



City of  
**LAUNCESTON**

# **COUNCIL MINUTES**

**COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY 23 MARCH 2023  
1.00PM**

The Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council was held at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, St John Street, Launceston:

Date: 23 March 2023

Time: 1.00pm

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    - (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.

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- (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
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**Michael Stretton**  
**Chief Executive Officer**

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***Present:***

Councillor D C Gibson (Mayor)  
Councillor M K Garwood (Deputy Mayor)  
Councillor A E Dawkins  
Councillor A G Harris  
Councillor T G Walker  
Councillor Dr G Razay  
Councillor J J Pentridge  
Councillor A J Palmer  
Councillor L M McMahon  
Councillor S Cai  
Councillor A J Britton

***In Attendance:***

Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer)  
Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network)  
Louise Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network)  
Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network)  
Shane Fitzgerald (General Manager Creative Arts and Cultural Services Network)  
Richard Jamieson (Manager City Development) (Agenda Items 10.1-10.3)  
Duncan Payton (Town Planner) (Agenda Items 10.1 and 10.2)  
Dileep Karna (Town Planner) (Agenda Item 10.3)  
Marcus Grantham (Team Leader Place Making) (Agenda Item 16.1)  
Michelle Ogulin (Acting Manager Liveable Communities) (Agenda Item 16.1)  
Leanne Purchase (Manager Governance) (Agenda Item 18.1)  
Michelle Grey (Lease and Licencing Officer) (Agenda Item 18.1)  
Tony McDonald (Data Analytics) (Agenda Item 19.1)  
Simon Tennant (Team Leader Communications)  
Kelsey Hartland (Team Leader Governance)  
Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

***Apologies:***

Councillor D H McKenzie

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**1. OPENING OF MEETING - ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES**

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, opened the Meeting at 1.00pm and noted an apology from Councillor D H McKenzie.

The Mayor provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

**2. MAYORAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

There were no Mayoral Acknowledgements for this Meeting

**3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

*Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) - section 48*

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

**No Declarations of Interest were identified as part of these Minutes**

**4. 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 9 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

Moved Councillor A J Palmer, seconded Councillor A J Britton.

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 9 March 2023 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

**5. COUNCIL WORKSHOPS**

*Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 8(2)(c)*

**5.1. Council Workshop Report - 9 and 16 March 2023**

**FILE NO:** SF4401

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider Council Workshops conducted since the last Council Meeting.

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 8(2)(c)*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council, pursuant to Regulation 8(2)(c) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, notes the Council Workshops conducted and attended since the last Council Meeting, for the purposes described:

1. pre-Council Workshop conducted on 9 March 2023:

**Alanvale Development Plan**

*Councillors will discuss the current opportunities being explored for development in the Alanvale area.*

*In Attendance:* Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton.

*Apologies:* Councillor A G Harris

2. Workshop conducted on 16 March 2023:

**Bell Bay Advance Manufacturing Zone**

*Councillors received an update on the activities of the Bell Bay Advanced Manufacturing Zone.*

**Homes Tasmania.**

*Councillors received a briefing from Richard Gilmore.*

**Gorge Chairlift Refurbishment**

*Councillors were provided with a briefing on the proposed refurbishment of the Gorge Chairlift.*

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**Stormwater Management**

*Councillors received an overview of stormwater management actions and discussed the Draft Stormwater Management for Development Policy and the proposed implementation plan.*

**Emergency Management and Flood Risk**

*Councillors were provided with an update for information on flood risk and emergency management.*

**Northern Tasmania Cricket Association Precinct Governance**

*Councillors received a presentation on the proposed revised governance arrangements for the Northern Tasmania Cricket Association.*

*In Attendance:* Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton.

*Apologies:* Councillor A G Harris

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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A J Britton, seconded Councillor T G Walker.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton

**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

**6. COUNCILLORS' LEAVE OF ABSENCE APPLICATIONS**

**No Councillors' Leave of Absence Applications were identified as part of these Minutes**

**7. 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).*

**7.1. Kaye Dowling - Friends of the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery**

**FILE NO:** SF6368

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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**SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION**

Kaye provided Council with information on the Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery (QVMAG) Friends which is one of the QVMAG's support groups. For over 30 years, using Friends' funds and volunteer energy, the group has worked to: support the development and care of the QVMAG's unique collections; support activities and projects which enhance the visitor experience at the QVMAG; engage the members and general community in the diverse activities of the QVMAG and provide an independent community voice to advocate for the future of the QVMAG. Kaye thanked the Council for its continued support of the QVMAG.

**8. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

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

**8.1. Public Questions on Notice**

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

**8.1.1. Public Questions on Notice - Kirsten Ritchie (Strike It Out) - Homelessness Concerns**

**FILE NO:** SF6381

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following questions, asked at the Council Meeting on 9 March 2023 by Kirsten Ritchie, have been answered by Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network).

***Questions:***

[With regard to the provision of safe places for homeless within the community]

1. What is the answer to this situation that keeps reoccurring week after week?
2. Where do I tell people to go, that is a safe space (for single parents and children and those in desperate need of help) where their belongings will not be destroyed or stolen?
3. Can the City of Launceston help us, or know someone that can?

***Response:***

*There is no single answer to the issue of homelessness in Launceston due to the variety of issues that contribute to this problem. Many of these issues lie outside the standard remit of local councils, however, the City of Launceston is committed to exploring actions to ease the burden of those experiencing homelessness in Launceston.*

*Currently, support service organisations such as St Vincent de Paul, the Salvation Army, Launceston City Mission, Shekinah House, the Launceston Benevolent Society, Headspace and others provide a wide range of assistance to the homeless community in Northern Tasmania. This support includes food parcels, financial assistance, employment assistance, family and domestic violence support, clothing, outreach trailers, emergency transport and advocacy.*

*Whilst the responsibility for the provision of public housing and mental health services rests with the State Government, the City of Launceston acknowledges that it also has a role to play in assisting with the facilitation of positive outcomes for this community and is doing this in a collaborative manner through engagement with service providers, State Government, Tasmanian Police and community through the Homelessness Advisory Committee.*

*The City of Launceston will continue to work with Strike It Out to explore suitable options for placement of the sleep pod trailer. Through the provision of portable toilets, waste removal and cleaning services and the facilitation of community partnerships such as the activation of shower facilities at the previous YMCA site, the City of Launceston will continue to play a constructive role in supporting the homeless community.*

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**8.1.2. Public Questions on Notice - Rafael Molina (President -Tamar Bicycle Users Group) - Bike Fest - 13 March 2023**

**FILE NO:** SF6381

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following questions, submitted in writing to the Council on 13 March 2023 by Rafael Molina, have been answered by Nick Browne, Manager Infrastructure & Engineering.

**Questions:**

1. How much money will the City of Launceston (CoL) spend in total organising and delivering the event titled *Bike Fest*?

**Response:**

*The cost estimate for the City of Launceston's expenditure on Bike Fest 2023 is \$22,000 excluding GST.*

2. How much money will the CoL spend/invest in cycling infrastructure over the course of the 2022/2023 financial year?

**Response:**

*The City of Launceston's financial system does not separate cycling infrastructure as a separate expenditure category. To extract this detailed information would require a time consuming manual process which would involve reviewing all work completed which would take a great deal of time.*

*In the 2022/2023 financial year the City of Launceston has budgeted to spend \$7.5m on Roads and Trails capital projects and \$6.1m on Roads operational projects, a total of \$13.6m for 2022/2023. Included in these figures are cycling infrastructure projects such as Trevallyn Road Sharrows, Elphin Road bike lane extension/sharrows, Mulgrave Street bike lane extension, West Tamar Highway trail upgrade, Mowbray shopping area reseal, additional lengths of bike lane, Lindsay Street shared path markings and North Esk Trail upgrades.*

*The City of Launceston will endeavour to provide a summary of road expenditure by category to the Council's Transport Committee following the completion of the 2022/2023 financial year.*



3. How much money is the CoL forecasting to spend/invest in cycling infrastructure over the period covered by the CoL *Transport Strategy 2020-2040*?

**Response:**

*The Launceston Transport Strategy 2020-2040 sets the strategic direction for the future of the local transport system and calls up a number of initiatives that the City of Launceston will undertake to help us achieve this vision. The strategy does not go to the detail of providing a list of projects or funding commitments that will be completed under that strategy. The City of Launceston will deliver on the Launceston Transport Strategy under its existing transport infrastructure programs, with expenditure for these forecast under Council's Strategic Asset Management Plan. Cycling infrastructure will be an integral part of the Launceston Transport Strategy and future capital and operational budgets will include projects to maintain and improve cycling infrastructure.*

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**8.1.3. Public Questions on Notice - Ray Norman - Delegations, Launceston Leisure and Aquatic Centre Facilities and Waste Management Centre - 14 and 15 March 2023**

**FILE NO:** SF6381

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following question, submitted in writing to the Council on 15 March 2023 by Ray Norman, has been answered by Leanne Purchase (Manager Governance).

**Question:**

1. [With reference to Public Question on Notice 8.1.1 and the response published in the Agenda for the Council Meeting held on 9 March 2023] ... by what authority, delegated or other, within the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) he/they now deem - apparently without reference to all Councillors - that, *At this point in time there is no intention to alter the current practice of assigning or administering Delegated Authorities within the Council* given that the values, aspirations and expectations of a different and largely new cohort of Councillors are ever likely to be different to their predecessors and why it has now been deemed by the Mayor as being, paraphrased, too difficult to do, against evidence to the contrary in other jurisdictions where it is/was standard practice?

**Response:**

*The Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) does not require the decisions of previous Councils to be revisited by the current Council.*

*Decisions of Council are frequently sought in relation to the review of delegations, or to respond to changes in legislation.*

2. [In relation to the Launceston Aquatic Centre, will Council provide] ... *an easily assessable unisexual disabled person's toilet come shower and change space* in order to mitigate against the claim deemed false but nonetheless likely, thus giving the Aquatic Centre's management with a tool whereby the people on the ground can more effectively and proactively, protect vulnerable children's safety and long term wellbeing?

**Response:**

*The Launceston Leisure and Aquatic Centre already provides male and female changing spaces, accessible bathroom and change facilities, along with non-gendered private changing rooms for patrons who wish to use them.*

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3. [In relation to the Launceston Waste Centre and Transfer Station, will the Council consider a name change to] ... the Northern Tasmanian Resource Recovery Centre, do so within a 21<sup>st</sup>C operation that is totally focused upon the circular economy and resource recovery and in doing so inaugurate a Citizen's Assembly involving the centre's Community of Ownership and Interest to facilitate the transition the reconfiguration of the City's Waste Management Centre - currently operating as an expensive to operate cost centre - into a 21<sup>st</sup>C standalone not-for-profit community owned enterprise that provides enhanced employment opportunities and investment/grant opportunities for governments, the corporate sector and citizens alike?

**Response:**

*This intent of this question was previously responded to in Public Question on Notice in the Agenda of the Council Meeting held on 25 January 2023, which is copied below for reference:*

*The Launceston Waste Centre and Transfer station is operated on a cost neutral basis. Accordingly, there is no funding accessed from rates to fund its operation. The Centre is based strongly around the recycling of waste products.*

*For instance:*

- at the facility's Recycling Centre, a wide range of materials can be recycled at no cost to the customer.*
- the Centre includes a second-hand shop, Uptipity, which is tasked with actively seeking to identify and reclaim reusable items for secondhand use.*
- a large Food and Organics (FOGO) composting facility operates which diverts 11,000 tonnes of organic material per annum away from landfill, creating a downstream mulch product for use.*
- The facility captures methane gas from the landfill site, converting to energy.*

*The Council has previously offered grant incentives to promote the circular economy within Launceston and is continuing to work as a member of the Northern Waste Management Group to further promote circular economy initiatives. Taking into account the information provided above, it is not considered a Citizens Jury is required at this stage.*

*At this time, the Council has no plans to rename the facility.*

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**8.2. Public Questions Without Notice**

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

**8.2.1. Public Questions Without Notice - Robin Smith - Brisbane Street Mall - 23 March 2023**

**1. What is the cost of the planters being proposed for the Brisbane Street Mall?**

Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network) responded by saying that the *urban canopees* are portable, they are pre-fabricated, made external to the Council's operations and will cost approximately \$30,000 per unit. These *urban canopees* will be planted out at the Council's nursery and then moved to the Brisbane Street Mall. They are self-contained and have intelligent water systems.

**2. Could you please advise why the thylacine statues need removing from the Mall, as the report only details moving them to Civic Square?**

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, responded by saying that this question has been heard by Councillors and would be considered during debate in Agenda Item 16.1 -Thylacine Statue Relocation - later in today's Agenda.

**3. Could you please clarify the statement in the report that the thylacine statues was damaged, as I am not aware of this occurrence?**

Dan Ryan (General Manager Community and Place Network) responded by stating that one of the thylacine sculptures was removed due to its tail being broken by a fall incident.

**8.2.2. Public Questions Without Notice - Rafael Molina (Tamar Bicycle Users Group)  
- Cycling Infrastructure - 23 March 2023**

- 1. What is the single most important piece of cycling infrastructure in the City of Launceston that is making it recognised as one of the greatest places in the world to ride a bicycle?**

**The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, responded by saying that this question would be Taken on Notice and responded to in the Council Agenda of 6 April 2023.**

**9. DEPUTATIONS**

**9.1. Deputation - Tamar Community Peace Trust - Donna Bain**

**FILE NO:** SF0097

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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**SUMMARY OF PRESENTATION**

Donna provided information to Council on the *2023 Tamar Valley Peace Festival* which is being held from 17 - 23 September 2023 and incorporating the International Day of Peace. The theme for this year's Peace Festival is Connectivity-Sharing: Pathways to Peace and community input is now being sought as it is the community who will be active in this space. The Peace Trust also facilitates two major events. The first is the *Thought Leadership Event* at which Rhoda Roberts AO will be the keynote speaker. The second major event is the *Peace in Schools* program at which John Kamara (Tasmania's Australian of the Year) will be the keynote speaker at numerous schools around the State. Donna thanked the Council for its continued support over the years, both financial and physical.

**10. PLANNING AUTHORITY**

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 9 - Planning Authority.

**10.1. DA0744/2022 - 10 St Georges Square, Launceston - Residential - Demolition of Existing Dwelling and Construction of a New Dwelling**

**FILE NO:** DA0744/2022

**AUTHOR:** Duncan Payton (Town Planner)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Dan Ryan (Community and Place Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider and determine a development application pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

**PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION:**

Applicant:	Cumulus Studio
Property:	10 St Georges Square, East Launceston
Zoning:	General Residential
Receipt Date:	15/12/2022
Validity Date:	19/12/2022
Further Information Request:	N/A
Further Information Received:	N/A
Deemed Approval:	24/03/2023
Representations:	Six

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Council - 9 March 2023 - Agenda Item 10.1 - DA0744/2022 - Residential - Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*  
Tasmania Planning Scheme - Launceston

**STANDARDS REQUIRING PLANNING DISCRETION:**

8.4.2 P3 Setbacks and building envelopes for all dwellings  
C2.6.2 P1 Design and layout of parking areas

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and the Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Launceston, a permit be granted for DA0744/2022 - Residential - Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of a new dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, subject to the following conditions:

**1. ENDORSED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS**

The use and development must be carried out in accordance with the endorsed plans and documents to the satisfaction of the Council unless modified by a condition of the Permit:

- a. Cover Page, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK01, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- b. Proposed Site Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK02, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- c. Demolition Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK03, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- d. Ground Floor Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK04, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- e. Upper Floor Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK05, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- f. Elevations, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK06, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- g. Elevations, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK07, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- h. Sections, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK08, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- i. Sections, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK09, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- j. Axonometric Views, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK10, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- k. Winter Shadows Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK11, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- l. Winter Shadows Axi, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK12, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- m. Summer Shadows Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK13, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).



- o. Summer Shadows Axo, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK14, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- p. Equinox Shadows Plan, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK15, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).
- q. Equinox Shadows Axo, prepared by Cumulus, project no. J21048, Construction of a single dwelling at 10 St Georges Square, East Launceston, revision 01, page SK16, dated 13/12/2022 (to be amended).

## **2. AMENDED PLANS REQUIRED**

Prior to the commencement of any work and/or use, amended plans must be submitted to the satisfaction of the Manager City Development to replace plans annotated as *Amended Plans Required* and attached to the Permit. Once approved, these amended plans will be endorsed by the Council and will then form part of the Permit. The amended plans must show:

- a. a reduction in the southern roof profile to comply with the acceptable solution;
- b. a reduction in the northern roof profile to reduce protrusions beyond the prescribed building envelope; and
- c. must be substantially in accordance with Version 3 of plans SK01 - SK33, dated 27/02/2023 forming Attachment 1 to this permit.

## **3. LEGAL TITLE**

All development and use associated with the proposal must be confined to the legal title of the subject land.

## **4. HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION**

Construction works must only be carried out between the hours of:

Monday to Friday - 7am to 6pm

Saturday - 8am to 5pm

No works on Sunday or Public Holidays

## **5. TASWATER**

The development must comply with the requirements of TasWater as detailed in the form Submission to Planning Authority Notice, Reference No. TWDA 2022/02091-LCC, dated 05/01/2023 and attached to the permit.

## **6. DAMAGE TO THE COUNCIL'S INFRASTRUCTURE**

The developer is liable for all costs associated with the repair of damage to the Council's infrastructure resulting from non-compliance with the conditions of the Planning Permit and any by-law or legislation relevant to the development activity on the site. Damage may also include the undertaking of unauthorised works to the Council's infrastructure such as driveways, footpaths and stormwater infrastructure. The developer will also be liable for all reasonable costs associated with the enforcement of compliance with the conditions, by-laws and legislation relevant to the development activity on the site.

## **7. WORKS WITHIN/OCCUPATION OF THE ROAD RESERVE**

All works in (or requiring the occupation of) the road reserve must be carried out in accordance with a detailed Traffic Management Plan prepared by a qualified person in accordance with the requirements of Australian Standard AS1742. A copy of such plan is to be maintained on site and available for inspection upon request by an Authorised Officer.

The explicit permission of General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network is required prior to undertaking works where the works:

- a. require a road or lane closure;
- b. require occupation of the road reserve for more than one week at a particular location;
- c. are in nominated high traffic locations; or
- d. involve opening or breaking trafficable surfaces.

Where the work is associated with the installation, removal or modification of a driveway or a stormwater connection, the approval of a permit for such works shall form the explicit approval.

## **8. SOIL AND WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN**

Prior to the commencement of the development works the applicant must install all necessary silt fences and cut-off drains to prevent the soil, gravel and other debris from escaping the site. Additional works may be required on complex sites. No material or debris is to be transported onto the road reserve (including the nature strip, footpath or road pavement). Any material that is deposited on the road reserve as a result of the development activity is to be removed by the applicant. The silt fencing, cut off drains and other works to minimise erosion are to be maintained on the site until such time as the site has revegetated sufficiently to mitigate erosion and sediment transport.

## **9. FACILITIES AND HIGHWAYS BY-LAW**

Prior to the placement of any skip bin, security fencing, hoarding, shipping containers, site offices or amenities within a local highway, the person, corporation or other legal entity must seek and have issued a permit pursuant to the Facilities and Highways By-Law (No. 1 of 2021). No such items are to be placed within the road reserve without approval.

## **10. AMENITY**

The construction of the development permitted by this permit must not adversely affect the amenity of the site and the locality by reason of the processes carried on; the transportation of materials, goods or commodities to or from the subject land; the appearance of any buildings, works or materials; the emission of noise, artificial light, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, vapour, steam, soot, ash, dust, waste water, waste products, grit or oil; the presence of vermin or otherwise.

## **11. DEMOLITION**

The developer must:

- a. protect property and services which are to either remain on or adjacent to the site from interference or damage;
- b. not undertake any burning of waste materials or removed vegetation;

- c. remove all rubbish from the site for disposal at a licensed waste disposal site;
- d. dispose of any asbestos found during demolition in accordance with the Safe Work Australia *How to Safely Remove Asbestos: Code of Practice, July 2020*, or any subsequent versions of the document.

## 12. NO BURNING OF WASTE

No burning of any waste materials, including removed vegetation, generated by the development to be undertaken on-site. Any such waste materials are to be removed to a licensed waste disposal facility (eg. Launceston Waste Centre), reclaimed or recycled.

### Notes

#### A. General

*This permit was issued based on the proposal documents submitted for DA0646/2022. You should contact the Council with any other use or developments, as they may require the separate approval of the Council. The Council's Planning staff can be contacted on 6323 3000.*

*This permit takes effect after:*

- a. *The 14 day appeal period expires; or*
- b. *Any appeal to the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Appeal Tribunal (TASCAT) is withdrawn or determined; or*
- c. *Any agreement that is required by this permit pursuant to Part V of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 is executed; or*
- d. *Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.*

*The permit lapses after a period of two years if the development or use has not substantially commenced within that period. An extension may be granted subject to the provisions of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 as amended, by request to the Council.*

#### B. Restrictive Covenants

*The granting of this permit takes no account of any covenants applicable to the land. The permit holder and any other interested party, should make their own enquiries as to whether the proposed development is affected, restricted or prohibited by any such covenant.*

*If the proposal is non-compliant with any restrictive covenants, those restrictive covenants should be removed from the title prior to construction commencing or the owner will carry the liability of potential legal action in the future.*

#### C. Appeal Provisions

*A planning appeal may be instituted by lodging a notice of appeal with the Registrar of the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT).*

*A planning appeal may be instituted within 14 days of the date the Corporation serves notice of the decision on the applicant.*

*For more information see the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT) website [www.tascat.tas.gov.au](http://www.tascat.tas.gov.au) <http://www.tascat.tas.gov.au>*

**D. Permit Commencement**

*If an applicant is the only person with a right of appeal pursuant to section 61 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and wishes to commence the use or development for which the permit has been granted within that 14 day period, the Council must be so notified in writing. A copy of the Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.*

**E. Fixed Equipment Use**

*Use of fixed equipment (eg. heat pumps, water pumps, swimming pool pumps) is subject to the Environmental Management and Pollution Control (Noise) Regulations 2016 or any subsequent versions of this regulation.*

**F. No Approval for Alterations to Driveway Crossover**

*No approval to install a new, or alter an existing, driveway crossover in any way has been granted or is implied by the issue of this Planning Permit.*

**G. Impact Upon Adjoining Properties**

*In recognising the impact upon the amenity of the adjoining residences, through overlooking of private open space, Council strongly urges the applicant to consider options such as the provision of suitable screening to reduce this impact.*

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**Glenda King spoke against the Recommendation**

**Michael Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) noted that following the last Council Meeting, discussions had been held with the applicant regarding the privacy concerns raised at the Meeting, however, the applicant had chosen not to amend submitted plans.**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A J Britton, seconded Councillor A G Harris.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 7:4**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Councillor T G Walker, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer and Councillor L M McMahon**

**10.2. DA0421/2022.A01 - Minor Amendment - 16 St Georges Square and 14 St Georges Square, East Launceston - Residential - Construction of a Dwelling**

**FILE NO:** DA0421/2022.A01

**AUTHOR:** Duncan Payton (Town Planner)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Dan Ryan (Community and Place Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a minor amendment application under section 56 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

**PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION:**

Applicant: 6tyo  
Property: 16 St Georges Square and 14 St Georges Square, East Launceston  
Zoning: Inner Residential  
Receipt Date: 27/01/2023

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Council - 8 September 2022 - Agenda Item 9.1 - 16 St Georges Square and 14 St Georges Square, East Launceston - Residential - Construction of a Dwelling

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That, in accordance with section 56 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the minor amendment be refused for DA0421/2022.A01 at 16 St Georges Square and 14 St Georges Square, East Launceston, on the following grounds:

1. The minor amendment is contrary to section 56(2)(b) of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* in that failure to complete the required brick fence section in Scott Street is contrary to community expectations and the heritage values of the fence and will cause detriment to other persons.

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**Glenda King spoke for the Recommendation**

**George Walker (on behalf of the applicants) spoke against the Recommendation**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A J Palmer, seconded Councillor A J Britton.**

**That, in accordance with section 56 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, the minor amendment be approved for DA0421/2022.A01 at 16 St Georges and 14 St Georges Square, East Launceston, on the following grounds:**

- 1. The amendment is minor in nature and would not unreasonably diminish the heritage values of the existing brick fence and would not cause detriment to other persons.**

**CARRIED 7:4**

**FOR VOTE: Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor Dr G Razay**

**10.3. DA0031/2023 - 11B-11D Churchill Crescent, Newstead - Visitor  
Accommodation - Change of Use of Three Dwellings to Short-Term Accommodation**

**FILE NO:** DA0031/2023

**AUTHOR:** Dileep Karna (Town Planner)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Dan Ryan (Community and Place Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider and determine a development application pursuant to the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*.

**PLANNING APPLICATION INFORMATION:**

Applicant:	Woolcott Surveys Pty Ltd
Property:	11B-11D Churchill Crescent, Newstead
Zoning:	General Residential
Receipt Date:	24/01/2023
Validity Date:	25/01/2023
Further Information Request:	27/01/2023
Further Information Received:	06/02/2023
Deemed Approval (extension granted):	24/03/2023
Representations:	Six

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*  
Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Launceston Interim

**STANDARDS REQUIRING PLANNING DISCRETION:**

*8.3.2 Visitor Accommodation*

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Council - 14 November 2019 - Agenda Item 8.2 - DA0407/2019 - 11B-11D Churchill Crescent, Newstead - Residential - Construction of Alterations and Additions to the Existing Dwelling. Visitor Accommodation - Construction of Three Studio Units for Use as Visitor Accommodation

DA0185/2021 - 11B-11D Churchill Crescent, Newstead - Residential - Construction of three additional dwellings - Approved under Delegated Authority

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That, in accordance with sections 51 and 57 of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993* and the Tasmanian Planning Scheme - Launceston Interim, a permit be granted for DA0031/2023 - Visitor Accommodation - Change of use of three dwellings to short-term accommodation at 11B-11D Churchill Crescent, Newstead, subject to the following conditions:

**1. ENDORSED PLANS AND DOCUMENTS**

The use must be carried out in accordance with the endorsed plans to the satisfaction of the Council unless modified by a condition of the Permit:

- a. Strata Title Diagram, Prepared by Philp Lighton Architects, Drawing No. DA01, Revision No. 1, Page No 1, Dated 10/04/2021.
- b. Site Plan, Prepared by Philp Lighton Architects, Drawing No. DA02, Revision No. 2, Page No 2, Dated 9/05/2021.
- c. Floor Plan, Prepared by Philp Lighton Architects, Drawing No. DA03, Revision No. 1, Page No 3, Dated 10/04/2021.

**2. LEGAL TITLE**

All development and use associated with the proposal must be confined to the legal title of the subject land except construction of access from the street.

**3. USE LIMITATION - LANDSLIP HAZARD CODE**

The visitor accommodation use is limited to 12 guests at any one time. If more than 12 guests are accommodated within the use, additional permits may be required in accordance with the scheme in effect at the time

**4. DIRECTIONAL SIGN**

Prior to the commencement of the use, a sign must be provided to the satisfaction of the Manager City Development, to direct visitors to the property. Such signs must be located in the vicinity of the frontage of the subject land and maintained for the duration of the use.

**5. HOURS OF CONSTRUCTION**

Construction works must only be carried out between the hours of:

7am to 6pm - Monday to Friday

8am to 5pm - Saturday

no works on Sunday or Public Holidays.

**6. CAR PARKING**

At least one car parking space for each dwelling must be provided on the subject land to service the approved use.

**7. AMENITY**

Visitor Accommodation - the on-going use on this site must not adversely affect the amenity of the neighbouring properties and the general locality by the emission of noise, artificial light, vibration or any other source of nuisance.



## Notes

### A. General

*This permit was issued based on the proposal documents submitted for DA0031/2023. You should contact the Council with any other use or developments, as they may require the separate approval of the Council. The Council's planning staff can be contacted on 6323 3000.*

*This permit takes effect after:*

- a. The 14 day appeal period expires; or*
- b. Any appeal to the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Appeal Tribunal (TASCAT) is withdrawn or determined; or*
- c. Any agreement that is required by this permit pursuant to Part V of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 is executed; or*
- d. Any other required approvals under this or any other Act are granted.*

*The permit lapses after a period of two years if the development or use has not substantially commenced within that period. An extension may be granted subject to the provisions of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 as amended, by request to Council.*

### B. Restrictive Covenants

*The granting of this permit takes no account of any covenants applicable to the land. The permit holder and any other interested party, should make their own enquiries as to whether the proposed development is affected, restricted or prohibited by any such covenant.*

*If the proposal is non-compliant with any restrictive covenants, those restrictive covenants should be removed from the title prior to construction commencing or the owner will carry the liability of potential legal action in the future.*

### C. Appeal Provisions

*A planning appeal may be instituted by lodging a notice of appeal with the Registrar of the Tasmanian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (TASCAT).*

*A planning appeal may be instituted within 14 days of the date the Corporation serves notice of the decision on the applicant.*

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### D. Permit Commencement

*If an applicant is the only person with a right of appeal pursuant to section 61 of the Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993 and wishes to commence the use or development for which the permit has been granted within that 14 day period, the Council must be so notified in writing. A copy of the Council's Notice to Waive Right of Appeal is attached.*

**E. Sale of Food and Beverages**

*If food and/or beverages are to be sold to visitors, including with an inclusive charge for food and accommodation, the Food Act 2003 will apply and the operator must notify the Council prior to operating the food business.*

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**Jill MacPherson spoke against the Recommendation**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, seconded Councillor A J Britton.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 10:1**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Councillor A G Harris**

## 11. ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

### 11.1. Mayor's Announcements

FILE NO: SF2375

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#### Thursday 2 March 2023

- Attended Ten Days on the Island: *Dance with the Diemen* at the Princess Theatre

#### Friday 3 March 2023

- Attended Story Telling Platform launch - Our remarkable, renewable future at Star Theatre (represented by Councillor A J Palmer)

#### Monday 6 March 2023

- Met with Janie Finley, MP

#### Wednesday 8 March 2023

- Attended International Women's Day Breakfast at Country Club
- Opened event celebrating International Women's Day at North Launceston Bowls Club
- Met with Jane Bennett, President, City of Gastronomy
- Attended Launceston City Football Club's season launch at Buckby Motors Showroom (represented by Councillor D H McKenzie)

#### Friday 10 March 2023

- Welcomed Launceston Church Grammar School students to Town Hall for their grade 3 and 4 studies excursion
- Attended the 2023 Tasmanian Honour Roll of Women Induction, Country Club

#### Sunday 12 March 2023

- Attended Ten Days on the Island: *Multi Story* in the Launceston Library

#### Wednesday 15 March 2023

- Attended Year 6 Induction Assembly at Waverley Primary School

#### Friday 17 March 2023

- Participated in the Local Government Association of Tasmania General Meeting, followed by General Management Committee, Launceston
- Attended the opening night of Encore Theatre Company's *Priscilla* at the Princess Theatre

#### Saturday 18 March 2023

- Attended the opening of the Hinman Room, RSL Launceston
- Attended the 2023 Spirit Super Business Excellence Awards (Represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)

**Sunday 19 March 2023**

- Attended the Tasmanian Robotic Surgery Meeting 2023 (Australian College of Surgeons) at Peppers Silos Hotel
- Officiated at the Harmony Week launch 2023 in Civic Square (represented by Councillor A E Dawkins)

**Monday 20 March 2023**

- Hosted the Big Picture School Exhibition launch at the Queen Victoria Art Gallery, Royal Park

**Wednesday 22 March 2023**

- Attended QVMAG Friends meeting at Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery, Inveresk
- Presented 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary commemorative recognition badges at Self Help, Youngtown
- Attended High Tea with Ken Richards *In Conversation*, Launceston Club
- Attended the 2023 Bucky SKODA Rally Launceston Launch (represented by Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood)

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**The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, advised that he did not attend the QVMAG Friends Meeting on Wednesday, 22 March 2023.**

**12. COUNCILLORS' 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).*

**12.1 Councillor A E Dawkins**

- **Attended the Harmony Week launch on Sunday, 19 March 2023**

**12.2 Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood**

- **Attended and presented an award at the 2023 Spirit Super Business Awards on Saturday, 18 March 2023**

**12.3 Councillor L M McMahon**

- **Attended the 2023 Spirit Super Business Awards on Saturday, 18 March 2023**

**12.4 Councillor S Cai**

- **Attended the *Nomads of the Sea* on Saturday, 11 March 2023**

**13. QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS**

**13.1. Councillors' 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 Chief Executive Officer of a question in respect of which the councillor seeks an answer at that Meeting. An answer to a Question on Notice will be provided in writing).*

**13.1.1. Councillors' Questions on Notice - Councillor Dr G Razay - Infrastructure at Relbia**

**FILE NO:** SF6381

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER:** Michael Stretton

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**QUESTIONS AND RESPONSES:**

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 9 March 2023 by Councillor Dr G Razay, has been answered by Shane Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network).

**Questions:**

1. [With regards to population and traffic growth in Relbia since 2016] has any consideration been given to the provision of safe tracks for walkers and cyclists along Relbia Road, Relbia?

**Response:**

*The proposal for pathways in Relbia has been considered previously, however, the proposal has been considered unfeasible in early investigations.*

*Relbia is zoned as Rural Living and Agriculture and as such, Relbia Road was only ever designed and constructed to support very low density rural living. Accordingly, the suburb lacks the infrastructure that one would typically expect in an urban built-up environment. In these zones, footpaths are not required to be constructed through the development process and when purchasing these properties prospective purchasers would be aware that this infrastructure is not available.*

*Economically, it is difficult for the Council to justify retrofitting footpaths into rural environments such as these. The costs associated with the work can be quite high, as significant civil works are often required and land acquisition potentially necessary. Investigations into similar proposals have found that the cost of works can be up to \$1m per kilometer, depending on the scale of works and property acquisition required. The benefits are also only realised by a comparatively small number of residents, with the density of residents in these areas being quite low.*

*ABS Census data indicates that the suburb of Relbia had a population of 678 in 2016 and 691 in 2021, an increase of just 13 people over five years, averaging 0.38% growth per annum. This is considered to be a low level of growth and does not itself indicate the need for infrastructure upgrades.*

*A similar request for footpaths was made in the suburb of Windermere, with a report presented to Council as Agenda Item 15.2 on 5 May 2022. This report made similar findings, but noted that whilst presently the project was unfeasible, it did not mean the Council should not take action to improve the provision of footpath facilities in the long term.*

*At that Meeting, Council endorsed the recommendation that a rural residential road design standard be produced to ensure that future similar developments include the provision of footpaths. This is still an active task that is being developed.*

*The current City of Launceston Transport Strategy 2020-2040 and Implementation Plan sets priorities for investment in the local transport network.*

*At this point in time there is no proposed trail investment in the Relbia area but Councillors have the ability to review and revise the Launceston Transport Strategy to shift the priority of investment. The Strategy will be presented to a future Workshop.*

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**13.2. Councillors' 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).*

**13.2.1 Councillor S Cai - Vandalism Issues**

- 1. Are we, as a Council, actively helping to prevent vandalism, such as youth and people getting on to roof tops in the CBD?**

**The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, responded that this question would be Taken on Notice and a response provided in the Council Agenda of 6 April 2023.**



**14. NOTICES OF MOTION**

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

**14.1. Notice of Motion - Councillor T G Walker - Paterson Barracks**

**FILE NO:** SF5547

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a Notice of Motion submitted by Councillor T G Walker regarding the Paterson Barracks.

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

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

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Council:

1. agrees in principle that there is value in retaining the Paterson Barracks for community ownership and public use;
  2. continue liaising with the Department of Defence in relation to the site;
  3. request the CEO to develop a pre-feasibility study assessing the value in preparing a business case for the City of Launceston to activate the site in accordance with the objectives of the City Deal, including assessing opportunities for community groups, events, meeting space, markets and commercial and/or retail use;
  4. within 12 months, make a final decision on whether to develop a business case and prepare a formal proposal to submit to the Department of Defence, seeking a concessional sale of the Paterson Barracks to the City of Launceston;
  5. if it is decided to proceed with a business case and proposal, write to the Defence Department, relevant Minister and any other related parties expressing initial interest in potential ownership of the site on behalf of the Launceston community; and
  6. acknowledge that the Launceston Historical Society, the Tasmanian Family History Society, the Friends of the Launceston Mechanics' Institute and the Royal Australian Artillery Association have all expressed a keen desire in having a permanent presence at the site.
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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION 1**

Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor S Cai.

That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton  
**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

Council adjourned for a break at 3.10pm  
Council returned from the break at 3.20pm

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION 2**

Moved Councillor A J Palmer, seconded Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood.

That Councillor T G Walker be granted an additional three minutes of speaking time.

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton  
**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

**15. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**15.1. Tender Review Committee Meeting - 9 March 2023**

**FILE NO:** SF0100/CD.051/2022

**AUTHOR:** Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive a report from the Tender Review Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the decision of the Tender Review Committee, subject to the change to the State Government Grand Deed, the tender submitted by Darcon Construction Pty Ltd for Birch Avenue Changeroom Building Construction, Contract No: CD.051/2022 be accepted for \$1,391,426.11 (exclusive of GST).

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**Councillor A J Britton withdrew from the Meeting at 3:20pm**

**DECISION:** 23 March 2023

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor A G Harris.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 10:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon and Councillor S Cai

**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

**ABSENT at TIME OF VOTE:** Councillor A J Britton

**16. COMMUNITY AND PLACE NETWORK**

**16.1. Thylacine Statue Relocation**

**FILE NO:** SF0325

**AUTHOR:** Marcus Grantham (Team Leader Place Making)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Dan Ryan (Community and Place Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider the relocation of the Brisbane Street Mall thylacine sculptures to Civic Square.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Workshop - 16 February 2023 - Thylacine Sculpture Relocation

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council approves the relocation of the Brisbane Street Mall thylacine sculptures to Civic Square.

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**Councillor A J Britton re-attended the Meeting at 3:22pm**

**Robin Smith spoke against the Recommendation**

**The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, handed the Chair to the Deputy Mayor, Councillor M K Garwood at 3.36pm**

**The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, resumed the Chair at 3.38pm**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor A J Palmer.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton

**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

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## **17. INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS NETWORK**

### **17.1. Launceston Speed Limit Review**

**FILE NO:** SF7185

**AUTHOR:** Nick Browne (Manager Infrastructure and Engineering)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Shane Eberhardt (Infrastructure and Assets Network)

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#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider the Launceston Speed Limit Review recommendations.

#### **RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Local Government (Highways) Act 1982*

*Traffic Act 1925*

#### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Council - 23 September 2013 - Agenda Item 17.1 - Traffic Safety and Vulnerable Road User Schemes

Council - 11 May 2015 - Agenda Item 18.1 - Launceston Speed Limit Review

Council - 4 November 2021- Agenda Item 18.1 - Strategic Transport Plans

Workshop - 19 January 2023 - Launceston Speed Limit Review

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

1. endorses proceeding to community consultation on the Launceston Speed Limit Review recommendations.
  2. at a future meeting, considers the outcomes of the community consultation to determine support or otherwise for the Launceston Speed Limit Review recommendations.
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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor A E Dawkins.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

## 18. ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES NETWORK

### 18.1. Lease - City Park Cottage

**FILE NO:** SF0833/SF2337

**AUTHOR:** Michelle Grey (Lease and Licensing Officer)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

#### DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider leasing an area of land situated at 45-51 Tamar Street, Launceston to the Launceston Community FM Group Inc., known as City Park Radio.

*This decision requires an absolute majority of Council.*

#### RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

*Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*

#### PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 21 May 2018 - Agenda Item Number 18.2 - Lease - City Park Cottage

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council, by absolute majority, pursuant to section 179 of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*:

1. agrees to lease part of 45-51 Tamar Street, Launceston (CT 50902/1) known as City Park Cottage, to the Launceston Community FM Group Inc. and known as City Park Radio, as indicated by red hatch on the plan below, for the purposes of a community radio station.



2. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a formal lease under the following terms:
    - a term of five years commencing on 1 May 2023 or as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
    - the lease amount shall be 182 fee units per year being \$309.40 in 2022/2023 (as per the Lease and Licence Policy);
    - tenant to be responsible for:
      - energy costs;
      - volumetric and connection charges for water;
      - contents insurance; and
      - other service charges if any.
    - tenant shall continuously:
      - clean building in good and reasonable order;
      - keep clear all noxious growth from premises; and
      - hold public liability insurance of at least \$20 million.
    - the exact dimensions of land to be leased and all remaining terms to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
  3. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise any right, option or discretion exercisable by the Council under the lease.
  4. notes, for the avoidance of doubt, Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant to section 61 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas).
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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor J J Pentridge, seconded Councillor A G Harris.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**



**18.2. 2022/2023 Budget - Budget Amendments**

**FILE NO:** SF7463/SF6939

**AUTHOR:** Nathan Williams (Manager Finance)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

For Council to:

1. consider changes to the Council's 2022/2023 Statutory Estimates.

*A decision for Recommendation 1. requires an absolute majority of Council in accordance with section 82(4) of the Local Government Act 1993 (Tas).*

2. consider adjustments made during 1 February to 28 February 2023 by the Chief Executive Officer to the 2022/2023 Budget.

**RELEVANT LEGISLATION:**

*Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

1. pursuant to section 82(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)* and by an absolute majority, approves the following changes to the 2022/2023 Statutory Estimates:
    - (a) Expenses
      - i. the net increase in operations expenditure of \$218,840.
    - (b) Capital Works Expenditure
      - i. the decrease in the Council's funded expenditure of \$218,840.
  2. notes that amendments from Recommendation 1. result in:
    - (a) the operating surplus being amended to \$15,063,675 (including capital grants of \$23,732,793) for 2022/2023.
    - (b) the capital budget being decreased to \$37,384,775 for 2022/2023.
  3. pursuant to section 82(7) of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)*, receives the Chief Executive Officer's report on adjustments to the 2022/2023 budget for the period 1 February to 28 February 2023.
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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A J Palmer, seconded Councillor A G Harris.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**  
**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

### 18.3. Progress Against 2022/2023 Annual Plan Actions - 31 December 2022

**FILE NO:** SF6812

**AUTHOR:** Courtney Osborne (Team Leader Performance and Planning)

**GENERAL MANAGER APPROVAL:** Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

#### DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the progress against the Council's 2022/2023 Annual Plan Actions for the period ending 31 December 2022.

#### PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 17 November 2022 - Agenda Item 16.1 - City of Launceston Annual Plan 2022/2023 - Progress Against Annual Plan Actions for period Ending 30 September 2022

Council - 16 June 2022 - Agenda Item 15.3 - City of Launceston Annual Plan 2022/2023

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes progress against the 2022/2023 Annual Plan Actions for the period ending 31 December 2022.

**Strategic Priority 1:** We *connect with our Community and our Region* through meaningful engagement, cooperation and representation.

Our interactions with our community are authentic, timely, accurate and open. We want to build strong and productive relationships with our community and regional partners.

**10-Year Goal:** To seek out and champion positive engagement and collaboration to capitalise on the major opportunities, and address the future challenges facing our community and region.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To develop and consistently utilise contemporary and effective community engagement processes.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Through the next iteration of the Tomorrow Together program engage with our community on the following: <b>Theme one: A Social, inclusive and fair City:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Trails and Network Strategy</li><li>• Northern Regional Sports Facility Plan</li><li>• Urban Tree Canopy Strategy</li><li>• Smart Cities Strategy</li><li>• Public Open Space Strategy</li><li>• City Park and Punchbowl playground renewals</li></ul>	Organisational Services	80

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Preliminary Playspace Strategy consultation</li> </ul> <p><b>Theme two: A Mobile and Accessible City:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Two-way traffic and more.</li> </ul> <p>Launch of the new Community Engagement website.</p> <p>Implementation of compulsory <i>Closing the Loop</i> feedback on all projects.</p>		
<b>Comment</b>		
<p>Theme one: A Social, inclusive and fair City completed.</p> <p>Theme two: A Mobile and Accessible City was put on hold until Stage Two City Heart commences.</p> <p>Instead, engagement on the Tomorrow Together, A Well-Designed City Theme was undertaken. This included engaging on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tourism Plan</li> <li>Events Strategy</li> <li>E-scooters</li> <li>CCTV Strategy</li> <li>Sustainability Action Plan</li> <li>Emergency Management</li> <li>Open data and how we can share it</li> </ul> <p>Previous community engagement website <a href="http://www.yourvoiceyourlaunceston.com.au">www.yourvoiceyourlaunceston.com.au</a> was replaced with a refreshed look and renamed <a href="http://www.tomorrowtogetherlaunceston.com.au">www.tomorrowtogetherlaunceston.com.au</a></p> <p><i>Closing the Loop</i> feedback on all projects has been made compulsory.</p>		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To advocate and collaborate to enhance regionally significant services and infrastructure for the benefit of our communities		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Complete Regional Sports Facility Plan in conjunction with sporting clubs, the State Government and neighbouring councils.	Infrastructure and Assets	60
<b>Comment</b>		
Survey complete and first draft of the Regional Sports Facility Plan nearing completion.		

**Strategic Priority 2: We *Facilitate Prosperity*** by seeking out and responding to opportunities for growth and renewal of our regional economy.

We use our influence and resources to deliver the foundations for ongoing economic development. We want Launceston to be the heart of a thriving regional economy.

**10-Year Goal:** To have realised opportunities that grow and sustain our economy, and foster creative and innovative people and industries.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To actively market the City and region and pursue investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop and Implement Smart Cities Strategy	Organisational Services	60
<b>Comment</b>		
The strategy has progressed substantially and is on track to present to Councillors in April 2023.		

**Strategic Priority 3:** We are a **Progressive Leader** that is accountable to our governance obligations and responsive to our community.

Our decision-making and actions are evidence-based, strategic, transparent and considered. We are ethical, fair and impartial in complying with and enforcing the law.

**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.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Provide information and advice to prospective Councillor candidates and support the Tasmanian Electoral Commission in the delivery of the Local Government election.	Organisational Services	100
<b>Comment</b>		
Local Government elections have been undertaken.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Engage with the community and commence a review of the Corporate Strategic Plan.	Organisational Services	5
<b>Comment</b>		
Currently preparing a project scope and delivery plan for the review of the Corporate Strategic Plan.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Deliver End of Term Report.	Chief Executive Officer	100
<b>Comment</b>		
Completed.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Level of Service Planning Stage 1. Develop a project plan to document service levels, review appropriateness of services and engage with the community around expectations.	Organisational Services	10

Comment		
Initial documentation complete and initial trial of internal process underway with GIS team.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To continually improve our service delivery via a continuous improvement mindset, pursuing efficiency gains and adopting technological and other process innovations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the Organisational Cultural Development Roadmap.	Organisational Services	80
Comment		
A new Employee Development Program, including revised leadership capabilities has been endorsed by the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) and a Project Plan to implement the program is now being finalised. An induction for New Leaders is currently being developed.		
Values Champions met to discuss and agree on how the next values will be promoted to continue to embed the organisation's values.		
Planning for delivery of the Cultural Survey has progressed. A Project Delivery Approach has been endorsed by the ELT and the Communications Plan has been provided to ELT. The Senior Leadership Team was updated on 18 January 2023.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To continually improve our service delivery via a continuous improvement mindset, pursuing efficiency gains and adopting technological and other process innovations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Undertake the Corporate Application Replacement Program	Organisational Services	50
Comment		
The CARP Project kicked-off in December 2022 and is currently in the Engage phase. During the Engage phase a number of workshops will be completed across the organization to determine the requirements for configuration and deliver a Program Blueprint for sign-off by the Project Executive and Sponsor.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the recommendations of the UTAS Stadium Future Direction Plan.	Chief Executive Officer	50
Comment		
Work is continuing on the proposal to transfer UTAS Stadium to Stadiums Tasmania to deliver a modern, fit-for-purpose ownership and governance model. Additionally, the Council has been represented on the working group to deliver the first stage \$65m redevelopment of the stadium.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement recommendations of the QVMAG Futures Plan.	Chief Executive Officer	45
Comment:		
Officers have been focussed on addressing the strategic needs of the QVMAG and determining future workforce arrangements over the first half of this year. Once this work is completed, focus will be applied to the progression of the QVMAG Future Direction Action Plan.		

Strategic Priority 4: We value our City's Unique Identity by celebrating our special heritage and culture and building on our competitive advantages to be a place where people choose to live, work and visit.

We facilitate our community's sense of place by enhancing local identity. We want people to be proud to say that Launceston is my City.

10-Year Goal: To sustain and promote Launceston as a unique place to live, work, learn and play.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Launceston Heritage List Review and Precincts - continuing the review of the City of Launceston's local heritage list as part of the final stage of this five-year project.	Community and Place	50
<b>Comment</b>		
A large portion of the research and analysis has been completed with the first of a series of amendments to the planning scheme scheduled for the first quarter of 2023.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Launceston Place Brand implementation and commencement of monitoring of usage.	Community and Place	90
<b>Comment</b>		
The place brand has been active for nearly 12 months. A 12-month report is being prepared in February on the place brand usage over that time.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Continue to work with the newly formed Cultural Advisory Committee to implement the first four-year action plan from the Cultural Strategy.	Community and Place	50
<b>Comment</b>		
The Cultural Advisory Committee (CAC) is meeting for the first time for 2023 in February. Applications for two community members for the CAC have been received.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>%Complete</b>
Undertake review of the City of Launceston Open Space Strategy.	Infrastructure and Assets	0
<b>Comment</b>		
Open Space Strategy review scheduled for Quarter 3 2022/2023		

<b>Focus Area:</b> To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Continue the Albert Hall Renewal program.	Infrastructure and Assets	35
<b>Comment</b>		
Tender awarded for Stage 3 works. Awaiting main works proposal for approval by Tender Review Committee.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Develop and implement an improvement plan for Princess Theatre and Earl Arts Centre upgrade implementation	Infrastructure and Assets	5
<b>Comment</b>		
Specialist consultants engaged to develop the improvement plan in consultation with key stakeholders.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To support the central business district (CBD) and commercial areas as activity places during day and night.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Develop and commence implementation of Stage 2 Launceston City Heart Project which includes the following key areas of investment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greening of our City</li> <li>Improved public transport infrastructure</li> <li>Creating greater opportunities for pedestrianisation of the CBD</li> </ul>	Community and Place	0
<b>Comment</b>		
No progress		

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

We are invested in our community's long term health, well-being, safety and resilience. We want to be trusted and respected by 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.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To plan for and provide services and facilities that recognise the changing demographics and needs of our community.		
<b>Action</b>	<b>Network</b>	<b>% Complete</b>
Implement Council commitments from the <i>My Place My Future Plan</i> and support State and Federal Governments on implementation of their actions.	Community and Place	50



Comment		
The project is well underway. A number of projects are slated to occur in the remainder of the year including a possible skate park competition and workshops on health and connected communities. Other projects include the Food and Resilience Movement food security project, work on the Rocherlea access project and additional work towards the northern suburbs community recreation hub.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To work in partnership with community organisations and other levels of government to maximise participation opportunities for vulnerable and diverse members of the community.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue to roll out the ABCDE Learning Sites community development program, with the Invermay learning site to commence in July 2022.	Community and Place	40
Comment		
This ABCDE site is running over two financial years and this site is the first to be delivered over an extended 18-month period. The community is engaged and connected with the program. Community projects beginning to roll out.		

Strategic Priority 6: We Protect our Environment by caring for our unique natural assets and amenity and sensitively managing future development opportunities.

We strive to minimise the impact of our actions on the environment, while planning for, adapting to and managing the impact of climate change. We want to protect the special character and values of our city for future generations.

10-Year Goal: To enhance the unique natural character, values, and amenity of our City by minimising the impacts of our organisation's and our community's activities in the environment.

Focus Area: To contribute to air and river quality improvements in Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Participate and support the Tamar Estuary Management Taskforce.	Infrastructure and Assets	ongoing
Comment		
Support provided to the Tamar Estuary Management Taskforce.		
Focus Area: To contribute to air and river quality improvements in Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Support TasWater and NRM North with the implementation of the \$157m River Health Action Plan to improve catchment management and reduce overflows from the combined system.	Infrastructure and Assets	50
Comment		
Support and consultation progressing on track.		

<b>Focus Area:</b> To reduce our and the community's impact on the natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop City of Launceston Sustainability Action Plan which sets out how the organisation will achieve sustainable outcomes for operations, service delivery and assets. The Sustainability Action Plan focuses on six key priority areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leadership and Advocacy</li> <li>• Towards Zero Emissions</li> <li>• Adaption and Resilience</li> <li>• Material Efficiency, Recovery and Optimisation</li> <li>• Natural Capital</li> <li>• Smart Assets</li> </ul>	Infrastructure and Assets	100
<b>Comment</b>		
The Sustainability Action Plan is complete and has been adopted by Council. Implementation of priority actions has commenced.		

Strategic Priority 7: We are a City Planning for our Future by ensuring our approach to strategic land-use, development and infrastructure investment is coordinated, progressive, and sustainable.

We play a leading role in balancing the enviable amenity of our municipality with the needs of future development and growth. We want to influence the delivery of the right investment for our City and Region.

10-Year Goal: To facilitate appropriate development via integrated land-use planning, infrastructure investment, and transport solutions within our municipality and region.

<b>Focus Area:</b> To take a strategic approach to development sites and infrastructure investment within the municipality to maximise public benefit and encourage development and investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Participate in the Northern Regional Land Use Strategy Review.	Community and Place	10
<b>Comment</b>		
Participation is ongoing with the first deliverable being the housing demand study expected to be finalised by mid-2023.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To take a strategic approach to development sites and infrastructure investment within the municipality to maximise public benefit and encourage development and investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop a Placemaking Framework.	Community and Place	35
<b>Comment</b>		
This work has commenced with an initial content draft being tabled. Further work is required to refine.		

<b>Focus Area:</b> To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue work on St Leonards Residential Growth Strategy and Masterplan and obtain Council endorsement for a structured plan and delivery framework for development within St Leonards and the Eastern Growth Corridor.	Chief Executive Officer	0
<b>Comment</b>		
The Council's resources have been focused on the South Prospect Residential Growth area for the first half of this year and have progressed several proposals for development of residentially zoned land within St Leonards. The Council will apply more resources to this project as the South Prospect development is further advanced.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue work on South Prospect Residential Growth Strategy and Masterplan and initiate planning scheme amendments to facilitate development with the South Prospect Growth Corridor.	Chief Executive Officer	75
<b>Comment</b>		
Work on the finalisation of the Masterplan is nearing completion with recent focus areas being on natural values assessment, residential and commercial demand, traffic connections and recreational opportunities.		
<b>Focus Area:</b> To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the Launceston Transport Strategy with the following key actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support the new formed Transport Committee</li> <li>Develop implementation plan for traffic calming in the City.</li> <li>Undertake the first stage of a review of speed limits.</li> <li>Implementing the Network Operating Plan.</li> </ul>	Infrastructure and Assets	25
<b>Comment</b>		
Implementation tracking in accordance with Four year delivery plan. Transport Committee is operational, Network Operating Plan has been adopted, speed limit review complete and is ready for public consultation, traffic calming work ongoing.		

<b>Focus Area:</b> To ensure our suite of strategic planning initiatives are coordinated and representative of our community's needs and aspirations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
City Deal Agreement. Continue to work with the Commonwealth and State Governments to successfully implement all of the City of Launceston's commitments under the City Deal program to deliver a range of economic and social benefits to the City.	Chief Executive Officer	50
<b>Comment</b>		
Work on Launceston City Deal projects is continuing in collaboration with the Commonwealth and State Governments.		
The Federal Government has confirmed its commitment to all current city and regional deal commitments. They have advised they are currently looking at streamlining the work being undertaken with Deals and how these can be delivered most efficiently. Mayor Gibson has invited Minister King, the Australian Government Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local Government, to meet to progress these discussions.		
Proposed Extension Projects are progressing.		
The Launceston City Deal Executive Board met on 28 November 2022.		
Stage one of Launceston City Heart is complete and the grant acquitted. TasWater works commenced at the Margaret Street pump station, a deliverable in the commitment to improve the health of the Tamar. UTAS construction and refurbishment works at Inveresk are progressing. Students and staff will officially move during April 2023.		

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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor A E Dawkins.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**  
**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

**19. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NETWORK**

**19.1. Review of the Impacts of Short Stay Accommodation on the Rental Market in the City of Launceston**

**FILE NO:** SF5547

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider the report entitled: *Review of the Impacts of Short Stay Accommodations on the Rental Market in the City of Launceston*.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Council - 25 August 2022 - Agenda Item 13.1 - Notice of Motion - Short Term Rental Accommodation - Councillor A G Harris

Workshop - 2 March 2023 - Review of the Impacts of Short Stay Accommodation on the Rental Market in the City of Launceston

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council:

1. requests the Chief Executive Officer investigate the introduction of a differential rate for short stay accommodation providers in Launceston and provide options for Council to consider;
  2. lobbies the State Government to require more transparent data be provided on short stay accommodations and the interactions on the long-term rental market. Specifically, it must be easier to track the number of long term rentals that transition to short stay accommodations;
  3. prioritises actions to create additional residential land within the City of Launceston;
  4. continues to monitor the City's rental market with a specific focus on the number of short stay accommodations that are available within Launceston; and
  5. requests the Local Government Association of Tasmania investigate and report on the implementation of a vacant residential land tax for unoccupied homes within the State.
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**Councillor A E Dawkins withdrew from the Meeting at 4.17pm**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION 1**

Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor J J Pentridge.

That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.

**NO VOTE WAS TAKEN AS AN AMENDMENT WAS PUT**

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**AMENDED MOTION**

Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor J J Pentridge.

That Council:

1. requests the Chief Executive Officer investigate the introduction of a differential rate for short stay accommodation providers in Launceston and provide options for Council to consider;
2. immediately lobbies the State Government to require more transparent data be provided on short stay accommodations and the interactions on the long-term rental market. Specifically, it must be easier to track the number of long term rentals that transition to short stay accommodations;
3. prioritises actions to create additional residential land within the City of Launceston;
4. continues to monitor the City's rental market with a specific focus on the number of short stay accommodations that are available within Launceston; and
5. requests the Local Government Association of Tasmania investigate and report on the implementation of a vacant residential land tax for unoccupied homes within the State.

**CARRIED 10:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton

**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

**THE MOTION AS AMENDED IS THE SUBSTANTIVE MOTION**

Councillor A E Dawkins re-attended the Meeting at 4.19pm

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION 3**

Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor J J Pentridge.

That Council:

1. requests the Chief Executive Officer investigate the introduction of a differential rate for short stay accommodation providers in Launceston and provide options for Council to consider;
2. immediately lobbies the State Government to require more transparent data be provided on short stay accommodations and the interactions on the long-term rental market. Specifically, it must be easier to track the number of long term rentals that transition to short stay accommodations;
3. prioritises actions to create additional residential land within the City of Launceston;
4. continues to monitor the City's rental market with a specific focus on the number of short stay accommodations that are available within Launceston; and
5. requests the Local Government Association of Tasmania investigate and report on the implementation of a vacant residential land tax for unoccupied homes within the State.

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton

**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

## **19.2. Northern Tasmania Development Corporation**

**FILE NO:** SF2367/SF3532

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

This report is to consider a revised suite of governance documents for the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation.

### **PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

Strategic Planning and Policy Committee - 20 May 2013 - Northern Tasmania Development

Development - Three Year Funding Commitment Workshop - 6 June 2016 - New Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Tasmania Development Organisational Model Workshop - 13 February 2020 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Draft Members' Agreement

Council - 5 March 2020 - Agenda Item 20.1 - Endorsed the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Members' Agreement 2020/2023

Workshop - 3 February 2022 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Workshop - 17 February 2022 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Workshop - 23 June 2022 - Regional Collaboration - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Workshop - 1 September 2022 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Governance

Closed Council - 5 October 2022 - Agenda Item 15.2 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Workshop - 2 March 2023 - Northern Tasmania Development Corporation



**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses the following documents:

1. the Draft Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Members' Letter of Expectation (ECM Doc Set ID: 4865386);
  2. the revised Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Constitution (ECM Doc Set ID 4865389); and
  3. the Draft Northern Tasmania Development Corporation Member Agreement 2023-2026 (ECM Doc Set ID 4865391)
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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A E Dawkins, seconded Councillor A G Harris.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**

**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

**19.3. National General Assembly Motion - Off Road Bicycle and Pedestrian Pathway Funding**

**FILE NO:** SF0325

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER APPROVAL:** Michael Stretton

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a motion for submission to the 2023 National General Assembly of the Australian Local Government Association.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council endorses the following motion prepared by Councillor A G Harris for submission to Australian Local Government Association for consideration at the 2023 National General Assembly of Australian Local Government Association:

*That the Australian Local Government Association lobby the Australian Government to provide Local Government with access to a funding pool which is exclusively dedicated to the construction and/or maintenance of off-road bike and pedestrian pathways.*

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**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor A J Britton.**

**That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.**

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton  
**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

**20. CLOSED COUNCIL**

*This decision requires an absolute majority of Council*

**RECOMMENDATION:**

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

**20.1 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.

**20.2 Local Government Association of Tasmania - 2023 General Management Committee Election**

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.

**20.3 End of Closed Session**

*To be determined in Closed Council.*

**DECISION: 23 March 2023**

**MOTION**

**Moved Councillor T G Walker, seconded Councillor L M McMahon.**

**That Council moves into Closed Session.**

**CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 11:0**

**FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton**  
**AGAINST VOTE: Nil**

**Council moved into Closed Session at 4.37pm**  
**Council returned to Open Session at 4.48pm**

### 20.3 End of Closed Session

#### RECOMMENDATION:

That, pursuant to Regulation 34(1)(b) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015*, resolves to report in Open Session that it has considered the following matters in Closed Session.

Agenda Item	Matter	Brief Description
20.1	<i>Closed Council Minutes - 9 March 2023</i>	<i>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 9 March 2023.</i>
20.2	<i>Local Government Association of Tasmania - 2023 General Committee Election.</i>	<i>Councillors endorsed nominations for the Local Government Association of Tasmania's 2023 General Committee election.</i>

#### **DECISION: 23 March 2023**

#### **MOTION**

Moved Councillor A G Harris, seconded Councillor A J Britton.

That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.

**CARRIED 11:0**

**FOR VOTE:** Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Deputy Mayor Councillor M K Garwood, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker, Councillor Dr G Razay, Councillor J J Pentridge, Councillor A J Palmer, Councillor L M McMahon, Councillor S Cai and Councillor A J Britton  
**AGAINST VOTE:** Nil

### 21. MEETING CLOSURE

The Mayor, Councillor D C Gibson, closed the Meeting at 4.49pm.

### 22. NEXT COUNCIL MEETING DATE

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held at 1.00pm on 6 April 2023 at the Council Chambers, Town Hall, 18-28 St John Street, Launceston.