action Plan.	100%	In progress
3	World renowned Advanced Manufacturing Zone including hydrogen energy plant	Securing the Hydrogen production facility	Concerted advocacy to advance the hydrogen industry at Bell Bay.	100%	GM continues to work with various state agencies and proponents to advance H2 development.
4	Supported entrepreneurial endeavours and start-ups	Attracting start-ups and entrepreneurial endeavours to the area	Design & develop an integrated 5-year Organisational Economic Development Strategy.	>75%	Drafting is almost complete.
5	Healthy, active communities	Knowing how to stay healthy and active and valuing good health outcomes. Eating well and staying active, and preventative health approaches	Continuation of the Healthy George Town program to support the health and wellbeing of the community.	100%	A very successful and well supported program for Healthy George Town was held throughout 2022/2023.

6					Event to open Regent Square was held in December - Christmas Carnival, while
				>75%	staged openings have been held as the Mountain Bike Trails progressively open. Official
		Diversifying our economy through tourism activities, increasing overnight stays and	Signature event opening of Regent		openings will be held when upon final completion of the Mountain Bike Network,
	Tourism growth	promoting existing and	Square and		scheduled for
	in yield	new experiences	Mountain Bike Trails.		spring 2023.
7		Incorporating the mountain bike trail into the area's experiences and working with other trails in the region to provide a more diverse and multi-levelled experiences	Completion of Mountain Bike Trails.	>75%	180 metres of trails to cut and surface finishing to be completed. This wil be dependent on the weather. Final section of Shuttle road 60% paused due to weather conditions.
8		Developing a diverse range of tourism products that compliment the Tasmania brand	Participate and advocate for George Town municipality in Tourism Tas.	100%	Participation and collaboration with Tourism Tasmania and Tourism Northern Tasmania is ongoing.
		Progressive			
1	Recreational opportunities	Completing the Mountain Bike Trail ensuring there are levels appropriate for	Completion of Mountain Bike	>75%	180 metres of trails to cut and surface finishing to be completed. This wil be dependent on the weather. Final section of Shuttle road 60% paused due to weather
2	for all Sporting opportunities for all	beginners and families Growing participation in sporting activities	Trails. Master Plan for the former YMCA building site.	<75%	conditions. Carry forward to 2023/2024 due to inability to engage consultants.

3		I			Continued
5		Growing membership	Participate in		participation in
		and leadership	Regional Sports	100%	the process and
		capabilities in sporting	and Recreation	10070	development of
		activities	Strategy.		•
			Strategy.		the strategy.
4	Communities				Completed
	have agreed	Celebrating project	Completion of	100%	
	strategic plans	successes	Regent Square		
5	Community celebrations build the areas	Using cultural and artistic celebrations to engage and build understanding of the community and region	Implementation of the Artisans Guild.	100%	Guild under the auspice of Council has been formed with Memberships and Committee established in March 2023. Milestone 1 of deed completed and report to DPAC accepted. Retail shop opened permanently in early lune 2023.
	reputation	community and region	the Artisans Guild.		early June 2023.
6	Public infrastructure relevant to needs	Making sure the place works well through good design, safety standards asset management and ongoing maintenance	Trevor Street Extension Weymouth.	>75%	Works commenced in April 2023. Base layer completed to allow Weymouth Breakwater works to commence. The final sealing of the new road will occur later in the year. Expected completion November 2023.
7		Maintaining access to quality health, well- being, education and	Design of Health &	<75%	The State Government has committed \$2.5M for Leisure and Aqautic Centre. Awaiting confirmation of \$15M from the Federal Government.
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		training	Wellbeing Centre		

					RFQ's for Engineering and Design Consultants are being developed.
8		All ability amenities to meet the needs of residents and visitors	Beautification Works - George Town Cemetery	100%	Stage 1 of Heritage fence completed. Stage 2 of the beautification works will commence in August 2023.
9		Improve access through the design, maintenance and extension of footpaths, tracks and trails	Upgrade Max Harris Reserve.	100%	Completed
10			Completion of Launchpad/Anzac Drive Building	<75%	Demolition works complete. Tenders currently being assessed. Redevelopment works expected to commence November 2023. Completion date expected March 2024.
1	A culture of engagement and participation	Leadership & Governance Trusted, transparent and inclusive community engagement processes	Design & develop an integrated 5- year Internal and Organisational Communication Strategy.	100%	Communication Strategy will be released for community conultation in August
2		Understanding processes and participating in decision making	Undertake Councillor Inductions post election.	100%	Completed
3			Design and develop an updated comprehensive Induction Program for new Employees	100%	Completed
4			Development of Project Management Framework	<75%	Awaiting implementation plan for new corporate

					software to integrate PMF.
5	Planning and regulatory responsibilities are undertaken fairly and openly	Building knowledge and understanding of planning and regulatory responsibilities and processes	Corporate System implementation.	100%	System set to go live for Finance and Payroll in July 2023, with other modules going live in qtr 1 2023.
6			Statutory reporting requirements are met.		Completed
7		Compliance customer service standards and processes	Design & develop a Customer Charter for Regulatory Services for Council approval.	100%	Completed
8	Positive and productive working relationship with all levels of government and their agencies	Ensuring the area's needs and priorities are understood	Develop and implement annual auditing regime to meet the expectations of the Audit Panel and recommendations from external auditors	100%	Quarterly Audit Panel meeting held in April and June 2023, at these meetings Council officers outlined the progress in relation to recommendations and audit activity.
9			Audit results meet performance criteria.	100%	Financial Audit completed and achieved performance criteria.
	PUB	LIC HEALTH GOALS AND OBJ	ECTIVES		
		uncil's public health goals a evelopmental & Environm seek to:	•		
	1. Continue to promoting the				
			 (1) Maintaining and enhancing service levels through contemporary service delivery models 	100%	Ongoing

		(2) Continuing to work with the Northern Region Cat Management Working Group to develop better cat management outcomes	100%	Ongoing
		(3) Build on our relationships with all levels of government in managing the risk to wildlife, such as penguins	100%	Ongoing
		(4) Encourage healthy activity in the promotion of our region as a destination for taking a dog for a walk	100%	Ongoing
		(5) Continue promoting responsible dog ownership through Council's responsible dog ownership mascot 'MACCA'	100%	Ongoing
2. Continue to promote, implement and monitor public health standards through:				
		(6) Enhancing current service levels while developing contemporary delivery opportunities	100%	Ongoing
		(7) Acting in a timely manner on reports of environmental health concerns	100%	Ongoing
3. Actively mai	nage building standards in a Building Act through	accordance with the		

 (8) Continuing to provide a high level of public awareness, education and guidance on building health and safety matters 	100%	Ongoing
(9) Acting in a timely manner on reports of buildings, or building uses, that involve possible health concerns	100%	Ongoing