



LAUNCESTON CITY COUNCIL

# **COUNCIL AGENDA**

**COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY 13 MAY 2013**

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Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Meeting of the Launceston City Council will be held at the Council Chambers -

Date: 13 May 2013

Time: 1.00 pm

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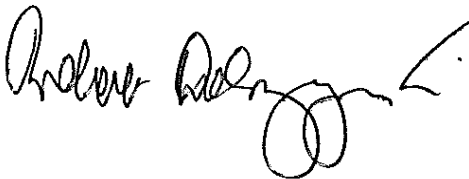
## Section 65 Certificate of Qualified Advice

### Background

Section 65 of the Local Government Act 1993 requires the General Manager to certify that any advice, information or recommendation given to council is provided by a person with appropriate qualifications or experience.

### Declaration

I certify that persons with appropriate qualifications and experience have provided the advice, information and recommendations given to Council in the agenda items for this meeting.



**Robert Dobrzynski**  
General Manager

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

**2 DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS**

**3 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the Minutes of the meeting of the Launceston City Council held on 29 April 2013 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

**4 DEPUTATION**

**Nil**

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## 5 ANSWERS FROM PREVIOUS PUBLIC AND ALDERMEN'S QUESTION TIME

Meeting Date and Item No.	File No.	Question	Answer	Officer Responsible
29 April 2013 9.1		<p>Aldermen's Question: Alderman R I Soward asked:</p> <p>Regarding the previous Notice of Motion "Tidy City Partnership" previously passed by Council, can Council provide a list of discussions that have taken place with relevant schools?</p>	<p>Response provided at meeting:</p> <p>This question was taken on notice</p> <p>Further reply - The December 2010 Notice of Motion referred to the establishment of a "Looking after our backyard" partnership with Launceston based schools to keep their local area litter free. No resources were allocated to this program. A project was scoped in 2012, however, due to concerns with the Council's liability as the initiator of such a scheme and the need to ensure that job site safety assessments were conducted for activities, the project was not pursued. Currently the Council does not have sufficient resources to progress the project.</p>	Michael Stretton

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			<p>It should be noted that Tamar NRM currently have school landcare partnerships with Launceston Church Grammar School, Scotch Oakburn College and Youngtown Primary School. These partnerships involve initiatives such as school tree days, rehabilitation and revegetation projects and educational forums. There is an intention to enter into partnerships with more schools in the future.</p>	
<p>15 April 2013 9.2</p>		<p>Aldermen's Question: Alderman J D Ball asked:</p> <p>Can an update please be provided in regards to the Notice of Motion regarding Launceston's Chinese narrative?</p> <p>This question was taken on notice</p>	<p>Answer to Ald Ball further request for clarification The November 2012 Notice of Motion (Exploring Launceston's Chinese Story), called for a</p>	<p>Michael Stretton</p>

Meeting Date and Item No.	File No.	Question	Answer	Officer Responsible
			<p>report to be provided to the Council on a process to develop a historical narrative that highlights the significant events, personages and places that feature in Launceston's 'Chinese story', to explore the costs and benefits of translation of the most significant and interesting information relating to Launceston's Chinese story and to explore the cost/benefits of having aspects of Launceston's Chinese story made available through a phone application accessed through electronic markers placed at key sites around Launceston which relate to Chinese heritage and history.</p>	



Meeting Date and Item No.	File No.	Question	Answer	Officer Responsible
			<p>The Council is currently undertaking a project to identify key interpretative themes for Launceston (Launceston's stories) and the Chinese story is being considered as part of this project. The costs and benefits of translating Launceston's key stories will be completed as a part of the interpretative project. It should be noted that a phone application is currently being developed as a part of the Trail of the Tin Dragon while it is intended to extend the interpretation of Launceston's stories to digital mediums once the project has been scoped.</p> <p>A report will be provided to the Council at the conclusion of this project.</p>	

**6 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

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**7 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR****7.1 Mayor's Announcements****FILE NO:** SF2375

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**Monday 29 April**

- Attended WTFN Tony Robinson Time Walks Program filming to tell the story of the Golden Hatchets

**Tuesday 30 April**

- Attended B&E Farewell for Gordon Hanson

**Wednesday 1 May**

- Launched "Bright Spark" - 2013 Tasdance Education Project
- Attended St Luke's Health Premier's Cocktail Party at Josef Chromy

**Thursday 2 May**

- Attended Charter Signing of Launceston Safer Communities Partnership
- Attended Launch of HH Scott Society, named in honour of the first Director/Curator of the QVMAG.

**Friday 3 May**

- Attended Government House Investiture - Presentation of Medals to Mr Alexander McNeil OAM, Hon Don Wing AM and Mr Rod Sweetnam.

**Monday 6 May**

- Attended Tasdance "Bright Spark" Performance at Earl Arts Centre

**Tuesday 7 May**

- Officiated at Sri Chinmoy Peace Run - A 15,000km torch relay around Australia

**Wednesday 8 May**

- Officiated at Neighbourhood House Week Awards - Aurora Stadium

**Friday 10 May**

- Attended Prospect High School Celebration to recognise the achievements of top students in the 2012 Statewide Literacy & Numeracy Monitoring Program
- Attended Cape Hope Charity Cocktail Party

**Saturday 11 May**

- Officiated at Fair Trade Fortnight Public Event
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8 ALDERMEN'S/DELEGATES' REPORTS

9 QUESTIONS BY ALDERMEN

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## 10 COMMITTEE REPORTS

### 10.1 Municipal Emergency Management Committee Meeting - 18 April 2013

**FILE NO:** SF3177

**AUTHOR:** Rod Sweetnam (Director Facility Management & Governance Services)

**GENERAL MANAGER:** Robert Dobrzynski (General Manager)

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#### **DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive and consider a report from the Municipal Emergency Management Committee.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report from the Municipal Emergency Management Committee meeting held on Thursday, 18 April 2013 be received.

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#### **REPORT:**

Members provided an update on current activities and general discussion took place. Discussions included the recent burst water main belonging to Ben Lomond Water. Minutes of the meeting have been circulated to Aldermen.

#### **ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not relevant for this report.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not relevant for this report.

#### **SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Not relevant for this report.

#### **STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

Not relevant for this report.

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**10.1 Municipal Emergency Management Committee Meeting - 18 April 2013...(Cont'd)**

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**BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

N/A

**DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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

  
**Rod Sweetnam: Director Facility Management & Governance Services**

**10.2 Strategic Planning and Policy Committee Meeting - 6 May 2013****FILE NO:** SF4401**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Director Corporate Services)**GENERAL MANAGER:** Robert Dobrzynski (General Manager)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive and consider a report from the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the report from the Strategic Planning and Policy Committee meeting held on 6 May 2013 be received.

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**REPORT:**

The following items were discussed at the meeting:

1. Deputation - Launceston Flood Authority
2. Deputation - Development plan of the Roundhouse area - Inveresk
3. River Improvement Projects - Strategic Planning Assessment Matrix
4. Ben Lomond Water Combined System Charges

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

There is no economic impact on the community.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

There is no environmental impact on the community.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no social impact on the community.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

Launceston City Council Strategic Plan 2008-2013 -

*5.5 Implement enhanced community engagement*

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## 10.2 Strategic Planning and Policy Committee Meeting - 6 May 2013...(Cont'd)

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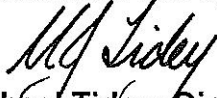
### **BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

N/A

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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

  
Michael Tidey; Director Corporate Services



**11    PETITIONS**

**Nil**

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**18 CORPORATE SERVICES****18.1 Council Boundary Adjustment (Minor)****FILE NO:** SF4548 / 30181 / 60220**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Director Corporate Services)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To determine whether to give in principle support for a minor change to the boundary between the Launceston City Council and the George Town Council.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

1. That the Council provides in principle agreement to:
    - a) a boundary adjustment that would place the whole of a property at 262 Lees Road, Pipers River (PID 1549652 and 1549636, Title 47205/3) within the Launceston City municipal area; and
    - b) a boundary adjustment that would place the whole of a property at 400 Colgraves Road, Pipers River (PID 3030467 and 7248500, Title 458876/1) within the George Town municipal area.
  2. That the State Government (Department of Premier and Cabinet) and the property owners be advised of the decision.
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**REPORT:**

The Council has received a request, via the Division of Local Government, for consideration of a request to agree to a boundary change.

The details of the changes are:

- i. a boundary adjustment that would place the whole of a property at 262 Lees Road, Pipers River (PID 1549652 and 1549636, Title 47205/3) within the Launceston City municipal area; and
  - ii. a boundary adjustment that would place the whole of a property at 400 Colgraves Road, Pipers River (PID 3030467 and 7248500, Title 458876/1) within the George Town municipal area.
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**18.1 Council Boundary Adjustment (Minor)...(Cont'd)**

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Prior to the formation of the water corporation, staff had been undertaking some preliminary work where services crossed municipal boundaries. There hasn't been any active work on any minor (individual properties) boundary changes since that time.

The main issues that this type of change addresses is to remove a property from being serviced by and rated in two municipalities. From an operating perspective (services and rates) the impact would not be significant. Obviously the Council would not support wholesale changes that either increased service costs or reduced the rate base.

The Infrastructure Services and Development Services directorates have advised that there are no concerns with the two changes that have been requested.

The issues for the Council to determine is whether it is prepared to provide in principle agreement to individual requests or whether any changes would only be considered in a broader context.

Informal contact has been made with the George Town Council, but there hasn't been any advice to date of their position in regard to the request.

**Conclusion**

From a Council perspective no reasons have been identified to either support or oppose the requested change. It is reasonable to make minor adjustments that address local issues, however significant boundary changes would need to be considered in an overall strategic context with clear criteria for the adjustment.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Not applicable to this item.

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Not applicable to this item.

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Not applicable to this item.

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

5.8 Take a leadership role in enhancing regional cooperation.

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## 18.1 Council Boundary Adjustment (Minor)...(Cont'd)

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### **BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

No significant impact from the change.

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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

  
Michael Tidey, Director Corporate Services

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Map - 262 Lees Road, Pipers River (distributed separately)
  2. Map - 400 Colgraves Road, Pipers River (distributed separately)
  3. Correspondence from Department of Premier and Cabinet (distributed separately)
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**19 GENERAL MANAGER****19.1 Launceston Flood Authority Quarterly Report****FILE NO:** SF4493**GENERAL MANAGER:** Robert Dobrzynski

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To receive the Launceston Flood Authority Quarterly Report

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**That Council formally receives the Launceston Flood Authority Quarterly Report for the period ending 31 March 2013.

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**REPORT:**

See attached quarterly report

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

Consideration contained in the report

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

Consideration contained in the report

**SOCIAL IMPACT:**

Consideration contained in the report

**STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**Priority Area 2: Built Environment  
Strategy 2.2 Facilitate enhanced flood protection for the Invermay and Inveresk Precinct

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## 19.1 Launceston Flood Authority Quarterly Report...(Cont'd)

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### **BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

Consideration contained in the report

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer is a Director of the Launceston Flood Authority Board appointed by Council.

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



**Robert Dobrzynski: General Manager**

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Launceston Flood Authority Quarterly Report (Distributed separately)
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**20 URGENT BUSINESS**

**That Council pursuant to Clause 8(6) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005,**

**21 WORKSHOP REPORT(S)****21.1 Workshop Report****FILE NO:** SF4401**AUTHOR:** Michael Tidey (Director Corporate Services)**GENERAL MANAGER:** Robert Dobrzynski (General Manager)

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**DECISION STATEMENT:**

To consider a report on any Council workshop held since the last meeting in accordance with Section 8(2)(c) of the Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2005.

**PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That Council notes the workshops as outlined in the table below:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
6 May 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Draft Budget 2013/2014</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The draft budget was discussed.</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• North Bank Land Use Study and North Bank Master Plan</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• There was a presentation on the concepts and themes that are being developed for North Bank.</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Discussions with DIER on road projects</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior representatives of DIER discussed road projects in Launceston.</li></ul>

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**REPORT:**

There is a legislative requirement to report to the community the date and purpose of any Council workshop held since the last Council meeting.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT:**

There is no economic impact on the community.

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## 21.1 Workshop Report...(Cont'd)

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:**

There is no environmental impact on the community.

### **SOCIAL IMPACT:**

There is no social impact on the community.

### **STRATEGIC DOCUMENT REFERENCE:**

Launceston City Council Strategic Plan 2008-2013 -

*5.5 Implement enhanced community engagement*

### **BUDGET & FINANCIAL ASPECTS:**

N/A

### **DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS:**

The officer has no conflict of interest in this item.

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

  
Michael Tidey: Director Corporate Services

**22 INFORMATION / MATTERS REQUIRING FURTHER ACTION**

**22.1 Information / matters requiring further action**

**FILE NO:** SF3168

**AUTHOR:** Daniel Gray (Committee Clerk / Administration Officer)

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This report outlines requests for information by Aldermen when a report or agenda item will be put before Council or a memorandum circulated to Aldermen.

It will be updated each Agenda, with items removed when a report has been given.

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Information / matters requiring further action - 13 May 2013
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**MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL - REQUIRING FURTHER ACTION - AT 13 MAY 2013**

Meeting Date, Item # & File No.	Outstanding Items & Action Requested	Officer Responsible & Officer Comment	Due Date
27 June 2011 Council 12.1 SF5547 / SF5445	<p><b>Notice of Motion - Rating System Analysis</b> That Council;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presents modelling undertaken on the implementation of a rating system based on Unimproved Capital Value (Land) and the impacts, positive and negative that this would have on ratepayers;</li> <li>2. Provides written advice on the advantages and disadvantages of the implementation of such a system and presents the advice to the public;</li> <li>3. That, more importantly, Council undertakes a major public review of the current rating system and determines, in consultation with the community, the fairest, most progressive and simplest rating system available in Australia; and</li> <li>4. Implements the system agreed upon, for the rating period beginning 2012-13</li> </ol>	<p>Michael Tidey</p> <p><b>Project will have a number of phases.</b></p> <p><b>First presentation occurred in December 2011.</b></p> <p><b>Further action deferred pending the State Government review.</b></p> <p><b>The preparatory work for the State Government report is currently being finalised with the report expected by the end of August.</b></p> <p><b>It is now expected that the analysis and modelling will be completed during October with a presentation in early November.</b></p> <p><b>State Government report was received on 19 October 2012 and listed for discussion at SPPC on 6 November 2012.</b></p> <p><b>Item listed for discussion at the SPPC meeting on 17 December 2012.</b></p> <p><b>Information will be presented as part of the budget consultation process.</b></p>	<p>April 2012 August 2012</p> <p>Nov 2012</p> <p>May 2013</p>
13 March 2012 Council 14.1 SF0841	<p><b>Duck Reach Redevelopment</b></p> <p><u>Resolution at Council Meeting 13/03/2012: additional point 4</u></p> <p>That Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Consider the report outlining recent investigation into a redevelopment of the Duck Reach site.</li> <li>2. Endorse the investigation of third-party investment opportunities for the redevelopment of the Duck Reach Site.</li> <li>3. On finalisation of the</li> </ol>	<p>Rod Sweetnam</p> <p><b>Correspondence has been received from Hydro Tasmania indicating their agreement to enter into a MOU with Council. The MOU is being drafted in consultation with Hydro.</b></p> <p><b>The MOU will be presented to Council for consideration.</b></p> <p><b>Finalisation of the MOU will allow the business case analysis to proceed.</b></p> <p><b>The draft MoU has been sent to Hydro Tasmania for review and comment prior to report to Council.</b></p> <p><b>Awaiting formal response to the draft MoU as presented. This includes a binding agreement on water supply.</b></p>	<p>Nov 2012</p> <p>Dec 2012</p> <p>July 2013</p>

**MATTERS ARISING FROM COUNCIL - REQUIRING FURTHER ACTION - AT 13 MAY 2013**

Meeting Date, Item # & File No.	Outstanding Items & Action Requested	Officer Responsible & Officer Comment	Due Date
	<p>business case analysis outlined in the report, and identification of potential third party development opportunities, Council review the redevelopment options for the Duck Reach site based on a future report.</p> <p>4. Agree that further investigation by Council is predicated upon Hydro Tasmania formally committing to a minimum base flow of 2.5 cumecs which is the current voluntary release by Hydro Tasmania.</p>		

23    **ADVICE OF FUTURE NOTICES OF MOTION**

24    **REPORTS BY THE MAYOR**

25    **REPORTS BY THE GENERAL MANAGER**

26    **CLOSED COUNCIL ITEM(S)**

Nil

27    **MEETING CLOSURE**

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