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Council Chambers



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09/14.1.0 ATTENDANCE

09/14.1.1 Present

Mayor Sarah Schmerl
Deputy Mayor Hannah Rubenach
Councillor Reon Johns
Councillor John LeFevre
Councillor John McGiveron
Councillor Glenn McGuinness
Councillor Margaret Osborne OAM
Councillor Mick Tucker

09/14.1.2 Apologies

Nil

09/14.1.3 Leave of Absence

Nil

09/14.1.4 Staff in Attendance

Acting General Manager, Bob Hoogland
Executive Assistant, Angela Matthews
Manager Community Services, Chris Hughes (*Item 1.0 – 12.2 / 12.3 – 17.6*)
Manager Works and Infrastructure, Stephen Yam (*Item 13.8 – 17.6*)
Building Services Coordinator, Jake Ihnen (*Item 2.0 – 15.2 / 15.4 – 17.6*)

Mayor Schmerl opened the meeting and welcomed representatives from Red Cross (Tasmania) and the St Helens-St Marys RSL Club for a presentation to Council and the RSL of a rose to be planted in the St Helens Memorial Park in recognition of the 100th Anniversary of Red Cross in Australia.

09/14.2.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Five (5) people in the gallery.

In accordance with Section 31(1) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 the following questions were submitted in writing prior to the Council Meeting.

09/14.2.1 Planning and Building Approvals – Mr B Mooney, Scamander

In reference to a question asked by Mr Dudley at the July meeting why Council no longer listed property addresses in the meeting agendas for planning and building approvals, Council responded by saying this was no longer included as the privacy act prevents the listing of private addresses.

I am requesting Council correct their statement that the privacy act prevents the listing of addresses for planning/development/building applications and recommence listing addresses for such approvals.

Reply

Section 8 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Regulations 2004 states that a discretionary application must be advertised in the daily local paper, among other places.

The regulations do not specifically state that the property address must be listed, however Council lists this to ensure that members of the public can determine if land they own/occupy adjoins the land subject to the development application. Further enquiries can then be made with Council to determine if there will be any detrimental effects to them if the application is approved.

The applicant is listed in the advertisement; this is not always the land owner.

For permitted approvals issued under delegation, there is no requirement to publically advertise the application.

Upon receipt of a complaint from a land owner in relation to their details being publically listed in the Agenda, Council made a decision to change the way it reported its Planning and Building Approvals to Council.

09/14.2.2 Public Accountability – Mr B Mooney, Scamander

I am requesting clarification regards to the editing of “without notice” questions asked by the public on the day of a meeting and why are the public required to provide written support when Council at their discretion edit the question anyway?

Reply

Legal advice has previously been sought which advises that only questions are required to be listed in the Council agenda, background information is not required to be provided.

Questions are requested to be provided in writing to ensure the accuracy of the question asked for inclusion in the Council minutes.

09/14.2.3 Public and Councillor Questions – Mr B Mooney, Scamander

What actions are Council taking to ensure public and Councillor questions are treated with due care and respect where answers provided are based on genuine investigation?

Reply

All questions asked in Council are treated with due care and respect and full investigations are undertaken by appropriate officers prior to a response being provided. Pursuant to Section 8 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) 2005, it is the responsibility of the General Manager to prepare the Council Agenda and ensure that information provided is accurate.

09/14.2.4 Planning and Building Approvals – Disclosure of Information – Mr B Mooney, Scamander

1. Why would Council change a long established procedure on the basis of one (1) complaint, does this one individual have undue influence?
2. Assuming one (1) complaint can change the process will Council now revert back to the old policy due to two (2) complaints, myself and Mr Dudley and if not why not a precedence has been established?
3. The three (3) surrounding Councils – Dorset, Northern Midlands and Glamorgan Spring Bay continue to publish planning approvals information, why do Break O'Day Council think it is good policy to make local Council across the region less conforming rather than more conforming by changing a long established procedure based on one (1) complaint?

Reply

1. Council merely investigated the matter of the provision of personal information in a public document following a complaint. It was not changed on the basis that one (1) complaint was received.
2. As per the question asked and response given under Public Question Time item 09/14.2.1 of this agenda, Council will not be reverting back to its previous reporting regime.

3. As stated in response 1. above – following the receipt of a complaint the matter was investigated and found that Council should not be providing personal details of any individual/organisation hence the change in the reporting regime. Council believes it is good governance to make this change as it is protecting the rights of individuals/organisations and their personal information. It is up to Councils individually to find a balance that meets the needs of all parties.

09/14.2.5 Break O’Day Stitchers – Friendship Day – Mr J Albury, St Helens

Last Friday the Break O’Day Stitchers held a Friendship Day in Portland Hall, St Helens. Would Council consider waiving the hall hire fee for this non-profit group for this event?

Reply

The Mayor replied that organisations/individuals can write to the General Manager requesting consideration be given for any facility hire fees to be waived.

09/14.2.6 Disposal of Household Refuse at Local Refuse Stations – Mr A Kavanagh, Pyengana

With the increasing cost to pensioners for the disposal of a car-boot or trailer of household refuse at the local refuse stations will Council reconsider this fee for pensioners?

Reply

Council fees for the disposal of household refuse at its waste transfer stations are very reasonable compared to our neighbouring Councils. Council’s fees for household refuse disposal are 38% cheaper for a car boot and 27% cheaper for trailer load than Dorset Council and Northern Midlands Council, and 50% cheaper for a car boot and 43% cheaper for trailer load than Launceston City Council.

While we understand that any price increase has impacts, Council keeps its price increases to a minimum but is necessary to cover increases in the cost of labour, materials, equipment maintenance, licences, etc. We also need to ensure our prices are cost recoverable to ensure that the waste transfer stations are a resource and not a burden to our community.

The matter has been listed by Clr McGuinness for further discussion at a Council Workshop.

09/14.3.0 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

09/14.3.1 Confirmation of Minutes – Council Meeting 21 August 2014

DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.3.1.259 Moved: Clr J LeFevre / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held on the 21 August 2014 be confirmed.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.4.0 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS HELD SINCE 21 AUGUST 2014 COUNCIL MEETING

There was a Council Workshop held on the 1 September 2014 and the following items were listed for discussion and a presentation was made by the Beaumaris Community Action Group:

- 2013/2014 Financial Statements
- Maintenance of Non-Council Owned Roads
- St Marys Streetscape Options
- Transfer of Scamander Sporting Complex to Council
- Emergency Management Plan
- St Helens Foreshore Consultation
- Australia Day
- Bendigo Community Bank
- Protection of Local History
- St Marys Op Shop Painting
- Playground Equipment – Fingal
- National Suicide Prevention Day – Request for Sponsorship – Fundraising Golf Day for Lifeline – Malahide Golf Club
- Continuation of Digital Hub Program
- Refugee Welcome Zone
- Tourism Information Signs – Natural, Cultural and Historic
- Pigs at St Marys
- National Timber Councils Association – Annual Membership 2014/2015
- Regional Council's Group
- St Helens Hospital Auxiliary
- Review – Recruitment and Selection Policy
- Review – Disciplinary Policy

09/14.5.0 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST OF A COUNCILLOR OR CLOSE ASSOCIATE

Section 48 or 55 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires that a Councillor or Officer who has an interest in any matter to be discussed at a Council Meeting that will be attended by the Councillor or Officer must disclose the nature of the interest in a written notice given to the General Manager before the meeting; or at the meeting before the matter is discussed.

A Councillor or Officer who makes a disclosure under Section 48 or 55 must not preside at the part of the meeting relating to the matter; or participate in; or be present during any discussion or decision making procedure relating to the matter, unless allowed by the Council.

Nil

09/14.6.0 PETITIONS

09/14.6.1 Petition for Public Toilets in the Beaumaris Park

FILE REFERENCE	004\009\006\
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DISCUSSION:

The Beaumaris Community Action Group presented this petition to Council at the September Council Workshop, therefore no further discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.6.1.260 Moved: Cllr R Johns / Seconded: Cllr G McGuinness

That Council receive the petition and request the Manager for Community Services to investigate further in conjunction with items listed in agenda item 09/14.13.3 and report back to Council for further consideration.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.7.0 NOTICES OF MOTION

Nil

09/14.8.0 COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS ON NOTICE

09/14.8.1 Alexandria Avenue, Cornwall – Cllr R Johns

As Alexandria Avenue in Cornwall has now been divided into two (2) separate roads, who is responsible for the renumbering of the affected homes?

Reply

The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised that we are not aware of this particular issue, however it will be investigated.

09/14.8.2 Cornwall Main Street – Clr R Johns

When will the remedial works in Cornwall's main street be completed?

Reply

The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised, as indicated previously to Council, the stormwater drainage improvement works program for the main street in Cornwall is planned to be completed in a number of stages and the next stage will be provided to Council to be considered for the 2015/2016 Budget.

09/14.9.0 COUNCILLOR'S QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE

Regulation 29 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 specifies that in putting a Question Without Notice a Councillor must not offer an argument or opinion, draw any inference or make any imputations except so far as may be necessary to explain the question.

The Chairperson must not permit any debate of a Question without Notice or its answer.

Nil

09/14.10.0 MAYOR'S & COUNCILLOR'S COMMUNICATIONS

09/14.10.1 Mayor's Communications for Period Ending 15 September 2014

27.08.14	Scottsdale	- Local Government Committee Meeting
01.09.14	St Helens	- Council Workshop - Telephone Link up regarding Super Trawler Motion for Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) General Meeting
04.09.14	St Helens	- Citizenship Ceremony
06.09.14	St Helens	- St Helens and East Coast Pennant Bowls Opening
15.09.14	St Helens	- Council Meeting

09/14.10.2 Councillor's Reports for Period Ending 15 September 2014

This is for Councillors to provide a report for any Committees they are Council Representatives on and will be given at the Council Meeting.

St Helens and Districts Chamber of Commerce and Tourism – Mayor Sarah Schmerl/Clr Margaret Osborne

- No meeting has taken place since the last Council Meeting.

NRM Special Committee – Deputy Mayor Hannah Rubenach

- No meeting has taken place since the last Council Meeting.

Business Enterprise Centre (BEC) – Mayor Sarah Schmerl

- No meeting has taken place since the last Council Meeting.

Star FM – Clr Reon Johns

- Business as usual.

Barway Committee – Clr John McGiveron

- Barway meeting this Thursday (18 September) with MAST in attendance.

East Coast Regional Tourism Organisation (ECRTO) – Clr Margaret Osborne

- Did not attend the last ECRTO Board Meeting as it conflicted in timing with the Council Meeting.

Binalong Bay Foreshore Master Plan – Community Reference Group – Clr Glenn McGuinness

- No further progress on this matter.
- Need to have a meeting to discuss the report.

Titley Shack Reference Group – Clr Glenn McGuinness

- Meeting to be held tomorrow (16 September).

09/14.10.3 Mayor's and Councillor's Items

Outstanding Reports:

Motion Number	Meeting Date	Council Decision	Comments
Nil			

09/14.11.0 BUSINESS AND CORPORATE SERVICES

09/14.11.1 Corporate Services – Strategic Plan Activity Report

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.11.2 Monthly Financial Report

FILE REFERENCE	018\018\001\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.11.2.261 Moved: Clr G McGuinness / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

That the following reports for the month ending 31 August 2014 be received:

1. Trading Account Summary
2. Profit and Loss Statements
3. Financial Position
4. Cash Flow
5. Capital Expenditure

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.11.3 Corporate Services Department Report

FILE REFERENCE	018\018\001\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.11.3.262 Moved: Clr J LeFevre / Seconded: Clr H Rubenach

That the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.11.4 Visitor Information Centre Report

FILE REFERENCE	040\028\002\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.11.4.263 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.11.5 **Risk Management Report**

FILE REFERENCE	002\025\001\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Tucker stated that he has concerns regarding skateboarders and people walking along the top of the new wall at Beauty Bay. The Acting General Manager advised that appropriate plantings to discourage access are being investigated.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.11.5.264 Moved: Clr J McGiveron / Seconded: Clr M Tucker

That the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.11.6 **Adoption of Fraud Management Policy and Procedure**

FILE REFERENCE	018\005\006\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.11.6.265 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr M Osborne

That Council adopt the Policy LG46 Fraud Management & Control and management implement the associated Procedure.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.12.0 WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

09/14.12.1 Works and Infrastructure – Strategic Plan Activity Report

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

*Meeting adjourned at 10.50am
Meeting resumed at 11.03am*

09/14.12.2 Works and Infrastructure Report

FILE REFERENCE	014\002\001\
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DISCUSSION:

- Cllr Tucker asked if commercial operators will have a bypass around bridges being worked on. The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised that there would be bypasses available.
- Cllr McGiverson stated that BridgePro have been doing really good work around the area.
- Cllr McGiverson asked when is grading going to be undertaken on Germantown Road. The Manager Works and Infrastructure stated that there is a report later in this agenda.
- Cllr LeFevre asked in regards to training of dog handlers – will there be one (1) trained in the Valley as well as St Helens area. The Acting General Manager advised that this matter would be discussed further at a Council Workshop.
- Cllr Tucker asked for clarification on the work to be undertaken on Beauty Bay jetty in October. The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised that an initial verbal report has indicated that this will be only minor works, the final written report has yet to be received.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.12.2.266 Moved: Cllr J McGiverson / Seconded: Cllr R Johns

That the report be received by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.12.3 Animal Control Report

FILE REFERENCE	003\008\002\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr McGuinness asked what is being done in regards to the dogs in Cecilia Street? The Acting General Manager advised that he is currently in discussions with the Municipal Inspector in regards to options.
- Clr Tucker complimented the Municipal Inspector on the reports provided and the scope that they do. Perhaps Council is nearly at the point of needing to investigate options for a more permanent role based in Break O'Day as there seem to be more and more animal issues arising, however would like to acknowledge that those that undertake the role currently do a phenomenal role when they are in the area.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.12.3.267 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr M Tucker

That the report be received by Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.12.4 Tully Street Cemetery

FILE REFERENCE	009\001\004\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.12.4.268 Moved: Clr M Osborne / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That Council accepts the land transfer and title costs, ownership and maintenance of Lot 100 Tully Street, St Helens (PID 3185979) Memorial Park.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.12.5 Maintenance of Non-Council Roads

FILE REFERENCE	032\005\016\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Rubenach asked whether this grading would be undertaken all the way to Dublin Town? The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised that it would.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.12.5.269 Moved: Clr H Rubenach / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

That Council approach Crown Land Services for approval for Council to maintain Terrys Hill Road for a distance of three (3) kilometres from the intersection of Terrys Hill Road and Lottah Road.

That Council approach Forestry Tasmania for approval for Council to maintain German Town Road from the intersection of German Town Road and Top Marshes Road to the intersection of German Town Road and Semmens Road.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.0 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

09/14.13.1 Community Services – Strategic Plan Activity Report

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.13.2 Community Services Report

FILE REFERENCE	N/A
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DISCUSSION:

- The Manager Community Services advised that 10 Days on the Island originally had two (2) events happening in the Municipality and then one (1) pulled out. Confirmation has now been received that there will be two (2) events running.
- The Manager Community Services advised that Council's Youth Worker will be running Business Week in the Portland Hall, St Helens all day this Friday.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.2.270 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr M Tucker

That the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.3 Beaumaris Park – Request for Conceptual Plan to be Undertaken

FILE REFERENCE	004\008\018\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.3.271 Moved: Clr J McGiveron / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That Council in consultation with the Beaumaris community develop a conceptual plan of the Beaumaris Park to assist the community in planning for the design of the Park.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.4 Fingal Railway Station – Financial Assistance

FILE REFERENCE	041\015\002\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Osborne asked who will be in charge of this project? The Manager Community Services advised that it would be managed by Greater Esk Tourism (GET).

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.4.272 Moved: Clr M Osborne / Seconded: Clr R Johns

That Council provides in-principle financial support to the sum of \$10,000 to assist Greater Esk Tourism in seeking grant funding through Tasmania Community Fund to undertake building works to ensure the restoration of the Fingal Railway Station.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.5 Titley Shack – Binalong Bay – Request for Funding

FILE REFERENCE	010\039\001\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.5.273 Moved: Clr H Rubenach / Seconded: Clr R Johns

The Titley Shack Reference Group request Council to provide funding to undertake the works as listed in the Titley Shack Reference Condition Report as undertaken by Council's Building Surveyor at a cost of \$15,964.30 (GST exclusive), the proposed works require attention prior to any proposed building use.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.6 **Install and Provide Soft-fall for Two (2) Swings at Peoples Park, Fingal**

FILE REFERENCE	004\008\005\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.6.274 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

That Council provide the following assistance to the Fingal Progress Association:

1. \$1,400 + GST to cover the cost of the rubber landing pads which sit under the two (2) swings which have been purchased; and
2. to prepare the site and install the two (2) swings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.7 **St Marys District School Association Op Shop – Request to Fund Paint Required for Building**

FILE REFERENCE	011\034\006\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Rubenach stated that it is a small cost to help beautify the building and the streetscape.
- Clr Osborne stated that they are a non-profit organisation.
- Clr Johns stated that all the money raised goes to the school, they don't put anything back into the community. Council has not received a copy of the lease as yet or a letter from the property owner giving permission as was requested.
- Clr McGiveron stated it does provide a service to the community, the school is part of our community and \$318.00 is good value to get something done. Clr Tucker agreed with Clr McGiveron.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.7.275 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr J LeFevre

That Council do not provide the funding to purchase the paint for the St Marys District School Association Op Shop.

FOR Clr R Johns, Clr J LeFevre

AGAINST Clr J McGiveron, Clr M Tucker, Clr M Osborne, Clr G McGuinness, Clr H Rubenach, Clr S Schmerl

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09/14.13.7.276 Moved: Clr H Rubenach / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That Council provide the sum of \$318.97 to purchase the paint for the St Marys District School Association Op Shop building once Council has received written consent from the owner that they allow the building to be painted by a volunteer, who is a qualified painter and assisted by unemployed youth.

FOR Clr J McGiveron, Clr J LeFevre, Clr M Tucker, Clr M Osborne, Clr G McGuinness, Clr H Rubenach, Clr S Schmerl

AGAINST Clr R Johns

CARRIED

09/14.13.8 **St Helens Foreshore Plan**

FILE REFERENCE	004\008\013\
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DISCUSSION:

- The Manager Community Services advised that she had not included the sound shell on the mud map and will bring this matter back to a Council Workshop for further consideration.
- Clr Tucker stated that the entrance at Steel Street to the foreshore should just be made one way in or out. The Manager Community Services advised that was an error and that entrance should have been deleted from the mud map.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.8.277

Moved: Clr G McGuinness / Seconded: Clr R Johns

1. That Council only develop the northern end of the St Helens Foreshore and not change the existing commercial business and working port area.
2. That in line with the community feedback received on the St Helens Waterfront Conceptual Plan, Council adopt the amended conceptual plan which includes:
 - Closing off the existing entry to the “Fieldwork’s Car Park and forming a new entrance point to the left of the existing boat ramp;
 - A toilet block to be located near the existing playground;
 - The road between the skate park and playground to be closed off and turned into green space;
 - A new entrance be formed from The Esplanade to allow access to the existing car park;
 - Improved pathways to connect areas;
 - BBQ and tables to be placed within the green space;
 - That the basketball ring not be erected on the St Helens Foreshore and that another location be identified.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.9

Request for Donation – Golf Day – National Suicide Day

FILE REFERENCE	011\009\001\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.9.278

Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

That Council support this request from the Johns Family and provide financial assistance in the sum of \$1,000 to assist them in running of the Golf Day as a fundraiser to support National Suicide Prevention Day.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.10 Bendigo Bank – Request for Financial Assistance

FILE REFERENCE	014\001\018\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr McGuinness circulated emails regarding the Bendigo Bank and precedents that have been set by other Councils. The Bendigo Bank is a community bank and has nothing to do with creating profits for shareholders, it is all about giving back to the community.
- Clr Tucker stated that he supports the bank however is against providing funds for a feasibility study. This would be setting a precedence within the community. If the feasibility study is found to not be a worthwhile exercise Council has spent \$15,000 and the bank walk away. Have no problem in “pledging” just not “granting”.
- Clr Rubenach advised that Bendigo Bank is already giving donations into our community and they don't even have a bank in the area.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.10.279 Moved: Clr G McGuinness / Seconded: Clr H Rubenach

That Council grant \$15,000 to the Bendigo Bank to assist the committee with the development of a feasibility study.

FOR Clr G McGuinness, Clr M Osborne, Clr H Rubenach, Clr S Schmerl
AGAINST Clr J McGiveron, Clr M Tucker, Clr J LeFevre, Clr R Johns
LOST

09/14.13.10.280 Moved: Clr J LeFevre / Seconded: Clr R Johns

That Council pledge \$15,000 to the establishment of a Community Bank in both St Helens and St Marys.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.13.11 Break O'Day – Refugee Welcome Zone

FILE REFERENCE	011\030\001\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Johns stated that he does not see the need to put up a sign when it is a human right to go anywhere you choose. Why do we need a sign to say that they are welcome.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.13.11.281 Moved: Clr H Rubenach / Seconded: Clr M Osborne

That Council sign up as a refugee friendly community by becoming a “Refugee Welcome Zone”.

FOR Clr J McGiveron, Clr J LeFevre, Clr M Tucker, Clr M Osborne, Clr G
 McGuinness, Clr H Rubenach, Clr S Schmerl
AGAINST Clr R Johns
CARRIED

Correspondence received from Ricky Gale was read by Mayor Schmerl thanking Council for the contribution provided for attendance at the Roof Bolting Titles at Moura.

09/14.14.0 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

09/14.14.1 Development Services – Strategic Plan Activity Report

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.14.2 Development Services Report

FILE REFERENCE	031\013\003\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Tucker asked what the timeframe was for the new toilets at the Lions Park. The Manager Works and Infrastructure advised that the design plans are currently being completed for the whole area which incorporates the new slip lanes at the intersection and they should be completed in the next two (2) weeks, having been delayed by the plans for street lighting.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.14.2.282 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That the report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.14.3 Planning Approvals Issued

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.14.4 Building Services Approvals

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.15.0 GOVERNANCE

09/14.15.1 General Manager's – Strategic Plan Activity Report

COUNCIL DECISION:

Received.

09/14.15.2 General Manager's Report

FILE REFERENCE	002\012\001\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Tucker asked if a meeting had been arranged with the Mayor and General Manager at Dorset Council as per the outstanding action. The Mayor advised she has spoken to Mayor Jarvis and a meeting will be arranged within the next couple of weeks.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.2.283 Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr H Rubenach

That the General Manager's report be received.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.15.3 By-Law No 2 of 2014 – Reserves, Parks and Gardens

FILE REFERENCE	008\001\010\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.3.284

Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr J McGiveron

In accordance with section 156 of the *Local Government Act 1993*, Council endorses By-Law for Reserves, Parks and Gardens and authorise Council Officers to proceed with the process.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.15.4

Review – Recruitment and Selection Policy

FILE REFERENCE	002\024\007\
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DISCUSSION:

- Clr Tucker raised concerns with the amended policy that power is being removed from the General Manager and placed with the HR Manager.
- Councillors agreed that there should be further discussion and consideration on the contents of this policy at a Council Workshop.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.4.285

Moved: Clr R Johns / Seconded: Clr H Rubenach

That the Recruitment and Selection Policy, as amended, be referred to a Council Workshop for further discussion.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.15.5

Review – Disciplinary Policy and Procedure

FILE REFERENCE	002\024\007\
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DISCUSSION:

This item was discussed at a Council Workshop and no further discussion took place.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.5.286

Moved: Clr H Rubenach / Seconded: Clr R Johns

That the Disciplinary Policy and Procedure, as amended, be adopted.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.15.6 Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) – Representation – Animal Welfare Advisory Committee

FILE REFERENCE	039\002\008\
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DISCUSSION:

No discussion took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.6.287 Moved: Clr J McGiveron / Seconded: Clr G McGuinness

That Council nominate Clr Hannah Rubenach to represent the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) on the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

09/14.15.7 Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT) – Voting for President

DISCUSSION:

No discussion of significance took place on this item.

COUNCIL DECISION:

09/14.15.7.288 Moved: Clr G McGuinness / Seconded: Clr R Johns

That Council vote for Mayor Barry Jarvis for the position of President of the Local Government Association of Tasmania (LGAT).

FOR Clr J LeFevre, Clr M Osborne, Clr R Johns, Clr G McGuinness, Clr H Rubenach, Clr S Schmerl
AGAINST Clr M Tucker, Clr J McGiveron
CARRIED

09/14.16.0 PLANNING AUTHORITY

Pursuant to Section 25 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 the Mayor informed the Council that it was now acting as a Planning Authority under the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993.

Nil.

The Mayor advised the Council that it had now concluded its meeting as a Planning Authority under Section 25 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations.

Pursuant to Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 that Council move into Closed Council.

Moved: Clr J McGiveron / Seconded: Clr R Johns: That Council move into Closed Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IN CONFIDENCE

09/14.17.0 CLOSED COUNCIL

09/14.17.1 Outstanding Actions List for Closed Council

09/14.17.2 Tender – Design, Construct and Install Walkway – Tha Maa Mon Chin Gateway – Trail of the Tin Dragon - Closed Council Item Pursuant To Section 15(2)C Of The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

09/14.17.3 Continuation of Digital Hub Program - Closed Council Item Pursuant To Section 15(2)A Of The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

09/14.17.4 St Marys Streetscape Improvements - Closed Council Item Pursuant To Section 15(2)C Of The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

Clr Hannah Rubenach left the meeting at 11.55am.

09/14.17.5 General Manager Appointment- Closed Council Item Pursuant To Section 15(2)A Of The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

09/14.17.6 Proposed Layout of the St Helens Indoor Sports Centre - Closed Council Item Pursuant To Section 15(2)C Of The Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005

Pursuant to Regulation 15 of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005 that Council move out of Closed Council.

Moved: Clr J McGiveron / Seconded: Clr M Tucker: That Council move out of Closed Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Schmerl thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 12.00pm.

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