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Council Meeting

18 November 2024

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Meeting Opened: 6:34 pm

Present: Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw

General Manager: John Marik, Assistant General Manager / Director – Community & Development: Rohan Willis, Director – Infrastructure: Kerry Sacilotto, Acting Director – Corporate Services: Lauren Tolputt, Finance Manager: Allison Saunders, Executive Assistant: Sarah Forsyth

Apologies: Nil

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 Legerwood 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 222/24

Declaration of an Interest of the Commissioner or Close Associate

In accordance with Regulation 8 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* and the Local Government Code of Conduct for Tasmanian councillors, the Commissioner is requested to indicate whether he has, or is likely to have a pecuniary interest (any pecuniary interest or pecuniary detriment) or conflict of interest in any item on the Agenda.

INTEREST DECLARED

Nil

Item 223/24

Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting Minutes – 21 October 2024

Ref: DOC/24/14544

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday, 21 October 2024 finds them to be a true record and recommends that they be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Meeting held on 21 October 2024 having been circulated to the Commissioner, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

The Chair to advise if there are any questions in relation to the Closed Session Minutes that would require them to be discussed in Closed Session.

Item 224/24

Confirmation of Ordinary Meeting of Council Closed Session Minutes – 21 October 2024

Ref: DOC/24/14549

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting Closed Session held on Monday, 21 October 2024 finds them to be a true record and recommends that they be taken as read and signed as a correct record.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That the Minutes of Proceedings of the Dorset Council Ordinary Closed Session Meeting held on 21 October 2024 having been circulated to the Commissioner, be confirmed as a true record.

CARRIED

DECISION**MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw**

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 18 November 2024 Council Meeting.

CARRIED**Item 226/24****Public Question Time**The following questions were **taken on notice** at the 21 October 2024 Council Meeting:**Mr Jeff Jennings, Bridport**

1. *What procedural changes will the Dorset Council make to ensure that conditions laid down in any planning permits are strictly followed? In recent construction, the building footprint intruded onto a crown reserve, altering the landscape and removing vegetation. This was despite a condition in the planning permit that stated “measures will ensure that native vegetation outside the development area is satisfactorily protected during construction works”. See photo 1 below.*

**Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:**

As provided in Council's October 2024 Council Agenda papers (in response to public questions received at the August 2024 Council Meeting), the vegetation clearance / disturbance that has occurred within the proponent's land is lawful and consistent with planning permit conditions and building approval requirements. Responsibility for the extent of vegetation disturbance upon the Crown land public reserve adjoining the development site – although replaced by like-for-like individuals of marram grass (a non-native, exotic species introduced to Tasmania from Europe to stabilise coastal dunes) – sits with the proponent. Although the vegetation disturbance of marram grass may not expressly conflict with the 'native vegetation' reference within the condition you refer to, it is nonetheless a contravention of the *Crown Lands Act 1976* for a person, without lawful authority, to cut, remove, take or damage any trees or vegetation upon a public reserve such as the subject Crown land. As such, and as conveyed in Council's October 2024 Council Agenda papers Council is in contact with Property Services (the relevant State authority with administrative carriage of the *Crown Lands Act 1976*) and progressing appropriate measures of reprimand in relation to the matter.

Ultimately, the responsibility for compliance with conditions imposed on planning permits is the responsibility of the permit holder (and, noting that planning permits 'run with the land' to which they are granted upon, the landowner/s). Council undertakes routine site visits of proposed and existing development sites to observe compliance with planning scheme requirements and, where applicable, any conditions imposed upon planning permits. Where non-compliance is observed, proceedings to course-correct through enforcement are enacted.

2. *What steps does the Dorset Council take in ensuring that all planning permit conditions are met before any construction takes place? A list of permit conditions is listed in the permit but no one in Council ensured these were followed. Who is responsible for checking this?*

Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

Council officers met with representatives for the proponent subsequent to the original planning permit for the subject development being approved in September 2023. Planning permit conditions were discussed at length during this meeting – including discussion upon the proximity of the public reserve to the development site. Council officers – acting as 'permit authority' during the building approval assessment process – also reviewed documentation received from the proponent during that process to ensure consistency between planning permit conditions and submitted building plans.

The inference being drawn that planning permit conditions in relation to vegetation clearance at the site were not met is incorrect. As noted, it was marram grass upon the public reserve – a non-native vegetation variety – that was impacted by construction activities of the proponent. Despite this, Council has assisted in the investigation of the matter with Property Services and progressing appropriate measures of reprimand. As noted in response to the above question, Council undertakes routine site visits of proposed and existing development sites to observe compliance with planning scheme requirements and, where applicable, any conditions imposed upon planning permits. Where non-compliance is observed, proceedings to course-correct through enforcement are enacted. Council also works closely with various private building surveyors that service the Dorset municipality to support them to informally observe planning permit conditions whilst undertaking building inspections for their respective clients and report back to Council on any observed non-compliance.

It is important to also understand that not 'all' conditions imposed on planning permits must be complied with prior to construction works commencing. Some conditions are crafted in a manner that require certain measures to be undertaken, or certain infrastructure to be installed, prior to the approved 'use' being commenced (e.g. occupancy of an approved building). Other conditions may be applied to a permit that apply continuously throughout the life of a permit (e.g. restricting the use of a particular building to specific type of use). Conditions upon permits are therefore crafted in a manner that necessarily uphold the requirements of the planning scheme and deliver upon these requirements in a fair, functional and logical sequence.

Mr Lawrence Archer, Bridport

On page 19, in officers comments - to do with your investment policy - it says "that in 2018 and alternative approach for the investment of surplus Council funds was undertaken by allowing a small amount to be invested in a spread of high performance management funds. Although initially successful as an investment strategy due to the instability of the world's financial markets resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic, Council made the decision to withdraw all money from those funds."

1. *How small amount was it that was invested in that high performance management funds?*

Response from General Manager, John Marik:

The initial investment into managed funds in the 2019 financial year was \$1.6 million of Council's \$9.3 million in surplus cash at the time, or 17% of the funds. This included a conservative portfolio of four funds of highly diversified and non-correlated asset classes including a small amount into Australian Equities (\$323,000, or 3.5% of surplus cash), currency hedged international infrastructure (\$172,200, or 1.9% of surplus cash) and the remaining two funds into high grade, mostly AAA rated Government bonds (\$1,104,800). A further \$3.5 million was invested early in the 2020 financial year into Australian Government bonds (AAA rated) and cash only funds returning slightly higher interest rates than term deposits. Following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in January / February, Council withdrew all managed funds by the end of March 2020.

2. *How much gain did the Council make out of that investment over and above what it would have made out of normal bank interest?*

Response from General Manager, John Marik:

In the 2019 financial year, the \$1.6 million invested in managed funds returned gains of \$105,000 (rounded), with a rate of return on investment of 6.6%. Interest rates received on Council's term deposits during the same period were between 2.51% and 2.70%. Using an average of these rates Council could have returned interest of \$25,000 or a rate of return on investment of 1.6%. The managed funds were invested for 8 months during the 2019 financial year, so average interest has been calculated over the same time period for comparability. This shows that Council made approximately \$80,000 over and above what would have been made out of normal bank interest during the same period.

In the 2020 financial year, the impact of COVID-19 on the economy saw a reversal of previous gains on Council's managed funds, with a loss of \$75,000 (rounded) received or a rate of return of (1.4%). Interest rates received on Council's term deposits during the same period were between 1.09% and 1.90%. Using an average of these rates Council could have returned interest of \$43,000 if the funds had been invested in term deposits, or a rate of return of 0.8%. When comparing the two investments over the two-year period, managed funds returned an overall gain of \$31,000, whereas investment in term deposits could have returned \$68,000.

The COVID-19 pandemic was an unforeseen and once in a lifetime event that impacted Council in many ways, including financial performance over that period. All managed funds were sold to ensure that available cash reserves were maximised to cover Council's wages, salaries and other obligations with Council planning for the worst-case scenario of possible cash flow issues as a result of COVID-19. Positively, the capital invested in managed funds was preserved during this time and an overall gain on investment was received.

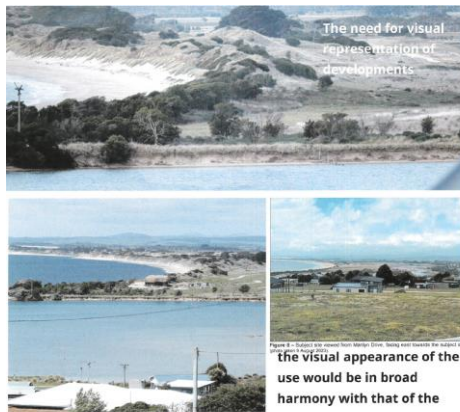
While a cash strategy investing purely in term deposits may seem like the safe option for Council, infrastructure cost inflation over the last 5 years has been almost double the headline general inflation rate nationally, including in Tasmania. This has materially diminished the buying power of Council's surplus cash and compounded the cost of infrastructure materially. My preference would be to continue to invest a very small portion of Council's surplus cash in equity and bond investments, however these investments can experience volatility which is inherent within share and money markets.

Council's focus remains on the timely renewal of municipal capital and infrastructure spend, especially where infrastructure inflation is larger than term deposit interest rates. Where infrastructure inflation is greater, holding too much cash may be a poor strategy. Council is a long-term asset manager and surplus cash is held as per cash flow planning requirements per Council's Financial Management Strategy and Long-Term Financial Plan. Going forward, all Council's surplus

cash will be invested in term deposits only, to minimise investment volatility, which comes at the expense of conservatively increasing returns.

Mr Jeff Jennings, Bridport

1. Will the Dorset Council ensure that adequate visual representations of proposed constructions are included in any major development application to ensure that the community have a clear concept of how the proposal will impact on existing buildings and visual amenity? In a previous situation, a major development was deemed to be of little or no visual impact on the rural amenity of the area, however that has not proved to be the case and this situation could have been clarified if conceptual drawings and visual representations included in the planning application. See photo 2, 2a and 2b below.

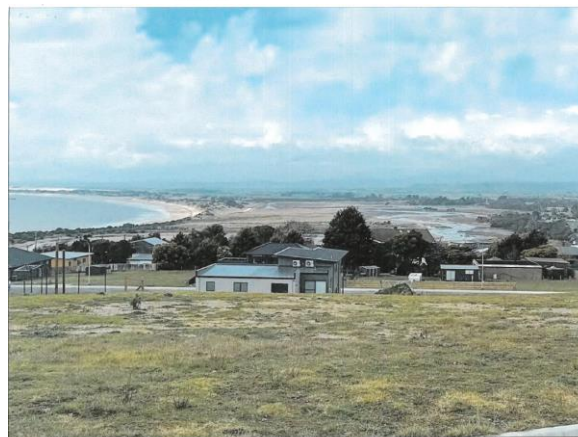


The proposed use and development is expected to have a visual appearance that will be consistent with the local area. In this regard, the proposed buildings will be located along the coastal fringe of the site which forms part of the broader Barnbougle estate that contains buildings in a similar location. The visual appearance of the proposed buildings will be minimised by keeping the buildings below the maximum building height allowed by the corresponding acceptable solution (12m)

PHOTO 2



2a



2b

Figure 8 – Subject site viewed from Marilyn Drive, facing east towards the subject site (photo taken 9 August 2023).

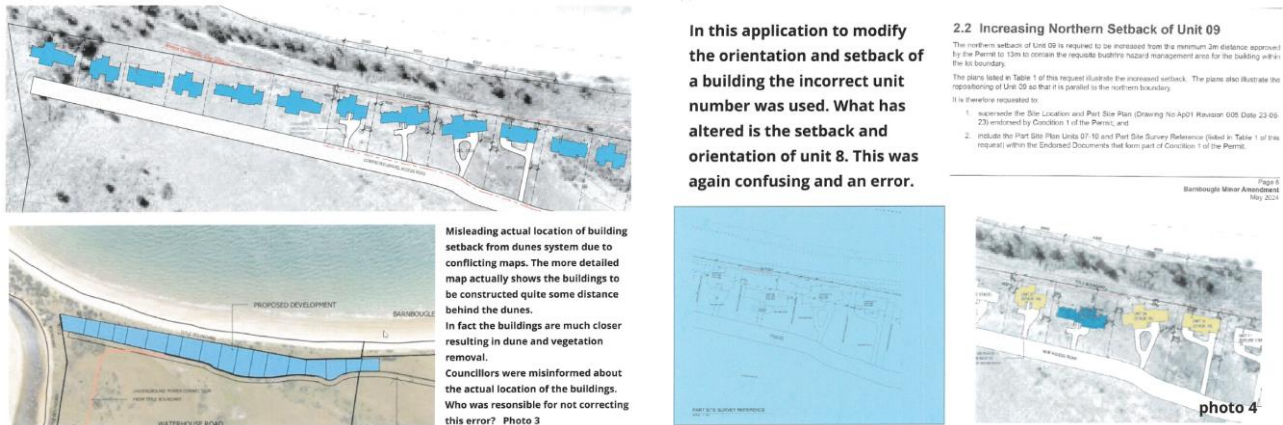
Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

The suggested 'blanket approach' to mandatorily requiring "visual representations" (assumedly photo montages, etc.) of proposed constructions is not supported by the planning scheme. Unilaterally imposing this requirement upon all so-called "major developments" could reasonably be challenged by proponents through the Tasmanian Civil & Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT) as being superfluous (and cost excessive) to the needs of the respective assessment; particularly if the proposed development is satisfying all acceptable solutions for setbacks, building heights, etc. relevant to assessment of the development within the planning scheme.

Instead of exposing Council to potentially ill-fated and expensive appeal proceedings, Council planning officers take a nuanced approach to ascertaining the merit and value of visual aides / representations being required to support assessment of development applications. This approach is properly informed by the requirements of the planning scheme and determination upon, to what extent, accurate visual aides depicting the development within the landscape and its context may

benefit a proper appreciation of the development by the public during the public advertisement process.

2. *How does the Dorset Council ensure maps and documents presented to Councillors are accurate? In a recent development application the consultants submitted maps that showed conflicting property boundaries and miss labelled units that were submitted for approval. See photo 3 and 4 below.*



Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

Depending upon the size and complexity of a particular development concept, some of the content submitted within a development application may inadvertently be inconsistent with content elsewhere in the application (e.g. maps depicting building locations that rely on different GIS platforms or sources of aerial imagery). There are various means available to Council of reconciling these differences. Sometimes these inconsistencies are able to be identified and ‘ironed-out’ pre-application lodgement with the proponent. At other times, Council can request further information from the proponent during the assessment process (within certain statutory timeframes) to reconfigure and address inconsistencies. In addition, Council can reconcile differences through imposition of permit conditions that require development to be conducted in a particular manner, or located within a particular position on the site, etc.

If inconsistencies within a particular application are so conflicting and of such ‘materiality’ that they compromise the coherent consideration of the concept at hand, then officers would likely have no choice but to recommend a refusal of a permit.

3. *What steps will the Dorset Council take to ensure that no further vegetation removal or landscape alterations will be allowed on the coastal reserve area on Barnboughe Beach, when new buildings are constructed as part of this development?*

Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

As noted, it is the obligation of the proponent to comply with conditions of the planning permit and the requirements otherwise of the planning scheme. Council will continue to enforce compliance of its planning scheme and the conditions of the relevant planning permit. As also noted, requirements of the *Crown Lands Act 1976* have relevance to the public reserve along Barnboughe Beach and require lawful observance of same.

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

Jenny Bellinger, Pioneer

Could someone advise us how to obtain the keys for the Pioneer Hall so that we could have a public meeting?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

The Acting Director – Corporate Services, Lauren Tolputt will have a chat with you after the meeting.

Is there any ideas about what's going to happen to the James Scott building at the NESM Hospital?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Kelvin Moyne, Tomahawk

I'm concerned about these wind turbines proposed for Tomahawk and I want to know the Council's view on the project and whether you can help us (Tomahawk residents) out to stop them?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

In relation to the to the proposed wind farm, it is not a project that is currently being assessed by anyone, and it a project that probably will be assessed as a major project by the Tasmanian Planning Commission.

If this is a major project, surely the Council have to give agreement have it considered as one?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

The best advice I could provide is that you should continue to talk to the developers ACEN, because they're still working out the project. So, the best chance you've got of getting modifications of what they're showing you, is talking to them about your concerns. Once they lodge the application, it will go through a formal process, and you will get opportunity to comment about your concerns. At the moment Council don't exactly know what the what the footprint of the project is because they haven't lodged any planning application with the State Government.

Myles Clarke, North Scottsdale

- 1. Is it part of Council's role to advocate and represent community views on some of these bigger planning issues like the proposed wind farm, mine, etc.?*
- 2. I believe that the State Government has been trying to take some of the control of planning decisions away from Council, is that the case or if I misunderstood it?*

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

So, in relation to your first question, Council is a planning authority which has a planning framework. Part of the planning framework, Council has the Dorset Council Planning Scheme. Whenever Council receive a development application, it needs to be assessed against the criteria within that planning framework. The planning authority needs to consider every application on its merits, about how that fits within the Planning Scheme. It is a process that both the developer and the community get equal opportunity. If an application ticks the boxes a developer could receive approval without any public consultation, but if it is what's known as a section 57 application, that

will be advertised, the community are given the opportunity to lodge representations. It's not Council's role in relation to a developer to promote their project. Some developers will conduct their own consultation, some won't.

There are different types of applications. Like I said, some are permitted which mean they meet all the criteria, some are discretionary which means that they must be publicly advertised. There are other levels of activity, such as a level 2 activity, which means that other agencies such as the Environmental Protection Authority are involved with, and a dual assessment process is undertaken. Then there are other projects which a previous member of public asked about tonight, being projects of state significance, where they can bypass the Council and be assessed through a different process through the State Planning Commission.

Further Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

Council - as a planning authority - have statutory obligations to ensure that we cast judgement on applications in an impartial manner. It can sometimes be a challenging role, but it is a role that we have to fulfil under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act legislation.

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

Your second question, which is in relation to development assessment panels. At the moment the State Government are looking to put in Development Assessment Panels and what is being proposed is putting a layer in between Council's current decision-making process and what is not quite a project of regional or state significance. The Bill, as it was consulted on, is saying that if certain projects reached a certain threshold being money or certain criteria, a developer could bypass the Council process and go directly to a Development Assessment Panel. The Panel would be made up of independent people that are appointed, I think as it is currently written, by the Tasmanian Planning Commission. That is not currently in force, but they are reporting that it will go before Parliament this week.

Kerrie Donaldson, Telita

I run a get fit class at the Derby Hall. There's a stop sign as you walk out the front of the Hall and there is a no parking zone. We have weights and equipment to take to these classes. I don't know how long the stop signs been there, but we have only noticed it in the last two weeks. On the other of the street, there is no parking and we can understand that, but on the same side as the Hall. We have people who can't walk a long distance. Down the back of the Hall is a ramp and it has 2 steps for them to get down and for us to take our trolley of equipment. Could a ramp be installed for access to the Hall?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Lin Simpson, Pioneer

Firstly, I have a petition here to stop the proposed sand quarry that I would like to table.

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

Thank you, Council will table the petition at the December Council Meeting.

Also, when did the Pioneer Lake change to a quarry in February last year? There was no consultation, there was nothing in any papers, just all of a sudden, the Pioneer Lake now is a quarry.

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Why is the word 'sandbar' on two signs on site spelt completely different to what all the paperwork states (in relation to the current development application for a sand mine at Pioneer)?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Grant Elmer, Pioneer

When they stopped stocking the Lake with salmon and tuna, is that the time that they found out that they were going to start quarrying at the at the back of Pioneer Lake?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Vincent Teichmann, Pioneer

Firstly, besides being a planning authority at times, Dorset Council's role is to serve advocate for an improved life for the ratepayers of Dorset amongst other things, is it not?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

Council has broad responsibilities, yes.

Are you familiar with Dorset Council's Policy 39 – Community Consultation and Communications?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

Yes.

My question is whether you know this policy, which you're meant to be governed by, because it is a Council Policy that was passed by Council motion before you became Commissioner. Are you not bound by it?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

I believe we follow that, Policy.

You've known that Sandbar wanted to engage in level 2 mining for almost 18 months and without actually speaking about the planning application side of it, you've known about this since March 2023. As a Council representing the citizens of Dorset and the residents and ratepayers of Pioneer, isn't it also your responsibility to fully inform and communicate with, as per this Policy which you say that you know the contents of, which says in here that you should consult with people on issues that affect their lives.?

Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

My first knowledge of this application was when it was publicly advertised. The Council Officers may have been working on it, but as the planning authority we don't get involved until the appropriate time.

Could Council to please look into your records and share with the community, whether there was substantial commencement of mining at the Lake and what information was provided?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Commissioner, I have a question or two through you for the General Manager. Has Dorset Council undertaken a road safety audit of Cascade Dam Road and if so, may I ask where it's at, what the outcome was and where I can get a copy?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Given that that has now been over 2 years since I first asked you for a letter of support, have you made a decision yet?

Response from Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis:

Council Officers are in the process of finalising a draft policy on shuttle bus operations from the trailhead. We've been engaging with the Parks and Wildlife Service about the policy that we are seeking to prepare. It will be accompanied by an application process whereby shuttle operators would make application to Council to ultimately seek a permit from Council. We wanted to make sure that we were working collaboratively with Parks and Wildlife Service Officers because obviously they have their own approval processes for these things, being NBT (nature-based tourism) licences. We've gone through a process with them to make sure that there is no duplication of the process, as we want to make it simple for people. We're also making sure that we get some legal clarification on a few points as there are aspects that we want to have included in the policy. These include ensuring that there are police checks undertaken for shuttle operators, current working the vulnerable, people card, etc. as ultimately these people are operating from Council managed land. We want to make sure that they're doing the brand justice and that they're not causing issues.

I shouldn't have to be governed by a policy that never existed when I applied three years ago for a letter of support. You, Mr Marik, have been in the job for two years and you've told me several times that you'd decide soon. This was at Council Meetings in Pioneer and in Derby in February and March 2023, over 18 months ago. Have you made the decision yet and what is your reason for refusing my letter of support for my business?

Response from General Manager, John Marik:

I want to have a policy in place to make that decision.

How do you feel that you're complying with this policy (communication and consultation) when you give me a time frame and then you don't stick to it? You don't communicate with me for over 12 months, and I've heard nothing from you.

Response from General Manager, John Marik:

We went out to consultation on this new policy in October last year, we gave you the invite you did not attend the Town Hall meeting.

I did not receive any invites from you. Can you please advise how this was sent, mail, email?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Mervyn Jones, Legerwood

Can you tell me whether the quarry / gravel pit on the Snake Track is still being used?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Where the Snake Track meets the Tasman Highway, can this junction be reviewed and is there going to be further works undertaken on this road in the future?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Vincent Teichmann, Pioneer

In terms of providing services to the residents of Dorset, how can you possibly consider that taking over 2 years to make such a simple decision, and three years if one counts the timing before John Marik's tenure, to make such a simple decision as issuing a letter of support for a long time ratepayer in Dorset is fair, reasonable or in keeping with your own policies, and especially your policy to support new small businesses?

QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE

Item 227/24	Deputations
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Nil

Item 228/24	Commissioner Question Time
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The following questions were received without notice from the Commissioner:

Nil

Item 229/24	Applications for Leave of Absence
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Nil

Item 230/24	Notices of Motion by the Commissioner
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Nil

ITEMS FOR DECISION

Item 231/24 **Quarterly Financial Report – Period Ended 30 September 2024**
Reporting Officer: Finance Manager, Allison Saunders
Ref: DOC/24/15932

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to present to Council and the community the financial performance for the 3 months ended 30 September 2024.

Recommendation

That Council receive the Quarterly Financial Report for the period ended 30 September 2024.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council receive the Quarterly Financial Report for the period ended 30 September 2024.

CARRIED

Item 232/24 **Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails Quarterly Update | Period Ended 30 September 2024**
Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik
Ref: DOC/24/15971 | Foundation Chair Report: DOC/24/16032 + Financials: DOC/24/16104

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide Council with a progress update on the Memorandum of Understanding between the Blue Derby Foundation and Council for the September 2024 quarter.

Recommendation

That Council receives the Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails quarterly update and financials for the period ended 30 September 2024.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council receives the Blue Derby Mountain Bike Trails quarterly update and financials for the period ended 30 September 2024.

CARRIED

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to adopt the Final Northern Tasmania Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. adopt the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024;
2. will look to prioritise recommendations from the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024; and
3. explore partnering opportunities with other northern councils and agencies to attain funding for priorities from the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council:

1. adopt the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024;
2. will look to prioritise recommendations from the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024; and
3. explore partnering opportunities with other northern councils and agencies to attain funding for priorities from the Northern Sports Facility Plan - Dorset Council Addendum 2024.

CARRIED

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is for Council to nominate a person for the position of Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator.

Recommendation

That Council make the following appointment for a term of 3 years:

- Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator – Kerry Sacilotto

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council make the following appointment for a term of 3 years:

- Dorset Municipal Emergency Management Coordinator – Kerry Sacilotto

CARRIED

Item 235/24 Review of Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor for Community Consultation

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis

Ref: DOC/24/15999 | Reviewed Policy: DOC/19/10092

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to review Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Draft Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor (copy provided at the Agenda Attachments);
2. Resolve to receive written submissions from the community regarding the Draft Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor for a 21-day period, commencing Wednesday, 20 November 2024; and
3. Return to a future Council Meeting to decide upon adoption of a final draft of Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor which gives consideration to the merits of received written submissions.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Draft Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor (copy provided at the Agenda Attachments);
2. Resolve to receive written submissions from the community regarding the Draft Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor for a 21-day period, commencing Wednesday, 20 November 2024; and
3. Return to a future Council Meeting to decide upon adoption of a final draft of Policy No. 55 – Mobile Food Vendor which gives consideration to the merits of received written submissions.

CARRIED

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to adopt the newly developed Policy No. 63 – Event Funding.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Adopt the newly developed Policy No. 63 – Event Funding;
2. Receive and note the Event Funding Program Guidelines; and
3. Receive and note the summary of submissions received from the 28-day consultation period that commenced on 18 September 2024.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council:

1. Adopt the newly developed Policy No. 63 – Event Funding;
2. Receive and note the Event Funding Program Guidelines; and
3. Receive and note the summary of submissions received from the 28-day consultation period that commenced on 18 September 2024.

CARRIED

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to present the newly developed draft Policy 64 – Private Works for endorsement to allow community consultation to take place.

Recommendation

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Draft Policy No. 64 – Private Works (copy provided in the attachments);
2. Resolve to receive written submissions from the community regarding the Draft Policy No. 64 – Private Works for a 14 day period, commencing Wednesday 20 November 2024; and
3. Return to a future Council Meeting to decide upon adoption of a final draft of Policy No. 64 – Private Works which gives consideration to the merits of received written submissions.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council:

1. Receive and note the Draft Policy No. 64 – Private Works (copy provided in the attachments);
2. Resolve to receive written submissions from the community regarding the Draft Policy No. 64 – Private Works for a 14 day period, commencing Wednesday 20 November 2024; and
3. Return to a future Council Meeting to decide upon adoption of a final draft of Policy No. 64 – Private Works which gives consideration to the merits of received written submissions.

CARRIED

ITEMS FOR NOTING

Item 238/24 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

5 November | Briefing Workshop

Item 239/24 Commissioner Communications

Commissioner Wardlaw's Calendar | 17 October 2024 – 13 November 2024

October 2024

- 17 Veolia Material Recovery Facility Opening, Devonport
- 18 Seniors Week 2024 | Community Lunch, Nugget Sellars Pavilion, Scottsdale
- 21 Weekly meeting with Council Management Team, Council Chambers
- 21 Media event with NE Advertiser, Eastmans Beach Amenities Block, Bridport
- 21 Community Meet and Greet session with Management Team, Bridport Hall
- 21 October Council Meeting, Bridport Hall
- 22 Meeting with ratepayer with Acting Director – Corporate Services, Scottsdale
- 23 Children's Week Party, Dorset Community House
- 23 Tasmanian Regional Development Champions 2024 Awards Event, The Workshop Inveresk, Launceston
- 24 Visit Northern Tasmania – Champions of Tourism Awards Event, Quamby Estate, Hagley
- 28 TasWater General Meeting with General Manager, Silo Hotel, Launceston
- 29 NTDC Northern Tasmania Population Workshop with General Manager, UTAS Inveresk Campus, Launceston
- 30 Rail Discussion with interested parties with General Manager, Council Chambers
- 31 Thank You BBQ for First Responders, North Eastern Soldiers Memorial Hospital, Scottsdale

November 2024

- 5 November Council Briefing Workshop, Council Chambers
- 6 Dorset Coastal Working Group Meeting, Bridport
- 7 City of Launceston Workshop Presentation with General Manager and Assistant General Manager on the North East Rail Trail Project, Launceston
- 8 Legerwood Catering Group Annual General Meeting, Legerwood Hall
- 11 North East Tasmania Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Dorset Community House
- 12 ABC Radio Interview
- 13 Future-Links Gladstone Meeting, Gladstone Hall

Item 240/24 Management Team Briefing Report

Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Commissioner and the community with a briefing on matters of interest dealt with during the past month by Council's Management Team.

Recommendation

That Council receive and note the Management Team Briefing Report.

DECISION

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council receive and note the Management Team Briefing Report.

CARRIED

CLOSURE OF MEETING

Time Meeting Closed: 7:53pm

Minutes Confirmed: 16 December 2024

Minute No: 262/24



Commissioner