



City of
LAUNCESTON

COUNCIL MINUTES

**COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2022
1.00pm**

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

Date: 10 February 2022

Time: 1.00pm

Certificate of Qualified Advice

Background

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

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

Certification

I certify that:

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



Michael Stretton
Chief Executive Officer

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- You may speak for up to two minutes, either for or against the Recommendation.
- You may not ask questions or enter into debate with Councillors or Council Officers.
- Your statement is not to be defamatory, inappropriate or abusive, or be intended to embarrass any person, including Councillors or Council Officers.
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**Present: Councillor A M van Zetten (Mayor)
 D C Gibson (Deputy Mayor)
 R I Soward
 D H McKenzie
 J G Cox
 K P Stojansek
 A E Dawkins
 N D Daking
 P S Spencer
 A G Harris
 T G Walker
 K M Preece**

**In Attendance: Mr M Stretton (Chief Executive Officer)
 Ms L Foster (Organisational Services Network)
 Mr S Eberhardt (Infrastructure and Assets Network)
 Mrs K Hartland (Team Leader Governance)
 Mrs A Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)**

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1 OPENING OF MEETING - ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, opened the Meeting at 1.00pm.

2 MAYORAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

The Mayor announced that Launceston restaurant, *Cataract on Paterson*, had been successful in the recent Australian Hotel Association National Awards for outstanding achievement in training.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) - section 48

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

Councillor D H McKenzie declared an interest in Agenda Item 18.1 - Fees and Charges Amendment 2021/2022

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

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

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 27 January 2022 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor D C Gibson, seconded Councillor A G Harris.

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

CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

5 DEPUTATIONS

No Deputations were identified as part of these Minutes

6 PETITIONS

Local Government Act 1993 (Tas) - sections 57 and 58

No Petitions were identified as part of these Minutes

7 COMMUNITY REPORTS

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

7.1 Mr Adam Wheeler (Artistic Director *Tasdance*) and Ms Emma Porteus (Executive Producer *Situate*) - Assembly 197

Mr Wheeler and Ms Porteus presented their vision as *Tasdance* and *Situate* join to become *Assembly 197*, Tasmania's newest live arts centre to be based in Launceston. *Assembly 197* will be the new home of *Stompin'*, *Mudlark* and *Rook's Circus*.

8 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 31

8.1 Public Questions on Notice

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

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

No Public Questions on Notice were identified as part of these Minutes

8.2 Public Questions Without Notice

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

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

8.2.1 Mr Robin Smith - e-Scooter Usage

- 1. Why is the information regarding specific locations (user history) of e-Scooter usage not being passed on to the Council for reference?**

The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, responded by saying that this question will be Taken on Notice and a response provided in the Council Agenda of 24 February 2022.

- 2. Will the Council consider adopting a 10km/h for e-scooter usage on footpaths as is the case in the Hobart trial?**

The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, answered that during the e-scooter trial issues such as that are reviewed and input from the public is most welcome.

- 3. Why is there a delay in use with the no-go zones relative to e-scooter usage and monitoring?**

The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, responded by saying that if Mr Smith is able to provide details of the company, the issue will be raised with them as part of the review.

8.2.2 Mr Robin Smith - Brisbane Street Mall Thylacines

1. [With regard to the three Thylacine statues in front of the National Australia Bank in the Brisbane Street Mall] they are still causing trip issues - is the Council able to consider the same treatment to those as being afforded to others in the Mall?

The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, responded by saying that this would be given due consideration in the review and the final solution will be presented to Council for deliberation.

Under the provisions of the *Land Use Planning and Approvals Act 1993*, Council acts as a Planning Authority in regard to items included in Agenda Item 9 - Planning Authority.

9 PLANNING AUTHORITY

No Development Applications were identified as part of these Minutes

10 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

10.1 Mayor's Announcements

FILE NO: SF2375

Friday 28 January 2022

- Provided official welcome for the *Australian Skate Park League Series* at Royal Park

Saturday 29 January 2022

- Officiated at the naming of *Ariarne Titmus Competition Pool* at the Launceston Aquatic Centre

Wednesday 2 February 2022

- Attended the *Festival of Football* launch

Sunday 6 February 2022

- Attended the *Gold Sovereign Stakes Meeting* at Mowbray
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11 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

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

11.1 Councillor D C Gibson

- Represented Council at a recent **Business Events Tasmania** function noting that the City of Launceston provides financial support for the organisation.
- Attended the naming ceremony for the **Ariane Titmus Competition Pool** and highlighted the mural by local artist, Josh Foley, at the Launceston Aquatic Centre.
- Attended the **Metal Minds Robotics** event in Launceston which celebrated the 10 year anniversary of the competition, noting that Scotch Oakburn will now organise future events.
- Referenced the recent Meeting held at Government House concerning the issue of homelessness.

11.2 Councillor R I Soward

- Noted the **State of the City Report** published in the media which provides accurate data as to the City of Launceston.

11.3 Councillor A G Harris

- Attended a Council/University of Tasmania Workshop and toured the new library at Inveresk.

12 QUESTIONS BY COUNCILLORS**12.1 Questions on Notice**

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 30

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

12.2.1 Councillors' Questions on Notice - Councillor P S Spencer - e-Scooter Cleaning - Council Meeting - 27 January 2022

FILE NO: SF2375

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: Michael Stretton

QUESTIONS and RESPONSES:

The following question, asked at the Council Meeting on 27 January 2022 by Councillor P S Spencer, has been answered by Ms Louise Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network).

Questions:

1. What is the process for e-scooter cleaning?

Response:

The hire and ride e-scooters on trial are operated by private companies, Beam and Neuron, and as such are not contracted by the City of Launceston to provide a service. Both Beam and Neuron operate in many cities across the world and have COVID-19 safety plans in place to protect their riders, their staff and the public. The hire and ride e-scooters are picked up for maintenance, cleaning and relocation at regular intervals.

12.2 Questions Without Notice

Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015 - Regulation 29

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

No Councillor's Questions Without Notice were identified as part of these Minutes

13 COMMITTEE REPORTS

No Committee Reports were identified as part of these Minutes

14 COUNCIL WORKSHOPS

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

14.1 Council Workshop Report

FILE NO: SF4401

AUTHOR: Anthea Rooney (Council and Committees Officer)

GENERAL MANAGER: Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider Council Workshops conducted since the last Council Meeting.

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Workshops conducted on 3 February 2022:

City of Launceston Tender Process

Councillors discussed a potential Notice of Motion concerning the Council's current tender process.

Northern Tasmania Development Corporation

Councillors discussed progress of the Northern Tasmania Development Corporation (NTDC) against the current member's agreement and consider the Council's position in a future agreement.

Inveresk Parking Controls

Councillors considered an amendment to the 2021/2022 fees and charges by removing the discounted all day parking fee and implementing a maximum time limit at the Inveresk Car Park.

Parking By-Laws

Councillors were provided with an update on the by-laws making process as it applies to the Council's parking controls. Feedback was sought as to the appropriateness of two proposed by-laws.

Launceston Health Hub

Councillors were provided with an update from Launceston Health Hub representatives on an upcoming development proposal.

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

Ms L Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor D C Gibson, seconded Councillor R I Soward.

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

CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

15 NOTICES OF MOTION

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

No Notices of Motion were identified as part of these Minutes

16 COMMUNITY AND PLACE NETWORK ITEMS

No Items were identified as part of these Minutes

17 CREATIVE ARTS AND CULTURAL SERVICES NETWORK ITEMS

No Items were identified as part of these Minutes

18 INFRASTRUCTURE AND ASSETS NETWORK ITEMS

18.1 Fees and Charges Amendment 2021/2022

FILE NO: SF2968

AUTHOR: David Mullenger (Manager Health and Compliance)

GENERAL MANAGER: Dan Ryan (Community and Place Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider an amendment to the adopted Fees and Charges for 2021/2022 and removal of all day parking fee and implementation of maximum time limit at the Inveresk carpark.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Workshop - 3 February 2022 - Fees and Charges Amendment 2021/2022

Council - 22 April 2021 - Agenda Item 19.2 - 2021/2022 Council Fees

Workshop - 1 April 2021 - 2021/2022 Budget Statutory Estimates and Annual Plan

Workshop - 4 February 2021 - Draft 2021/2022 Operational Budget and Fees and Charges

RECOMMENDATION:

That, pursuant to section 205 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), Council approves the amendments to the adopted Fees and Charges for 2021/2022 and the introduction of a three hour limit for parking within the Inveresk half-circle carpark.

1. Inveresk all day Parking Fee - amended fee setting as shown below:

Fee Number	Fee Description	Existing Fee (\$)	Recommended New Fee (\$)
126	All day parking fee	\$5	N/A - no longer offered

Mr M Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

Due to a conflict of interest in Agenda Item 18.1 - Fees and Charges Amendment 2021/2022, Councillor D H McKenzie withdrew from the Meeting at 1.23pm.

18.1 Fees and Charges Amendment 2021/2022 ...(Cont'd)

DECISION: 10 February 2022**MOTION****Moved Councillor G Harris, seconded Councillor P S Spencer.****That the Motion, as per the Recommendation to Council, be adopted.****CARRIED 11:0****FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece****ABSENT DUE to DECLARATION of INTEREST: Councillor D H McKenzie****Councillor D H McKenzie re-attended the Meeting at 1.32pm**

18.2 Proposed Traffic Safety Measures, Gorge Road and Trevallyn Road, Trevallyn**FILE NO:** SF1496/SF2075/SF5547**AUTHORS:** Nigel Coates (Engineering Officer Traffic) and Nick Browne (Team Leader Roads and Traffic)**GENERAL MANAGER:** Shane Eberhardt (Infrastructure and Assets Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider recommendations for the management of traffic in Trevallyn and Gorge Roads, Trevallyn to address crashes on record, traffic speeds and safety concerns.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 11 February 2021 - Agenda Item 15.1 - Notice of Motion - Traffic Calming on Gorge and Trevallyn Roads - Councillor A E Dawkins

Workshop - 13 May 2021 - Presentation of traffic safety issues and options for Gorge and Trevallyn Road

Workshop - 2 December 2021 - Consideration of recommendations for management of traffic on Trevallyn and Gorge Roads, Trevallyn to address crashes on record, traffic speeds and safety concerns.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council endorses the following actions:

- to be undertaken within the next 12 months:
 - install 50km/h signage [*installed on 28 October 2021*];
 - install centreline reflectors;
 - install sharrow bicycle symbol line marking;
 - develop an education campaign referencing driving on narrow and hilly city streets as part of the broader education campaign in the Launceston Transport Strategy Work Plan;
 - selectively trim vegetation to improve sight lines;
 - undertake improvements to existing safety barriers to ensure safe operation in line with current standards;
 - monitor vehicle speeds following completion of short term improvements;
 - develop initial design concepts and test feasibility of a raised junction at South Esk Road, Trevallyn; and
 - request the Transport Commission to reduce the speed limit on Gorge Road and Trevallyn Road to 40km/h.
 - conduct a risk assessment to identify hazards that can be relocated successfully.
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18.2 Proposed Traffic Safety Measures, Gorge Road and Trevallyn Road, Trevallyn ... (Cont'd)

- to be undertaken beyond 12 months and incorporate into future capital works programs:
 - identify feasible opportunities to widen footpaths;
 - dependant on initial feasibility findings, undertake further design work for the construction of a raised intersection platform at the Trevallyn/South Esk Road, Trevallyn junction.
 - identify a suitable location for a formal pedestrian crossing point in the vicinity of Trevallyn Road/South Esk Road, Trevallyn;
 - improve lighting on the flat section of Trevallyn Road, Trevallyn; and
 - investigate accelerating the reseal of Gorge Road hill with skid resistant asphalt.
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Mr M Stretton (Chief Executive Officer) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor A E Dawkins, seconded Councillor J G Cox.

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

CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

19 ORGANISATIONAL SERVICES NETWORK ITEMS

19.1 2021/2022 Budget - Budget Amendments

FILE NO: SF6817/SF7334

AUTHOR: Nathan Williams (Manager Finance)

GENERAL MANAGER: Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

For Council to:

1. consider changes to the Council's 2021/2022 Statutory Estimates.

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

2. consider adjustments made during 1 November to 31 December 2021 by the Chief Executive Officer to the 2021/2022 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council:

1. pursuant to section 82(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas) and by an absolute majority, approves the following changes to the 2021/2022 Statutory Estimates:
 - (a) Revenue
 - i. the net increase in revenue from external grants and contributions of \$243,063.
 - (b) Expenses
 - i. the net increase in operations expenditure of \$10,040.
 - (c) Capital Works Expenditure
 - i. the net increase in expenditure from external funds of \$243,063.
 - ii. the net decrease in the Council's funded expenditure of \$10,040.
 2. notes that amendments from Recommendation 1. result in:
 - (a) the underlying operating surplus being amended to \$11,587,432 (excludes capital grants of \$18,785,112) for 2021/2022.
 - (b) the capital budget being increased to \$41,789,405 for 2021/2022.
 3. pursuant to section 82(7) of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas), receives the Chief Executive Officer's report on adjustments to the 2021/2022 budget for the period 1 November to 31 December 2021.
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19.1 2021/2022 Budget - Budget Amendments ...(Cont'd)

Ms L Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

During debate, Councillor T G Walker asked if the additional \$100,000 identified as an additional cost in the Northern Carpark Management System to cover CCTV, Network and Fibre installation was a shared costing. Bearing in mind that this is shared with the University, is this a shared cost with the University of Tasmania and what impact will that additional \$100,000 have on long term balance of the investment.

Mr M Stretton (Chief Executive Officer), responded by saying he would need to clarify details and would take the Question on Notice. A response will be provided in the Council Agenda of 24 February 2022.

19.1 2021/2022 Budget - Budget Amendments ...(Cont'd)

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor R I Soward, seconded Councillor D H McKenzie.

That Council:

1. pursuant to section 82(4) of the *Local Government Act 1993 (Tas)* and by an absolute majority, approves the following changes to the 2021/2022 Statutory Estimates:
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CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

19.2 City of Launceston Annual Plan 2021/2022 - Progress Against Annual Plan Actions for Period Ending 31 December 2021

FILE NO: SF6811

AUTHOR: Courtney Osborne (Corporate Performance and Planning Officer)

GENERAL MANAGER: Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider the progress against the Council's 2021/2022 Annual Plan Actions for the period ending 31 December 2021.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 17 June 2021 - Agenda Item 19.3 - City of Launceston Annual Plan 2021/2022

Council - 4 November 2021 - Agenda Item 19.1 - City of Launceston Annual Plan 2021/2022 - Progress Against Annual Plan Actions for Period Ending 30 September 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council notes progress against 2021/2022 Annual Plan Actions for the period ending 31 December 2021:

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

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

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

Focus Area: To develop and consistently utilise contemporary and effective community engagement processes		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement a rolling program of proactive community engagement through <i>Tomorrow Together</i> .	Organisational Services	80%
Comment		
Final theme (A Sustainable Council) from the original program to be completed by May 2022. Planning for next program of engagement almost completed ready for implementation in 2022/2023.		

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Focus Area: To develop and consistently utilise contemporary and effective community engagement processes		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop a Community Engagement - Policy, Strategy, Framework and Toolkit.	Organisational Services	70%
Comment		
Internal familiarisation and implementation underway. Training sessions have commenced with Teams across organisation.		
Focus Area: To lead the implementation of the Greater Launceston Plan via collaborative and constructive relationships with our regional partners		
Action	Network	% Complete
Work with regional partners to complete the review of the Greater Launceston Plan (GLP). Provide an agreed vision and evidence based plan to guide sustainable development of the GLP area over the medium and longer-term horizons, which is supported by all member Councils.	Organisational Services	20%
Comment		
Expression of Interest process commenced in consultation with Steering Committee. Indications are additional funding will be required to complete project scope, identification of grant funding opportunities has commenced.		
Focus Area: To advocate and collaborate to enhance regionally significant services and infrastructure for the benefit of our communities		
Action	Network	% Complete
Complete a Regional Sports Facility Plan in conjunction with sporting clubs, the State Government and neighbouring councils.	Infrastructure and Assets	10%
Comment		
A consultant has been appointed and we are working with Northern Tasmania Development Corporation and our neighbouring councils on reviewing data and developing a stakeholder engagement plan.		
Focus Area: To advocate and collaborate to enhance regionally significant services and infrastructure for the benefit of our communities		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop and implement an effective advocacy strategy for the State and Federal elections.	Chief Executive Officer	98%
Comment		
Based on the Council's Four Year Delivery Plan, advocacy on the Council's priority projects has been occurring with the State and Federal Governments and more recently, specifically with the sitting Federal member and announced Labor candidate.		

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

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

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

Focus Area: To actively market the City and region and pursue investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop and progress Smart Cities initiatives.	Organisational Services	70%
Comment		
Initial tranche of smart city initiatives developed under the Greater Launceston Transformation Plan are well underway with considerable number implemented. Work is underway to review and engage the organisation in next stages of future activities.		
Focus Area: To actively market the City and region and pursue investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implementation of outcomes of City Prom review.	Organisational Services	70%
Comment		
On schedule for June 2022 completion.		
Focus Area: To provide an environment that is supportive to business and development within the municipality.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Review and implement Sister Cities Engagement Program.	Organisational Services	70%
Comment		
Review completed and recommendations being implemented. Significant engagement planned for final quarter of 2021.		
Focus Area: To provide an environment that is supportive to business and development within the municipality.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Review <i>Horizon 2021</i> - Economic Development Plan.	Organisational Services	80%
Comment		
Review complete and revised Economic Development Plan draft due to be finalised by mid-2022.		

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

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

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

Focus Area: To provide for the health, safety and welfare of the community.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue to support the long-term recovery of the Municipal Area in light of the COVID-19 pandemic.	Chief Executive Officer	50%
Comment		
In many ways, the Launceston economy is performing well despite the impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The obvious sectors still impacted are our tourism and hospitality operators and the Council is supportive of the State Government's initiatives, such as the travel voucher programs, to assist this sector. The Council is continuing to work with the State Government to implement measures to ensure that COVID-19 vaccination rates across Launceston achieve the national and State benchmarks. The Council is working within the State Government's roadmap for easing COVID-19 restrictions in the State.		
Focus Area: To fairly and equitably discharge our statutory and governance obligations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Provide information and advice to prospective Councillor candidates and support the Tasmanian Electoral Commission in the delivery of the Local Government election.	Organisational Services	Not Started
Comment		
Not yet commenced.		
Focus Area: To ensure decisions are made on the basis of accurate and relevant information.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Level of Service Planning Stage 1 • Develop a project plan to document service levels, review appropriateness of services, and engage with the community around expectations.	Organisational Services	5%

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Comment		
Scoping has commenced. Extension to contract role approved by the Executive Leadership Team, recruitment to commence first quarter 2022.		
Focus Area: To continually improve our service delivery via a continuous improvement mindset, pursuing efficiency gains and adopting technological and other process innovations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Organisational Cultural Development Roadmap • Continue to implement an organisational development program.	Organisational Services	50%
Comment		
The Cultural Roadmap has been updated and endorsed by Executive Leadership Team (ELT) and Senior Leadership Team (SLT).		
The Values Champions group is working really well and have moved to a model of encouraging members of the group to take on additional responsibility eg. Chairing, taking minutes, special projects and the next value of <i>we care about our community</i> has been endorsed by ELT.		
A Values in Action initiative was completed to recognise employees demonstrating our values and this was well received with nominees receiving a letter from the Chief Executive Officer just prior to Christmas.		
The Leadership Development Framework has been further developed, with further progression of some initiatives eg. Team Leader cohort.		
Forty of our leaders have participated in <i>The Foundation Leaders Program</i> .		
A tool for the Organisational Alignment Project Review was developed for use by ELT. Our provider for the Cultural Survey has been selected with the survey scheduled to be conducted in May 2022.		
Focus Area: To continually improve our service delivery via a continuous improvement mindset, pursuing efficiency gains and adopting technological and other process innovations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Commence development of a Business Performance Measurement framework, as well as Strategic, Operational and Community satisfaction focused KPIs which can be tracked in a consistent manner and reported on.	Organisational Services	5%

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Comment		
Investigation has commenced. Project slowed due to competing priorities.		
Focus Area: To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the recommendations of the UTAS Stadium Future Direction Plan.	Chief Executive Officer	70%
Comment		
The Council's Officers are currently working with the State Government to form the new entity <i>Stadiums Tasmania</i> which will assume ownership of the UTAS Stadium. It is envisaged that this will occur towards the end of 2022. Additionally, the Council's Officers are also assisting the State Government in the preparation of the re-development plans for the Stadium to increase the seating capacity to 24,000. Advocacy efforts are still occurring with the State and Federal Governments to deliver funding for the Indoor sport and entertainment facility which is recommended in the Plan.		
Focus Area: To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement Recommendations of the QVMAG Futures Plan.	Chief Executive Officer	50%
Comment		
The Council's Officers have been working with the State Government to achieve a common position on the QVMAG Futures Plan. The Plan is currently in the process of being revised and is expected to be finalised and formally considered by Council in early 2022		
Focus Area: To maintain a financially sustainable organisation.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop a Future Workforce Planning Framework.	Organisational Services	15%
Comment		
Research has been conducted. A paper was presented to the Executive Leadership Team in December 2021 with the approach endorsed. A Project Plan for the project has been developed and is awaiting approval by the General Manager (GM) Organisational Services Network (OSN). Engagement sessions with members of the Senior Leadership Team are currently being planned.		

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

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

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

Focus Area: To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop and implement an improvement plan for Princess Theatre and Earl Arts Centre upgrade implementation.	Infrastructure and Assets	2%
Comment		
A high level Masterplan has been developed and Councillors and key stakeholders have been engaged with design feedback being sought. External and internal traffic advice has been provided on the impact to Earl Street and the proposed foyer. Waiting to reengage with architects on this component.		
Focus Area: To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Undertake review of the City of Launceston Open Space Strategy.	Infrastructure and Assets	Not Started
Comment		
Commencement of this project will occur in late 2021/2022 due to internal resourcing constraints.		
Focus Area: To continue to offer an attractive network of parks, open spaces and facilities throughout Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Commence Albert Hall renewal.	Infrastructure and Assets	15%
Comment		
Conservation management plan and impact assessment is complete. Design for mechanical and audio visual are complete and about to be released for tender. Architects are 75% through detailed design in preparation for quantity surveying and lodgement of the Development Application. Negotiations with current tenants are underway.		
Focus Area: To support the central business district (CBD) and commercial areas as activity places during day and night.		

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Action	Network	%Complete
Launceston City Heart - Design and engage on projects including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paterson Street urban upgrade. • St John Street removal of bus stops and urban upgrade. • Traffic changes to support City Heart. 	Community and Place	90%
Comment		
Concept Design is in the final stages of design. This has been developed following extensive community consultation, together with stakeholder input and best practice design. The application for <i>Building Better Regions Funding</i> is currently underway		
Focus Area: To support the central business district (CBD) and commercial areas as activity places during day and night.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Prepare for Launceston City Heart CBD traffic changes.	Infrastructure and Assets	10%
Comment		
Preliminary intersection and streetscape layout determined based on required traffic function.		
Focus Area: To support the central business district (CBD) and commercial areas as activity places during day and night.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue work on the Launceston City Heart Transport Hub.	Infrastructure and Assets	2%
Comment		
Pre-functional design with associated estimate complete. Investigation and design for required pavement works in Dechaineux Way commenced.		
Focus Area: To support the central business district (CBD) and commercial areas as activity places during day and night.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Deliver Redevelopment of the former Birchalls Building.	Chief Executive Officer	25%
Comment		
The Expression of Interest (EoI) process to identify a preferred proponent and re-development proposal is still live and is currently awaiting determination of the dispute in respect to the Paterson Street central carpark site. Once there is certainty on the future of this site, the Council will be able to finalise the EoI process and move into the next phase of the project to re-develop the Birchalls Building.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		

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Action	Network	% Complete
Launceston Heritage List Review and Precincts • Continue review of the City of Launceston's local heritage list.	Community and Place	75%
Comment		
The proposed Local Heritage Place and Precinct listings from Stage 1 have been advertised as part of the Local Provisions Schedule for the new Tasmanian Planning Scheme and datasheets for Stages 2, 3 and 4 Places have been prepared for consultation. Preparation for review of Stage 5 Places is underway. A project plan for completion of documents for remaining precincts and associated community consultation is being developed.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Complete implementation of the <i>TASMANAC</i> Tourism Information Platform in collaboration with State partners.	Creative Arts and Cultural Services	50%
Comment		
Project has been put on hold by state partners due to resourcing constraints. The Tasmanian Museum and Art Gallery (TMAG) have confirmed they will be managing this project separately through to delivery. The Queen Victoria Museum and Art Gallery's (QVMAG) inputs for the initial content ingestion have been completed.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Complete implementation of the Digital Culture Experience in collaboration with State partners • Collection Management System (DCE). • <i>Augmented Reality Education App</i> .	Creative Arts and Cultural Services	75%
Comment		
<i>Augmented Reality Education App</i> has been completed and is awaiting go live pending Department of Education/State Growth decision on hosting and maintenance. The acceptance certificate for the Collection Management System and Collections Search interface have been issued. Partners are now working through system configuration, functional refinements, data migration and establishment of a Heads of Agreement in order for the system to move into the production (live) environment.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		

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Action	Network	% Complete
QVMAG Collection Audit • Continue to create consistent and accessible records for each asset/object.	Creative Arts and Cultural Services	5%
Comment		
The Collection Audit is ongoing. The team's focus is on the Visual Art and Design collection with work progressing on the Works on Paper (WOP) and the Ceramic collections. A total of 7,431 items have been audited as of 31 December 2021. The Audit Technician has resigned from their full time position with their last day being 20 December 2021. This provides an opportunity to review and realign this role.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Plan and launch new exhibitions of QVMAG permanent collections with a focus on contemporary and local stories • Open Storage - Inveresk. • Main Gallery - Royal Park.	Creative Arts and Cultural Services	65%
Comment		
New permanent displays opened at the Art Gallery at Royal Park on 31 July 2021. Planning for the Open Storage display at Inveresk is underway. The foyer area of Inveresk will display type collections that have never been publicly exhibited while the Plant Shop store is being remodelled to allow Open Days for the public.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Commence implementation of the Cultural Strategy for the City of Launceston.	Community and Place	50%
Comment		
50% of Year 1 actions from the Strategy have already been implemented, including establishment of the Cultural Advisory Committee, which will make recommendations for a final implementation plan. The Cultural Advisory Committee has now met twice and is in the process of further refining an action plan for the next four years.		
Focus Area: To promote and enhance Launceston's rich heritage, culture and natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Launceston Place Brand implementation.	Community and Place	90%

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Comment
All creative concepts have been finalised, an implementation plan developed, stakeholders engaged for initial partnerships and rollout and a policy developed to ensure consistent and appropriate use of Place Brand, Corporate Brand and in certain situations, both. The policy will be presented to Council with a recommendation for adoption very soon. (status as at 11 January 2022)

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

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

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

Focus Area: To plan for and provide services and facilities that recognise the changing demographics and needs of our community.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement Council commitments from the <i>My Place My Future</i> Plan.	Community and Place	35%
Comment		
With a new officer in the role, implementation is well underway. The second series of the <i>Ignite Us</i> leadership program has is going extremely well; the public WiFi project continues to rollout, there is a focus on anti-hooring and potential grant applications are being looked at for some of the bigger projects identified.		
Focus Area: To define and communicate our role in promoting social inclusion and equity.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Development of a Social Inclusion Framework.	Community and Place	30%
Comment		
This project has recommenced and an initial workshop has been held with the Senior Leadership Team.		
Focus Area: To define and communicate our role in promoting social inclusion and equity.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop a Council wide Aboriginal Partnership Plan.	Chief Executive Officer	20%

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Comment		
The Council's Officers have undertaken preliminary consultation with several stakeholders concerning the development of an Aboriginal Partnership Plan to frame up the Council's approach. This approach has been workshopped with the Councillors.		
Focus Area: To define and communicate our role in promoting social inclusion and equity.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop an action plan under the Access Framework for Action.	Community and Place	100%
Comment		
The 2021/2022 Action Plan has been developed and endorsed by the Access Advisory Committee.		
Focus Area: To define and communicate our role in promoting social inclusion and equity.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the action plan for the Access Framework.	Community and Place	50%
Comment		
Half the actions from the 2021/2022 Action Plan have been implemented, with quarterly reporting to the Access Advisory Committee and support for many of the actions from many departments across the Council. Development of the 2022/2023 Action Plan will commence at the Committee's February Meeting.		
Focus Area: To work in partnership with community organisations and other levels of government to maximise participation opportunities for vulnerable and diverse members of the community.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue to roll out the <i>ABCDE</i> Learning Sites community development program to communities across the municipality.	Community and Place	50%
Comment		
Project work in the Kings Meadows <i>ABCDE</i> Learning Site is well progressed. Community builder sessions have commenced, stakeholders engaged and the main workshop held with Peter Kenyon in November 2021.		
Focus Area: To develop and manage infrastructure and resources to protect our community from natural and other hazards.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Develop Planning Controls for Levee Protected Areas.	Community and Place	50%
Comment		
Community survey and flood risk analysis completed. Work commenced on the draft planning provisions.		

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

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

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

Focus Area: To reduce our and the community's impact on the natural environment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the City of Launceston Sustainability Strategy and Carbon Reduction Plan to achieve carbon neutrality and sourcing 100% renewable energy for the Council's owned buildings by 2025.	Infrastructure and Assets	50%
Comment		
Carbon reduction plan has been developed and approved by the Council. Priority actions underway and in sight for asset owner groups with respect to upcoming budget setting process. It is intended that the Sustainability Action Plan will be put to Council for adoption in February 2022.		
Focus Area: To contribute to air and river quality improvements in Launceston.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Support the Tamar Estuary Management Taskforce. Provide technical support for TasWater/NRM in implementation of the kanamaluka/Tamar Estuary River Health Action Plan (catchment management and combined system improvements, public education and policy development).	Infrastructure and Assets	75%
Comment		
Technical support is being provided as required.		

19.2 City of Launceston Annual Plan 2021/2022 - Progress Against Annual Plan Actions for Period Ending 31 December 2021 ...(Cont'd)

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

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

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

Focus Area: To ensure that our application of the land-use planning system at a local and regional level is effective and efficient.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Launceston Planning Scheme, Local Provisions Schedule.	Community and Place	80%
Comment		
Advertising of the draft scheme completed and analysis of the submissions underway. Tasmanian Planning Commission hearings are likely to be held later in the year or early in 2022.		
Focus Area: To take a strategic approach to development sites and infrastructure investment within the municipality to maximise public benefit and encourage development and investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Commence project to identify highest and best use of the Council's owned buildings and land.	Organisational Services	10%
Comment		
Internal working group established and development of framework has commenced.		
Focus Area: To take a strategic approach to development sites and infrastructure investment within the municipality to maximise public benefit and encourage development and investment.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Northern Regional Land Use Strategy Review.	Community and Place	100%
Comment		
Stage one review completed. Work commenced on preparation for a broader review in conjunction with Northern Tasmania Development Corporation and Tasmanian Government.		
Focus Area: To take a strategic approach to development sites and infrastructure investment within the municipality to maximise public benefit and encourage development and investment.		

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Action	Network	% Complete
Develop a Place Making Framework.	Community and Place	10%
Comment		
The Place Making team held a workshop to progress this in December 2021, with a view to complete the Framework by the end of financial year.		
Focus Area: To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Implement the Launceston Transport Strategy.	Infrastructure and Assets	75%
Comment		
The Launceston Transport Strategy (LTS) work plan has been completed to complement the LTS. The initiatives contained within the work plan are in various stages of completion. Significant progress has been made on the shared micro-mobility trial with preferred vendors selected, transport committee terms of reference drafted and the planning work complete for a speed limit review for our high activity centres.		
Focus Area: To improve and maintain accessibility, transport options and infrastructure within the Launceston area, including its rural areas.		
Action	Network	% Complete
Continue work on South Prospect Residential Growth Strategy and Masterplan.	Community and Place	75%
Comment		
Preliminary work to support a rezoning is at an advanced stage.		
Focus Area: To ensure our suite of strategic planning initiatives are coordinated and representative of our community's needs and aspirations.		
Action	Network	% Complete
City Deal Agreement: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to work with the Commonwealth and State Governments to successfully implement all of the City of Launceston's commitments under the City Deal program to deliver a range of economic and social benefits to the City. 	Chief Executive Officer	50%

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Comment		
<p>Work on Launceston City Deal projects is continuing. The Launceston City Deal Three Year Review Report and the 2021 Annual Progress Report were released in November 2021.</p>		
<p>The Executive Board Meeting and a joint Community and Business Advisory Group (CBAG) and Executive Board Meeting were held on 8 November 2021.</p>		
<p>City Deal Metrics: The National Cities Performance Framework (NCPF), managed by the Australian Government is designed to measure how well cities are performing. The NCPF completed a three-year review in 2021 which identified a need for new products. The City of Launceston will provide input to these data needs.</p>		
<p>The recommendation in the Launceston City Deal Three-Year Review for the University of Tasmania (UTAS) to no longer form part of the Executive Board has been actioned. The University of Tasmania was thanked for their work on the Launceston City Deal to date. The UTAS continue to be recognised as a significant stakeholder in the Launceston City Deal and their valuable and ongoing contribution acknowledged and appreciated. The Executive Board now comprises Australian Government - Cities Division and Department of Educations, Skills and Employment; the Tasmanian Government and the City of Launceston.</p>		
<p>The joint CBAG and Executive Board meeting affirmed CBAG's role as community facing and to provide insights and advice to the Executive Board. .</p>		
<p>Focus Area: To ensure our suite of strategic planning initiatives are coordinated and representative of our community's needs and aspirations.</p>		
Action	Network	% Complete
City Deal Agreement - determination of projects for additional five years.	Chief Executive Officer	50%
Comment		
<p>Research and analysis on potential projects is progressing.</p>		
<p>The Council's contribution is on track to meet the mid-2022 completion date for the 2022 to 2027 Implementation Plan.</p>		

Ms L Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

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DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor D H McKenzie, seconded Councillor R I Soward.

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

CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

19.3 Lease - Launceston BMX Club Inc.

FILE NO: SF0892

AUTHOR: Tricia De Leon-Hillier (Lease and Licencing Officer)

GENERAL MANAGER: Louise Foster (Organisational Services Network)

DECISION STATEMENT:

To consider leasing part of an area of land situated at 240 St Leonards Road, St Leonards part of CT103535/1 to the Launceston BMX Club Inc.

This decision requires an absolute majority of Council.

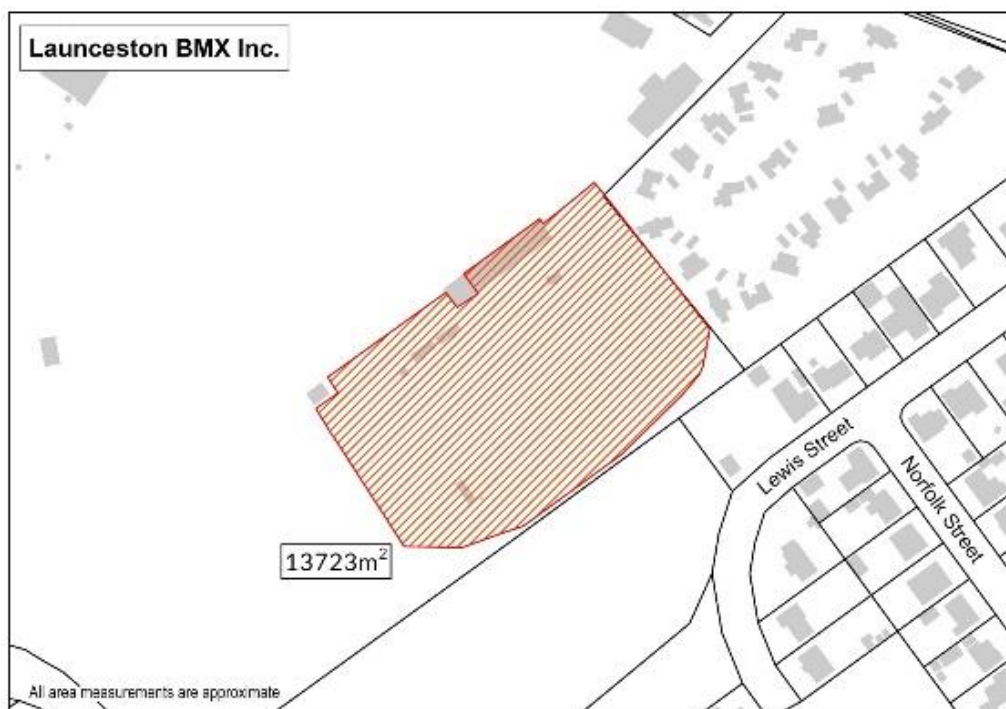
PREVIOUS COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

Council - 13 February 2017 - Agenda Item 18.1 - Launceston BMX Club Lease

RECOMMENDATION:

That Council, by absolute majority, pursuant to section 178 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas):

1. leases a parcel of land situated at 240 St Leonards Road, St Leonards part of CT103535/1 to the Launceston BMX Club Inc. as indicated on the plan below:



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2. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to enter into a formal lease under the following terms:
 - the term shall be five years commencing on 1 March 2022 or as determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
 - the lease amount shall be \$1 per annum if demanded;
 - tenant to be responsible for:
 - energy costs;
 - volumetric and connection charges for water;
 - contents insurance; and
 - other service charges if any.
 - tenant shall continuously maintain:
 - any infrastructure or any infrastructure installed by the tenant or council in relation to the tenant's occupation;
 - and keep clear all noxious growth from premises;
 - building in good and reasonable order; and
 - public liability insurance of at least \$20 million.
 - the exact dimensions of land to be leased and all remaining terms to be determined by the Chief Executive Officer.
 3. authorises the Chief Executive Officer to exercise any right, option or discretion exercisable by Council under the lease.
 4. notes, for the avoidance of doubt, Chief Executive Officer is a term of reference for the General Manager as appointed by Council pursuant to section 61 of the *Local Government Act 1993* (Tas).
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Ms L Foster (General Manager Organisational Services Network) and Mr S Eberhardt (General Manager Infrastructure and Assets Network) was in attendance to answer questions of Council in respect of this Agenda Item.

19.3 Lease - Launceston BMX Club Inc. ...(Cont'd)

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor R I Soward, seconded Councillor D C Gibson.

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

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

20 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NETWORK ITEMS

No Items were identified as part of these Minutes

21 CLOSED COUNCIL

This decision requires an absolute majority of Council

RECOMMENDATION:

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

21.1 Confirmation of the Minutes

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

21.2 Notice of Motion - Councillor T G Walker - *Building Better Regions Fund Grant*

Regulation 15(2) of the *Local Government (Meeting Procedures) Regulations 2015* states that a part of a meeting may be closed to the public to discuss:
(g) information of a personal and confidential nature or information provided to the council on the condition it is kept confidential.

DECISION: 10 February 2022**MOTION**

Moved Councillor R I Soward, seconded Councillor J G Cox.

That Council moves into Closed Session.

CARRIED BY ABSOLUTE MAJORITY 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

Council moved into Closed Session at 2.02pm.
Council returned to Open Session at 2.34pm.

21.3 End of Closed Session

RECOMMENDATION:

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

Minutes Item	Matter	Brief Description
21.1	<i>Closed Council Minutes - 16 December 2021.</i>	<i>Confirmation of the Minutes of the Closed Meeting of the City of Launceston Council held on 16 December 2021.</i>
21.2	<i>Building Better Regions Fund Grant.</i>	<i>Councillors discussed issues related to the Building Better Regions Fund Grant.</i>

DECISION: 10 February 2022

MOTION

Moved Councillor R I Soward, seconded Councillor P S Spencer.

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

CARRIED 12:0

FOR VOTE: Mayor Councillor A M van Zetten, Deputy Mayor Councillor D C Gibson, Councillor R I Soward, Councillor D H McKenzie, Councillor J G Cox, Councillor K P Stojansek, Councillor A E Dawkins, Councillor N D Daking, Councillor P S Spencer, Councillor A G Harris, Councillor T G Walker and Councillor K M Preece

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The Mayor, Councillor A M van Zetten, closed the Meeting at 2.35pm.
