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From: "Andrew Smith" [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 17 Apr 2025 08:34:44 +1000
To: "Contact Us" <contactus@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Subject: Questions without notice for today's meeting 17 April 2025

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City of Launceston council meeting 17 April 2025

Questions without notice - Andrew Smith, [REDACTED]

I wish to ask the following question without notice at the Council meeting today, please:

The Carr Villa flora reserve AND the surrounding bushland is Eucalyptus amygdalina forest on Cainozoic deposits (DAZ). Despite the name, this is not just about the trees – it's a name for the whole forest community, including the diverse understorey and fauna and the ecological processes involved in it.

This forest type has already had 70% of its original extent cleared. Of the 30% left, only a third of that is protected in reserves. Because of this, the forest community is listed as threatened under the Nature Conservation Act. **As such it is illegal to clear it, yet the Draft Cemetery Masterplan includes plans to clear 8 hectares of it.**

The average size of remnants of this forest is 17ha, so the 25ha at Carr Villa is a significant remnant. The plan to clear 1/3 of this, fragmenting the remainder, would have a seriously detrimental impact. Native tree plantings on the cemetery cannot, in any way, offset this major clearing plan as there is no way to reestablish the critical understorey and fauna habitat.

Given this, we asked council in our 2023 letter to seek an alternative cemetery site.

Will the council avoid clearing the bushland at Carr Villa to protect this threatened forest community and comply with state legislation?

sincerely
Andrew Smit



Questions without Notice

City of Launceston Council Meeting 17/4/25 –

Dale Luck, Norwood, President, Australian Plants Society, Northern Group

The City of Launceston Council commissioned North Barker Ecosystem Services to do an assessment of the Carr Villa Bushland in 2018. Their detailed 2019 report noted that *“Carr Villa supports a remarkably diverse and interesting range of plant species which produces a spectacular spring time wildflower display. Along with the obvious passive recreational opportunities, this small parcel of land is a great asset for the community”*. The report identifies 188 native plant species in the Bushlands, many of them not occurring inside the Flora Reserve, and states *“Considering the size of the site, 188 native plants represents a high diversity of species”*.

In their conclusion, they state *“Carr Villa Flora Reserve supports a rich biodiversity that is significantly enhanced by the presence of adjacent vegetation in the Memorial Park. Biodiversity conservation is dependent on the long-term fate of the adjoining bushlands. These not only buffer the reserve but also provide distinct habitats that compliment those in the Flora Reserve.”*

The Draft Masterplan makes no reference to the North Barker report and recommends (on page 48) that *“Further flora and fauna assessment be undertaken prior to detailed design phase”*

Was the North Barker report considered by the planners?

Why is it not referenced?

What are the perceived failings of the North Barker report that require a fresh assessment to be made?

From: "Roy [REDACTED] Skabo" [REDACTED]
Sent: Thu, 17 Apr 2025 07:50:47 +1000
To: "Contact Us" <contactus@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Subject: Question without notice for Council meeting today

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Could you please put this question on the agenda for today's meeting?

"Roy Skabo [REDACTED]"

Rate payer

Amateur botanist and member of the Australian Plants Society

The Council has a number of natural history experts who are employed by or volunteer at Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery. These people know Carr Villa Flora Reserve very well and understand its important natural values.

Why did the Council not make this expertise available to the consultants who prepared the Carr Villa Master Plan, and will the Council undertake to quickly make this expert knowledge available to the consultants.

so the Master Plan can be amended to better address the need for protection of the natural environment? This should be done before any decisions is made to adopt the Master Plan"

Thank you

Roy Skabo

From: Michelle Ogulin
Sent: Tue, 8 Apr 2025 02:00:11 +0000
To: strikeitout@outlook.com
Cc: Reach Out
Subject: FW: RSR0126/2025 - Sleeping Rough

Dear Kirsten

Thank you for your email. As previously advised the City of Launceston does not employ outreach workers. If you have any concerns about the welfare of Launceston's homeless community you are advised to send in a request via:

1. Snap Send Solve
2. contactus@launceston.tas.gov.au
3. by calling 6323 3000, or
4. by visiting our customer service centre to place a customer service request.

Regarding planned burns, and as per previous years, this information is available from our homepage and all burns are listed, including dates for locations where dates have been set: [2025 Fuel Reduction Burn Program to get underway - City of Launceston](#). Information is also sent to all residents notifying them of planned burns. We promote the burns on our social media accounts and also provide education materials to the community about how they can keep track of burns on the [Tasmania Fire Service website](#) (the official website for listing current planned burns).




The Homelessness Advisory Committee meets regularly with another meeting scheduled for this month on April 15. The committee has been meeting every two months for several years with the exception of a short hiatus while a review of council committees was underway.

Finally, we have been using our ReachOut email address for close to two years. It is operated by our Community Development team and is the main inbox we use about homelessness issues in Launceston.

Kind regards,
Michelle

Michelle Ogulin

Senior Leader Liveable Communities

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From: Kirsten Ritchie <strikeitout@outlook.com>
Sent: Friday, 4 April 2025 7:44 AM
To: Reach Out <ReachOut@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Subject: Re: RSR0126/2025 - Sleeping Rough

Hi Reach Out,

Thank you for your email response.

Our homeless community members have said there are a couple of people from Council who outreach alongside the Salvation Army outreach worker?

This team of people weeks ago attended down to the Lyndsey Street riverbank where various community members have pitched tents and where the rubbish is to be collected. The people who attended from the Council said that they would ensure the rubbish would get collected that day. That was six weeks ago?

It seems all the other organisations have been introduced to your new workers except for Strike It Out?

Please enlighten me on who your new or existing employees that are outreaching with other services. Contacts on who we can also speak with our concerns?

We have also not received a copy of the list of where the back burning locations are taking place around Launceston. It seems again other organisations have received this information from Council but Strike It Out Inc have been missed? Also, no notification on dates of when back burning begins just a generic letter posted out to residents to alert them it will be taking place sometime in the near future. Yesterday one concerned resident had no idea, windows wide open in their house and animals left outside to exhale all the smoke?

Would it be possible to publicly announce via your social media beforehand of such burns for the safety and wellbeing of residents, pets and those sleeping rough, thank you.

Do you still have your Homelessness Advisory Committee that meet regularly? If so can you please update us on when and where these meetings take place.

We now receive emails signed by Reach Out not sure who is behind this email?

Your help Reach Out would be most appreciated.

Kind regards

Kirsten Ritchie
Public Officer
Strike It Out Inc

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From: Reach Out <ReachOut@launceston.tas.gov.au>

Sent: Thursday, April 3, 2025 3:45:39 PM

To: Kirsten Ritchie <strikeitout@outlook.com>
Subject: RE: RSR0126/2025 - Sleeping Rough

Good afternoon Kirsten,

Thank you for your email.

The City of Launceston currently do not employ an outreach team. In order for us to better understand the nature of your request could you please advise us what items you would like to discuss so we can ensure the most appropriate people are available to meet with you?
The items outside of Woolworths have been collected for disposal. Thank you for the notification.

Kind regards,

Reach Out

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From: Kirsten Ritchie <strikeitout@outlook.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 1 April 2025 4:53 PM
To: Reach Out <ReachOut@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Subject: Re: RSR0126/2025 - Sleeping Rough

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Photo attached for your reference of rubbish to be collected outside Woolworths on Wellington Street.

We have also requested well over a month ago for the rubbish to be collected down at Lindsay Street where your outreach team visit the rough sleepers to collect the rubbish that we have bagged up and the trolley lots. We received a letter back stating that you are unable to collect due to the threatening behaviour? How will the lawns be mowed then? Surely with a team of men and a rubbish truck to collect there should be no issues? We present down there regularly and those that stay down there have been notified about the rubbish to be collected 6 weeks ago?

We hope for those sleeping rough 🙏 and for our city to look beautiful that the rubbish could please be collected at your earliest convenience thank you.

Kind regards

Kirsten Ritchie

Public Officer
Strike It out inc
PH 0429 847787

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From: Reach Out <ReachOut@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Sent: Tuesday, April 1, 2025 3:56:38 PM
To: strikeitout@outlook.com <strikeitout@outlook.com>
Subject: RSR0126/2025 - Sleeping Rough

Good afternoon

Thank you for reaching out to the City of Launceston with your concerns.

As you may be aware, Launceston is experiencing an unprecedented rise in homelessness. The slow pace of affordable and social housing development, combined with the rising cost of living and increasing community demand, has left many people vulnerable.

We're working closely with outreach workers, who will visit this site. The outreach workers are here to support those affected and will take appropriate measures to ensure the safety of both individuals experiencing homelessness and the broader community.

Please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any further concerns.

Regards,

Reach Out

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29 April 2025

Question on Notice

City of Launceston

Subject: Progress of Air Quality Strategy

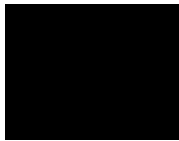
Background

Council has been developing an Air Quality Strategy for over 18 months. In response to a Question on Notice to the Council Meeting of 19 July 2024, David Mullenger (Manager Health and Compliance) indicated that the "strategy will be completed and will be available for public consultation and feedback in the coming year."

With the onset of Autumn, we will begin the seasonal air pollution by woodsmoke and the inevitable rise in particulate levels. Again there will be a consequent rise in asthma related emergencies and early deaths. Subsequently, I have two questions please:

- 1 What is the state of the Air Quality Strategy and when will it be available for public consultation? and
- 2 Is the council running any campaigns to promote good practices to reduce the pollution created by those wood heaters still being used?

Malcolm Cowan



From: "Robin Mark Smith" [REDACTED]
Sent: Wed, 30 Apr 2025 23:19:24 +1000
To: "Contact Us" <contactus@launceston.tas.gov.au>
Subject: Meeting Question-On-Notice

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference - Questions on Notice - Council General Meeting 8th May 2025 - Gorge Restaurant Lease

Council voted unanimously on the 27th of March 2025 to offer a lease to the preferred (incumbent) operator for the Gorge Restaurant in the Cataract Gorge Reserve. This offer appears not to have been accepted. Had Council materially changed the terms under the proposed lease as arising from the Expression of Interest, without intended lessee agreement?

Thank you,
Yours faithfully,
Robin Smith

Cultural Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda



Date: Wednesday, 4 December 2024

Time: 3:15pm - 4:45pm

Location: Town Hall Committee Room, 18-28 St John St, Launceston TAS 7250

Meeting started 3:23pm

Time	Agenda item	Presenter
3:15pm	1. STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	Chairperson
	2. ATTENDEES Committee: <div> Clementine Blackman Worlds End Dr Kim Lehman Arts and cultural researcher Helene Boyer Educator and practicing artist Amanda Shepherd Arts administrator </div> City of Launceston: <div> Councillor Tim Walker Councillor City of Launceston Councillor Alex Britton Councillor City of Launceston Marcus Grantham Team Leader Placemaking Henry Watson Cultural Development Officer Linda Page Team Leader Community Development Michelle Ogulin Acting General Manager Community & Place </div>	Chairperson
	3. APOLOGIES <div> Chelsea Van Riet General Manager Community and Place Dr Abbey MacDonald Arts educator </div>	Chairperson
	4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST <i>If a Committee member has an actual or perceived interest in a matter to be considered by the Committee, they must declare that interest prior to any discussion of the matter. Interests will be managed in a way that respects the Committee member and the operation of the Committee. In some circumstances, this will mean that a Committee member with a declared interest will be required to withdraw from the Meeting during the discussions of the matter.</i> <i>The declaration of interest will be noted in the report outlining the Committee's Recommendation to Council.</i> Meeting minutes were accepted	Chairperson
3:40pm - 3:50pm	5. NORTHERN GATEWAY PROJECT Summary of presentation To provide the Committee with an update of the status of the Northern Gateway Project.	Marcus Grantham, Team Leader Placemaking

	<p>Reference: Cultural Strategy 2020-2030, Public Art Strategy 2023-2031</p> <p>Committee invitation: for committee update</p> <p>Marcus provided a brief update on the status of tender which closes on Saturday 7 December. Questions were raised regarding the location of the artwork, and the status of the tender.</p>	
3:50pm - 4:10pm	<p>6. PUBLIC ART - CRITERION PLACE, SEAPORT, STREET ART LANEWAYS, GEORGE STREET, HOWICK STREET</p> <p>Summary of presentation</p> <p>To provide the Committee with an update of the status of City art projects, including murals, and proposed street art laneways.</p> <p>Reference: Public Art Strategy 2023-2031</p> <p>Committee invitation: for committee update and feedback</p> <p>Discussion regarding City Heart and the marketing/communication process regarding the change. Suggestions to potentially lock in the bluestones at the top of Howick Street as a Heritage item.</p> <p>Note that the Chair be informed when a CAC member is selected for the selection panel.</p> <p>Question raised to the committee if there were arts practitioners and administrators who may be available to assist with the delivery of public art projects in the city.</p>	Henry Watson, Cultural Development Officer
4:10pm- 4:20pm	<p>7. LAUNCESTON ARTS AND CREATIVE HUB (LAACH)</p> <p>Summary of presentation</p> <p>To provide the Committee with an update of the status of the Launceston Arts and Creatives Hub (LAACH).</p> <p>Reference: Cultural Strategy 2020-2030</p> <p>Committee invitation: for committee update and feedback</p> <p>Five interviews have been undertaken so far. Conflicting priorities have slowed down the process, however there is a view to expedite the process in Jan/Feb.</p> <p>Council has advertised for a second Arts & Culture officer position.</p> <p>Cr Walker spoke with the CEO regarding the Paterson Barracks. A business report regarding the viability of the site will be presented to Council at a future date.</p>	Henry Watson, Cultural Development Officer
4:20pm- 4:30pm	<p>8. ARTS GRANT POLICY</p> <p>Summary of presentation</p>	Henry Watson, Cultural Development Officer

	<p>To provide the Committee with information about the Arts Grant Policy</p> <p>Committee invitation: for committee update and feedback</p> <p>Item postponed for next meeting as a major item.</p>	
4:30pm - 4:40pm	<p>9. GENERAL BUSINESS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call for new committee members, applications received <p>Committee members to be ratified at next Council meeting. Three volunteers are to be proposed for membership.</p>	Chairperson
4:40pm - 4.45pm	<p>10. CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p> <p>Correspondence received from Freya requesting an invite to LAACH interviews.</p>	Chairperson
	<p>11. COMMITTEE REPORTING TO COUNCIL</p>	Chairperson
	<p>12. COUNCIL CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORTS</p> <p>Nothing to report.</p>	Henry Watson, Cultural Development Officer
	<p>13. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION ITEMS</p> <p>Helene Boyer council presentation</p> <p>There is a suggestion to potentially raise a Notice of Motion to propose a commemorative artwork for the 100-year anniversary for the 1929 floods.</p> <p>Michelle to meet with Helene in Feb 2025.</p> <p>Meeting dates 2025</p> <p>Proposed to send an email to all committee members (including new members) for 2025 meeting dates.</p> <p>Meeting closed 4:54pm</p>	Chairperson

	14. MEETING DATES			Chairperson
	Date	Time	Location	
	04/12/2024	3:15pm - 4:45pm	Town Hall Committee Room	

Cultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes



Date: Wednesday, 2 April 2024

Start time: 3:17pm

Location: Town Hall Committee Room, 18-28 St John St, Launceston TAS 7250

Meeting started at 3:17pm

Time	Agenda item	Presenter
3:15pm	1. STATEMENT OF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT	Chairperson
3:20pm	2. ATTENDEES Committee: <div> Amanda Shepherd Arts administrator Clementine Blackman Worlds End Helene Boyer Educator and practicing artist Ariel Chanko Arts practitioner Judith Ridge Writer and educator </div> City of Launceston: <div> Councillor Tim Walker Councillor City of Launceston Marcus Grantham Team Leader Placemaking Henry Watson Arts and Culture Officer Hannah Koch Arts and Culture Officer Michelle Ogulin Senior Leader Liveable Communities Leanne Purchase Executive Leader Connections and Liveability </div>	Chairperson
3:25pm	3. APOLOGIES <div> Dr Kim Lehman Arts and cultural researcher Councillor Alex Britton Councillor City of Launceston Dr Abbey MacDonald Arts educator </div>	Chairperson
3:25pm	4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST <i>If a Committee member has an actual or perceived interest in a matter to be considered by the Committee, they must declare that interest prior to any discussion of the matter. Interests will be managed in a way that respects the Committee member and the operation of the Committee. In some circumstances, this will mean that a Committee member with a declared interest will be required to withdraw from the Meeting during the discussions of the matter.</i> <i>The declaration of interest will be noted in the report outlining the Committee's Recommendation to Council.</i>	Chairperson
3:30pm - 3:40pm	5. CULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS & ARTS AND CULTURE OFFICER RECRUTMENT Summary of presentation:	Henry Watson, Arts and Culture Officer

	Henry Watson advised on outcome of the Cultural Advisory Committee expression of Interest and introduced members Judith Ridge and Ariel Chanko	
3:40pm - 4:10pm	<p>6. ARTS AND CULTURE GRANTS</p> <p>Summary of presentation.</p> <p>To provide the Committee with information regarding the Arts and Culture Grant policy and draft guidelines for discussion.</p> <p>Reference: Cultural Strategy 2020-2030</p> <p><u>Committee Discussion included considerations for the grant such as:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how to attribute points for diversity of form and practitioner and clarity regarding the nature of the word diversity. Feedback regarding the need to reference other adopted policy in the form. Discussion on the nature of the assessment panels and the appropriate members <u>who can speak to the diverse nature of the grant.</u> reiterating the need to support artists to access the program through other arts bodies managing projects for artists. suggestions regarding a focus ensuring that on increasing the grant includes access for participants with a disability or experiencing financial hardship. <p><u>a suggestion to leave the program open to adapt to the needs of the community, and use it see this as a 'pilot'.</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>how large well-funded business can be weighted fairly against emerging artists and small businesses.</u> <u>clarifying how we define 'contribution' financial vs time.</u> <u>point attribution for diversity of form and practitioner, and clarity regarding the nature of the word 'diversity'.</u> <p><u>In addition, the committee</u></p> <p>question regarding enquired whether funding timelines <u>could</u> aligning with future funding or funding in process.</p> <p>How are large well-funded business weighted against emerging artists and small businesses.</p> <p>how do we define 'contribution' financial vs time.</p> <p>Approval to go out to council, final copy to go to CAC. Noting the high level of support from the CAC for the policy to get up. The next steps in releasing the grant will be to form a selection committee, with candidates to be endorsed at a Council meeting this financial year.</p>	Hannah Koch, Arts and Culture Officer

4:10pm - 4:20pm	7. NORTHERN GATEWAY PROJECT Summary of presentation To provide the Committee with an update of the status of the Northern Gateway Project. Reference: Cultural Strategy 2020-2030, Public Art Strategy 2023-2031 Committee invitation: for committee update. <u>UAP were successful in gaining the tender to manage and construct the artwork.</u> ontract out to the tender winner. Expressions of Interest to go out will be developed in partnership with tender winner UAP, who will advertise the EOI in the coming months. <u>The committee enquired Questions regarding the public vote process and the ability for the outcome to be negatively influenced by bad actors to influence the vote.</u>	Marcus Grantham, Team Leader Placemaking
4:30pm - 4:35pm	8. GENERAL BUSINESS PUBLIC ART - CRITERION PLACE, SEAPORT, STREET ART LANEWAYS, HOWICK STREET Summary of presentation To provide the Committee with an update of the status of City art projects, including murals, and proposed street art laneways. Reference: Public Art Strategy 2023-2031 Committee invitation: for committee update and feedback <u>The committee was informed that members will be called upon to join selection panels for these projects.</u>	Chairperson
4:35pm - 4:40pm	9. CORRESPONDENCE Nothing to report.	Chairperson
4:40pm	10. COMMITTEE REPORTING TO COUNCIL	Chairperson
4:40pm - 4:45pm	11. COUNCIL ARTS AND CULTURE OFFICER REPORTS Summary of presentation Howick Street EOI Panel Seaport Wall EOI Panel Street Art Festival EOI Panel	Henry Watson, Arts and Culture Officer

	<p>Committee invitation: for committee update and feedback.</p> <p>All Cultural Advisory Committee member<u>rsf who have</u> not previously <u>been</u> engaged to assess and <u>EOI</u> have expressed interest in being selected for upcoming panels.</p>																			
	<p>12. BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION ITEMS</p> <p><u>A R</u>report on artist residence program to be delivered at the <u>following-next</u> meeting.</p>	Chairperson																		
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Meeting Closed at 4:45pm

Event Sponsorship Assessment Panel - Terms of Reference

The Event Sponsorship Assessment Panel is a Special Committee of Council as defined under section 24 of the *Local Government Act (TAS) 1993*.

PURPOSE:

The primary purpose of the City of Launceston (CoL) Event Sponsorship Assessment Panel (the Panel) is to review and assess sponsorship applications in accordance with the Event Sponsorship Policy and Guidelines.

The Panel's recommendations will allow for informed decision making by Council when approving funding allocation for events.

ROLE:

The role of the Panel is to:

- To consider, review and assess event sponsorship applications against the relevant Event Sponsorship Program assessment criteria.
- Provide recommendations to Council on events to be approved for funding.

MEMBERSHIP:

The Panel will consist of three representatives from the City of Launceston (Councillor) and external stakeholders for the following positions:

- City of Launceston Councillor, to Chair the Panel, and two additional Councillors will be nominated and endorsed by Council;
- A representative of Tourism Northern Tasmania;
- A representative of Launceston Chamber of Commerce; and
- A representative of Cityprom

City of Launceston Officers will provide advice to the Panel.

MEETING ARRANGEMENTS:

The Panel will meet twice a year normally April/July, which will coincide with the event sponsorship rounds and other times as necessary. A minimum of three weeks' notice will be provided to panel members of meeting date and time. All event sponsorship applications will be assessed in the first instance via an online assessment process. Panel meetings will provide an opportunity for discussion and review of assessments and to confirm recommendations to Council. The length of each meeting will be determined on number of applications received.

MEETING QUORUM:

An absolute majority is considered a quorum for meetings of the Event Sponsorship Assessment Panel.

HOW THE PANEL WILL OPERATE:

- The Grants and Sponsorship Officer will coordinate the Event Sponsorship assessment process;
- The Panel will assess all Event Sponsorship applications through an online assessment process prior to a Panel meeting;
- Panel members will independently review and assess each sponsorship application in accordance with the relevant Event Sponsorship Program assessment criteria;
- Once applications have been pre-scored, the Panel will meet to finalise assessment scoring which will determine the applicant's eligibility for funding, and form the Panel's recommendation to Council; and
- All final decisions on Event Sponsorship funding will be made by Council and are subject to the available budget available for that round.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

All Panel members must adhere to the Code of Conduct for Committees. Councillors and Council Officers must also adhere to their own relevant Code of Conduct.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

If a Panel member has a declared interest in an event they must declare prior to assessment of the application. A declared interest will result in the inability to assess that specific application. The Panel member must withdraw from the meeting during the discussions of the application, finalisation of scoring and subsequent recommendation to Council.

The declaration of interest will be noted in the report outlining the panel's recommendation to Council.

RESOURCES:

Grants and Sponsorship Officer will coordinate the assessment process, ensuring panel members have all the necessary support to undertake the assessment process.

HONORARIUMS:

Council will not pay any honorariums or expenses to any member on the panel.

RELATED POLICIES & PROCEDURES

[05-PI-012 Events Sponsorship Policy](#)

REVIEW:

The Terms of Reference including membership will be reviewed in conjunction with the review of the City of Launceston Event Sponsorship Policy.

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TOMORROW TOGETHER SURVEY QUESTIONNAIRE

No.	Sentiment and Questionnaire Summary	Council officer comments	Recommendation
1	<i>POSITIVE:</i> General appreciation for Council taking a proactive approach to housing development.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
2	<p><i>NEGATIVE:</i> Suggests that Council is wasting time and money and should focus on implementing road infrastructure, such as the Eastern Bypass, before creating more housing in the St Leonards neighbourhood area.</p> <p>Further concern is raised with Council spending money on regional facilities that people outside the municipality are able to use for free.</p>	<p>Council is currently preparing the St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood Plan to allow development to occur with appropriate infrastructure being delivered in collaboration including roads and community facilities. The St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood Plan is one of the key actions in the Housing plan to assist in providing more housing in a considered and holistic approach.</p> <p>Further details on the Neighbourhood Plan, included proposed infrastructure, can be found on Council's Tomorrow Together website.</p>	No further action required.
3	<i>POSITIVE:</i> Notes an important issue for the community and future generations and is appreciative that Council is taking a proactive approach to housing development.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
4	<i>POSITIVE:</i> Notes that the Housing Plan includes well-considered ideas that are designed to benefit everyone	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.

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5	<p><i>NEUTRAL:</i> Agrees with the proposed medium and high-density plans, particularly infill within the CBD, and would prefer to see a shift to more high-rise buildings over greenfield development.</p>	<p>Preference for medium and high-density projects is acknowledged.</p> <p>The draft Housing Plan seeks to strike a balance between delivering greenfield development in identified urban growth areas, while shifting to a greater proportion of higher density opportunities within and surrounding established activity centres of the Launceston CBD, Mowbray and Kings Meadows.</p> <p>Actions 1.2.2, 1.2.4 and 2.1.1 seek to increase the opportunities for higher density living within infill areas of Launceston.</p>	<p>No further action required.</p>
6	<p><i>NEGATIVE:</i> Raises concerns that the Housing Plan fails to acknowledge current zoning along Lilydale/Pipers River Road area, particularly within the context of growing demand for housing diversity.</p> <p>Concern is also raised with a focus on converting food producing farmland (such as the land within the identified Alanvale Neighbourhood Plan area), rather than low productive land, into housing opportunities.</p>	<p>The Lilydale/Pipers River Road area is not identified in any regional or state planning policy documents, nor was it investigated as an additional growth area during the initial analysis of the Housing Plan. This is due to several constraints, including location, proximity to services, natural assets and other existing planning overlays.</p> <p>With respect to the identified growth areas of Alanvale, St Leonards and Waverley and South Prospect, these areas are all generally connected on the fringes of urbanised areas, have limited food producing capacity due to sterilisation from surrounding urban uses and have opportunities for relatively high dwelling yields with aligned infrastructure investment.</p>	<p>No further action required.</p>

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		Further details on these neighbourhood plans will become available as work progresses.	
7	<i>NEUTRAL</i> : Suggests that Council prepare and make available to the broader public pre-approved plans for low-cost housing options with the ability to expand overtime to lower the barrier for people to enter the housing market.	<p>A request for assistance in lowering the barrier for entry into the housing market is acknowledged. The draft Housing Plan seeks to streamline the process for access to a variety of housing, through identifying key strategic areas that could accommodate the required amount of housing over the next 15 years.</p> <p>However, the pre-approval of housing plans raises legislative complications as each development application is assessed against the provisions of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme and due to varying site-specific constraints may be limited in its application.</p> <p>It is also noted that it may be a conflict of Council's role as a planning authority, and its broader role within the development industry.</p>	No further action required.
8	<i>NEGATIVE</i> : Raises concerns with the process for formulating the Housing Plan, with a recommendation that further opportunities for community participation during the preparation of the Plan should have occurred.	The draft Housing Plan was prepared with assistance from planning consultant, REMPLAN, and included consultation with internal Council stakeholders and community housing providers to ascertain prevailing issues of housing development. The principles, priorities and actions were formulated based on this input, as well as	No further action required.

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		<p>extensive analysis of demographic and development data.</p> <p>Due to the expediated timeline for the delivery of a new housing and increasing need for action by Council, initial community consultation was not undertaken. However, the broader community were provided an opportunity for input into the draft Housing Plan during the twenty-eight day (28) consultation period.</p> <p>Council officers are now reviewing feedback received to determine if any changes are needed before finalisation and adoption by Council.</p>	
9	<i>POSITIVE:</i> Notes that proactively planning for growth will help to deliver optimal outcomes as population has been lost to surrounding municipalities that have created opportunities through land release.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
10	<i>POSITIVE:</i> The focus on incentivising more medium and high-density housing is considered a positive.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
11	<i>NEGATIVE:</i> Raises concerns with existing subdivided land around Launceston not being developed for housing as yet.	The draft Housing Plan acknowledges that there are some legacy issues with housing delivery on previously subdivided sites due to various factors including site constraints,	No further action required.

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		<p>rising construction costs and infrastructure delivery.</p> <p>The draft Housing Plan seeks to investigate impediments to housing delivery on existing sites, as well as activating a predictable supply of suitable land and diverse opportunities through the municipality.</p>	
12	<p><i>POSITIVE:</i> Agrees with the fundamental shift away from car-dependent suburbs and focus on medium and high-density developments.</p> <p>Raises concerns that the application of specific area plans (SAPs) will stifle development through over prescription and would rather see rezonings occur to large areas to allow the market dictate what type of housing development will occur.</p> <p>Preferences the housing plan as a land use strategy with a focus on defined areas of public transport and parking rather than retaining current minimum parking provisions.</p>	<p>The preferred shift from greenfield developments to higher density infill is acknowledged.</p> <p>The neighbourhood planning work proposed to be completed as part of the Housing Plan will consider the application of SAPs as different growth areas may have slightly different intended requirements. Sequenced development and land releases are important to ensure that infrastructure investment is appropriately aligned and not delivered in an ad hoc basis.</p> <p>The Housing Plan is first and foremost a land use strategy with overarching direction on how, when and where housing can be delivered in Launceston. Several actions within the Housing Plan seek to balance the delivery of housing with greater opportunities for public transport infrastructure, accessible active transport and open space.</p>	No further action required.

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EMAIL SUBMISSIONS

Sub No.	Submission Summary	Council officer comments	Recommendation
1	<p>A submission from Mr Ian Abernethy made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Developers should not guide the strategic direction and dedication of Council resources. • The St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood plan work is a positive • Critical mass of commercial and retail developing in the Lilydale area should be accommodated with additional housing opportunities. • Agree with building higher density around Kings Meadows and Mowbray however may require a major redevelopment of the shopping precinct. • Notes limitation of residential uses in Invermay due to flooding risk, however building above the flood level will ruin the existing character. • Improved public transport strategies should be created to assist with housing development plans to move away from car reliance. • New subdivision areas should include higher density areas close to facilities and open space. • Walk-up townhouses are an appropriate option for areas surrounding existing commercial/retail areas. 	<p>The comments on the different aspects of the Housing Plan are acknowledged.</p> <p>Strategic direction of the Housing Plan has been formed based on data analysis by REMPLAN and key Tasmanian strategic planning documents including the Northern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy and Tasmanian Housing Strategy.</p> <p>Action 2.1.1 has identified Lilydale as an area with an opportunity for more housing opportunities in the form of a neighbourhood plan.</p> <p>Neighbourhood Plans will take into consideration the opportunity for diverse housing options (including higher density typologies), public/active transport access and infrastructure constraints. These neighbourhood plans will seek to deliver highly liveable outcomes with character and facilities.</p> <p>Actions 2.2.1 will explore opportunities for mixed use housing developments on key sites (including Council owned sites) throughout the Launceston CBD.</p>	No further action required.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infrastructure capacity and collaboration with delivery partners will need to be a consideration when preparing housing plans. • A review of Council owned sites and seeking opportunities for delivery of innovative housing is encouraged. • The Housing Plan should encourage the pushing of the boundaries of the provisions within the Tasmanian Planning Scheme. • Suggest that a 'Development Site Register' of key sites in the city that show the best and highest use and offer assistance for achieving the vision of the Housing Plan. • Example of good subdivision developments in Perth, WA show the opportunity for open space and infrastructure to be delivered up front to establish character and facilities. This should be considered for Launceston. • Opportunities to age in place or within an area due to community connections is more important to certain community demographics and downsizing is a multifaceted not easily addressed through house size alone. 		
2	Shelter Tasmania noted the draft Housing Plan is well thought out and looks forward to supporting your implementation of the plan. The submission also included links to additional housing related work that may assist.	Noted and acknowledged. Council looks forward to collaborating with Shelter Tasmania during the implementation of the housing plan.	Continue collaboration with TasWater to align strategic investment and delivery
3	Further to survey questionnaire response 7, Mr Aidan Flanagan provided several additional	The request for the inclusion of an additional growth area along both Lilydale Road and	Although not considered

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	<p>emails with detail and analysis to support a request for an additional growth area along Lilydale and Pipers River Road, including historical enquiries, land use pattern and allotment size and site-specific considerations.</p> <p>The submission also notes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Request for an extension of time for community feedback due to notification of the consultation period only being received on 31 March via Council's E-news email. • Mental health benefits of diverse housing in the form of larger lots with detached dwellings. • Legacy issues of zoning during the conversion to the new Tasmanian Planning Scheme. 	<p>Pipers River Road to provide further opportunities for housing in the form of low-density residential sites (lot size of 1,200m² or higher) is acknowledged.</p> <p>Initial analysis of this request raises several strategic and site-specific concerns related to planning overlays including location, infrastructure needs, natural assets (such as priority vegetation and waterway protection areas), attenuation to existing extractive uses, bushfire, scenic protection and landslip. These aspects may constrain potential yield of properties within this area and ultimately not align with the majority of the principles and priorities of the Housing Plan.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the above comments, the Housing Plan does outline that proponent led rezoning requests for sites outside of key growth areas may be considered against key land considerations including infrastructure capacity, accessibility environmental constraints, community integration and strategic setting of regional and state planning policies.</p> <p>The respect to the other matters raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community consultation was undertaken for a period of twenty-eight days between 12 March and 9 April 2025. The broader community were notified via posts on 	<p>appropriate to be included as an additional growth area, the representor may explore an opportunity for a rezoning request against key land considerations.</p>
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		<p>Council's website and social media pages (i.e. Facebook, Instagram, etc.), Council's monthly online newsletter, and Council's website. A news article in The Examiner was also published on 11 March 2025. In addition, an interactive webpage with explainer video, project timeline, draft documentation and survey questionnaire was prepared and two drop-in sessions on 19 March were also provided.</p> <p>Although this consultation period is considered sufficient, late submissions were accepted by Council officers and matters raised considered as part of the finalisation of the Housing Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental health benefits of a diverse range of housing is acknowledged. The Housing Plan seeks to deliver a variety of diverse housing opportunities (including low density residential) to allow various demographics to obtain a dwelling that suits their needs. • The referenced legacy issues of zoning translation from one planning scheme into another have been discussed and addressed by Council in previous correspondence. 	
4	A submission from TasWater welcomed the opportunity to align investment in our water and sewer services with the expansion of land use	Noted and acknowledged.	Continue collaboration with TasWater to align

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	<p>development in the greater Launceston area to facilitate housing delivery.</p> <p>TasWater also noted they are in the final stages of completing long-term infrastructure investment master plans and will be engaging with Council early next financial year with a view to ensuring alignment.</p>	<p>Council welcomes the opportunity to engage with TasWater on their long-term infrastructure investment master plans.</p>	<p>strategic investment and delivery.</p>
5	<p>A submission from Mr Graeme Stevenson suggests that changes be made to the Tasmanian Planning Scheme to allow smaller internal driveway widths for existing residential lots within Launceston.</p>	<p>Minimum standards for internal driveway access areas are included in the subdivision provisions of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme which is based on an Australian Standard for the safe passage of an average sized vehicle in Australia. Consideration of this suggestion may be considered during a future Tasmanian Planning Scheme review.</p>	<p>Consider the requested planning provision changes regarding internal driveway access as part of the future Tasmanian Planning Scheme review.</p>
6	<p>Mr Ray Norman provided several emails noting various general aspects of governance and the role of local government. Specially related to the Housing Plan, it was noted that the draft is underwhelming due to the lack of meaningful engagement during the preparation of the Housing Plan and that no purpose has been articulated within the document.</p>	<p>As mentioned in survey questionnaire 8, the draft Housing Plan was prepared with assistance from planning consultant, REMPLAN, and included initial consultation with internal Council stakeholders and community housing providers to ascertain prevailing issues of housing development.</p> <p>Due to the expedited timeline for the delivery of a new housing and increasing need for action by Council, initial community consultation was not undertaken. However, the broader community were provided an opportunity for input into the draft Housing</p>	<p>No further action required.</p>

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		<p>Plan during the twenty-eight day (28) consultation period.</p> <p>The purpose is established with a housing vision that is supported by the four key principles, priorities and actions that actively achieve the Housing Plan.</p>	
7	<p>A submission from engineering and environmental consultants Pitt&Sherry noted several observations regarding the draft Housing Plan. These included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Affordability</i>: request that Council explore partnerships with local housing organisations to facilitate the development of more affordable housing units. • <i>Sustainability</i>: Appreciation for the emphasis on sustainable building practices and requests more detailed plans on mechanisms to require developers to implement sustainable elements. • <i>Community Engagement</i>: Appreciation for the opportunity to comment and encourages ongoing dialogue with the community as plans progress. • <i>Services and infrastructure</i>: Requests that Council promote balanced approach to housing development with opportunities for businesses, services and facilities to enhance quality of life for residents. • <i>Protecting and accommodating existing uses</i>: Notes that land use conflict between existing 	<p>The observations raised in the Pitt&Sherry submission are acknowledged, with the matters relating to affordability, sustainability, servicing and infrastructure and land use conflict are all considerations of the principles, priorities and actions in the Housing Plan. The project work to follow on from adoption of the Housing Plan will focus on various aspects of housing development and seek to achieve a balanced planning outcome.</p> <p>In response to the queries in the submission, it is noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation and monitoring are outlined in the 'How We Achieve Our Housing Principles and Priorities' (pg. 78-89) with timeframes of 'commenced' (already underway), 'short' (within 5 years), 'medium' (between 6-10 years) and 'long' (more than 10 years) applied against each action. The actions also have KPIs, reporting and reviews to be undertaken on a regular basis outlined. 	<p>No further action required.</p>

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	<p>uses and proposed residential developments should be strongly considered and managed through wholistic planning approaches.</p> <p>Several topics were also queried regarding the draft Housing Plan, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Implementation timeline and monitoring • Opportunities for diverse housing in current zoning regulations • Criteria for higher density typologies • Social/affordable housing requirements • Sustainable design requirements • Consideration of access to active transport • Open Space Strategy and policies. • Infrastructure alignment and responsibility between different levels of government, providers and developers. • Community sentiment • Approval process and provision amendments • Serviceability and site-specific matters related to Alanvale, South Prospect and St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood Plans. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Action 3.1.1 outlines that Council will advocate for changes to the Tasmanian Planning Scheme during the upcoming review process to seek opportunities for more diverse housing opportunities. • The Housing Plan seeks a shift to higher density development around key activity centres over time to provide more walkable and accessible community opportunities close to amenities and a move away from car dependence. This desire closely aligned with the housing Plan's key principles and good planning outcomes. • Requirements and/or contributions of social and affordable housing will be explored further during the preparation of an Affordable Housing Strategy (Action 1.3.1). • The application of greater sustainable development provisions is limited by the requirements of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme, however Council can outline the desire and intent to have greater sustainable design requirements for new developments through advocacy during the TPS review process and other State legislative feedback (Action 3.1.1). • The consideration of access to active transport, open space (both active and passive), utility infrastructure are all key considerations as part of the 	
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		<p>neighbourhood planning process for the new and existing identified areas. This fine grain detail, including delivery responsibilities will be outlined during the preparation, exhibition and implementation of the Neighbourhood Plans (Action 1.1.1 and 2.1.1).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The consideration and identification of public open space (both active and passive) will be formulated as part of the neighbourhood planning process and is supported by the Launceston Regional Open Space Strategy currently being prepared (Action 2.1.3).• An opportunity for the community to comment on the draft Housing Plan was provided as part of the 28-day consultation period. Further opportunities for community feedback will be provided during the preparation of key projects outlined in the Housing Plan in due course.• Council's role as a planning authority has legislative requirements that must be satisfied prior to the approval a proposed development. Although Council's approval process is not seen as the greatest hurdle to housing delivery, Council is always seeking to ensure that the internal approval process is efficient and streamlined.	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The site-specific matters (including flooding, traffic, open space and environment) raised with respect to Alanvale, South Prospect and St Leonards and Waverley are all matters that are either currently, or will be, considered during the preparation of each neighbourhood plan (Action 1.1.1 and 2.1.1). 	
8	<p>A submission from the mixed investment and property development group, The JAC Group, made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledges that City of Launceston has relied on urban growth areas in surrounding municipalities to deliver housing, while failing to deliver rezoning of greenfield investigation areas within Launceston. Acknowledges that Council should 'de-risk' meeting housing targets by allowing development to occur organically through neighbourhood planning and infrastructure funding frameworks. Notes that the draft Housing Plan is a 'call to action' by building on previously identified growth areas and the JAC Group is ready to assist deliver on these opportunities. Notes that the historical decisions of Council to limit future development in Relbia has constrained an infill opportunity in this location. 	<p>The general comments and assistance to deliver housing raised in the JAC Group submission are acknowledged and appreciated.</p> <p>The request for additional wording to reflect more housing diversity concerns under the 'Launceston's Key Challenges' section of the Executive Summary is noted and will be amended to reflect a more wholistic summary.</p> <p>The difficulty of delivering infill opportunities in terms of land values, consolidation complexities, existing infrastructure limitations and construction costs is acknowledged. The Housing Plan seeks a shift overtime for a greater proportion of infill and higher density opportunities in Launceston, however a balanced pipeline of greenfield land is required to allow a diversity</p>	<p>Amend wording within 'Launceston's Key Challenges' section of the Executive Summary.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generally agree with the key challenges, housing vision and principles, and considers accessibility, suitability for people with disabilities and ageing in place as additional matters affecting housing diversity. • Caution regarding the reliance on infill development to deliver housing supply is noted due to viability issues with infrastructure delivery, high land values and heritage impacts. 	of housing typologies that serve all household types.	
9	<p>A submission from planning consultants, Nova Planning (on behalf of Shaw Property Developments), made the following comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The progression, finalisation and implementation of the South Prospect Neighbourhood Plan is the main priority to providing additional land supply in Launceston. • Significant time, resources and funds have been used on planning South Prospect to date by both the landowner and Council. • A request for the status of South Prospect within the Housing Plan should be amended from 'Early Investigation' to 'Progressed' to reflect the work that has occurred to date. • A new development front in South Prospect may be more appealing to the housing market due to the proximity to services, facilities and key infrastructure, compared to existing areas 	<p>The time, resources and funds used for existing and ongoing work at South Prospect by both landowners and Council is acknowledged.</p> <p>The request for an update to the status of the South Prospect work from early investigation to progressed (similar to St Leonards and Waverley) is noted and will be amended to reflect the work undertaken thus far.</p> <p>Due to current resource limitations within Council's Strategic Planning, a dedicated project officer may not be achievable. As additional resources come online, the Strategic Planning work schedule and capacity will be reviewed including the appetite for progression of a Council-initiated planning scheme amendment.</p> <p>Shaw Property Developments will continue to be consulted on matters related to South</p>	<p>Amend the status of South Prospect on Figure 20 from 'Early Investigation' to 'Progressed'.</p> <p>Continue consultation with Shaw Property Developments on the South Prospect Neighbourhood Plan.</p>

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	<p>of general residential zoned land in Ravenswood and Waverley.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Infrastructure Funding Framework for the area is acknowledged and active inclusion in preparation of such a framework is requested. • A request for a dedicated project manager of the South Prospect Neighbourhood Plan to deliver the project. • Due to the complexities and political nature of South Prospect, a Council initiated planning scheme amendment is prefaced as the most appropriate way forward. 	<p>Prospect, including any infrastructure funding framework, as neighbourhood planning work progresses.</p>	
10	<p>A submission from industry organisation, Property Council of Australia, was received after the consultation period and notes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supports the intent and strategic direction of the draft Plan. • Emphasis on aligning investment with housing delivery is appreciated. • Requests that greenfield housing targets and timeframes for delivery are set. • Requests that areas identified as medium-term opportunities are rezoned within the next 12 months. • Recommends that a more flexible strategy that would allow multiple landholdings across various areas to be delivered in parallel supported by structure planning and infrastructure agreements. 	<p>Property Council of Australia's support for the intent, strategic direction and aligning of investment with housing delivery is acknowledged and appreciated.</p> <p>Potential yields for St Leonards and Waverley, Alanvale and South Prospect are identified in the Housing Plan with delivery of these neighbourhood plans to be delivered within the next five years. All projects are currently in underway in varying capacities.</p> <p>Medium density development opportunities in the form of infill neighbourhood planning projects have varying delivery timeframes within the next 10 years (Action 2.1.1). As the identified greenfield neighbourhood plans currently take precedence and current resource limitations within Council's Strategic Planning, delivery of these projects with</p>	<p>No further action required.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Concern is raised with the reliance on infill and higher density developments for future growth due to current market conditions and limitations with viability, infrastructure and heritage constraints. Requests that this policy position is reviewed after a year of implementation. Collaboration in housing delivery is commended but it requested to extend further to formal partnerships with the State Government, infrastructure providers and the private sector to fast-track delivery. 	<p>positive planning outcomes would not be achievable. As additional resources come online, the Strategic Planning work schedule and capacity will be reviewed.</p> <p>The key principle of 'strong supply' that the Housing Plan is built on seeks to allow for the flexible delivery of housing projects in various areas across Launceston. This approach will assist increase housing diversity and greater opportunities for more housing in well located areas of Launceston.</p> <p>The difficulty of delivering infill opportunities in terms of land values, consolidation complexities, existing infrastructure limitations and construction costs is acknowledged. The Housing Plan seeks a shift overtime for a greater proportion of infill and higher density opportunities in Launceston, however a balanced pipeline of greenfield land is required to allow a diversity of housing typologies that serve all household types.</p> <p>Council will explore opportunities for formal partnerships with State Government, infrastructure providers and community housing providers through the projects outlined in the Housing Plan, particularly around the proposed Affordable Housing Strategy and Council owned site investigations (Action 1.3.1, 1.3.2 and 1.3.3).</p>	
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11	<p>A submission from state agency, Homes Tasmania, was received after the consultation period and notes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for the overarching principles and priorities outlined in the Housing Plan, which align with the Tasmanian Housing Strategy 2023-2043. • Welcomes collaboration with City of Launceston to increase the supply of social and affordable housing, including as a key partner in delivery of social/affordable housing along with the community housing providers, and active participation in neighbourhood planning and preparation of an affordable housing strategy. <p>The submissions also recommend the following changes and additions to the draft Housing Plan, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stating the significant role Homes Tasmania plays as a key partner in housing development for Launceston. • Wording for Action 1.3.2 be amended to reflect Homes Tasmania's land holdings opportunities. • Case studies and examples of medium density developments to assist community understanding and optimise quality and design. 	<p>The support and collaborative approach is acknowledged and appreciated.</p> <p>The requested changes to the Housing Plan regarding Homes Tasmania's role and land holdings will be reviewed and consider during the finalisation of the document.</p> <p>The Housing Plan document currently has several case studies of existing examples within Launceston. Further analysis from other areas within Australia may be considered during the finalisation of the document.</p> <p>Although Housing Plan is solely focused on re-establishing the City of Launceston as the key housing and service providing municipality in the north, we will consider opportunities during the implementation stages for collaboration with surrounding LGAs for positive outcomes for the northern Tasmanian region.</p>	<p>Review the requested changes to identification of Homes Tasmania and medium density examples during the finalisation of the Housing Plan.</p>
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reference growth opportunities and interconnections to surrounding municipalities. 		
12	<p>A submission from the Tasmanian Department of State Growth was received after the consultation period and notes the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support for the principles guiding the Housing Plan and many of the actions outlined. Concern is raised with the infrastructure and service risks for greenfield areas associated with the proposed high growth scenario. In particular, State Growth advises that the required highway upgrades in support of South Prospect remain unfunded and are not included in the forward road program. Support for the early planning of St Leonards and Waverley urban growth area. Suggests that proposed planning for infill sites and the Northern Suburbs Neighbourhood Plan be progressed in the short term (within 5 yrs), rather than in the medium term (within 10 yrs). Requests that the definition for 'medium density development' be amended to be consistent with the Department of State Growth's Medium Density Design Guidelines. Requests that the Housing Plan should acknowledge that varying household types (including families) may benefit from medium density typologies in well-connected areas 	<p>The support for the principles and majority of the actions of the Housing Plan, and the current St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood Plan work is acknowledged and appreciated.</p> <p>The request for infill and Northern Suburbs neighbourhood planning to be progressed earlier is noted, however the identified greenfield neighbourhood plans currently underway take precedence and current resource limitations within Council's Strategic Planning, inhibit the delivery of these projects. As additional resources come online, the Strategic Planning work schedule and capacity will be reviewed.</p> <p>It is acknowledged and agreed that the definition of medium density development should align with State Growth's Medium Density Design Guidelines.</p> <p>Opportunities to encourage high-density development will be encouraged through the varying infill neighbourhood planning work identified in the Housing Plan. In particular, the Building Heights and Massing Specific Area Plan (SAP) currently being prepared will look to leverage planning provisions to allow</p>	<p>Amend the definition for 'medium density development' to be consistent with State Growth's Medium Density Design Guidelines.</p> <p>Amend 'Infrastructure Capacity' in Figure 22 to include capacity of transport infrastructure.</p>

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	<p>with good amenities. The NSW Government's <i>Healthy Higher Density Living for Families with Children Guide</i> is identified as a useful resource to support this approach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The suggested increase in 'high-density developments' is acknowledged but the Housing Plan does not identify how this typology will be encouraged. • Suggests that neighbourhood planning should consider locating medium and high-density development close to high frequency public transport routes and activity centres, a minimum residential density target of 15 dwellings per hectare for greenfield areas and good pedestrian access to public transport. • Requests that capacity of transport infrastructure, including public transport, should be included as a key consideration in the example criteria for developable land. 	<p>denser residential development in the Launceston CBD (Action 1.2.4).</p> <p>All current and future neighbourhood planning work will consider locating medium and high-density opportunities in close to frequency public transport routes and activity centres with good pedestrian access and connectivity. The residential density target of 15 dwellings per hectare is already being employed with the St Leonards and Waverley Neighbourhood Plan work and will be the aim for future neighbourhood planning work in Launceston.</p> <p>It is acknowledged and agreed that the capacity of transport infrastructure should be a consideration for the criteria for developable land.</p>	
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KONVEIO COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS

No.	Comment Summary	Council officer comments	Recommendation
1	Shelter TAS - Access to safe, secure, affordable housing is the foundation for social stability and each person's health and wellbeing. For every dollar invested in social and affordable housing, Australian communities see \$2 in benefits. Breaking down stigma so that low-income people and people from disadvantaged communities are included helps everyone.	Noted with acknowledged.	No further action required.
2	Shelter TAS - Convening regular meetings between local government, developers and Community Housing Providers will ensure this framework is a collective enterprise and will provide an avenue for streamlined process and communication.	Noted and acknowledged. Action 3.2.1 seeks to establish ongoing housing forums with developers, key landowners and community housing providers to support communication and partnerships for housing delivery and diversity.	No further action required.
3	Shelter TAS - Rising rents are also a huge part of the problem here. This strategy is well put together, yet there is not a lot of emphasis on rental stress in Launceston. Decreasing affordability is impacted by the short stay issue as well as supply. Would be good to see this addressed clearly by the city also.	Analysis within 'The Launceston Housing Market' section of the draft Housing Plan acknowledges that rental prices have risen significantly, however rental vacancies have remained low although the total amount of rental listings have grown. This is supported by data found in the appendix of the draft Housing Plan. Further analysis on the impact that short term accommodation may have on the rental	Review the data on short term accommodation to determine the impact it may have on the rental housing market, with the inclusion of the analysis to be considered during the

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		housing market can be explored to determine the impact within Launceston.	finalisation of the Housing Plan.
4	Shelter TAS - Housing stress is the main driver of this issue, but an 87% increase seems a lot in that timeframe. Which data are you using here?	The figure of 87% increase in the number of people experiencing homelessness (236 to 442 people) between 2016 and 2021 was taken from the Australian Bureau of Statistics data and is consistent with other Council documents including the Homelessness State of Commitment and State of the City 2023.	No further action required.
5	Shelter TAS - Again, 1 in 4 people in Tasmania are in the rental market and it's likely many will not be able to afford to purchase. Social and affordable housing is a crucial aspect in resolving the current crisis and is especially important for Launceston's demographic.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
6	Shelter TAS - Not sure this is currently correct. ABS regional pop data for 23/24 says that Launceston LGA recorded a population decline.	Although the past financial year of 2023/2024 shows a decline in overall population within Launceston, the trend has seen an overall average increase over the past 10 years of 0.7%. The Housing Plan uses ABS and REMPLAN data and does acknowledge that population growth in Launceston is not consistent from year to year (with some years of decline) however population growth does generally have an upward trend.	No further action required.

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7	Shelter TAS - Yes larger family households are declining, yet these larger homes can be considered one of the missing pieces in the puzzle for women and children escaping DFV and so there does still need to be a focus on these to safely include women and children.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
8	Shelter TAS - Has an assessment of the holdings of all state government land in Launceston been undertaken? The Education Department may have land within the region suitable for release for social and affordable housing, for example.	<p>The draft Housing Plan did not include analysis of state-owned land holdings during the preparation of the document.</p> <p>However, several actions within the draft Housing Plan seek to explore options social and affordable housing opportunities. Of note, Action1.3.1 includes the preparation of an Affordable housing Strategy that will consider explore supply and demand of this type of housing and will set a strategic direction for Council's role for social and affordable housing in the municipality.</p>	
9	Shelter TAS - As per previous comment, there may be sites within Launceston in the holdings of other state gov departments worth investigating for release. Another consideration is the adoption of Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning (MIZ) within the greater Launceston area. This would help the city set real targets for social and affordable homes. Shelter Tas position is that 10-20% of all new homes should be social and affordable. MIZ would help achieve this goal.	<p>Noted regarding the state-owned land holdings with the comments above applicable to this matter.</p> <p>Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning (MIZ) and other options for the delivery of affordable housing in Launceston will be considered as part of the actions identified in the draft Housing Plan.</p>	Further consideration of delivery mechanisms and Council's preferred percentage of social and/or affordable housing within new developments to be included in the identified Affordable

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		The request for a minimum of 10-20% social/affordable housing in new developments is noted and acknowledged.	Housing Strategy work.
10	Shelter TAS - Shelter Tas can help facilitate these ongoing forums with our members and stakeholders: community housing providers and homelessness services.	Noted and acknowledged. Input from community housing providers will form an integral part of the social and affordable housing work that Council will be undertaking following adoption of the Housing Plan.	Input from Shelter TAS to be requested during the implementation of the Housing Plan.
11	Shelter TAS - We would suggest the target figure is 10-20% of all homes be social and affordable. Using Mandatory Inclusionary Zoning will help the city reach this target.	Acknowledged and addressed under comment no. 9.	See recommendation in comment no. 9.
12	Shelter TAS - Shelter Tas is pleased to see this focus on infill and medium density development.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
13	Shelter TAS - Consistent education using current evidence and positive messaging about social and affordable housing will help to shift community perceptions. Shelter Tas can assist you with this endeavour.	Noted and acknowledged that appropriate education on social and affordable housing will be needed to assist with community understanding. Input will be sort from Shelter TAS for assistance regarding the education around social/affordable housing.	Input from Shelter TAS to be requested during the implementation of the Housing Plan.
14	Shelter TAS - More analysis around the private rental market and short stay accommodation is	Acknowledged and addressed under comment no. 3.	See recommendation in comment no. 3.

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	necessary to gain a clearer picture of the housing stress being experienced in Launceston.		
15	<p>Jane McDougall (also CAN Architects) - There is nothing concrete in this document that is going to encourage smaller dwelling sizes or medium densities. The Planning scheme needs to be addressed for this to happen. It is only suitable for freestanding houses so that is what you are getting.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Decrease required numbers of car parks to 1 car park per unit & no visitor car parking, and none in inner-residential. Melbourne has generally gone to no requirement for car parking. Launceston generally has 2 car parks per unit + visitor car parking, so no incentive to design smaller dwellings as car parking takes up too much of the site. The streets are empty in inner suburbs of Launceston, other than around LGH. No one parks on the street, so that indicates there is an oversupply of off-street parking. Launceston seems empty because no one needs to walk anywhere because there are too many car spaces. 2. Decrease minimum plot size per unit. 325 m² is too large to encourage terraced houses / townhouses. 3. Increase height limits to at least 10 m generally & change setback angle to steeper 60° similar to Victorian Planning Scheme. 3 	<p>It is acknowledged that the current Tasmanian Planning Scheme has limitations when attempting to develop typologies outside of the existing detached dwelling in residential zoned areas.</p> <p>Action 3.1.1 of the Housing Plan identifies an advocacy and active participation role for Council during the review of the Tasmanian Planning Scheme and Northern Tasmanian Regional Land Use Strategy. This active role will allow Council to seek progressive changes to planning provisions and improve delivery of diverse housing typologies within Tasmanian planning.</p> <p>Action 2.3.3 of the Housing Plan, currently underway, seeks to implement a new Levee Protected Areas Specific Area Plan (SAP) for areas of Invermay that may be affected by current and future flooding risk. The proposed SAP still permits residential development in these areas, however a higher ground floor level AHD will be required in an attempt to protect human life against future flooding risk.</p>	<p>Consider the requested planning provision changes regarding parking limits, lot size, building height, setbacks and site coverage as part of the future Tasmanian Planning Scheme review.</p>

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	<p>storey is not possible in the current 8.5 m height limit & 45° side setback angle.</p> <p>4. Reduce front setbacks consistent with traditional terraced house developments if you want to encourage this type of development to say 1.5 to 2 m setback.</p> <p>5. Increase site coverage to say 70% & decrease private open space to say 40 m².</p> <p>6. Keep the floor level at AHD 3.7 m in Invermay. The proposal for over AHD 5 m will mean no infill development or ancillary dwellings will be possible.</p>		
16	Shelter TAS - Implementation will be key and we look forward to seeing progress of this Housing Strategy.	Noted and acknowledged.	No further action required.
17	Shelter TAS - Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback. We commend you for putting this Strategy together and look forward to seeing progress.	Feedback from Shelter Tasmania is acknowledged and appreciated.	No further action required.
18	Shelter TAS - Shelter Tas is keen to participate in these, or support council to tap into resources of our members and stakeholders.	<p>Noted and acknowledged.</p> <p>A full list of participants will be explored during the implementation of the actions in the Housing Plan.</p>	Shelter TAS to be contacted during the implementation of the Housing Plan.
19	Shelter TAS - Community Housing Providers should sit on this steering committee and we can put you in touch with relevant organisations, if required.	This references an internal Council steering committee for review of the implementation of the Housing Plan's actions.	Community housing providers to be contacted for feedback regarding a

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		An alternative external facing committee with community housing providers, developers and state government will also be created to seek feedback on the implementation process.	review of the implementation process for the Housing Plan.
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In accordance with the Rule 26 of the *Launceston Flood Authority Rules, April 2020* the Authority must submit a report to Council for the periods ending March, June, September and December. This report is for the period ending 31 March 2025.

Key priorities for the coming quarter

- Submission of 5-year comprehensive reporting
- Minor flood gate upgrades and earthworks
- Topsoiling program
- Hart Street Gate road resealing
- Conducting quarterly levee inspections
- Completion of Track Safety Awareness for staff involved in railways gates (EG2/3) and closure of these gates
- Testing Forster Street (KG5) Gate after refurbishment
- Kings Wharf rotating wing wall rectification

Operational and Compliance Activities

Defects noted during the comprehensive visual inspections conducted in June 2024 are continuing to be actioned. This defect reporting forms a major part of the 5-year comprehensive report, which is currently being drafted and is expected to be submitted to the regulator, NRE Tas in the next quarter.

Quarterly physical inspection of the levees was completed in February 2025. These levee walks enabled monitoring for the condition of the levees and valuable training for levee patrollers who are deployed during flood events.

Current Works

Taroona St Gate (KG2) Closure at Riverbend Park

A closure exercise of the Taroona St Gate (KG2) at the entrance to Riverbend Park was conducted on February 3. It was successful, with no incidents and installation and removal taking a total of 3 hours. Aided by good teamwork, it was a positive training opportunity that raised some minor defects and prompted updates to documentation. Conducted every 2 years, the closure of this Bauer gate is an opportunity for maintenance, identification of any issues and training.



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During installation of the stop logs



Installed flood gate, viewed from the wet side



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Forster St Gate (KG5) Refurbishment

The Forster St Floodgate (KG5) underwent refurbishment and upgrades in March. Prompted by a missing rubber seal, it presented an opportunity for the gate to be refurbished with new rubber, rollers and paint, and improvements made to the clamping arms and rubber attachment mechanism. These changes will enable improved operation of the flood gate, and is the first of several gates to be upgraded.



Gate being craned off prior to upgrade



Gate in place after refurbishment



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Tamar Estuary River Health Action Plan (TERHAP)

Progress continues on TERHAP projects that are targeted at improving the health of the Kanamaluka/Tamar estuary. Most recently this has included:

- Completion of pipeline connection works through deep excavation, and in close vicinity to the Paterson Levee
- Formal handover back to Council of the West Tamar Silt Ponds following TasWater's demobilisation from site
- At the Ti Tree Bend Covered Storage, the tank construction is underway, with 11 of the 40 structural concrete pours undertaken by late January 2025.



Construction at the Ti Tree Bend Storage Tank

Hart Street Gate (NG1) Road Surface Works

Preliminary work for the Hart Street Gate road surface upgrade is still underway. The gate, originally constructed in 2017 to align with the road profile, was affected by subsequent resurfacing which created a poor seal between the gate and the road. This issue likely contributed to leakage during the 2022 floods.

The upcoming works will replace the existing asphalt surface with concrete, ensuring a better match to the gate profile. A contractor has been secured, with the work to be scheduled around their availability.



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Emergency Management

Tide flap monitoring

Remote tide flap monitoring has continued, with all of those identified now recorded via high quality drone flight. This has provided positive results and is much safer than physical investigations. Some tide flaps require further physical examination and one requires replacement (see image below), but the remote monitoring has reduced the number that require this.

A review of the physical inspections is underway to assess and address safety hazards and concerns regarding access to several of the tide flaps.



A broken tide flap identified with drone surveillance

Disaster Ready Fund - Flood Intelligence & Early Warning Detection

City of Launceston staff are progressing the Disaster Ready Fund project, specifically the installation of additional CCTV to monitor flood conditions across the floodplain and upgrades to the river level sensors minimise outages during a flood event.

In early January, a time lapse camera was installed at Henry Street on the Ravenswood side of the bridge to provide visuals of the low area at the bottom of the hill. This is configured to provide a still image every 10 minutes and is currently only available to authorised staff. Unfortunately, this camera was subject to vandalism a few days after installation but has since been fixed.



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Henry St Camera



View from Henry St camera



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Financial Position as at 31 March 2025

- Revenue for the period is \$381,260 unfavourable due to a timing difference of state grant funding. This will be reversed when funding is received later in the year.
- Ignoring temporary difference above, revenue remains \$7,930 favourable as a result of reimbursements from UTAS for Boland Street rectifications work.
- Expenditure for the period is \$86,400 favourable due to:
 - Materials and Services are \$254,003 under budget due to Levee Management Project spending below budget.
 - Contribution income from City of Launceston unfavourable variance of \$141,126 due to a timing difference, this will correct through the year when contributions are recognised.
 - Other expenses are \$26,477 over budget.
- Including non operating costs there is an overall unfavourable variance of \$292,718, resulting in a deficit of \$492,534.
- Ignoring the two timing differences explained above, there would be a favourable budget variance of \$237,598.

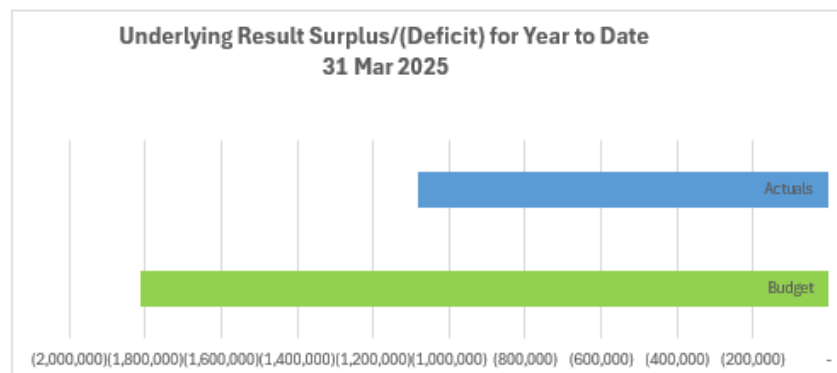
Greg Preece, Chair
Launceston Flood Authority

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Statement of Comprehensive Income
For Year to Date 31 March 2025



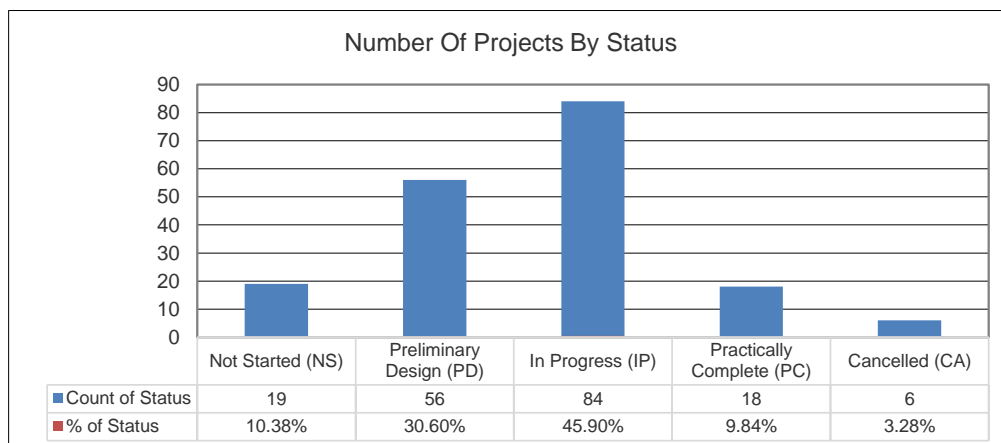
	2024/25 YTD \$ Actual	2024/25 YTD \$ Budget	Variance YTD \$ Fav/(Unfav)
REVENUES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Rates	65,816,987	66,143,647	(326,659)
User Fees and Charges	21,579,586	21,721,442	(141,857)
Statutory Fees & Charges	4,434,182	4,164,239	269,943
Capital Grants	8,688,829	8,472,919	215,910
Financial Assistance Grants	644,291	214,764	429,527
Other Operational Grants	2,916,071	3,245,701	(329,630)
Contributions	429,589	61,500	368,089
Interest	3,259,957	4,152,956	(892,999)
Investment Revenue	2,142,028	2,701,600	(559,572)
Other Income	2,048,040	1,725,615	322,425
	<u>111,959,559</u>	<u>112,604,383</u>	<u>(644,823)</u>
EXPENSES FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES			
Employee Benefits	39,757,184	41,502,899	1,745,716
Materials and Services	34,490,504	38,900,697	4,410,193
Impairment of Debts	-	8,625	8,625
Finance Costs	122,097	148,650	26,553
Depreciation	19,701,344	19,718,446	17,102
State Government Fire Service Levy	6,913,976	6,913,976	-
State Government Landfill Levy	3,040,991	3,398,938	357,947
Rate Remissions and Abatements	327,590	352,575	24,986
Loss on Disposal of Fixed Assets	668,207	521,250	(146,957)
Write Down of Assets Held For Sale	-	-	-
	<u>105,021,892</u>	<u>111,466,057</u>	<u>6,444,164</u>
Comprehensive Result Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>6,937,667</u>	<u>1,138,326</u>	<u>5,799,341</u>
Loss on Disposal of Fixed Assets	(668,207)	(521,250)	(146,957)
Capital Grants	8,688,829	8,472,919	215,910
TERHAP Contribution	-	(5,000,000)	5,000,000
	<u>8,020,622</u>	<u>2,951,669</u>	<u>5,068,953</u>
Underlying Result Surplus/(Deficit)	<u>(1,082,955)</u>	<u>(1,813,343)</u>	<u>730,388</u>



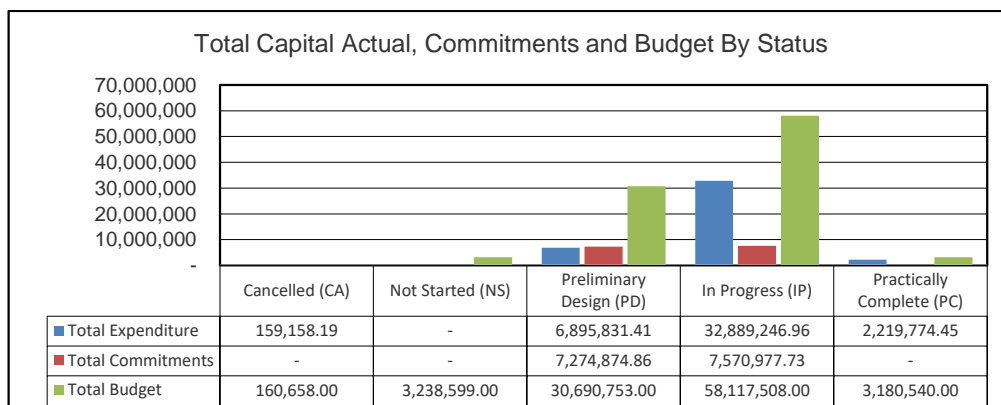
Monthly Capital Expenditure Report - March 2025

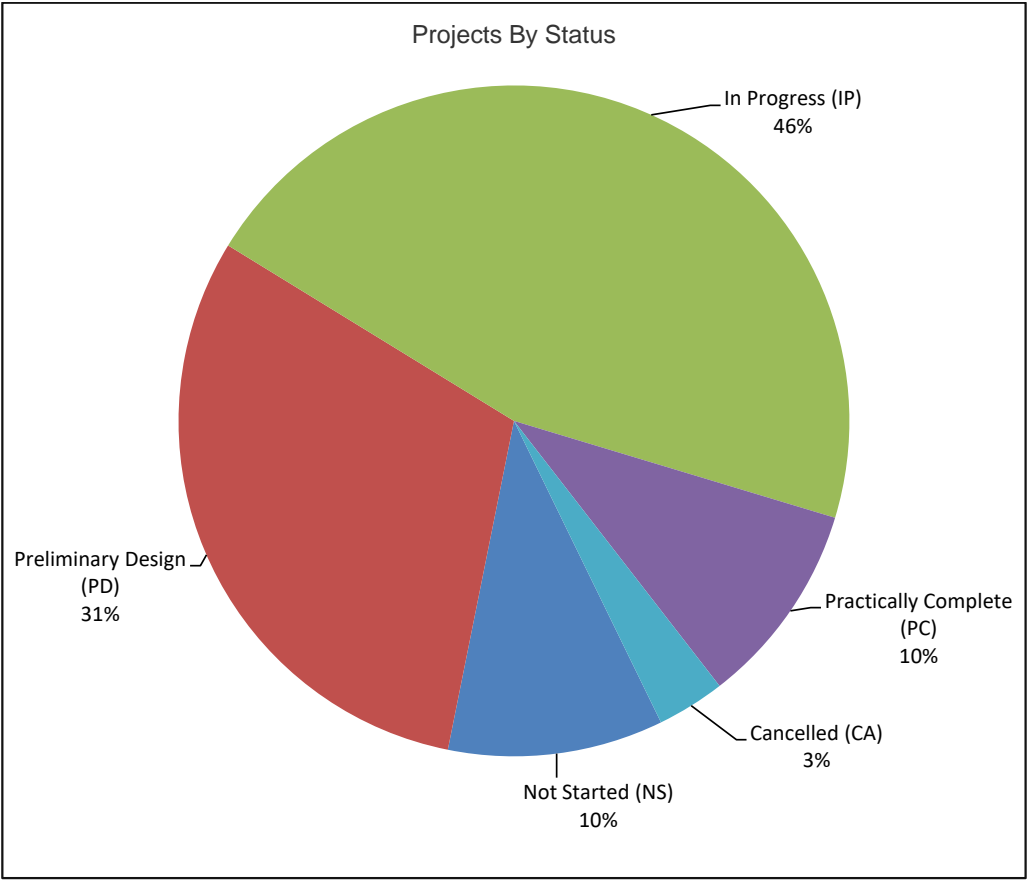
City of Launceston - Capital Expenditure Report								
Summary by Network								
For the Period to : 31 March 2025								
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	Funds	Actual Expenditure			Projected Expenditure			
	TOTAL ESTIMATE	W.I.P. JULY 1	ACCRUED ORDERS	YTD EXPEND.	TOTAL ACTUAL EXPEND.	COMMITTED COSTS	ACTUAL PLUS COMMITTED	PERCENT OF BUDGET
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	%
GRAND SUMMARY								
NETWORK								
Office of the Chief Executive	750,000	300,065	-	78,004	378,069	129,637	507,706	-
Organisational Services	3,315,790	568,233	-	694,991	1,263,225	495,969	1,759,194	53%
Creative Arts & Cultural Services	2,178,012	95,793	9,450	331,131	436,374	83,058	519,432	24%
Community and Place	28,717,371	5,380,338	12,729	8,224,272	13,617,339	3,608,148	17,225,487	60%
Infrastructure and Assets	54,426,885	10,364,680	14,442	15,954,681	26,333,803	10,529,040	36,862,843	68%
Land Sales (see analysis below)	6,000,000	123,238	-	11,963	135,201	-	135,201	2%
GRAND TOTAL	95,388,058	16,832,348	36,621	25,295,042	42,164,011	14,845,853	57,009,864	60%

Total capital expenditure budget for 2024/2025 is made up of carried forward budget funds of \$48,237,904, Current Year Council Funds of \$27,971,498 and External Funding of \$19,178,656 for a total budget of \$95,388,058.



The Council currently has a total of 183 capital projects with 19 (10.38%) not started. There is a change from the February period where there was a total of 181 capital projects and capital projects not started was 27 (14.92%).





"Delegation of power to acquire land on behalf of Council" policy

PURPOSE:

To establish a policy for the delegation of power to acquire land on behalf of the Council.

SCOPE:

To apply where land is acquired for a prescribed purpose and where Council valuation advice is that the purchase or compensation value is less than \$100,000.

POLICY:

1. That the Council delegates authority under Section 22 of the *Local Government Act 1993* to the General Manager to acquire land either by negotiation or compulsory process as described in Section 37 (b), (d), (e), (f), (g) and (h) of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*. The authority is on the basis that the land is required for a prescribed purpose and the Council's initial valuation advice is that the purchase price or compensation is less than \$100,000.
2. That Council delegates authority under Section 22 of the *Local Government Act 1993* to the General Manager to issue subdivision exemptions or approvals under Sections 83 and 102 of the *Local Government (Building & Miscellaneous provisions) Act 1993*.
3. That Council gives authority under Section 64 of the *Local Government Act 1993* to the General Manager to delegate this function to the Council Officers.
4. A report on the purchases made under this delegation be provided to Council annually.

PRINCIPLES:

Not considered relevant to this report.

RELATED POLICIES & PROCEDURES:

Not considered relevant to this report.

RELATED LEGISLATION:

Local Government Act 1993

Local Government (General) Regulations 2015

Local Government (Building & Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1993

Local Government (Highways) Act 1993

Urban Drainage Act 2013

Land Acquisition Act 1993

REFERENCES:

Not considered relevant to this report.

DEFINITIONS:

'Prescribed purpose' has the same meaning as *Section 37* of the *Local Government (General) Regulations 2015*.

REVIEW:

This policy will be reviewed no more than 5 years after the date of approval (version) or more frequently, if dictated by operational demands and with Council's approval.

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