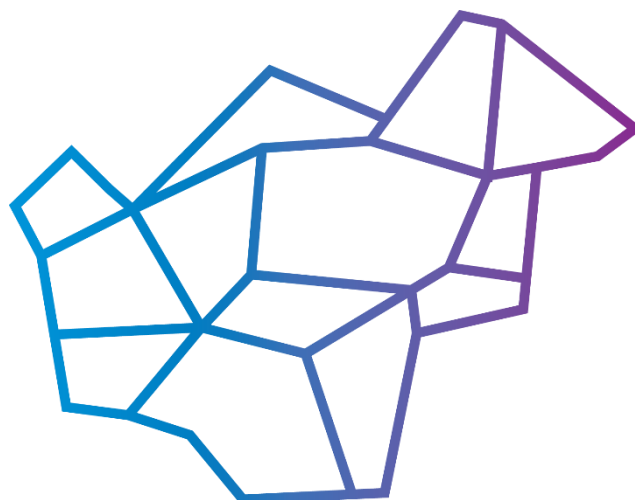




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Ordinary Agenda

Council Meeting

Monday, 17 August 2026

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General Manager's Certification

Qualified Persons Advice – Local Government Act 1993 – Section 65

Pursuant to Section 65 of the *Local Government Act 1993* I hereby certify, with respect to the advice, information and / or recommendation provided for the guidance of Council in this Agenda, that:

1. such advice, information and / or recommendation has been given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice; and
2. where any advice is given by a person who does not have the required qualifications or experience, that person has obtained and taken into account the advice from an appropriately qualified or experienced person; and
3. a copy of that advice or, if the advice was given orally, a written transcript or summary of that advice has been provided to the council.



JOHN MARIK
General Manager

Notification of Council Meeting

NOTICE¹ is given that the next Ordinary Meeting of the Dorset Council will be held on **Monday, 17 August 2026** at the **Council Chambers, 3 Ellenor Street, Scottsdale** commencing at 6:00 pm.

Following the open session of the Ordinary Meeting, Council will be holding a Closed Session meeting.

Members of the public are invited to attend in person, however, if any member of the public is feeling unwell, **please do not attend**.

The recording (both visual and audio) of the Council Meeting, except for any part held in Closed Session, will be made available to the public as soon as practicable after the meeting via Council's website and social media.



JOHN MARIK
General Manager

¹ In accordance with the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*

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Council Meeting - Agenda

Monday, 17 August 2026

Meeting Opened:

Council Meetings Procedures

In accordance with Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures, this Meeting is being recorded. By attending the Meeting in person, you are consenting to personal information being recorded and published. No unauthorised filming or recording of the Meeting is permitted.

Visitors are reminded that Council Meetings are a place of work for Council Officers and Councillors.

The Council is committed to meeting its responsibilities as an employer and as host of this important public forum, by ensuring that all present meet expectations of mutually respectful and orderly conduct. It is a condition of entry to the Council Chambers that you cooperate with any directions or requests from the Chairperson or Council Officers.

The Chairperson is responsible for maintaining order at Council Meetings. The General Manager is responsible for health, wellbeing and safety of all present. The Chairperson or General Manager may require a person to leave the Council's premises following any behaviour that falls short of these expectations.

Language and conduct at a Meeting that could be perceived as offensive, defamatory or threatening to a person in attendance or listening to the recording, is not acceptable. It is an offence to hinder or disrupt a Council Meeting.

Present:

Apologies:

Acknowledgement of Country

Dorset Council acknowledges the deep history and culture of the First People who were the traditional owners of the lands and waterways where we live and work. We acknowledge the clans-people who lived here for over a thousand generations on the Country where Scottsdale is built and throughout the area we know as the north east region.

Dorset Council acknowledge the present-day Aboriginal custodians and the inclusive contribution they make to the social, cultural and economic essence of the municipality.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Item 148/2026 Declaration of Interest

In accordance with Section 48 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulation 10(8) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* and the Tasmanian Local Government Code of Conduct, Councillors are requested to indicate whether any have, or are likely to have, an interest in any item on the agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Item 149/2026 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – Monday, 20 July 2026

Ref: DOC/26/9882

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 20 July 2026 finds them to be a true record and recommends that they be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 20 July 2026 having been circulated to Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

Item 150/2026 Confirmation of Agenda

Recommendation

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 17 August 2026 Council Meeting.

Item 151/2026 Public Question Time

²Members of the Public can ask a maximum of two question(s) without notice during Public Question Time. The Chairperson reserves the right to consider questions above this limit be accepted or treated as correspondence.

Any person asking a question is asked to stand (if able), clearly state their name and suburb they live.

Question(s) must be clear and concise, not be a statement and have minimal pre-amble. Any answer given is not to be debated.

Members of the public must provide any question(s) without notice in writing to the Executive Assistant either before the commencement of the Meeting or within 24 hours.

The following question was **taken on notice** at 20 July Council Meeting:

² In accordance with Regulations 33, 36 & 37 and Council Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

Stuart Rainbow, Derby

Why increase rates by 6.5% when some valuations increased by 1333% e.g. from \$30,000 land value to \$700,000? Why not tax bike riding instead of pensioners?

Response from Director – Corporate Services:

Council's 6.5% rates increase and changes in individual property valuations are two different matters.

The 6.5% was adopted as part of the 2026/27 Budget and the increase reflects the level of revenue Council determined was needed to continue funding services, maintaining infrastructure and improving long term financial sustainability.

Property valuations are determined independently by the Valuer General, not Council. Significant increases in a property's valuation may affect that property's rates assessment, but they do not mean Council's overall rates revenue has increased by the same percentage.

Rates remain Council's main source of income. However, Council is currently reviewing its Financial Management Strategy, including opportunities to diversify revenue sources and apply stronger user pays principles where appropriate, to reduce reliance on rates over time.

The following questions have been received on notice:

Karl Willrath, Scottsdale | 30 July 2026

1. *Since the update of policy 41 (Council meeting procedures) in 2025 that was unanimously passed without amendment; how many questions by Councillors and the public, either on notice or without notice have been disallowed, and were all the disallowed questions read out or made public at meetings? (public and Cr questions listed separately please)*

Response from Mayor Rhys Beattie:

Since Policy No. 41 was reviewed in July 2025, two questions have been refused under Regulation 33(3) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025*. Both questions were submitted by members of the public; no Councillor questions have been refused during this period. Questions refused by the relevant entity must not be reproduced in the agenda or minutes. Regulation 33(5) provides: *"If question on notice or public question on notice is refused under sub regulation (3), the question is not to be reproduced in the agenda for that meeting."*

Lawrence Archer, Bridport | 6 August 2026

On June 9th Council held a training session for Audit panel members.

1. *Who conducted that training and was there a cost to Council?*
2. *Which Councillors attended that training?*

Response from Director – Corporate Services:

Council's Audit Panel Independent Members undertook an informal training session with the Audit Panel Councillor members, Councillor Jan Hughes and Councillor Kahlia Simmons, at no additional cost to Council.

The following questions were received without notice from members of the public:

Item 152/2026 Public Address of Meeting

³Members of the public can make a statement at a Council Meeting; it is not question or discussion time with Councillors. Prior to making a statement, the person is asked to stand (if able), clearly state their name and suburb they live.

Members of the public wishing to address Council at a Meeting shall indicate their intent and subject matter in writing by 10am on the Friday prior to the Meeting.

A person seeking to make a statement may speak for a period up to 3 minutes but may be extended at the discretion of the Chairperson to a maximum of 5 minutes.

All proposed statements are to be provided in writing prior to the Meeting to allow for circulation and inclusion in the minutes of the Meeting.

Item 153/2026 Councillor Question Time

⁴Councillors can ask a maximum of two question(s) without notice during Councillor question time. The Chairperson reserves the right to consider questions above this limit be accepted or treated as correspondence.

Question(s) must be clear and concise, not be a statement, have minimal pre-able, not offer an argument or opinion, draw conclusions, or make any accusations. Any answer given is not to be debated.

Councillors must provide question(s) without notice in writing to the Executive Assistant either before the commencement of the Meeting or within 24 hours.

The following questions have been received on notice:

Councillor Teichmann | 9 August 2026

1. *How much rates revenue did Dorset Council collect in each of the following in 2015 and 2025 (please list each separately): Derby, Branhholm, Winnaleah, Herrick, Pioneer, South Mount Cameron, Ringarooma, Legerwood and finally Dorset as a whole? If detailed itemised figures are not available, please provide the best figures you can readily approximate.*

Response from Director – Corporate Services:

The information requested is not available in a simple, reportable format and would require analysis of historical rating data, property records and locality boundaries over time. While it may be possible to develop approximate figures, the results would require a range of assumptions and professional judgement to ensure they are meaningful and appropriately interpreted.

Councillors should also note that rates revenue by locality represents only one aspect of Council's overall financial position, service delivery and infrastructure investment. If Council wishes to pursue this work, consideration should first be given to the purpose of the analysis, how the information would be used, the resources required to undertake it, and whether the resulting information should be developed and published in a way that provides broader value to the community.

³ In accordance with Regulations 46 and Council Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

⁴ In accordance with Regulations 33, 34 & 35 and Council's Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

2. *How much have costs for services in Derby, NOT counting trail maintenance related costs, increased from 2015 to 2025?*

Response from Director – Corporate Services:

Council has previously considered the concept of undertaking a total cost of ownership analysis for Derby which would provide this information. At the time, Councillors noted that such an exercise would involve a substantial degree of analysis, assumptions and professional judgement and that in the absence of a specific purpose for undertaking the analysis, it would be difficult to justify committing staff resources to this work.

If Councillors wish to revisit the matter, it would be beneficial to first establish the intended purpose, scope and expected outcomes of the analysis so that the level of effort involved can be appropriately considered against the value of any information produced.

The following questions were received without notice from Councillors:

Item 154/2026 Requests for Leave of Absence

Nil

Item 155/2026 Notifications of Leave of Absence for Parental Leave

Nil

Item 156/2026 Councillor Motions with Notice

Councillor Teichmann submitted the following Motions with Notice on Sunday, 9 August 2026:

Item 156.1/2026 Councillor Vincent Teichmann | Public Apology Regarding Matters Identified in the
Dorset Council Board of Inquiry Report
Ref: DOC/26/11259 | NoM: DOC/26/11244

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Vincent Teichmann.

Recommendation

MOVED: Councillor Teichmann

That Dorset Council as an organisation apologise to anyone who was wronged as a result of any action or inaction of Dorset Council and its staff in the past, for example as identified in the Dorset Council Board of Inquiry Report, in order to help anyone who was affected to forgive, heal and/or move forwards, with a spirit of renewed trust, unity and friendship as part of a compassionate and accountable community.

Background

The following notice of motion and background information was received from Councillor Teichmann on 9 August 2026:

“That Dorset Council as an organisation apologise to anyone who was wronged as a result of any action or inaction of Dorset Council and its staff in the past, for example as identified in the Dorset Council Board of Inquiry Report, in order to help anyone who was affected to forgive, heal and/or move forwards, with a spirit of renewed trust, unity and friendship as part of a compassionate and accountable community.”

Reasons and Supporting information for Motion:

When anyone realises that the wrong thing may have been done, and harm or offence may have been caused to someone, then it seems only appropriate to offer a sincere apology to try to make things right. Dorset Council and some of its staff are identified in the Dorset Council Board of Inquiry Report as having done the wrong thing on numerous occasions, in regard to a number of members of the community and in various ways. To date, Dorset Council has not to my knowledge offered a formal public apology to those affected.

Findings of the Dorset Board of Inquiry Report included in its Executive Summary on pp. 8-9 are:

“The Board found that councillors and the mayor, among many other findings:

- did not monitor the performance of the general manager as required by the Act;
- did not pursue the provision of legal advice when it ought to have been provided to them;
- did not have appropriate policies or processes in place to ensure that all of the Council’s obligations under the LUPA Act were complied with;
- did not ensure that appropriate governance arrangements were in place to manage a range of statutory obligations;

and that the Mayor:

- commonly used offensive and inappropriate language in communications.

The Board has also made a number of findings in relation to senior council staff members.

The Board found, among many other findings, that:

- the former general manager and the former Director of Infrastructure caused Council to commence construction of the Derby depot without any permit approvals having been obtained, and on Crown land without authority;
- senior council staff failed to cease the unlawful works when requested;
- the former general manager failed to act in accordance with qualified legal advice, or on occasions failed to obtain qualified legal advice where required to support or inform council actions;
- the former general manager improperly recommended that Council continue to act unlawfully by continuing vegetation removal on the Bridport foreshore “with or without” approval;
- the Director Community and Development⁵ failed on a number of occasions to take all reasonable steps to ensure that planning permit conditions were complied with;
- the former general manager sent correspondence to a resident that contained false assertions, and made improper and highly insulting comments;
- the former general manager and the former Director of Infrastructure breached the Act in not declaring their shareholding in Trailsnaps Pty Ltd;
- senior council staff issued infringement notices illegally or in a retributive manner; and
- the former general manager in communications used language that was often combative, inappropriate and offensive in nature and content.”

The report goes on to detail specific wrongs and harm done to various members of the community, how, when and by whom, and may be found on the Department of Premier and Cabinet website [here](#).

Since joining Council in February 2025, I have felt that we as a Council are missing an opportunity to make things right, or at least better, by apologising to those who were affected and moving this motion is an attempt to remedy this. I first sought to move this motion in November last year, and I had hoped that the leadership at Dorset Council would take the initiative and formulate an apology, but they have not done so.

We are all human and so may occasionally make mistakes – that is a given and can, hopefully, be forgiven. But to fail to try to correct one’s mistakes when one becomes aware of them and at the very least apologise, and try hard not to repeat them, would fall below the standard that is set when we step up to serve the community, in the office of councillor or on Council’s staff.

I would like to make it very clear that I am not asking for an apology from Council on my own behalf even if one might be appropriate. I would not be here as a councillor today were it not for the decisions, actions and inactions of a former Council, former mayor and former general manager. I accept and embrace all that happened as part of God’s plan for my life. I neither need nor want an apology for myself.

But not everyone thinks the same way I do, and there are some members of the community that may still be hurting. An apology from Council may help them to move on, and in my view the sooner Council extends an apology to them, the better.

Now, some people at Council may be concerned that apologising could increase the risk of Council being sued, but I do not think that this consideration should stop Council from doing what is right. Maybe a timely apology and an effort to redress the wrongs that were identified in the Dorset Board of inquiry Report

⁵ The reference to *the Director Community and Development* in the above finding relates to the position holder at the time of the October 2024 report’s release and does not refer to the current Director – Community & Development Services.

could have actually reduced the likelihood of litigation. I believe it is far preferable to just say sorry now, than to keep trying not to say sorry at all.

So let us unite, as a council and as a community, and apply simple common decency to apologise for whatever mistakes were made in the past, so that the new council does not inherit this task from us, as we have, in a sense, inherited it from those who went before us.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

There are no direct planning or environmental implications arising from the proposed motion.

The Dorset Council Board of Inquiry reported to the Minister for Local Government in October 2024. Following consideration of the report, the Minister issued a series of Directions to Council, Councillors and the Mayor to address the governance and conduct matters identified by the Board. Council has completed all actions required of it under the Ministerial Directions. This work has included substantial improvements to Council's governance arrangements, policies, procedures, statutory compliance, elected member development and organisational oversight.

Any public statement or apology made by Council should be carefully framed to ensure that it is accurate, appropriately acknowledges the findings of the Board of Inquiry and does not make broader or unintended admissions concerning individuals or circumstances beyond those findings. The wording proposed in the motion extends beyond a simple expression of sympathy or regret by referring to persons having been 'wronged'. Accordingly, legal review would be prudent before any formal apology is issued by Council.

Strategic and Annual Plan

The matter is relevant to Council's commitment to good governance, accountability, organisational integrity and maintaining community confidence in Council.

Council's response to the Board of Inquiry has involved implementing the Ministerial Directions and strengthening the systems, culture and governance arrangements that support transparent, lawful and accountable decision-making.

The current leadership team remains focused on embedding these improvements and building a professional, respectful and contemporary organisation that serves the Dorset community effectively.

Risk Management

The proposed motion presents a number of risks that require careful consideration.

A broadly worded apology may create legal, reputational and employee-relations risks if it is interpreted as making findings or admissions beyond those formally made by the Board of Inquiry. It may also unintentionally attribute responsibility to current employees, members of the leadership team or Councillors who were not involved in the historical conduct examined by the Board.

There is also a reputational risk if Council is perceived as failing to acknowledge the seriousness of the Board's findings or the experiences of affected community members. Conversely, there is a risk that addressing the matter through an isolated apology, before Council has completed its intended formal closure process, may reopen matters without providing the complete context of the reforms undertaken since the Inquiry.

These competing risks support addressing any apology or acknowledgement as part of a considered and comprehensive final Board of Inquiry report.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

The State Government, through the Minister for Local Government, have advised Council that they intend to request payment of \$356,442.66 from the Council, subject to consideration of Council's submission. Council submitted to the Minister in relation to costs on 30 March 2026.

Council Officers are awaiting advice from the Minister for Local Government on this matter.

The financial outcome is intended to be included in a final Board of Inquiry closure report to Council. Legal review of the wording of any formal public apology may also result in a minor unbudgeted cost.

Community Considerations

The Board of Inquiry examined serious matters, and its findings may continue to affect the confidence and experiences of some members of the Dorset community. Acknowledging those experiences respectfully is an important consideration for Council.

Council must also recognise the significant organisational change that has occurred since the period examined by the Board. The current leadership team and Council employees have worked professionally and diligently to implement the Ministerial Directions and strengthen Council's governance, compliance and organisational culture.

Any final public acknowledgement should therefore balance recognition of the past with an accurate account of the reforms undertaken and Council's commitment to moving forward in the interests of the whole community.

Consultation

The proposed motion and the broader process for formally concluding Council's response to the Board of Inquiry have previously been discussed at a Council Briefing Workshop.

While decisions cannot be made at a Workshop, there was general consensus that Council would await advice from the Minister for Local Government on whether the State Government intends to recover any Board of Inquiry costs from Dorset Council. Once that advice is received, Council Officers intended to prepare a comprehensive final Board of Inquiry closure report for formal consideration at an open Council Meeting. That report would outline the completion of the Ministerial Directions, the governance and organisational reforms implemented, the final financial implications for Council, any appropriate formal acknowledgement or apology, and the proposed formal closure of Council's response to the Inquiry.

No external community consultation has been undertaken specifically in relation to the wording of the proposed motion.

Officer's Comments (General Manager)

The Board of Inquiry made serious findings concerning the actions and governance arrangements of the Council during the period examined. Those findings should not be minimised, nor should the experiences of community members affected by the matters identified in the report be dismissed.

It is equally important to distinguish the historical conduct examined by the Board from the current organisation and leadership team. The current leadership team has acted professionally and with integrity in responding to the Inquiry. Council has completed all Ministerial Directions and has implemented substantial governance, compliance and organisational improvements.

The suggestion in the supporting information that the current leadership has failed to take appropriate action does not recognise the agreed process already discussed with Councillors. Council Officers have not refused to address the question of an apology or formal acknowledgement. Rather, Officers have been working toward a comprehensive and orderly conclusion to the matter.

At a previous Briefing Workshop, there was general consensus that Council would first await the Minister's decision on whether the State Government intends to charge Dorset Council for the costs of the Board of Inquiry. Once that decision is known, Officers were to prepare a final public agenda report bringing together the Inquiry's findings, Council's completion of the Ministerial Directions, the reforms undertaken, the financial outcome and an appropriate closing statement for Council's consideration.

In the General Manager's view, this remains the most responsible approach. It would enable Council to consider an apology or acknowledgement in its full context, with carefully reviewed wording, rather than through a broad standalone motion that may have unintended consequences for Council and its current employees.

This approach is not about avoiding accountability. It is about acknowledging the past appropriately, recognising the work undertaken to address the Board's findings, protecting the integrity of current employees and providing the community with a clear and transparent conclusion.

Accordingly, the General Manager recommends that Council defer consideration of a formal apology until the Minister's advice concerning the Board of Inquiry costs is received and the comprehensive final Board of Inquiry closure report is presented to Council.

Item 156.2/2026

Councillor Vincent Teichmann | Council Commitment to Good Governance

Ref: DOC/26/11260 | NoM: DOC/26/11244

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Vincent Teichmann.

Recommendation**MOVED: Councillor Teichmann**

That Dorset Council and its staff consistently adhere to the principles of good governance and both the letter and spirit of all relevant legislation, charters, codes, guidelines, plans and policies in performing council's functions, so as to fairly, consistently and professionally serve the best interests of our community, state and nation.

Background

The following notice of motion and background information was received from Councillor Teichmann on 9 August 2026:

That Dorset Council and its staff consistently adhere to the principles of good governance and both the letter and spirit of all relevant legislation, charters, codes, guidelines, plans and policies in performing council's functions, so as to fairly, consistently and professionally serve the best interests of our community, state and nation.

Reasons and Supporting information for Motion:

Some people might say that Council, Councillors and Council staff sticking to the rules is so obvious that it doesn't need to be mentioned. I wish I could say this is always the case, but sadly I can not. Even after the Dorset Board of Inquiry handed down its report, things were not done according to the rules at times. I would rather refrain from giving the details to avoid causing anyone embarrassment, and if this motion is supported, then it will not be necessary for me to do so.

Rules are there for everyone's benefit, but especially to protect the most vulnerable, who may not have the ability to seek justice through other avenues. If we as a council and as a community fail to protect the most vulnerable, then, instead of being inclusive, we are failing them. As councillors, and as Dorset Council, we have made a declaration to serve the best interests of our community to:

- (a) Faithfully carry out the functions and exercise the powers vested in us by virtue of that office to the best of our ability and in accordance with the law;
- (b) Comply with the Council's code of conduct;
- (c) Engage in ongoing professional development; and
- (d) Abide by the principles of good governance

To quote the Local Government Association of Tasmania training material:

Governance is the processes and culture that guide the activities of an organisation beyond its basic legal obligations.

Good governance in local government applies when councillors:

- 1 act with the highest ethical standards
- 2 understand their role and the role of others
- 3 foster trusting and respectful relationships
- 4 show a commitment to risk management
- 5 engage in effective strategic planning
- 6 follow a transparent and accountable decision-making process
- 7 make good decisions that promote the interests of the community they serve
- 8 understand and abide by the law
- 9 commit to continuous improvement
- 10 have good judgement

It goes on to say: “Good governance is important for several reasons. It not only gives the local community confidence in its council, but improves the faith that elected members have in their own council and its decision-making processes. Good governance also leads to better and more efficient decisions, helps local government meet its legislative responsibilities, and provides an ethical basis for decision making.”

So, good governance goes “beyond basic legal obligations” to include “the processes and culture that guide the activities of an organisation”. It is not just the letter, but also the spirit of the law, policies, guidelines, and so forth.

As a key part of our systems of government, councils are given significant powers by and over the communities they serve, and these powers must be wielded with great care and the highest ethical standards, according to the principles of good governance, to ensure that they are used appropriately, and not misused or abused.

In order to best serve the community and to try to prevent the kinds of issues identified in the Dorset Board of Inquiry Report from recurring, I believe councillors and staff must be more mindful of the rules under which Council operates. They must do their absolute best to ensure that they themselves, and those working around them, stick to both the letter and the spirit of the law.

So, together, let us try to ensure that everyone at Dorset Council is firmly focussed on following both the letter and the spirit of the law, according to the rules of good governance.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

The motion is consistent with the governance and statutory framework within which Council operates. Council’s functions and decisions are subject to the *Local Government Act 1993* and a broad range of other legislation, regulations, codes, policies and professional obligations. No specific planning or environmental implications arise directly from the motion.

Strategic and Annual Plan

The motion aligns with Council's Strategic Plan 2023–2032, particularly the Service Delivery direction, and with the organisation's continuing focus on accountable decision-making, sound governance and professional service to the community.

Risk Management

Good governance, legislative compliance and ethical decision-making are fundamental controls across all areas of Council. These are supported through Council policies and delegations, internal review processes, professional advice, employee training and development, risk management practices and oversight by the Leadership Team. Where an error, control weakness or opportunity for improvement is identified, it should be raised through the appropriate process, assessed on the available facts and addressed in a timely and proportionate manner.

The supporting information accompanying the motion includes assertions that Council, Councillors or Council employees have acted contrary to applicable rules following the Board of Inquiry, without identifying the conduct or circumstances relied upon. Unspecified allegations cannot be properly assessed, verified or responded to and may create legal, reputational, governance and organisational risks. They may also adversely affect employee wellbeing, organisational culture and public confidence in Council.

The final sentence of the first paragraph may also be perceived as linking Councillors' support for the motion with whether further allegations will be disclosed. Any specific concern about the conduct of Council, a Councillor or an employee should be raised through an appropriate process, supported by sufficient information and considered in accordance with procedural fairness

Financial and Asset Management Implications

There are no direct financial or asset management implications arising from the motion. Maintaining sound governance and compliance practices supports responsible stewardship of Council's financial and physical assets.

Community Considerations

The community is entitled to expect that Council will act lawfully, fairly, consistently and professionally. Clear processes, transparent decision-making and respectful service help maintain public confidence and ensure that community members, including people who may be vulnerable or require additional assistance, are treated appropriately.

Consultation

No external consultation was undertaken in preparing this report. The notice of motion and the supporting information are presented as received from Councillor Teichmann. Relevant internal officers were consulted in preparing the Officer comments and implications set out in this report.

Officer's Comments (General Manager)

The General Manager notes that Councillor Teichmann sought to move a similar motion without notice at the Council Meeting held on 20 October 2025. In accordance with regulation 20(3)(b) of the *Local*

Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025, the motion was set aside for inclusion on the agenda of a later meeting. On 4 November 2025, Officers requested supporting information and reasons from Councillor Teichmann. The motion now before Council, including the supporting information received on 9 August 2026, addresses substantially the same subject matter and is treated as superseding the earlier motion.

The principle expressed in the motion - that Council should act lawfully, ethically, fairly and professionally - is fundamental to local government and is supported by the General Manager and Leadership Team. It is also a principle that Council employees demonstrate every day in serving the Dorset community.

The Board of Inquiry was a significant period for Council and provided important findings and lessons. Council has complied with all Ministerial Directions arising from the Board of Inquiry. Considerable work has also been undertaken to strengthen governance, accountability, organisational systems and leadership. This work is not viewed as a one-off response; it forms part of Council's ongoing commitment to continuous improvement.

The General Manager and Leadership Team place the highest importance on doing the right thing, acting with integrity and supporting employees to exercise sound professional judgement. Council operates in a complex legislative and policy environment, and reasonable differences in interpretation or judgement can occur. That does not, of itself, demonstrate an absence of integrity or a failure of governance. Where a concern is raised, it is important that it be specific and supported by sufficient information so it can be assessed fairly, those affected can respond, and any necessary action can be taken. Unspecified concerns cannot be meaningfully tested or addressed.

Council's employees continue to perform their roles with professionalism and commitment, often while managing complex statutory obligations, competing priorities and significant community expectations. The General Manager has confidence in the professionalism and integrity of the Leadership Team and Council employees and recognises the very good work they undertake for the Dorset community.

Supporting this motion should therefore be understood as an affirmation of Council's existing responsibilities and continuing commitment to good governance. It should not be interpreted as acceptance of any unspecified allegation that Council or its employees are presently failing to act lawfully, ethically or professionally.

Item 156.3/2026 Councillor Vincent Teichmann | Equitable Support and Engagement for Communities across the Dorset Municipality
Ref: DOC/26/11261 | NoM: DOC/26/11244

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider a notice of motion proposed by Councillor Vincent Teichmann.

Recommendation

MOVED: Councillor Teichmann

That Dorset Council and its staff fairly and consistently serve the community of Dorset, by valuing, respecting, supporting and working in partnership with local communities and community groups in Branxholm, Derby, Gladstone, Herrick, Legerwood, Musselroe Bay, Nabowla, Pioneer, Ringarooma, Rushy Lagoon, South Mt Cameron, Tomahawk and Winnaleah equally to those around Bridport and Scottsdale, to assist all communities in Dorset to achieve their plans and aspirations for a better, more prosperous and sustainable future.

Background

The following notice of motion and background information was received from Councillor Teichmann on 9 August 2026:

That Dorset Council and its staff fairly and consistently serve the community of Dorset, by valuing, respecting, supporting and working in partnership with local communities and community groups in Branxholm, Derby, Gladstone, Herrick, Legerwood, Musselroe Bay, Nabowla, Pioneer, Ringarooma, Rushy Lagoon, South Mt Cameron, Tomahawk and Winnaleah equally to those around Bridport and Scottsdale, to assist all communities in Dorset to achieve their plans and aspirations for a better, more prosperous and sustainable future.

Reasons and Supporting information for Motion:

To quote the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) training course:

“A community’s wellbeing depends on all of its members feeling that their interests have been considered by their council in the decision making process. All groups, particularly the most vulnerable, should have opportunities to participate in the decision-making process, and all groups should be treated equally by their council” (LGAT course, 2026).

A Council’s primary function is to serve its community, which includes everyone, regardless of where they live, or how fortunate they may be. A core part of the community are the usually volunteer run community groups that are quite often the beating heart and soul of small, rural communities, which make up much of Dorset. According to the principles of good governance that we were taught as part of our induction as Councillors, “local government should always try to represent and serve the needs of the entire community while balancing competing interests in a timely, appropriate and responsive manner” (LGAT course, 2026).

A key principle of good governance states that “anyone affected by, or interested in, a decision should have the opportunity to participate in the process for making that decision.” (Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) course, 2026). All decision making at council should be open, transparent and unbiased, to ensure fair, efficient and effective outcomes for everyone in the community.

I believe if councillors and council staff kept these things in mind as they make their decisions, we would all do the best job we can. Perhaps we would have made some decisions differently, especially some that have been the subject of significant community debate in recent times.

In my experience, Dorset is already one of the best places in the world to live, work and raise a family, and if we work together we can make Dorset even better.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

The motion is consistent with the general functions of Council under section 20 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, including representing and promoting the interests of the community and consulting, involving and being accountable to the community. It creates no new planning, environmental or statutory requirement. Any future proposal arising from engagement with a community or community group would continue to be assessed under the relevant legislation, planning scheme, Council policies and decision-making processes.

Strategic and Annual Plan

The intent of the motion is consistent with Council's Strategic Plan 2023-2032 and Annual Plan, which guide Council to serve the whole municipality and make decisions having regard to community need, evidence, adopted priorities and available resources. Council's planning and budget processes provide the appropriate mechanisms for considering and prioritising community aspirations across the municipality.

Risk Management

The motion does not constitute a direction by an individual Councillor or by Council-to-Council employees. If carried, it would express Council's position and reaffirm its commitment to serving communities across the municipality. The implementation of Council decisions and the allocation, control and direction of employees remain the responsibility of the General Manager under sections 62 and 63 of the *Local Government Act 1993*.

There is a reputational risk if the wording of the motion is interpreted as suggesting that some Dorset communities currently receive preferential treatment, or that equitable service requires an identical level of investment or support in every locality. Equitable decision-making does not necessarily result in equal funding, services or outcomes. Council must continue to make evidence-based decisions having regard to differing community needs, population, asset responsibilities, statutory obligations, strategic priorities, the broader municipal interest and available resources.

The motion does not create an entitlement to Council funding, resources, project approval or operational support for any community or community group. Any future request or proposal would continue to be considered through Council's established planning, budget, asset management, risk and governance processes. Clear communication about these limitations and how Council makes decisions will be important in managing community expectations.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

The motion has no immediate financial or asset management implications. Future requests, projects or partnerships would be considered through Council's master plan, community plan, budget, asset management, risk and governance processes. Support for community aspirations must remain financially

sustainable and should not create unfunded commitments or divert resources from adopted priorities without a Council decision.

Community Considerations

Every town, locality and community group within Dorset is valued. Council recognises the important contribution made by volunteers and community organisations, particularly in smaller rural communities. Engagement should be inclusive, accessible and proportionate to the matter being considered, with affected communities given a meaningful opportunity to contribute. Equitable treatment does not necessarily mean identical outcomes; it means that requests are considered consistently and fairly, having regard to differing needs and circumstances.

Consultation

No additional community consultation has been undertaken in preparing this report. The notice and supporting information were submitted by Councillor Teichmann. Council undertakes consultation through strategic planning, master / community planning, annual planning, budget, project and statutory processes, with the method and scale of consultation determined by the nature and impact of each matter.

Officer's Comments (General Manager)

The intent of the motion is supported. Serving the whole Dorset community fairly, consistently and respectfully is already fundamental to Council's purpose and to the work undertaken each day by Councillors and employees. Council Officers are committed to acting professionally and with integrity, using the best information available and applying Council's policies, plans and statutory obligations consistently.

It is also important to distinguish equality from equity. Council cannot responsibly promise the same level or type of support to every town or group, as communities have different needs, populations, facilities and priorities. Equitable decision-making means applying a consistent and transparent process while considering those differences, the broader municipal interest and Council's finite resources.

A separate motion is not required to establish this commitment; it reflects Council's statutory role, strategic direction and way of working. It may nevertheless reaffirm that all Dorset communities are valued. Council will continue to listen, engage and make balanced decisions for the municipality as a whole, encouraging partnerships aligned with Council priorities, governance, approvals and available resources.

ITEMS FOR DECISION

Item 157/2026

Derby Masterplan 2026

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development Services, Jayne Miller

Ref: DOC/26/9404

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to update Council on next steps regarding the development of the Derby Masterplan.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the report, Derby Masterplan 2026.

Background

In the March 2024 State election Labor committed \$525,000 towards the Derby Master Planning project. No matching commitment from the Liberal Party meant the Derby Masterplan project did not proceed at this time. Ongoing advocacy ensued and in May 2026, Jane Howlett, Minister for Tourism, Hospitality and Events confirmed a \$250,000 State Government commitment to the development of the Derby Masterplan - [Strengthening the future of the Blue Derby experience | Premier of Tasmania](#).

In 2025, the economic report *The Value of Blue Derby to the Tasmanian Economy* was endorsed by Council. Since the Blue Derby trails were launched in 2015, there has been no quantifiable economic data to ascertain value for money and return on investment for development of the trails. Information of this nature is imperative for Council to advocate to the State and Federal Governments to assist with funding for trail maintenance, with the view that Blue Derby is recognised as significant state asset and economic driver. It is also important to position Derby as being 'Future Ready' poised to capitalise on its success and giving confidence in business to invest and continue to grow the service offering.

The economic impacts of Blue Derby are impressive with some key headline figures:

- \$50.9 million of direct mountain bike attributed spend
- \$26.6 million direct contribution to Tasmania's Gross State Product
- \$11.1 million in indirect contribution to Tasmania's Gross State Product.
- Blue Derby directly supports 159 (local) jobs and 115 indirect (statewide) jobs.

In 2024, the Derby and Branhholm Structure Plan was endorsed by Council. This document was based on the findings of the Northern Tasmania Residential Demand and Supply Study completed by REMPLAN in January 2024 (REMPLAN Report) which signals that the Dorset local government area will exhaust all residential land supply by 2035. Creation of a structure plan for Derby has been an important step for Dorset to alter its current trajectory of compressed population growth by ensuring there is sufficient and appropriately zoned land to facilitate, encourage and complement sustainable population growth.

What the Derby Structure Plan does not do is plan for the environmental, social, physical and economic opportunities for the community. With growing pains resulting from the rapid rise in popularity of the Blue Derby trails, the intent of the Derby Masterplan is to map out a long-term vision for positive and well

considered future development for the township and consider opportunities and enhancements for the trail network.

The project will deliver a Derby township and trails plan as well as outline a series of recommendations and implementation strategies. Other benefits of a Derby Masterplan include:

- Fresh community engagement opportunities.
- Support for growth and change.
- Linkages back to the Derby Structure Plan.
- Creation of a stronger destination that draws and holds people.
- Promotes sustainability.
- Create conditions for growth and economic development.
- Outlines opportunities for the enhancement of the Blue Derby trails.
- Targets funding for capital development.

In July 2026, Councillors were updated at a workshop regarding the scope of the Derby Masterplan which is to include a Township Plan, a Tracks and Trails Plan and an implementation plan.

In August 2026, under delegation, the General Manager signed a funding deed with the State Government for \$250,000 to deliver the Derby Masterplan and this report provides the information to the community in readiness for the Derby Masterplan to commence. The project scope has been prepared in readiness for a Request for Tender (RfT) and it is anticipated the project will deliver:

1. Township Master Plan

- Demographic and Community Profile: Demographic profile, Derby's role in the region, challenges and opportunities.
- Vision and Guiding Principles: The Plan will include recommended actions and strategies aimed at improving the community over the next 10 years. This will be guided by an overarching vision and set of guiding principles.
- Land Use and Growth Management: Establishment of strategies for how Derby and immediate surrounds can accommodate future growth in a responsible and sustainable manner.
- Neighbourhoods and Housing: Neighbourhood maintenance and development to support quality of life and promote resident attraction, housing needs and identification of new developments where needed.
- Business and Industry: The local commercial and industrial landscape, balancing needs of residents with visitors, accommodation of new growth and the balance of local goods and services for residents and visitors, recommendations for the strategic marketing and promotion of Derby and the surrounding region.
- Community Facilities, Transportation and Infrastructure: Connections to regional transportation networks, water/wastewater management, recommendations to sustain build upon services
- Parks, Open Spaces and the Environment: Recommendations to balance the long-term growth of Derby with parks and open spaces planning and preservation of the natural environment, topographic profile, environmental considerations.
- Community Wellbeing: Ensuring food production and security, inclusivity, health and wellbeing, creativity, culture, and a diversified economy in Derby and the surrounding region.

2. Trails Master Plan

- Establish direction for the ongoing development of Blue Derby. Strategic guidance for investment and interest over the next 10 years that will showcase the potential of the trail network and enable multiple stakeholders including government, organisations, private business, and property owners to coordinate responses to recommended actions.

3. Implementation

- Tools and strategies to assist with converting the Plan into physical change and action.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

- Future development identified through the Masterplan will need to be assessed in accordance with all applicable legislation.
- Dorset Council Policy No. 31 - Code for Tenders and Contracts
- Dorset Council Policy No. 39 - Community Consultation and Communications

Strategic and Annual Plan

- Dorset Council Strategic Plan (2023–2032), Imperative 4

Risk Management

Derby and Blue Derby is a success story, but the growth of mountain bike trails in a small township presents both opportunities and new challenges - the boost to the local economy can lead to increased costs for landowners, the presence of mountain bikers can create social tensions, sustainability and environmental considerations, increased asset maintenance and renewal costs, regulatory challenges with permits and other statutory requirements. These considerations outline the need for careful planning and collaboration, so an overarching plan will help to prioritise works to ensure that they deliver the maximum community benefit for the public funds that may be available.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

\$250,000 is committed by the State Government in 2026/27 to deliver this project. The Derby Masterplan will guide future development within the township and surrounds and on the trails, ensuring that available funds can be spent in an efficient manner, enhancing public spaces, and providing the greatest benefit for the community. This document will also position Council in a stronger position to attract external grant funding.

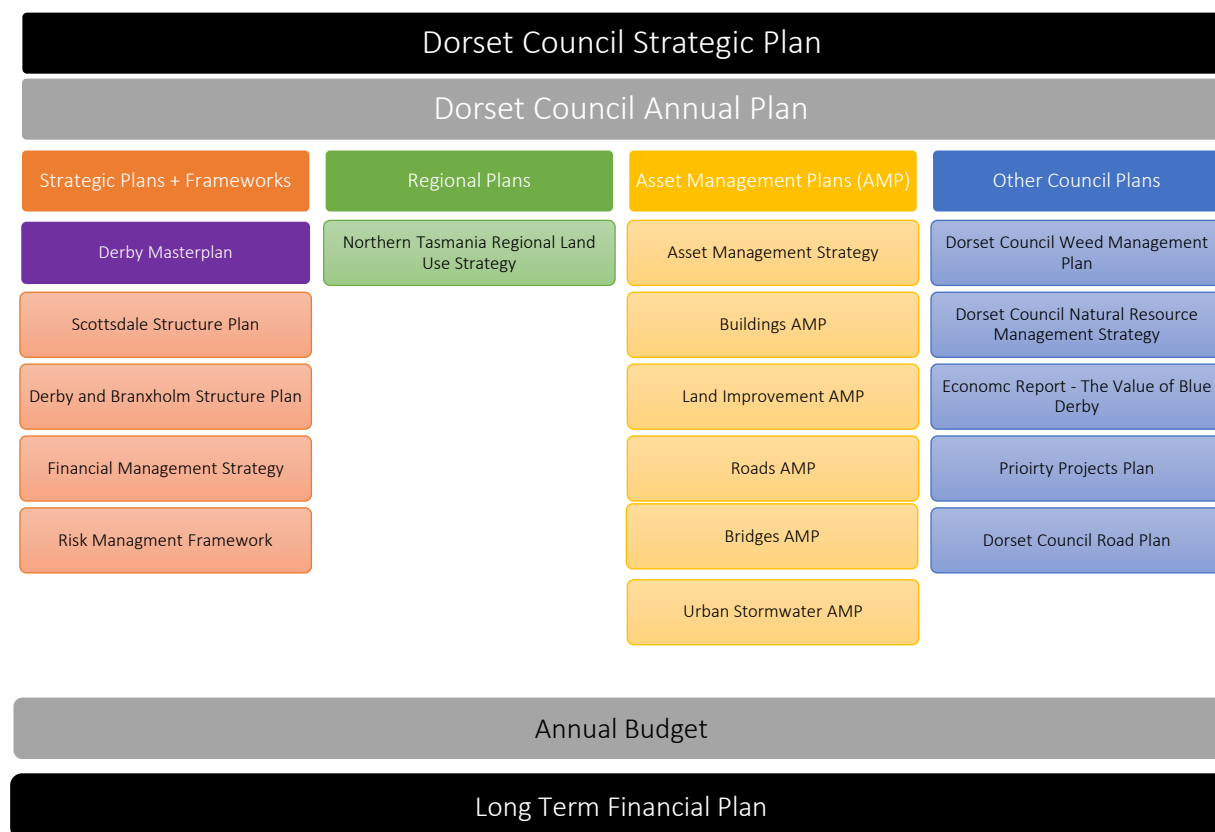
A Request for Tender process will be undertaken in accordance with Council Policy No. 31 - Code for Tenders and Contracts.

Community Considerations

The Plan should represent a community and Council partnership approach to planning to support public and private investment in Derby. A key factor in the Derby Masterplan development is community, agency and stakeholder consultation.

Officer Comments

Having an agreed plan for Derby establishes good governance for future decision making, as expected in a modern and progressive Council's strategic context:



As deliverable attached to the Milestone 1 reporting and payment is the presentation of a Project Management Plan (PMP). The purpose of the PMP is to establish the framework, processes, roles, responsibilities, and controls required to successfully deliver the project objectives. It provides a structured approach for managing scope, schedule, budget, governance, quality, risks, variances, communications, and stakeholder engagement throughout the project lifecycle. It serves as the primary reference document for the duration of the project ensuring a common understanding of project expectations, governance arrangements, decision-making processes, and performance measures. By defining how the project will be planned, executed, monitored, and closed, this plan supports the effective delivery of project outcomes in alignment with organisational goals and stakeholder requirements.

This project establishes a long-term big-picture strategy through a phased deliverable vision for Derby and Blue Derby. Given the breadth and extent of the Plan, it should be noted the process won't be without its challenges – competing interests, economic shifts, demographic changes and securing future funding can impact the Plans relevance. The Plan needs to be thoughtful and retain a level of flexibility or adaptability to accommodate future changes and other advancements. As the scope forms part of the final funding deed, it is expected there will be no major changes to the scope of this project, however Council Officers and the consultant will ensure the final document is shaped by community, agency and stakeholder consultation.

Item 158/2026**Dorset Netball Facilities Upgrade**

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development Services, Jayne Miller
Ref: DOC/26/9812

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to endorse the modified scope of works for the Dorset Netball Facilities Upgrade project.

Recommendation

That Council endorse the proposed modified scope of works for the Dorset Netball Facilities Upgrade project.

- Construction of a new Court (3), Scottsdale
- Resurface Courts 1 and 2, Scottsdale
- Resurface Court 1, Bridport
- Repair Court edges, Derby

Background

The Dorset Netball Facilities Upgrade project will see upgrades to key netball facilities in the towns of Derby, Bridport and Scottsdale. The project aims to enable more players to have more access to courts and reduce barriers to participation for our local women and girls through increased accessibility, increased standard of facility and improved safety.

The project successfully applied for funding in 2024 through the Federal Governments Play our Way Grant Program Stream One (1) to undertake the following scope of works:

- Resurfacing Court 1 and 2 – Scottsdale
- Construction of new court (3) – Scottsdale
- Resurfacing Court 1 – Bridport
- Rebuild and resurfacing Court 2 – Bridport
- Repair court edges - Derby

The total cost of the project at the time of funding submission was \$519,946.50 with funding of \$499,946.50 requested and a Council contribution of \$20,000.

Following notification of a successful funding submission, procurement commenced for design works for the Scottsdale (new court 3) and Bridport (court 2 rebuild) components of the project. The design works brief included service location mapping, geotechnical investigations and reporting to assess site soil conditions, followed by the preparation of detailed design plans. These plans were developed in accordance with Netball Australia Standards and tailored to the individual site's specific topography.

Preliminary designs were received in June 2026 with a tender process subsequently undertaken to determine costs for these two major capital project items. The tender evaluation process, conducted in accordance with Council Policy No. 31 - Code of Tenders and Contracts, for the delivery of the capital works items above highlighted a preferred supplier, however at a significantly higher cost of delivery than initial cost estimates. (A 254% increase for Bridport court 2 and a 24% increase at Scottsdale court 3.)

This increased cost has resulted from several factors including:

- Annual incremental construction cost increases since the project was first costed in 2024 (additional costs incurred each year due to increases in construction prices and project delivery expenses over time);
- Geopolitical conflicts disrupting supply chains and triggering a worldwide fuel crisis with an average increase to project costings of 30%;
- Significantly increased earthworks, drainage and pavement costs associated with the Bridport court 2 site as recommended following Geotech reporting during the design phase; and
- Geotech advice recommending 150mm concrete as the required surface type (rather than the previously quoted, cheaper, 30mm asphalt) at Bridport court 2.
- Inclusion of fencing removal, supply and installation at the Bridport site due to increased footprint (court 2 runoffs)
- Clearing of vegetation at the Bridport site due to increased footprint (court 2 runoffs)

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

- Dorset Council Policy No. 31 - Code for Tenders and Contracts
- Dorset Council Policy No. 39 - Community Consultation and Communications
- Dorset Council Policy No. 51 – Work Health and Safety

Strategic and Annual Plan

- Dorset Council Strategic Plan (2023–2032), Imperative 4 and 6
- Dorset Council Priority Projects Plan 2025+, Project 3 (Dorset: Future Ready)

Risk Management

This project was scoped prior to the implementation of a project governance review at Council, which now includes the project lifecycle. Furthermore the 2024 cost estimates did not include a cost escalation and, coupled with the external cost of service pressures resulting from global events, this project is now at risk. There is a risk the funding body may not support the change in scope for this project. Initial discussion has commenced, and the proposed approach is most closely aligned with the original application. The current funding is due to be expended by 30 June 2027.

Delivering a new court for Scottsdale will increase Council's total assets and add ongoing future maintenance and resurfacing costs.

Delaying the rebuild of Bridport court 2 will mean an existing asset remains unusable.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

INCOME DETAILS ex GST	AMOUNT
Play Our Way Program – Stream 1 (Federal Government grant)	\$499,946.50 ⁶
Dorset Council contribution	\$20,000.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$519,946.50

EXPENDITURE DETAILS ex GST	AMOUNT
Total Expenditure To Date	\$63,906.09
Planned Expenditure	\$455,801.44
TOTAL PROPOSED EXPENDITURE	\$519,707.53

Anticipated costs to complete the project as per the original funded scope of works would be \$943,195.80

Community Considerations

The [Northern Tasmania Sports Facility Plan Dorset Council Addendum](#) was adopted by Council on 18 November 2024 and included the following netball relevant sport specific recommendations:

8. NETBALL	
8.1	There is a need for a third lit hardcourt and training area at Scottsdale
8.2	Investigate the feasibility of developing an additional indoor court, adjoining the existing (Scottsdale) stadium to cater for demand
8.3	Install a better solution for the netball poles at the (Scottsdale) indoor stadium - the current solution is bulky, a trip-hazard and is unsafe
8.4	The Bridport courts require base replacement and court re-surface
8.5	Investigate the provision of an additional spectator seating area adjoining the second court at Bridport (concept plan)
8.6	Derby court and run-off require re-surfacing and lighting upgrade to allow for night games.



Image 1: Scottsdale - Proposed Court 3 location (with Court 1 and 2 in the background)

⁶ \$149,983.95+GST received to date



Image 2 & 3: Bridport – Existing Court 1



Image 4: Derby – Existing Court

Master planning of the recreation ground was highlighted as a high priority as part of the plan's recommendations with netball one of the two key priority sports (alongside basketball) identified based on high local participation and lack of court space.

The preliminary design plans show that Scottsdale's proposed third netball court will have an impact to other user groups with the court footprint adjoining the Pavillion building (used by the North East Agricultural Society as storage through the year and as exhibition space during the annual Scottsdale Show) and the North East Pacing Club's tower (used by camera crew during the annual Scottsdale Trots) being required to be relocated. User groups have been advised/consulted with and will continue to be included in discussions as the project progresses to alleviate concerns and minimise any impacts.

The North East Netball Association (NENA) and associated clubs, as needed, will continue to be consulted with throughout the project delivery. NENA and the Bridport Netball Club were consulted in the course of preparing this report.

Officer Comments

The NENA is one of the largest sporting associations in the region with approximately 400 members. Of a total of eight (8) courts across Dorset there are just four (4) usable local competition standard courts currently available. These courts are substandard with resurfacing identified to occur as part of the holistic project works outlined in the original funding application (court resurfacing needs to occur approximately every 7-10 years depending on usage levels).

After assessing the options based on remaining budget, intent of the funding application and grant program as well as the required works, officers recommend the following modification to the projects scope:

- Resurfacing Court 1 and 2 – Scottsdale
- Construction of new court (3) – Scottsdale
- Resurfacing Court 1 – Bridport
- Repair court edges - Derby

Due to the significant increase in anticipated costs for Bridport Court 2 officers recommend removing the works from the scope. The future of Bridport Court 2 will require further consideration and consultation with the Bridport Netball Club and North East Netball Association at a later date.

The above modified scope of works most closely align with the original funding proposal and intent of the program and would allow the project to continue within budget and construction timeframes.

Option: Proposal to vary the funding agreement to remove Bridport court 2 rebuild works and deliver the project as per the agenda report recommendation:

With any requested grant variation comes the risk of the funding body reducing the amount of funding provided. There is also the risk that a variation is not supported if it does not align with the program objectives or the scope is cut too significantly. Initial discussions with the funding body have commenced and with the proposed scope reducing the outcomes by just one (1) court the risks have been mitigated substantially.

Item 159/2026

Community Projects Process

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik
Ref: DOC/26/11275

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to seek Council endorsement of an interim, consistent and transparent process for assessing community-led capital project proposals affecting Council-owned or managed land, facilities and assets, pending completion of the Council Owned Asset Review.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Suspend the current permit and letter of support application processes for new community led capital projects pending the outcomes of the Council Owned Asset Review.
2. Establish an interim annual intake period (February to March) for community led capital project proposals.
3. Require projects to be assessed and prioritised as part of Council's annual planning and budget development processes.
4. Develop community guidelines outlining the assessment pathway, expected information requirements, project timeframes and alternative engagement mechanisms available to community groups.
5. Requests officers to undertake education and engagement with community groups regarding the revised process.
6. Develop a minor works pathway for low risk, low cost and low impact works that can be assessed outside the annual intake process.
7. Following completion of the Council Owned Asset Review, officers review the community projects assessment and prioritisation approach to ensure that it incorporates service levels, asset hierarchies, investment principles and project assessment criteria.
8. Notes that community groups can also advocate for upgrades to Council facilities as part of town master planning and community action planning.

Background

This matter was presented to Councillors at the Council Briefing Workshop held on 4 August 2026. The workshop discussion provided an opportunity to consider the operation of the current process; the issues identified through its use and the proposed interim approach set out in this report.

In November 2024, Council introduced an application and referral process for community groups and organisations seeking approval to undertake works or improvements on Council-owned or managed land, facilities and other assets.

The process was developed to ensure Council is notified early of proposed works and can consider operational, asset management, financial, statutory, safety and broader community impacts before commitments are made. Before its introduction, there was no centralised mechanism for receiving and coordinating these proposals, and requests were often considered individually or referred to the annual budget process.

The process introduced two pathways:

- an Application for Permit to Carry Out Works on Council Land, Facilities and/or Assets; and
- a Letter of Support application process for groups seeking preliminary feedback or support when developing project concepts or funding applications.

The intent was to improve early engagement, provide Council with visibility of proposed works and ensure relevant officers could identify operational, asset management, planning, financial and compliance considerations before a project proceeded.

While the application and referral processes have improved visibility of proposed works, their operation has also identified limitations that should be addressed to provide a clearer and more consistent pathway for both Council and the community.

The current arrangements provide a mechanism for receiving and referring applications, but they do not yet provide a complete framework for developing, assessing and prioritising community-led capital projects. Considerable officer judgement is therefore required when evaluating strategic alignment, community benefit, affordability, deliverability and long-term implications.

The principal issues are outlined below.

- **Absence of defined assessment approach**

The current arrangements establish how applications are received and referred within Council. However, a formal assessment approach has not been developed.

While Council has governance and project management processes for projects it delivers directly, the strategic information required to consistently assess community led projects is not yet available across much of Council's asset portfolio.

As a result, officers are often required to assess proposals through professional judgement rather than against documented criteria. This can create challenges in determining strategic alignment, future service requirements, investment priorities and relative priorities between competing proposals.

Completion of the Council Owned Asset Review is expected to provide much of the information needed to support a more consistent assessment approach.

- **The permit process is being used as the project development process**

The permit application was designed primarily as an approval mechanism for proposed works. In practice, many applications are received at an early concept stage and require significant investigation and development before Council can determine whether the project is feasible, appropriate, strategically aligned or capable of being supported.

As a result, a form intended to support approval of a project is frequently being used to assess and develop a project from inception through to decision making.

- **Significant officer involvement is commonly required**

Many applications require substantial follow up to clarify matters such as project scope, funding arrangements, delivery responsibilities, approval requirements, ongoing maintenance obligations and alignment with Council priorities.

While this engagement is often valuable, it is not specifically resourced and frequently involves multiple departments. The level of effort required is often significantly greater than either Council or the applicant initially anticipates.

▪ Letters of support and project endorsement

The current process allows community groups to seek a letter of support at a relatively early stage in project development, often before Council has had an opportunity to fully assess the proposal. While grant funding can deliver valuable outcomes for the community, projects are sometimes also initiated because funding opportunities become available, rather than because a project has been developed through a consistent planning, assessment and prioritisation process.

While the intent of the letter of support process was to encourage early engagement, in practice it can result in funding applications being submitted for projects that have not yet progressed through an assessment process and received endorsement from Council.

Where external funding is subsequently secured, Council may be asked to consider projects under significant time pressure and after expectations have already been established that the project will proceed. This can create challenges where further assessment identifies considerations that were not fully understood at the time the letter of support was requested.

The challenge is not that community groups are applying for grants. The challenge is that funding is often being sought before Council has decided whether the project should proceed.

▪ Different understandings of approval stages

The current pathway incorporates several different concepts, including:

- letters of support;
- in principle support;
- landowner consent;
- funding applications; and
- approval to undertake works.

While each serves a different purpose, the distinction between them is not always clear to all parties. This can lead to differing expectations regarding the level of Council commitment associated with each stage and create difficulties where external funding decisions are made before Council has completed its own assessment processes.

• Long term asset ownership obligations

Regardless of who initiates, funds or delivers a project, Council generally retains responsibility for the resulting asset and any associated maintenance, renewal, compliance and risk management obligations.

Council is increasingly required to inherit or reassume responsibility for assets that were initially intended to be maintained by community organisations. Contributing factors can include changes in volunteer capacity, reduced service levels, increasing maintenance and renewal costs, and the long-term requirements of an asset being greater than initially anticipated. Accordingly, when considering a community-led project, Council should assess the proposal on the basis that responsibility for the asset may ultimately return to Council and make provision for that possibility.

These responsibilities need to be considered alongside any immediate community benefit when proposals are assessed.

• Community expectations can be difficult to manage

The existence of an application process can create an expectation that projects will ultimately proceed if an application is submitted. In practice, the submission of an application is only the commencement of an assessment process. Where proposals are subsequently found not to align

with Council priorities, budgets or risk tolerances, disappointment can arise despite the process operating as intended.

Collectively, these issues suggest the current arrangements function effectively as an application and referral process, but not as a comprehensive project assessment and prioritisation approach.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

- Dorset Council Policy No. 39 - Community Consultation and Communications

Strategic and Annual Plan

- Dorset Council Strategic Plan (2023–2032), Imperative 4

Risk Management

The current arrangements present a number of strategic, operational and governance risks for Council.

- **Strategic Risk** – Projects may be supported without a clear and consistently applied basis for assessing strategic alignment, community benefit or priority relative to competing Council initiatives.
- **Financial Risk** – Projects can create ongoing maintenance, renewal, replacement and compliance costs that are not fully understood at the time of initial assessment, resulting in unplanned future financial commitments.
- **Asset Management Risk** – Improvements may be approved without sufficient consideration of the asset's long-term role, service level, utilisation, lifecycle requirements or fit within Council's broader asset network.
- **Governance Risk** – The absence of documented assessment criteria, decision gateways and approval pathways creates a risk of inconsistent decision making, perceptions of inequitable treatment between applicants and projects progressing without formal Council endorsement through the budget and planning process.
- **Community Expectations Risk** – Differing understandings of letters of support, in principle support, funding approvals and approvals to undertake works can create unrealistic expectations regarding Council's level of commitment to or support of a project.
- **Resourcing Risk** – Assessment of community led projects often requires significant unplanned officer involvement across multiple departments, diverting resources from programmed work and strategic priorities.
- **Compliance and Liability Risk** – As asset owner, Council remains responsible for ensuring works meet legislative, safety, accessibility, planning, building and risk management requirements, regardless of who initiates or delivers the project.
- **Reputational Risk** – Delays, refusals or changes to projects after community groups have invested time in planning or securing funding may impact community confidence in Council's decision-making processes.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

Projects undertaken on Council owned or managed assets can create ongoing obligations for Council regardless of whether the initial works are funded or delivered by a third party.

These obligations may include maintenance, inspection, compliance activities, renewals and eventual replacement of assets. While the impact of an individual project may be modest, the cumulative effect of multiple projects can increase Council's future operational and capital expenditure requirements.

Accordingly, the long term financial and asset management implications of proposed projects should be understood prior to commitments being made or approvals being granted.

Community Considerations

Community groups, volunteers and community organisations make a significant contribution to the Dorset municipality. Their time, knowledge and commitment support valued facilities, events, activities and projects across the community.

When considering proposals affecting Council-owned or managed assets, Council must balance the aspirations of individual organisations and communities with its responsibilities to the municipality as a whole, including fairness, affordability, sustainability, safety and the interests of all ratepayers.

A clear and transparent approach will assist both Council and community organisations by establishing how proposals are developed, assessed, prioritised and decided. It will also help ensure that proposals are considered consistently and fairly within Council's broader strategic, financial and asset management responsibilities.

Consultation

The proposed interim approach was presented to Councillors at the Council Briefing Workshop held on 4 August 2026. Its implementation will involve consultation with officers responsible for administering the process and assessing proposals, together with education and engagement for community groups and other relevant stakeholders. This will support a shared understanding of the revised pathway, information requirements, timeframes and available avenues for engagement.

Officer Comments

The existing arrangements have improved notification and internal referral, but they do not provide the full project assessment and prioritisation framework needed for community-led capital proposals affecting Council assets.

Pending completion of the Council Owned Asset Review, it is proposed that Council move from a largely reactive application process to an interim annual intake and prioritisation model aligned with Council's annual planning and budget development processes.

The proposed approach would:

- establish a single annual intake period for community led capital projects;
- enable projects to be assessed and prioritised collectively;
- improve alignment with Council planning and budget processes;
- provide greater clarity regarding project development and approval pathways;

- reduce unplanned assessment work; and
- support development of a future assessment approach informed by the Asset Review.

Community groups would continue to be encouraged to engage with Council throughout the year, and officers would develop supporting guidelines and a minor works pathway for low risk projects that do not create material financial, service level or asset management impacts. The guidelines would include a materiality threshold and assessment criteria to assist in determining which projects may be considered through the minor works pathway.

Successful implementation will require a clear and consistent organisational and Council-wide approach. Some proposals may be deferred, prioritised differently or not supported where they do not align with Council's strategic, financial, service, risk or asset management objectives. Applying the endorsed process consistently will be important to maintaining fairness, transparency and community confidence.

The proposed arrangements are an interim measure. Following completion of the Council Owned Asset Review, officers will review the process so that the longer-term approach incorporates adopted service levels, asset hierarchies, investment principles and project assessment criteria.

Item 160/2026

Delegations | *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/11184 | Master Delegation: DOC/26/6918

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to enable Council, acting as the Planning Authority, to delegate specified powers and functions under Section 6 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* (LUPA Act) to the Manager – Community & Development Services.

Recommendation

That Council, acting as the Planning Authority and pursuant to Section 6 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, delegate to the Manager – Community & Development Services the powers and functions specified in the attached Instrument of Delegation, subject to any conditions and restrictions contained within that instrument.

Background

Delegations enable authorised officers to exercise specific statutory powers and perform functions on behalf of Council. Decisions made under a valid delegation have the same legal effect as decisions made directly by Council. Delegations are essential to the efficient, timely and effective administration of Council business, reducing the need for Council to determine routine operational matters.

While the *Local Government Act 1993* provides a general power for Council to delegate functions to the General Manager, and for the General Manager to sub-delegate certain functions to Council employees, the LUPA Act contains a separate and specific delegation framework. Under Section 6 of the LUPA Act, Council must expressly resolve to delegate powers and functions to named employees and specify the scope of those delegations.

Delegations relating to planning authority functions for the General Manager, Director – Community & Development Services and Town Planner were last reviewed and updated in August 2025.

Planning, Environment and Statutory Requirements

Section 6 of the LUPA Act provides that a planning authority may delegate any of its powers and functions under the Act to an employee of the planning authority. The proposed delegation is consistent with these legislative provisions and supports the effective administration of Council's planning responsibilities.

Strategic and Annual Plan

- Dorset Council Strategic Plan (2023-2032) Imperatives 13.1 and 13.4

Risk Management

Regular review of delegations is an important governance practice that ensures Council's decision-making framework remains current, legally compliant and operationally effective. Updating delegations reduces the risk of administrative delays, uncertainty in decision-making authority and potential challenges regarding the validity of planning decisions.

Financial and Asset Management Implications

N/A

Community Considerations

The proposed delegation will assist in maintaining timely assessment and determination of planning matters, contributing to efficient customer service and the effective delivery of statutory planning services to the community.

Consultation

The proposed delegation has been developed following internal consultation with the Executive Leadership Team and officers responsible for planning and statutory services to ensure responsibilities are appropriately aligned with the Manager – Community & Development Services position.

Officer's Comments

Following the recruitment of the Manager – Community & Development Services in July 2026, it is necessary to provide appropriate delegations under the LUPA Act to support the effective management of Council's planning function and ensure continuity of service delivery.

Council currently delegates broad planning authority powers and functions to the General Manager and Director – Community & Development Services, while the Town Planner holds a more limited range of administrative delegations. It is proposed that the Manager – Community & Development Services be granted the same powers and functions currently delegated to the General Manager and Director – Community & Development Services to strengthen operational capacity, provide greater flexibility in managing planning matters and ensure continuity of decision-making authority.

The proposed structure would comprise four levels of delegated authority:

- **Tier 1:** Council – full powers and functions under the Act.
- **Tier 2:** General Manager, Director – Community & Development Services and Manager – Community & Development Services – the same broad powers and functions delegated by Council.
- **Tier 3:** Town Planner – administrative and limited assessment functions delegated by Council.

The proposed delegation of the same powers and functions currently held by the General Manager and Director – Community & Development Services will improve operational efficiency, support timely decision-making and ensure planning applications and related matters continue to be processed in accordance with legislative requirements and established Council policies.

Item 161/2026**Review: Policy No. 53 - Emergency Relief Grant**

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/11003 | Current Policy No. 53: DOC/21/12146

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to consider rescinding Policy No. 53 – Emergency Relief Grant (the Policy) due to limited utilisation of the program and to consider alternative mechanisms for providing emergency assistance through Council's broader community funding framework.

Recommendation**That Council:**

1. rescind Policy No. 53 – Emergency Relief Grant originally adopted on 21 August 2017 noting that only one application has been received; and
2. request that Officers consider including provisions within the current Council Policy No. 47 – Community Grants, at the time of its next review, to enable Council to provide emergency or hardship related financial assistance should Council wish to retain such a funding mechanism in the future.

Background

Council adopted the Policy on 21 August 2017, following a recommendation from a former Community Grants Selection Panel, to guide funding allocations for Dorset residents experiencing sudden hardship, emergency or disaster. Council reviewed the Policy on 20 September 2021, and it is scheduled for review in the 2026/27 Annual Plan.

The Policy provides a compassionate framework for Council to consider financial assistance for local residents experiencing sudden hardship or disaster.

Under the Policy, Council may provide eligible Dorset residents with up to \$1,000 in financial assistance where sudden financial hardship results from:

- unintentional destruction of, or damage to, property;
- a family emergency; or
- other emergency or disaster-related circumstances beyond the individual's control.

Applications are assessed by the Emergency Relief Grant Panel, comprising three Councillors. The current Panel members are Councillors Simmons, Hughes and Teichmann. Approved funding allocations are reported to Council and the community through the Executive Leadership Team Briefing Report at the next ordinary Council Meeting.

Planning, Environment & Statutory requirements

N/A

Strategic and Annual Plan

- Dorset Council Strategic Plan (2023-2032, Imperative 10.1
- Dorset Council Annual Plan (2026/27), Activity 16

Risk Management

The risks associated with rescinding the Policy are considered low, but may include:

- reduced ability for Council to provide immediate discretionary financial assistance through a dedicated program.
- perception that Council has reduced support mechanisms available for residents' experiencing hardship.

Financial & Asset Management Implications

Funding for the Emergency Relief Grant program is allocated through the annual budget and is included in the Mayor's Discretionary Fund. Rescinding the Policy will therefore have no budget impact for 2026/27. If the Policy is rescinded and an emergency arises, the Mayor may still assess the circumstances and approve payment through the Mayor's Discretionary Fund.

Community Considerations

The Emergency Relief Grant was established to assist residents experiencing sudden hardship or emergency circumstances.

However, only one application has been received since 2017, indicating limited ongoing community demand for a dedicated emergency relief funding stream or for Council to provide this support where other organisations are equipped to assist.

Consultation

The Executive Leadership Team and relevant Council Officers were consulted, with consideration given to the historical use of the Emergency Relief Grant program. The Policy and the Officers' recommendation to rescind it were also discussed with Councillors at the 4 August Briefing Workshop.

Officer's Comments

Council's policy framework should remain current, relevant and supported by demonstrated community need. Although the Policy's intent remains worthwhile, the program has been used only once since its adoption in 2017, indicating limited demand for a standalone emergency relief funding stream.

Maintaining a separate policy and annual budget allocation for a program with very low use may no longer be the most effective way to administer community assistance funding.

If Council wishes to retain the ability to provide assistance in exceptional hardship circumstances, Officers recommend considering this during the scheduled June quarter 2026/27 review of Policy No. 47 – Community Grants. This would consolidate funding programs within a single framework while preserving Council's discretion to support residents and community needs where appropriate. Broadening the current grants policy, and the future development of a Community Funding and Support Policy, would better recognise the important social and community benefits delivered by local groups and organisations across Dorset.

It is therefore recommended that Council rescind Policy No. 53 – Emergency Relief Grant.

ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 162/2026 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

4 August 2026 | Briefing Workshop

- Update: Dorset Netball Facilities Upgrade
- Review: Policy No. 53 – Emergency Relief Grant
- Local Government Association of Tasmania – General Meeting and AGM Meeting Papers | Motion Discussion
- Councillor Reports / Presentations
- Community Projects Process
- Briefing Reports

Item 163/2026 Elected Member Communications

Mayor Calendar | 16 July 2026 – 12 August 2026

July 2026

- 17 Rushy Lagoon Community Meeting with Tas Farmers, Mechanics Hall Scottsdale
- 20 July Council Meeting, Council Chambers
- 23 Presentation at the Lilydale District Progress Association Town Hall meeting on the North East Rail Trail Stage 3 project with the General Manager, Lilydale Town Hall
- 24 Local farmers and regional stakeholder community forum with Opposition Leader Angus Taylor, Scottsdale
- 24 Scottsdale Football Club annual auction event, Scottsdale
- 27 Weekly meeting with the General Manager, Council Chambers
- 27 Meeting with Resilience and Recovery Tasmania Regional Recovery Officer (North) Jen Kelloway, Council Chambers
- 27 Branxholm Progress Association meeting, Branxholm Hall
- 28 Community Meet and Greet Session with Councillors and Executive Leadership Team, Bridport Hall
- 31 Citizenship Ceremony with Councillors Powell and Richards, Council Chambers
- 31 Meeting with Professor George Razay MP, online
- 31 Tassie Scallop Fiesta sponsors dinner event, Bridport Village Green
- 31 Tomahawk Progress Association meeting, Tomahawk

August 2026

- 3 Meeting with North Eastern Advertiser Editor and Director – Community & Development Services, Council Chambers
- 3 Meeting with the Premier of Tasmania and General Manager, Council Chambers
- 3 Meeting with possible new business proponents, Council Chambers
- 3 Meeting with City of Launceston Mayor and CEO, with the General Manager, Launceston Town Hall

- 4 August Council Briefing Workshop, Council Chambers
- 4 Meeting with Deputy Mayor Edwina Powell, Council Chambers
- 7 Special Briefing Session with Councillors, online
- 10 Weekly meeting with the General Manager, Council Chambers
- 11 Dorset Local Enabling Group Meeting – Child and Family Learning Centre, Scottsdale Primary School

Item 164/2026 Executive Leadership Team Briefing Report

Purpose

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 Executive Leadership Team.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. note the community updates on the Ringarooma Road Scheme Amendment, the status of the Scottsdale Aquatic Centre Indoor Pool Feasibility Study and Scottsdale Masterplan request for quotes, Round 1 of the 2026/27 Community Grants funding stream, and the upcoming Caretaker Period; and
2. receive and note the remaining Executive Leadership Team Briefing Report.

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Ringarooma Road Scheme Amendment

Further work has been undertaken internally to review the proposed residential subdivision as outlined in the Scottsdale Structure Plan to include concepts around open space, services, civil infrastructure, road access and block size. A report and further information will come to the new Council post 2026 election period. A draft Specific Area Plan is being developed.

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Scottsdale Aquatic Centre Indoor Pool Feasibility Study and Scottsdale Masterplan

Both items have been put out for public a Request for Quote, closing on 28 August 2026.

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Community Grants Program - Round 1 Open

Dorset Council is inviting community groups and organisations to apply for funding through its 2026/27 Community Grants Program.

The program provides financial assistance to projects that deliver positive outcomes for the Dorset community and support local participation, development and wellbeing.

Three funding streams are available:

- Small Grants – up to \$2,000
- Matching Grants – up to \$15,000
- Discretionary Grants – up to \$15,000

Groups wishing to apply under any funding stream are required to first discuss their proposal with Council's Community & Development Administration Officer, Elizabeth Hadley, to determine project eligibility and

feasibility. Application close on Wednesday, 21 October 2026, with more information available on our website [here](#).

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Caretaker Period

The community is advised that Council will shortly enter a caretaker period ahead of the October 2026 Local Government elections. In accordance with Council Policy No. 70 – Local Government Election Caretaker Period, the period will commence from the notice of election, expected to be published on 5 September, and continue until polls close in late October 2026. The caretaker period is intended to:

- ensure Council does not make major policy decisions in the lead-up to an election that would bind an incoming Council;
- ensure Council resources are not used to advantage any candidate in a local government general election; and
- ensure the requirement to act impartially towards all election candidates is clearly understood.

WASTE MANAGEMENT REQUESTS | July 2026

	Requests Received July 2026	Comparison July 2025	FYTD Received 2026/27	Comparison FYTD Received 2025/26
Feedback and Queries	-	-	-	-
Repair Bin	1	-	1	-
Replace Bin	5	5	5	5
Request a New Service	4	4	4	4
Remove Additional Bin	-	4	-	4
Request an Additional Bin	3	2	3	2
Request an Upsize/Downsize	4	-	4	-
Request to Opt Out (of Service)	1	-	1	-
Total Requests	18	15	18	15

MAJOR COUNCIL PROJECTS

Up to date information on major projects including upgrades to parks, facilities and recreation, transport and drainage, water and sewerage infrastructure across the Dorset municipality can be found [here](#) on our website.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUESTS | July 2026

	Requests Received July 2026	Comparison Requests July 2025	Received 2026	Comparison 2025
Animal	2	7	28	22
Bike Trails	-	-	-	-
Bridges	-	-	1	-
Caravan Parks	-	2	5	6
Cemeteries	1	-	2	1
Community Awards	-	-	1	-
Community Development General	-	-	-	-
Corporate Services General	1	2	2	9
Council Elections	-	-	3	1
Customer Service	1	-	6	4
Emergency Services Enquiries	-	-	-	1
Environmental Management & Health	1	3	19	15
Footpath Enquiries	6	2	30	3
Government Relations	-	-	-	-
Licencing	-	-	-	1
Parks and Reserves	1	-	20	20
Planning & Building	-	1	1	1
Playground Maintenance	-	-	3	2
Public Health	-	-	-	2
Public Online Enquiries	-	-	-	2
Public Amenities	1	8	12	17
Public Halls Buildings	3	6	19	12
Recreation Grounds	2	1	21	10
Roads	18	17	125	125
Swimming Pools	-	-	-	6
Waste Management	2	-	7	7
Total Requests	39	49	305	267

A detailed copy of the 2026 Customer Service Requests is included in the [attachments](#).

APPROVED APPLICATIONS | July 2026

	Approved July 2026	Approved 2026 YTD	Approved 2025 YTD
Planning	10	58	50
Building	10	47	38
Plumbing	6	26	21

See attachments for detailed information about applications approved in July 2026.

2026/27 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

Ref: DOC/26/9660

Completed in 2026/27

Completed in July 2026

PROJECT	STATUS
BRIDGES	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Bridge 1587 Brid River / Golconda Road – capital works on reflection cracks on road approaches	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Bridge 1550 Tuckers Creek / Barnbougale Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	Tender Awarded
Bridge 1570 Tuckers Creek / Burrows Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	
CARRIED FORWARD - BRIDGES	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road – scour protection piers	Complete
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road – run on slab repairs	
Bridge 1594 Greeta Road – timber super structure renewal	Commenced
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Bridge 1569 Jensens Road – super structure upgrade	Commenced
Bridge 1572 Haas Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	Tender Awarded
STORMWATER	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Pioneer – outfall drain remediation	
Murray / Mary Street, Bridport – pit renewal	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Coplestone / William Street, Scottsdale – stormwater upgrade (stage 1)	
Union Street, Scottsdale – stormwater and kerb replacement	
Henry Street / Heath Court, Bridport – catchment capacity modelling	
CARRIED FORWARD - STORMWATER	
<u>New</u>	
52 Scott Street, Branxholm – design and install new network	Commenced
ROADS – RESHEETING	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Old Waterhouse Road	Commenced
Sledge Track, West Scottsdale	
Bridport Back Road, Nabowla	
Panama Forest Road, Golconda	
Sandy Points Road, Bridport	
Maxwell Street, Bridport	
Mathinna Plains Road, Ringarooma (end of seal to Ben Ridge Road)	
McDougalls Road, Legerwood	
New River Road, Ringarooma	
Bridport – urban roads	

PROJECT	STATUS
ROADS – RESEALS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Chaffey Street, Gladstone	Tender Advertised
Campbell Street, Gladstone	Tender Advertised
Gladstone Road, Pioneer (from Garibaldi Road to ABC Creek)	Tender Advertised
Garibaldi Road, Pioneer	Tender Advertised
Valley Ponds Road, Derby	Tender Advertised
Cranstoun Street, Branhholm	Tender Advertised
Nourses Road, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Frances Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Neville Drive, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Port Hills Road, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Louisa Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Thomas Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Old Waterhouse Road (Surveyors Creek)	Tender Advertised
Jensens Road, North Scottsdale (junction)	Tender Advertised
Old Waterhouse Road	Tender Advertised
McKerrows Road, North Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Aikman Court, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Barclay Drive, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Salier Place, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Virginia Road, Golconda	Tender Advertised
Lisle Road, Golconda	Tender Advertised
Nook Road, Nabowla	Tender Advertised
Donald Street, Branhholm – carpark	Tender Advertised
Esplanade, Tomahawk	Tender Advertised
Golconda Road / West Minstone Road junction	Tender Advertised
Arthur Street, Scottsdale – Indoor Action carpark	Tender Advertised
ROADS – OTHER PROJECTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Banca Road – culvert upgrade and pavement replacement	
South Springfield Road – culvert upgrade and pavement replacement	
Golconda Road (Ferny Hill Road west) – pavement rehabilitation	Design
Main Street, Bridport (RSL) – kerb and pavement renewal	Design
Ringarooma Road (King to Arthur Streets) – footpath renewal	
Copelstone Street (High School to Aquatic Centre) – footpath renewal	
Carr to Swan Street, Gladstone – footpath renewal	
Frances Street, Bridport – kerb renewal	Planning
Ferny Hill Road – landslide repair	Complete

PROJECT	STATUS
CARRIED FORWARD - ROADS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
South Street, Bridport – kerb replacement	Complete
George Street, Scottsdale – highway access	
Spotswood Drive, Scottsdale – reseal	
Beattie Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Arnold Place, Scottsdale – reseal	
Ringarooma Road, Scottsdale – highway access reseal	
Christopher Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Mary Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Alice Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Oakdene Road, Jetsonville – reseal	
Barnbogle Road, North Scottsdale – reseal	
Golconda Road – safety upgrade and pavement renewal	
Golconda Road, pavement design	Design
Bentley Street, Bridport – footpath renewal	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Golconda Road – safety improvements	Commenced
<u>New</u>	
Coplestone Street, Scottsdale – new footpath	
Buckneys Road, Scottsdale – survey	Commenced
BUILDINGS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – toilet floor renewal	Planning
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (residence) – renew carpet and painting	
Branxholm Hall – men’s toilet renewal (design only)	
Council Chambers Offices – lower-level roof repairs and upper-level roof renewal	
Heat pump replacement program	As needed
Tomahawk toilets – water tank renewal	
Scottsdale Works Depot – toilets renewal	
Gladstone Waste Transfer Station – toilet and kitchen renewal	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (cabin) – kitchen electrical works	
Ellesmere Cemetery, Scottsdale – toilet renewal	
Bridport Hall – water heater replacement	
Council Offices – upper-level renovations (planning and design)	Commenced
Scottsdale Sports Stadium – side pole padding replacement	Ordered
Bridport Football Clubrooms – hot water cylinder replacement	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Council Chambers Offices – upper-level offices and toilet upgrade	
Master key system upgrade	
CCTV camera upgrades	
Security fob upgrades	

PROJECT	STATUS
BUILDINGS (cont.)	
Northeast Park toilets – lighting upgrade	Commenced
Blue Derby – safety upgrade electrical charging station for e-bikes	
<u>New</u>	
Gladstone Hall – new heat pump	
Scottsdale Works Depot – shelving for storage shed	Commenced
Derby Works Depot – new security system	
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – new power connection for Tip Shop	
CARRIED FORWARD - BUILDINGS	
<u>New</u>	
Scottsdale Railway Station – restoration	
57 Main Street, Derby – building renovations (Blue Derby Foundation)	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – electrical upgrade (stage 1)	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Tip Shop extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Oil Bunded Shed	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – remote access to Council network	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – amenities fixtures and fittings	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (cabin) – outdoor improvements	
Derby Works Depot – mountain bike trail crew shed	Commenced
Switchboard upgrades – various locations (Scottsdale)	
Council Office – upper-level renovation planning	
LAND IMPROVEMENTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
North Scottsdale Hall – replace power poles with underground power	Planning
Bridport Foreshore – boat ramp access reseal	Planning
Bridport Foreshore – Pavilion Tennis Court flexi-pave renewal	
Tomahawk Reserve & BBQ area – playground equipment replacement	Planning
Bridport Hall – hotmix carpark, line marking and remove entrance pavers (design only)	Planning
Bridport Hall – hotmix carpark, line marking and remove entrance pavers	Planning
Bridport Play Centre (Joseph Street) – replace fencing	
Scottsdale Works Depot – resurface carpark	Planning
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – electrical upgrade	
Scottsdale Works Depot – fencing and gate renewal	
Pine Plantation, Scottsdale – boundary fence replacement and other clearing works	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre and Branxholm Pool – new palintesters	Commenced
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – filter valves replacement	Commenced
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – learn to swim and leisure pool covers and marine carpet	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – sand filters	Commenced
Branxholm Pool – replace sand in filters	Commenced
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – pool heat pump renewal	
Ringarooma Park – BBQ replacement	

Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – safety works to former tip site

PROJECT	STATUS
LAND IMPROVEMENTS (cont.)	
Bridport Foreshore – solar lights battery replacement	Planning
Blue Derby – renewal of map boards	
Scottsdale Sports Stadium – carpark hotmix upgrade	Planning
Scottsdale Works Depot – water connection upgrade	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – CO ² extra storage	Commenced
Blue Derby – drainage at bottom of pump track hill safety upgrade	
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – safety rail extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – hotmix extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – green waste area extension	
Netball Court Upgrades – Scottsdale (stage 2)	
Dog control signage	
<u>New</u>	
Scottsdale Childrens Reserve – carpark planning	
Scottsdale Works Depot – concrete blocks for material containment	
Blue Derby – climbing trail next to Cascade Dam Road survey, design, etc. (stage 1)	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – fencing for tip shop parking / green waste access	
Promotional banners for Scottsdale entrance flag poles	
CARRIED FORWARD – LAND IMPROVEMENTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Croquet Lawn Beach, Bridport – erosion study	Planning
Blue Derby mountain bike trails – Tunnel stairs	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – flow meter and motor protection on leisure pool pumps	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – replace filter sand (leisure pool)	Commenced
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – chlorinator pump critical spares	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Netball Court Upgrades – Scottsdale, Bridport and Derby (stage 1)	Commenced
<u>New</u>	
Gladstone Community Park	
Bridport Lions Adventure Playground upgrade – CCTV on Skate Park	Planning
Bridport Lions Adventure Playground upgrade – walking track realignment	Commenced
Scottsdale Childrens Reserve – playground toilet upgrade	Completed
Scottsdale Railway Precinct Redevelopment	

Item 165/2026 'Closed Session': Council

Purpose

The General Manager advised that in his opinion, the agenda items listed below are prescribed items in accordance with Regulation 17(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* (e.g. confidential matters), and therefore Council may by absolute majority determine to close the meeting to the general public.

Recommendation**That Council:**

1. resolve, by absolute majority, that the meeting be closed to the public to enable Council to consider agenda items 166 to 172 which are confidential matters as prescribed in Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025; and
2. adjourn the Meeting for 15 minutes to allow for interaction with members of the public present.

Time Meeting Closed:

CLOSED SESSION

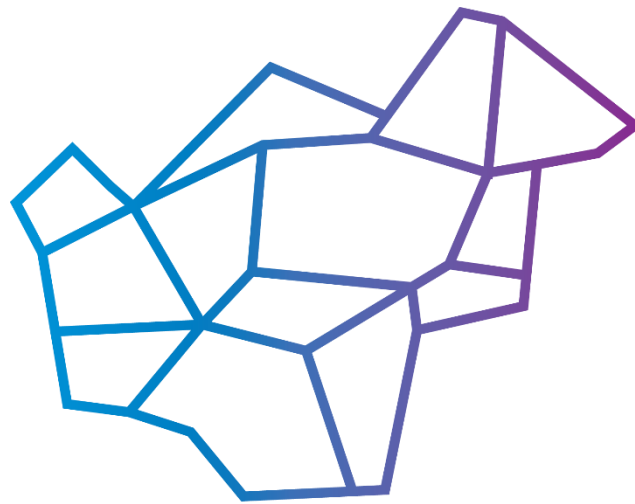
Item	Purpose	Regulation Ref ⁷
166/2026 Declaration of Interest	Interests to be declared relating to items listed for discussion within Closed Session	-
167/2026 Confirmation of Closed Session Minutes – 20 July 2026	Confirm the minutes from the 20 July 2026 closed session Council Meeting	17(2)(h)
168/2026 Contract 2025/26-09: Netball Facilities Upgrade	Recommend the awarding of this contract to a preferred tenderer based on the assessment of the Tender Assessment Committee	17(2)(e)
169/2026 Contract 2026/27-02: 2026/27 Bituminous Sealing of Roads	Recommend the awarding of this contract to a preferred tenderer based on the assessment of the Tender Assessment Committee	17(2)(e)
170/2026 Contract 2026/27-05: Public Places Waste Collection Services	Recommend the awarding of this contract to a preferred tenderer based on the assessment of the Tender Assessment Committee	17(2)(e)
171/2026 Release of Public Information	Consider whether any discussion, decision, report or document relating to any Closed Session items should be released to the public	17((7) & (8)
172/2026 Completion of Closed Session	Move to Open Council and adjourn the Meeting	-

⁷ Regulation 17:

Reg.	Confidential Reason
17(2)(a)	personnel matters, including complaints against an employee of the council
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17(2)(d)	commercial information of a confidential nature that, if disclosed, is likely to (i) prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied it; or (ii) confer a commercial advantage on a competitor of the council; or (iii) reveal a trade secret
17(2)(e)	contracts, and tenders, for the supply of goods and services and their terms, conditions, approval and renewal
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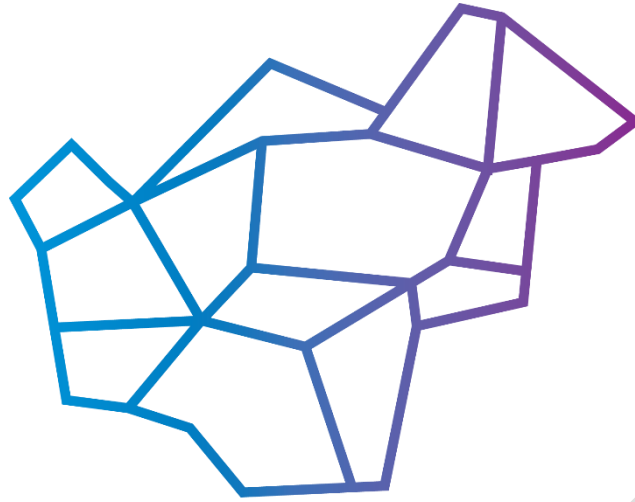
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Monday, 17 August 2026

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Council Meeting

Monday, 20 July 2026

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Council Meeting - Minutes

Monday, 20 July 2026

Scheduled Meeting Time: 5:01 pm

Present: Councillors Rhys Beattie (Mayor), Edwina Powell (Deputy Mayor), Wendy McLennan, Kahlia Simmons, Jan Hughes, Mervyn Chilcott, Anthony Richards, Vincent Teichmann

Director – Corporate Services: Lauren Tolputt, Director – Community & Development Services: Jayne Miller, Civil Works Supervisor: Daniel Smythe, Executive Assistant: Sarah Forsyth

Apologies: General Manager: John Marik, Director – Infrastructure: Kerry Sacilotto

CLOSED SESSION

Item 124/2026 'Closed Session': Council

Purpose

The General Manager advised that in his opinion, the agenda items listed below are prescribed items in accordance with Regulation 17(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* (e.g. confidential matters), and therefore Council may by absolute majority determine to close the meeting to the general public.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Teichmann | **SECONDED:** Cr Chilcott

That Council resolve, by absolute majority, that the meeting be closed to the public to enable Council to consider agenda items 125 to 128 which are confidential matters as prescribed in Regulation 17 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025.

Time Meeting Closed: 5:02pm

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item	Purpose	Regulation Ref ¹
125/2026 Declaration of Interest	Interests to be declared relating to items listed for discussion within Closed Session	-
126/2026 Contract 2026/27-03 – Supply and Delivery of Gravel – 2026/27 Road Resheeting Program	Recommend the awarding of this contract to a preferred tenderer based on the assessment of the Tender Assessment Committee	17(2)(e)
127/2026 Release of Public Information	Consider whether any discussion, decision, report or document relating to any Closed Session items should be released to the public	17((7) & (8)
128/2026 Completion of Closed Session	Move to Open Council and adjourn the Meeting	-

¹ Regulation 17:

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RESUMPTION | OPEN SESSION

Meeting Opened: 6:00pm

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Visitors are reminded that Council Meetings are a place of work for Council Officers and Councillors.

The Council is committed to meeting its responsibilities as an employer and as host of this important public forum, by ensuring that all present meet expectations of mutually respectful and orderly conduct. It is a condition of entry to the Council Chambers that you cooperate with any directions or requests from the Chairperson or Council Officers.

The Chairperson is responsible for maintaining order at Council Meetings. The General Manager is responsible for health, wellbeing and safety of all present. The Chairperson or General Manager may require a person to leave the Council's premises following any behaviour that falls short of these expectations.

Language and conduct at a Meeting that could be perceived as offensive, defamatory or threatening to a person in attendance or listening to the recording, is not acceptable. It is an offence to hinder or disrupt a Council Meeting.

Present: Councillors Rhys Beattie (Mayor), Edwina Powell (Deputy Mayor), Wendy McLennan, Kahlia Simmons, Jan Hughes, Mervyn Chilcott, Anthony Richards, Vincent Teichmann

General Manager: John Marik, Director – Corporate Services: Lauren Tolputt, Director – Community & Development Services: Jayne Miller, Executive Assistant: Sarah Forsyth

Apologies: Director – Infrastructure: Kerry Sacilotto

Acknowledgement of Country

Dorset Council acknowledges the deep history and culture of the First People who were the traditional owners of the lands and waterways where we live and work. We acknowledge the clans-people who lived here for over a thousand generations on the Country where Scottsdale is built and throughout the area we know as the north east region.

Dorset Council acknowledge the present-day Aboriginal custodians and the inclusive contribution they make to the social, cultural and economic essence of the municipality.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Item 129/2026 Declaration of Interest

In accordance with Section 48 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Regulation 10(8) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2025* and the Tasmanian Local Government Code of Conduct, Councillors are requested to indicate whether any have, or are likely to have, an interest in any item on the agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Nil

Item 130/2026 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – Monday, 22 June 2026

Ref: DOC/26/8244

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 22 June 2026 finds them to be a true record and recommends that they be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Powell | SECONDED: Cr Hughes

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 22 June 2026 having been circulated to Councillors, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 131/2026 Confirmation of Agenda

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Simmons | SECONDED: Cr Powell

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 20 July 2026 Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 132/2026 Public Question Time

²Members of the Public can ask a maximum of two question(s) without notice during Public Question Time. The Chairperson reserves the right to consider questions above this limit be accepted or treated as correspondence.

Any person asking a question is asked to stand (if able), clearly state their name and suburb they live.

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Members of the public must provide any question(s) without notice in writing to the Executive Assistant either before the commencement of the Meeting or within 24 hours.

² In accordance with Regulations 33, 36 & 37 and Council Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

The following question was taken on notice at 22 June Council Meeting:

Len Gillett, Bridport

Budgeted employee benefits for 26/27 are \$7.579m. Three years ago (23/24) actual employee benefits were \$5.560m. Given Dorset's population is hardly growing, it's hard to understand why employee benefits are increasing 36% in 3 years. Would Council consider publishing equivalent full time employee NUMBERS to help us understand how many extra employees are being engaged?

Response from Director – Corporate Services

The increase in employee costs between 2023/24 and 2026/27 is not solely the result of an increase in employee numbers.

Council's workforce has increased from 74.7 full-time equivalent (FTE) positions in 2023/24 to 85.5 FTE in 2026/27. However, employee costs have also increased due to Enterprise Agreement wage increases of 4.5% in 2024/25 and 4% in both 2025/26 and 2026/27, increases in superannuation and workers compensation costs, and annualising new and reclassified positions.

Part of the increase also reflects changes in how services are delivered. For example, management of the Bridport Seaside Caravan Park is now undertaken by Council employees rather than contractors. This represents approximately 2.5 FTE and results in costs that were previously recorded as contractor expenditure now being recognised as employee costs.

The 2026/27 Budget also provides for additional staffing as part of a broader investment in Council's people, systems and processes. This investment is intended to support the people who deliver services every day and ensure Council is equipped to meet current and future community, operational and legislative requirements.

This includes additional staffing in several operational areas, including waste services, customer service and administration, animal control, asset support and public amenities. It also includes 3 FTE engaged fixed term for 2 years to support a focused transformation of Council's corporate services functions, particularly in IT, HR and WHS.

Council has also committed to identifying ongoing operational efficiencies and savings through its Long Term Financial Plan, with annual savings targets of \$100,000 from 2027/28, increasing to \$200,000 from 2028/29 and \$300,000 from 2030/31. This reflects Council's commitment to balancing necessary investment with long-term financial sustainability.

The suggestion regarding publication of workforce numbers is noted. Council will consider how FTE information may be more clearly presented in future budget documentation. FTE statistics are also reported annually in Council's Annual Report.

The following question has been received on notice:

Karl Willrath, Scottsdale | 9 July 2026

Until it becomes a fashion trend to use dog-doo waste bags as Earrings, can council consider placing bins at convenient locations along the Rail Trail?

Response from General Manager

Yes, Council can consider your request. For your information Policy No. 37 – Dog Management is listed in the 2026/27 Annual Plan for review in the September 2026 quarter. As required by legislation, community consultation is required as part of this review, and I encourage you to engage in this process.

The following questions were received without notice from members of the public:

Stuart Rainbow, Derby

I remember going to a Council Meeting in the Branhholm Hall, and Council – I think – had approximately \$20 million in investment. Is there any of that left or has that all been spent in the last 10 years?

Response from General Manager:

I would need to confirm the exact figure, but Council currently holds approximately \$8 million to \$9 million in bank funds. These funds are reserved for capital renewals, including roads, stormwater and other infrastructure. Over the past decade, the balance has reduced due to several major projects, including support for May Shaw aged care, the Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme and the redevelopment of the Scottsdale pool.

Why increase rates by 6.5% when some valuations increased by 1333% e.g. from \$30,000 land value to \$700,000? Why not tax bike riding instead of pensioners?

TAKEN ON NOTICE

Mary Schramm, Ringarooma

My question to council is to what extent Council has taken note of the declining medical services available here through both through the NESM Hospital and through the private practice operating in Scottsdale and the decline in quality, quantity and scope of medical care available there? I'm asking Council to consider making an evaluation of the medical care available here, both by consultation with the public and consultation with the healthcare providers with the goal of optimising services that are available here.

Response from Mayor

I have met with two members of Ochre's management team, who advised that retaining doctors is their main challenge. They are working to understand why it has been difficult to retain doctors locally. While no conclusion was reached at the time, they are open to further discussion. I also understand that a private practice is expected to open in Bridport shortly, which may help provide longer-term care for residents.

Response from General Manager

While responsibility for medical services sits with another level of government, Council has focused its advocacy on identifying local needs and service gaps. We have actively contributed to health strategy consultations and included health-related matters among Council's priority projects. Council has also lobbied the Minister for Health and other relevant Ministers to undertake a needs analysis for the municipality, identify current service gaps and consider how those gaps may be addressed.

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Public Address of Meeting

³Members of the public can make a statement at a Council Meeting; it is not question or discussion time with Councillors. Prior to making a statement, the person is asked to stand (if able), clearly state their name and suburb they live.

Members of the public wishing to address Council at a Meeting shall indicate their intent and subject matter in writing by 10am on the Friday prior to the Meeting.

A person seeking to make a statement may speak for a period up to 3 minutes but may be extended at the discretion of the Chairperson to a maximum of 5 minutes.

All proposed statements are to be provided in writing prior to the Meeting to allow for circulation and inclusion in the minutes of the Meeting.

Nil

Item 134/2026

Councillor Question Time

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The following questions were **taken on notice** at 22 June Council Meeting:

Councillor Hughes

Our Strategic Plan contains objectives concerning our environmental footprint and our capacity to deliver sustainable natural resources. Can we have an update on the Northern Councils Climate Change project, and how any decisions made by this group have impacted Dorset? I understand a carbon footprint analysis has been undertaken of Council operations and what are the implications of that study?

Response from General Manager

The Northern Tasmanian Alliance for Resilient Councils (NTARC) is a collaboration of eight northern Tasmanian councils that provides participating councils with shared technical expertise, climate risk assessments and adaptation planning. The focus of the program is on improving the resilience of council assets, services and operations, while ensuring climate risks are incorporated into governance, asset management, emergency management and long-term financial planning.

For Dorset Council, the principal outcome to date has been the preparation of the Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan, which identifies climate-related risks specific to the municipality and recommends actions to strengthen Council's decision-making and organisational resilience. These recommendations will be progressively considered through Council's existing strategic planning, asset management, risk management and budgeting processes rather than as stand-alone projects.

A corporate carbon footprint assessment has also been completed to establish a baseline of Council's operational greenhouse gas emissions. At this stage, the study primarily provides Council with information to better understand where emissions arise and to identify opportunities to improve operational efficiency over time. It does not create any mandatory reduction targets or

³ In accordance with Regulations 46 and Council Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

⁴ In accordance with Regulations 33, 34 & 35 and Council's Policy No. 41: Council Meeting Procedures

require Council to undertake specific projects. The findings will be considered alongside future asset renewal, fleet replacement and operational decisions where they provide both environmental and financial benefits.

How many accidents have there been in recent times and what is our record in terms of WHS incidents?

Clarification sought from Director – Corporate Services - do they indicate an unsafe workplace?

Response from Director - Corporate Services

(as given at 22 June Council Meeting)

Reporting is not the only indicator of a safe workplace and WHS management within a workplace. I don't have the total number of incidents at hand so, I'm happy to take that component **on notice**. I would need to take into consideration how I'd answer it, given that it's a public setting.

Supplementary Response from Director - Corporate Services

At the time of writing the response, Council had recorded 38 reports for the period 1 July 2025 to 30 June 2026. This includes incidents, injuries, plant and property damage and near misses. 5 of these reports involved injury.

This question is understood to relate to the fixed term WHS resource included in the 2026/27 Budget Estimates to support the review and improvement of Council's WHS management system.

Council has obligations as a Person Conducting a Business or Undertaking (PCBU) under WHS legislation to ensure, so far as reasonably practicable, the health and safety of workers and others. This includes having appropriate systems in place to identify and manage risks, provide training and oversight, and support continuous improvement. The proposed WHS resourcing is intended to strengthen our ability to meet these obligations in a consistent and structured way, and to lift the overall maturity of our approach over time.

While incident data reflects when something has resulted in injury or damage, it is only one part of how we understand and manage risk. A more effective approach also focuses on identifying hazards and addressing risks early, before incidents occur.

The focus will be on strengthening our systems, so we are not relying on incidents to highlight risks but identifying and managing them earlier and more consistently across the organisation.

Councillor Chilcott

How much water allocation is being held by the Council and when does these rights have to be paid for (relating to the Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme)?

Response from Finance Manager

(as given at 22 June Council Meeting)

That payment was included in the budget estimates for the current financial year (2025/26), and payment has been made. I will take on notice the question on Council's remaining allocation.

Supplementary Response from Director – Corporate Services

Council currently holds 477ML of water rights under the Scottsdale Irrigation Scheme. More information can be found in the Community Update provided at the 18 August 2025 Council Meeting.⁵

⁵ The General Manager provided an update at the meeting that a further 100ML of Council's held water entitlements had been sold to TasWater, reducing the amount held by Council to 377ML as at 20 July 2026.

Councillor Teichmann

Just curious, regarding your trip that's coming up this week, what are the Mayor and GM going to the ALGA (Australian Local Government Association) conference in Canberra to do or achieve, and how much this trip will cost ratepayers?

Response from Mayor:

(as given at 22 June Council Meeting)

One of the roles is that we represent Dorset at the conference to go over a large number of motions. The ALGA Board will then take motions from the group to the government to try and influence policy. We attend presentations on relevant Council matters which may include city revitalisation, town planning, etc. We also get the opportunity to rub shoulders with some politicians to advocate for Dorset.

Further Response from General Manager:

(as given at 22 June Council Meeting)

I will be writing a report to be presented to Council post the conference. We will take the costs associated **on notice**.

Supplementary Response from General Manager

Councillors received written reports from the Mayor and General Manager, as well as a verbal presentation on attendance at the ALGA National General Assembly, at the Briefing Workshop held on 7 July.

The total cost of attendance, including flights, accommodation, conference registration and incidental expenses such as meals, parking and public transport, was \$6,935.12.

The General Manager's report, including a breakdown of these costs, is provided under Item 147 of this agenda for public information.

The following questions were received **without notice** from Councillors:

Councillor Chilcott

At what stage does a property that is converting from primary industry to forestry incur extra rates as suggested in the budget? Particularly when this affects the value of the property in regard to the annual value for rating purposes.

Response from Director – Corporate Services

A varied general rate is usually applied when there is evidence that the property is being used for the purpose covered by that rate. This does not need to depend on a supplementary valuation from the Valuer-General. If the question relates to the Rushy Lagoon property, the assessment is likely to be more complex, as I understand the proposal involves part of the land being used for forestry and part for grazing. Council will need to assess the available evidence of forestry use at the relevant time to determine whether the varied rate can be applied before supplementary valuation information is received from the Valuer-General, which would be triggered by the development application.

Councillor Teichmann

Just in relation to Mr Rainbow's question regarding how to possibly recoup a bit of the money that's being spent on trail maintenance, could Council help to raise funds for the trail maintenance budget by charging for parking at the trailhead in Derby and/or possibly at the Derby park?

Response from General Manager

It can be considered.

Item 135/2026 Requests for Leave of Absence

Nil

Item 136/2026 Notifications of Leave of Absence for Parental Leave

Nil

Item 137/2026 Councillor Motions with Notice

Nil

ITEMS FOR DECISION

Item 138/2026 2025/26 Dorset Council Annual Plan | June 2026 Final Report

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/9467 | June Final Report: DOC/26/5504

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present Council and the community with the final results of the 2025/26 Annual Plan and to demonstrate Council's progress in delivering the strategic priorities adopted for the financial year. The report also provides transparency and accountability by outlining the status of each Annual Plan activity as at 30 June 2026.

The table below shows compliance with the Annual Plan to 30 June 2026:

	Progress as of 30 September 2025	Progress as of 31 December 2025	Progress as of 31 March 2026	Progress as of 30 June 2026	OVERALL
Achieved	4	9	18	9	29
In Progress	18	22	14	6	12
Not Achieved				1	1
Total Activities	46	46	46	46	46
Carried Forward					
Deferred			4		4

The achievement rate excluding the deferred items is 98% (89% including the deferred items).

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Chilcott | SECONDED: Cr Simmons

That Council:

1. receive and note the attached 2025/26 Annual Plan – June Final Report; and
2. acknowledge the significant contribution of Council employees, Councillors and community partners in delivering the priorities contained within the 2025/26 Annual Plan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 139/2026

Dorset Council Priority Projects Plan 2025+ | June 2026 Update

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development Services, Jayne Miller

Ref: DOC/26/9361 | April 2026 Plan: DOC/26/4939

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to update the community on the progress of the Priority Projects Plan.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Hughes | SECONDED: Cr Simmons

That Council note the updates regarding Council's Priority Projects.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 140/2026

Scottsdale Masterplan Endorsement

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development Services, Jayne Miller

Ref: DOC/26/9362

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to endorse the development of a Scottsdale Masterplan.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Simmons | SECONDED: Cr Hughes

That Council endorse the development of a Scottsdale Masterplan.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 141/2026**Council Advocacy Support | Tasman Highway Sideling Project**

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/9535 | Draft Correspondence: DOC/26/9686

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to confirm Dorset Council's advocacy position following the completion of the Tasman Highway Sideling Project Options Assessment in June 2026.

DECISION**MOVED: Cr Hughes | SECONDED: Cr Simmons****That Council:**

1. support the Corkerys Road alignment as Council's preferred option for the Tasman Highway Sideling Project; and
2. request the General Manager write to the Secretary of Building Tasmania, and copy the Minister for Infrastructure, advising of Council's position and requesting that the Corkerys Road alignment remain under active consideration as the preferred long-term solution for the project.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Beattie	Councillor Powell (abstained)
Councillor McLennan	Councillor Teichmann (abstained)
Councillor Simmons	
Councillor Hughes	
Councillor Chilcott	
Councillor Richards	

CARRIED**Item 142/2026****Australian Local Government Association | Emergency Motion Support – Fairer Funding for Local Government**

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/9528 | Signed ALGA Letter to Speaker: DOC/26/9689

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to advise Council and the community of an emergency motion adopted at the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly calling for fairer and more sustainable Commonwealth funding for local government and to note Dorset Council's support for the motion.

DECISION**MOVED: Cr Chilcott | SECONDED: Cr Teichmann****That Council:**

1. notes the emergency motion adopted unanimously at the 2026 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly seeking fairer and more sustainable Commonwealth funding for local government; and

2. reaffirms Council's commitment to advocating for funding arrangements that enable local government to continue delivering the infrastructure and services communities rely upon while maintaining long-term financial sustainability.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Item 143/2026 Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone Membership

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/9471

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to consider whether Dorset Council should become a member of the Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone (BBAMZ) for the 2026/27 financial year.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr McLennan | SECONDED: Cr Chilcott

That Council:

1. endorses Dorset Council becoming a member of the Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone for the 2026/27 financial year;
2. authorises the General Manager to complete all necessary membership documentation;
3. provides for the annual membership fee of \$3,900 within Council's 2026/27 operational budget estimates; and
4. appoints the Mayor and General Manager as Council representatives, with the Deputy Mayor as proxy.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Beattie	Councillor Simmons
Councillor Powell	Councillor Hughes
Councillor McLennan	
Councillor Chilcott	
Councillor Teichmann	
Councillor Richards	

CARRIED

Item 144/2026 Local Government Association of Tasmania Coastal Hazards Resilience Planning Project

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/26/9532 | Memorandum of Understanding: DOC/26/9564

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to seek Council's endorsement for Dorset Council to participate in the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) Coastal Hazards Resilience Planning Project and to authorise the General Manager to execute the associated Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and administer Council's commitments over the life of the project.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Powell | SECONDED: Cr Chilcott

That Council:

1. endorses Dorset Council's participation in the LGAT Coastal Hazards Resilience Planning Project.
2. authorises the General Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding and any associated documentation required to facilitate Dorset Council's participation in the project.
3. provides for the project contribution of \$10,000 within Council's 2027/28 operating budget estimates and agreed in-kind officer resources over the duration of the project in accordance with the Memorandum of Understanding.
4. notes that any future capital works, coastal protection infrastructure, additional financial commitments or significant policy changes arising from the project that fall outside the approved Memorandum of Understanding will be reported separately to Council for consideration.
5. Include the project in Council's Strategic Plan 2023-2032 Version 4, whereby imperative 16 is amended to read "Council will initiate projects to reduce its environmental footprint *and understand impacts related to climate change.*" and add new initiative 16.4 – Involvement with the Local Government Association of Tasmania Coastal Hazards Resilience Planning Project.
6. Include participation in the project in Council's 2026/27 Annual Plan as Activity 17 with a delivery phase of 'initiate' by June 2027 with Governance as the responsible team.

FOR	AGAINST
Councillor Powell	Councillor Beattie
Councillor McLennan	Councillor Simmons
Councillor Hughes	Councillor Richards
Councillor Chilcott	
Councillor Teichmann	

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 145/2026 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

7 July 2026 | Briefing Workshop

- External Presentation: Local Government Association of Tasmania – Coastal Hazards Resilience Project
- Dorset Council Priority Projects Plan 2025+ | June 2026 Update
- Blue Derby Foundation – Way Forward
- Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone Membership Discussion
- Scottsdale Railway Station
- Scottsdale Masterplan
- Derby Masterplan
- ALGA Urgent Motion Information

- Councillor Reports / Presentations
- Briefing Reports including updates on the North East Marketing Strategy and Action Plan, and Sideling Stage 2 Consultation

Item 146/2026 Elected Member Communications

Mayor Calendar | 18 June – 15 July 2026

June 2026

- 18 Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Committee Meeting, Council Chambers
- 18 Meeting with Editor of North Eastern Advertiser with General Manager regarding upcoming rates editorial, Council Chambers
- 18 Meeting with Ringarooma ratepayer, Council Chambers
- 18 Media interview with The Examiner Newspaper, Council Chambers
- 19 Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Members Representative Group Meeting via online meeting software
- 22 2026 Barry Jarvis Education Scholarship presentations with Councillors, Council Chambers
- 22 June Council Meeting, Council Chambers
- 23 – 26 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly with General Manager, Canberra
- 26 Audit Tasmania information session, via online meeting software
- 28 Tassie Scallop Fiesta launch, Russell and Suitor Wines, Lower Turners Marsh
- 30 Dorset Local Enabling Group – Dorset Child and Family Learning Centre meeting, Scottsdale Primary School
- 30 Housing Industry Association session with Director – Community & Development Services, Mechanics Hall, Scottsdale

July 2026

- 3 Meeting with ratepayer, Council Chambers
- 6 North East Tasmania Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Scottsdale
- 7 July Briefing Workshop, Council Chambers
- 8 Media ABC TV, Launceston
- 8 Gladstone Future-Links meeting, Gladstone Hall
- 9 Media ABC Radio (Rushy Lagoon)
- 13 Weekly meeting with General Manager, Council Chambers

Item 147/2026 Executive Leadership Team Briefing Report

Purpose

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 Executive Leadership Team.

DECISION

MOVED: Cr Simmons | SECONDED: Cr Hughes

That Council:

1. receive and note the unconfirmed Dorset Audit Panel minutes, dated 9 June 2026;
2. receive and note the unconfirmed Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Committee minutes, dated 18 June 2026;
3. note the community update and attached report on the 2026 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly;
4. receive and note the remaining Executive Leadership Team Briefing Report.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Dorset Council Audit Panel Meeting Minutes

On 9 June 2026, the Audit Panel held their meeting for the June quarter. The following items were discussed:

1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
2. Confirmation of Minutes – 28 April 2026
3. Outstanding matters from previous Audit Panel meetings
4. Work Health and Safety Reports – Quarter 2 and Quarter 3
5. Financial Results for the period ended 31 March 2026
6. Potential Performance Audit areas
7. 2026/27 Budget Estimates (including Rates Strategy) and Long-Term Financial Plan update
8. Audit Panel Work Plan FY2027
9. Other Business / Update on Significant Events

Specific salary information for employee roles and commentary relating to the Board of Inquiry have been redacted from the unconfirmed minutes for privacy and confidentiality reasons.

The unconfirmed Audit Panel minutes for this meeting are included in the attachments for information.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE: Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Committee Minutes

On 18 June 2026, the Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Committee held their first meeting for 2026. The following items were included on the agenda for discussion:

1. Welcome, apologies and previous meeting actions
2. Status of Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Plan
3. Municipal Emergency Planning and Preparedness matters
4. Regional Emergency Management matters
5. Fire Management Area Committee matters
6. Regional and municipal social recovery matters
7. Agency reports
8. General Business

The unconfirmed minutes for this meeting are included in the attachments for information.

COMMUNITY UPDATE: 2026 Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly

The Mayor and General Manager travelled to Canberra from 23 – 26 June 2026 to attend the Australian Local Government Association National General Assembly. Please find attached a report prepared by the General Manager on the conference, including associated costs.

WASTE MANAGEMENT REQUESTS | June 2026 FINAL REPORT

	Requests Received June 2026	Comparison June 2025	FYTD Received 2025/26	Comparison FYTD Received 2024/25
Feedback and Queries	-	-	4	25
Repair Bin	5	2	47	54
Replace Bin	3	1	49	46
Request a New Service	1	5	27	45
Remove Additional Bin	-	1	14	13
Request an Additional Bin	1	-	24	41
Request an Upsize/Downsize	1	-	37	44
Request to Opt Out (of Service)	1	1	4	3
Total Requests	12	10	206	281

MAJOR COUNCIL PROJECTS

Up to date information on major projects including upgrades to parks, facilities and recreation, transport and drainage, water and sewerage infrastructure across the Dorset municipality can be found [here](#) on our website.

APPROVED APPLICATIONS | June 2026

	Approved June 2026	Approved 2026 YTD	Approved 2025 YTD
Planning	8	48	46
Building	8	37	30
Plumbing	5	20	15

See attachments for detailed information about applications approved in June 2026.

CUSTOMER SERVICE REQUESTS | June 2026

	Requests Received June 2026	Comparison Requests June 2025	Received 2026	Comparison 2025
Animal	-	7	26	15
Bike Trails	-	-	-	-
Bridges	-	-	1	-
Caravan Parks	-	-	5	4
Cemeteries	-	-	1	1
Community Development General	-	-	1	-
Corporate Services General	-	-	1	7
Council Elections	-	-	3	1
Customer Service	-	-	5	4
Emergency Services Enquiries	-	-	-	1
Environmental Management & Health	1	1	18	12
Footpath Enquiries	4	1	24	1
Government Relations	-	-	-	-
Licencing	-	-	-	1
Parks and Reserves	6	4	19	20
Planning & Building	-	-	1	-
Playground Maintenance	-	2	3	2
Public Health	-	-	-	2
Public Online Enquiries	-	-	-	2
Public Amenities	-	1	11	9
Public Halls Buildings	-	3	16	6
Recreation Grounds	1	-	19	6
Roads	7	12	107	108
Swimming Pools	-	1	-	6
Waste Management	1	-	5	7
Total Requests	20	32	266	218

A detailed copy of the 2026 Customer Service Requests is included in the attachments.

2025/26 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM – FINAL REPORT

Ref: DOC/25/9165

	Complete 2025/26
	Completed in June 2026
	Carried Forward Projects – 2026/27
	Projects Withdrawn

PROJECT	STATUS
BRIDGES	
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road, Pioneer – repairs to piers (addition allocation, storm recovery)	Completed
Bridge 1604 Panama Forest Road, Golconda – timber deck renewal	Completed
Bridge 1589 Sledge Track, West Scottsdale – timber superstructure renewal (beams & deck)	Completed
Bridge 1556 New River Road, Ringarooma – timber deck renewal	Completed
Bridge 1594 Greeta Road, Nabowla – timber superstructure renewal (beams and deck)	Carried Forward
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road, Pioneer – slab repairs	Carried Forward
Bridge 1569 Jensens Road, North Scottsdale – upgrade superstructure (timber to concrete)	Carried Forward
Bridge 1572 Haas Road, Legerwood – upgrade superstructure (timber to concrete, additional allocation)	Carried Forward
STORMWATER	
61 King Street, Scottsdale – upgrade stormwater pits	Completed
3 Murphy Place, Scottsdale – undertake network survey and hydrology assessment	Completed
Main Road, Pioneer – pipe open drain	Completed
9 Willow Court, Winnaleah – design and install new network	Completed
21 Thomas Street, Scottsdale – design and install new network	Completed
52 Scott Street, Branhholm – design and install new network	Carried Forward
3 Thomas Street, Scottsdale – design and install new network	Completed
ROADS – RESHEETING	
Old Waterhouse Road, Waterhouse	Completed
Cape Portland Road, Gladstone	Completed
Bridport Back Road, Nabowla	Completed
Nourses Road, Bridport	Completed
Unwins Road, Springfield	Completed
McDonalds Avenue, Ringarooma	Completed
Dead Horse Hill Road, Ringarooma	Completed
Pera Flats Road, Ringarooma	Completed
Swanee Road, Winnaleah	Completed
Ferny Hill Road, Bridport	Completed
Bridport – urban resheeting (various locations)	Completed

PROJECT	STATUS
ROADS – RESEALS	
George Street, Scottsdale – highway access	Carried Forward
Maurice Street, Legerwood	Carried Forward
Spotswood Drive, Scottsdale	Carried Forward
Beattie Street, Scottsdale	Carried Forward
Ringarooma Road, Scottsdale – highway access	Carried Forward
Christopher Street, Scottsdale	Carried Forward
Mary Street, Scottsdale	Carried Forward
Alice Street, Scottsdale	Carried Forward
East Maurice Road, Ringarooma	Completed
Oakdene Road, Jetsonville	Carried Forward
Barnbogle Road, Bridport	Carried Forward
Barnett Road, Ringarooma	Completed
Ruby Flats Road, Branxholm	Completed
Derby Back Road, Derby	Completed
Sykes Road, Springfield	Completed
Arnold Place, Scottsdale	Completed
Charles Street, Pioneer – additional reseal	Completed
ROADS – OTHER PROJECTS	
Willis Road, Lietinna – hotmix overlay intersection with Golconda Road	Completed
Koomeela Road, West Scottsdale – culvert repairs	Completed
Banca Road, Winnaleah – pavement repair and hotmix surface	Completed
Golconda Road, Nabowla – 3.4km safety upgrades and pavement renewal	Carried Forward
Ferny Hill Road, Bridport – landslip repair (storm damage)	Completed
Golconda Road, Golconda – pavement design	Carried Forward
Bentley Street, Bridport – footpath renewal	Carried Forward
Ellenor Street, Scottsdale – design pavement renewal	Completed
Austins Road and Tasman Highway, Scottsdale – junction upgrade	Completed
Northeast Lane, Scottsdale – design	Completed
Union Street, Scottsdale – kerb and stormwater upgrade (stage 1)	Completed
Pioneer township – footpath	Completed
Golconda Road, Golconda – freight and safety improvement strategy	Withdrawn ⁶
Buckney's Road, Scottsdale – road survey	Carried Forward

⁶ The withdrawal of the Golconda Road Freight and Safety Improvements Strategy reflects a change in regional infrastructure priorities, with the City of Launceston advising that investment in the Lilydale–Golconda Road corridor has been deprioritised under its renewed strategic planning framework.

PROJECT	STATUS
BUILDINGS	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – camp kitchen renewal (replace beams)	Completed
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – electrical switchboard renewal and underground cables (stage 1)	Carried Forward
Northeast Park, Scottsdale – electrical upgrades and shower payment machine upgrades	Completed
Winnaleah Old Scout Hall – replace old louvre windows	Completed
Derby, Branhholm, Ringarooma, Winnaleah & Legerwood – switchboard upgrades	Completed
Pioneer Hall – toilet renewal	Completed
Northeast Park, Scottsdale – BBQ replacement	Completed
Scottsdale – switchboard upgrades (various sites)	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – toilet and shower renewal	Completed
Branholm Hall – kitchen renewal (Pines Committee donation)	Completed
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – amenities upgrade (shower cubicle storage / shelving)	Carried Forward
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – cabin upgrades / outdoor area improvements	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Reuse Centre shop extension	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – heat pump	Completed
Derby Depot – alarm system and cameras	Completed
Scottsdale Depot – relocation of storage sheds (additional allocation)	Completed
Nugget Sellars Pavilion (Scottsdale Recreation Ground) – heat pump	Completed
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – remote access through Council network	Carried Forward
LAND IMPROVEMENTS	
Blue Derby – network signage	Completed
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park and Bridport Foreshore – BBQ replacement	Completed
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – flow meter and motor protection on leisure pool pumps	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – chlorinator pump critical spare parts	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – balance tank temporary shut off valve	Completed
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – leisure pool filter sand replacement	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – replace umbrella covers	Completed
Derby Park – Ringarooma Road erosion repairs	Completed
Pine Plantation, Ringarooma Road, Scottsdale – replanting (additional allocation)	Completed
Blue Derby – Black Stump car turning area redevelopment	Completed
Blue Derby – Top Creek drop off area completion	Completed
Netball court upgrades – Scottsdale, Bridport and Derby (Stage 1)	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Railway Station precinct redevelopment	Carried Forward
Blue Derby – memorial lookout	Completed
Ellesmere Cemetery, Scottsdale – new memorial wall	Completed
Scottsdale sports precinct – master planning	Operational ⁷
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – covered pool feasibility study	Operational

⁷ Moved from the Capital program to Operational.

PROJECT	STATUS
CARRY FORWARD PROJECTS	
<u>Bridges</u>	
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road, Pioneer – scour protection piers (storm recovery)	Completed
Bridge 1572 Haas Road / Frenches Creek, Legerwood – upgrade to concrete	Carried Forward
<u>Roads</u>	
South Street, Bridport – replace kerb	Completed
King Street, Scottsdale – pedestrian crossing	Withdrawn
George Street, Scottsdale – pedestrian crossing	Withdrawn
Coplestone Street, Scottsdale – new footpath	Carried Forward
<u>Buildings</u>	
Building Renovations (Blue Derby Foundation) - 57 Main Street, Derby	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Railway Station Building – restoration	Carried Forward
Derby Depot – new trail crew storage shed	Carried Forward
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – planning for new camp kitchen at Goftons Beach	Carried Forward
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – Oil Bunded Shed	Completed
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – Recycling Shed	Completed
Gladstone Waste Transfer Station – Oil Bunded Shed	Completed
Gladstone Waste Transfer Station – Recycling Shed	Completed
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Oil Bunded Shed	Carried Forward
<u>Land Improvements</u>	
Croquet Lawn Beach, Bridport – access improvements	Carried Forward
Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails – Tunnel stairs	Carried Forward
Bridport Lions Club Adventure Playground upgrade (election grant)	Carried Forward
Scottsdale Childrens Reserve Playground upgrade (election grant)	Carried Forward
Scottsdale community bike track	Carried Forward
Gladstone community park	Carried Forward
Waste Transfer Station signage	Carried Forward
CWA Carpark, Bridport – solar light	Completed

2026/27 CAPITAL WORKS PROGRAM

Ref: DOC/26/9660

Completed in 2026/27

PROJECT	STATUS
BRIDGES	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Bridge 1587 Brid River / Golconda Road – capital works on reflection cracks on road approaches	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Bridge 1550 Tuckers Creek / Barnbougale Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	Tender Awarded
Bridge 1570 Tuckers Creek / Burrows Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	
CARRIED FORWARD - BRIDGES	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road – scour protection piers	Complete
Bridge 1508 Garibaldi Road – run on slab repairs	
Bridge 1594 Greeta Road – timber super structure renewal	Commenced
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Bridge 1569 Jensens Road – super structure upgrade	Tender Awarded
Bridge 1572 Haas Road – upgrade super structure to concrete	Tender Awarded
STORMWATER	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Pioneer – outfall drain remediation	
Murray / Mary Street, Bridport – pit renewal	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Copelstone / William Street, Scottsdale – stormwater upgrade (stage 1)	
Union Street, Scottsdale – stormwater and kerb replacement	
Henry Street / Heath Court, Bridport – catchment capacity modelling	
CARRIED FORWARD - STORMWATER	
<u>New</u>	
52 Scott Street, Branxholm – design and install new network	Commenced
ROADS – RESHEETING	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Old Waterhouse Road	Commenced
Sledge Track, West Scottsdale	
Bridport Back Road, Nabowla	
Panama Forest Road, Golconda	
Sandy Points Road, Bridport	
Maxwell Street, Bridport	
Mathinna Plains Road, Ringarooma (end of seal to Ben Ridge Road)	
McDougalls Road, Legerwood	
New River Road, Ringarooma	
Bridport – urban roads	

PROJECT	STATUS
ROADS – RESEALS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Chaffey Street, Gladstone	Tender Advertised
Campbell Street, Gladstone	Tender Advertised
Gladstone Road, Pioneer (from Garibaldi Road to ABC Creek)	Tender Advertised
Garibaldi Road, Pioneer	Tender Advertised
Valley Ponds Road, Derby	Tender Advertised
Cranstoun Street, Branhholm	Tender Advertised
Nourses Road, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Frances Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Neville Drive, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Port Hills Road, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Louisa Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Thomas Street, Bridport	Tender Advertised
Old Waterhouse Road (Surveyors Creek)	Tender Advertised
Jensens Road, North Scottsdale (junction)	Tender Advertised
Old Waterhouse Road	Tender Advertised
McKerrows Road, North Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Aikman Court, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Barclay Drive, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Salier Place, Scottsdale	Tender Advertised
Virginia Road, Golconda	Tender Advertised
Lisle Road, Golconda	Tender Advertised
Nook Road, Nabowla	Tender Advertised
Donald Street, Branhholm – carpark	Tender Advertised
Esplanade, Tomahawk	Tender Advertised
Golconda Road / West Minstone Road junction	Tender Advertised
Arthur Street, Scottsdale – Indoor Action carpark	Tender Advertised
ROADS – OTHER PROJECTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Banca Road – culvert upgrade and pavement replacement	
South Springfield Road – culvert upgrade and pavement replacement	
Golconda Road (Ferry Hill Road west) – pavement rehabilitation	Design
Main Street, Bridport (RSL) – kerb and pavement renewal	Design
Ringarooma Road (King to Arthur Streets) – footpath renewal	
Copelstone Street (High School to Aquatic Centre) – footpath renewal	
Carr to Swan Street, Gladstone – footpath renewal	
Frances Street, Bridport – kerb renewal	
Ferry Hill Road – landslide repair	Complete

PROJECT	STATUS
CARRIED FORWARD - ROADS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
South Street, Bridport – kerb replacement	Complete
George Street, Scottsdale – highway access	
Spotswood Drive, Scottsdale – reseal	
Beattie Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Arnold Place, Scottsdale – reseal	
Ringarooma Road, Scottsdale – highway access reseal	
Christopher Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Mary Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Alice Street, Scottsdale – reseal	
Oakdene Road, Jetsonville – reseal	
Barnbogle Road, North Scottsdale – reseal	
Golconda Road – safety upgrade and pavement renewal	
Golconda Road, pavement design	Design
Bentley Street, Bridport – footpath renewal	Commenced
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Golconda Road – safety improvements	Commenced
<u>New</u>	
Coplestone Street, Scottsdale – new footpath	
Buckneys Road, Scottsdale – survey	Commenced
BUILDINGS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – toilet floor renewal	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (residence) – renew carpet and painting	
Branhholm Hall – men’s toilet renewal (design only)	
Council Chambers Offices – lower-level roof repairs and upper-level roof renewal	
Heat pump replacement program	
Tomahawk toilets – water tank renewal	
Scottsdale Works Depot – toilets renewal	
Gladstone Waste Transfer Station – toilet and kitchen renewal	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (cabin) – kitchen electrical works	
Ellesmere Cemetery, Scottsdale – toilet renewal	
Bridport Hall – water heater replacement	
Council Offices – upper-level renovations (planning and design)	
Scottsdale Sports Stadium – side pole padding replacement	
Bridport Football Clubrooms – hot water cylinder replacement	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Council Chambers Offices – upper-level offices and toilet upgrade	
Master key system upgrade	
CCTV camera upgrades	
Security fob upgrades	

PROJECT	STATUS
BUILDINGS (cont.)	
Northeast Park toilets – lighting upgrade	
Blue Derby – safety upgrade electrical charging station for e-bikes	
<u>New</u>	
Gladstone Hall – new heat pump	
Scottsdale Works Depot – shelving for storage shed	Commenced
Derby Works Depot – new security system	
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – new power connection for Tip Shop	
CARRIED FORWARD - BUILDINGS	
<u>New</u>	
Scottsdale Railway Station – restoration	
57 Main Street, Derby – building renovations (Blue Derby Foundation)	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – electrical upgrade (stage 1)	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Tip Shop extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – Oil Bunded Shed	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – remote access to Council network	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – amenities fixtures and fittings	
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park (cabin) – outdoor improvements	
Derby Works Depot – mountain bike trail crew shed	
Switchboard upgrades – various locations (Scottsdale)	
Council Office – upper-level renovation planning	
LAND IMPROVEMENTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
North Scottsdale Hall – replace power poles with underground power	Planning
Bridport Foreshore – boat ramp access reseal	Planning
Bridport Foreshore – Pavilion Tennis Court flexi-pave renewal	
Tomahawk Reserve & BBQ area – playground equipment replacement	Planning
Bridport Hall – hotmix carpark, line marking and remove entrance pavers (design only)	Planning
Bridport Hall – hotmix carpark, line marking and remove entrance pavers	Planning
Bridport Play Centre (Joseph Street) – replace fencing	
Scottsdale Works Depot – resurface carpark	Planning
Bridport Seaside Caravan Park – electrical upgrade	
Scottsdale Works Depot – fencing and gate renewal	
Pine Plantation, Scottsdale – boundary fence replacement and other clearing works	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre and Branxholm Pool – new palintesters	Planning
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – filter valves replacement	Planning
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – learn to swim and leisure pool covers and marine carpet	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – sand filters	Planning
Branxholm Pool – replace sand in filters	Commenced
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – pool heat pump renewal	
Ringarooma Park – BBQ replacement	

Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – safety works to former tip site

PROJECT	STATUS
LAND IMPROVEMENTS (cont.)	
Bridport Foreshore – solar lights battery replacement	Planning
Blue Derby – renewal of map boards	
Scottsdale Sports Stadium – carpark hotmix upgrade	Planning
Scottsdale Works Depot – water connection upgrade	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – CO ² extra storage	Planning
Blue Derby – drainage at bottom of pump track hill safety upgrade	
Branxholm Waste Transfer Station – safety rail extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – hotmix extension	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – green waste area extension	
Netball Court Upgrades – Scottsdale (stage 2)	
Dog control signage	
<u>New</u>	
Scottsdale Childrens Reserve – carpark planning	
Scottsdale Works Depot – concrete blocks for material containment	
Blue Derby – climbing trail next to Cascade Dam Road survey, design, etc. (stage 1)	
Scottsdale Waste Transfer Station – fencing for tip shop parking / green waste access	
Promotional banners for Scottsdale entrance flag poles	
CARRIED FORWARD – LAND IMPROVEMENTS	
<u>Renewal</u>	
Croquet Lawn Beach, Bridport – erosion study	Planning
Blue Derby mountain bike trails – Tunnel stairs	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – flow meter and motor protection on leisure pool pumps	
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – replace filter sand (leisure pool)	Planning
Scottsdale Aquatic Centre – chlorinator pump critical spares	
<u>Upgrade</u>	
Netball Court Upgrades – Scottsdale, Bridport and Derby (stage 1)	Commenced
<u>New</u>	
Gladstone Community Park	
Bridport Lions Adventure Playground upgrade	
Scottsdale Childrens Reserve – playground upgrade	
Scottsdale Railway Precinct Redevelopment	

CLOSURE OF MEETING

Time Meeting Closed: 8:42pm

Minutes Confirmed: 17 August 2026

Minute No:

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Mayor

UNCONFIRMED

Notes on Legislation

Notes on Delegation

(2) The General Manager, in writing, may delegate to an employee of the Council - (a) any functions or powers under any Act, other than the power of delegation; and (b) any functions or powers delegated by the Council which the Council authorised the General Manager to delegate: s.64 Local Government Act 1993 (Tas).

(4) If a function or power is delegated to a particular Officer or the holder of a particular office or position (a) the delegation does not cease to have effect merely because the person who was the particular Officer or the holder of the particular office or position when the function or power was delegated ceases to be that Officer or the holder of that office or position; and (b) the function or power may be performed or exercised by the person for the time being occupying or acting in the office or position concerned: s.23AA(5) Acts Interpretation Act 1931 (Tas).

(5) A function or power which has been delegated may, notwithstanding the delegation, be exercised by the delegator: s.23AA(6) Acts Interpretation Act 1931 (Tas).

(6) Where the operation of a provision of an Act is dependent upon the opinion, belief, or state of mind in relation to a matter of a person specified in that Act and any of the powers or functions of that person have been delegated, in pursuance of that Act, to some other person, that provision may operate upon the opinion, belief, or state of mind of the delegate in relation to that matter: s.23A(2) Acts Interpretation Act 1931 (Tas).

No.	Provision (hyperlinked to legislation)	Function or Power	Nature	Given By			Given To				Conditions or Restrictions	Decision	Evidence of Authorisation / Delegation	
			Appointment, Delegation or Authorisation	Council (as the Planning Authority)	Council	General Manager	General Manager	Director - Community & Development Services	Manager - Community & Development Services	Town Planner	Director - Infrastructure	Notes	Date(s) of Delegation / Authorisation	Resolution Number
PART 2A		TASMANIAN PLANNING POLICIES												
1	12C Draft of the TPPs	The Planning Authority's requirement to consult with the Minister regarding a draft of the Tasmanian Planning Policies ('TPPs').	Delegation	X										
PART 3		STATE PLANNING PROVISIONS (SPPs)												

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											Notes	Date(s) of Delegation / Authorisation	Resolution Number
2	Part 3 - State Planning Provisions (Generally)	All of the Planning Authority's powers and functions pursuant to this Part as a consequence of a decision to prepare a draft of a State Planning Provision (SPP), or the making of a SPP, or a SPP amendment, including: a) consulting with the Minister in relation to the preparation of a draft of the SPPs under s. 18(2)(b); b) consulting with the Commission in relation to the preparation by the Commission of a draft of the SPPs under s. 19(2); c) receiving from the Commission the exhibition documents in relation to the draft SPPs per s. 22(5); d) providing representations to the Commission in relation to a draft of the SPPs: s.23; e) requesting the Minister to consider preparing terms of reference in relation to a draft amendment of the SPPs per s. 30C(4); f) consulting with the Minister in relation to the preparation by the Minister of a draft amendment of the SPPs per s.30D(2) & (3); g) consulting with the Commission in relation to the preparation by the Commission of a draft amendment of the SPPs under s.30E(2)(a) h) receiving from the Commission the exhibition documents in relation to the draft amendments of the SPPs per s.30K(5); i) providing representations to the Commission in relation to a draft amendment of the SPPs: s.30L; j) consulting with the Minister in relation to a draft amendment of the SPPs under s.30NA(2); and k) receiving written notice from the Minister of amendments, or revocation, of interim SPPs under ss. 30NB(5), 30ND(2)(a) and 30ND(4)(a).	Delegation & authority to delegate	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 3A		LOCAL PROVISIONS SCHEDULE (LPS)											
	Part 3A - Local Provisions Schedules (Generally)	Authorisation, in accordance with a decision of the Planning Authority (or a requirement of the Minister), to - a) prepare and submit to the Commission a draft LPS under s35(1); b) receive a direction from the Commission to prepare and submit the draft LPS modified in accordance with the direction- s.35(5)(b); c) agree to the modification of the draft LPS: s35(5)(c); d) prepare and submit to the Commission a draft LPS modified in accordance with the direction: s.35(6); e) provide to the Commission comments in relation to the draft LPS: s.35A(5).	Authorisation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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3	Part 3A - Local Provisions Schedules (Generally)	The following functions and powers of the Planning Authority are delegated – a) prepare the required documentation for a draft LPS; b) submit the draft LPS to the Commission under s35(1); c) receive a direction from the Minister to prepare and submit to the Commission a draft LPS under s35(2) d) receive from the Commission a copy of the draft LPS pursuant to s.35A(4); e) give notice under s35C of the exhibition of a draft LPS, including for any direction issued by the Commission under s35B(4); f) undertake public exhibition of the draft LPS exhibition documents in accordance with s35D; g) receive representations in relation to the exhibition documents pursuant to s.35E; h) provide a report in relation to the draft LPS to the Commission pursuant to s35F; i) provide the Commission with notice that the Planning Authority is of the opinion the contents of the SPPs should be amended- s.35G; j) apply to the Commission for approval to withdraw a draft LPS prepared by the Planning Authority and to receive the Commission's notification of decision: s.35I; k) give public notice of the withdrawal of a draft LPS: s.35I(6); l) prepare and submit any modifications required by the Commission to a draft LPS in accordance with s35K; m) receive a direction from the Commission pursuant to s35KB; n) give prescribed notice in accordance with s35M(2) of the approval of the LPS; o) conduct a review of the LPS in accordance with s.35O; p) give public notice of the LPS review and receive comments from the public, and to provide a report to the Commission in relation to the review in accordance with s35P; q) prepare a revised report at the direction of the Commission pursuant to s.35P(4); r) prepare and submit to the Commission a draft Special LPS, and provide agreement to any modification requested by the Commission, pursuant to s.35Q;and s) request the Commission to revoke of a Special LPS pursuant to s.35S.	Delegation & authority to delegate	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 3B		AMENDMENT OF THE LPS											
	Part 3B - Amendments of LPSs (Generally)	Authorisation, in accordance with a decision of the Planning Authority, to – a) prepare a draft amendment to the LPS under s38 or 40D; b) prepare a draft amendment under s38 and a draft permit under s40Y; and c) its views and opinions in relation to each representation received on a draft LPS and on any draft permit; d) its satisfaction that the draft LPS meets the LPS criteria in s34; and e) recommendations in relation to how the draft LPS should be determined in accordance with s35F.	Authorisation	X			X	X	X				

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		The Planning Authority's functions and powers to— a) give notice in accordance with s38(3) of a decision in relation to a request to initiate a draft amendment to the LPS; b) request additional information under s40 and s40U; c) receiving notice from the Commission and providing any material requested by the Commission in accordance with ss40A, 40B, or 40V(3); d) comply with a direction from the Commission pursuant to ss40A(4), 40B(4); e) reconsider whether to prepare a draft amendment of the LPS and give notice to the person who made the request in accordance with s.40B(6); f) receive a direction to prepare a s40D draft amendment of an LPS from the Minister under s 40C; g) prepare the draft amendment of an LPS under s40D; h) decide to withdraw a draft amendment of an LPS pursuant to s40E; i) certify that a draft amendment to the LPS meets the LPS criteria in accordance with s40F, and provide the Commission with a copy of the draft and a certificate; j) give notice of the date on which the exhibition period begins in accordance with s40FA; k) publish an exhibition notice in accordance with s40G of the exhibition of a draft amendment to the LPS, and include an exhibition of a draft amendment under		X									

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4	Part 3B - Amendments of LPSs (Generally)	amendment to the LPS, and including any exhibition or a permit application under s40Z(2); l) undertake public exhibition of the draft amendment of the LPS in accordance with s40H, and including any permit application determined under s40Y; m) receive notice from the Commission pursuant to s40I; n) receive representations in relation to relevant exhibition documents under s40J; o) provide a report in relation to the draft amendment of an LPS to the Commission in accordance with s40K and s42; p) receive a direction from the Commission to modify or reject the draft amendment of an LPS pursuant to s40N(1)(a) or s40N(1)(c) and to make modifications to a draft amendment of an LPS and submit the modified draft amendment to the Commission in accordance with s40O or s40P; q) re-exhibit a modified draft amendment of an LPS under s40G and s40H if instructed by Commission in accordance with s40P(3); r) give the prescribed notice of an approved amendment of an LPS in accordance with s40S(3); s) receive a direction from the Commission and either revoke a notice under s40T(1) or issuing a new notice under s 40T(1) in accordance with s40V(4); s) to agree, or refuse to agree, to a request under s 40T(1) and provide notice the person who made the request pursuant to s40W; t) consider the application under section 40T(1) for a permit at the same time as it prepares a draft amendment of an LPS pursuant to s40X(1); u) give notice in accordance with s40W of a decision under s40Y in relation to a request to consider a permit in combination with a request to initiate a draft amendment to the LPS; v) grant an extension of time under s42C(4), (5) & (7A) for a permit granted under s42B; o) correct a mistake in a permit granted under s42B pursuant to s42D; and p) make minor amendments in accordance with s43 to a permit granted under s42B.	Delegation & authority to delegate				X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
5	S.30C(4)	Terms of reference in relation to draft amendment of the SPPs: A planning authority or another person may request the Minister to consider preparing terms of reference in relation to a draft amendment of the SPPs.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
6	35 Draft LPS to be provided to Commission	All of the Planning Authority's powers and functions to prepare and submit to the Commission a draft LPS that applies to the municipal area of the Planning Authority in accordance with this section.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
7	35C Notice of exhibition of draft LPS	The Planning Authorities function of giving notice of the public exhibition of the draft LPS as required by this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
8	35E Report by planning authority to Commission about exhibition	The Planning Authority's function of providing a report in relation to the draft LPS to Commission, within 60 days after the end of the exhibition period, in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
9	35G Planning Authority may notify Minister as to whether amendment of SPPs is required	The Planning Authority's powers to advise the Commission that the Planning Authority is of the opinion that the content of a provision of the SPPs should be altered, in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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10	35L Withdrawal of draft LPS	The Planning Authority's powers to apply to the Commission for approval to withdraw a draft LPS prepared by the Planning Authority in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
11	35M(2) Notice of approval of Local Provisions Schedule	The Planning Authority's function of giving the prescribed notice of approval of a Local Provisions Schedule to which the notice relates	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
12	35P Conduct of review	All of the Planning Authority's functions and powers to conduct of review of an LPS or a part of an LPS in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
13	40T(6) Permit Application that requires amendment of LPS	The Council's powers, as the owner of land, to sign or give written permission to the making of a request to amend an LPS.	Delegation (by council as land owner)		X		X				(7) Subsection (6) does not apply to an application for a permit to carry out mining operations, within the meaning of the Mineral Resources Development Act 1995 , if a mining lease or a production licence which authorises those operations has been issued under that Act.	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21 21-Oct-24	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21 Minute 211/24
14	40G Notice of Exhibition	The Planning Authority's powers and functions to provide an exhibition notice in relation to the draft amendment of an LPS as soon as practicable after providing to the Commission under section 40F(4) a copy of a draft amendment of an LPS or receiving under section 35KB(4)(b)(i) a notice in relation to a draft amendment of an LPS and in accordance with the provisions in this section.	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
15	40U Additional Information	The Planning Authority's powers to, by notice in writing, request additional information within 28 days of receiving the application under s 40T(1) for a permit, before it considers the application under section 40T(1) in accordance with the provisions in this section.	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
16	40W Determination of amendment where concurrent permit application sought	The Planning Authority's powers to agree, or refuse to agree, to a request made under section 40T(1) in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
17	43(2) Minor amendment of permit	The Planning Authority's powers to amend or refuse to amend the permit in accordance with the provisions in this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
18	43(6) Minor amendment of permit	The Planning Authority's function to provide notice in writing of the amendment in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
19	43(7) Minor amendment of permit	The Planning Authority's function of providing notice in writing served on the Board of the Environment Protection Authority of the amendment in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
20	43(9) Minor amendment of permit	The Planning Authority's functions of providing notice in writing served on the Commission of the amendments made to the permit in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
21	43(10) Minor amendment of permit	The Planning Authority's function of providing notice in writing served on the Heritage Council of the amendments to the permit in accordance with this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL											

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22	Part 4- Enforcement of Planning Control (Generally)	Authority to require the making of a permit application and to undertake actions and proceedings in pursuance of the Council's obligations as a Planning Authority to observe and enforce compliance of a Planning Scheme; including – i) to give such advice, consultation, referral or notification as required under this Part; ii) to represent the Council and to give evidence before the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT) in respect of any appeal against a decision on a planning permit; iii) to initiate legal proceedings for any use of land, development or act if:- - contrary to a State Policy, planning scheme or special planning scheme; - an obstruction of a planning scheme or special planning scheme; or - a breach of a condition or restriction of a planning permit.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 1 - GENERAL											
23	48AA Enforcement of major project permits	The Planning Authority's function to enforce the observance of any condition or restriction to which a Major Project Permit is subject.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
24	48A Notice to remove signs	All of the Planning Authority's powers to give notice to remove signs, and take all action necessary to remove signs and recover reasonable costs of that action in a Court of competent jurisdiction in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2 - DEVELOPMENT CONTROL											
25	51 Permits	All of the Planning Authority's powers and functions to grant a permit in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
26	551A Fees payable for application	The Planning Authority's functions in relation to fees payable for application for a permit in accordance with the requirements of this section		X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
27	52(1B) What if the applicant is not the owner	The General Manager's function of providing permission to the making of an application for a permit for land owned by Council, or administered by Council and a planning scheme does not provide otherwise	Delegation			X		X			X	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
28	53(5A), (5B), (5C) and (5D). When does a permit take effect	The Planning Authority's powers to grant extensions of the period during which that use of development must be substantially commenced where the permit has not been substantially commenced.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21 18-Aug-25	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21 Minute 159/2025
29	54 Additional Information	The Planning Authority's powers to require an applicant to provide it with additional information before considering an application for a permit (other than a permit referred to in section 40T).	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
30	55 Correction of Mistakes	The Planning Authority's powers to correct a permit granted by it in accordance with this provision	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
31	56 Minor amendments of permits issued by a planning authority	The Planning Authority's powers to make minor amendments to permits issued by it in accordance with this provision	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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32	56AA Fees for amendment of permits under section 56	The Planning Authority's functions in relation to fees payable for application for a permit in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
DORSET SPECIFIC: Section 57: Applications for discretionary permits											All Council planning applications where Council is the applicant or is the underlying developer or proponent must be undertaken in accordance with Council Policy No. 69 - Managing Conflicts of Interest	18-Aug-25	Minute 159/2025
33	57(2) Applications for discretionary permits	The Planning Authority's power, on receipt of an application for a permit to which this section applies, to refuse to grant the permit in accordance with this provision.	Delegation	X				X	X	X	X	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
34	57(3) Applications for discretionary permits	Unless the Planning Authority requires the applicant to give notice, the Planning Authority's function of giving notice, as prescribed, of an application for a permit.	Delegation	X				X	X	X	X	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
35	57(5) Applications for discretionary permits	The Planning Authority's powers to extend the 14 day time period allowed for the making of a representation in accordance with this provision	Delegation	X				X	X	X	X	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
36	57(6) Applications for discretionary permits	The Planning Authority's power to grant or refuse a discretionary permit in accordance with the requirements of this subsection. The Planning Authority's powers and functions to agree to an application under subsection (6)(b)(i) or (ii) to extend the time frame for determining a development application, if it is agreed to in writing by the applicant prior to the relevant time period expiring	Delegation	X				X	X	X	X	16-Jul-18 16-Dec-19 20-Jul-20 17-May-21 21-Oct-24 18-Aug-25	Minute 128/18 Minute 208/19 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21 Minute 211/24 Minute 159/2025

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37	57(6A) Applications for discretionary permits	The Planning Authority's powers and functions to agree to an application under subsection (6)(b)(i) or (ii) to extend the time frame for determining a development application, if it is agreed to in writing by the applicant prior to the relevant time period expiring	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
38	57A Mediation	The Planning Authority's function of notifying any other party in writing and seek the agreement of that party for mediation to be conducted in relation to the application if notification is received pursuant to s 57A(2), or if it wishes mediation to be conducted for a s57 permit application.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
39	58 - Application for other permits	All of the Planning Authority's functions and powers in relation to granting an application for a permit to which this section applies in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X	All Council planning applications where Council is the applicant or is the underlying developer or proponent must be undertaken in accordance with Council Policy No. 69 - Managing Conflicts of Interest	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21 18-Aug-25	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21 Minute 159/2025
40	59(2), (3B), (5), (7) & (8) Failure to determine an application for a permit	All of the Planning Authority's functions and powers pursuant to this section where the Planning Authority has failed to determine an application for a permit to which sections 57 or 58 apply before the expiration period, a the further period pursuant to section 57(6)(b)(i) or (ii) or 58(2)	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
41	60(2), (3), (4), (6), (9), (10) Timing of determination of compliance with certain permit conditions	All of the Planning Authority's functions of responding to and issuing notices relating to compliance with permit conditions in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 2: Proposals for Major Project Declarations and Major Project Proposals											
42	60H(3) Minister may request information from Council or relevant State authority	The Council's functions of, if given notice by the Minister, taking all reasonable steps to provide the Minister with the information specified in the notice given by the Minister	Delegation		X							16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
43	60I(3) Persons to be notified of proposal for declaration and given major project proposals	The Council's functions to advise the Minister in writing and within 28 days on whether a project is eligible to be declared a major project in accordance with this section	Delegation		X							16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 4: Declaration of Major Project											
44	60S(4)(b) Effect on planning matters of declaration of major project	The Planning Authority's function of refunding the applicant half on any fees paid in respect of an application if it is declared as a major project	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
45	60S(5)(b) Effect on planning matters of declaration of major project	The Planning Authority's function of refunding the applicant half of any fees paid if a declaration of a major project is amended pursuant to section 60TG(2)	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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46	60SA(6).Certificate of development completion	The Council's function of receiving notification from the Commission	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 5: Amendment and Revocation of Declaration of Major Project											
47	60TD(3).Notification of request from proponent	The Council, as the relevant Planning Authority's in relation to the major project (s 60TD(1)(c)) AND/OR as the Council that is not a relevant Planning Authority in relation to the major project but is the Council for a municipal area that is in the regional area(s), in which the project is to be situated (s 60TD(1)(d)) function, to advise within 14 days the relevant advice body as to its opinion in relation to the proposed amendment of a declaration of a major project so that the declaration also relates to the additional area of land	Delegation	X	X							16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 10: Major Project Impact Statements											
48	60ZX(1).Provision to Panel of further information	The Council's function of taking all reasonable steps to provide the Panel with information specified in a request made pursuant section 60ZW(1) .	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 14: Major Project Permits											
49	60ZZP(10).Major project permit may be granted subject to conditions or restrictions	The Planning Authority's function of requiring works to be carried out to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority in accordance with this section	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 2A - MAJOR PROJECTS - SUBDIVISION 15: Amendment and Cancellation of Major Project Permits											
50	60ZZAA(5).Determination as to whether, and the manner in which, proposed significant amendment may be assessed	The Council's function of receiving notification from the Commission	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
51	60ZZAB(4).Enforcement Certificates	(4) The Planning Authority's functions of enforcing this Act pursuant to an Enforcement Certificate	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 3 - PLANNING APPEALS											
52	61.Appeals against planning decisions	The Planning Authority's functions and powers of participating in an appeal	Delegation	X				X	X	X	X	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 4 - OFFENCES, REMEDIES, ETC.											
53	63.Obstruction of sealed schemes	The Planning Authority's power to initiate legal proceedings for the obstruction of a planning scheme	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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			Appointment, Delegation or Authorisation	Council (as the Planning Authority)	Council	General Manager	General Manager	Director - Community & Development Services	Manager - Community & Development Services	Town Planner	Director - Infrastructure	Date(s) of Delegation / Authorisation	Resolution Number
											Notes		
54	63B(3) Notice of suspected contravention, &c., may be given	The Planning Authority's function of issuing a notice in writing addressing the matters in subsections (a) - (c) to a person as soon as practicable if a notice in relation to a contravention or failure, or likely contravention or failure, is given by a person to the Planning Authority.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
55	64 Civil enforcement proceedings	The Planning Authority's function of receiving notice in writing under section 63B(1) and participating in an appeal	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X	Council to be advised at the next Ordinary Council Meeting.	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 4A - ENFORCEMENT BY PLANNING AUTHORITIES											
56	65B(5) Notice of intention to issue enforcement notice	The Planning Authority's function of notifying in writing an owner of land, in relation to which a Notice of Intention to Issue an Enforcement Notice is served under subsection (1) , if the person on whom the notice is served is not the owner of the land.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
57	65C(5) Enforcement notices	The Planning Authority's function of notifying in writing an owner of land, in relation to which an Enforcement Notice is served under subsection (1) , if the person on whom the notice is served is not the owner of the land.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
58	65G Cancellation of permits	All of the Planning Authority's powers and functions to cancel a permit in relation to land in the municipal area of the authority by issuing and serving a notice in accordance with the requirements of this section.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 4		ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL, DIVISION 4B - AUTHORISED OFFICERS											
59	65I(2) Authorised officers	Authorisation to be an authorised officer of the municipal area of the Council for the purposes of this Act	Delegation			X		X	X		Exercise power of an authorised officer under this Act for the purposes of administration or enforcement of this Act in relation to land within the municipal area - s 65I(4)	16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
60	Part 4 Generally	Authority to represent the Planning Authority or to appoint a person to represent the Planning Authority and to give evidence, on a planning appeal or other action, including any mediation, before the TASCAT or any other body of competent jurisdiction.	Delegation	X								16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
PART 5		AGREEMENTS											
61	71 Planning authority may enter into agreements	The Planning Authority's powers to enter into an agreement with an owner of land in the area covered by the planning scheme in accordance with this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
62	74(3) Duration of agreement	The Planning Authority's powers to end an agreement with the approval of the Commission or by agreement between the authority and all persons who are bound by any covenant in the agreement.	Delegation	X			X	X	X			16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
63	75 Amendment of agreements	The Planning Authority's powers to amend an agreement by agreement between all persons who are bound by any covenant in the agreement.	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21
64	76 Agreement to be lodged with Commission	The Planning Authority's functions of (1) lodging a copy of an agreement at the office of the Commission without delay after and agreement is made; and (2) keeping a copy of each agreement, indicating any amendment made to it, at its office available for any person to inspect	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21

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											Notes	Date(s) of Delegation / Authorisation	Resolution Number
65	78 Registration of agreements, &c.	All of the Planning Authority's powers and functions to lodge with the Recorder an executed copy of an agreement in accordance with the requirements of this section	Delegation	X			X	X	X	X		16-Jul-18 20-Jul-20 17-May-21	Minute 128/18 Minute 109/20 Minute 80/21



Policy 53 – Emergency Relief Grant

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Adopted: **21 August 2017**
Minute 162/17

Version: **1**

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Council Minute No: **156/21**

OBJECTIVE

To provide a framework for Council to allocate funds in an efficient and effective manner to local residents experiencing sudden hardship or disaster.

POLICY

Council will consider providing up to a maximum of \$1000 financial assistance to individuals that reside in the Dorset municipal area who experience sudden financial hardship due to: (i) destruction or damage of property not caused intentionally, (ii) a family emergency, or (iii) other emergency/disaster associated changes in circumstances beyond the individual/s control.

Funding Allocation

In preparing its annual budget, Council will determine the overall budget allocation for the Emergency Relief Grant.

Assessment and Determination

Assessment and determination for providing financial assistance under the program will be undertaken by Dorset Council's Emergency Relief Grant Panel, comprised of three Councillors.

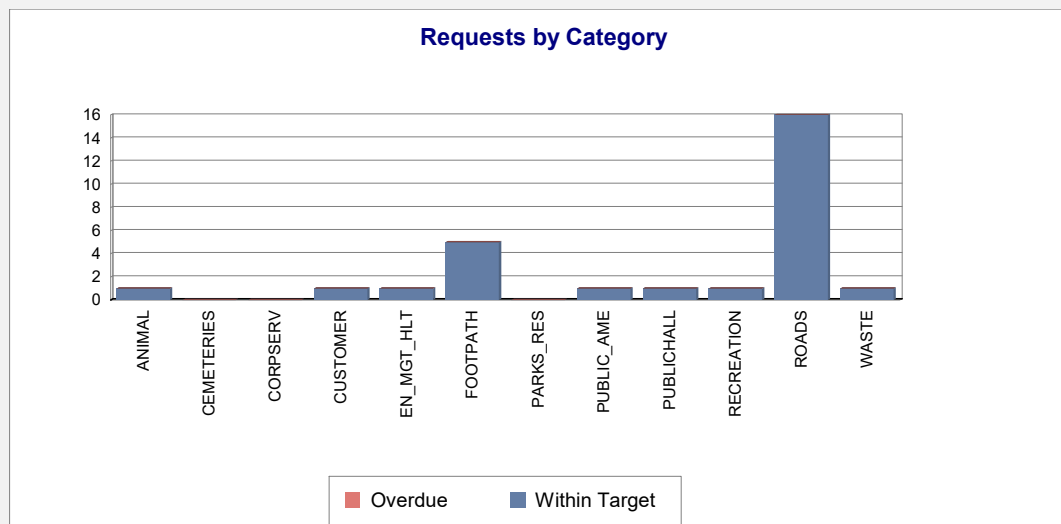
Only individuals that permanently reside in the Dorset municipality will be eligible to apply for funding under the grant.

Applicants seeking (i) to replace funding lost from other funding sources, or (ii) funding assistance that could otherwise be provided via a more suitable program or service, are not eligible to apply for funding under this program.

No written application is necessary, and each situation will be considered in relation to financial context, known individual circumstances, urgency of necessary assistance and personal merit. Specific information may be sought from individuals or acquaintances to assist the Selection Panel in their decision-making process.

Funding Notification

Councillors will be notified of any allocation of funds through the Community and Development departmental briefing report, provided within the Council Meeting Agenda, which will include reasoning behind the allocation of funding. Personal details of applicants (or acquaintances of applicants approached to assist decision-making) may not be disclosed publicly, in order to maintain discretion and protect individuals' privacy as appropriate.



Customer Request Summary by Category

For period 01/07/2026 to 31/07/2026

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Major / Minor Category	New	Closed	Within Tgt	%	Overdue	%
Animals	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Barking Dog	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Cemeteries	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Springfield Cemetery Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Corporate Services General	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Corporate Services General Enquiries	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Customer Service	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Customer Service General Enquiries	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Environmental Management and Health	1	1	1	100%	0	0%

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Environmental Management and Health	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Noise Pollution	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Footpath Enquiries	6	5	5	83%	0	0%
Bridport Footpath Maintenance	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Scottsdale Footpath Maintenance	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Urban Footpath Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Parks & Reserves	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Bridport Parks and Reserves Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Public Amenities	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridport Public Amenities Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Public Halls Buildings	3	1	1	33%	0	0%
Bridport Public Hall Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Council Office Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Nugget Sellars Hall Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Recreation Grounds	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Scottsdale Recreation Ground Maintenance	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Roads	18	16	16	89%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Mowing and Slashing	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Maintenance	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Stormwater Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Maintenance	4	4	4	100%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Signage & Guide Post Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Spraying and Pest Control	2	2	2	100%	0	0%

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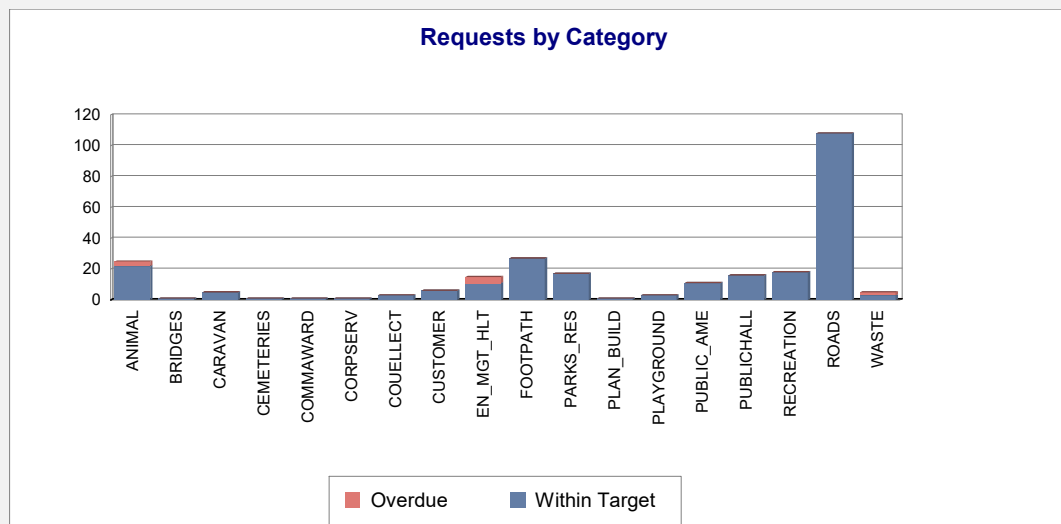
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Roads	18	16	16	89%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Maintenance	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Stormwater Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Urban Roads - Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Waste Management	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Waste Management Enquiries	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
GRAND TOTAL	39	28	28	72%	0	0%



Customer Request Summary by Category

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Major / Minor Category	New	Closed	Within Tgt	%	Overdue	%
Animals	28	25	22	79%	3	11%
Animal Enquiry	11	11	10	91%	1	9%
Dog Attack	2	2	1	50%	1	50%
Barking Dog	11	9	9	82%	0	0%
Dog Enquiry	3	2	1	33%	1	33%
Animal Welfare	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridges	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridge Enquiries	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Caravan Parks	5	5	5	100%	0	0%
Branhholm Caravan Park Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%

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Major / Minor Category	New	Closed	Within Tgt	%	Overdue	%
Caravan Parks	5	5	5	100%	0	0%
Bridport Caravan Park Maintenance	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Northeast Caravan Park Maintenance	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Cemeteries	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Ellesmere Cemetery Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Springfield Cemetery Maintenance	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Community Awards	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Communtiy Awards - Enquiries	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Corporate Services General	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Corporate Services General Enquiries	1	0	0	0%	0	0%
Rates Enquiries	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Council Elections	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Council Elections Enquiries	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Customer Service	6	6	6	100%	0	0%
Customer Service General Enquiries	6	6	6	100%	0	0%
Environmental Management and Health	19	15	11	58%	4	21%
Fire Hazards	9	6	5	56%	1	11%
Environmental Management & Health General Enquiries	3	3	2	67%	1	33%
Noise Pollution	7	6	4	57%	2	29%
Footpath Enquiries	30	27	27	90%	0	0%
Bridport Footpath Maintenance	10	8	8	80%	0	0%
Scottsdale Footpath Maintenance	10	10	10	100%	0	0%
Urban Footpath Maintenance	10	9	9	90%	0	0%

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Parks & Reserves	20	17	17	85%	0	0%
Bridport Parks and Reserves Maintenance	7	6	6	86%	0	0%
Scottsdale Parks and Reserves Maintenance	7	5	5	71%	0	0%
Urban Parks and Reserves Maintenance	6	6	6	100%	0	0%
Planning & Building Services	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Planning Enquiries	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Playground Maintenance	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Bridport Playground Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Scottsdale Playground Maintenance	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Public Amenities	12	11	11	92%	0	0%
Bridport Public Amenities Maintenance	4	4	4	100%	0	0%
Scottsdale Public Amenities Maintenance	8	7	7	88%	0	0%
Public Halls Buildings	19	16	16	84%	0	0%
Bridport Public Hall Maintenance	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Council Office Maintenance	9	7	7	78%	0	0%
Nugget Sellars Hall Maintenance	2	1	1	50%	0	0%
Urban Public Hall Maintenance	5	5	5	100%	0	0%
Recreation Grounds	21	18	18	86%	0	0%
Bridport Recreation Ground Maintenance	4	4	4	100%	0	0%
Scottsdale Recreation Ground Maintenance	14	11	11	79%	0	0%
Urban Recreation Ground Maintenance	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Roads	125	108	108	86%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Mowing and Slashing	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Maintenance	5	5	5	100%	0	0%

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Major / Minor Category	New	Closed	Within Tgt	%	Overdue	%
Roads	125	108	108	86%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Spray and Pest Control	2	2	2	100%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Stormwater Maintenance	3	2	2	67%	0	0%
Bridport Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	6	5	5	83%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Maintenance	46	43	43	93%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Signage & Guide Post Maintenance	6	5	5	83%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Spraying and Pest Control	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	9	6	6	67%	0	0%
Rural Roads - Mowing and Slashing	13	12	12	92%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Mowing and Slashing	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Maintenance	9	6	6	67%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Stormwater Maintenance	7	4	4	57%	0	0%
Scottsdale Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	6	6	6	100%	0	0%
Urban Roads - Maintenance	4	3	3	75%	0	0%
Urban Roads - Speed Limit Enquiries	3	3	3	100%	0	0%
Urban Roads - Tree and Vegetation Maintenance	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Waste Management	7	5	3	43%	2	29%
Waste Collection Issues	1	1	1	100%	0	0%
Waste Management Enquiries	6	4	2	33%	2	33%
GRAND TOTAL	305	264	255	84%	9	3%

DORSET COUNCIL – Planning Approvals

July 2026

DEV-2026/30	Forme Studio Tasmania 12 Andrews PL BRIDPORT	Lodged 30/03/2026 Value of Works - \$700,000	Residential - Construction of a single dwelling Determined APPD on 29/07/2026
DEV-2026/44	Boxx Projects 7 Morgan ESP TOMAHAWK	Lodged 12/05/2026 Value of Works - \$5,000	Erection of outbuilding Determined APPD on 09/07/2026
DEV-2026/45	MDC Design and Drafting 19 Marilyn DR BRIDPORT	Lodged 19/05/2026 Value of Works - \$620,000	Construction of a single dwelling Determined APPD on 29/07/2026
DEV-2026/49	Planning Ahead Tasmania 33,308 Tasman HWY LEGERWOOD	Lodged 26/05/2026 Value of Works - \$300,000	Construction of a dwelling Determined APPD on 08/07/2026
DEV-2026/50	Forme Studio Tasmania 2,119 Bridport RD BRIDPORT	Lodged 26/05/2026 Value of Works - \$150,000	Additions and alterations to existing dwelling Determined APPD on 28/07/2026
DEV-2026/51	Bison Constructions 20 Ten Mile TRK SCOTTSDALE	Lodged 26/05/2026 Value of Works - \$100,000	Extension to existing workshop Determined APPD on 29/07/2026
DEV-2026/52	Design to Live 30/45 Elizabeth ST BRIDPORT	Lodged 28/05/2026 Value of Works - \$650,000	Additional multiple dwelling Determined APPD on 13/07/2026

DEV-2026/59	Mr R A Shedden 30 William ST SCOTTSDALE	Lodged 17/06/2026	Construction of a canopy roof Determined APPD on 27/07/2026
SUB-2026/1356	Mr P C Hadley 36120 Tasman HWY SPRINGFIELD	Lodged 25/06/2026	Boundary Adjustment - 2 lots Determined APPD on 29/07/2026
DEV-2026/70	Abel Design Tas 23 Frederick ST RINGAROOMA	Lodged 10/07/2026 Value of Works - \$12,000	Residential Outbuilding (Carport) Determined APPD on 23/07/2026

DORSET COUNCIL – Building Approvals

July 2026

BLD-2026/44	MDC Design and Drafting 238 Boddingtons RD BRIDPORT	Lodged 01/07/2026 Value of Works - \$1,200,000	New Tourist Accommodation (4 x Units) & Shed Determined APPR on 01/07/2026
OTH-2026/47	Mr S B Wallis 8 French ST SCOTTSDALE	Lodged 02/07/2026 Value of Works - \$600,000	New Dwelling Determined APPR on 02/07/2026
BLD-2026/42	6ty Pty Ltd 429 Waterhouse RD BRIDPORT	Lodged 08/07/2026 Value of Works - \$800,000	New Visitor Accommodation Unit (Unit 9 only) Determined APPR on 08/07/2026
BLD-2026/49	Mr M Stevenson 28 Emily ST BRIDPORT	Lodged 16/07/2026 Value of Works - \$1,500,000	New Fire Station Determined APPR on 16/07/2026
OTH-2026/50	Forme Studio Tasmania 21 Northbourne AVE SCOTTSDALE	Lodged 17/07/2026 Value of Works - \$50,000	Re-Roof Existing Dwellings (Unit 28 & 29) Determined APPR on 17/07/2026
OTH-2026/52	Mr W C Brown 9 Neville DR BRIDPORT	Lodged 17/07/2026 Value of Works - \$55,000	Solar Panel Installation Determined APPR on 17/07/2026
OTH-2026/41	Design to Live 91 Bentley ST BRIDPORT	Lodged 21/07/2026 Value of Works - \$750,000	New Dwelling, Shed & Retaining Wall Determined APPR on 21/07/2026

OTH-2026/48	Ms N A Ross 13 Cranstoun ST BRANXHOLM	Lodged 21/07/2026 Value of Works - \$220,000	Additions & Alterations to Dwelling & Studio Determined APPR on 21/07/2026
OTH-2026/56	Boxx Projects 7 Morgan ESP TOMAHAWK	Lodged 23/07/2026 Value of Works - \$5,000	New Shed Determined APPR on 23/07/2026
OTH-2026/53	Miss R M Barnett 13 Marilyn DR BRIDPORT	Lodged 31/07/2026 Value of Works - \$38,049	New Shed Determined APPR on 22/07/2026

DORSET COUNCIL – Plumbing Approvals

July 2026

SP-2026/44	MDC Design and Drafting 238 Boddingtons RD BRIDPORT	Lodged 01/07/2026 Value of Works - \$1,200,000	New Tourist Accommodation (4 x Units) & Shed Determined APPR on 01/07/2026
OTH-2026/47	Mr S B Wallis 8 French ST SCOTTSDALE	Lodged 02/07/2026 Value of Works - \$600,000	New Dwelling Determined APPR on 02/07/2026
OTH-2026/42	6ty Pty Ltd 429 Waterhouse RD BRIDPORT	Lodged 08/07/2026 Value of Works - \$800,000	New Visitor Accommodation Unit (Unit 9 only) Determined APPR on 08/07/2026
SP-2026/48	Ms N A Ross 13 Cranstoun ST BRANXHOLM	Lodged 21/07/2026 Value of Works - \$220,000	Additions & Alterations to Dwelling & Studio Determined APPR on 21/07/2026
OTH-2026/41	Design to Live 91 Bentley ST BRIDPORT	Lodged 21/07/2026 Value of Works - \$750,000	New Dwelling, Shed & Retaining Wall Determined APPR on 21/07/2026
OTH-2026/57	Wilkin Design and Drafting Pty Ltd 83 Main ST BRIDPORT	Lodged 31/07/2026 Value of Works - \$350,000	Shop Alterations & Additions Determined APPR on 31/07/2026