

# Dorset Council Meeting

## Minutes

16 May 2016

**The Meeting Opened:** 6.00 pm

**Present:** Crs G J Howard (Mayor), M A Hall (Deputy Mayor), L S Quilliam, L C Stein, S D Moore, S J Arnold, L D Archer, S Y Martin, D R Jessup

General Manager T J Watson, Director – Corporate Services G R Jetson, Accountant S Edwards, Manager - Regulatory Services R Willis, Director – Community & Economic Development S E Bower, Director – Infrastructure D Griffin

**Apologies:** Nil

<b>73/16</b>	<b>Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes 18 April 2016</b> Ref 16/3335
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**Crs Stein/Archer**

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on 18 April 2016, having been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

**Carried Unanimously**

<b>74/16</b>	<b>Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Closed Session Minutes 18 April 2016</b> Ref 16/3338
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**Crs Moore/Quilliam**

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting Closed Session held on 18 April 2016, having been circulated to all Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

**Carried Unanimously**

<b>75/16</b>	<b>Confirmation of Agenda</b>
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**Crs Quilliam/Jessup**

That Council confirm the Agenda with the addition of late agenda item 83 A and order of business for the 16 May 2016 Council Meeting.

**Carried Unanimously**

<b>76/16</b>	<b>Declaration of Pecuniary Interest of a Councillor or Close Associate</b>
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Nil

<b>77/16</b>	<b>Dorset Council Management Team Briefing Report</b> Ref: 16/3879
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The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Councillors and the community with a briefing on matters of interest dealt with during the past month by Council's Management Team.

**Recommendation**

That the Dorset Council Management Team Briefing Report be received and noted.

**Decision**

**Crs Stein/Archer**

**That the Dorset Council Management Team Briefing Report be received and noted.**

**Carried Unanimously**

<b>78/16 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting</b>
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- 18 April 2016 – Special Briefing Workshop
- 3 May 2016 – Briefing Workshop

<b>79/16 Applications for Leave of Absence</b>
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Nil

<b>80/16 Public Question Time</b>
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Nil

<b>81/16 Deputations</b>
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Nil

<b>82/16 Councillor Question Time</b>
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**Cr Lawrence Archer:**

*Can we, in our next agenda, have a report on the progress of the NE Rail Trail?*

### **Response from Mayor, Greg Howard:**

There can be no further progression of anything relating to the Rail Trail until the legislation goes through the State Parliament to validate all of the rail corridors within Tasmania. The State Government has told us that they are aiming to have that legislation ready for the budget session of Parliament which will be held at the end of May, early June. If not it will be September session of Parliament. All of the rail corridors around Tasmania (because the railway wasn't built by the Government initially it was built by private enterprise) have a mixture of leases, purchasers, gifts, etc therefore there are some sections of all rail corridors in Tasmania that are not owned by TasRail at this point. Therefore they need to validate those before we can move forward and part of the rail corridor between Scottsdale and Launceston falls into that category.

### **83/16 Notices of Motion by Councillors**

Nil

<b>83A/16</b>	<b>Admission of Late Agenda Item TasWater External Funding Proposal</b> Reporting Officer: General Manger, Tim Watson Ref: 16/4298
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### **Purpose**

TasWater is seeking Council approval for a moratorium on increases in distributions for a further seven (7) years in the event that TasWater secures commitment from the State and Federal Governments to make grants totalling no less than \$400M over a ten (10) year period.

### **Recommendation**

That Owner Councils agree to a moratorium on increases in distributions for a further seven (7) years in the event that TasWater secures commitment from the State and Federal Governments to make grants totalling no less than \$400M over a ten (10) year period.

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### **Decision**

#### **Crs Jessup/Hall**

**That Owner Councils agree to a moratorium on increases in distributions for a further seven (7) years in the event that TasWater secures commitment from the State and Federal Governments to make grants totalling no less than \$400M over a ten (10) year period.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**84/16**      **2015/2016 Dorset Council Small Grants Application Assessment**  
Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Economic Development, Susie Bower  
Ref: 16/3869

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee to Council for approval.

**Recommendation**

That Dorset Council in accordance with the Community Grants Committee recommendation that the Pop Up Swap Meet application not be approved for funding.

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**Decision**

**Crs Archer/Stein**

**That Dorset Council in accordance with the Community Grants Committee recommendation that the Pop Up Swap Meet application not be approved for funding.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**85/16**      **2015/2016 Dorset Councillors Discretionary Grants Application Assessment**  
Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Economic Development, Susie Bower  
Ref: 16/3853

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee to Council for approval.

**Recommendation**

That Dorset Council endorses the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee and approves the allocation of funds to the applicants as listed in the following table:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant Recommended</b>
Jetsonville Playgroup	Installation of younger aged play equipment	\$5,532
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$5,532</b>

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**Decision**

**Crs Moore/Jessup**

**That Dorset Council endorses the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee and approves the allocation of funds to the applicants as listed in the following table:**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant Recommended</b>
Jetsonville Playgroup	Installation of younger aged play equipment	\$5,532
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$5,532</b>

**Voting For the Motion:** Mayor Howard, Deputy Mayor Hall, Crs Jessup, Stein, Martin, Quilliam, Moore, Arnold

**Voting Against the Motion:** Cr Archer

**Carried**

<b>86/16</b>	<b>2015/2016 Dorset Council Community Matching Funding Grants Applications Assessment</b> Director – Community & Economic Development, Susie Bower Ref: 16/3851
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### **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to present the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee to Council for approval.

### **Recommendation**

That Dorset Council endorses the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee and approves the allocation of funds to the applicant as listed in the following table:

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant Recommended</b>
Bridport Golf Club Ladies Committee	New chairs to hold funeral services	\$2,320
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,320</b>

### **Decision**

**Crs Stein/Arnold**

**That Dorset Council endorses the recommendation of the Community Grants Committee and approves the allocation of funds to the applicant as listed in the following table:**

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Project</b>	<b>Grant Recommended</b>
Bridport Golf Club Ladies Committee	New chairs to hold funeral services	\$2,320
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$2,320</b>

**Voting For the Motion:** Mayor Howard, Deputy Mayor Hall, Crs Jessup, Stein, Martin, Quilliam, Moore, Arnold

**Voting Against the Motion:** Cr Archer

**Carried**

<b>87/16</b>	<b>Code of Conduct</b> Reporting Officer: Director – Corporate Services, Guy Jetson Ref: 16/3999
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**Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to adopt a new Code of Conduct for Dorset Council and to terminate membership of the current Code of Conduct Panel.

**Recommendation**

1. That Council adopt the Dorset Council Councillor Code of Conduct April 2016.
2. That Council terminate membership of the Dorset Council Code of Conduct Panel comprising Councillors Archer, Martin & Jessup.

**Decision**

**Crs Hall/Arnold**

1. **That Council adopt the Dorset Council Councillor Code of Conduct April 2016.**
2. **That Council terminate membership of the Dorset Council Code of Conduct Panel comprising Councillors Archer, Martin & Jessup.**

**Carried Unanimously**

<b>88/16</b>	<b>Animal Control Fees 2016/2017</b> Reporting Officer: Manager – Regulatory Services, Rohan Willis Ref: 16/4080
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**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is for Council to consider the revised Animal Control Fees in the 2016/17 financial year.

**Recommendation**

That Dorset Council adopt the proposed Schedule of Fees payable under the *Dog Control Act 2000* for the 2016/17 financial year.

**Decision**

**Crs Quilliam/Hall**

**That Dorset Council adopt the proposed Schedule of Fees payable under the *Dog Control Act 2000* for the 2016/17 financial year.**

<b>ANIMAL CONTROL</b>	<b>Proposed 2016/17 Fees</b>
<b>Dog Registration:</b>	
<b>(Before 31 July)</b>	

Basic Dog (not desexed)	\$54.00
Working, Purebred or Greyhound	\$27.00
Pensioner (One Only)	\$15.00
Sterilised (desexed) Dog	\$24.00
Guide Dog	No Charge
Declared Dangerous Dog	\$400.00
Guard Dog	\$400.00
Lifetime Registration (must be desexed & microchipped)	\$170.00
Lifetime Registration (Pensioner Only)	\$100.00
<b>(After 31 July)</b>	
Basic Dog (not desexed)	\$64.00
Working, Purebred or Greyhound	\$35.00
Pensioner (One Only)	\$15.00
Sterilised (desexed) Dog	\$32.00
Guide Dog	No Charge
Declared Dangerous Dog	\$400.00
Guard Dog	\$400.00
Lifetime Registration (must be desexed & microchipped)	\$170.00
Lifetime Registration (Pensioner Only)	\$100.00
<b>Fees - Other</b>	
Maintenance Charge – Daily	\$29.00
Nuisance	\$31.00
Replacement Tag	\$5.00
1 <sup>st</sup> seizure of any dog	\$61.00
2 <sup>nd</sup> seizure of any dog	\$82.00
3 <sup>rd</sup> and subsequent seizures	\$153.00
Delivery Charge (Dog returned to Owner)	\$82.00
Refund of Lifetime Registration (valid only within the first 3 years)	\$71.00
Relocation Device (Trap) Hire Deposit	\$51.00
<b>Fees for keeping several dogs</b>	
Licence for 3 to 5 Dogs	\$92.00
For more than 5 dogs	\$112.00
Renewal of Licence	\$71.00
Registration of dogs in excess of 4 Dogs housed at premises for which a Licence to keep several dogs (Kennel Licence) has been issued by Council (First 4 Dogs at Standard Fees) Per Extra Dog	\$23.00

**Carried Unanimously**

**89/16 Quarterly Financial Report – 31 March 2016**

Reporting Officer: Accountant, Samantha Edwards  
Ref: 16/3937

**Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to present to Councillors and the community the financial performance for the 2015/16 year.

**Recommendation**

That Council receive the Financial Report for the period ended 31 March 2016.

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**Decision****Crs Archer/Arnold**

**That Council receive the Financial Report for the period ended 31 March 2016.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**90/16 Variation – Annual Plan 2015/2016**

Reporting Officer: Director – Corporate Services, Guy Jetson  
Ref: 16/3937

**Purpose**

The purpose of this report is defer Annual Plan item 10 *Review Council Road Plan 2013-2018* to the September Quarter 2016.

**Recommendation**

That Council defer Annual Plan item 10 *Review Council Road Plan 2013-2018* to the September Quarter 2016.

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**Decision****Crs Stein/Quilliam**

**That Council defer Annual Plan item 10 *Review Council Road Plan 2013-2018* to the September Quarter 2016.**

**Carried Unanimously**

**91/16 UTAS Northern Transformation Project**

Reporting Officer: General Manager, Tim Watson  
Ref: 16/3937

**Purpose**

The purpose of this item is to consider a request from Northern Tasmania Development for all northern councils to indicate their public support for the relocation of the northern UTAS campus to the Inveresk Precinct.

**Recommendation**

That Council join the other northern region Councils in publicly indicating its support that UTAS move to an inner city campus by signing a letter to the Premier of Tasmania.

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**Decision**

**Crs Quilliam/Hall**

**That Council join the other northern region Councils in publicly indicating its support that UTAS move to an inner city campus by signing a letter to the Premier of Tasmania.**

**Voting For the Motion:** Mayor Howard, Deputy Mayor Hall, Crs Jessup, Quilliam, Moore

**Voting Against the Motion:** Crs Archer, Arnold, Martin, Stein

**Carried**

**92/16 Closure of Meeting**

**Crs Stein/Moore**

That pursuant to Regulation 15 (2) (d) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council close the meeting to the public.

**Carried Unanimously**

**Time: 6.57 pm**

**6.57 pm – Meeting adjourned for tea break with the public.**

*7.10 pm – Meeting recommenced*

**Time Meeting Closed:** 8.11 pm

**Minutes Confirmed:** 20 June 2016

**Minute No:** 97/16

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**Mayor**