

COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY 11 JULY 2019 1.00pm

COUNCIL AGENDA

Thursday 11 July 2019

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council will be held at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, St John Street, Launceston:

Date: 11 July 2019

Time: 1.00pm

Certificate of Qualified Advice

Background

To comply with section 65 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas):

- 1. A general manager must ensure that any advice, information or recommendation given to the council or a council committee is given by a person who has the qualifications or experience necessary to give such advice, information or recommendation.
- 2. A council or council committee is not to decide on any matter which requires the advice of a qualified person without considering such advice unless -
- (a) the general manager certifies, in writing -
 - (i) that such advice was obtained; and
 - (ii) the general manager took the advice into account in providing general advice to the council or council committee; and
- (b) a copy of that advice or, if the advice was given orally, a written transcript or summary of that advice is provided to the council or council committee with the general manager's certificate.

Certification

I certify that:

- (i) the advice of a qualified person has been sought where required;
- (ii) this advice was taken into account in providing general advice to the council or council committee: and
- (iii) a copy of the advice, or a written transcript or summary of advice provided orally, is included with the agenda item.

Michael Stretton General Manager

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22 November 2018

Mr Michael Stretton General Manager City of Launceston PO Box 396 LAUNCESTON TAS 7250

Dear Michael

COUNCIL MEETING

In accordance with regulation 4 of the *Local Government (Meeting Regulations)* 2015 which states:

4. Convening council meetings

- (1) The mayor of a council may convene -
 - (a) an ordinary meeting of the council; and
 - (b) a special meeting of council.

I request that you make the necessary arrangements for the Ordinary Meetings of Council to be convened on the following Thursdays for 2019: 24 January; 7 and 21 February; 7 and 21 March; 4 and 18 April; 2, 16 and 30 May; 13 and 27 June; 11 and 25 July; 8 and 22 August; 5 and 19 September; 3, 17 and 31 October; 14 and 28 November and 12 December commencing at 1.00pm in the City of Launceston Council Chambers, Town Hall, St John Street, Launceston.

Yours sincerely

Councillor A M van Zetten

MAYOR

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1 OPENING OF MEETING - ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Local Government Act 1993 - section 48

(A councillor must declare any interest that the councillor has in a matter before any discussion on that matter commences.)

3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 35(1)(b)

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 27 June 2019 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

4 DEPUTATIONS

No Deputations have been identified as part of this Agenda

5 PETITIONS

Local Government Act 1993 - sections 57 and 58

No Petitions have been identified as part of this Agenda

6 COMMUNITY REPORTS

(Community Reports allow an opportunity for Community Groups to provide Council with a three minute verbal presentation detailing activities of the group. This report is not intended to be used as the time to speak on Agenda Items; that opportunity exists when that Agenda Item is about to be considered. Speakers are not to request funding or ask questions of Council. Printed documentation may be left for Councillors.)

6.1 Mr Casey Farrell (General Manager) - Enterprize Tasmania Ltd

Mr Farrell will provide Council with an overview of Enterprize Tasmania's activities.

7 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 31

7.1 Public Questions on Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 31(1)

(Questions on Notice must be in writing and should be received by the General Manager at least seven days before the relevant Council Meeting. Questions on Notice will be researched by Council Officers and both the Question on Notice (as received) and the response will be provided at the Council Meeting and a reply in writing will also be provided.)

No Public Questions on Notice have been identified as part of this Agenda

7.2 Public Questions Without Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 31(2)(b)

(Members of the public who ask Questions without Notice at a meeting will have both the question and any answer provided recorded in the Minutes. Council Officers will endeavour to answer the question asked at the meeting, however, that is not always possible and more research may be required. If an answer cannot be provided at the Meeting, the question will be treated as a Question on Notice. A response will be provided at the next Council Meeting.)

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Under the provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, Council acts as a Planning Authority in regard to items included in Agenda Item 8 - Planning Authority.

8 PLANNING AUTHORITY

No Development Applications have been identified as part of this Agenda

9 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

9.1 Mayor's Announcements

FILE NO: SF2375

Thursday 27 June 2019

- Chaired the Friends of Library Annual General Meeting
- Attended the South Launceston Rotary Changeover dinner

Friday 28 June 2019

Attended a morning tea to mark change of St Giles Chief Executive Officer

Saturday 29 June 2019

Officiated at the Tomorrow Together Symposium

Sunday 30 June 2019

- Attended the 25 year celebration of Landcare
- Attended the Plastic Free July launch

Tuesday 2 July 2019

Officiated at Public Citizenship Ceremony

Thursday 4 July 2019

Hosted a reception for the Miss Teen Australia National Finals

Friday 5 July 2019

- Officiated at the Junction Arts Festival 2019 program launch
- Attended the Junction Arts party

Monday 8 July 2019

- Officiated at a NAIDOC Week Flag Raising ceremony
- Chaired the NAIDOC Week forum for 2019

10 COUNCILLOR'S REPORTS

(This item provides an opportunity for Councillors to briefly report on the activities that have been undertaken in their capacity as a representative of the Council. It is not necessary to list social functions that have been attended.)

11 QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS

11.1 Questions on Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 30

(A councillor, at least seven days before an ordinary Council Meeting or a Council Committee Meeting, may give written notice to the General Manager of a question in respect of which the councillor seeks an answer at that Meeting. An answer to a Question on Notice will be in writing.)

11.1.1 Councillor's Questions on Notice - Councillor T G Walker - Council Meeting - 27 June 2019

FILE NO: SF2375

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Committee Clerk)

GENERAL MANAGER: Michael Stretton (General Manager)

QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:

The following questions, asked at Council on 27 June 2019 by Councillor T G Walker, have been answered by Mrs Leanne Hurst (Director Development Services).

Questions:

1. As the City of Launceston is sponsoring a Miss Teen Australia event, could you clarify the nature Council's commitment to this event which seems to be a children's beauty competition including a swimsuit parade?

Response:

The City of Launceston support for this event is in-kind in the form of providing a venue and associated costs, totalling just over \$4,000 costed against the Cool Season Strategy budget for 2019/2020. Additionally, the event organisers requested that the Mayor host a formal reception for the participants, which was granted.

2. What is the process undertaken and what are the policies in place within the City of Launceston that allows association with this event?

Response:

The Cool Season Strategy was adopted by Council in 2017. It is a multi-agency supported strategy designed to attract more events to Launceston between the months of April and October. The partner agencies for the strategy are Tourism Northern Tasmania, Silverdome Stadium, Business Events Tasmania, Cityprom and City of Launceston. In 2018 the working group (with TNT as bid lead) submitted a bid to host Miss Teen Australia due primarily to national media reach (including via Google TV and Apple TV) and an undertaking by the organisers that the heritage and natural attractions of Launceston would be captured in videography coverage. There were 25 finalists and a support crew of approximately 20 people in Launceston participating in various activities from Wednesday, 3 July to Sunday, 7 July 2019.

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The crowning ceremony event was held at the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery. Finalists also participated in various activities throughout the City including visits to Cataract Gorge Reserve, Tasmanian Zoo, the Star Theatre and events at local restaurants. Finalists and crew stayed at the Best Western Plus where judging was held. The attraction of this event to Launceston is consistent with both the Cool Season Strategy and the City of Launceston Events Strategy.

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11.1.2 Councillor's Questions on Notice - Councillor D C Gibson - Council Meeting - 27 June 2019

FILE NO: SF2375

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Committee Clerk)

GENERAL MANAGER: Michael Stretton (General Manager)

QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:

The following question, asked at Council on 27 June 2019 by Councillor D C Gibson, has been answered by Mr Matthew Skirving (Acting Director Infrastructure Services).

Question:

1. Where are we at with regard to the reforming of the outcomes, and achieving the outcomes, of the Mall redevelopment and what further steps, such as placement of greenery and the like, are still to be implemented?

Response:

Council Officers will provide an update of proposed additional greenery and other options being considered for further enhancements of the Brisbane Street Mall at the upcoming Council Workshop on 18 July 2019.

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11.2 Questions Without Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 29

(Questions Without Notice, and any answers to those questions, are not required to be recorded in the Minutes of the Meeting.)

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12 COMMITTEE REPORTS

12.1 Tender Review Committee Meeting - 20 June 2019

FILE NO: SF0100/CD010/2019

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Committee Clerk)

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To receive a report from the Tender Review Committee (a delegated Authority Committee).

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes the decision of the Tender Review Committee to accept the tender submitted by Tas City Builders for the LAC Program Pool Upgrade - Contract Number CD010/2019 for \$208,409 (excluding GST).

REPORT:

The Tender Review Committee Meeting, held on 20 June 2019, determined the following:

LAC Program Pool Upgrade - CD010/2019

That the sum submitted by Tas City Builders for the LAC Program Pool Upgrade - Contract Number CD010/2019 for \$208,409 (excluding GST) be accepted.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

12.1 Tender Review Committee Meeting - 20 June 2019 ... (Cont'd)

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Priority Area 3: We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-year Goal: To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Areas:

- 2. To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.
- 3. To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

Not considered relevant to this report.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

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13 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

13.1 Council Workshop Report

FILE NO: SF4401

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Committee Clerk)

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider Council Workshops conducted since the last Council Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

That, pursuant to Regulation 2(c) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, Council notes the Council Workshops conducted since the last Council Meeting, for the purposes described:

Workshops conducted on 4 July 2019:

Cricket Tasmania

Councillors received a presentation regarding the outcomes of the 2018/2019 BBL.

Reconciliation Action Plan Process

Councillors considered an approach to developing a Reconciliation Action Plan for the City of Launceston.

Proposed Optus Communication Tower

Councillors were presented with plans for a telecommunications tower in the Cataract Gorge Basin Carpark where landowner consent is required.

Dementia Friendly Communities

Councillors received a presentation regarding Dementia Australia's Dementia Friendly Communities project.

Cimitiere Street Carpark

A briefing for Councillors was provided on the Cimitiere Street Carpark.

Launceston CBD Bus Interchange

Councillors received an update on CBD bus interchange works.

Election Funding and Western Australia Stadium Study Tour

A briefing was provided to Councillors regarding election funding commitments and a recently undertaken Western Australian Stadium study tour.

13.1 Council Workshop Report ... (Cont'd)

Tomorrow Together - A Resilient City Launch Event Update

An update was provided to Councillors on the launch event held for the Tomorrow Together - Resilient Cities.

REPORT:

Regulation 2(c) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* says that the Agenda of an Ordinary Council Meeting is to include the date and purpose of any Council Workshop held since the last Meeting.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Priority Area 3 - We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-year Goal - To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Area -

2. To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

Not considered relevant to this report.

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13.1 Council Workshop Report ...(Cont'd)

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

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14 NOTICES OF MOTION

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 16(5)

No Notices of Motion have been identified as part of this Agenda

15 DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE ITEMS

No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda

16 FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DIRECTORATE ITEMS

16.1 Lease - Ambulance Tasmania - 1c George Town Road, Newnham

FILE NO: SF2645

AUTHOR: Andrew McCarthy (Acting Manager Architectural Services)

DIRECTOR: Shane Eberhardt (Acting Director Facilities Management)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the leasing arrangement for a portion of the property located at 1c George Town Road, Newnham (Volume 143014 Folio 1), to Ambulance Tasmania.

Section 178 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) requires that a decision to dispose of an interest in land must be by an absolute majority of Council.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Closed Council - 8 October 2007- Agenda Item 12.1 - Northern Suburbs Ambulance Base

Strategic Planning and Policy Committee - 1 October 2007 - Agenda Item 3.8 - Northern Suburbs Ambulance Base

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

 in accordance with section 178 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas), agrees to lease 1c George Town Road, Newnham (Volume 143014 Folio 1) to Ambulance Tasmania, for the purposes of providing an Ambulance Base.



16.1 Lease - Ambulance Tasmania - 1c George Town Road, Newnham ... (Cont'd)

- 2. The General Manager is authorised to enter into a formal lease under the following terms:
 - The term shall be five years commencing on 1 August 2019
 - The rent is \$4,825 annually excluding GST, adjusted by CPI annually
 - The tenant is to be responsible for:
 - Government taxes
 - energy costs
 - volumetric and connection charges for water
 - sewerage charges
 - contents insurance
 - maintaining prescribed essential building services
 - and all other service charges if any
 - The tenant shall continuously maintain:
 - any infrastructure or any infrastructure installed by the tenant or Council in relation to the tenants occupation
 - building in good and reasonable order
 - public liability insurance of at least \$10 million

REPORT:

Ambulance Tasmania has leased a section of land from Council located at 1c George Town Road, Newnham since September 2008. Initially the land parcel was vacant, however, Ambulance Tasmania has subsequently developed the site to accommodate an Ambulance Station. With the initial 10-year lease now up for review, it is the intent to provide a new lease for a five-year term.

In the Council report tabled on 12 November 2007, it was identified that, due to the proximity of privately owned infrastructure beneath the land this would restrict the flexibility of where a building could be located upon the site. In addition, the land parcel did not have Council owned road frontage which limits access to the site itself. These factors deemed the potential, for future Council use as limited.

The general provision of the station is to accommodate a two-person crew on a 24 hour, seven days per week basis. The station is ideally located to enhance Ambulance Tasmania's emergency response capacity within the city and in particular to the northern suburbs including Invermay, Newnham, Mayfield, Rocherlea and Ravenswood as well as areas beyond such as Dilston and Lilydale. This station forms one integral part of the network of stations strategically located throughout the state.

16.1 Lease - Ambulance Tasmania - 1c George Town Road, Newnham ... (Cont'd)

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

This site assists Ambulance Tasmania in servicing the northern suburbs of the city with their emergency response arrangements and continues to provide a vital service to Launceston and the surrounding areas.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Strategic Priority 3: We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-Year Goal: To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Area:

1. To provide for the health, safety and welfare of the community.

Strategic Priority 5: We serve and care for our community by providing equitable and efficient services that reflects needs and expectations of our community.

10-Year Goal: To offer access to services and spaces for all community members and to work in partnership with stakeholders to address the needs of vulnerable communities. Focus Area:

3. To work in partnership with community organisations and other levels of government to maximise participation opportunities for vulnerable and diverse members of the community.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

In preparation for the lease review, a valuation was undertaken by Opteon Solutions. The parcel of land has been valued at \$4,535, however, it is noted that it is a difficult parcel of land to value. As the valuation came in comparatively close to the current rental amount of \$4,825 per annum it is the intent to leave the rental value unchanged, but apply a CPI increase annually.

16.1 Lease - Ambulance Tasmania - 1c George Town Road, Newnham ... (Cont'd)

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Shane Eberhardt: Acting Director Facilities Management

17 CREATIVE ARTS AND CULTURAL SERVICES DIRECTORATE ITEMS

No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda

18 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES DIRECTORATE ITEMS

No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda

19 CORPORATE SERVICES DIRECTORATE ITEMS

19.1 Delegation From Council to General Manager and Council Officers - Local Government (Highways) Act 1982 (Tas)

FILE NO: SF0113

AUTHOR: Duncan Campbell (Governance and Paralegal Officer)

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the delegation from Council to Council officers of particular powers and functions under the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas).

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council Meeting - 7 February 2019 - Agenda Item 15.3 - Delegation From Council to General Manger and Council Officers - Local Government (Highways) Act 1982 (Tas)

Council Meeting - 10 August 2015 - Agenda Item 18.1 - Delegations Under Heavy Vehicle National Law (Tasmania) Act

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. pursuant to section 124 of the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas), delegates to the holder(s) of the position(s) in Column One of the schedule listed at Recommendation 6, the powers and functions under the sections of the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas) specified in Column Two of that schedule, subject to restrictions (if any) referred to in Column Three of that schedule.
- 2. notes that the delegation of powers under sections 41, 46 and 99 includes delegation of Council's power to:
 - (a) authorise a Council officer to be an authorised officer pursuant to section 41;
 - (b) authorise another person to exercise Council's powers pursuant to section 46; and
 - (c) authorise a person to be an authorised officer for the purpose of section 99(1) and to
 - (d) authorise an officer to exercise Council's powers under section 99(4).

- notes that the holder of a position delegated a power or function by these
 Recommendations may seek the assistance of such other Council employees, agents
 or contractors as are necessary to exercise the power or perform the function so
 delegated, provided always that the decision to exercise the power or perform the
 function is made by the delegate.
- 4. subject to Recommendation 1 being resolved in the affirmative, and pursuant to section 124 of the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas), revokes any delegation(s) under the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas) made prior to the Recommendations under consideration.
- 5. pursuant to section 23AA(2)(b) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1931* (Tas), authorises the Mayor to evidence the delegations made by this decision, by signing an instrument of delegation referring to this decision and replicating, either exactly or in substance, the terms of the delegations effected by these Recommendations.
- 6. notes that the following table is the schedule referred to at Recommendation 1.

Column One	Column Two	Column Three
Position	Extent of	Restrictions
	delegation	
General Manager (GM)	7(2), 10, 11, 19, 20, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 50, 52, 54, 95, 96, 99, 104, 107, 109, 110, 112	Except in the case of an emergency, section 27 may only be exercised with 14 days' written notice to the landowner. Section 54 may only be exercised with the permission of the
Director Infrastructure Services	7(2), 10, 19, 20, 27,	landowner. Except in the case of an
	30, 31, 32, 34, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 46, 50, 52, 54, 95, 96, 99, 104, 109, 110, 112	emergency, section 27 may only be exercised with the GM's approval and with 14 days' written notice to the landowner. Section 39(9) may only be exercised with permission of GM. Section 54 may only be exercised with the permission of the landowner.

Column One	Column Two	Column Three
Position	Extent of	Restrictions
	delegation	
Manager Technical Services	10, 19, 20, 27, 30, 31, 32, 34, 39, 40, 41, 42, 44, 46, 54, 95, 96,104	Except in the case of an emergency, section 27 may only be exercised with the GM's approval and with 14 days' written notice to the landowner. Section 39(9) may only be exercised with permission of GM. Section 54 may only be exercised with the permission of the landowner.
Manager Operations	27, 30, 34, 39, 42, 44, 54, 104	Except in the case of an emergency, section 27 may only be exercised with the GM's approval and with 14 days' written notice to the landowner. Section 39(9) may only be exercised with permission of GM. Section 54 may only be exercised with the permission of the landowner.
Manager Built Environment	19, 20, 27, 30, 31, 34, 39, 44, 54, 95, 96, 104	Except in the case of an emergency, section 27 may only be exercised with the GM's approval and with 14 days' written notice to the landowner. Section 39(9) may only be exercised with permission of GM. Section 54 may only be exercised with the permission of the landowner.
Director Facilities Management	104, 107	
Manager Parking and Carr Villa	104, 107	

Column One	Column Two	Column Three
Position	Extent of delegation	Restrictions
Parking Coordinator	104, 107	
Director Corporate Services	109(2)	
Manager Strategic Procurement	109(2)	
Director Development Services	45	
Manager Health and	45	
Compliance		
Team Leader Regulation	45	
Services		
Team Leader Environmental	45	
Health		
Regulations Officer	45	
Senior Administration Officer	45	
Administration and Technical Officer	45	

REPORT:

The delegation of powers and functions under the *Local Government (Highways) Act 1982* (Tas) (the Act) will streamline Council processes and make clear which powers and functions can be performed by Council officers without requiring further Council approval. Any power that is delegated can continue to be exercised by Council. A summary of each of the powers and functions identified as suitable for delegation is provided below:

Section 7 provides Council the power to dedicate land as a highway. Section 7(2) allows Council to provide notice to the Department of State Growth of its intention to give an approval to dedicate land as a highway.

Section 10 places obligations on landowners carrying out construction works in respect of a highway over land to the satisfaction of Council.

Section 11 provides Council with the power to enter into and carry into effect an agreement for works to be completed to discharge obligations arising under section 10.

Section 17 allows Council to apply to a magistrate for a local highway order, defining the boundaries of a local highway.

Section 18 relates to service of notice with respect to local highway orders.

Section 19 provides Council with the power to close a local highway for public functions, after consulting with the Commissioner of Police.

Section 20 allows Council to close a public highway for the purpose of providing a place for the sale of goods and entertainment.

Section 27 allows Council to use land adjoining a highway to carry out highway works, including using uncultivated land as a temporary deviation.

Section 30 allows Council to carry out works to a highway to make it safer, more convenient or improving its appearance.

Section 31 allows Council, with the approval of the Department of State Growth, to place obstructions on a highway for the purpose of preventing or restricting the movement of traffic.

Section 32 allows Council to light a public highway or public place and to carry out works on any land for that purpose.

Section 34 allows Council to make and maintain drains and watercourses.

Section 39 allows Council to provide an occupier of land with a written notice requiring the removal of vegetation from the land. If the notice is not complied with, Council may carry out the works and recover the costs from the occupier.

Section 40 allows Council to give permission to erect a fence or gate over a highway.

Section 41 allows Council to prohibit traffic of a particular kind from using a highway, where it has been provided with a report from a Council officer authorised to provide a consent or report pursuant to that section.

Section 42 allows Council to close a highway that is unsafe to general or specific traffic where a relevant officer has so certified.

Section 43 allows Council to recover cost of repairs caused by excessive weight on a highway.

Section 44 allows Council to restrict the weight of vehicles permitted to use a bridge.

Section 45 allows Council to remove articles from a highway and specifies how a removed article can be disposed.

Section 46 allows Council, in accordance with its by-laws, to grant a person written permission to do various things in relation to a highway, including the digging of soil, making drains and installing pipelines.

Section 50 allows Council to carry out highway works in a local highway not maintainable by it, i.e. highways opened by private persons outside cities or towns.

Section 52 allows Council to remove projections onto highways in agreement with the occupier of the building or otherwise on 30 days' notice.

Section 54 allows Council to put up or paint the name of a highway or other public place by use of a post or by painting on a building, wall or fence near that highway or place.

Section 95 allows Council to mark out parking spaces and install parking meters and voucher machines.

Section 96 allows Council to prescribe the days and hours that controlled parking operates.

Section 99 allows Council to place a notice on a parking space or meter for that space restricting parking to a *no parking*, *no standing* or *no parking without a municipal parking permit*, thereby making the parking space subject to the *Traffic Act 1925* (Tas). The section allows the General Manager, and other Council officers authorised by Council, to exercise the power to issue related municipal permits.

Section 104 allows Council to issue permits to allow various vehicles to use parking spaces without the use of a parking meter or voucher.

Section 107 directs Council to issue a certificate of employment to parking attendants, which confers investigative powers upon those attendants in relation to car hire businesses.

Section 109 allows Council to light a State highway and allows Council to pay contributions towards the lighting of a State highway.

Section 110 allows Council to exercise powers and carry out works in respect to State Highways with the permission of the relevant Minister. The section allows Council, with the Minister's permission, to exercise the powers conferred by section 19 as if the State highway were a local highway maintainable by Council.

Section 112 requires Council to maintain a highway on which authorised road works were carried out by the relevant Minister.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Priority Area 3 - We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-year Goal - To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Area -

2. To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

Not considered relevant to this report.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

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19.2 Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029

FILE NO: SF4812/SF5947

AUTHOR: Nathan Williams (Manager Finance)

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider adoption of Council's Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Workshop - 11 April 2019 - Adoption of Strategic Asset Management Plan and Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2020

Audit Panel - 8 May 2019 - Long Term Financial Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

That, pursuant to section 70 of the *Local Government Act* 1993 (Tas), Council adopts the Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029 (ECM Document Set ID 4083207).

REPORT:

This is the City of Launceston's (CoL) Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) for 2019-2029. This LTFP is an output of City of Launceston's Corporate Planning Project, a cross-divisional project that ran from January to August 2018 with the specific aim of reviewing or preparing new versions of key statutory and corporate planning documents. Under the Project Leadership of Matthew Skirving, the Corporate Strategic Plan, Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP), Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) and Organisational Values were drafted and incorporated input from one to the other as required during the process.

Section 70 of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) requires:

- (1) A council is to prepare a long-term financial management plan for the municipal area.
- (2) A long-term financial management plan is to be in respect of at least a 10-year period.
- (3) A long-term financial management plan for a municipal area is to:
 - (a) be consistent with the strategic plan for the municipal area; and
 - (b) refer to the long-term strategic asset management plan for the municipal area; and
 - (c) contain at least the matters that are specified in an order made under section 70F as required to be included in a long-term financial management plan.

19.2 Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029 ... (Cont'd)

As detailed above, adoption of a LTFP is legislative requirement mandated by the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), however CoL has taken the view that the LTFP should be used as a decision making tool with respect to having more informed future planning and greater means of achieving long-term sustainability.

CoL has an operating budget in excess of \$110m annually and aims to achieve a small underlying surplus each year. Despite being in a solid financial position due to sound operating results in recent years, CoL finds itself being challenged by the cost of operating several regional assets without equitable funding, changes in the accounting treatment of assets, restructuring of dividends and being responsible for managing the ongoing operations and maintenance of various Federal and State funded projects.

The LTFP estimates the future operating revenues and expenses associated with operating requirements, capital expenditure and asset management renewal, in support of the deliverables in the organisational Strategic Plan. It also provides a mechanism for CoL to deliver asset renewal requirements as determined in the SAMP, by making provision for the estimated costs associated with our management of the assets that are considered in that plan. The LTFP can be used in support of strategic decision making, as it allows for detailed scenario analysis to be undertaken. The SAMP provides the mechanism for the LTFP to be able model the capital and ongoing operational cost associated with asset management, at a whole of organisation level.

The LTFP outlines various assumptions made and indices used in formulating the financial model. Benchmarking with other similar sized and situated Councils both in Tasmania and interstate has been included, to provide comparative and relative information on CoL performance and KPIs. A suite of various financial management improvement initiatives have been identified and prioritised in the LTFP for future versions.

To assist in the development of the LTFP, CoL engaged a third party to provide a financial software modelling package. This package is widely used in the Local Government sector both in Tasmania and interstate and is specifically tailored toward the sector.

In addition to the proposed financial model, a range of scenario analyses have been completed to assist with understanding the potential implications of future decisions and external factors, and a suite of tools developed to assist with identifying the financial implications of organisational decisions moving forward. Having the ability to quickly and accurately analyse a multitude of scenarios in the financial model, through the whole of organisation lens, allows for better informed decision making at both Councillor and officer level.

The LTFP will be reviewed and brought to Council annually for adoption as part of the Corporate Planning cycle. This process will involve consultation with, and seeking feedback from, Councillors. The LTFP and SAMP will form a key part of CoL's annual budgeting and planning process.

19.2 Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029 ...(Cont'd)

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Strategic Priority 3: We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-Year Goal: To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Area:

5. To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

The LTFP will inform Council's operational and capital budgets.

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) 2019-2029 (distributed electronically)

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19.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039

FILE NO: SF6945

AUTHOR: Randall Langdon (Senior Asset Management Adviser)

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider adoption of the Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Workshop - 11 April 2019 - Review of Draft Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039

Audit Panel - 27 September 2018 - Agenda Item11.2 - Strategic Asset Management Plan

RECOMMENDATION:

That, pursuant to sections 70B and 70D of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), Council adopts the Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039 (ECM Document Set ID 4082942).

REPORT:

This is the City of Launceston's inaugural Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP). This SAMP is an output of City of Launceston's Corporate Planning Project, a cross-divisional project that ran from January to August 2018 with the specific aim of reviewing or preparing new versions of key statutory and corporate planning documents. Under the Project Leadership of Matthew Skirving, the Corporate Strategic Plan, Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP), Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) and Organisational Values were drafted and incorporated input from one to the other as required during the process.

Section 70B of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) requires:

- (1) A council is to prepare a long-term strategic asset management plan for the municipal area.
- (2) A long-term strategic asset management plan is to relate to all assets that are within a class of assets specified in an order under section 70F(3) to be major assets.
- (3) A long-term strategic asset management plan is to be in respect of at least a 10 year period.

19.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039 ... (Cont'd)

- (4) A long-term strategic asset management plan for a municipal area is to -
 - (a) be consistent with the strategic plan for the municipal area; and
 - (b) refer to the long-term financial management plan for the municipal area; and
 - (c) contain at least the matters that are specified in an order made under section 70F as required to be included in a long-term strategic asset management plan.

Section 70D of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas) requires:

- (1) A council is to prepare an asset management strategy for the municipal area.
- (2) An asset management strategy for a municipal area is to -
 - (a) be consistent with the strategic plan for the municipal area; and
 - (b) contain at least the matters that are specified in an order made under section 70F as required to be included in an asset management strategy.

Rather than having two separate documents, the City of Launceston's Asset Management Strategy is included in section 10.3 of the Strategic Asset Management Plan.

The SAMP covers 33,000 individual assets with a combined current replacement value of \$2.03B. This SAMP goes further than the minimum legislated requirement and takes into account all asset classes of Council except land and the QVMAG collections (these assets do not generally depreciate over time). The SAMP is not just about counting, describing and depreciating assets. It is really about maintaining the service levels that these asset help provide. If assets are renewed as they reach the end of their lives, then services can be maintained.

Strategic challenges, the critical issues that impede or constrain an organisation from achieving its mission, facing the City of Launceston's services are examined and addressed. The SAMP also puts forward its approach to ensure the discipline of asset management is applied across Council and the use of a continuous improvement plan to achieve a mature state of ongoing asset management across the organisation. A key part of this work is to align the asset management objectives collectively and individually with the achievement of Council's corporate objectives.

The SAMP models various levels and programs of asset renewal, upgrade and new scenarios to advise, in conjunction with the LTFP, on the sustainability of the future programs and services. The SAMP also advises funding levels to manage the clearance of the underlying asset renewal backlog of \$43M over the span of the forward planning of 10 and 20 years. The whole of Council sustainability analysis shows there is the financial capacity to achieve very acceptable sustainability ratios. However, in depth analysis of particular service areas shows that there is a lot of variation between asset classes, that is some programs are falling behind compared to others.

19.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039 ... (Cont'd)

The SAMP fulfils its most important role of advising the what and when of asset renewals that are required to replace the assets that maintain the levels of service over the forward planning horizon. The monetary value of these replacement programs becomes a key input into the LTFP modelling.

Current and future service levels versus costs conversations will be undertaken with the community as part of the *Tomorrow Together* community consultation program. The outcome will be used to inform the content of future asset management plans and the next SAMP. The financial modelling figures behind the SAMP will be up dated annually and used to inform the long-term financial plan's modelling and in turn the annual budget process.

The SAMP and Asset Management Strategy will be reviewed every four years to coincide with the term of the new Council following the election cycle.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Consideration contained in report and attachment.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

Consideration contained in report and attachment.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

Consideration contained in report and attachment.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024 Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

The Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039's CAPEX programs outputs were fed into financial modelling associated with the Long Term Financial Plan 2019-2029 and the modelling in turn informed the preparation of the FY 2019/2020 Budget and Annual Plan.

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19.3 Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039 ... (Cont'd)

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Strategic Asset Management Plan 2019-2039 (distributed electronically)

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19.4 Residential Waste Charges

FILE NO: SF1047

DIRECTOR: Paul Gimpl (Acting Director Corporate Services)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the Residential Waste Charges Policy which describes the residential and commercial kerbside waste and recycling services available within the City of Launceston and specifies how the relevant rates, fees and charges prescribed by Council are to be collected.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Workshop - 20 June 2019 - Residential Waste Charges Policy

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

- 1. adopts the Residential Waste Charges Policy (33-PI-005) as set out below.
- 2. pursuant to section 22(2)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), delegates to the General Manager the necessary powers under Part 9 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), to collect, postpone or remit the collection of kerbside waste and recycling rates, fees and charges in accordance with this policy.
- 3. pursuant to section 23AA(2)(b) of the *Acts Interpretation Act 1931* (Tas), authorises the Mayor to evidence the delegations made at Recommendation 2. by signing an instrument of delegation referring to this decision and replicating, either exactly or in substance, the terms of the delegations effected by these Recommendations.

Residential Waste Charges Policy

PURPOSE:

To detail the waste collection services available for residential properties including unit developments, and to specify Council's policy in relation to the collection of waste services fees and charges.

SCOPE:

The policy describes the extent of waste collection services and the Council's policy in relation to the collection of applicable waste services fees and charges that apply to:

- (a) domestic rateable properties; and
- (b) small commercial rateable properties.

19.4 Residential Waste Charges ...(Cont'd)

POLICY:

1. General

All domestic and small commercial rateable properties within the Launceston municipality (including Council owned properties), are liable to pay any applicable fee adopted by Council pursuant to the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas).

2. Standard Residential Service

All residential rateable properties, and small commercial/other rateable properties under special arrangement, that are paying the relevant waste management fee for that service will receive as standard a kerbside:

- 140 litre waste bin, collected weekly; or
- 240 litre recycling bin collected fortnightly.

Single residential rateable properties cannot opt out of the kerbside recycling or garbage service. Multiple unit dwellings may have a service amended as shown in section 4.

If, in the opinion of the General Manager, a property cannot be serviced due to the condition of the road (including practicability to use by collection vehicles), status/limitation given non-public roads, or due to commercial considerations (including unreasonable cost to provide the service) the ratepayer can choose to either:

- (a) provide their own service, and have the waste charge removed from their annual rates bill. or
- (b) pay the waste charge and move their bins to the nearest serviceable road on each collection day.

3. Service Upgrades and Additions

Individual rateable properties can increase/reduce the size of the waste bin for an additional fee/reduction in fee or pay for additional waste bins, in accordance with any fee structure determined by Council.

A food and garden organics (FOGO) kerbside collection is available voluntarily to approved areas providing the property is already receiving a kerbside service and pays the relevant Council-approved fee. One 240ltr Organics Bin, collected fortnightly (off week to recycling service) per waste management charge is permitted.

4. Multiple Unit Developments (MUDs) - Special Collections

For multiple unit developments (MUDs) where there is insufficient kerbside space for each unit to place a 140 litre waste bin and a 240 litre recycling bin out for collection safely or practically, Council must apply one of the following options:

19.4 Residential Waste Charges ...(Cont'd)

- (a) Council's kerbside collection contractor may enter the property to provide a kerbside service for individual mobile garbage bins (MGBs) as follows:
 - i. An off-street collection agreement will be required between the property owner/body corporate and Council's waste contractor which protects the contractor from damage and provides consent for the contractor's collection vehicles to enter the property.
 - ii. Multiple dwelling properties will be required to provide appropriate and accessible off-street storage of waste and recycling MGBs for an off-street collection of waste and recyclables from residents.
 - iii. Waste collection will occur weekly.
 - iv. Recycling collection will occur fortnightly.
- (b) A shared service may be provided where fewer bins with larger capacity than standard MGBs are provided and collected by Council's kerbside collection contractor as follows:
 - i. An off-street collection agreement will be required between the property owner/body corporate and Council's waste contractor which protects the contractor from damage and provides consent for the contractor's collection vehicles to enter the property.
 - ii. For waste collection, a minimum airspace of 120 litres per unit will be provided.
 - For recycling collection, a minimum airspace of 240 litres per unit will be provided.
 - Waste collection will occur weekly.
 - Recycling collection will occur fortnightly.
- (c) A private contractor is engaged to provide garbage and recycling collection services; and
 - i. Before the private contractor has commenced the service, Council must receive documentation to its satisfaction from the owner/body corporate demonstrating that a weekly garbage and fortnightly recycling service will be provided to residents. Council may request the owner/body corporate provides annual documentation confirming the ongoing provision of a private waste collection service; and
 - ii. then relevant Council waste management collection fees and charges will not be collected from that MUD while a satisfactory private waste collection service is provided.

A determination to allow special collections for MUDs should generally be made following review and inspection of the property concerned by Council officers.

A service is defined as removing waste from the property and disposing of it to a permitted receiver for the waste services type being collected.

19.4 Residential Waste Charges ... (Cont'd)

5. Small Commercial Rateable Properties and Schools

Small commercial rateable properties and schools can request a waste and recycling service. For small commercial properties, this service is available for properties that produce only domestic-type waste and recycling.

Small commercial rateable properties and schools can discontinue the service at any time. The waste service charge and the bins will be removed from the property at the cancellation of the service.

6. Waste Management Fee Opt Out Register

A register is to be kept of all rateable properties currently not paying a waste management service fee.

An annual audit of the properties is to be completed to ensure those not paying the waste management charge are still adhering to the policy.

The audit consists of a letter requesting the owner to send evidence of a collection service such as receipts or service agreements and site visits if necessary.

PRINCIPLES:

To provide standard and equitable kerbside waste collection services to the community.

RELATED POLICIES & PROCEDURES:

33-Fmx-177 Agreement - Off-Street Waste/Recycling Collection Service

RELATED LEGISLATION:

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) sections 22, 93, 94, 100, 107 and 205 (Fees and Charges)

REFERENCES:

N/A

DEFINITIONS:

'Commercial rateable property' - for this policy shall be a non-residential property, from which a business is conducted.

REVIEW:

This policy will be reviewed no more than one year after the date of approval (version) or more frequently, if dictated by operational demands and with Council's approval.

19.4 Residential Waste Charges ... (Cont'd)

REPORT:

Council officers have been made aware of situations where rateable properties have been permitted to opt out of the kerbside garbage and recycling service. When a property owner opts out of the kerbside garbage and recycling service, the property is no longer charged the minimum kerbside service fee in their rates.

This situation has arisen most notably in multiple unit development (MUD) properties, ie. in properties with multiple units/flats.

Once a property owner has opted out of the Council's kerbside waste/recycling service, there have been difficulties in requiring the owner to replace the Council service with a suitable, equal alternative.

Council officers are aware of one property where the owner has opted out of services made available by the Council and has then failed to provide adequate recycling services to his six tenancies.

This presents several problems:

- The kerbside garbage and recycling service is a universal service, costed on the basis of all rateable properties participating. Allowing properties to opt out of a universal service undermines the financial model of the service and results in the remaining ratepayers paying more for the universal service.
- Allowing property owners to opt out, particularly those with multiple tenancies on the
 one property, reduces equitable access to services, particularly if those tenancies are
 not offered a level of service on par with the services other ratepayers in Launceston
 receive.

Council currently has difficulty in establishing whether properties that have opted out are being provided with adequate ongoing garbage removal services. Inadequate waste services may lead to public health issues if garbage is left too long for collection.

A new policy has been prepared to overcome these issues. Under the new policy, all single residential rateable properties cannot opt out of the collection of fees for the kerbside recycling or garbage service. Multiple unit dwellings cannot opt out either, however, they may have the kerbside service amended to suit site access difficulties as follows:

- 1. Council's kerbside collection contractor may enter the property to provide a kerbside service for individual mobile garbage bins (MGBs).
- 2. A shared service may be provided where fewer bins with larger capacity than standard MGBs are provided and collected by Council's kerbside collection contractor.

19.4 Residential Waste Charges ... (Cont'd)

3. A private contractor may be engaged to provide garbage and recycling collection services. Upon suitable evidence to Council, the MUD will then become exempt from the collection of Council's Waste Management charges.

ECONOMIC IMPACT:

Not considered relevant to this report.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The kerbside recycling service diverts 14,700 tonnes of waste from the Launceston landfill each year. This extends the life of the landfill and achieves positive environmental impacts such as reduced greenhouse gas emissions, reduced water and energy use, and avoided extraction of virgin materials.

SOCIAL IMPACT:

The universal kerbside service provides equitable access to a waste and recycling program to all ratepayers in Launceston. Allowing property owners to opt out of the service undermines equitable access to the service.

STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:

City of Launceston Corporate Strategic Plan 2014-2024

Strategic Priority 3: We are a progressive leader that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

10-Year Goal: To ensure decisions are made in a transparent and accountable way, that effectively meet our statutory obligations, support quality services and underpin the long-term sustainability of our organisation.

Focus Area:

5. To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.

BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:

Not considered relevant to this report.

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19.4 Residential Waste Charges ...(Cont'd)

DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

I certify that I have reviewed and approved this advice and recommendation.

Paul Gimpl: Acting Director Corporate Services

20 GENERAL MANAGER'S DIRECTORATE ITEMS

No Items have been identified as part of this Agenda

21 URGENT BUSINESS

Regulation 8(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015, states that a council, by absolute majority at an ordinary council meeting, may decide to deal with a matter that is not on the Agenda.

22 CLOSED COUNCIL

This decision requires an absolute majority of Council

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council moves into Closed Session to consider the following matters:

22.1 Confirmation of the Minutes

Regulation 35(6) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations* 2015 states that at the next closed meeting, the minutes of a closed meeting, after any necessary correction, are to be confirmed as the true record by the council or council committee and signed by the chairperson of the closed meeting.

22.2 Local Government Association - General Management Committee By-Election Nomination

Regulation 15(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations* 2015 states that a part of a meeting may be closed to the public to discuss:

(g) information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential.

22.3 Launceston City Deal - 2019 Progress Report

Regulation 15(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations* 2015 states that a part of a meeting may be closed to the public to discuss:

(g) information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential.

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22.4 Legal Advice Relating to Ongoing Dispute

Regulation 15(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations* 2015 states that a part of a meeting may be closed to the public to discuss:

(i) matters relating to actual or possible litigation taken, or to be taken, by or involving the council or an employee of the council.

22.5 End of Closed Session

RECOMMENDATION:

To be determined in Closed Council.

23 MEETING CLOSURE