

# Minutes

# **Council Meeting**

21 October 2024

**BRIDPORT HALL** 

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# Ordinary Meeting of Council

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# Council Meeting Minutes 21 October 2024

Meeting Opened: 6:00 pm

**Present:** Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw

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

Administration Officer: Elizabeth Hadley

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 Bridport 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 196/24 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

Ref: DOC/24/12911

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the <u>Ordinary</u> Meeting held on Monday, 16 September 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 <u>Ordinary</u> Meeting held on 16 September 2024 having been circulated to the Commissioner, be confirmed as a true record.

**CARRIED** 

Item 198/24 Confirmation of Special Meeting of Council Minutes – 19 September 2024

Ref: DOC/24/13114

The Chair reported that he had viewed the minutes of the <u>Special</u> Meeting held on Thursday, 19 September 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 <u>Special</u> Meeting held on 19 September 2024 having been circulated to the Commissioner, be confirmed as a true record.

**CARRIED** 

Item 199/24 Confirmation of Agenda

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council confirm the Agenda and order of business for the 21 October 2024 Council Meeting.

**CARRIED** 

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

At the **19 August 2024** Council Meeting, Ms Louise Brooker asked the following questions during public question time:

"Commissioner, as you know I was at the Council Meeting on the 18 September 2023 when you examined the 372-page development application for the 20 units at Barnbougle.

At that meeting we were told the units would be built behind the fore-dune. You asked for clarification about the rear toe of the dune and you passed a motion to allow the development to go ahead with the understanding that the units would be built "well back from the toe" (quote Town Planner). My questions relate to a discrepancy that has become obvious between the plans as exhibited and passed on 18 September 2023 and the position of the works that are currently being carried out:

- 1. Commissioner: Are you aware that the unit being built at the moment is not in the position you gave permission for, and that vegetation on the foredune has been removed and burnt in order for a deck which will in Mr Sattler's words: "give visitors the nice effect of being on really genuine beach front"?
- 2. Who gave permission for the position of the units to be moved? Is the Crown Lands authority aware of the changes? Indeed, are they even aware of the development per se?
- 3. In light of the fact that the dune has been modified, what will be done to rectify the situation and what steps will be taken to ensure that all the remaining vegetation at the site remain intact during future construction?"

The questions were noted and it was advised to Ms Brooker that Council officers were already liaising with Property Services personnel (the authority responsible for management of the Crown land public reserve neighbouring the subject development site addressed at Waterhouse Road, Bridport to the north) to investigate the matter.

In order to assess the allegations being made and to properly verify the location of the building in relation to approved setbacks from the property boundary onto Crown Land, Council subsequently requested a survey report to be undertaken by the proponent. This report has now been prepared and is provided at the agenda <u>attachments</u>.

Before providing a brief overview of the findings of the survey report, it is helpful to clarify some matters:

- The original planning permit decided upon at the September 2023 Council Meeting was granted on the basis of a 3 metre setback from the property boundary. In May this year, the proponent made application to Council to amend the planning permit in order to *increase* the setback of the building to 13 metres; this to accommodate bushfire hazard management setback requirements (i.e. ensuring the building could be constructed to achieve a compliant BAL Bushfire Attack Level rating). As part of this process, Council mandatorily notified all representors of the previous 2023 application, as required pursuant to provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*. Ms Brooker was one of these representors. It is noted that no representors sought to appeal the amendment. As such, the amendment became effective and the amended building setback (to 13 metres) was approved.
- Vegetation removal works undertaken around the periphery of the approved building that is contained within the land upon which the building was approved (CT 200350/1) is lawful and is

necessary in order for the development to be compliant with its approved bushfire hazard management plan. This vegetation removal – comprising predominantly marram grass and *Acacia sophorae* (coastal wattle) individuals and is exempt from requiring planning approval, pursuant to Clause 4.4.1 of Council's planning scheme.

The report has confirmed that the location and development footprint of the approved building is consistent with the setbacks and design approved under both the *existing* planning permit and the building permit – being 13 metres from the boundary. The report has also confirmed that the northern elevation of the constructed building footprint (i.e. the portion of the building closest to the dune) is located behind the toe of the dune. The location of the building is therefore considered to be compliant with the existing planning and buildings permits that authorised its construction.

It is noted that some during construction activities at the site an area of marram grass atop the dune and upon the public reserve was impacted by excavator activity. This area has since been replanted with marram grass individuals. Council remains in contact with Property Services upon this matter and is discussing appropriate measures of reprimand to ensure that no further activity upon, or disturbance of, the adjoining public reserve occurs without lawful authority to do so.

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

#### 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.



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?

#### **BOTH QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

#### Mr Lawrence Archer, Bridport

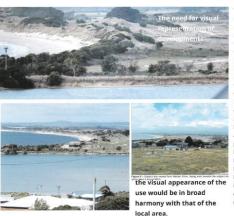
On page 19, in officers comments - to do with your investment policy - it says "that in 2018 and alternative approach for the investment of surplus Council funds was undertaken by allowing a small amount to be invested in a spread of high performance management funds. Although initially successful as 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?
- 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?

#### **QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE**

#### 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.



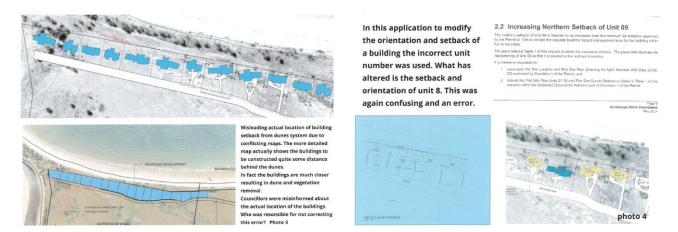
The proposed use and development is expected to have a visual appearance that will be consistent with the local area. In this regard, the proposed buildings will be located along the coastal fringe of the site which forms part of the broader Barnbougle estate that contains buildings in a similar location. 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)





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

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.



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 Barnbougle Beach, when new buildings are constructed as part of this development?

#### ALL THREE QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

#### Mr Lawrence Archer, Bridport

Can we have an explanation of why in the small grants applications item tonight there is \$2,000 being recommended to the Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House?

#### Response from Commissioner Andrew Wardlaw:

**Deputations** 

Thank you for the question, Lawrence, and it will be explained within the upcoming item, but I'll explain it to you now. The Neighbourhood House provide services in Dorset and this money is being recommended for use towards delivering those programmes.

10011 201/21	Departations
Nil	
Item 202/24	Commissioner Question Time
The following questic	ons were received <u>without notice</u> from the Commissioner:
Nil	
Item 203/24	Applications for Leave of Absence
Nil	
Item 204/24	Notices of Motion by the Commissioner

Nil

Item 201/24

## ITEMS FOR DECISION

Item 205/24 2024/25 Small Grants Application Assessments – Round 1

Reporting Officer: Community & Development Administration Officer, Elizabeth Hadley

Ref: DOC/24/14341

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to present the recommendations of the Community Grants Selection Panel in relation to the Dorset Small Grants stream to Council for approval.

Organisation	Project	Project Cost (Incl. GST)	Grant Requested (Excl. GST)	Grant Recommendation
Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House	Baby and Child First Aid Dorset	\$2,850	\$2,000	Recommended
Scottsdale Lions Club Inc.	Clean-up Northeast Park Entertainment Stand	\$4,000	\$2,000	Recommended
Scottsdale and Community Mens Shed	Mens Shed Security	\$2,470	\$2,000	Recommended
Lions Club of Bridport Inc.	Equipment – Laptop	\$2,142	\$1,948	Recommended
Ringarooma Netball Club	Ringarooma Netball Club – New Uniforms	\$2,705	\$2,000	Recommended

N.B. All figures have been rounded up to the nearest dollar.

#### Recommendation

That Council approve the following funding contributions under the Dorset Small Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$2,000 to Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House;
- \$2,000 to Scottsdale Lions Club Inc.;
- \$2,000 to Scottsdale and Community Mens Shed;
- \$1,948 to Lions Club of Bridport; and
- \$2,000 to Ringarooma Netball Club.

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council approve the following funding contributions under the Dorset Small Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$2,000 to Fingal Valley Neighbourhood House;
- \$2,000 to Scottsdale Lions Club Inc.;
- \$2,000 to Scottsdale and Community Mens Shed;
- \$1,948 to Lions Club of Bridport; and
- \$2,000 to Ringarooma Netball Club.

**CARRIED** 

Item 206/24

2024/25 Matching Funds Grants Application Assessments – Round 1

Reporting Officer: Community & Development Administration Officer, Elizabeth Hadley

Ref: DOC/24/14346

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to present the recommendations of the Community Grants Selection Panel in relation to the Dorset Community Matching Fund Grants stream to Council for approval.

Organisation	Project	Project Cost (Incl. GST)	Grant Requested (Excl. GST)	Grant Recommendation
Ringarooma Golf Club	Purchase Zero Turn Ride on Mower	\$13,999	\$6,364	Not Recommended
Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) Scottsdale	Shooting Benches	\$14,107	\$5,000	Recommended
Moorina Golf Club	Fencing and Drainage	\$21,835	\$9,886	Recommended
Jetsonville Playgroup	Playground Relocation and Improvement	\$34,947	\$15,000	Not Recommended
Dorset Field and Game	Remediation and Renewal of Access Roads	\$37,625	\$14,750	Recommended

N.B. All figures have been rounded up to the nearest dollar.

#### Recommendation

That Council approve the following funding contributions under the Dorset Community Matching Fund Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$5,000 to Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) Scottsdale;
- \$9,886 to Moorina Golf Club; and
- \$14,750 to Dorset Field and Game.

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council approve the following funding contributions under the Dorset Community Matching Fund Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$5,000 to Sporting Shooters Association of Australia (SSAA) Scottsdale;
- \$9,886 to Moorina Golf Club; and
- \$14,750 to Dorset Field and Game.

**CARRIED** 

Item 207/24

2024/25 Dorset Councillors Discretionary Grants Application Assessment – Round 1

Reporting Officer: Community & Development Administration Officer, Elizabeth Hadley Ref: DOC/24/14352

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to present the recommendations of the Community Grants Selection Panel in relation to the Dorset Councillors Discretionary Grants stream to Council for approval.

Organisation	Project	Project Cost (Incl. GST)	Grant Requested (Excl. GST)	Grant Recommendation
North Scottsdale Hall	Floor Restoration at North Scottsdale Hall	\$11,504	\$9,890	Recommended
Committee				
Dorset Tasmania History Society	Stronach Cemetery Plaques for Unmarked Graves	\$6,737	\$2,487	Recommended
Food and Friendship Incorporated – Red Dirt Cafe	Nugget Sellars Pavilion Heat Pump	\$8,630	\$7,846	Not Recommended

N.B. All figures have been rounded up to the nearest dollar.

#### Recommendation

That Council approve the following funding contribution under the Dorset Councillors Discretionary Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$9,890 to North Scottsdale Hall Committee; and
- \$2,487 to Dorset Tasmania History Society.

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council approve the following funding contribution under the Dorset Councillors Discretionary Grants stream of the Community Grants Program:

- \$9,890 to North Scottsdale Hall Committee; and
- \$2,487 to Dorset Tasmania History Society.

**CARRIED** 

Item 208/24 2023/24 Audited Financial Statements

Reporting Officer: Finance Manager, Allison Saunders

Ref: DOC/24/14273 | Audited Financial Statements: DOC/24/14088

#### Purpose

The purpose of this agenda item is to receive and note the audited financial statements for the 2023/24 financial year.

The underlying surplus / deficit calculation represents Council's true financial position after adjusting for one off items and timing differences as shown in the table below:

	Budget	Actual
	2024	2024
	\$'000	\$'000
Net result for the year	3,271	2,231
Less non-operating income		
Capital grants and contributions	(3,796)	(2,856)
Financial assistance grants prepayment adjustment	173	504
Disaster relief and recovery income (once-off funding)	-	(122)
Add non-operational expenses		
Disaster relief and recovery expenditure	-	3
Loss on disposal of assets (unscheduled)	-	58
Underlying Surplus/(Deficit)	(352)	(182)

#### Recommendation

That Council receive, note and adopt the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council receive, note and adopt the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2024.

**CARRIED** 

#### Item 209/24

#### Review of Policy No. 43 – Cash Management

Reporting Officer: Finance Manager, Allison Saunders Ref: DOC/24/14268 | Reviewed Policy: DOC/12353

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to review Policy No. 43 - Cash Management (the Policy).

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council adopt the attached revised Policy No. 43 – Cash Management.

**CARRIED** 

Item 210/24

Bridport Main Street Pedestrian Crossing and Speed Limit Reduction

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis

Ref: DOC/24/13658

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to recommend the reduction of the speed limit on a section of Main Street, Bridport from the current 50 km/h limit to 40 km/h and installation of a wombat crossing on the existing raised platform at the Main Street and Henry Street junction.

#### Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. request the Commissioner for Transport to reduce the lawful speed limit along Main Street, Bridport, from the frontage of 75 Main Street through to the frontage of 121 Main Street (as illustrated at Figure 1, below), from 50 km/h to 40 km/h; and
- 2. install a wombat crossing treatment on Main Street, Bridport adjacent to the Henry Street junction, in general accordance with the treatment illustrated at Figure 2, below.

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

#### That Council:

- 1. request the Commissioner for Transport to reduce the lawful speed limit along Main Street, Bridport, from the frontage of 75 Main Street through to the frontage of 121 Main Street (as illustrated at Figure 1, below), from 50 km/h to 40 km/h; and
- 2. install a wombat crossing treatment on Main Street, Bridport adjacent to the Henry Street junction, in general accordance with the treatment illustrated at Figure 2, below.

**CARRIED** 



Figure 1: Proposed speed limit reduction zone changes along Main Street, Bridport.

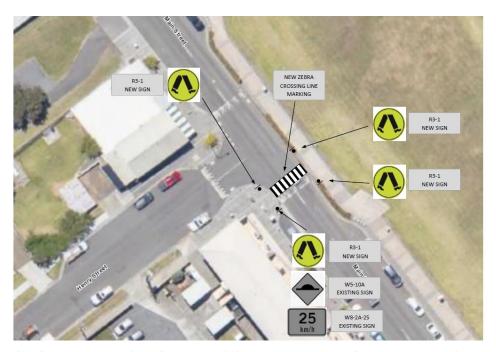


Figure 2: Proposed pedestrian crossing (wombat crossing) design in proximity to the Main Street and Henry Street junction.

#### Item 211/24 Delegations Review

Reporting Officer: Director – Community & Development, Rohan Willis

Ref: DOC/24/14461

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to amend delegations from Council and the Planning Authority to the General Manager and Council Officers.

#### Recommendation

1. That Council, pursuant to Section 22 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, delegate the following powers and functions to the General Manager, with conditions and restrictions as shown:

Strategic Infrastructure Corridors (Strategic and Recreational Use) Act 2016

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Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions
	Council delegates its functions and powers, as the	Nil.
	appointed Corridor Manager of the North East	
	Corridor from Lilydale Falls to Tonganah, and	
	authorises the General Manager to delegate those	
	functions and powers.	

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993

Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions
S.40T(6)	Council delegates its landowner consent functions	Nil.
	and powers, where Council is the owner of land	
	subject to a permit application that requires	
	amendment of Dorset Council's Local Provisions	
	Schedule, and authorises the General Manager to	
	delegate those functions and powers.	

- 2. That the Planning Authority:
- a. revoke the previous powers and functions under Section 57(6) and (7) delegated to the General Manager, the Director Community and Development and the Town Planner under the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*; and
- b. pursuant to Section 6 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, delegate the following powers and functions under Section 57(6) and (7) to the General Manager, the Director Community and Development and the Town Planner, with conditions and restrictions as shown:

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993

Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions	
S.57(6) & (7)	Applications for discretionary permits	ONLY delegated to the General Manager and Director – Community and Development If:	ONLY delegated to the Town Planner
		<ol> <li>there will be a failure to determine an application for a permit under s.57 before the expiration period referred to in either s.57(6)(b)(i) or (ii); or</li> <li>the recommendation of the Director Community and Development is to grant a permit for an application and:         <ol> <li>only a single representation has been received for the application; or</li> <li>two or more representations have been received for the application and the representations fail to address standards or requirements of the planning scheme applicable to the assessment of the application; or</li> <li>no representations from residents or landowners of Dorset municipality have been received that object to the application.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	1. there will be a failure to determine an application for a permit under s.57 before the expiration period referred to in either s.57(6)(b)(i) or (ii); or

3. That Council receive and note the reviewed Master Delegation Register, version October 2024.

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#### Amended Recommendation

Remove the authorisation for the General Manager to delegate functions and powers under Section 40T(6):

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993

Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions
S.40T(6)	Council delegates its landowner consent functions	Nil.
	and powers, where Council is the owner of land	
	subject to a permit application that requires	
	amendment of Dorset Council's Local Provisions	
	Schedule, and authorises the General Manager to	
	delegate those functions and powers.	

#### **DECISION**

#### MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

1. That Council, pursuant to Section 22 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, delegate the following powers and functions to the General Manager, with conditions and restrictions as shown:

Strategic Infrastructure Corridors (Strategic and Recreational Use) Act 2016

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Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions		
	Council delegates its functions and powers, as the	Nil.		
	appointed Corridor Manager of the North East			
	Corridor from Lilydale Falls to Tonganah, and			
	authorises the General Manager to delegate those			
	functions and powers.			

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993

Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions
S.40T(6)	Council delegates its landowner consent functions	Nil.
	and powers, where Council is the owner of land	
	subject to a permit application that requires	
	amendment of Dorset Council's Local Provisions	
	Schedule.	

- 2. That the Planning Authority:
- a. revoke the previous powers and functions under Section 57(6) and (7) delegated to the General Manager, the Director Community and Development and the Town Planner under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993; and
- b. pursuant to Section 6 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993, delegate the following powers and functions under Section 57(6) and (7) to the General Manager, the Director Community and Development and the Town Planner, with conditions and restrictions as shown:

Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993

Provision	Function or Power	Conditions or Restrictions	
S.57(6) & (7)	Applications for discretionary permits	ONLY delegated to the General Manager and Director – Community and Development If:	ONLY delegated to the Town Planner  If:
		<ol> <li>there will be a failure to determine an application for a permit under s.57 before the expiration period referred to in either s.57(6)(b)(i) or (ii); or</li> <li>the recommendation of the Director Community and Development is to grant a permit for an application and:         <ul> <li>d) only a single representation has been received for the application; or</li> <li>e) two or more representations have been received for the application and the representations fail to address standards or requirements of the planning scheme applicable to the assessment of the application; or</li> <li>f) no representations from residents or landowners of Dorset municipality have been received that object to the application.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	4. there will be a failure to determine an application for a permit under s.57 before the expiration period referred to in either s.57(6)(b)(i) or (ii); or

3. That Council receive and note the reviewed Master Delegation Register, version October 2024.

**CARRIED** 

Item 212/24

2024/25 Annual Plan – September Quarterly Report

Reporting Officer: General Manager, John Marik

Ref: DOC/24/14244 | September Quarterly Report: DOC/24/13938

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to update Council and the community on progress of the 2024/25 Annual Plan as at 30 September 2024.

	Progress as at 30 September 2024
Achieved	1
In Progress	20
Not Achieved	-
Total Activities	50
Carried Forward	-
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#### Recommendation

That Council receive and note the attached 2024/25 Annual Plan - September Quarterly Report.

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That Council receive and note the attached 2024/25 Annual Plan - September Quarterly Report.

**CARRIED** 

Item 213/24 Rate Capping Conditions Amendment

Reporting Officer: Acting Director – Corporate Services, Lauren Tolputt

Ref: DOC/24/14380

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this agenda item is to review and amend the conditions that a ratepayer must satisfy to qualify for the maximum increase cap set out in clause 1.4a) of Council's 2024/25 Rates Resolution which was adopted at the 24 June 2024 Council Meeting.

#### Recommendation

- 1. That Council amends the conditions that ratepayers must satisfy to qualify for the maximum increase cap set out in clause 1.4a) of the 2024/25 Rates Resolution adopted at the 24 June Council Meeting to read:
  - b) To qualify for the maximum increase cap in clause 1.4a) of this resolution, the rateable land must not have been subject to a supplementary valuation issued by the Valuer-General during the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, except where:
    - i. The supplementary valuation did not result in a changed valuation;
    - ii. The supplementary valuation became effective from 1 July 2023; or
    - iii. The supplementary valuation was the result of a change of use or minor development which did not materially impact the valuation.
- 2. That the General Manager is provided with the delegation to implement the updated conditions set out in point one via a remission of rates, if required.

#### MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

- 1. That Council amends the conditions that ratepayers must satisfy to qualify for the maximum increase cap set out in clause 1.4a) of the 2024/25 Rates Resolution adopted at the 24 June Council Meeting to read:
  - b) To qualify for the maximum increase cap in clause 1.4a) of this resolution, the rateable land must not have been subject to a supplementary valuation issued by the Valuer-General during the period 1 July 2023 to 30 June 2024, except where:
    - i. The supplementary valuation did not result in a changed valuation;
    - ii. The supplementary valuation became effective from 1 July 2023; or
    - iii. The supplementary valuation was the result of a change of use or minor development which did not materially impact the valuation.
- 2. That the General Manager is provided with the delegation to implement the updated conditions set out in point one via a remission of rates if required.

**CARRIED** 

### ITEMS FOR NOTING

#### Item 214/24 Council Workshops Held Since Last Council Meeting

1 October | Briefing Workshop

#### Item 215/24 Commissioner Communications

Commissioner Wardlaw's Calendar | 12 September 2024 – 16 October 2024

#### September 2024

- Meeting with Launceston and North East Rail Group with General Manager, Lebrina and Turners Marsh
- North East Tasmania Arts and Crafts Festival Official Opening, Scottsdale Mechanics' Hall
- 16 September Council Meeting, Council Chambers
- Meeting with Barry Nilsson Lawyers with General Manager, Board of Inquiry Submission, via Microsoft Teams
- Meeting with Barry Nilsson Lawyers with General Manager, Board of Inquiry Submission, via Microsoft Teams
- 18 Future Links Gladstone Annual General Meeting, Gladstone Hall
- 19 Meeting with Scottsdale Lions Club representatives with General Manager and Acting Director Infrastructure, Northeast Park
- 19 Special Meeting of Council, Board of Inquiry Submission, Council Chambers

- 19 National Timber Councils Association Executive Committee Meeting, via Zoom
- Dorset Council Audit Panel Meeting, Council Chambers
- 25 Meeting with ratepayer, Bridport Café
- 26 Dorset Employment Connect Career and Education Expo, Scottsdale RSL

#### October 2024

- 1 October Briefing Workshop, Council Chambers
- 4 Citizenship Ceremony, Council Chambers
- Weekly meeting with Council Management Team, Council Chambers
- 7 Meeting with APM Employment Services, Scottsdale
- 7 North East Tasmania Chamber of Commerce Meeting, Dorset Community House
- 8 Dorset Suicide Prevention Network Meeting, Scottsdale
- 8 Meeting with ratepayer with Acting Director Corporate Services, Scottsdale
- 9 Dorset Community House Family Fun Day, Bridport
- 9 Dorset Council Community Grants Assessment Meeting, Council Chambers
- 9 Gladstone Future-Links Meeting, Gladstone Hall
- 12 ACEN Wind Project Community Drop-In Session, Tomahawk
- Dorset Christian Leaders Network Combined Service, Scottsdale Presbyterian Church
- 14 Weekly meeting with Council Management Team, Council Chambers
- Dorset Christian Leaders Network Family Fun Day, Nugget Sellars Pavilion, Scottsdale

#### Item 216/24 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.

**COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Audit Panel Minutes

PROJECT UPDATE: North East Rail Trail

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Green Waste Strategy Update

COMMUNITY UPDATE: Storm Damage Impacts

#### Recommendation

That Council:

- 1. receive and note the unconfirmed Audit Panel Minutes, dated 24 September 2024;
- 2. note the project update on the North East Rail Trail;
- 3. note community updates on the Green Waste Strategy and Storm Damage Impacts; and
- 4. receive and note the remainder of the Management Team Briefing Report.

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

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- 2. note the project update on the North East Rail Trail;
- 3. note community updates on the Green Waste Strategy and Storm Damage Impacts; and
- 4. receive and note the remainder of the Management Team Briefing Report.

**CARRIED** 

Meeting Adjourned: 7:27 pm

Reason: Tea break with public

Meeting Resumed: 7:50 pm

Item 217/24 Closure of Meeting to the Public

#### **DECISION**

MOVED / SECONDED: Commissioner Wardlaw

That the Meeting be closed to the public pursuant to Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, and that members of the public be required to leave the meeting room.

Time Meeting Closed to the Public: 7:50 pm

**CARRIED** 

# **CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

The following matters were listed in the Closed Session Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015:* 

Item 218/24 Confirmation of Ordinary Council Meeting <u>Closed Session</u> Minutes – 16 September 2024

Item 219/24 Confirmation of <u>Special Council Meeting Closed Session</u> Minutes – 19 September 2024

Item 220/24 Small Connections and Public Lighting Contract Delegation

The reports on these matters were listed in the Closed Meeting section of the Council Agenda in accordance with Regulation 15 of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* as the detail covered in the respective reports relates to:

- contracts, and tenders, for the supply of goods and services and their terms, conditions, approval and renewal

# **CLOSURE OF MEETING**

**Time Meeting Closed:** 7:57 pm

Minutes Confirmed: 18 November 2024

Minute No: 223/24

Commissioner